RESCUED FROM INDIANS.

BY CHARLES E. BLAKELEE.

Among the first settlers west of the Alleghany river was a man, with his family, consisting of his wife and two daughters, of the name of Thornburg. A home was established a little south of the central part of Ohio, and after a year or two their habitation showed the evidences of taste and industry which always characterizes the advance of civilization. Agnes Thornburg, the elder of the two daughters, had reached the age of about eighteen years, when the exciting incident which I am about to relate occurred. Agnes was beautiful in the true sense of the term; her well developed form indicated health and vigor, while her rosy cheeks, sparkling eyes, raven winged hair and well chiselled nose and mouth, made her absolutely bewitching. It need be thought Alfred Culver, who lived not far away, and she a young Indian warrior who now and then made open proffer of things at the log cabin of the girl's father.

One day, after the sun had passed the meridian some three hours, two Indians emerged stealthily out of the woods which bordered the home lot. One of the red brutal devils was the young warrior before mentioned; the other a tool in his hands to assist in stealing and carrying away the young paleface, of whom he had become enamored. The two gods being alone, and Father Thornburg, his eight years of age, the week before there was neither long nor difficult. There was remonstrance, and she sped away with the agility of a young roe to appeal for help, who was at work in a "clearing," not more than a quarter of a mile from the house.

Thornburg met the excited child, who was screaming inside for help, and without stopping to arm himself, further than with the axe which he had in his hand, he plunged into the woods with the desperation of a mad man, in the direction pointed out by the child as the one which the Indians had taken. The red men difficulties follow, but the novices father worked as rapidly as it was in the power of one with his limited experience to do, and just before sunset, caught sight of the rogues and the captives. Thornburg shouted as a ran, but had not advanced far when he was discovered by the Indians, who also quickened their pace, but trouble soon followed. Agnes discovered her father, and obediently refused to take another step. No hatchet, or tomahawk, or brandishing of scalping knife could intimidate her as before.

The Indians apparently discovered that they were pursued by a single man, and he without firearms, so they deliberately bound Agnes hand and foot, and revisited the cause. Thornburg advanced to within about ten feet of the party and by command of Agnes, came to a stand-ish. The two Indians stood and gazed at him with mingled curiosity and astonishment.—Thornburg here for the first time realized that he was no sufficiently armed to encounter a deadly contest with two fully equipped red men of the forest.

Agnes begged of her father not to attempt to rescue her by force, as it would only result in his death and multiply her sufferings, and as her request he bent down the axe and lifted up his empty hands to signify his purpose not to make an attack. Pleadings were made for restoration by father and daughter as well as could be by signs, and the use of what few words they understood in the Indian tongue—but the young warrior shook his head and flourished his tomahawk in a manner which signified that Agnes should go with him, and the old man must die. The girl became almost frantic through fear for her father's safety and made her captors understand that if they would spare the life of her parent she would go with them freely. To this they gave heed, and so bound Thornburg to a tree, and forced the pretty captive on again through the now darkening forest. Agnes somehow felt confident that her father would be found, relieved and again overtake them, and rescue her by the aid of others, and so she traveled well into the night without uttering a complaint.

Little Elnor did not return to the house after telling her father of the capture of Agnes, but ran through the bridle-path to the home of Alfred Culver, to tell the story there. Young Culver received the intelligence with distended mouth and staring eyes, but soon regained his senses, and strapping on his rifle and putting a big knife in his hunting belt, struck out alone in pursuit of the demons who were bearing away his idol, vowing, while he clutched tightly the handle of his knife, that he would never return without her. Darkness came upon him before coming in sight of the Indians, so he climbed to the top of a tree to spend the night, and wear away slow hours in wretchedness and suspense.

As the first glimmer of dawn stole above the eastern horizon, Alfred ate a little of the bread and jerked venison which he had wisely taken along, and as soon as he could possibly make the trail pushed on with renewed vigor. Just before sunrise he came upon Thornburg, lashed to the tree and after cutting the thongs, learned the story of the father's adventure. The old gentleman from his twelve hours in a position but little better than the rack of the inquisition, was utterly unable to follow the trail with young Culver, and so determined to work his way homeward as best he could. Alfred gave strong assurance that he would bring Agnes back alive, if possible, but would wipe out the red faces at all hazards.

Early in the forenoon young Culver came to the spot where the Indians and the fair captive had spent a portion of the night, and while making a close examination of the spot to determine as accurately as possible how long since they had left, he found written on the surface of a flat stone the following:

"I am scarcely bound, but write this while the Indians sleep. We are to make an early start in the morning, with course south east, until a big river is reached, and then follow the river south. May God help and—"

That was all. The abrupt termination indicated that Agnes had been interrupted while attempting to leave a message to those who might follow for her rescue. Alfred pushed ahead with new hope, and now discarding the hindrances in keeping the trail, made much greater headway than the red faces with their weary captive, and a little after noon came upon the object of his search. The two Indians were sitting upon the ground beside a spring, with Agnes bound near them. Alfred unobserved, crept in range with a huge tree, as near as he thought it safe, and taking deliberate aim through a little chasm of underbrush, his faithful rifle sent forth a stream of fire that awakened the stillness of the deep woods, and one of the Indians rolled over with a ball in his head. The young warrior leaped to his feet with a yell of indignation and prepared to meet young Culver, who came down upon him like a tiger upon its prey. He drew his tomahawk and hurled it at his pursuer with a force that would have cleft Alfred's skull, but he raised the stock of his gun as the same instant, which turned the deadly missile.

Both drew their knives, and stood glaring at each other like demons. Neither made a definite move for some time, each apparently realizing the power of his adversary. They moved around in a circle without changing their gaze for full five minutes, when the Indian leaped like a panther upon the young hunter, but he missed his mark; and not used as the glistening blades passed each other, the warrior's hand which had been pinioned to his knife and clutched the right arm of his foe, and a desperate struggle followed. Alfred lost his knife and the two rolled over and over again upon the earth. The Indian was rapidly getting the mastery in the evolutions, when young Culver, at a glance, saw one of the knives within his reach. A moment later and our hero bent over Agnes and planted a kiss upon her brow as he cut the thongs that bound her. Two fatal savages lay beside them, and she was free. A long journey was before them to reach the homes where anxious hearts awaited, but they made it, and now I will leave the rest for the great grandchildren of Agnes and Alfred to tell, for they told me what I have written.

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REV. E. A. BUSH,
JOHN H. DOUGLASS, } Adm'rs.
February 21, 1873.-6t.*

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H. C. KIRKPATRICK, Adm'r,
Carrolltown, Feb. 28, 1873.-6t.

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