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PRIVATE HARRIGAN'S PET
By Sergeant Dale

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The men of Company B, Seventh regiment, had an antelope, a fox, two jack rabbits and a coyote as company pets, but when Private Harrigan returned from furlough and brought with him a cawing, screeching, ugly Missouri crow there was a kick. It was not only that the crow had various ways of rendering himself a nuisance, but that Private Harrigan was in bad standing with his company. He was without pride or ambition as a soldier. He was shiftless, slovenly and always on the blacklist. He got drunk whenever opportunity offered, and he made opportunities to get into the guardhouse. After two years of service all that could be said of him was that he was good natured and big hearted. If he had been vicious, a court martial would have settled his case, but he wasn't. He had been a ne'er do well before enlisting, and he could not change his spots. He had been reprimanded and punished fifty different times, but never hauled up for a serious offense.

The crow had been taught a few tricks, and for a week or so Company B was interested. Then the bird's infernal voice got on to their nerves, and the men began to growl. The first sergeant informed Harrigan that the crow would have to go. He was homesy; he was unclean; he had no sense; he belonged to the buzzard family; he was a disgrace to the post. His owner was given twenty-four hours in which either to wring his neck or let him loose. To the sergeant's surprise, Private Harrigan talked back. When the argument grew hot, he lost his temper for the first time in a year and struck his superior officer on the jaw. That meant business. He was laid by the heels in the guardhouse and in due time notified that a court martial would sit on his case. His crow, driven out of the post in disgrace, flew around with lonesome calls, and there was no one to sympathize with bird or master. Had there been, and had they heeded his appeals to let the bird share his imprisonment, Private Harrigan would have borne his fate with philosophy. As it was, he worried and fretted and at last

its legs, and they called to one another to make no hostile demonstration. As if holding itself to blame for its master's desertion and fearing punishment, the bird refused to permit itself to be caught for some time, but was at last seized by an agile soldier and the tag placed in the hands of the colonel. It proved to be a penciled note in the handwriting of the deserter. Harrigan's chirography was in an exclusive pattern, and he spelled his words to save as much time as possible, but his message was deciphered at last, and the result was a sudden change of orders. The men were dismounted and stationed about the fort to repel an attack, and every idler was pressed into service. Reduced to fair English, Harrigan had written:

I am with the people in Plum valley. We are entrenched and giving the reds blue blazes every time they show up. We can hold 'em off without help. If you get word to the contrary, don't you believe it. Red Bird and 200 bucks are in ambush in the big thicket at the crossing of Wolf creek, and if you leave the fort they will attack and murder everybody. I send this letter by my crow. Feed him and let him come back.

The message brought by the half breed had been a ruse to leave the fort undefended.

To test the matter the colonel sent out 150 troopers and had them make a half circle and return to the fort under cover. An hour later Red Bird moved up with his warriors and attacked, never doubting that he would carry the fort with a rush. But when the fight ended in his wild flight he left over eighty dead behind him. The check paralyzed him until troops could be pushed into the field to finish him.

Over in Plum valley, as it came to be known later on, the deserter, hiding out in the thickets, had been the first to discover the advent of the hostiles. He had gobbled a horse and ridden from point to point to collect the settlers and had then taken command and made a defense to be recorded in history.

The scare was over when Deserter Harrigan reappeared. He came walking into the post one day with his crow seated on his shoulder, and, marching straight up to the colonel's office, he saluted the gray haired officer:

"Colonel Taylor, it's Private Harrigan come back to be tried for desertion."

"Go to your quarters," ordered the colonel as he looked up at him.

"But I deserted, colonel."

"Nonsense! You had twenty days' furlough."

"And the swipe I gave the sergeant on the jaw?"

"Never heard of it."

"And the crow, sir?"

"He has the liberty of the post and shall have his rations at my own quarters. 'Bout face! March!"

Why a Cold Affects the Hearing.

The drum or tympanum of the ear is a small air chamber, with hard, bony surroundings, ventilated by an air passage about one and a half inches long, called the eustachian tube, which passes forward and inward from the anterior part of the throat behind the nostrils. The atmospheric pressure required on the inner side of the drum to counterbalance that of the outer side is provided for by the communication of the eustachian tube with the throat in the acts of breathing and swallowing. Lining the hollow of the drum and forming the innermost layer of the drumhead is a delicate mucous membrane, which also lines the interior of the eustachian tube. If we have a cold in the head, the vessels supplying the mucous membrane from the nose to the mouth expand, the blood within them flows slowly or stagnates and that in the mucous membrane becomes congested.

As a result there is more or less swelling, with augmentation of the natural secretions. The congestion is apt to be continued into the mucous membrane of the eustachian tube, which is thus obstructed. This causes the air in the drum to be rarefied, the drumhead and the little chain of bones connected with it are forced inward, and by causing excess of pressure of the internal ear produces deafness.

Star Dust.

The brightness of shooting stars is due to the heat engendered by the energy of their motion. Their speed is enormous—namely, forty-two and a half kilometers a second—while the speed of the earth on its orbit is only twenty-five kilometers forward. Consequently when a shower of them approaches the earth in the direction opposite to its course the initial speed is seventy-two kilometers a second. When they follow on its course they gain sixteen and a half kilometers a second on it, their mean rate of approach being thirty to forty kilometers a second.

The friction engenders a temperature of 3,000 degrees C., subject to which they burst into flame. If under these conditions their substance is not vaporized, they pass through and beyond the upper strata of our atmosphere and pursue their proper course around the sun, but as a rule they are vaporized, in which case the vapor mingles with the atmosphere, to fall later as meteoric dust. In this manner we come to contact annually with 146,000,000,000 shooting stars, which add considerably to the earth's substance.

Won a Wife by His Skill.

Action was a Grecian painter of about the time of Alexander, and he won a wife by his great work. He painted a picture called "The Nuptials of Alexander and Roxane," which was exhibited at the Olympic games. It created such a stir that one of the judges cried in admiration, "I reserve crowns for the victorious athletes, but I give my daughter in marriage to the painter. Action was one of the artists who excelled in the art of mixing colors. He could not go to the nearest store and purchase them as artists do today.

PURPOSES AND PROSPECTS

(Concluded.)

tion to shippers on January 1, and we were asked to seek to have these conditions changed for the better. Transportation companies when approached on these subjects did not seem to be inclined to be willing to entertain any proposition looking to a reconsideration of their rulings, claiming that rates were not too high, considering the service rendered, and that cars were furnished as promptly as possible. The only way to secure relief seems to be through a hearing of these matters before the interstate commerce commission. In order to have a standing before the commission when a hearing is asked for, it is necessary that the case be made up with a sufficient number of affidavits or witnesses who shall give personal testimony, to justify the commission in ordering the hearing.

The Independent Packing Company. This association has gone on record at its last annual meeting as opposing any combination which seeks to control the price of livestock at our leading markets, and also dictates prices of meat and meat products to the consumer, and recommending the establishment of an independent packing plant as the only method by which competition may be had, and thereby secure for both the producer and consumer an equitable price. It is an undisputed fact that the decline in the values of beef animals during the past 18 months amounts to more than \$3 per hundred; hogs, an average of \$5 per animal, and sheep from 75 cents to \$1 per head. Consumers, however, are paying the same price for their meats as during the time maximum prices were realized by the growers. The loss to every man who fed cattle in the feeding states of the Missouri and Mississippi valleys during the winter of 1902 and spring of 1903, ranges from \$15 to \$30 per head, and the total decline of livestock in this country during this period amounts to more than \$750,000,000. In view of the fact that the nation is as prosperous as at any time during the past two years, the home and export demand for meat products as great as ever and there has been no material increase in the number of head of livestock, these conditions are uncalled for, the only apparent reason being the unjust manipulation of prices at market centers, assisted by the lack of knowledge on the part of producers as to the visible supply. These conditions will never change until the stockmen themselves take decided measures to remove them.

Officers and Directors. Prompted by this idea, a number of stockmen met in Kansas City in the middle of June, for the purpose of discussing this subject. Several other meetings were held which finally resulted in incorporating the Independent Packing Company under the laws of Arizona, with a capital of \$5,000,000. The officers and directors were elected at a meeting held in Denver on October 20, 1903, as follows: L. F. Wilson, Texas, vice-president; F. W. Flato, Jr., treasurer, Missouri; and C. F. Martin, secretary, Colorado.

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It is the intention of the officers of this association to make this the greatest organization in the United States and one which will accomplish the purpose for which it was organized. As I have already stated, this cannot be done unless it is supported by every livestock organization and every livestock grower and feeder. With this object in view, I hope that each one of you will consider himself a missionary for the purpose of securing additions to our membership roll of such organizations and men as are not now upon it.

In conclusion I wish to say that too much credit cannot be given our worthy president for what he has done in your interests. In all matters which I have undertaken for your benefit, I have been greatly assisted by his counsel and advice.

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