



BRIGADIER GENERAL CHARLES KING

CHAPTER I.

Riding at ease in the lazy afternoon sunshine, a single troop of cavalry was threading its way in long column of twos through the bold and beautiful foothills of the Big Horn.

Barely two years a commissioned officer, the young lieutenant at the head of the column rode buoyantly along, caring little for the landscape, since with every traversed mile he found himself just that much nearer home.

Indians themselves loved and trusted far and wide, and when a man has won the trust and faith of an Indian let him grapple it to his breast as a treasure worth the having, great even as "the heart love of a child."

All the same, Mr. Dean had had a glorious graduation summer of it, though Jessie saw too little of him, and Pappoose nothing at all after the breaking of the class.

As if I could ever repay Jess for all the loving kindness to my little girl in her loneliness," said he. No, there was no delicious visiting with Pappoose that summer, but with what eager interest had she not devoured the letters telling of the wonderful sights the little far western saw—the ocean, the great Niagara, the beautiful Point in the heart of the Highlands, but above all, that crowned monarch, that plumed knight, that incomparable big brother, Cadet Capt. Marshall Dean.

whose name became the synonym for deep-rooted and determined hostility to the whites—Machpelota (Red Cloud)—and old John Folsom, whom the Indians loved and trusted, grew anxious and troubled, and went from post to post with words of warning on his tongue.

Of course she understood that if it hadn't been for Jessie none of the cadets would have taken the slightest notice of her, a mere chit, with three years of school still ahead of her. But all the same it was something to live over and over again, and dream of over and over again, and the seashore seemed very stupid after the Point.

He made her take his arm.

Promotion was rapid in the cavalry in those days, so soon after the war. Indians contributed largely to the general move, but there were other causes, too. Dean had served little over a year as second lieutenant in a troop doing duty along the lower Platte, when vacancies occurring gave him speedy and unlooked-for lift. He had met Mr.

Folsom only once. The veteran trader had embarked much of his capital in business at Gate City, beyond the Rockies, but officers from Fort Emory, close to the new frontier town, occasionally told him he had won a staunch friend in that solid citizen.

A Dangerous Hallucination. I saw a shrewd and successful gentleman, who, on my being introduced, said he was glad to have a talk with a nerve doctor, for he thought there was something wrong. Then he told his tale, says the London Lancet, which was that he was pestered by gangs of gypsies who appeared everywhere.

He was Armed. In the days when highwaymen were more numerous and successful than they are at present, it was the common practice of the natives to travel unarmed and submit tamely to robbery.

At Large. "Do you mean to tell me that that man-eating lion of yours got loose and wandered out into the streets?" "Yes," answered the proprietor of the show; "and a lot of trouble he made us."

Double Rackets. "There seems to be smiles all over your face this morning." "No wonder! There's a new baby down at our house."

Simulation Unnecessary. "You think I had better simulate insanity?" said the accused man. "I do," answered the adviser.

Not Envy? Rev. Dr. Fourthly—My vacation? I expect to spend it in Europe. My congregation has given me a purse of money and a three months' vacation for that purpose.

Fame-Generating Bomb. Prof. Camphausen, of Amsterdam, is out with a bomb generating fumes that will make breathing difficult or impossible for a distance of 100 yards around the center of the explosion.

GENUINE STRONG MAN. Canadian Athlete Trundles 300 Brick, Weighing 1200 Pounds, in a Heavy Wheelbarrow. Joseph N. Fountain, who was born in Quebec, Canada, but has been a bricklayer and plasterer in Webster, Mass., for some years, has considerable standing as a strong man.

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Doing His Best. Mrs. Fadally—Yes; I'm going to the club. Her Husband—As you please, Maud; but I'm sure I'm doing all I can to make home attractive!—Puck.

Best for the Bowels. No matter what ails you, headache to a cancer, you will never get well until your bowels are put right. Cascarets help nature, cure you without a gripe or pain, produce easy natural movements, cost you just 10 cents to start getting your health back.

Friendly Criticism. Artist—I painted that picture to keep the wolf from the door. Friend—Well, hang it on the outside doorknob, and the wolf won't trouble you.—Chicago Daily News.

The Nickel Plate Road. Dining Car service on American Railroads has undergone a number of changes in the method of serving meals in dining cars. Many leading roads are now serving from cards a-la-carte, whilst on the other great trunk lines the popular American plan of enjoying anything on the bill of fare and paying the usual price of one dollar.

A Brilliant Success. A—How did your automobile journey turn out? B—Beautifully! Although I ran over two pedestrians and three bicycles and knocked two wagons into a ditch, my motor was not at all injured and I arrived just on time.—Fleigende Blaetter.

When You Go to Florida. You enhance the pleasure of the trip by going over the Queen & Crescent Route and its connections via Cincinnati. Careful attendants look to your comfort. Your meals (a la carte) are not surpassed in the best hotels.

Testimony to Fit. "You ought to be able to tell a straight story about the affair," said the lawyer to a witness in an embezzling case. "I don't know about that," replied the witness. "It was a very crooked proceeding."—Detroit Free Press.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment.

Old Closest is dead, I see. Mr. Snags—"Yes." "What did he die of?" "He died of enlargement of the heart." "That old miser! What a joker you are, Frank."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Robbins, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb 17, 1900.

Vengeance—Stabbing yourself to scratch some one else.—Judge.



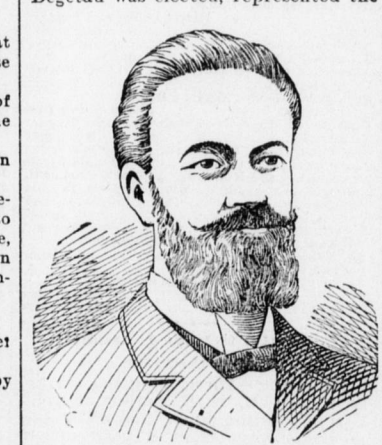
A CANADIAN SANDOW. (Trundling a 1,200-Pound Load a Distance of 100 Feet.)

could be turned asked Fountain's opinion. The Canadian thought for a moment, and said he thought it could be done. There were ready hands which loaded the wheelbarrow, and a good many bets as to the success of the effort.

It is claimed that on November 18, 1881, Fountain defeated an "unknown" from Meriden, Conn., in a lifting match for the championship of New England.

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old autonomist party, while the federal party consisted of the democrats. Mr. Degetau is a lawyer, having studied in the university of Madrid. He is a member of several scientific and philanthropic societies and was one of the founders of the Societe Francaise pour L'Arbitrage entre Nations.



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