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AN INDIAN'S REVENGE.

BY RALPH RINGWOOD.

comed and provided with such food as

there might be in the larder, they

maintained a friendly attitude.

the walls of a frontier fort.

One evening, Bronson and his wife

were seated near the doorway, when

suddenly a shaddow fell across the

threshhold, and the next moment, a

tall savage, whose reeling step and

bloodshot eyes told that he was intox-

icated, came staggering up to the log steps and threw himself upon them. His first demand was for fire water,

which of course was refused on the

plea that there was none in the house.

the liquor was not produced he would

murder the whole household. Brou-

son was a brave, determined man, and

although he dreaded the necessity, yet

he saw he would be esimpelled to take

prompt steps to prevent the savage from executing his threats.

a demonstration, which he soon did by

attempting to draw his tomhawk, Bron-

him where he lay; after a few mo-

ments of furious ravings and futile ef-

forts to free himself, the savage rolled

over and sunk into a drunken slum-

He did not wake until the next

morning, but before he did so the set-

tler had quietly removed his bonds

The savage, on awaking, rose slow-

ly to his feet, felt his wrists as though

the thougs had left a feeling there,

in hopes that he would not have re

But as the leaves began to fall, the

but quickly disappearing when he advanced towards where it was. The

figure was that of an Indian warrior,

and Rufe Bronson would have sworn

that he was the Indian whom he

must stay within, or close the house

Several days afterward Rufe Bron-

son heard his dogs in the timber down

by the river, and knowing they never

opened without a good cause, he eaught

up his rifle, and hastened to where

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in a straight line down the river.

ry he had made.

when he was absent.

else, to recall the circumstances."

laid by the sleeper's side.

with a scared look.

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of reach of cat or wolf, he started for home to get his gray mare, and re-turn to fetch it that night.

Taking a short cut he approached the cabin from the western side, where Where the Kentucky river cuts its way through the mountains, having timber grew heavy up to within a few yards of the building, and consequentupon either hand, bold, rugged eliffs that lift their summits 500 and 1,000 ly he could not see the clearing, or feet, as the case may be, above the what might be transpiring there until stream, there lived in earlier times a he passed through the wood.

Thus it was, that, when within but settler by the name of Rufus Bronson, a very short distance of his house, he who, with his wife and child, a charming little girl of some eight or nine heard a wild, piercing shriek; he could years of age, occupied the rude cabin only guess that something terrible at the base of the precipice, a little was taking place beyond the screen of not require much skill to capture evebushes and leaves.

Although greatly exposed to danger, Uttering a loud shout, that his presthe Indians at that time being very ence might sooner be known, Bronson plentiful throughout the region-he leaped forward with the leaps of a wounded buck, a great fear in his heart, for he had only too clearly recmanaged to live quietly for several ognized in that scream the agonized The Indians visited the rude home of the hunter, and being always welvoice of his wife,

It took but a moment for him to clear the intervening timber and undergrowth.

As he dashed out into the clearing, Especially were they fond of the holding his rifle ready for instant use, child Maggie, and more than one fierce warrior had been sitting on the grass he comprehended in one swift glance in front of the cabin, listening to the all that had taken place and what was further to fear.

childish prattle of the little one, or Near the end of the cabin, facing else engaged in making it some toy or the cliffs of which I have spoken, stood plaything from the willow twig or plithe mother, her face pallid as the dead, her arms outstretched and staring eyes In this manner several years had fixed on the precepitous heights up been past, and Rufe Bronson came to which the figure of an Indian warrior feel as secure as though he was within

was struggling,
"My child! my child!" was all the woman said, and then Rufe Bronson saw that the bundle borne in the Indian's arms was the form of their only child, little Maggie.

Firm of heart, and with nerve as steady as the rock around, the father for a moment actually quailed and cowered under what his quick sense told him, the deadly peril of his little one. But he was quick togecover.

The Indian was drawing away; step

by step he was increasing the distance. And as he occasionally looked backward and downward, the parents saw in his painted countenance the full purpose that actuated the abductor. "God aid me!" muttered Bronson,

as he raised his rifle, glanced through the sights, and toucked the trigger. The Indian started violently at the shot. He was hit, but not badly, and with a yell of devilish triumph, he

passed upward. son sprung upon him and knocked him down with a blow from his fist, "Too low, by a couple of inches, said a low, calm voice at the settler's and then quietly disarmed and bound elbow.

Bronson started as though he himself had been shot. Where had this man come from? who was be?

Neither had seen him approach. But there was no time for explanations. The stranger, a man rather below

than above ordinary heighth, whose and restored the weapon, which he fine athletic form was fully displayed by his closely fitting buckskin garments, stepped quickly forward a few paces, and firmly planting his left foot in advance, threw up an unusually him. took up his weapon, and without long rifle as though preparing to fire. speaking a word, left and disappeared "For God's sake, stranger, be carein the timber near by.
"What do you think of that?" askful of my child!" cried Bron the agonized mother muttered an in-

ed the wife, turning to her husband audible prayer, "Pshaw! Dou't trouble your head about the drunken brute," answered "It's our only chance. I know that Indian," was the quick reply, and the sharp click! click! of the hammer as it was drawn back told that the critical

the settler, lightly, but as he turned away and stepped into the yard he muttered, "Like it? well not much. The fellow must be watched. I was moment had come. By this time the Indian had nearly eached the summit of the steep. That he was wounded, now became evident, membered, but that lump where my fist landed was enough, if nothing as upon a broad ledge of rock he

paused a moment. This opportunity was siezed by the The summer passed away and they saw no more of the drunken guest, He failed to make his appearance.

Although the savage had taken the recaution to hold the child up in front of himself, as a shield, covering nearly the whole of his brawny chest, settler, one day, while returning from hunting on the hills, and passing but leaving his head uncovered, the through a dense piece of timber not stranger did not hesitate in making the far from the house, caught a glimpse of a figure lurking among the bushes, For one instant, as it gained its po-

sition, the rifle wavered, and then instantly became as immovable as though With closed hands and straining

eyes the parents watched the statuehad knocked down and bound the prelike form upon which so much dependvious summer. The knowledge was in no way comforting, and hence he would not tell his wife of the discove-

Buddenly a sharp report rang outthe vision became clear, they saw the It would only alarm her, without, perhaps, any good results. He simply told her he had discovered bear tracks savage loose his hold upon the child, reel wildly for a minute, and then near by, and that she and her child pitch forward upon the rocks. It may be imagined that the father

> utes more the little one was in its mother's arms. "Tell us who you are, that we may

prayers," they said as the stranger they were barking. They had struck a fresh bear track, and as he arrived in sight they fairly lifted it, going off prepared to depart. 'My name is Daniel Boone," be said, and was gone.

The chase led him several miles, and whon at last he got his shot that finish-Marshal Manteuffel, now in his sixCATCHING RATS.

A writer in the Rural New Yorker, treating of trapping vermin generally, says the following of catching rats in particular:

"Let us now take the case of a house badly infested with rats. How shall we get rid of them? Of course, if they come from some sewer or other colony, the supply is probably unlimited, and the first thing must be to cut off all outsiders. But if we are troubled with none but natives it will ry one of them-old, cunning fellows and all. In the first place, then, we must resolve to take time to it and capture the whole lot, and to do this no attempt must be made to capture single animals, since this will tend to make them suspicious and will put the old ones on their guard. Then provide a large box or barrel; place in it a quantity of old carpet, brush, etc., and also some food, such as meal, cheese, herring, etc. Bore a two inch hole in the side of the box, and leave it for some days. The rats will soon find it out and frequent it. First a young one will go in, and have a good feed and come out all right; the old ones seeing that he is not hurt, they, too, will go in, and in a short time every rat about the premises will frequent it. When this occurs, see that it is well suppled with food, and ar-range over the hole a block having a corresponding aperture cut in it, but having also a series of wires stuck around the hole and pointing inward, just as they are arranged in a common wire trap. Every rat will go in as before, and not one can get out. Various methods may be adopted for killing them. If you are a sportsman you can let them out one at a time and shoot them or kill them with terriers. A few slips of sulphured paper thrust through the hole and burned, is, however, a very simple plan, and will give them a most effectual quietus. We have known a case in which sixtyseven rats were caught at one time in a box arranged as described. In this instance the premises were effectually cleared of the vermin."

THE HINDMOST TAKES THE LANTERN.

In all monasteries monks are apt to be tardy at midnight vigils and drow-sy when in their seats. Their peccadilloes were however shrewdly curbed by an abbot who once ordained that whoever entered the chapel last should carry a lantern round and round till he caught some brother napping. Then he might rouse the sleeper, hand him the lantern and take his seat, while the other set out in quest of sleepers.

It fares with land-hunters as with monks. Those who take time by the fore-lock, take the most comfortable places, but the laggards must take their lanteres, and pace many a weary round before they can catch one of their forerunners napping and oust

will not exhaust it till the end of five centuries. But in truth they take it as change. The conductor on the up faster and faster, and the desirable train took the first opportunity to portion of public lands is less than half its area. The acres within reach of railroads are a still smaller fraction. Among the three thousand who have bought farms in Nebraska of the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad, every man in going to his purchase, has probably passed homesteads every way as valuable, which he might once have occupied as free grants. We all know how if we only knew when.

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In witness whereof I have bereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this 14th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1873, and of the Independence of the United States the nintyseventh.

Signed by the President, U. S. GRANT. HAMILTON FISH, Sec'y of State. There are more Jews in New York than in Jerusalem, and more than in any other city in the world, it is said by those who have studied their present state. M. Mingins says of New York, "There are more Germans than in Berlin, more Irishmen than in Dubmore Jews than in Palestine,"

lin, more Catholica than in Rome, and census does not give religious statisties, but the number of professing Jews residents of this city has been approximately estimated by the quantity of Passover biscuits manufactured for their use. The bakeries produced on the average for the last decade, 800,000 pounds yearly, which, at the rate of one pound per day for each adult during the eight days generally observed, would make a number of 100,000 persons. They have an orphan asylum to accommodate 250 orphans, a hospital and a number of charitable societies, among which is the Independent Order B'nai Berith, and have also established within the last few years a home for the aged and indigent of both sexes, managed by ladies. -N. Y. Observer.

An elderly gentleman was recently "confidenced" on a train running into Keokuk, by sharpers, who induced The public domain is so large, that if homesteaders occupy it no faster than they did in the last decade, they falo for \$157.40, he paying them two \$100 bills, and they paying him \$ quietly suggest to the innocent old gentleman that he was afraid the draft was a fraud. "Well," was the bland response of the imperturable greeny, "if it is any bigger fraud than my two one hundred dollar notes were, then I am not forty-three dollars aheadwhich I think I am. I am not in the habit of dealing in counterfeit currency, but I always keep a little of that sort of stuff about me for the benefit

When a tree stands so that the longth of its shadow can be measured, its beight may be readily ascertained, as follows: Set a stick upright-let it the country it traverses is settled and improved. Hence the low rates, fares, Measure the length of the shadow of the stick. As the length of its shad-ow is to the stick, so is the length of the shadow of the tree to its height. For instance, if the stick is four feet above the ground, and its shadow is is six feet in length, and the shadow of the tree is ninety feet, the height of the tree will be sixty foot (6:4: :90:60). In other words, multiply the length of the shadow of the tree by the height of the stick, and divide by the shadow

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