THE new El Dorado was in sight. Gordon's party of 12 tired fren-tiersmen had mounted the high divide which separates the sources of the Running Water from those of the Cheyenne. For five weeks the men had shoveled drifts, buffeted blizzards and kept a constant vigil among the in-terminable sand hills. By means, too, of stable canvas, shovels, axes, from picket pins and a modicum of dry feed, they had kept in good condition the ndid eight-mule team which drew splendid eight man

In fact "Gordon's outfit" was a model one in every respect, and probably no similar body of men ever faced our anow-bound, trackless plains, better equipped for the adventure. And now nuffled marchers cheered as "Cap." Gordon halted them, and pointed to a blurred and inky upheaval upon the far rim of a limitless waste of white The famous Black Hill, a veritable wonderland, unseen hitherto by any party of whites save the men of Cus-ter's expedition, lay before them.

Two more days and the gold seekers would gain the shelter of those pinecovered hills, where their merry axes would "eat chips" until shelter, com-fort and safety from attack were se-cured. Out of the bitter cold, after weeks of toil and danger, into warmth and safety-no wonder they were glad!
As yet they had seen no sign of the hostile Sioux, but their frosty cheers, thin and piping, had hardly been borne away by the cutting wind when a moving black speck appeared on the

The speck drew nearer and resolved itself into a solitary horseman. Could it be that a single Sioux would approach a party of their strength? They watched the rider without anxiety. They were so near the goal now that no war party of sufficient atrength to become a menace was likely to be gath They were equipped with an arsenal of modern guns, with 50,000 rounds of ammunition, and had boasted they were "good to stand off 300 Sioux."

Nearer and nearer drew the horseman, his pony coming on in rabbit-like jumps to clear the drifts. Speculation hunter strayed far from his village half-starved and coming to beg for food. Well, the poor wretch should have frozen bread and ment, as much as he could cat-they could not stop to give bim better fare.

It was as cold as Greenland. The bundled driver upon the great wagon slapped his single line, and yelled at the plodding mules. Eleven buffalo-coated, fur-encased men with feet clad in snow packs marched at the tail of the freighter. In such weather their cold "shooting irons" were left in the wag-on, nor did they deem it necessary now

to get them out.

They were prepared for a begging Indian, but the apparition which finally rode in upon the monotony of their long march seemed to them a figure as fareical as savage. As the Sioux borse-man confronted them he lowered his blanket, upcovering his solemn, barbarian face, and, stretching out one long arm, pointed them back upon

"Go!" he said, and he repeated the command with fierce inslatence.

The big freight wagon rattled on, but the footmen halted for a moment

to laugh.

The Indian stretched his lean arm and shouted, "Go!" still more savagely. It was immensely funny. Gordon's men jeered the solitary autocrat, and laughed until their icicled beards pulled. They bade him get into a drift and cool off; asked him if his mother knew he was out, and whether his to talk, and if he hadn't a brother who could chin-chin washtado?

His sole answer to their jeering, as he rode alongside, was "Go! go! go!" rested with savage emphasis and a flourish of his arm to southward.

The footmen were plodding a dozen | tongue. rods in the rear of their freight wagon, and still laughing frostily at "and I will not take your hand until this queer specimen of "injun," when the savage spurred his pony forward. A few quick leaps carried him up to the tolling eight-mule team. Hisblanket dropped around his hips, and a reting carbine rose to his face. Both wheelers dropped at the first shot, killed by a single ounce slug. rapid fusillade of shots was distributed among the struggling mules, brave. He did as he was told. Yo and then the Sloux was off, shaking his gun and yelling deflance, his pony going in rigzng leaps and like the wind.

Men ran tumbling over each other to get into the wagon and at their guns. teamster and two or three others who, despite the cold, carried re-tolvers under their greatcoats, jerked White River. Now go!" their mittens and fumbled with stiff. fingers for their weapons. They had not been nerved up with excitement, like the Sioux, and before they could bring their guns to bear, the savage was well out upon the prairie.

And when these men tried, with rifle or revolver, to shot at the swiftly moving erratic mark presented by the cunning Sioux and his rabbit-like pony, the cutting wind numbed their fingers and filled their eyes with water, the glistening snow obscured their front sights, and they pelted a their front sights, and they pelted a has just been installed as chief of the white waste harmlessly with bul- Lurchmont (N. Y.) fire department.

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without hurt. Half the counties of the neu who came up for approval leaving his bones in foreign parts. - "Oh, yes, Mr. Chanon, I'll have it

to get together "Gordon's Pride," as ght team had been named

The applied their hopeful expedi-tion, the trightful peril of their sit-ontion, were lost sight of in the abnorbing desire for revenge which burned in every man of them as they gazed upon the stricken, stiffening heap of animals. All were for giving chase immediately. They believed they could easily overtake the Sious among the drifts of the lower lands, where creeks and snow-filled ravines must cause him to shift his course contin-

them had hastily begun to strip for the chase, "boys, this is my partieular affair. You make camp and fix it for fightin'. I'll either get that Sioux, or he'll fetch his tribe back an' get

had been a hay and wood contractor for many years in the Sioux country. and his word was law to this little

There was no need to argue that no man could have even guessed at the daring and disaster they had looked The performance had been so appallingly simple and easy. had come as unexpectedly as the flood of a cloudburst or the bursting of a

While his men stood vengefully watching the flying Sloux, Gordor stripend himself of superfluons wrap ings, stocked his pockets with frozer bread and cartridges, slipped on a pair of snowshoes kept for emergency, tightened his belt, and launched him self in pursuit.

Horse and rider were again no more than a speck upon the vast snow field. Gordon, with an "express" rifle under his arm, took the long, swing-ing stride of the accomplished snowper. In an hour the speck upon the

there was an exchange of shots, and the Sioux's pony dropped in its tracks. The Indian dodged out of sight, and Gordon pushed warily on with a grin of hate under his icicles.

He took up the Sioux tracks, and noted with satisfaction that the Indian's moccasined feet punched through the light crust at every other

merged into a wider valley, to find that the artful rascal had escaped out of range and out of sight upon a wind awept stretch of river ice.

Gordon ground his teeth and swept over the smooth surface, sweating despite the sharp cold, from fierce exertion. At a turn of the river he say e Sloux; but there were others, more than a score of them, mounted and ap proaching the runner. The mule-kill-

er's camp or town was close at hand.

Exhausted from his long run, Gordon, in his own language, "threw up the sponge." He hastily sought the over of river drifts and scooped him self a kind of rifle pit. Then, with a pile of cartridges between his knees and slapping his hands to keep his fingers ready for action, he waited, meaning to do what execution be could before the end. There was considerable parley among

the Sioux, and then only a single in dian advanced toward the white man This one came on afoot within gun shot, then stopped and shook blan ket, in token that he wanted to approach and talk.

seemed to him grimly humorous. He motioned to the Indian to come on, and kept him well covered with his rifle. A moment later, however, he lowered

treacherous stroke from the approaching Sioux. It was the chief, Red Cloud. Gordon arose, and the chief came forward with a hand outstretched. "My young man has killed your mules," was Red Cloud's greeting in the Sioux

Gordon understood. "Yes," he said, you have done right."

The grave old chief drew his blanket about his shoulders with a shrug-"Now listen," he said. "If one of your soldiers had approached a party of my soldiers and had killed all their bornes and so crippled them and escaped, your people would have made him a big cap tain. It is so. My young man is very cannot come here and take my country not yet. I have watched your ad vance and complained to your soldier at White River. When I saw they die not go out and catch you as our Great Father has said they should do, I sent my young man to stop you. You will find your soldiers at the three forks of

And without another word Red Cloud turned upon his heel and stalked away. This time Gorden was giad enough to obey the injunction to "go." Three days later his little party filed in at the military camp on White River, and when, some time afterward, their boxes of freight had been recovered, not so uch as a blanket or a pound of sugar had been taken by Red Cloud's Sioux.

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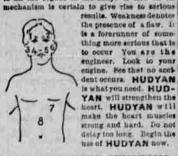
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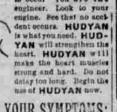
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Months rolled by and Tracey grew

apparently absorbed in Annis' society,

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Annis was one day denouncing ahus-band of her acquaintance who, as she

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man being would suit you. You are

not looking for anything with a view

to matrimouy. And I may hold as high

find the man to fit them. I am perfect-

to offer himself to you, unless you cul-

"I am happy to hear that. But no

"This is among the least of my

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When their acquaintance was some

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Gordon laughed. The situation seemed to him grimly humorous. He motioned to him grimly humorous. He motioned to the Indian to come on, and kept him well covered with his rife.

A moment later, however, he lowered his gun.

Whatever fate awaited Gordon, he knew that he stood in no danger of a treacherous strain and talk.

The situation is oklahomar a few days ago, dancing the religious otter skin dance. This is prove a turget for Cupid's markman ship you will have to make your own repairs. No gallant Sir Knight de lanners, usually so soothing and suggestive of the poetry of motion, seemed to her that day more like same way, and I'm glad I answered him just as I did. Perhaps that is his way of storming hearts. But I'll stand by this skin. This is placed on a high pole in the center of the excited Indians, and the center of the center of the excited Indians, and the center of the center About 400 Sac and Fox Indians were

During the first two days of the eine man, and hence there is weeping they came tentutively, one by one, and slowly: have prayed for the otter skin and not non's semipossessive position, they yet received it think they are lost went their way.
They take this as an evil omen, and
Months rolled

There are two white girls taking part in the otter dance this year, having recently married Indians and beme converted to the faith. A great dog feast took place at

war and Dyspepata

One of the good effects of war is that it cures the worst forms of dyspepsia per air life, the constant mental em. | man, however earnest, will ever dare commons. Another good effect to the tiente less independence of manner, alfact, if a man has any kind of health at 1 fever for marrying 1 shall hie me to the start, nothing heaces him up him 1 some enchanted land where all women an exciting campaign. But, on the are above par, even independent ones. other hand, if any of his organs are leaving his hones in foreign parts. -

### infatuation. When Annis and Edna were both with Tracey he often ap-peared to forget the former, or if the conversation became three-cornered he would throw into it just the element that aroused Annis' iccutil by and grated on her sense of fairnes. Then her sharpest sareasms always [c]; upon the younger girl's head. At such times Tracey was so softly sympathetic with Edna, so contrived to set her defense-less innocence over against Annis' harshness as to prompt Edna to little impertinences and assumptions of his championship. Annis could school herself to the thought that Tracey would never care for her as she did for him; she could take him at his word that he had no intention of marrying, but she suffered keenly with disappointment and a touch of disgust in seeing the one whose manly, somewhat serious bearing she had learned to admire, conducting himself in a manner so nearly silly. More-over, he evidently took it for granted that her honest friendship and com-radeship had turned to jealousy and postility, and that there, was open

girl, came to join the little circle in which Annis found daily intercourse,

and at first clung to the older girl for

rivalry between her and Edna This was too much. Saying nothing of her plans, Annis made speedy preparations for spending the winter in the outh. She chose a resort not widely known and confided its address only to a brother in a distant city.

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TRACEY CHANNON and Annis mind and allayed her agita-TRACEY CHANNON and Abbis
Wydeman, residents of the same
city, met for the first time one bright
summer day at a certain ocean-side resort. A few evenings later they were
chatting rather confidentially as they
strolled along the beach in the twilight.

Annis' mind and allayed her agitation, so that she began to feel sure
that the time of her going home
would find her bealthily indifferent to
Tracey Channon's doings. One afternoon she with others was at the little railway station idly watching the newcomers on the down train. She "I have never yet found the one irresaw Tracey Channon among them. Besaw Fracey Channon among them. Besistible woman, and I do not intend ever to marry. But I'm fond of the ladies—nice ones—and I mean to enjoy their society so long as they are willing to take me in a frank, friendly way without expecting me to turn lover, sighing like a furnace after a fewdays. sighing like a furnace after a few days' experiences at home. Had he come acquintance. She was "Here's my hand on that, Mr. Chanion. I have long waited to know the
man who isn't studying one's availabilty as a wife, or looking aghast if she
casts a friendly glance in his direclove for a man who had so plainly told
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"You and I need not be afraid of each other with such an understanding, need we?" naked Tracey.

"Not in the least. I shall enjoy you immensely. I know, for though I expect to marry when the right man presents himself. I do like to be myself without the result of the results imself, I do like to be myself without thought that he was so near; then she ers and proposals."

"You can be yourself with me. I'll borel and meet Tracey Caannon a contake my own heart risks, Miss Wydeman."

Apply had left her debutants season.

Annis had left her debutante season Annis had left her debutante season behind by less than a half dozen years, self Annis felt that she had aged in fracey was older by a decade. She the hour. The songs of the birds seemed to be in a minor key. and ranged at will between comfort-able city quarters in winter and select of sunshine and the shadows were to caside resorts in summer. As a bach-ler typical of life with Tracey and ex-slor he was independent as to fortune, tistence without him. The sounds of voices and laughter wafted up from gay the twilight stroll, she laughed and said back memories of happier days. She boating parties on the river brought looked beyond them to the dim, gray "Now, Miss Wydeman, you have been further bank and felt that so must

fairly warned, and if your rather un-she look past happiness to a life as susceptible heart should happen to dull and monotonous as that uninvit-

A step on the sand and Tracey Chanon stood at her side, his hand clasping hers, his face wearing its happiest expression, the most cordial words on his lips. Yet she could not comprehend a word that he was saying. ing Annis no time to reply, he talked on rather excitedly, chiding her for running away from him, exclaiming over the beauties of the park and river. He suddenly stooped and dance only 46 Indians received the otter skin. They are not given it un til the great spirit so directs the medicine man, and hence there is weening. She had other admirers, but as showed anxiety as he becan, tenderly

"My dear, I have come all the way down here to ask that we may be more than friends. I have loved you truly, fondly, for a long time." "I do not understand you. You have

said so often that you did not intend to marry; then-I-poor Edna will be "Edna is engaged to a handsome

"Your idea's are altogether too high," Tracey protested. "No ordinary hu-"Why couldn't you ask the ques

and walked rapidly toward the hotel Tracey sat in utter perpiexity and made no attempt to follow her. A few hours later, as he was standing apart from the other veranda loungers, apparently absorbed in the play of the twilight's glimmering on the river's responsive surface, a hand was slipped lightly under his arm and a smiling face looked up into his. Without a word be led Annis out into the lofty aisles of the park. Little fairy flecks chipped from moonbeams chased each other over the two slow ly-moving forms, sometimes entwin ing them with wreaths of silvery

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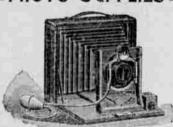
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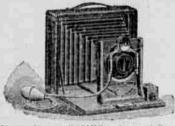
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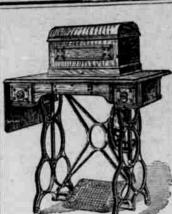
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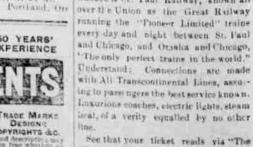
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