

THE WAR-TRAIL!

CHAPTER XLII.—(CONTINUED).

"Hooraw!—the rangers!" cried Gary, as he echoed the cry at the full pitch of his voice.

The guerrilleros, stupefied by surprise at sight of this new enemy had paused for a moment—no doubt fancying it was another party of Indians. Their halt was of short duration; the dim light favored them; rifles already played upon their ranks; and suddenly wheeling to the left, they struck out into the open plain.

The Indians, seeing them turn off, leaned into the diagonal line to intercept them; but the rangers, already close up, had just made a similar movement, and savage and Saxon were now obliquing towards each other.

The moon that for some minutes had been yielding but a faint light, became suddenly eclipsed by a cloud, and the darkness was now greater than ever. Gary and I saw no more of the strife; but we heard the shock of the opposing bands; we heard the war-whoop of the savage mingled with the rangers' vengeful shout; we heard the "crack, crack, crack," of yager rifles, and the quick detonations of revolvers—the clashing of sabre-blades upon spear shafts—the ring of breaking steel—the neighing of steeds—the victor's cry of triumph—and the deep anguished groan of the victim.

With anxious hearts, and nerves excited to their utmost, we stood upon the cliff, and listened to these sounds of dread import.

Not long did they last. The fierce struggle was soon over. When the moon gleamed forth again, the battle was ended. Prostrate forms, both of men and horse, were lying upon the plain.

Far to the south, a dark clump was seen disappearing over the prairie's edge; it was the cowardly guerilla. To the west horsemen galloped away alone or in straggling groups; but the cheer of triumph that reached us from the scene of strife told us who were the masters of the ground. The rangers had triumphed.

"Whur ur ye Bill?" cried a voice from the bottom of the cliff, which both of us easily recognized.

"Hyar I be," answered Gary. "Wal, we've gin them Injuns goss, I reckon; but cuss the luck, the yellurbellies hev got clur off. Wagh!"

CHAPTER XLIII.

A CHAPTER OF EXPLANATIONS.

The fight could not have lasted more than ten minutes. The whole skirmish had the semblance of a moonlight dream, interrupted by interludes of darkness. So rapid had been the movements of the forces engaged, that after the first fire not a gun was reloaded. As for the guerrilleros, the Indian war-cry seemed to have shaken the pieces out of their hands, for the ground where they had first broken off was literally strewed with carbines, escopettes, and launces. The great gun of El Zorro was found among the spoils.

Notwithstanding the shortness of the affair, it proved sufficiently tragical to both Mexicans and Indians: five of the guerrilleros had bit the dust, and twice that number of savage warriors lay lifeless upon the plain—their bodies glaring under the red war-paint, as if shrouded in blood. The Mexicans lay near the foot of the mesa, having fallen under the first fire of the Rangers, delivered as they galloped up. The Indians were further out upon the plain, where they had dropped to the thick rapid detonations of the revolvers, that, so long as the warriors held their ground, played upon them with fearful effect. They may have heard of this weapon, and perhaps have seen a revolver in the hands of some trapper or traveler, but, to my knowledge, it was the first time they had ever encountered a band of men armed with so terrible a power to destroy; for the Rangers were indeed the first military organization that carried Colt's pistol into battle—the high cost of the arm having deterred the government from extending it to other branches of the service.

Nor did the Rangers themselves come unscathed out of the fight; two had dropped dead out of their saddles, pierced by the Comanche spear; while nearly a dozen were more or less severely wounded by arrows.

While Quackenboss was climbing the cliff, Gary and I found time to talk over the strange incidents to which we had witnessed. We were aided by explanations from below, but, without these, we had no difficulty in comprehending all. The Indians were a band of Comanches, as their war-cry had already made known to us. Their arrival on the ground at that moment was purely accidental, so far as we or the Mexicans were concerned; it was a war-party, and upon the war trail, with the intention of reiving a rich Mexican town on the other side of the Rio Grande, some twenty leagues from the rancheria. Their spy had discovered the horsemen by the mesa, and made them out to be Mexicans—a foe which the lordly Comanche holds in supreme contempt. Not so contemptible in his eyes as Mexican horses, silver-studded saddles, speckled serapes, mangas of fine cloth, bell-buttoned breeches, arms, and accoutrements; and it was to sweep this paraphernalia that the attack had been made; though hereditary hatred of the Spanish race—old as the Conquest—and revenge for more recent wrongs, were of themselves sufficient motives to have im-

pelled the Indians to their hostile attempt. All this we learned from one of the braves, who remained wounded upon the ground, and who, upon closer examination, turned out to be a cívica Mexican captive, now completely Indianised!

Fortunately for the Mexican town, the savages, thus checked, abandoned their design, and returned to their mountain fastnesses sadly humbled.

(TO BE CONTINUED).

What to Try.

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Try popcorn for nausea. Try cranberries for malaria. Try a sunbath for rheumatism. Try ginger ale for stomach cramps. Try clam broth for a weak stomach. Try cranberry poultice for erysipelas. Try gargling lager beer for cure of sore throat.

Try a wet towel to the back of the neck when sleepless.

Try swallowing saliva when troubled with sour stomach.

Try eating fresh radishes and yellow turnips for gravel.

Try eating onions and horseradish to relieve dropsical swellings.

Try buttermilk for removal of freckles, tan butter stains.

Try to cultivate an equable temper, and don't borrow trouble ahead.

Try a hot dry flannel over the seat of neuralgia pain and renew frequently.

Try taking your codliver oil in tomato catsup if you want to make it palatable.

Try hard cider—a wineglassful three times a day—for ague and rheumatism.

Try breathing the fumes of turpentine or carbolic acid to relieve whooping cough.

Try taking a nap in the afternoon if you are going to be out late in the evening.

Try a cloth wrung out from cold water put about the neck at night for sore throat.

Try snuffing powdered borax up the nostrils for catarrhal cold in the head.

Try an extra pair of stockings outside of your shoes when travelling in cold weather.

Try walking with your hands behind you if you find yourself becoming bent forward.

Try a silk handkerchief over the face when obliged to go against a cold, piercing wind.

Try planting sunflowers in your garden if compelled to live in a malarial neighborhood.

Try saturated solution of bicarbonate of soda (baking soda) in diarrhoeal troubles; give freely.

Try a newspaper over the chest, beneath your coat, as a chest protector in extremely cold weather.

GRAHAM BISCUIT.—Stir with a spoon tepid water into Graham flour until stiff enough to form a dough as soft as can be kneaded; roll out when sufficiently kneaded to be well mixed, and cut into cakes three quarters of an inch in thickness. Lay them in baking pans so they will not touch each other, and bake in a quick oven, letting them remain long enough to brown and crisp, which, with a good heat, will require about twenty-five minutes, or taking them out when just done through, as one prefers; if not sufficiently baked they will be heavy at the bottom. Put them on a grate or colander to cool, that they may not steam and become heavy. This bread is excellent for growing children and for brain workers. None of its nutritive qualities are diminished by fermentation, and eaten with good cows' milk and some sub acid fruit forms perfect food.

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For further particulars apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Solicitors, Charlotte-town. Dated this 14th day of January, A. D. 1882 JAMES HAYDEN, Assignee of Mortgage.

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