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Boyer Curran, agent of the Hudsen Bay Company's Big Loon Poet, is about to start back there with supplies: He learns that Lorimer, an Keglishman, and his assistant has just married Ameon, an Indian. He sees the death notice of Lorimer wealthy uncle, and reads a letter just arrived for Lorimer that he has arrived for Lorimer that he has arrived for Lorimer that the has a start in Lorimer should die, the money weald be his wife's, then he could marry her himself and get it.

Curran sends Lorimer and Mash-kaugan on an exploring trip and the Indian pushes Lorimer into the rap-ids and leaves him for dead, During his absence Lorimer's son is born.

Mashkaugan comes back with news or Lorimer's death. But the white man is not dead. With much difficulty he makes his way back, and just before reaching the camp of Atuk, an Indian, he finds a white baby left alone in the woods.

Curran meanwhile has schemed to have Scarface, an Indian, play a trick on Ameon by taking her baby into the woods and leaving him for Cur-ran to bring back.

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Immediately after the discovery of her loss, Amon starts in her cance to look for the child. The frightened and reperate. Mashkaugan accompanies her her find the place where the budgestiftions guide is frightened ways by the sight of Lorimer.

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Mashkaugan goes back alone to get the baby and is rescued from drowning by Lorimer. The Indians take care of them both, and the baby.

For a time Mashkaugan glared at him, not realizing how strangely he was looking. In his mind a struggle was being fought. By this time all supernatural fears had left him and there remained but the knowledge that he stood confronting the man he had sought to kill.

The institut of self-preservation was strong. A few lies were enough to protect him, or the mere withholding of the truth. Yet same the was the preserved that the protect him, or the mere withholding of the truth. Yet as an ended to protect him, or the mere withholding of the truth. Yet as an ended to protect him, or the mere withholding of the truth. Yet as an ended the pitifully weak and small as herealized that Loriner had endangered his life to save him. There was also fear that those dreadful obsessions might return. "Wait but at hough I am not crasy."

The prospect of prison walls returned to him—ghastly to a man of the wildeness. To one inverted to het crowds of cities a juil is bad enough. But to one whose life pathless northing the present of the wildeness. To one invested on the breezes that have traveled over a thousand miles of gith, the walls and the water is sweet and cool; in the breezes that have traveled over a thousand miles of gith, the walls cover wide, most men inexpressible tor-ture. The property of the proposition over wide, most men inexpressible tor-ture.

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that awful "wilderiness, with nothing
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He stopped, as he was coughing terribly, and put his hand to his side. Just then the little one began to cry. Lorimer took it up, wrapped in the skin of a cartieon calf, and held it against his breast until it ceased to wrill.

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the flood of his words came unretrained.

"I am accursed!" he cried. "I
sought thy death! For days and more
days, for a week and still other
weeks I watched and watched, look
ing for some way to send thee to
doom so that no the doom it!
ever know that to the doom it!
ever know that the triver, I studied
the White Rapids, that had already
been the death of one man, and when
we returned I followed thee, ready
to push thee into that awful place!

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she said. "I hope I may wase up often enough, but I am eleepy with hard worken on quietly." asid Mashkau-ram. "I promise that my eyes will never close tonight. I will watch the seven stars that turn about the star of the north, and he shall have the medicine as thou eayes."

During the lower between a nod comtage to allow his head to drop upon his breast.

He gave the drug faithfully, keeping very near the sick man and listening to his labored breating. The remaining the start of t

## Light from Darkness. '

Early in the morning Curran arose after a night filled with restless dreams. His first cane was to Inquire whether Mashkaugan had returned. When he learned that the man had been gone during the whole night he was greatly disrupted.

As happens with most individuals

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temper grew. In southered at our Copyrien and his wife, and roared at some Indians who had dropped some fish offal near the landing-place on the control of the control of

cheers? But, not this is a long-traveling cance. Sure enough, it must be Father Gregoire. "Hey"he shouted. "Here is the old Father White Beard returning—the Manitou Book of the own of the William of the Manitou Book of the Manitou

pray for them," he assured her.
"Also will I pray for thy comfort in
thy hereavement." the old man into
the pest chair, and ordering food to
be prepared at once.
"I have it in mind, father," he began, "that there are people across
the seas belonging to Lorimer who
would be glad to hear that he soul.
"Yould you give me a little paper
telling that you have done so, which
I will send to those who will mourn
for him?"
"I believe his people are not of our
faith," said the priest.
"I have the present of the proper
per and pen and ink. If the pen is
too wast there are planty of good
wildigoose quills."
"Prayers are prayers, by whomsoever offered," said the missionary.
"The work of the proper are not of the
After much searching in the many
pockets of his coat, the old man
found his spectacles and wrote as
follows:

My friend Lorimer was a very

ound his spectaries and whole a problems. My friend Lorimer was a very good man, whose kindness and gentleness of character I has everal opportunities of appreciating in the last four years. He ind also endeared himself to the Indians. His wife is lett very desolate, and needs consolution of the control o

"Rand this paper to the young man's riends," he said. "It can do north the paper to the young man's riends," he said. "It can do north the paper to alleviate their grief."
Carram folded it carfully and locked it up in a box where he kept was a good to be the papers and trinkels. It was a good to person the said to some extent, as proof of the death of the man and his child. To any but the most prying it must be good corroborative evidence.

young woman is a widow," said Corran as they said down to eat. "She is a fine young woman and used to better care than she can have among her own people. I would like to acquire the right to care for he and look out for had cannot hunt here to a court the right to care for he and look out for had cannot hunt henel longer, and yet has young children. I have spoken to him, and find that he is not averse. I want very much to marry Ameou." "But this institution," and find that he is not averse. I want very much to marry Ameou." "But this institution," and it is still sore distressed at her loss. Is she, also, willing? I must say that I should be surprised if, she were." "These surges the standpoint of with the said of t

her hands.

"I wish now to hear all that has happened," said Father Gregoire. "I want to know everything, that I may the better advise thee. As to thy marrying curren unless the wish to change the said of the control of the control

pant and be good to the spirit of Yellow Hair, my husband and give me back my little one if he still be living?"

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Then the others, also, heelt in dilitions the variety of the still be lighted. The priest's voice rose in rapid utterance of prayers for the dead and in allower words of consolation from the prosent of the still general the missionary implored mercy for the poor broken read at his feet and humbly begged divine compassion whereby her awful burden might be lightened.

The person the still gone of the poor broken read at his lips moved. Then, outside the tent, and very near, the subdued cry of a wailing infant was heard.

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The flap of the tent was opened and a great pair of shoulders surmounded with the still point of the soft monight. The man entered, bearing something in his arms.

"Here is thy little against the rising glow of the soft monight. There came from her a wild cry, a staggering effort to rise to her feet and grasp her tressure.

Her head hent over the precious thing whose tiny face was concerned will was pressed to the boson that had aufireed such agony and to the heart that had been so overburdened.

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that had suffered such agony and to the heart that had been so overbur-dened.

Mashkaugan kept silent, and so did all the others. They were amazed at the swift answer to the missionary's beseching wound that wonderful deep sigh of happy relief.

"Jidist thou speak of a message, Mashkaugan?" she asked.

"The message is that one is very ill in whom thou are greatly con-cerned. He cries out thy fill in whom thou are greatly con-cerned. He cries out thy ill in whom thou are greatly con-cerned. He cries out thy ill in whom thou are greatly con-cerned. He cries out thy whom I am concerned," she cried, "now that my little Yellow Hair is given back to me."

"There is one, Ameu," repeated the hunchback. The third who had the come to him, for ever in his sickness he is crying out for thee and despairing because thou art not near Indeed, the man I thought Swiftly the hunchback clapped his hand over the young woman's mouth.

Savage's Love of Medicine.

Mrs. F. Rowling, medical missionary at Gayaza, Uganda, telle many stories in the Strand Magazine about her patients and their implicit faith in the skill and knowledge of "the white medicine-woman." What she has to say on the matter is as amusing as it is interesting and instance that has been commented upon by ravelers in practically all parts and the sheen delight which understand the sheen delight which was described by the sheen delight which understand in the world man strain and the sheen delight which understand in the sheen delight which understand in the world man strain and the sheen delight which understand in the world man strain and the sheen delight which understand in the world man strain and the sheen delight which understand in the world with the sheet of the sheet in the world with the sheet in the measure of the sheet in the sheet Savage's Love of Medicine

DOGS IN GERMANY.

Some Are Harnessed to Four-Wheel Trucks and Work With a Man. The dachschund is the favorite dog in Germany, and a very useful and pleasant companion he seems to be. The English buildog is a good second in popularity, and the nearer he is to our standard points the better he is liked. The fox terrier varies a good deal in site and marking and is evidently not so well known in Germany as he deserves to be. For the form of the first the form and their King Charleses as ser their English sisters of their pet dogs at home.

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### WAS BORN IN 1794 IN WALES

cher in His Boyhood.

OMAHA. — Thomas Morris, of Waterville, Neb, has lived through the terms of every President of the United States and most of the big historic events of the past 120 years, and is still vigorous on a Nebraska farm. In a few mouths he will be 121 years old, and is believed to be, the oldest white man in the United States, and in all probability the oldest in the world. He has lived in three centuries. He was three when Washington's term as President closed. This connects him with the administrations of every president of the United States.

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Mr. Morris was aged one year when the famous trial of Warren Hastings closed, and was aged 11 when Nelson won Trafagar. He lived in the period of the Napoleonic wars, and reached his majority siz months before Waterloo was fought. He has seen the reigns of George IV. William IV. Victoria, Edward VII., and the present king. He was aged 38 when the reform bill was signed, aged 44 when the first Atlantic cable was laid, aged 67 when Fort Sumter surrendered, and more than three secors and ten when Lincoln was assasinated.

Morris was born January 21, 11794, at Bellew, Montgomeryshire, Wales. His father's name was Thomas Morrie. He was a laborer, and died when Thomas was aged three. His mother's name was Elizabeth Daris Morris, and she lived until 1863. Thomas had no sisters, but one brother named Charles, who died in 1881.

He never attended school and never married, 'in his boyhood he was apprenticed to a butcher and wars apprenticed to a butcher and wars apprenticed to a butcher and was apprenticed to a shoe maker.

About five years ago he gave up work altogether. Up to six years ago he nade almost daily walks of one and a haif miles to Clear Creek in Custer county to fish. This sport was his principal diversion from told Mr. Morris takes tas or coffice at all meals and upon retiring takes.

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Mr. Morris takes tas or coffice at all meals and upon retiring takes to his bedroom a quart of tas or coffee, which he drinks during the night.

Forty-seven years ago a lad named Charles Mython went to live with Mr. Morris, then 73, and from tha time the two have been inseparable companions.

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In 1871 they left Wales and emigrated to America, arriving in Chicago the Studey following the greafire. They located in Blackstone.
Livingston county, Illinois, whenthey resided until 1872, when they
moved to New Hampshire, Harrifson's
county, Missouri. Here they lived
until 1886, when they moved to if
farm four miles southeast of Wester
ville, and a few years later morse
on an adjoining farm, where they
now live.

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Discriminating Bandita on a California Train.

LOS ANGELES—Posses in automobiles accured all the highways here, about seeking trace of two massed men who robbed the Southern Pacific fast northbound train No. 75 near the seeking of the robbery amounts of \$500 with some fewelry. The fact that it was the second train robber at the same place within two mostly made to capture the bandits. The prayious robbry netted some \$3,200. This latest affair was confined fit the observation car. The robber masked and carrying sawed-off she guins derived the contraints of the train.

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The wind often travels eighty milin hour, and that, too, without Many a man who is calling loud for justice would be in the coun-jail if he got it.