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**HOW HE WAS SAVED** By WILLIS BEACH POTTER Copyright, 1910, by American Press Association.

There had been a lot of cussedness in Galloway county, and the people was hot to find some un to string up fer a warnin'. Ole Man Thompson had been murdered in his bed and \$200 taken. Bill Stimson was held up on the road and relieved of his watch and chain. These and other crimes were committed, yet no one was arrested.

About that time my brother Tim come from California and was stayin' with me on the farm. Tim was as peaceable a feller as you ever see—wouldn't hurt nobody. But he liked to hunt, and it bein' in the fall of the year, when game was plenty, I got a lot of my friends to go over into Mason county, where there was woodcock. We took a kit with us, calculatin' to be gone a week.

Waal, one evenin' when we was collectin' in camp all on us got in except Tim. When we sot down to supper he wasn't there, and when it was time to turn in we was obliged to do it without him. I wanted to go out and hunt for him, but the rest 'lowed I couldn't find him in the dark, that he'd got lost or some'n and would turn up next day.

Waal, about midnight I was woke up by Tim himself.

"By gum, Tim!" I says. "Have y' seen a ghost?"

He was the most skeered feller you ever seen—white as the snow and his teeth a chatterin'. As soon as he could catch his breath he said:

"They're comin' to hang me. I was watchin' fer birds when I met a man who looked at me kind o' queer. He went off and come back with two other men. They all tied my hands and tuk me to a small town. A feller was brought in, who looked at me and said, 'That's him.' Then they all set around and talked me over. I knew they tuk me fer some un else, and there wasn't no use tryin' to make 'em think I wasn't. Most of 'em was for hangin' me right up at onct. They said if the law got a hold of me I'd never be punished. I begged so hard for 'em to give me one day to prove who I was that at last they consented.

"They tuk me to some un's office and left me in charge of two of 'em. One of the two left me in charge of the other, while he went off to git some'n for 'em both to drink. He brought back a bottle, which they finished, then the other one, he went off and got another bottle, and by the time they'd drank that they was both drunk. First one went to sleep then the other. I dug out and here I am. As soon as I'm missed I'll be foiled."

I woke up the other men, Abe Woodruff and Oliver Swayne, and we held a consultation. Ef they come to take Tim there'd probably be enough of 'em to take him in spite of all we could do, but we was four shotguns in the party and concluded to put up a fight rather'n have 'em take him. About 4 o'clock in the mornin' we heard the barkin' o' dogs, and I knowed they'd find Tim shore, since they was after him with bloodhounds.

We wasn't fur from Jimtown, where there's a postoffice, and the railroad runs through it. While we was consultin' we seen a man git up on a platform and hang a mail bag to one o' them posts what's used fer deliverin' the bag to a man in the mailcar on a passin' train without its stoppin'. The man left the bag and went away. The barkin' was comin' mighty near, and I concluded I'd go out and meet the posse and have a talk with 'em. Rostin' my shotgun across the pommel of my saddle, I rode forward, crossin' the track beside which the mail bag hung, lookin' in the night for all the world like a man swingin' on a gallows. At first it seemed it meant that my brother would swing shore. Then all on a sudden an idee come to me. There was a faint light in the east when I met the party comin' down the road. I counted ten of 'em.

"Hello!" I says. "What's up?" "Yistiday," said one on 'em, "we caught the man that killed ole Thompson. Sam Jones found him hidin' in a wood. We tuk him and was keepin' him under guard till tomorrer mornin' to hang him. Alf Andrews and Charlie Moore was watchin' him, but he got 'em both drunk and lit out."

"Waal," says I, "there's two crowds of us got onto the same purpose, and we got ahead of you. He was hidin' from us when you tuk him. When he escaped, like a fool, he run right agin us. We strung him up at onct, fearin' he'd git away ef we didn't."

"You don't mean it?" "Yas, we done it." "What did you hang him?" "Right over there. I kin show him to you, but we don't want no interference with the body, since I give him my word of honor I'd send it to his wife for burial."

I tuk 'em whar they could see the mail bag, but not very near it. "It looks all right," said the leader o' the party, "but I think we'd ought to see that it's our man."

"No," I says. "I've done all I ort to do showin' you the corpse. We got a huntin' party over there, and I'm shore none of 'em would let any one interfere."

They consulted, and, seein' we was armed and they wasn't, they concluded to turn around and go back. But they didn't doubt the mail bag was a swingin' corpse. Tim went back to California.

**PHYSICAL TRAINING IS POPULAR WITH STUDENTS**

The movement initiated at the University of Oregon last year to lay a greater stress upon a more general athletic training for all the students within the institution, with the possible ultimate end of limiting the extent of inter-collegiate athletics, is already showing excellent results. Physical Director Hayward reports one hundred eighty men regularly playing basketball alone. Between class recitations the students haunt the gymnasium, working out on the apparatus, on the mat, with the gloves, with basketball, handball, and on the indoor track. Work in the gymnasium for the girls is also a requirement, under the competent medical attention of the Women's Director, Dr. Bertha S. Stuart.

As a result of this general athletic activity, the students, as a whole, probably enjoy better health than at any other time in the history of the university. The departments also report better work in classes, which they attribute largely to the healthier physical and mental condition of the students. The university authorities are encouraging this general athletic activity as much as possible, as it is helping in the solution of problems which affect materially the welfare of the students. Beginning with the second semester in February, it is the plan of the Physical Training Department to get every man in the university actively interested in track, soccer, rugby, lacrosse, baseball, or tennis.

**CELILO CANAL TO BE OPENED IN FIVE YEARS**

Major Jay J. Morrow, corps of engineers, United States army, states that the Celiilo canal will probably be completed in 1916, but could be finished 18 months earlier if an appropriation of \$1,000,000 a year should be made for the project. The funds available for the coming season are \$600,000. If the same amount should be appropriated each year, he says the canal will be in shape for handling commerce in four years.

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**THE YOUTH'S COMPANION,** 144 Berkeley St., Boston, Mass. **Too Fast for White Salmon**

Hood River defeated White Salmon high school basket ball team at the opera house last Friday evening, 36 to 8. The local team was swept off its feet in the first half, the score being 27 to 2. In the second half the boys gingered up, even surpassed the fast pace of their opponents, and honors were about even. The locals were wild at basket throwing, and with a little more practice at throwing from a scrimmage will make a good team. Hood River boys are quicker, cooler with the ball, possess a strong center, and play at top speed right from the start.—Enterprise.

**True Charges.** She—Did you see where some man declares that women are not honest? He—Well, he's right in saying so. She (fiercely)—When did you ever know me to do a dishonest thing? He (tenderly)—When you robbed me of my peace of mind and stole my heart, you dear little thief!—New York World.

**The Language.** "This is a pretty state of affairs, isn't it?" "Yes, it is a very ugly matter, but somebody will have to pay handsomely for it."—New York Journal.

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**King's Scepter Holds World's Biggest Diamond**

**K**ING GEORGE V. of England is now able to display officially the two largest diamonds in the world. One of them, known as the Star of Africa, weighs 512½ carats and is set in the king's scepter. The other stone, which weighs 319 3-16 carats, is set in the imperial crown just above the ermine band. The two diamonds are set so they can be easily removed and formed into a pendant for the queen.

Both of these stones were cut from the celebrated Cullinan diamond, which was found at the Premier mine, near Pretoria, South Africa, Jan. 25, 1906. The stone weighed 3,024 carats, or about a pound and a quarter, before it was cut, and its value was estimated

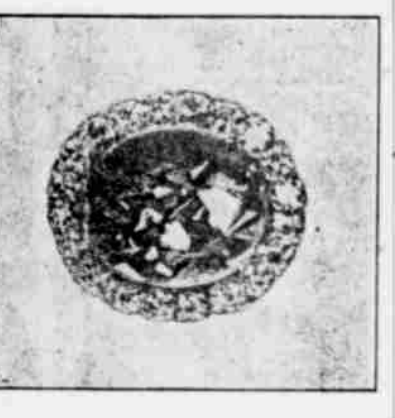


CULLINAN DIAMOND IN KING'S SCEPTER. ACTUAL SIZE.

at from \$5,000,000 to \$125,000,000. As a matter of fact, there was no rule by which its value could be determined.

It was seen at once that the jewel could not be sold commercially, and there were sentimental reasons against cutting it into smaller jewels that could be sold for the adornment of feminine beauty. Finally the stone was bought by the Transvaal government as a gift to King Edward VII. He died before the stone was cut and mounted, and his successor gets it.

Under the law the Transvaal government gets 60 per cent of the value of all diamonds mined in the country. The Cullinan was "sold" for \$1,000,000, so that the government only paid \$400,000 for the bauble. In addition to the two big stones, there were more than



HOPE DIAMOND IN ORIGINAL SETTING. ACTUAL SIZE.

a hundred smaller stones, ranging in weight from ninety-two carats down to chips.

Reports were printed in New York a few days ago, saying that the famous Hope diamond, a beautiful blue white gem, had been cut up abroad, but this was proved to be untrue when a New York jeweler announced that he had the stone and that it had been in his possession for some time.

The Hope diamond has been in public notice a great deal in recent years. Lord Francis Hope, who married May Yohe, the actress, inherited it from his father. His wife wore the gem on the stage in this country, but returned it to a syndicate in Paris.

The Hope diamond is for sale, its present owner says, but he declines to set a price on it. However, he says, he recently refused an offer of \$250,000 from a western capitalist.

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**BARREL APPLES ACTIVE BOX FRUIT REPORTED DULL**

A New York dispatch says that barrel apples were in good demand this week. The offerings being about equal to the demand and everything kept cleaned up all right, Baldwin's selling at \$3.50 to \$4.50, Spys the same, except for something blue, while Greenings ranged all the way from \$3 to \$8, according to quality.

Box fruit was dull, with no improvement in the price. Such varieties as Spitz and Jonathans, when in good order, sold up to \$2 but a great deal of poor stock of other kinds sold down to \$1 and \$1.25. About 40 cars of box fruit are coming in a week now. Get your butter, guaranteed fresh eggs, cream and milk from Purity Dairy Co. Phone 68-L. Depot-Davidson Building.