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BY CHARLES KINGSLEY.

From "Andromeda and Other Poems," a New Volume Oh, she tripped over Ocknell plain, And down by Bradley Water; And the fairest maid of the forest side

Was Jane, the keeper's daughter. She went and went through the broad gray lawns As down the red sun sank. And chill as the scent of a new made grave The mist smelt cold and damp.

"A token, a token!" that fair muid cried; "A token that bodes me sorrow; For they that smell the grave by night Will see the corpse to-morrow

"My own true love in Burley walk Does hunt to-mght. I fear: And if he meet my father stern. His game may cost him dear

"Ah, here's a curse on hare and grouse, A curse on bart and hind; And a health to the Squire in all England, Leaves never a head behind!

Her true love shot a mighty hart Among the standing rye, When on him lepst that keeper old From the fern where he did he.

The forest laws were sharp and stern, The forest blood was keen; They lashed together for hie and death Beneath the hollies green.

The metal good and the wa'nut wood Did soon in flinders flee: They tossed the oris to south and north, And grappled knee to knee.

They wrestled up, they wrestled down, They wrestled still and sore; Beneath their feet the myrtle sweet Was stamped to mud and gore.

Ah, cold, pale moon, thou cruel pale moon, That starest, with never a frown On all the grim and ghastly things That are wrought in thorpe and towr

And yet cold, pale moon, thou cruel pale moon That night had'st never the grace To lighten two dying Christian men To see one another's face.

They wrestled up, they wrestled down, They wrestled sore and still; The fiend a ho blinds the eyes of men, That night he had his will.

Like spent stags full among the bent, They dropped awhile to rest; When the young man drove his staying knife Deep in the old man's breast

The old man drove his gunstock down Upon the young man's head; And side by side, by the water brown, These yeomen twam lay dead.

They dug three graves in Lyndhurst yard; Two yeomen lay there, and a maiden fair, A widow and never a bride.

## Selections.

The Patagonian Brothers.

We are not related. His name is John Griffiths, and I am William Walder; and we her. I also fancied, before many months called ourselves the Patagonian brothers. because it looked well in the hills and pleased the public. We met by chance, when he is in love, and there is not a blush, about six years since, on the race-course at Doncaster, and so took a sort of mutual liking trive to build some hope upon. So one day UST received, three dozen Dr. Brillon's Doneaster, and so took a sort of mutual liking trive to build some hope upon. So one day Vegetable Bitters, a certain cure for Dyspepsia, and went partners in a tour through the when Griffiths was out, I went down stairs also and Pine Apple Cheese, midland counties. We had never seen or to the parlor, where she was sitting by the midland counties. We had never seen or to the parlor, where she was sitting by the heard of each other up to that time; and window sewing, and took a chair beside AIR DYE'S. Jones' Batchelor's, Peter's and though we became good friends, were never her. greatly intimate. I knew nothing of his ticular to have this all clear from the speak to you." beginning; for I am a plain man, telling a

was not much; but it was more than either ble. and roamed about as before.

profits. There were times when we did not live." good, and, on the whole, we prospered.

between York and London. During that arm clasped aroung my darling's waist.

with me, and love peace and good-will better or turning off towards the club-room at agoniaus, your health!" than anything in the world.

We had now grown so expert, that we resolved to better ourselves and return to London, which we did somewhere about the end of February or the beginning of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-five. We put up at a little inn in the Borough; and, before a week was over, found ourselves engaged by Mr. James Rice, of the Belvidere Tavern. at a salary of seven pounds a week. Now. this was a great advance upon all our previous gains; and the Tavern was by no means a bad place for the founding of a theatrical reputation.

Situated half way between the west end and the city, surrounded by a densely populated neighborhood, and lying in the very path of the omnibusses, this establishment was one of the most prosperous of its class. There was a theatre, and a concert-room, and a garden, where dancing, and smoking. and rifle-shooting, and supper eating was going on from eight to twelve o'clock every night all through the summer, which made the place a special favorite with the working

classes. Here, then, we were engaged (Griffiths and I,) with a promise that our salary should be raised if we proved attractive: and raised it soon was, for we drew enormously. We brought out the perche and the ceiling business; came down in the midst of fireworks, from a platform higher than the roof of the theatre; and, in short, did everything that ever yet was done in our line-ay, and did it well too, tho' perhaps it is not my place to say so. At all events, the great colored posters were pasted up all over the town, and our salary was increased to fifteen pounds a week; and the gentleman who writes about the plays in the Sunday Snub, was pleased to observe that there was no performance in London half so wonderful as that of the Patagonian Brothers; for which I take this opportunity to thank him kindly.

We lodged (of course together) in a quiet street on a hill near Isington. The house was kept by Mrs. Morrison, a respectable. industrious woman, whose husband had been a gas-fitter at one of the theatres, and could not be mistaken in him, though his who was now left a widow with one only daughter just nineteen years of age. She was very good and very pretty. She was christened Alice, but her mother called her Ally, and we soon fell in the same habit; for they were very simple, friendly people, and we were soon as good friends as if we had all been living together in the same house for years.

I am not a good hand at telling a story. as, I dare say, you have found out by this time,-and, indeed, I never did sit down to write one before, -so I may as well come to the point at once, and confess that I loved were over, that she did not altogether dislike me: for a man's wits are twice as sharp or a glance, or a word, that he does not con-

"Ally, my dear," said I stonning her past life, nor he of mine, and I never asked right hand from working, and taking it up nim a question on the subject. I am par- in both of mine; "Ally, my dear, I want to

She blushed, and turned pale, and blushed plain story, and I want no one to misunder- again, and I felt the pulses in her little soft stand a word of what I am about to relate. hand throbbing like the heart of a fright-We made a little money by our tour. It ened bird, but she never answered a sylla-

of us had been able to earn before; so we | "Ally, my dear," said I, "I am a plain agreed to stay together and try our fortune man. I am thirty-two years of age. I in London. This time we got an engage- don't know how to flatter like some folks. ment at Astley's for the winter, and, when and I have had very little book-learning the summer came, joined a traveling circus, to speak of. But, my dear, I love you; and though I don't pretend that you are the The circus was a capital thing—a repub- first girl I ever fancied, I can truly say that lic, so to say, in which all were equals. We you are the first I ever cared to make my had a manager, to whom we paid a fixed wife. So, if you'll take me, such as I am, salary, and the rest went shares in the I'll be a true husband to you as long as I

even clear our expenses; there were towns What answer she made, or whether she where we made ten and fifteen pounds a spoke at all, is more than I can undertake night; but the bad luck went along with the to tell, for my ideas were all confused, and I only remember that I kissed her, and felt We stayed with the company two years very happy, and that, when Mrs. Morrison nd a half in all, and played at every town came into the room, she found me with my

time we had found leisure to improve. We I scarcely knew when it was that I first knew each other's weight and strength now noticed the change in John Griffiths; but, to a hair, and grew bolder with experience: that it was somewhere about this time, I am so that there was scarcely a new feat brought tolerably certain. It is hard to put looks out anywhere which we did not learn, even into words, and to make account of trifles to the "perche" business, and the trick of that, after all, are matters of feeling more walking, head downwards, on a marble ceil- than matters of fact; but others saw the we were not unlike in figure. If Griffiths spent all his Sundays out, starting away the possessed a little more muscular strength, I first thing after breakfast, and not coming as any gentleman could be. was the more active, and even that difference back again till close upon midnight. He was in our favor. I believe that, in other even put an end to our friendly custom of respects, we suited each other equally well, walking home together after our night's always called us by that name, "I suppose went to the green-room to see after Mr. and I know, that, for the three years and a work was over, and joined a sort of tap-room half which we had spent together (counting club that was kept up by a dozen or so of rom our first meeting at Doncaster down to idle fellows belonging to the theatre. Worse sixth-jast to end the season with somehe time when we dissolved partnership with thru this, he scarcely exchanged a word the circus folks) we had never had an angry with me from morning till night, even when vord. Griffiths was a steady, saving, silent we were at meals. He watched me about cllow enough, with little grey eyes and the room as if I had been a thief. And neavy black brows. I remember thinking sometimes, though I am sure I never once or twice, that he was not quite the sort wronged him willingly in my life, I caught of person I would like for an enemy; but him looking at me from under those black that was in reference to no act of his, and brows of his as if he hated me.

mly a fancy of my own. For myself, I can More than once I laid my hand upon his feat that has never yet been done in this cigars, but they would have me in to take same. My head son fire!"

night, and said, "Griffiths, have you got. So we drank his in return, and Mr. Rice

choose his own company. The summer was already far advanced, and our engagement at the Belvidere had well nigh ended, when I began to buy the furniture, and Ally to prepare her wedding things. Matters continued the same with John Griffiths; but, when the day was fixed, and invite him to the church and the dinner. The circumstances of that invitation long as the balloon remained in sight. are as clear in my memory as if the whole affair had taken place this morning.

and the Terrific Descent, I should have nians?" about twenty minutes too soon. The gardens again. had a dreary look by daylight; but they! so I loitered up and down among the smoky is afraid to go with me!" stains off the tables in the summer-houses. and thought how shabby the fountains looked | blood up into my face. when they were not playing, and what miserable gim-crack concerns were the stalacall the other attractions which looked so fine night!" by the light of colored lamps and fire-works.

Well, just as I was sauntering on, turnupon the table with his face resting upon then-but I understood it well enough afterhis clasped hands, sound asleep. An empty wards. ale-bottle and glass stood close beside him, and his stick had fallen near his chair. I face was hidden; so I went up and touched him smartly on the shoulder.

"A fine morning, John?" says I. thought I was here early, but it seems that you were before me, after all."

He sprang to his feet at the sound of my voice, as if he had been struck, and then turned impatiently away.

"What did you wake me for?" he said, sullenly.

ried, and-" "Curse vou!" he interrupted, turning a

like a tiger's. "Curse you! How dare you only on Sunday, when we were sitting to-changing my posititn with every minute, I sort of false strength while it lasted. At all hound? to me, of all men living?"

off of you till now-"

the moment quite sick and giddy. "My God!" said I, leaning up against the

knew all. It was written, somehow, in his scarcely knew where I was, or what I was, with me, except upon the stage.

the last act; and Griffiths and I were Mo- two in the passage. zambique slaves, performing before the "Keep up your spirits, Ally dear," says I, knew much more. By this time I had, of be married to-morrow." course, recovered my usual composure; but The multitude in the Belvidere gardens walking, head downwards, on a marble cell-than matters of fact; but others saw the fact is, that we were admirably change as well as myself; and no one could for his face was flushed and his balance were, men, women and children, thronging natched, which, in our profession, is the help observing that he grew to be more unsteady. When the rehearsal was over, most important point of all. Our height was silent and unsociable than ever. He kept Mr. Rice called us into his private room and the same, to the sixteenth of an inch, and away from home as much as possible. He brought out a decanter of Sherry, with which I must say he was always as liberal.

matter of extra work and extra pay on the forward. thing stunning-hey?"

"No, no, sir, not we," replied Griffiths. in a sort of hearty manner that wasn't nat-Is it the flying business you spoke about the who was, as I have since been told, a playother day?" "Better than that," said the manager,

live with any one who is disposed to live sleeve as he was hurrying away on Sundays, country, and they call it the trapeze. Pat- a glass of port and shook hands with me all ! "Do you see this?" said he, eatching my

anything against me?"-or, "Griffiths, won't explained all about it. It was to be an exyou come home to a friendly glass with me hibition of posturing and a balloon ascent to-night?" But he either shook me off both in one. At some distance below the without a word, or muttered some sulky car was to be secured a triangular wooden that they were going up in the car with Mr. breath seemed to hiss over the cold blade. denial that sounded more like a curse than a framework, which framework, was called the Stains. civil answer; so I got tired of peace-making trapaze. From the lower pole, or base of at last, and let him go his own way and this triangle, one of us was to be suspended, with a ligature of strong leather attached to the glass of wine that I had taken, and the I shall cut you away from the balloon. I his ankle, in case of accidents. Just as the balloon was rising and this man ascending head downwards, the other was to catch him by the hands and go up also, having, if he preferred it, some band or other to bind him to his companion. In this posi-I made up my mind to try him once again, tion we were then to go through our customary performances, continuing them so

"All this," said Mr. Rice, "sounds much more dangerous than it really is. The modand the crowd was very noisy, and so that I could make no effort for myself. It was on the twenty-ninth of July, (I tion of the balloon through the air is so twenty minutes more went by. Then we am particular about dates.) and there had steady and imperceptible that, but for the made up our minds to go without him, and hand, and I saw him take the knife in his been a general call to rehearsel at one knowledge of being up above the housetops, Mr. Rice made a little speech and explained right. I felt the cold steel pass between his o'clock that day. The weather was warm you will perform almost as comfortably as it to the people, and then there was a cheer, wrist and mine, and then \* \* \* and hazy, and I started early that I might in the gardens. Besides, I am speaking to and a great bustle; and the gentlemen took And then, the horror of the moment gave not go in late or tired; for I knew that, brave men who know their business, and their seats in the car and a hamper full of me back my strength, and I clung to the what with the rehearsal and the new piece, are not to be dashed at trifles-hey, Patago- champaign and cold chicken was put in frame-work just as the thong gave way.

over. The consequence was that I arrived upon the table, and made the glass ring was just about to get in himself and give had only his arms to trust-and the knife.

were pleasanter, anyhow, than the theatre: "I'm ready to do it alone, if any man here Griffiths.

tite caves and the cosmoramic grottoes, and and if that's all about it. I'll go up to- there was no time to change any thing champaign cork-followed by a peal of care-

but John Griffiths. He was lying forward of my blood. I could not understand it steady above the heads of the people.

Well, Mr. Rice was mightily pleased to find us so willing, and a very few more grew the sound of the hurrahing and the words ended the matter. Mr. Staines and music. The sensation was so strange, that his famous Wurtemburg balloon were to be for the first moment I was forced to close giddy! engaged, fifteen hundred additional colored my eyes, and felt as if I must fall and be lamps were to be hired, and Griffiths and I dashed to pieces. But that soon passed nothing human. He made a false clutch at were to receive ten pounds a piece for the away, and by the time we had risen to evening, over and above our general salary. Poor Ally! In the midst of the excite-

ment I had forgotten her, and it was not till with my head downwards. I was out of the theatre and walking slowly homewards that I remembered she must be told. For my own part, I did not believe Because I have news to tell you. You there was the slightest danger; but I knew know that the sixth of August will be our how her fears would magnify everything. last night here. . . . Well, mate, on the and the nearer I came to Islington the more even then, if the posters had not been already "Why can't you let me alone? Why do out and myself bound in honor to act up to you tempt me? I have kept my hands my engagement, I would have gone straight to Mr. Rice and declined the business alto-He paused and bit his lip, and I saw that gether. Poor little, soft hearted darling! Surrey hills drew near, and the city sank he was trembling from head to foot. I am it was a sore trial to her and to me also, and away to the right, farther, and farther. no coward-it's not likely that I should be I was an inconsiderate idiot not to have Then there was nothing but green fields a Patigonian Brother if I was-but the thought of her feelings in the first instance, with lines of railway crossing them here sight of his hatred seemed to turn me, for But there was no help for it now: so I gave, and there, and presently it grew damp and her the only consolation in my power by misty, and we ceased to see anything, exsolemnly promising that I would be the first cept through breaks and openings in the table, "what do you mean! Are you mad?" man tied to the trapeze. It was, of course clouds. He made no answer: but looked straight the safest position, and when I had assured at me, and then walked away. I don't her of this she grew calmer. On all other know how it was: but from that moment I | points I kept my own counsel, as you may be certain, and as to John Griffiths: I saw less of him than ever. He even took his "Oh, Ally dear, I said to myself, with a meals in the city now, and during the seven so quite quiet, for some minutes. He kind of groan, and sat down on the nearest days that clapsed between the twenty-ninth bench; I believe that at that moment, I and the sixth, never once came face to face the clouds were gathering about so thickly.

I had a hard matter to get away from I did not see him again till we met on the home when the afternoon of the sixth came stage, about an hour afterwards, to go round. My darling clung about me as if through our scene in the rehearsal. It was her heart would break, and although I did; a grand Easter piece with a great deal of my best to cheer her, I don't mind confessfiring, and real water, and a live camel in ing now that I went out and cried a tear or

rajah in the hall of Candelabras. Except- smiling and kissing her the last thing before ing that it cost a great deal of money, that I left the house. "And don't be spoiling is all I ever knew about the plot; and, upon, your pretty eyes in that way. Remember my word, I don't believe that any body else I want you to look well, and that we are to

I could see that Griffiths had been drinking, was something wonderful. There they the balconies, the orchestra-stairs, and every available inch of ground, and there. in the midst of them, rolled and swayed the huge Wurtemburg balloon, like a sleepy, lolling giant. The ascent was fixed for six "Patagonians," says he, for he had a o'clock, that we might come down again by wonderfully merry way with him, and daylight, so I made haste to dress, and then you would make no objection to a little Rice, and hear something of what was going Mr. Rice was there, and three gentlemen

with him, namely, Colonel Stewart, Captain Crawford, and Sidney Baird, Esquire, They were fine handsome looking gentlemen, all ural to him. "We're ready for anything, three-especially Sidney Baird, E-quire, writer, and one of the cleverest men of the day. I was going to draw back when I saw filling the glasses. "It's a new French them sitting there with their wine and Catch hold of the pole, and let me do the armed with rifle and tomahawk and knife;

as handsome as any gentlemen could.

"Here's health and success to you, my this?"

crowd outside, I was in first-rate spirits, her, and I mean to keep it." and as impatient to be off as a racer at a A dimness came over my eyes, and everymen looked at his watch.

"What are we waiting for?" said he .--"It is ten minutes past six already."

And so it was. Ten minutes past the hour, and Griffiths had not yet been seen or heard of. Well Mr. Rice grew very uneasy along with him, for I was so faint and giddy with them, and I was made fast by one leg enough to do before my day's work was: Griffiths brought his hand down heavily to the base of the trapeze: and Mr. Staines the signal to cut loose, when who should we "I am ready, sir," said he with an oath. see forcing his way through the crowd but

trees, and watched the waiters polishing the He looked at me as he said this, with a and a delay of eight or ten minutes more strove to stab me with the other. sort of mocking laugh that brought the while he was dressing. At last he came, and it was now just a quarter to seven desperate. To feel his murderous clutch "If you mean that for me, John," said I. o'clock. He looked very sullen when he upon my throat, and, in the silence of that quickly, "I'm no more afraid than yourself: found that he was to be the undermost: but hideous struggle, to hear the report of a now, even if I had been willing: so his left less laughter-overhead \* \* Oh, If I was to try from now till this day next wrist and my right were bound together by it was worse than death, a hundred times year, I never could describe the expression a leathern strap, the signal was given, the over! ing these things over in my mind, whom that came over his face as I spoke those band struck up, the crowd applauded like should I see in one of the summer houses words. It seemed to turn all the current mad, and the balloon rose straight and with a hand upon the other's throat. It may

Down sank the trees and the fountains, and the pavement of upturned faces. Down sank the roof of the theatre, and fainter about three hundred feet I was as comfort- just in time, by the belt around his waist. able as if had been born and bred in the air

Pressently we began our performances .--Griffiths was as cool as possible-I never fell heavily back, and he hung, a dead saw him cooler-and we went through weight on my arm. by our hands, now by our feet, now throwseventh, please God, I am going to be mar- uncomfortable I felt. After all, I was such during the whole of this time the streets my foot, and to crawl, and so laden, up the a coward-for I always am a coward where and squares seemed to sink away to the ropes, is more than I can tell, but my preswomen are concerned-that I could not tell right, and the noises from the living world ence of mind never failed me for an instant, livid face upon me, and an eye that glared her that day, nor even the next; and it was died on the air-and, as I turned and clung. and I suppose the excitement gave me a come to me with that tale, you smooth-faced gether after dinner; that I found courage to caught strange flitting glimpses of the sun-cvents I did it, though I now only remember speak of it. I had expected something of a set and the city, the sky and the river, the climbing over the basket work, and seeing I was so little prepared for the burst of scene; but I had no idea that she would gentlemen leaning over the car and the tiny the faces of the gentlemen all turned upon passion, that I had nothing to say; and so have taken on as she did, and I declare that. passengers swarming down below like ants me as 1 sank to the bottom of the car, n on ont-hill

Then the gentlemen grew tired leaning over; and began to talk and laugh, and busy themselves over their hamper. Then the

"Come, John;" says I, "our share of this business is done. Don't you think we might as well be getting in the car?"

He was hanging below just then, holding on by my two hands, and had been hanging didn't seem to hear me, and no wonder, for called to him again, and rereated the ques-

He made no answer, but shifted his grasp from my hand to my wrist, and then up to the middle of my arm, so raising himself by degrees, till our faces came nearly on a level. There he paused, and I felt his hot breath on my check.

"William Walder." said he hearsely. "wasn't to-morrow to have been your wedding day?" Something in the tone of his voice, in the

question, in the dusk and dreadful solitude. struck me with horror. I tried to shake off his hands, but he held too fast for that "Well what if it was?" said I, after a

of my arm-?".

"I suppose we're about two thousand feet nigh." says he, and it seemed to me that he named from him. He had been there a had something between his teeth. "If either vear or two, and was searching for game, of us was to fall, he'd be a dead man before when he saw a small dog running in his the touched the ground."

ment to be able to see his face, but what came stepping cautiously along, glancing with my own head being downwards, and jealously around, and making signals to all his weight hanging to my arms, I had his dog. The owner of him halted in front no more power than en infant.

around as polite as possible, and treated me arm a couple of inches higher up, and looking right up into my face. "Do you see

brave fellow," says Colonel Stewart, and a. It was a large open clasp-knife, and he pleasant trip to us all!" and then I found was holding it between his teeth. His "I bought it this evening-I hid it in my And now, what with their light cheerful belt-I waited till the clouds came round ways and pleasant talking, and what with and there was no soul to see me. Presently excitement, and the hum of voices from the took an oath that you should never have

starting point. Presently one of the gentle-thing grew red: I felt that in another minute I should be insensible. He thought I was so already, and letting my arms free, made a spring at the pole overhead. That spring saved me. Our wrists were

I saw him hold by the pole with his left

bound together, and as he rose he drew me

We were separated now, and I was still secured to the trapeze by one ancle. He

Oh, the deadly, deadly strife that followed! it sickens me to think of it. His only hope now lay in the cursed weapon; and so, cling-Of course there was another cheer at this ing to the wood-work with one hand, he

It was life and death now, and I grew

I cannot tell how long we clung thus, each

have only been a few seconds, but it seemed like hours to me. The question was simply which should be strangled first. Presently his grip retaxed, his lips became

dead white, and a shudder ran through every fibre of his body. He had turned Then a cry burst from him-a cry like

the trapeze, and reeled over. I caught him, "It's all over with me," he groaned between his set teeth. "It's all-over-with

me! Take your revenge!" Then his head

every conceivable attitude; now swinging I did take my revenge, but it was hard work, as I was already half exhausted .ing summersaults over the other. And How I contrived to hold him up, to unbind

> scarcely more alive than the burden arms. He is a penitent man now, an Australian settler, and, as I am told, well to do in those

> parts. This is my story, and I have no more to

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tell.

Where is the West? Like the indefinable horizon, it is continually retreating. We thought it was but a short way off, and now it is beyond the Mississippi, and far away on the shores of the Pacific. The islands of the ocean, and then the Old World, will be our West!

To those of our readers who are now in this region we would say that Ohio and Kentucky were, only a short generation since, the West; then Indiana and Illinois that even the voices of the gentlemen up were the far West. It was in those days, a yard before me in any direction. So I and in the valley of the Ohio, that Judge volume called "The Romance of Western History." Like all his works, it is elegantly written, smooth, and pleasant: but to those whose reminiscences lie back among the pioneers, or who, in their boyhood, associated with them, this romance (albeit less romance than fact) has a peculiar zest. It brings up, like a good picture taken in other days, the dress, attitude, and appearance of the old race, who once lived here and struggled through the semi-barbaric period of civilization. It is only by such that we can have our knowledge of them. for they can never return.

Let us quote a paragraph or two from this romance of history, that we may catch noment. "You needn't grip so hard .- a sidelong glance at the old pioneer. Judge Catch hold of the pole, will you? and let go Hall relates a story of (as we understood it) Muldrow, who gave name to Muldrow, still He gave a short hard laugh; but never in Kentucky. This man, who is one of the earliest pioneers, had a cabin in one of the rugged acclivities of the hill or mountain track; and supposed an Indian was near.-I would have given the world at that mo- In a few minutes the owner of the dog of the hunter, and full exposed to view .-"John!" I exclaimed, "what do you mean? He was a tall, athletic man, completely that whether he was a white man or Indian