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LEGEND OF STARVED BOCK.

BY MISS MARY W. JANVRIN.

In the Far West, where broad rolling prairies stretch away for miles in billowy undulations, where bold, mountainous cliffs rise adruptly to the azure sky, crowned with dark firs and cedars, not far from the head waters of navigation on the Illionis river, and towering up from the brink of the stream, rises Starved Rock.

Its walls is of dark gray stones, halfvoiled with clambering wild vines and trailing mosses,-as some old dilapidated in the drapery which long ages have woven around it, and broken parapets of stinted cedar and fir frown threateningly at the daring adventurer who attempt to scale its precipitous steeps. A narrow, almost perpendicular path, on the opposite side of the river, is revealed, as you make a circuit of the base of the cliff; and here, he who reaches the highest elevation of the "Rock," can ascend.

There is a fugitive tale, commemoranow weave anew, and again relate "The Legend of Starved Rock."

Long years agone, the brave and noble tribe inhabiting the surrounding region, saw and loved the gentle maiden, Ulah, daughter of his rival chiestain.

Oronge was young and brave; at his belt hung the scalps of a hundred of his foes, whom he had slain in the battle fray; mountain eagle's and no warrior in the chase could bring down the fleet deer, or the firce panther so surely as he.

Ulah was young and fair, with eyes like the fair gathering shades of night. She loved the brave Oronce; and when he told her that his wigwam was spread with the softest furs, and for her he would chase the deer and bring down the eagle in his conqueror upon the summit of the cliff. flight, and asked her to share his lodgethen she turned from her stern father, and went with the young chiestain.

Ne-pow-va missed his daughter from the came back at descending in the shade of night to a shelv- bles, though Hez took his time. Scarcehis wigwam. When he came back at night from the toils of the chase, she sprang not forth to meet him; when he sprang not forth to meet him; when h came from the battle-field or the ambush, dling silently down the stream, and thence exulting in victory, she came not forth to sing with his braves the war-songs of her to the shore, they darted fleetly into the race. The daughter of the chieftain was dark, dense forest, and thus escaped to tell in the wigwam of his deadly foe. He their tribe the dreadful tale, ing his bold, fleet warriors about him, told the avenged chieflain and his band ascend-

Day after day, night after night, saw guided ever by the heavens above and the en had died in the arms of her lover—her them on the trail of the fleeing enemy, forest wiles beneath.

Westward, the stars of night guided their footsteps; and westward, through the tangled wild wood, the sunbeams revealing broken shrubs and trampled mosses, gave token that they were on the

On the fourth day, the eagle gaze of the fugitives saw the waving plumes of their pursuers in the distance. Before them rose hold and high, the huge rock, on the brink of the Illionis behind them, came the enraged father, with the fierce warriors of his tribe. Upon the winds floated their wild cries of vengeance, and advancing, over nearer and nearer, floated their eagle plumes.

The pursued chief, with his dusky maiden, and a small band of faithful followers, fled the rocky fortress-the tower of strength which rose precipitously in their path.

On, on, came the pursuers, with wild shouts and unearthly yells—on, on, and nearer yet, until they had reached the base of the cliff, and then, singing a loud warsong, they rushed swiftly up the narrow,

steep path. But the young chieftain's arm was strong, and his arrows swift and sharp, and his braves resolved to fight to the death so one after another, as their enemies had almost gained the summit, they were pierced by the unerring shafts of the arch- good comfortable lien coops, and you will ers above, and fell back lifeless, amid their find that fowls are more profitable than this attempt, with half their band lying cents por lb; with any breed of hogs.

their victims in the gloomy, desolate fortbrient, wheeled across the burning heav- lime in some shape for egg shells:

sat silent and immovable as the firs which shrouded them from the filerce sun ray, HOW HEZ GOT EVEN WITH THE LANDLORD. that implacable chieftain surrounded by his warriors. Neither love, mercy, nor pity entered his flinty heart. His bitterest foe had stolen his fairest flower-his est foe had stolen his fairest flower—his get breakfast. The landlord of said hoonly child—the daughter of a race of kings tel was noted for his tricks upon travellers,

Vroman was born in Shobari had lest her wigwam for that of his enmey. Vengeance upon them both; the bitter foe, and faithless daughter.

White, wan, emanciated, they wandered from the far off hunting grounds of their castle, relic of feudal times, stand buried raco. Strong warriors who had not quailed in the direst, deadliest combat, now sunk down like reeds before the breath of famine. Brave chiefs who would have laughed in derision at the arrow or the scalping-knife, now felt a fiercer, keener pang, than the poisened shaft or merciless tomahawk ever inflicted. With plenty around them, they were starving.

The red deer left browsing in its leafy covert and came down to drink the clear waters below; but no morsel of venison ting the event which gave this wild cliff so could pass their lips—no drop of that strange a name, coming down to us from cool water could lave their swollen, perchthose times when the red man was sole lord of rock and river, and rolling prairie—a little crystal liquid of the river—snuffed the record of the Indian race, which we would cool breeze, and then catching a glimpse of the dusky figures flitting to and fro, tossed its antlers and darted away to the green wood again; the bright waters danced Indian chief, Oronee, leader of a powerful onward beneath, with a wild mocking stern warriors like statues, grim and immovable. Oh, it was horrible!

And the Indian maiden came to the brink of the precipice, and with her long his arm was strong, and his eyes like the dark hair streaming like the folds of a rent banner on the wind, bent down and pleaded with agonizing gestures and frantic entreaties to her sire, whom she saw far, far below. But never a tone of tenderthe evening star, and dusky locks like ness, or a token of reconciliation went up from that proud, insulted soul. He had chosen the *Indian's revenge*.

Day by day that doomed band thinned

away, until at length famine alone reigned Day by day they wasted; and at last all was still. No ghostly forms wandered about; no wailing voice broke silence. But one of nd went with the young chieffan. the besieged warriors escaped; and he bles, though Hez took his time. Scarcesquaw awaited him as hearose. Then pad-

When all was still upon the summit he had suffered, and bade them follow There they lay upon the gray rock, those wasted, skeleton-like warriors, all stark and stiff; and there too, the Indian maid. white face, oh so fearful to look upon ! her long streaming hair, alike her bridal veil and shroud.

They missed her when the evening shade Fell sadly on the ground ; Noccho of her footsteps came

To break the silence round.

They missed her when the silver stars ne from the the blue of heaven; For she was wont to watch their light, Burst on the summer even.

They missed her when the balmy breeze; Came sighing endly near; It brought no murmur of her voice Unto the list ning ear.

They missed her when the merry laugh Rang out with gladness free; Her absent tone was wanting there. To swell its notes of glee.

They missed her in the pleasant paths She tred in sunny hours;
They missed the hand that plucked for them
The bright and blooming flow re.

And now, it is said, full oft by the pale noonlight are seen wan, ghostly figures gliding to and fro upon the cliff, with dark plumes floating upon the night wind; and ever and anon, the spectral forms of the milk to top off with I'd be much obleeged Indian maiden and her dusky warrior lover, stand upon the brink, and in low, wailing voices chant their death dirge ero they go far to dwell together in the Great Spirit's hunting grounds. Thus runs "The Legend of the Starved Rock."

POULTRY CHEAPER THAN PORK .- Build companions below. And then failing in hogs. Pork cannot be made at less than 5 bleeding among them, the survivors closed Each hen, well cared for, yields a clear in dark serried ranks around the base, and profit in eggs and chickens of \$1 a year. with sullen silence and invincible deter- To care for them and produce this result, himation, awaited the lingering death of it is also necessary to give them a warm place, for a roost—a dry cellary if possi-

ans slowly to the western horizon—at mid. The waste of fowls manure yearly in the United States, is at least \$1,000,000. at twilight throwing long, lengthening To save it, place a layer of loom and plasshadows over the water, wood and rolling ter occasionally over layers of manure. profice, but to those on the high cliff, no red Every spring mix all together, and use it "Can you point out the man you think at the rate of a pail to a hill of corn, or cue has got the spoons?" of como, such combons felt upon cumbers, squashes, melons, pumpkins, Pirit lim out? Surtinly I ken. Say, hem, drying up their very life blood; still peas, onions; strawberries, or any other squire, I paid four and nine-peace for a ly his worst enemy. those gigantic shadows creeping closer and fruit, vegetable, or gain, and you cannot breaklast, and I calklate I got the value closer about their hearts. They were star- fail to have an improved crop. This is out: You'll find them spoons in the coffee knows he wanted, and their hearts of the future destiny of the child is all ving, and their at the years of the rought from the islands as heavy tost. The future of the mother.

And there at the yeary base of the rock, brought from the islands at a heavy tost.

"Go ahead! All aboard, driver."

ways the work of the mother.

A VANHER TRICK.

ago, was a tavern where the stages always but all doubts of the reality of the slumber changed and the passengers expected to have been dispelled by a sight of Mr. Vrowho were allowed to get fairly seated at N. Y., in 1816. He was a farm laborer, about on the brow of the cliff, like ghosts, the passengers were obliged to hurry out and take their seats, leaving a scorcely tasted breakfast behind them, for which,

however, they had to fork over fifty cents. One day, when the stage was approach. ing the house of this obliging landlord a passanger said he had often heard of the landlord's tricks and was afraid they would not be able to eat any breakfast. "What! how? No breakfast!" exclaim-

ed the rest. "Exactly so, gents, and you may as well keep your seats and tin." "Don't they expect a passenger to break-

"Oh yes, they expect you to buy it, but not to eat it. I am under the impression that there is an understanding between the landlord and the stage driver, that for sundry and various drinks, &c., the latter starts before you scarcely commence eat-

"What on airth are you talkin' about freedom, as they bent down their despair- Ef you calkelate I'm goin' to pay four ing gaze; and there, below sat those dark and ninepence for my breakfast and not get the value on it you're mistaken," said a voice from the back seat, the owner of which was one Mr. Hezekiah Spalding-tew hum they called him Hez for

> "I'm goin' to get breakfast here, and not pay hary red cent till I do."

"Then you'll be left." "Not as you knows on."

"Well, we'll see," said the other, as the tage drove up to the door, and the landlord ready to "do the hospitable," says. "Breakfast just ready, gents. Take a wash, gentlemen? Here's water, basins,

towels and soap." After performing the ablutions, they all proceeded to the dining room and commenced a fierce onslaught upon the edi-

Up rise eight grumbling passengers, pay 50 cents and take their seats. "All aboard, gents," inquired the oblig-

ng landlord.

"One missing," said they. Proceeding to the dining room, the host finds Hez very coolly helping himself to a piece of steak. "You'll be left sir. The stage is going

to start." "Wall, I han't got nothin to say agin it?" growls out Hez. "You had better go.1

" I'll be goll darned of I do, nother, till I've got my breakfast. I pay for it, and I'm going to get the value on't; and ef you calkelate I aint you're mistaken."

So the stage did start, and left Hez, who continued his attack upon the edibles. Biscuit, coffee, &c., disappeared before the eyes of the astonished landlord.

"Say, squire, them there cakes is' bout East, fetch another grist on 'em. You, (to the waiter) another cup of that coffee. Pass them eggs. Raise your own pork, squire? This is 'mazin nice ham. Land bout here tolerable cheap, squire? Hain't much maple timber in these parts, hev you? Dew right smart trade, squire, I calkelate? Don't lay your own eggs, dow yo?" and thus he kept quizzing the landlord, until he made a pretty hearty

"Sny, squire, now I'm 'bout to con clude payin' my devowers tew this 'ere table, but jest give us a bowl of bread and to ye."

So out goes the landlord and servant for the bowl, milk and bread, and set them before him.

"Spoon tew, ef you please." But no spoon could be found. Landlord might expect from such an uncivilized rewas sure he had plenty of silver ones lying gion as Tennessee." The individual in on the table when the stage stopped. "Say, dew you! dew you think them

passengers is goin' to pay for a breakfast, ind not get no compensashun?" passengers took them?" "Dew I think? No, I don't think. I'm

sartin." Die, in winter, a variety of grain with a nau gone about three limbs. The man of that every candid observing man who has experiments afford any data for conclusion "Mental Telegraph."—Plaindeale of that every candid observing man who has experiments afford any data for conclusion of the little animal afford, with clean water, and overtook the stage and said something to ly turns back, and on arriving at the hotel, Hez comes out and takes a seat and says. injurious, whatever be his practice. "How are ye, gents. I'm rotted glad

to see ye."

It was with some incredulity that we read the notice of the protracted sleep of In a quiet little Ohio village many years Cornelius Vroman, of Western New York

Vroman was born in Shobarie county the table, when the driver would blow his remarkable for strength, steadiness and horn, (after taken his "horn") and sing endurance, always commanding higher out, "stage ready, gentlemen," wheroupon wages than the ordinary workman. There was nothing particular about his general habits, other than his preferance for light food in small quantities to the hearty fare of the farmer. In 1848, in Gennesee county, a deep sleep fall upon him without premonition, and he has slumbered ever since, with very brief and rare waking moments, not amounting in all to three. The longest waking period he has had was sixteen hours, and this was brough! about by medical treatment; but stimulants, and forced exercise in the open air, and all other resorts failed in this, as at awakenings, in preventing the speedy return to stupor.

Vroman is now a mere skeleton, though his face is not much emaciated. He breathes deeply and freely, perspires copiously and seems in a natural and ordinary slumber. He lies invariable on his left side, his limbs bent, this being plainly the easiest posture. His muscles are rigid, so much so that he maintains any attitude in which he is put, and he has stood 72 hours in one fixed position. His jaws are set, and his teeth are pried open daily to feed him on milk-a quart of which, a day, with a little bread crumbled in it, is his principle food. He has not eaten meet or regatables since his seizure, unless it be in his few waking hours, when his first call is for "something to eat." His natural evacuations are at intervals of about 20 days only, the skin apparently doing

much more than its healthful office. Of the antecedents of this case, we are informed that Vroman is of healthful parentage; that his life has been laborious and free from excesses of any kind. Most of the medical skill of Western N.

Y. has been called into action in this case. teeth being fixed as in lock-jaw.

The persons having him in charge proscience can break the spell.

an indiscreet and extravigant fashion.

Now if Mr V. should fairly awaken,

and successfully woo and wed an experi-Republican, Aug. 17.

GENERAL JACKSON'S FIRST APPEARANCE in Congress.—When Mr. Gallatin was a member of Congress, in the year 1796, Tennessee was admitted as a State into the Union, and sent her first member to Washington. One day when in his seat in the House, Mr. Gallatin noticed a tall, lank, uncouth looking individual, with long locks of hair hanging over his brows and face while a queue hung down his back, tied with an eel skin. The dress of this individual was singular-his manner and deportment that of a backwoodsman. The appearance of so singuiar a character on the floor of the House of Representatives naturally attracted attention, and a member by his side asked who he was. Mr. Gallatin replied that it was the member friend, "he seems just the sort of chap one

question was Andrew Jackson. Gen. Cass, when Secretary of War, auknew from experience the advantage of What a fact for the records of Heaven!" that Institution, through the liberality of temperate living. The present strength of his canstitution is attributable to the and starts a man after the stage, which ago that every man at forty years of age quantity of milk than when fed upon any to the improvement of his wonderful, that gone about three miles. The man is either a fool or a doctor, certain it is other food. So far as a series of regular the improvement of his wonderful, the man is either a fool or a doctor, certain it is the driver in a low tone. He immediate- lived that number of years will say that that kind of food which contains the great-

ick nor in debt, nor his wife a widow.

the body. A man's wisdom is his best friend-fol-The less wit a man has the less he

MONEY! NOVEA : ;

Dimes and dollars, dollars and dimes," An empty pocket is the worst of crimes."

Yes; and don't you presume to show smile, scared up by an indistinct recollection of the "tenth commandments," but it and is now endeavoring to obtain funds to

of it. They are all in a perspiration lest A Mr. Brayton is reported to have advancyou should be delivered of a request for ed \$10,000 to enable the inventor to curtheir assistance, before they can get rid of ry out his idea, and others have advanced you. They're "very busy," and what's smaller sums. more, they always will be busy when you call, until you get to the top of fortune's

Climb, man! climb! get to the top of in the street without speaking?"

You can't do anything wrong, now that printer.

your "pocket is full." At the most, it will He had been in the office scarcely a tween this and your tombstone!

Fanny Fern.

THE THREE GENERALS.

any very clear reminiscences of slumbers ture, had a benignant expression in which laws of nature which are none the less true and dreams, or any startling surprise at the progress of events since the drawing on of his right can. But he is a surprise at mastery. Wellington's face was that of the stated that he could manufacture a mastery. more presentable than Wellington.

in that town, and adds: "About forty years derfully successful. ago, a son and daughter of this old lady. both insane or idiotic, were brought to the contains several errors, which we wish to alms-house of this county. Soon after- correct. Mr. Barnum was not applied to wards, the mother left her home and those nor was there any declination on his part. of her children who were able to take care Mr. B. called at this office several times, of themselves, took up her residence at the for the purpose of examining into the wonalmshouse with her afflicted and helpless der, but Mr. McAllister expressed a desire offspring, and watched over them and not to see him. His sole object is to perministered to their wants, as a mother on- fect the machine, and have his name atly can do, until the bodily and mental infir. tached thereto. Money appears to be farmities attending the aged disqualified her thest from his thoughts. She was worth about ten thousand dollars vanced \$10,000 to enable the inventor to for a longer discharge of this noble duty. from the new State. "Well," said his in her own right when she thus immured carry out his idea." Such is not the case she cheerfully surrendered all the comforts terest in the matter. and enjoyments which such pecuniary After working at the press in our office competency afforded—severed the ties of for about eight weeks, it was proposed to frienship and gave up the pleasures of so. him to go to Oberlin College, for the purthorized the commutation of ardent spir- ciety, that she might bestow a mother's pose of perfecting himself in certain branch. its rations, previously issued to the troops love upon those who most needed it.— es of study. This was accepted by him "Ah! what? Do you think any of the for an equivalent in coffee and sugar. He What a proof of the intensity of that love! with enthusiasm, and he is now attending

regularity of his life. There is an old adstimulating drink, except as a medicine, is est quantity of milk, and the best kind of OF Drinking water neither makes a man butter, and this is not a little singular, for at Detroit, Mich., states that he has for Wisdom is to the mind what health is to plan to feed cows on a uniform diet, for the summer, in the most perfect condition in the morning is generally richer than should be placed on a bench or trussel is that obtained in the evening.

ONE OF THE WONDERS: A THOUGHT MACHINE.

The Cincinnati Gazette has the follow-

ing:
"A Mr. McAllister, in Cleaveland, is reyourself anywhere, until you get it filled. ported to have invented a machine for the Not among good people? No, my dear conveyance of thought from one person to Simplicity, not among good people." They another, without the tongue or any volition will receive you with a galvanic ghost of a of the thinker. The inventor has been enwill be as short-lived as their stay with build on a larger scale. Barnum has been you. You are welcome, that's the amount applied to, but declined toadyance the funds.

We know something about this matter, and know morever that the machine is destined to astonish thousands.

On the third of May last, a young man the ladder, though adverse circumstances of about 22 years stepped into the Plainand false friends break every round in it! dealer Job Office, and asked for work .-and see what a glorious and extensive He was answered that no situation was prospect of human nature you'll get when then open, but nothing daunted he venturyou arrive at the summit! Your gloves ed to tell his story. He said that he had will be worn out shaking hands with the just left a Shaker settlement in the southvery people who didn't recognize your ex-istance two months ago." "You must come for some years. This was evident from and make a long visit; you must stop in his dress, which was in the peculier style at any time;" "you'llalways be welcome;" of that sect. He had been the school teachit is such a long time since they had the er of the settlement, but from some cause pleasure of a visit from you, that they be- he lest them. We presume his progressive gan to fear you nover intended to come; and novel views did not correspond with and they'll cap the climax, by inquiring the strict ideas of his brethren. He told his with an injured air, "If you are near-sight- story in such an interesting manner; that ed, or why you have so often passed them Mr. Spear (foreman of our Job Office) felt quite an interest in him, immediately gave Of course you will feel very much like him employment, and afterwards found aughing in their faces, and so you can .- him to be a very useful and industrious

only be "an eccentricity." You can use week, before he gave unmistakeable oviany body's neck for a foot-stool, bridle dences of a strong mind, and of most unanybody's mouth with a silver bit, and doubted talent. He occupied all his laihave as many "golden opinions" as you suse time in studying, and in solving diffilike. You won't see a frown again, be cult problems in mathematics. He evinced a wonderful memory, and logical powers that indicated not only natural but cultivated ability. He once made the remark that he could discribe persons who were at a Of three military chiestains-Washing. distance, and whom he had never seen. ton, Bonoparte and Wellington-Washing. He was put to the test, and proved most It is pronounced a partial pressure on the ton exhibited the finest specimen of phybrain, with general rigidity of muscle; the sical manhood. Bonaparto possessed the such a power. He described most acculargest brain and had the finest cerebral rately a lady and child who were in New developments: Washington had, however, York. He told what had been the personposes exhibiting the sleeper in New York, three mental qualities which the Corsican al appearance of persons who were dead, and there trying once more if medical had not, to wit: calmness, perseverance and described remote localities with as much cience can break the spell.

Vroman is, or was, rather illiterate, youth a very handsome man; in his age his eyes. This power he did not ascribe with no very sharp mental faculties. If he was decidedly passe; Washington from to spiritualism or any supernatural cause he does wake, therefore, we cannot expect his earliest youth to the hour of his depar- but pronounced it the resultant of certain

on of his night-cap. But hoping against a martinet, and had what is called a vine- machine by which he would bring about all probibality, we trust the poor fellow gar aspect: it was stern but it was not the same result. To this he was encourmay be awakend to sleep no more in such intelligence in its general expression. aged and assisted. For three years he has Of the three, maturity, Washington's face been theorizing on the subject, and now in One peculiarity of the somnambulist's exhibited more forcibly the action of the a few days he produced a rather rough former character we had almost forgotten mind within.' Nopoleon, in youth, was wooden box about one foot square, containto mention. He has always taciturn but slim in form, rather meagre in outline; in ing several cog-wheels and springs and a not surly; he was supremely indifferent to age, quite corpulent, or rather pussy, and handle for turning. Several small magnetfemale charms, avoiding women's society. proaching the obese. In heighth, Napo. ic batteries were also attached to it. The leon was about five feet six inches, and entire instrument cost about \$20. We when not on horse back was rather insig-shall not give a minute description of its enced widow of the Fanny Fern stamp, nificant looking and in a crowd had pass- workings, as we wish to do no injustice to there would be little danger of his relapse ed unnoticed, but for his marked intellect- the inventor, Mr. Jams B. McAllister. into undue slumber again .- Ulster (N. Y.) ual characteristics. However, he was Suffice it to say that the "Montal Telegraph" performed wonders, and astonished the few who saw its operations more than EXTRAORDINARY DEVOTION OF A MOTH- any of the spiritual phenomena which have ER TO TWO INSANE CHILDREN.—The Ha. been esteemed so singular. He exibited it gerstown (Md.) Herald records the death of to a number of persons in Ohio City and Mrs. Nourse, an old lady, at the almshouse on this side, and it was uniformly and won-

The article we quoted from the Gazette

"Mr. Brayton is reported to have adherself in this unattractive building, but although Mr. B. has taken considerable in-

Mr. Barber of Ohio City, and Messrs .-Cows.—It has been found by experiment Spear and Denizen, of this office. He will

How to KEEP SMORED HAMS. --- A write it, also contains the greatest quantity of er in the Farmer's Compunion, published butter contains nitrogen. It is not a good many years preserved his hame, through experiments have proved the yield of milk by packing them in barrels, with layers of by such system of diet, gradually and corn cobs between them, so that the hams surely, diminishes; it is therefore a good would not come in contact with each offier. rule to change the food for milch cows The should be taken put and dry rubbed frequently. The milk obtained from cays once during the summer, The casts la cool, dry cellar.