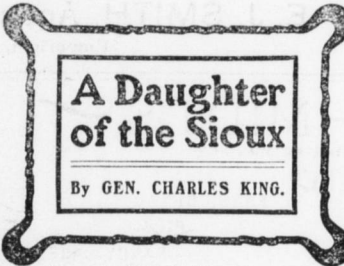




THE PROCRASTINATOR.

Serene I fold my hands and wait And hope that wind or tide or sea Some day may be induced by Fate To bring some good thing here to me.



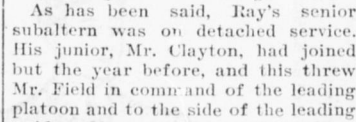
CHAPTER V.—CONTINUED.

"Yes, sir," answered the boy, straightening up to attention. Then, scrupulously exchanging salutes, the old soldier and the young parted company, and the major returned to receive the reports of the old and new officers of the day.

tion of Miss Flower's radiant face, and in the effort to make his own words eloquent, had no ears for those of others. He never heeded the trader's excited outburst. He only saw her suddenly flinch, suddenly pale, then sway. His ready arm was around her in a twinkling. In a twinkling she twisted free from his undesired clasp.

CHAPTER VI.

Ray's gallant half hundred, as has been said, took the route for the north at break of day. Before them spread the open prairie, apparently level and unbroken for full five miles to the front and either flank, the distant slopes and ridges bounding the level expanse growing more distinct with every moment, and presently lighting up in exulting radiance in response to the rosy blushes of the eastward sky.



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Without a word of reply, Field reined out of column, glanced along the double file of his platoon, nodded a signal "fall out" to Sergeant Scott, and the men nearest him at the front, merely said "advance guard," and then proceeded to choose his corporals and men for flankers.

And at this moment the situation was grave in the extreme. There had been bad blood and frequent collision between the cattlemen, herdsmen, "hustlers"—especially hustlers and the hunting parties of the Sioux and the Northern Cheyenne, who clung to the Big Horn range and the superb surrounding country with almost passionate love and with jealous tenacity.



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last look, for the time, at least, at the distant walls of Frayne. Some toward seven-thirty, Corporal Connors' foremost man, far out on the left flank, ranging suddenly over a low divide, caught sight of a bonneted warrior bending flat over his excited pony and lashing that nimble, fleet-footed creature to mad gallop in the effort to reach the cover of the projecting point of bluff across the shallow ravine that cut in toward the foothills.

"They may try to hold us among the breaks of the Mini Pusa," said he, to his still unconquered second in command. Field had been civil, respectful, but utterly uncommunicative in his replies to the captain's repeated cordialities. Any attempt to even remotely refer to the causes that led to his being ordered out with the detachment had been met with chilling silence.

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When Dr. Sewell, for many years warden of New college, Oxford, was seriously ill, about a year ago, the fellows of the college, and, indeed, all his friends, despaired of his life.

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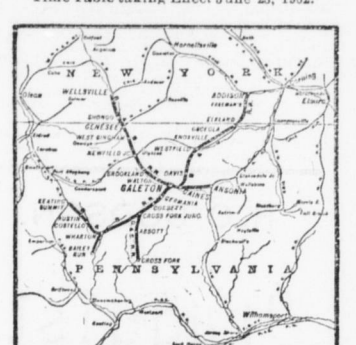
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