MAMMlibi UF BILLY cuncitin a ilita ile Strong ond Shame.
and He was an odd luttie scrap of tumanity his hazy childhood, somewhere
in a farm, he had been an enigma to He was sllght and small, and had
thock of soft, light hatr that curled. I was that hair that gave him such eyes whosence-that and a pair
whattul wonder. Ical mouth, and with this combltantion o was destined to milslead certaln o was a little shaver he had aloughe d hifs abode in the great city. It wa born in him, and those who had rassed
him from the precarious start of an orphan asylum, realizing 't sadily, for
Billy's eyea had won their love, let 1 mg go
He hen hem was twenty, solk, except once dvertised for him, with the Informa
on that the old man's will had leti him 8500 . Billy had read that, and his
baby-soft eyes had filled with tmpul. sive tear. He wished for a moment
hat har had stayed with them-they The Impulue was only momentary,
but somehow he had never wanted to iouch that money. It was nomething
outside of hits iffe-clean, standing for something that he remembered, a lonk
way off. It was placed on intereat in the bank of the little village, so the
papers sald, awaiting the sometime
coming of the So he went about his life.
He knew many tricks that
worth money to a certaln tye: educatloney had come to thim through
many and varled channels, nnd the ways of the world were good to hlm
He left Chicago and went Weat. portunattee of the frontier, and he de clded that there was the place for the
display of has talenta, varied and se
leec. He drifted happlly tuto that great region of strenuous living an
quick results and kept bis health, for he lacked neithor depenstise abllity nor
a very quite courage. He had proved that before long, on
night nt Granger City. He was sittin at a tablo alone, playing solltaire in
Black Petes saloon, when a blg man
to a blue shitt and chas sto in He wwung up to the bar and demanded
drinks for everybody, nand everybody in the house rose to hilm, except Bitl
who alwayn wished nfterward that the too, had risen, for out of the very tace
of his sitting still came that which
followed. But Bllly, though he knew lows
didn't know the etiquete of a frontie
town So te went with solltaire-that in. untll a prolonged
and painful silence warned bim to The bully of the three counties in
vited him, as the seum ot the earth oo arine and partake. or be conenerted
tato a sieve. Wherat nily's yellow remark.
He never knew how te happened. only ffter the rattle of shots ke found
himeetf with hits smoking gun to himeif with his smoking gun in hit
hand, and the spectators wero crawl
ing out to look at a hudded heap by Billy calmly took out has knite an
made a little notch on the gun-buti. It was good for effect, but he went out
wtht the biggest ache th ble heart
that he had ever known. Then be drifted to Grante, and th
was there that he concelved bie scheme. It came to htm suddenly,
but he was on the lookout for tasplra It had to do with the United statee
mallatage which ratled into Gran tie every day at five, or thereaboute
from up at Eagele Pas. Billy noticed
The and the strong box beneath the seat
the driver whith was so carefully de posted in the Granite Clitizens bank
the box that came from the mining Inside of a month Billy was a full
feedged stage-driver from Gulch Clty up among the mountaing, to Dead
Horse, down the plainn, duly booded
to the government, and carrying gold About the mildle of the second
month came the day when hin dreams
were to end-and begin-ta earnent.
 swung Into White Cap cut out
Gulch City, he reached down an
hefled Down at a polnt he knew about the
goo horm walted, and his life in th
Went would eoon bo a thing of the acrous the border of Mexico, dow
through the republle to some cty pheg, and then out into the met get thitp
chancen of the worlit firat -he had alwnyn been thriliol spalti
the old tales of Spain, of hot.blooded with Hipa like ripe trith milly wat
dreaming, indeed, the lises itling lax dreaming. Indoed, the lithes lylng iax
between his niggers, the four horset  sid
bl
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$\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { It was the word epoken upon every } \\ & \text { stage itie every few weeks among the } \\ & \text { mountainge } \\ & \text { Bill jerked up his relns, and caught } \\ & \text { tils rife with the other hand. }\end{aligned}\right.$

Ahead in the rond stood a man, cov-
ering him with a gun. He had not evel Ahead in the rond stood a man, cov-
ering him with a gun. He had not evect
taken the troble to makk his face
At the right, a little hither up, anothee
man walted, and on aliead in the road stantly,
others
For
Frain
 junt then a very strange thling bap
pened. Across his mind came the terms
hhs plede to the government
According to the lines of his mout Blily was a creature of whim. Now.
he hentated, and a nood of unaccut comed sensations passed over him
He was reaponsible for that box. He bothered remembered what had notore, that he was in
vested with the maitesty A feeltng of remponsibility fell upo
him, novel tn the strangeness, an hourne. Dropplng forward on the bo
he cuught the lines between hhas knee
yelled to the hor yelled to the horses, and jerked h
rife to his shoulder. The leader
sprang forward. went down. With the turch of the
sudden stop, Billy landed in a
beten between the wheelers. He was on tha
knees instanty and fring under Black
Tom's quivering flank The man in the road located him
a $e$ econd. and droppping to one kne
began searchng for himm with h
lead. The two others withheld the
fre. The thad plenty of tmee an
evidenty expected the leder to evidently expected the leader to do to
Eilly easily.
But a ramptig devil danced in the
yellow.gray eyes, and all the blood tn
te slilght body was up. Bily leaned
 vew of the man in the road, aimee
coolly among the dancing horses and
got this man. The fellow shot to his
feet, fred a wild ball, and drote to feet, fred a whld ball, and dropped like
lead.
The near wheeler was down, bleed
ting from a dozen holes and crring
 to his feet as the two other des
peradoess coloed in.
Crome on, you dirty devilis!" he
cried, standing in the open between
the hories. As he spoke, a thrill of fire ran u
hts arm and a red ribbon waved suc
denly own his shoulder. But nothin
shot oo shott of death ittere. could have
stopped him now. Give and take, giv
and take it was an unoven game
twe two to one. The man on the horse di
mounted and uned the horso as
shifeld, working closer, fring aroun
 He fett no fear. nether ptty for the
heap in the road ahead, only a tur
that steadied his hand. This was a fine ending to h
dreams, but somehow he would no
have it otherw have it otherwise. He was consclon
of a welro, fierce joy, as of somethin
he had read about, the joy of men o felds of hoonor, of heroes dylyg to
their country. The whimsteal mout But the Fates stood near, as they
always do when a atrango sisuen Is at at
stake. The fellow on the hillside, stake. The fellow on the hiliside
reaching for an revolver th his bel
never drew it. Instea, he threw up
hls empty hand, and whirled rollin Down the rocks. and turned full to
BuII, whoped and
ward the last. "Now!" he cried, "now! With one hand he loosened th
traces of Black Trom, ohoottng wit
the other. It wan a feat to get th
horse unhooked to horse unhooked in front, but a very
spirit of daring semed to domtante
$\mathrm{h} m$. He was hit agatin tin the process, but mo wased to mont ment process, big
wheeler, thoroughly terrined, leaped
ahead. gulded him stralght at the
Billy
horse in the rond and they cannoned horse in the road and chey cannone
Itoto tith mighty fore. It atumble
aside, broke away, and left its ride under Black Tom's feet. The latter
trew his empty gun at Billy's head
The fight was over. There was suden silence, and no
movement. Then Buly turned to the
late of the stage robbers, who stood denanty." he mild abruptly, "two
"Cot out," hath your horne and go."
enough. Catch your At halt past five that day, the drive
of the Dead Horie stage rote
 af the mountath road where it hap
nid whe they came back it wat duak before he wended way to the ehack he called home an
ho wan suif with Doe Morgan's band
gee, but the weatern willght seem ges, but the weatorn twilkght
to coorer the world with peace. In ho ha
den terra.
"TII send for the old man's money",
" sald sotuy to timnelf in the duakk and start anew.
Anew and elean.
"By Jingo! $\begin{gathered}\text { Tm an honent man." } \\ \text { (Copyrikt.t) }\end{gathered}$


## FirePlace Fairy Tales


 nan. "Just put these two capa,
our heads and ther we will be al
eady." The
sudden
Sandm
large
were
 that they fete sate. Turning toward
the freplace the Sandman grasped
their hands thaty and said, "Now










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## Has Played Many Parta. In Lee Willard, a handsome chap

Ine physloue, $G$. M. Anderaon has
valuable and veratille ansistant valuable and versatile assistant for
the western production. WHIlard hat
been cast at difterent timen as a half been cast at different times as a hant.
breed and has phayed "heary" and breed and has played "heavy" and
tharacter parts in drama and come
dien. He is a lover of animals and putcoor sports and neldom misses a
day in taking a long horseback ride
on his favorte bay mare, always ac an hin favortte bay mare, always ac
companted by a pet colle. Willard enjoys hilg evenings and Sundays with
i proty wife and baby, wurrounded by
volumes of good books in one of the olumes of good books
oungalows at Nilea.
Actrens a Glutton for Work.
Cleo Madison has recovered from
ter tred spell and never looked better, wh tred spell and never looked better, urs that the has been rescued from fire
nad water, been wung from a big
mane, and, goodness knows what else

Carlyle Elackwell Well Supported.
Carlyle, Mlackwell hall turne
Carlylo. Miackwell has turned out a
bood pleture th The Key to Yeater
tay,",
and his actling throughout to
by his Bupport, too, and Edda Berven
oulo Kirby, Cypury Abboth, J. Fran

## st Dillon, tam Sheehan work.



PICTURE SURE TO MAKE HIT/PERQUISITES OF KINGS
Written and Produced by Tom Mix,
Popular Actor, Has Part Which
Just sults Him.

ORDINARY MORTAL.


Being Shot At, and Ocaationaly
Killed it one of the Prices of
High Position-some
Worth Mentioning
Tho herr apparent to the Austrinn Tho he and hils wift were shot dead
the street recently. Beling shot at in the street recently. Belng shot at
ind occasionally killed seem to be a and occasionaly kiled seem to be a
perquisite of the kng bualness. The
price of place ts enormous. The king price of place is enormous. The king price 18 very
me of the thema:
To have no wholesome, natural boy-
hood; always to be watched by lackhood; always eo be wached by ack.
eys and nurses, and never to bbale
to go out hnd play plrate with Huck o go out and play pirate with Huck,
Fing, to splash th the old swimmin Joie. , or atch at mldnight.
To grow up in an atmosphere auffocated with convention, to have hupdreds of things you don't want, and
to be rapped over the knuckles when-
ever you reach for a thing you do To be surrounded with alleged
friends who you know do not care a hang for you, and who would puah
you of the roof in a minute if tit was not for your father.
Not to have one friend who will ellop your face and tell you the truth, but
to be surrounded by enemles who
mille upon you and are only walting or an opportunity to slip a knife un-
der your fith rib.
To have your wife plcked out for
you by a lot of wizened old diplomats.
To be allowed as many yphto'toves as you please, to bo as drumken, cruel.
selfish, violent min mean ns you will.
but to bave every honest and erenerous
human teeling vetoed by court and To have your pride constantly fed,
 To cease to be a normal, cheerful
human being and to become a wooden Indder for menin ambitions.
To have people blame you for thelt
own mistakes, to be the pollitical and economile scapegoat of the natlon,
and to be cursed and hated by a large
section of the population, no matter To have every man in the mas
chinery of government, every place
holder and privilege thheritor, turn
arainst you when you try really to To know that every hour of the
day and night the polsoner, the bomb
brower, and the plotter are seeking And in return for this all you get
is money. fine clothes, fooo and drink,
and Incense burned before your wretched vanity.
Few familles in the world have had
more more imperial places than the Haphy
burgs, and fow fammilles have had a
more tragic history,-Chleago News.

Whtot Causes Grub Worme
Entomogiste or bug hunters of
northern Ohlo and Indlana have warned farmers against grub worms,
sayng that a certain specles of bug
that files tn the alr is
eggs on theributing tas
egre ground that are trans
 its raenages are are the grob worm is when
ing crons on mron-
corn, which the espechaly growing frrst starts growing. It to suggested
that tall plowing for corn tif beet and
it grubs are noticeable in wheat ground that a greater a moubunt of of geat ground
thould
bo sown mo that the wormm can have Wider range and not deastroy the
whole erop. It is a fixed fact, as every tarmer knows by experience, that dur
thg certaln years there ts sive number of this opecles of grub
and if there to nsy rule laid down to
avold thelr ravages on crops It will be a great their ravages on crops it will be
muntry.-Goshen No to the farming com.

Returne "The Girl in the case",
Mluatrating the fact that there not only honor in a thatef but also
sympathy for the deepanirng sultor.
the "woman in the case" It was the photograph of Ann
Lieberran, of New York, kirlith
sweethent of S . S. Hahn, of Lo An-
geles, in the back of the gold watch geles, in the back of the gold watch
stolen from thm.
Halni advertised that if tho thee
returned the pleture he could kee returned the pleture he could keep
the watch. Four hours later, necord.
tig to the postmark on the leter, the
thiet mailed the plecture with the clip. Thee mailed the pleture with the clip
ping to Hath.
"I am natifiefed" asserted Hatn. The thilef can keep the watch. Tre
got the pleture back It wan the only
one I ponsessed, and I wouldn't lose
in one pomessed, and I wouldn't lose
it for more than the value of the
watch. Were golng to be married in
January,"

The Correct Time.
"Hayo you no eloek ta your bed-
 Razeto leading lidy of
Lesainita dram



