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HIS ALIBI.

He Wanted to Know Where He Was When He Was Where He Was.

It was out in the far west, John Connor had just received a missive summoning him before the local judicial luminary for assaulting one Pete Hayes. He was in a quandary, and being so thought he would consult Mr. Tirrell, the only lawyer the district could boast of. Fortunately the man of law was at home, but unfortunately he had to act in an important case at a some distance away on the day when Mr. Connor would be arraigned.

"But what am I to do, sir?" John pleaded helplessly.

"Prove an alibi, man," Mr. Tirrell says. "Yes, show that you were at some other place when the assault took place."

After racking his brains, which (not being overburdened in that respect) did not take very long, John thinks he can manage it. He has a mate in a distant settlement who he says, will stand by him. The lawyer tells him that formally is one of the essentials to success, and having imparted to him instructions as to how he is to proceed, so as to appear most impressive at the hearing of the case, John takes his departure, with a much lighter heart.

The eventful day arrives. The evidence for the prosecution, which seems absolutely conclusive, has terminated, and all eyes are fixed on John. Slowly and solemnly he rises, trying to combine an air of injured innocence with that of dignified unconcern, and in an impressive voice says:

"Call Ted Isaac."

A rough, uncouth figure, who was dramatically looking at the bald head of the dispenser of justice, rose from a seat next to John himself and took the oath. John, having managed to get proper hold of his voice, commences:

"Your name is—"

"I do, sir."

"You have heard the evidence given of an assault on Pete Hayes outside the White Hart?"

"I've heard it, sir."

"You have known me for a long time, and you can swear to me identity?"

"Oh, that I can, sir."

"You remember the day of the alleged occurrence?"

"Yes, sir."

"Now, remember you are on your oath as to the whole truth and nothing but the truth."

"Yes, sir."

"Where was I when I struck Pete Hayes outside the White Hart?"—T. B. B.

Her Trust in Vaccination and Prayer. Here is a little story, the incident being given to us during the smallpox period, when Winstead was buried in gloom. It happened when things were at the worst, and it occurred in the household of Mr. Benjamin Richards on John street. Mr. Richards has a little daughter, and she took it to heart quite forcibly because the churches were all closed, and so she dressed herself in some of her mother's clothes one Sunday morning, and perching upon the stairs proceeded to hold church service. The little tot was choir and soprano and preacher, all in one, nor any of us. O Lord, we've all been vaccinated, and the working be-a-u-ti-fully on all of us.

We are pleased to state that the prayer was answered, and that the little tot and all of her family came through the ordeal in good order.—Winstead Citizen.

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THE ROSE OF CHATHAM.

By MAURICE THOMPSON.

Naturally enough they often talked the matter over, frequently resolving that they would make an end of it by telling him kindly and firmly that they would prefer to be left entirely to themselves, but, as often when he came, in his dignified and calmly courteous way, to inquire about their health or to report some necessary details touching the affairs of his estate, it was quite impossible not to treat his kindness with a certain degree of gentle consideration.

Never once did he in the slightest degree treat himself as if he were entitled to be treated as a friend or even a familiar acquaintance.

So the time passed on from spring to summer and from summer to autumn. Early in September the fleet of Count d'Esting appeared off Tybee Island, and forthwith the British commander at Savannah made ready for a desperate defense.

Major Gen. Prescott had been expecting the movement to begin early in the season and had not pushed to completion the defenses that he had planned.

Now, however, he displayed great energy in finishing those works which would cover Savannah to the eastward and southward. He ran his little fleet, consisting of four brig ships, up the river so as to have them assist him in defending the town, sent dispatches to Port Royal Island, ordering his forces there to march forthwith to join him, and drawing in all his outpost detachments concentrated every available man within the lines of defense. While this was going on the American general, Lincoln, was massing his little army with a view to co-operating with d'Esting in the attack.

It was exhilarating news to Rose when she heard of the approaching struggle. She felt sure that Prescott would be with Lincoln's army, and somehow the thought of being close to him, of being able to turn now to him in her heart, was a great comfort.

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could never come to. This was enough. All her nature rose in aid of her determination to give her life for her country, to suffer, to die with them. Would that she were well! With every moment her determination that this was a duty fixed itself more firmly in her heart; and so she sat about preparing for the undertaking, which to her seemed strangely to be of keeping with her nature and scarcely justifiable.

CHAPTER VII.

Grampus felt upon his knees. On the night of the 28th of October, or probably after midnight, which could make it the 29th in the early morning, while a great calm and stillness lay over the town and over the two armies, which each other as if with bated breath, Rose Fenwick, accompanied by a lady old negro man servant, quietly took her home and started away, leaving the town and its defenses to the direction of her father's plantation, some miles distant.

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they floundered through a dense watery thicket of low bushes, finally reaching another path (invisible save to the eyes of Grampus) which led toward the lines. Soon again they were halted, for they came near going plunging against a group of soldiers occupying a little rise of dry ground, where an officer appeared to be at work writing, reading a dispatch or examining a map, at all events he was leaning over a paper of some kind, while soldier held a minute pine torch close beside his face.

"Got ter try 'em again," whispered the old negro, "bead down low on walk mightier, or dey git us sho."

The night was not cold; in the swamp it was almost sultry, and swarms of mosquitoes hummed in the air and attacked every spot of face, neck or hands where the skin was uncovered. Grampus did not care for these; but to Rose it would have been torture unbearable in any lighter stress of circumstances.

Progress was extremely slow. It seemed that at almost every step Grampus hesitated, faltered and listened, turning now this way, now that, and peering through the hideous gloom at the little twinkling lights which now and again gleamed for a second between the great tree boles and the low swinging masses of funeral mists. Rose's skirts were torn and her feet wet; her hands and face were bleeding from the scratches of thorns and the sting of insects; but she was unaware of it. Her whole nature was concentrated in what she was doing.

Grampus knew that the time was passing rapidly, and that if he did not hurry daylight would find them before they had passed the British lines. Still it was quite impossible to do more than he was doing.

When presently they reached a small, deep channel in which flowed a small, sluggish stream the negro turned, and saying, "Mute 'tote 'tote cross, Miss Rose," lifted her as if she had been a child and bore her to the other side.

They were now on higher ground at the edge of an open marsh meadow or field of some sort, and they clearly saw a line of lights flickering along the opposite margin.

"Halt for skirt 'tote de edge of de woods," whispered Grampus. "Pink we kin git fru 'tote yer yonder by de cabin."

Rose could see no cabin, nor could Grampus for that matter, but he knew where it was, and he led her by a circuitous route to creep toward it. By certain signs in the sky he knew that daylight was near, but he knew also that to hurry was to be nearly sure of revealing their presence to the vigilant soldiers. Step by step, like a cat creeping upon her prey, he led Rose along at a snail's pace just in the shadows of the woods where they could not be seen.

It was much farther to the lines than the lights made it appear, and they were an hour or more going around the meadow, and then, at a different point, the men he saw were under the snow and, strange to say, but one man was injured. It was first thought his leg was broken, but he knew it