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EXPERIONCE

Don't lose your temper or your time Or fret your soul a minute, Because this good old roomy world Has foolish people in it. By not one wholly useless weed The fertile easth is cumbered; Then count not those can do no good Or with them you'll be numbered.

If all began by being wise, Each one his sphere adorning, From wisdoms way we yet may stray For lack of proper warning; But Nature kindly rests her signs On Danger's chosen dwelling ; Without them, what would come to us, There is'nt any telling.

Just reckon up your foolish friends. Each one's peculiar failing, And of that folly cure yourself At which in them you'r railing ; While, if you find some luckless one The same all through and over. You'd better far be unlike him Than find a four-leafed clover.

I lay no claim to any store Or philosophic knowledge, But this I've learned by studies in That best and dearest college; Perhaps you think that school is mean For other people only ; Or, maybe, you are wise in truth-But don't you find it lonely?

TOM HEMPER'S ESCAPE

-Miriam K. Davis, in Frank Leslie's.

The wonderful providence that teen or sixteen years ago has been every one who came up had a sugdiscussed in many a western fort gestion to make It was concluded and around many a bunter's camp fire. That his adventures were true in every particular can be vouched years. for by a dozen living persons to-day, though old Tom bimself was wiped out a dozen years ago. He was a scout, bunter and guide, and he took a party of amateur husters and sportsmen from Santa Fe down the Canadian river into Texas and the land of the Comaches. The party numbered twenty-two men, some of tage of the very first opening, and I falling limbs and flying debris. them being English tourtists; and knew that would not come before I never saw Indians lose their like so many sheep, the like so many sheep, the like so many sheep, the like sheep sh they were undisturbed for two weeks I was led out in the morning, heads as those chaps did, said old had been leeking on, after getting down to what is called Where they set out to have a regu- Tom. I was left quite alone for Meanwhile the other lion were Then Indian signs became very fresh the gauntlet is always the first thing those who had escaped unburt were between to separate and one morning old Tom started out on a scout. Two other old bunters with the party remained in

The Canadian runs alongside of a mountain range for several hundred miles, and this range is broken with many small valleys and creeks. Tom went to the east as he left camp, keeping between the foot hills and: the river. He was an foot and alert but after a walk of an hour be discovered no signs, and had to conclude that the Indians had approached from the other direction. Just as be was on the point of turning back he found a spring of ice cold water, and had to lie down on his stomach to reach it and satisfy his thirst. He was drinking when something alighted on his back. He first thought it was a panther, but the next instant he saw the legging of a red skin and knew that he was prisoner. When pulled to his feet be found himself in the presence of three Comanches, who were out after game. His great surprise seemed to please them immensely, but they offered him no violence whatand understand the Comanche dia- tion. lect with perfect case, but this fact he kept to himself. As they moved away one of his captors said :

"He is an old hunter and we shall have a good time burning him. He s probably the leader of the party

'We went out after deer and caplured a white man,' laughed the one addressed. 'Keep your eye on him. or he is evidently as brave as a bear and as strong as a horse.

The prisoner was conducted about nile to the east, at which point a Comanche village was located. It seventy lodges. Nearly all the ratching the white party, but as ing them in. Before noon all bad was speaking the sub-chief, who was midnight, however, the menagerie say the scientists?

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rival.

any attempt to take French leave into mourning. up to a limb with a stick thrust through the bones of his leg, as the tured, but burned alive,' farmer haugs up a slaughtered hog. and that he lived for half a day. One saved old Tom Hemper from the ven- wanted to skin him alive, another

in order, and it offers the only op-

arranged themselves in two lines, the chief that I was at liberty to go separate them the fight ended of itand were armed with clubs and I was too dazed to understand, but self. The big forest lion rolled his return. This was all stuff, of was ready for the start, Tom intended to wheel square about and make a run for the river. There the bullet to death by torture. He was even bracing himself for his ran when there were shouts of alarm all around him, and he saw two Indian as to what had become of the white boys coming down the valley on man's devil .- New York Sun, horseback making sighs as they came. ever. He was first disarmed, his Tom was burried back to the lebge, hands then tied behind his back, and the village was all excitement, and in the Indians gave him to understand five minutes fifty warriors were rid-

probably tired them out. ong and wide, and contained sixty me, and in my desperation and de- ners in fear.

six minutes one of them looked into while I was well treated but closely possession, the night the whole populace were taken out again. I had heard the rate them only increased their fury on the move and belging to keep reds disscussing the matter from all At last be reshed off for Delmonico. watch. All thoughts of attacking the standpoints. Some contended that who was asleep near by. The tamer party below were liven up for the I was an evil spirit, and if not per- arrived balf clad, and found his lious time being, and every one looked fors mitted to depart would work them bleeding fearfully, but still fighting, ward for a fine entertainment on the some terrible calamity, while others The battle parrowed down to a duel morrow. Tom heard the fiends dis- argued that I must be turned and between the two biggest lions, which know. cussing in what ways they should my ashes scattered to the winds to were rapidly biting east other to torture him. One of the guards said propitiate the evil one. Those who pieces in the middle of the cage. that he had seen a white man hung held to the latter opinion were in Occasionally it became gineral and the majority. I was not to be tor- for a few seconds there would be a

and the faggots heaped around him, tell how flesh was being torn. but just as they were being lighted The appearance of Demonico with geance of the Comache Indians fif. believed in a slow fire, and almost lie broke out in here railety again. a red not from in his hard produced in geance of the Comache Indians fif. he broke out in fiere railery again. a red hot iron in his had produced crowd, but he would no doubt have chief combatants stopped fighting that he would die game, and that his perished had not nature come to his and crouched sullenly cown. ticking equal had not been captured for aid. The hush which had fallen up- their bloody wounds and snarling that some girls do not think worth on the village was broken by a far encouragement to the two leaders, Seeing there was no chance of cs. off roar, and a moment later a cy- On these in their rage but from was crpe just then,' said Old Tom, I clone swept into the valley from the useless, even when applied to raw made up my mind there was no use east like a raging lion. It came and flesh. They responded to the burnfretting over the case, and I took was gone in sixty seconds, and a sad ing sensation only by tearing at each things easy. I ate heartily, and wreck was left behind. Every lodge other more fiercely. At last Delmonabout 10 o'clock at night turned in was down and many carried away, ico entered the cage, half clad as he and slept like a brick until after while many of the people were hurt, was, and shut himself by Ho next daylight. I intended to take advan. and two children killed out right by opened the door communicating with

> wheliday over a prisoner, running the next quarter of an hour, while still figuring, although a weaker. the head of the lines, and a warrior we went. For the next ten minutes other gave a faint roar of victory who could speak a little English I was no better than an idiot or a The dead lion was terribly mangled, made him understand that he was to crazy man, but my sense finally re- while the victor's mane was gone and run to the foot of the line and re- turned and I saw through it. They his body looked as though an especturn, and that if he ran fast and regarded me as an evil spirit and laily wicked harrowhad been repeatstrong he would be set at liberty on wanted to get rid of me. My rifle edly dragged over it. Blood trickla every other article they had taken there is little hope that he will live course, but it is always given out to from me, and they had given me one every prisoner to encourage him, of their best horses. Inside of two the chief called out to the men not hours I was back at our camp, but to hit the prisoner teo hard, and all only to find the party gone. They had become alarmed and moved about thirty miles up the stream, where I found them the next day.'

Tom not only had the Comanche dians, and many inquiries were made

Lions in a Serrible Fight

joicing over the capture of the hunname was Spotted Horse, throw up snarling, and a servant sepira on the eyes of rattlesnakes, it does not
ter. The head chief of the tribe was his arms and fell back dead.' the premises rushed in to find the seem unreasonable that they should expected at the camp on the morrow, and it was decided not to do any posed to heart disease. He had fighting furiously. They we rolline the eye of one when he is cold in thing with the prisoner until his arhours, laboring under a keen excite- which blood-stained for us flying in an extremely malignant and terrible Tom was shoved into a lodge and ment all the time, and it needed on- all directions. The buggbeasts roll- expression. When he is alive and three warriors placed on guard over bim. While they evidently feared him they at the same time wanted him they at the same time wanted to keep him fresh and strong for the fault considered it an act of ferocity that was sicker og. All the formula to strike not only bird, and 'ittle faul' next day, and they therefore divine vengeance was plain in a sights organized to ratify man's animals, but wen with nightmare. I gave him plenty to eat and drink moment. It was scarcely known fondness for fighting would have and did not even tie his hands. He that he was dead before Tom was seemed the tamest chil's play in realized what was in store for him if untied and conducted back to the comparison. After a wile it became

he could not make his escape, but lodge, and the village at once went evident that there were listinct sides in the battle and that be new arwith three warriors on guard would 'It was two days before they rivals were pitted at trufair odds have been his death Every five or buried him, said Tom, and mean- against the lions who had been in through a good glass-tringing him the lodge, and until a late hour of guarded. On the third day I was The efforts of the servant to sepas the eye-and stand it for more than a

He was tied to the same stake, with a savage crunching of teeth to

was strapped to the saddle, as was ed from a hundred ugly wounds, and

She Rattlesnake's Eye-

Never seeing a snake charm a bird

or animal, I concluded it was a ne was not one chance in a thousand outfit to prove the truth of what he gro superstition or fancy, devoid of for him, but he preferred death by said, but the next year, when the fact. So I continued to think until chiefs of the tribe held a powwow a few days ago, when a farmer friend with a government commission, the of mine, living four miles south of entire story was told anew by the In- Abilene, told me what be had lately witnessed. He said be was riding along on a prairie and saw a prairie dog within a few feet of him which refused to scamper to his hole, as prairie dogs usually do when ap-LONDON, Oct. 18 .- Early this proached by man; on the contrary, that he was to accompany them to ing up the valley. Tom figured that morning there was a fearful and ex- he sat as if transfixed to the spot, their village. While there was no some of his party were sconting a citing battle in the Jubilee Exhibi- though making a constant nervous, Indian war at that time, the savages round to learn his fate, and that tion at Liverpool. Delmonico, the shuddering motion, as if anxious to for? Crouch down in your seat, you were hostile to any and all white hey had come into the vailey and most plucky tamer of beasts in this get away. My friend thought this jabbering idiot! The conductor's men who invaded their domain, and had been seen by the village senti- country, has been exciting the ner- was strange, and while considering old Tom swiftly realized that he was nels. This, as was afterwards as ves of the visitors for a long time by the spectacle he presently saw a in a bad scrape. He could speak certained, was the correct supposi- trifling in a cage with three big for- large rattlesnake coiled up under est lions. Five more lions of a dif- some bushes, his head uplifted. The Indians did not return until ferent kind, but all fierce and full about six or seven feet from the dog, its stand on the side of the saloon 5 o'clock in the afternoon. At about grown, arrived from Africa yesterday which still heeded him not, but 6 old Tom was brought out again, and were put at once into the big looked steadily upon the snake. He and this time he was fied to a stake. cage with the three already there dismounted, took the dog by the the wise regulation of the liquor For some reason the redskins had They had no training, but Dolmo- head and thrust him off when the decided to spare him the gauntlet, nico went in among them and thrill- snake, which had up to that moment This was from no feeling of mercy, ed the crowd that filled the menag- remained quiet, immediately swelled This was from no recting of mercy, ed the cross that the rest of course, but their long ride had erie by an unusually sensational with rage, and began sounding his kenness, crime and outrage. No performance. When he had done rattles. The prairie dog for some There was no possible show for Mile Kora, his partner, went in with time seemed benumbed, hardly capme to make a break,' said the old the lions and took a little dog with able of motion, but grew better, and man. 'I was backed up to the stout her. This was repeated four times finally got into his hole. My friend stake, my hands and feet tied to it a day and the five lions were too then killed the rattler. Now, was three miles up the the river and a by strips of green bide, and then much stunned by the huge, noisy this a case of charming? If not, they were ready to begin business crewd about them and the repeated what was it? My friend, who told I saw them getting their knives and visits of the man, woman and dog to me this, is named John Irving Mcas in a villey about three miles and tomahawks ready to throw at do anything but crouch in their cor. Clure, a farmer, well known to me, a who presented him with a document spair I railed out at them speaking Their astonishment had not worn it up that snakes do indeed charm, varriors of the village were away the first words since my capture. 1 off, and they were still quiet when or so paralyze birds and little animals with terror, when they are con as the prisoner entered the vil-

returned, and there was great re- the head of the village and whose was filled with frightful maring and . And to one who is familiar with have on several occasions examined them closely with strong glasses, and feel with all force what I state and I will tell you that there are few men on the face of the earth who can look upon an angered rattlesnake apparently within a foot or two of

Girls to be Proud of.

There are two classes of girls whom every one should be proud to

The first is the girl who helps her mother. In her own home she is a blessed little saint and comforter She takes the unfinished tasks from wild jumble among the spring lions, the tired, stiff fingers that falter at thier work, her strong young figure is a staff upon which the gray-haired white-faced mother leans and is rested. She belps her mother with spring sewing, with the week's mending with a cheerful conversation and congenial companionship wasting on only mother. And when there comes a day that she must band, as girls must often bend, over the worn out body of the mother lys ing unbeeded in her coffin, rough hands folded, her long disquiet merged into rest, something very weet will be mingled with her loss and the girl who helped her mother the second cage and dreve into it, will and a benediction of peace upon

The girl who works-God bless er-is another whom I know is brave and active. She is not to proud to care her own living nor running about in a childish way. It them were useless. They paid not ashamed to be caught at her daily was just growing dusk when an In- the slightest attention to him, and task. She is studious and pains-It was nine o'clock next morning dian prony was led up to the stake although in their struggle they dash- taking and patient. She smites at before the big chief and his staff ar- by the head chief in person. I was ed against him, they were evidently. you from behind counter or desk: rived, and an hour later the prisoner cut loose by a warrior, lifted upon unconscious of his presence. Before There is a memory of her sown in was brought out. The warriors had the pony by two others, and told by the tamer could form huy plan to each silken gown. She is a beatiful young mountaineer, elready far up the bill, and the signt of her would switches. Old Tom was taken to they gave the horse a slap and away over on his back and died, while the be a fine inspiration for us all It is an honor to know this giri-to be worthy of her regard. Her hand may be stained with factory grease or printer's ink, but it is an honest hand. It stays misfertune from many homes; it is the one shield that protects many a forlorn little family from the almshonse and asylumbrave, polite, refined, noble, ambitious. God bless her.

The Other Fellow Very Wicked

"Papa, that man overthere is going to get his ride for nothing," said an observant little boy on a suburban train the other day. "He got on when we did and now he pretends like he was asleep. The conductor's just gone by him.

"He is not an honest man, my son, replied the father. "Cheating a railroad company is as bad as any other kind of cheating. I would rather see you in the cold ground, my boy, than to see you grow up to be a dis honest man. Remember-what the duce are you stretching yourself up coming this way. Do you suppose I want to have to pay fare for you?"

The Democratic party has taken and of Sunday drunkenness and disorder. The Republican party is for traffic. It remains for people of the state to decide which shall have the ascendency, law and order, or drunone whatever his past party affiliations, who values peace and quietness, should besitate a moment as to which shall receive his support,

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