Au Adventure at Zuni.

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In the northwestern corner of New Mexico, and nestling in one of the fertile valleys that dot those great deserts, is found the Indian village of Zuni. Around It are high table-lands and those "buites" so peculiar to the West and not far away the horizon is bounded by the Zuni Mountains,a part of the great continental back bone. Emigrants have gradually settled wherever a fertile valley has invited a plough-share, or a crassy hill-side a ranch, but this reservation for the most part has remained intact.

The village where the Zuni formerly dwelt was built upon the top of the butte which stands near by the reservation. It was a impregnable strong-hold, and 1 ir untold centuries these people held it against the hostile tribes around them. The meadows slong the river at the foot of the butie supplied their wants with ii' le labor, and as fast as the harv st ripened, they were stowed

the granaries 1.1 wy in on the top of the mountain. Lut in their security they lost their warlike qualities, and just to proportion as agriculture and

and were out on a raid. They As his companions watched him to pass over a thousand yards of men and children. In every in- Diadman they could find.

tion. Some of the young men advised that they should mount their horses and escape as quickly as possible, leaving the women and children to look out for themselves; for if they remained what defence could half a dozen boys, ic. armed with revolvers, make against seven times that number of men ?

But one young fellow, whom we will call Stonewall Wremonstrated so vehemently against deserting the women and children that the rest of the party yielded, and they resolved to remain and make what defence

they could. Hastily collecting their weapons and ammunition they climbed upon one of the highest houses in the village, and drew the ladder after theml'here, sheltered behind the raised detences of the roof, they would be most secure, and able to do some damage to the assailants.

The party of Apaches could be seen plainly in the clear atmosphere of this region yet some distance down the river, but approaching still, one behind the other, in true Indian file,

There was a hurried consulta- out flinching when two armies fend ourselves as long as possiare watching, and he knows his ble from behind the wall upon gallantry will be blazoned to the the roof.

"When the savages had enterworld; but to dare such fiends as these, almost alone in the great ed the valley they paused as in wilderness, for the sake of two consultation. There were forty unknown women, was truly hero- three of them. They were evidently surprised at seeing a white

These women were the wife man there, and were considering and daughter of a man named if it were Dubois, for had they

Dan Dubois. This man had not thought him to be in pursuit come from Wheeling, West Vir- of the Mexicans, they would not ginia, a number of years before, have ventured to make an attack. "Presently they began to adand having married a Mexican woman, settled here upon the vance very cautiously, creeping Zuni River.

Throughout the frontier coun- as little of their persons as possitry Dubois had made such a ble to our fire,

name for bravery and daring that "They knew the man they saw his presence carried more terror was not Dubois. I was aware to Indians and thieving Mexi- that we were in imminent dancans than a whole regiment of ger, with scarcely a chance soldiers. Many marvelous feats against those savages, but so are accredited to him, but certain thrilled was I by the bravery and it is that he could draw his revol- determination of the girl standing ver and shoot so quickly that the near me that I did not feel afraid. eye could not detect the move- She had not speken since coming ment of his hand. He rarely upon the house-top, but, dressed missed his aim, and fear was un- in her Indian costume, was standknown to him. ing, rifle in hand, watching the

The Mexican woman whom he painted forms as they crawled married was of a family who for nearer, her lips compressed, and generations had suffered from the her fine Spanish eyes flashing as

Apaches. Her ancestors as far if she had been some wild animal PRES. STATE NATIONAL BANK.

were coming now to butcher the from the housetor, they broke level plain, and with the two stance the heart was taken out, defenceless women and children into a hearty cheer. It was tru- rifles we hoped to do some exe- and the body itself was multilatand carry off whatever plunder ly a gallant deed. A soldier may cution among them before they ed in a most shocking manner.charge the cannon's mouth with- reached the house, and then de- Youth's Companion.

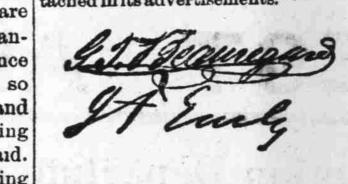


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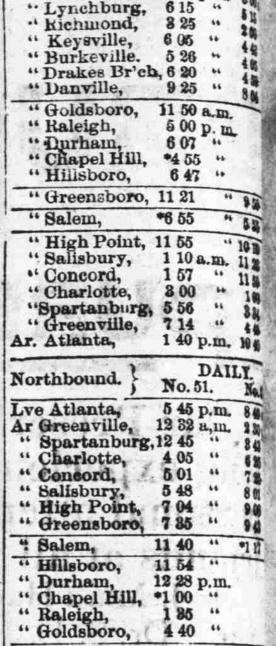
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Stonewall's companions watch- from the Indian. A derisive yell By an overwhelming popular vote find yourself in the heart of they were a thousand years ago. ed him till he had ridden across was the only response. its franchise was made a part of the wild country, with two score of he hauscholder climbs up upon present State Constitution adopted "'Bad shot!' said the girl, and December 2d, A. D. 1879. the intervening plain to Dubois' painted savages creeping upon r, and then draws it after house; they saw him spring from taking a deliberate aim, she fired. The only Lottery ever voted on you. It was not death alone that I'ne dwellings were so conhis horse and enter the house, and | No shout answered her rifle, for and endorsed by the people of any Apaches might inflict, but torture structed at first as a precaution State. as yet the Apaches had not ap- one of the Indians was wounded. and mutilation too horrible to It never scales or postpones. against enemies, and even now It grand single number drawings They seemed somewhat disconpeared in the pass. mention. with all the protection that the take place monthly, and the Extra-"I found the Mexican women certed by this, and paused again: ordinary Drawings regularly every It is doubtful if there exists a Federal Government can give three months instead of Semi-Annuengaged in some household work, then, spreading out their line, bepeople more devoid of human the custom is often useful, as the aily, as heretofore. said Stonewall afterwards, ceeling, more cruel and fiendish gan to approach once more. A splendid opportunity to win a fortune. Eigth Grand Draving, lowing incident will show. "Presently there was a whiff of while the baby was playing near than these Apache Indians. For-In August, 1881, a party of Class III. in the Academy of Music her on the floor. Her daughter, smoke among them, and a ball merly, in their long marches New Orleans, Tuesday, Aug. 10th young m n connected with the a handsome girl of about sixteen whistled so near my head that 1886—195th Monthly Drawing. across the country, they would Territorial surveys was stationed years, was seated by the door instinctively I dodged. The girl Dai70 @75 kill the old and infirm when they it weeks at this place. The laughed at me. The Apaches thrumming a guitar, began to impede their progress: ... v before their arrival a band of "Run for your lives!' I ex- evidently had the best rifles made, and on one occasion, when marauding Mexicans had crossed 100.000 Tickets at Five Dollars Each. claimed, 'the Apaches are com- and they knew how to use them. squaw could carry no more of her Fractions, in Fifths in Proportion. the Border, and made a raid upon We both shielded ourselves someing." i'e adjacent ranches, and driven husbands trappings on account LIST OF PRIZES. "Snatching the baby in her what behind the parspet. away some ponies and cattle. of the pappoose in her arms, the 1 Capital Prize arms, the woman dashed out of "I was sufficiently acquainted father took the child from her, The Zuni, having recovered from do do the door, never pausing for a with Indian tactics to know that do do and swinging it about him by Leir fright as soon as the Mex-2 Prizes of \$6000 question, nor once looking back when they had approached in ins disappeared with the booty, he heels, dashed its head 2000 do 1000 fair range of our rifles they would do for the girl. against the ground; then pointhal mastily summoned their 20 do 500 "I turned to follow her, for make a rush for the house, and ing to the luggage, moved on. 100 200 white eighbors, and were orgando each moment I was expecting to under the shelter of the walls try 300 do 100 While the young izing for Lursuit. men 500 50 do hear the yells of the Indians to break through the door or 1000 were watching wat there were only a few good the ap. od 25 about the house, but glancing climb up to where we were. weapons in the whole party, and proaching Indians, some APPROXIMATION PRIZES. when the young men arrived with one suddenly remembered that "That our last hour had come back, I observed the girl casting 9 Apprx'mtn Prizes \$750 after her mother such a look of I could not doubt, and it was two white men and an infant were 500 their rifles and heavy revolvers 250 scorn as I have never seen on any horrible to think of dying by they were requested to lend them n a house outside the town, and m other face, and instead of follow- those fiends and being cut to the direction of the savages. They to the Zuni Indians during the 1967 Prizes Amt'ing to Application for rates to clubs should ing, she quickly took down a ri- pieces afterwards. iew days necessary for pursuit. were wholly unconscious of imbe made only to the office of the Comfle from the wall and fastened a "But the girl stood observing pany in New Orleans. Owing to the bad feeling which pending; darger, and unles-For further information write clearbelt of cartridges about her them as coolly as though they universally prevails against the warned, would surely fall in the had been rabbits, waiting till NOTES, Express Money Orders, or thieving border Mexicans, and hands of the Apaches. waist. New York Exchange in ordinary let-"'Run !' I called to her in Span- they should be within better the hospitable reception which But how were they to be inter. Currency by Express (at our had been accorded the young formed of it? At that distance ish, thinking she had not under- range of her rifle before wasting expense) addressed men, they were easily persuaded they could not hear a call, and a stood; the Apaches are in the more ammunition. I was pre-M. A. DAUPHIN, to lend their arms. One of them, pistol-shot would not attract their pass !' paring to fire again, for in anoth-New Orleans, La. or M. A. DAUPHIN. "'I will not run !' she replied, er moment the savages might however, refused to part with his notice. Washington, D. C. The house stood in the level in Spanish; 'I will fight them rush upon the house, when a Make P. O. Money Orders payable rifle, and several of them retainand address Registered Latters to ed their revolvers, while allowing plain, about a mile from the vil, here !' clatter of hoofs sounded behind NEW ORLEANS NATIONAL Bank the Indians to take their other lage and a thousand yards or more "Frightened as I was, I almost us, and turning, I saw Dan Dubois New Orleans La. arms to aid in recapturing their from a defile in the rocks through forgot the danger in admiration galloping up. which the approaching Indians for this girl. Born of a Mexican "The girl hurried down, and property.

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