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[CONCLUDED FROM LAST WEEK.] WOLF'S GLEN Or, The Return from Siberia.

BY THE CHEYALIER DE BEVARD.

"What!" exclaimed the hag, "are the dead come to life again!-to me he has been dead a long time. It was reported

"The report was incorrect," replied Victor; "he was wounded and made prisoner, sent to Siberia, where he suffered many hardships."

he fersoek, and then forgot, the mother that bore him."

that would bring peace, that he might revisit his home."

"But," said the hag, "did he not send his old mother some more substantial proof of his love than a bare message?" "Why, no," said Victor; "he intends

to visit you soon himself, and will be the bearer of his own gifts, but as the moth- for a couple of hours, when sleep at last God bless you, dearest and best! Great inert, for his wound, though not danger- hair, beard and flesh, were horribly article warranted gerinine and of er of my comrade, if you are in immediate want, I am both able and willing to assist you."

have money with you, and will give me drinking deeply from the flagon of spirits passed through a severe ordeal, you have locked in the embrace of Eugenie. It soldiery deliberately fired charge, after some," said the hag, with much eagerness. And again, after a short pause, during which she seemed busy with her own thoughts, she continued-"you require shelter for the night-you shall have it. You are, indeed come to a poor house, that can afford you scarce any accomodation-"

"We soldiers of the old guard are not with worse quarters. At present I am and touched his pay, which had been actired with long travels-

itary crust to offer you."

procured in the vicinity, here is money wandering soldier." that will procure sufficient for us all, and to spare,'

Her eyes sparkled with, delight as she stretched out her withered and skeleton hand to grasp the money which our here offered her.

"Only look," said she, addressing herself to the dwarf, "look Mahu; it is long, long since such a vision has blessed our sight." And, turning to the guardsman, said, "Neither of us have broken our fast this day. Come, be alive, Mahu; bestir yourself, run to the hamlet and most of your money."

As the dwarf, departed, she drew him tered out rather than uttered: aside and whispered in his ear-

"Answer no questions and say not a word about the stranger's arrival. His visit must remain a profound secret, or it might lead to detection. You understand me, Mahu?"

The dwarf gave an assenting nod and hag to open the door.

We shall not follow him in the discharge of his commision. Suffice it to ber. say, within the hour he, returned with a goodly provision of edibles and two flasks of brandy.

The hag now rose from her seatwhere she had sat on her low settee, cowering over the embers of the hearth, humming a Baechie song, which had stolen into her memory because she was to the hearth, and the dwarf laid some busy herself in preparing the approachfull stature of her person, which was sented a striking contrast to the diminon the blazing fire, she might have suggested the idea of a witch engaged in some work of nocturnal incantation; while, to complete the illusion, the dwarf, like an attendant spirit, stood near, waita candle was procured, and the cravings around the hearth. The spirits were produced, and our hero pressed to drink. He did so, but with great moderation; and soon after, from fatigue, and unwilling to witness the debauch that appeared

upon his countenance.

The bed was composed of some misertion under the bed.

prehended evil. He determined to be by the rest of the family. wakeful and on his guard, he placed his overpowered him.

"Hey! what is that you say?—you drawn his stool close, and both commenced mur has escaped your lips; you have on the floor, and the next instance was ous bed of the creek, where the brutal provided. After a pause of some time, tude, and the blessing of God is upon you! word. Silence was to them eloquent; thrust their bayonets through his head. In His infinite mercy He has ordained that past sorrow was forgotten; the scenes of Not content with this monstrous barbarclaimed:

not observe his purse, which was well here to-morrow to claim you as his own." filled with gold Napoleons? I warrant very particular, and I have often put up you he has taken Paris in his way hither cumulating for him during his captivity. "And," replied the hag, "require re- It is but one thrust, and a home thrust freshments, also, but we have not a sol- of your knife, and the money will be ours. There can be no risk; he is a per-"I do, indeed," replied Victor, "re- feet stranger, and no body in the neighquire refreshments; and if any is to be borhood will trouble their heads about the

The dwarf gave a quick, comprehensive, and most malignant glance toward her eyes lighted up, and she gradually claiming: the old woman, while she was speaking, and he drew from a drawer in the table a long pointed knife, which was firmly set in a buck-horn handle, and appeared, father?" from the marks upon its blade, to be no stranger to human blood. The hag watched his proceedings with a savage ment he had undergone, could not oblitthe soldier/was sleeping. Before lifting sirous, as a paramount duty, to visit the the latch, however, she turned to the mother that gave him life, and extricate purchase some food; and mind-make the hideous imp by her side, and with a sup- her from the degraded condition in which pressed whisper of fearful import, mut- he heard she had fallen."

of dexterity!"

one hand, the woman entered the cham- the Wolf's Glen, and save him!"

All was still. The soldier was lying words, and I resolved to act upon them. with his back to the door, and in a pro- I desired my eldest son, David, to put found slumber. As she stood for a mo- the old horse to the chay cart, and acment, the light fell full on the features company me. Eugenic exclaimed, "Faof the dwarf, who was standing behind her in an attitude of savage expectation. His eyes glowed like heated coals, and his whole frame, uncouth as it was, presented athirst-pointed with her skinny fingers a picture of demoniae ferocity. At a glance from the old hag, he moved stealthfuel on the embers. She now began to ily forward, and measuring his distance, rapidly raised his gleaming weapon, and ing meal. As she stood exhibiting the rushing forward, was in the act of burying his knife, when the sleeper, actuated above the usual female standard, she pre- by some passing dream, turned suddenly door. My son entered first; I followed, round just in time to avoid the thrust utive hight of her elfish-looking off- aimed at his heart, which penetrated his spring-as she stood heaping fresh fuel clothes and inflicted a long superficial ter. My son had taken the precaution to wound in the fleshy part of his right side. He uttered a loudery of alarm, but before the dwarf could raise the knife for a second stroke a deep bark was heard, the dog was roused by the noise, and uttering ing with impatience the conclusion of a growl like an enraged wolf, sprang at his task. All being at length prepared, the dwarf, and pinning him by the throat threw him to the ground, where they rolof hunger being satisfied, the party drew | led together in deadly conflict; the dwarf to throttle the dog, who on his side, scemed determined not to quit his hold until his master was avenged.

desire of retiring to rest. He rose, and the light, which instantly went out, and dwarf, had, I suppose, become alarmed, the dwarf accompanied him into the other tried in vain to assist her fiendish offspring. and retreating to the furthest extremity room; and, having pointed to the bed, But more of her anon. For I must here of the front room, awaiting the result of left him, and, as he bade him good night, (said Antoine) go back and tell you what the conflict, stood with the brandy flask a fiendish and malicious grin played was passing in another place, before I in her hand, from which she had helped conclude this tragic tale.

When the soldier and I parted at the courage, which must have begin to flag; ably bad straw, laid upon some boards, cross road, I made the best of my way with eyes starting from their sockets, her supported at each end by two trestles, home. When I arrived about a few hun- form dilated to its full hight, the very and some indifferent old horse rugs as dred yards from my house, I met one of personification of a fiend incarnate about covering. To a veteran of the eld guard, my younger sons, who imparted to me the to hurl destruction on all who should cross this was of no consequence. He recol- welcome intelligence that my daughter her path. Eugenie, who had entered lected how sound and tranquil he had Eugenie had arrived in the course of the last, and who had, unperceived, possesslumbered on the bare earth with no day from the Chateau de Pelessis, where sed herself of one of my pistols, sprang "I am glad to hear it," replied the hag; Lother covering than the wide canopy of she was residing as companion to the upon the hag, seized her by the shoulheaven. He removed the wickerwork young Countess de la Roche Guyon, to ders, and placing the muzzle of the pistol that secured the window, and relieved spend the holidays with us; this intelli- to her head, demanded what had become "He much repented having joined the his faithful dog, who had remained stead- gence gave me much pleasure, and was of the soldier who had sought shelter unarmy," said Victor, "but he never for- ily at his post, and noiselessly bid him doubly welcome under existing circum- der her roof that night, got his friends, and longed for the time enter by the casement, which the dog stances, as I did not expect her, till after The hag dropped the brandy flask from cleared at one bound, and took his sta- the Feast of the Assumption. I had not her grasp, became deadly pale, and approgressed many yards, when at the next peared bewildered and stupified. Victor result of their deliberations and proceeded Our hero could not sleep, for a melan- turning I met the maiden herself, who was roused by the well remembered tone choly foreboding filled his mind; he ap- had come to greet me in person, followed of Eugenie's voice; it acted as a vivify-

own faithful Victor, whom we all num-"He has gold, Mahu! gold! Did you bered among the dead-lives! and will be

> Eugenie raised her eyes up to heaven -"Oh God, thou hast blest me." A deep convulsive sob escaped from her bosom, and I received her fainting in my arms. This sudden announcement was more than she could support. Sudden joy, as you well know, sir, like sudden sorrow, is sometimes too powerful for a sensitive mind; the weakness was but momentary; her heart throbbe l violently, gained her consciousness, and exclaimed:

-why did he not accompany you, dear

"Long absence and sorrow," replied I "and the remembrance of the ill treatsmile, and beckoning to the dwarf, led the erate the spark of filial love that nature

"But, father, dear," said Eugenie, 'See, Mahu, that you have not to "should he not think proper to make himstrike twice; remember the last one, and self known to her, or she not to recogthe trouble he gave you, for your want nize him, he will certainly meet the fate of all those who have sought shelter in The dwarf grinned horribly, and nod- that dreadful abode of crime. Oh, fading a hurried assent, motioned to the ther, father," cried she, wringing her hands, "the dwarf will assuredly mur-Shading the glare from the candle with der him in his sleep. Let us hasten to

There was, wisdom in my daughter's ther, I will accompany you," and she put on her bonnet and cloak. I indorsed my sheep skin jacket, took down my pistols, examined the priming, and secured them in my belt, and, as the chaise was at the door, we all three sprang in, and pro-

ceeded at the rate of ten miles an hour. On our arrival at the Wolf's Glen, we knocked violently at the door of the hut, without gaining admission. We forced the holding a cocked pistol in my hand, prepared for any resistance I might encounprovide himself with a bull's eye lantern, such as we use for signals along the coast. A sight most appalling and dreadful to behold presented itself to our partially-bewildered gaze; it can never be obliterated from my memory.

Figure to yourself, sir, the mangled with his long bony fingers, endeavored in a half-sitting, half-reclining position, put a link into each corn hill. Before blood, his faithful dog by his side, lick-The old woman, paralysed by this sud- The hag, who, on beholding the unex- corn came up a little quicker than the farready to succeed the food, expressed his den and unexpected appearance, dropped pected attack of the hound upon the mer bargained for

herself to copious draughts to rouse her

ing electric shock upon his frame, and re- were told to run for their lives. Triplett "My darling child! welcome! thrice wel- called all his nervous faculty, which, from refused and was shot, the muzzles of the staff beside him, and lay thus motionless come to the embrace of your fond parent. loss of blood, had become almost totally guns and pistols being so close that his and bitter have been your trials; your ous, had, from the severance of a small burned by the powder, until he was I must bring you back to the inmates cross has been heavy to bear, but you artery, bled copiously. He sprang from scarcely recognizable Close made an atof the outer room, where the dwarf had have borne it without repining; not a mur- the bed, cleared at one bound the careass tempt to run, but mired in the treacherwhich the liberality of the stranger had borne your troubles with Christian forti- was long and fervent; neither uttered a offspring were intently observing each I should be His messenger of joyful ti- their early love were lit up in memory's other, the woman in a hoarse whisper ex- dings. Cheer up! Victor lives! Your lamp; their hearts were full and throbbed blood of the murdered men, and wrote in

ing his master rise, had taken his station over the mangled corpse of the dwarf, silent, pious thanksgiving, and exclaimed placing one paw on the chest, and the other raised in a defying attitude, growling like a hungry lion over its prey.-The hag staggered into the room, and on beholding the corpse of the dwarf, was raised to desperation. She drew a stiletto from her bosom, and was preparing to plunge it into the body of the deg, when her arm was providentially arrested by Victor, who entered the room ex-

"Oh, mother! mother! do you not know "Victor! dear Victor, oh where is he? your son, Victor, your eldest born?"

the hag; "who and what are you? You were dead, and have returned in judgment to blast me-to-bring my gray hairs to an untimely end upon the scaffold; but as I have lived, so shall I die. I defy way on tiptoe toward the apartment where had implanted in his heart. He was de- you all. I had but one being in the wide world that I loyed, and who loved me, and you have barbarously slaughtered him. May my curse, living of dead, light upon you all!" And by a sudden jerk she freed the arm that held the weapon from the grasp of Victor, and plunged it into her breast, crying -

"Thus! thus! I bid you all defianceha, ha, ha!" and on withdrawing the dagger, she fell dead upon the corpse of her fiendish dwarf of a son.

The hound had retreated, and flown to the side of his master, as soon as he entered, leaping up and testifying his joy on seeing him safe once more.

This, sir, was the close of Marion Cloquet's life and that of her fiendish son .-They were both consigned to the earth, side by side, on the spot that had been the scene of so many crimes, the clergy refusing them a resting place in consecrated ground, as one had died in the very act of attempting to commit a murder, and the other by her own hand.

I am now come to the end of this sad tale. It only remains for me to inform you that, after a decent lapse of time Victor and Eugenie were married and went to Paris, Victor obtained promotion. served in Africa, where he distinguished himself; and having passed through the several military grades, he is now a general of division, and as a token of his esteem and admiration, our beloved Emperor has conferred upon him the grand cross of the Legion of Honor.

"One word more before we part," said he, shaking both my hands cordially-Vive l' Empereur!"

A farmer near Erie, Pa., bought sevcarcass of the dwarf lying on the floor in eral barrels of spoiled sausages for the a pool of congealed blood. On the bed, purpose of using them as manure, and was the soldier, weak from the loss of the next day, every dog that lived in a radius of four or five miles of the field, ing his hands and uttering doleful moans. had been there digging sausages. The

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A Horrible Reminiscence o the War.

The Platte (Mo.) Reveille, publishes the following, which is verified by responsible persons, familiar with the circumstances:

Our citizens will remember that in the early part of the war, two citizens of our county, Gabriel Close and Black Triplett, were arrested by a squad of Col. Morgan's Illinois regiment, which was stationed at Weston. They were arrested at Mrs. Kuykendall's near this city, charged with being bush-whackers .-Whether the charge was true or false we know not. Securely guarded and bound, the prisoners were started to Weston .-At Bee creek bridge the squad halted and determined to murder the two men. The fiends in human shape who disgraced the uniform they wore, told their victims the to carry into execution their hellish designs. The bound and helpless victims charge into his body, after which they ism, they then dabbled their hands in the great uncouth letters on each end of the The brave and faithful hound, on see- bridge, in characters of blood, the letters "U. S." The horrible letters are still there. Every traveler between Weston and Platte City will notice the terrible, bloody letters staring at them from either approach to the bridge. Kind hands often attempted to obliterate this awful sign of blood and murder, but to-day it is as plain as when it was first made there by the brutal wretches. Time and the elements refuse to destroy the letters.

The memory of Morgan, the commander of the regiment, is faithfully preserved by the people of this county. He burned this town and laid in ashes our courthouse. In the corner-stone of the "Eh? what is that you say?" exclaimed new courthouse just about finished, is placed a parchment recording this fact. Wherever he goes God's wrath will follow him, and future generations will speak the name of James G. Morgan with a shudder.

> A good joke is told us by a friend who was present at the freedman's celebration in Clayton last week. It was proposed, before the procession was formed, to head the column with the stars and stripes proudly whipping the breeze, and tail it with the stars and bars ignobly trailing in the dust. The proposition was submitted to one of the most prominent and influential of the colored marshals, who, when he heard it, suffered his indignation to get the upper hand of him. He replied that 'no such thing should be did whar he was. He fout under de Confederate flag, and if he cotch any fool nigger dragging it along in de dirt he was gwine to hurt him."-Eufaula (Ala.) News.

We have been shown a patent horseshoe which must certainly supersede the old system when it becomes known to the public. It entirely dispenses with nails, being fastened on the foot by means of an elliptical band, entirely on the outside of the hoof, and yielding readily to its growth. The form of the shoe also tends to a lateral expansion. It has been exhibited to the officers of the War Department for the purpose of introducing it into the cayalry and artillery service of the United States .- Chronicle.

We understand that a school book is being circulated in the South which contains the following choice morceau:

"While all the loyal people of the country were rejoicing because the war was so ended, President Lineeln, one of the best men that ever lived, was cruelly murdered in Washington by a young man hired by the Confederates to do the wicked

Bob, you say you believe most deseases are contagious. How long have you entertained such notions?' "Every since I sat alongside of a blue-eyed girl and caught the palpitation of the heart."