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originally prepared at the instance of Judge Wilkins, but never having been in print, I trust it may prove of the timber open; and although Brady leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast as his arrays are leaves to your numerous could run as fast are leaves to your numerous could some interest to your numerous could run as fast as his savage pur-readers: vey, of St, Johns, Newfoundland, to suers, he soon discovered that their Dr. Dawson, principal of McGill col-Having heard of "Brady's leap" lines were too long to enable him to from childhood, I have taken some pains to obtain all the facts within have shot him, but they desired to in a small boat observed some obmy reach which might tend to shed light on the subject. The only documentary evidence I have been able mode of torture, for the many injuto procure is found in a small work ries they had sustained at his hands. —On reaching it one of the men entitled "Historical Reminiscences As they approached the river, being struck it with his "gaff," when imnow sure of their prey, they called mediately it showed signs of life and Bierce," of Akron, Ohio, which was on him to throw away his gun or reared a parrot like back, which they sent to me by the author in 1856, in they would have him. He took their said was as big as a six-gallon keg, mation on the subject.

His statement is very brief, and I copy it entire; "As I remarked on a former occasion, the Cuyahoga river, the bank of the river. It was for portage Path and Tuscarawas branch the purpose of freeing himself from they lay over the gunwale, whereupof the Muskingum, were originally encumbrances, that he might be the on the fish backed off to a considerate boundary between the Six Na-better fitted to accomplish the dread-ble distance and ejected an immense tions and the Western Indians. The ful leap he had resolved to take, and quantity of inky fluid, that darkened Onondagas, Oncidas, Mohawks and accordingly when he reached the the water for a considerable distance others of the Six Nations reside, in brink he bounded over the fearful around. The men saw it for a short the territory until the difficulty with chasm, and landed safe on the other time afterward, and observed its tail in the air, which they thought to be first settlement of the country, an The Indias were so close upon ten feet across. They estimated the Indian trail, commencing at Fort Me- him. that while recovering from the Intosh, at the mouth of the Big Bea-shock of landing on the rock, and be- and five feet in diameter, of the same ver, and running from thence through fore he was able to get into the bush-shape and color as the common squid west Portage county, crossing the es, they fired upon him now that he and moving in the same way as the Cuyahoga in Franklin, at what is was likely to make his escape. A squid both backward and forward, called the Standing Rock; thence was likely to make his escape. A squid both backward and forward, called the Standing Rock; thence was likely to make his escape. A one of the arms which the men west to Northampton in Summit the thigh, but did not disable him brought ashere was unfortunately

county, where there was a settlement from running. He made directly for destroyed, but a clergyman who saw of Indians; thence to Sandusky and a small lake, which was northwest of it assured Mr. Harvey that it was Detroit. This trail was the great that point about two miles distant. Indian thorughfare from Detroit to the Ohio river. On it was constantly passing large parties of Indians, and it became, of course, the favorite hunting grounds of these Western of land which divides this from another large parties of land which divides this from another large parties of land which divides this from another large parties of land which divides this from another large parties of land which divides this from another large parties of large partie Nimrods.—The Indians were as other lake, about four miles west of except at the extremity, where it ready as they for the encounter, and a Ravenna. These lakes, from their broadens like an oar to six inches in war of extermination commenced. In close vicinity, are sometimes called the "Twin Lakes," and may be seen the surface of the the "Ithe villages on the Cayahoga had and recognized by any traveler. That the villages on the Cuyahoga had crossed the Ohio and made an incursion into the white settlements, murdering several families, and taking away a large amount of plunder. Being perfectly familiar with the habits and customs of his enemies, and knowing they would never reliaquish their pursuit so long as the hadian village on the Cuyahoga liver in what is now Northampton. The Indians expecting pursuit, were prepared for him, and with numbers four times his own, attacked him on all sides, and, with his followers, he was put to a perfect rout. The retreat became a flight, and every man was for himself. The Indians singled out Brady, and leaving all the rest, a chase commenced for him, which

chase commenced for him, which some distance, where he found the VENTILATE YOUR CHILDREN'S ROOMS, continued without interruption till he water shallow enough to enable him -Most parents, before retiring, make it arrived at the Cuyahoga river in to lie down on his back, with his face merely above its surface, but location of the bridge on the road to completly concealed from observation by the large leaves of the water lily. location of the bridge on the road to Ravenna.—The Indians had extended their lines so as to hem him in and with lound shouts of triumph, thought their prisoner safe. The river was here bounded on each side by perpendicular rocks, the chasm being 22 feet wide. Brady, on reaching the river, gave a bound that despair on one side and hope on the other alone could have effected; and clearing the abyss, he gained the opposite bank."

This statement, I have no doubt, is substantially correct as far as it goes, but it is by no means full and complete. Having been on the goes, but it is by no means full and complete. Having been on the ground and examined it carefully: and from inquiry in the neighborhood as to the tradition among the first settlers, as well as from information derived from my father fifty years ago, I believe the following additional facts to be true.

fall into their hands.

They then returned to take a more careful sorvey of the spot where this extraordinary feat of agility had been performed. After carefully contemplating the whole scene, and being unwilling to admit, (and this is a unwilling to admit, (and this is a well-known trait of Indian character), that any white man can excel an Indian character in the same manner that she provides and regulates their night covering, or any other requisite for refreshing slumber.

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