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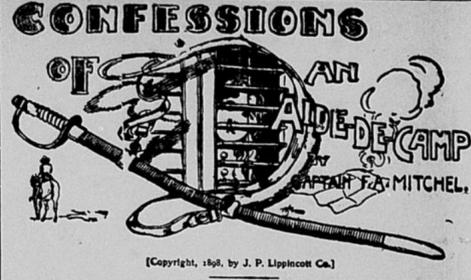
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CONFESSIONS OF A GENERAL

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SYNOPSIS.
CHAPTER I.—Gen. Heath is ordered to report to headquarters at Chattanooga. As he is in a hurry to get away, he is given a special duty to watch a contemplated movement of Longstreet's corps. He accepts.
CHAPTER II.—Gen. Heath leaves Chattanooga with 400 troops. He is ordered to move out to Morgan's cross-roads. On the way he meets with a girl bearing with her a young man who is believed to be a spy. Her name is Margaret. A face was seen at the window, but a search through the bushes revealed no suspicious persons. Lieut. Hall, the aide, is placed in charge of the young lady while he watches her and questions her carefully. She faints.
CHAPTER III.—When questioned she said her mother is for the confederacy and she is for the union. At night she is caught in the kitchen attempting to burn a note which contains the names of the confederate officers at Knoxville. She is confined under guard as a spy.
CHAPTER IV.—Gen. Heath's command is attacked by confederates, but they are driven off. During the fight Lieut. Hall again sees a mysterious face at the window.
CHAPTER V.—Gen. Heath accepts a parole from Miss Beach at the suggestion of Lieut. Hall, who proposes to marry her. During the night she slips out of the tent and escapes.
CHAPTER VI.—The federal troops are surprised at night and in the night Lieut. Hall is captured.
CHAPTER VII.—Lieut. Hall is taken before a confederate Major. He has been a classmate of Gen. Heath at West Point and is known to him in the west. He claims to have a secret message from Gen. Heath offering to surrender his command in the army to the confederate army in return for a parole. He is taken to a southern town in which he was stationed. He escapes and at night assists Hall to escape.
CHAPTER VIII.—Miss Beach joins Hall outside the confederate camp and together they reach the union lines.
CHAPTER IX.—The confederates are surprised at their camp and retreat. Returning to the plantation, Hall again sees the face at the window, and this time recognizes it as that of a young man in a confederate uniform. A court-martial is ordered for Miss Beach.
CHAPTER X.—The court finds Miss Beach guilty. It is necessary for a scouting party to reach the railroad, and Miss Beach is asked to act as the guide on a route which she has discovered. She accepts, but on condition that no one enter the house where she lives.
"How would a small body of scouts do?"
"They could not get through except by unfrequented roads, and I have no guide."
There was a renewal of the silence between us, which I, looking him steadily in the eye, broke.
"Margaret Beach knows the country about here well."
How I dared make such a suggestion is unaccountable to me this day. I only know that I possessed a certain assurance at critical moments, which proved of untold value on this occasion. Having fired my shot, I waited for its effect. A train of thought was started in the general's mind, but where it would lead him I could not predict. Suddenly he said, in his quick, terse tones:
"Bring the prisoner to me."
A faint hope sprang up within me. I started to obey the order, and in a few minutes Margaret was standing before the general.
"Miss Beach," he said, "do you know any route by which a few men can reach the railroad unobserved?"
"You have condemned me for giving information to the confederates; do you think me so base as to serve both sides?"
"As you like," he said, "then, turning to me, 'Take her back,' and I am ready to prove that I am true to the union," said Margaret, proudly.
The general showed no sign of faith in her assertion of loyalty as he replied: "Very well. Do you know of such a route?"
"I do."
"And do you know of any hiding place near the track where the men can be concealed to watch the passage of trains?"
Margaret thought a moment, then replied: "I do."
"The general made no further remark for a few moments. He was turning something over in his mind. At last he looked up at Margaret, and said, impressively, but still coldly:
"Perform this service, and I may be able to save you."
Despite his tone, I could detect a look of intense relief in his face. Without waiting for any reply from Margaret, he turned quickly to his proposed expedition. "Where is this hiding place you refer to?" he asked.
"Near Charleston, just north of the Hiwassee."
"Hills on each side?"
"Yes, and a ravine, and in the ravine a cave."
"A full view of the railroad?"
"Yes."
The general turned to his tent, and soon emerged with a map, which he unrolled and spread on the ground. We sat stooped over it, I with a quick-beating heart.
"Here is Charleston," he said; "now where is the cave?"
Margaret put her finger on the place. "By what route do you propose to reach it?"
"Over by-paths most of the time; for the rest we must take the risk of the roads."
"General," I exclaimed, "give me command of the expedition."
He did not hear me; he was intent on the map. For half an hour he went over the different routes leading to the objective point, asking Margaret questions about the roads, whether they were lined with woods or plantations, the points of divergence into by-paths, the crossings of streams, the height of the crossings, all manner of questions, as he was thinking of sending word back to me.
Suddenly he looked up at Margaret, and, rolling up his map, asked: "How soon can you be ready to start?"
"But general—"
"Well?"
"You forget."
"What?"
"I am under sentence."
The general started. "I can suspend the carrying out of the sentence," he said, "and more, if you prove your loyalty."
He paused, and we stood waiting. Like a flash my memory went back to the headquarters of the general-in-chief on the morning Gen. Heath's court-martial was deferred and he was given an opportunity to prove his own loyalty. I saw no evidence that this repetition of the situation occurred to him. He finished the sentence he had begun:
"We may secure a pardon."
I expected Margaret eagerly to announce the opportunity offered; I was

ing as if his lips worked automatically by some mechanical contrivance. I concluded that Plunk was in the property of sending the man back, but Plunk agreed with me that we must have one man to carry the mess-kit, and I determined to keep Melldew for the purpose.
I was impressed with the corporal's value as a skirmisher, and sent him once more to the front. We rode along the base of a chain of hills till we came to a rise in the road which revealed by the moon's light to the north the valley of the Hiwassee, and to the east the Hiwassee, the two rivers joining their peaceful waters not far from where we looked. Who would imagine so peaceful a scene to be the theatre of war? Where was the smoke, the broad breath of artillery, the flashing of sabers, the roar of battle? Instead, here and there was a crest of mist hanging on a mountain-top, the scarlet yellow leaves of autumn, a sparkle of cavalry patrolling the railroad, and now and then a single bird only calling to its mate.
We passed on down the hill into the valley, every moment getting nearer territory that might hold bodies of the enemy's cavalry patrolling the railroad. It was necessary to proceed cautiously. I directed two of the men to ride a few paces in advance, the one to keep a sharp lookout on the right flank, the other on the left. Riding in this open order, Plunk as advance skirmisher, next the two lookouts, then Margaret and myself followed by Melldew, the remaining man a hundred paces to the rear, we were well protected against surprise.
Reaching a country road marked only by wagon-tracks in the turf, Margaret directed that we turn into it; having done so, we found ourselves in a dense thicket of chestnuts, oaks, hickory road, well screened by woods, we soon reached Doughty's ford, where we crossed the Tennessee, and, skirting the base of a hill, diverged into another by-road to Birchwood. There was not a light in the town, and as we rode through the sleeping inhabitants knew no more of our passage than if we had been a troop of phantoms. Then it was up and down hill, over creek beds, through ravines, and about three o'clock in the morning, when we struck the railroad. To reach our destination we must cross it. We held a consultation, and under Margaret's guidance moved across the railroad at a point midway between two stations and protected on either side by woods. I sent Plunk ahead to make sure that all was clear, directing one of our men to take position a few hundred yards up the road, another the same distance below. When sure the road was clear Plunk was to give a whippoorwill's call as a signal.
Suddenly we heard the tramp of horses' hoofs, and a squadron of confederate cavalry rode between us and the railroad, following the track northward. Fortunately we were in thick woods, and they passed without discovering us. Then came the melancholy sound of a whippoorwill, and we were joined by Plunk, who drew in the flankers, and we proceeded as before.
There was now a faint light in the east, and, having still a dozen miles to go, besides crossing the Hiwassee, which flows between two little towns, Charleston and Fairbourn, we hastened our march. We had now gone far before Plunk came riding back at full speed.
"Listen!"
"They are upon us," he said. "Take to the rear, and the woods when you can, while we give 'em a brush for time." He drew up his men in the road, while Margaret and I, putting spurs to our horses, darted to the rear like the wind. There was no need to wonder Melldew to follow, for his chattering teeth and his grin were sure signs of flight. Remembering a by-road a short distance back running into a dense wood, I determined to take it. A few minutes' run brought us to it, and, turning, we found concealment. In another moment we heard firing in the road.
And here at the very outset I proved the grounds of the general's want of confidence in me by disobeying his instructions to let the others do the fighting and stick to Margaret. Leaving her with Melldew, who was still shivering and grinning like an ape in midwinter, I galloped back to take a hand in the fight. Scarcely had I entered the main road when I heard a clattering of hoofs ahead and saw Plunk and his men coming full tilt, before a troop of rebel cavalry. The situation brought me to my senses. Turning, I rejoined Margaret. I found her alone.
"Where's Melldew?"
"He's here," she said.
As she spoke Melldew emerged from a thicket and rode through an open space not far distant. A second time I lost my head, thinking only of getting my hands on the cowardly Melldew. I determined to take him after him, though this time my action was not altogether unwise, for Melldew had our mess kit and blankets. I caught him halting on a ditch over which he dived, and, jumping, and seizing his bridle reins, dragged him back to Margaret.
Plunk, who was better mounted than his men, led the flight, and recognizing an opportunity to insure our safety, drew the confederates past the point of our dispersion. Farther on he managed to elude them, and soon after re-joined us. I have never seen nor heard of any other of the men from that day to this.
A relief from immediate danger brought a renewal of my anger at Melldew. "You sneak! (auff), 'you coward' (auff), 'you chaff-faced, grinning, chattering fellow, I'll teach you to desert us at the approach of danger. Turn over the kit and go back to camp, and I'll attend to you when I return."
"No, lieutenant," protested Plunk, who rode up at the moment; "don't reward him for deserting; let him go; I'll watch him. He's only a beast of burden, and you can't expect a dumb brute to take care of himself in a fight."
For one Melldew did not grin; he cast a malignant glance at me, such as a dog might cast at the master who had whipped him.
"All right, corporal; take him under your wing. But what shall we do? We have lost our accouters."
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Main Line Passenger Trains.

Arrive	West Bound	Leave
6:05 p. m.	No. 11, Clipper	6:25 p. m.
8:45 a. m.	No. 3, Day Express	8:45 p. m.
10:25 p. m.	No. 2, Flyer	10:25 p. m.
Arrive	East Bound	Leave
9:40 a. m.	No. 22, Clipper	9:40 a. m.
1:10 p. m.	No. 4, Day Express	1:10 p. m.
3:22 a. m.	No. 2, Flyer	3:22 a. m.

Freight (Carrying Passengers).

Arrive	West Bound	Leave
12:25 p. m.	No. 11, Way Freight	1:05 p. m.
2:00 p. m.	No. 71, Through Freight	2:30 p. m.
Arrive	East Bound	Leave
10:10 a. m.	No. 22, Way Freight	10:25 p. m.
12:15 p. m.	No. 82, Through Freight	12:50 p. m.

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No. 303 9:45 a. m.	Passenger	No. 304 6:10 p. m.
No. 301 9:30 p. m.	Passenger	No. 322 3:35 a. m.
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MAIN LINE GOING NORTH.

Arrive	Leave
7:30 a. m. No. 1 Minneapolis Express	8:00 p. m.
12:30 p. m. No. 3 Waverly Passenger	3:30 p. m.
12:45 p. m. No. 6 Chicago & St. Louis Exp.	5:10 p. m.
5:45 a. m. No. 13 Chicago Passenger	8:00 p. m.
11:45 p. m. No. 12 Chicago Passenger	8:00 p. m.
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MAIN LINE GOING EAST AND SOUTH.

Arrive	Leave
8:10 p. m. No. 2 Chicago Passenger	8:40 p. m.
10:15 a. m. No. 4 St. Louis Passenger	3:30 p. m.
12:10 p. m. No. 8 Chicago & St. Louis Exp.	6:00 p. m.
12:30 p. m. No. 8 Chicago Passenger	12:30 p. m.
11:45 p. m. No. 12 Chicago Passenger	6:00 p. m.
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12:30 p. m. Sioux Falls Fast Express, 10:30 a. m.

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