

THE NATION'S BIRTHDAY.

Columbia, gem of the west. Peerless thou art, alone doth stand, A continent by freedom blest.

A BOY'S STORY.

Fourth of July and Fireworks.

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How I loved that girl—Melvina Jackson! It was a case of love at first sight.

As my dear one and I sat under one of the circus wagons that afternoon eating gingerbread and living for each other alone, while Sam was trying to regain his lost prestige by turning handspins a few yards away.

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A year passed by before a rival entered the field. We had our spats. There were occasions when we made up faces at each other across the schoolroom.

My rival was a callow youth named Sam Greene. Something warned me of peril the minute I set eyes on him, but an hour later, when I heard that he could write poetry, I realized that it would be a fight to the death.

My rival had to be provoked before he would fight, but when we got at it he proved to be a sterling antagonist. For a long time victory wavered in the balance, and then I won by a scratch.

quenched the flames, burned my left leg and saved seven hams from an infernal fate. That was more than an offset for "She Died at Sunset," and for weeks I was a happy youth.

Age came creeping over me as time passed on, and my sixteenth birthday arrived. It was ushered in by Melvina presenting me with a 15-cent Testament, and it was ushered out by my giving Sam Greene the awfulest licking a hyena of a boy ever received.

When the glorious day arrived, I had a cash capital of 37 cents. In firing the salutes into the air, and one of the pieces struck our hencoop. That would have made me a hero in Melvina's eyes, but that ornery Sam Greene managed to burn a hole in his vest exactly over his heart with a firecracker, and that dished me. We had a fight over it, but it resulted in a draw.

Sam offered Melvina the first lasses candy, but I came in a good second with real pink lemonade. I think he discovered the circus procession before I did, but I was the first to call attention to a serpent 20 feet long painted on the canvas of a sideshow at the circus.

There were to be fireworks in the evening on a vacant lot not far from the circus tent. The people were not disappointed. I had a front seat with Melvina on the grass, with the callow and hollow hearted Sam Greene as near as he could get to us.

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By virtue of an act of the last legislature the fees of some county officers are reduced nearly 50 per cent. For instance the clerk of the court formerly was allowed to charge \$1 for taking affidavit with seal; now his fee for the same work is only 50 cents.

Animal magnetism drew us toward each other. From force of habit we got ready for a conflict, but no conflict occurred. "You kin hev her all to yourself," said Sam as we faced each other.

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