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## WOMEN VICTIMS TELL OF SHAMEFUL CHARGE OF DAREDEVIL SOLDIERS

*A Smile Sent 15-Year-Old Rose Slater to Jail and Obligated Her to Dodge a Kick, She Says Warrior Levelled At Her Head From His Horse  
—One Woman Scared for Life.*

BY B. F. GURLEY

Trinidad, Col., Jan. 30.—Rose Slater smiled!

Her face seemed to be made for smiling and in her 15 years she had not learned that it is a crime to smile at a soldier, when that soldier happens to be the head of state militia in Colorado on the grave errand of shooting working men into submission to Rockefeller extortion.

That smile sent Rose Slater, who is but 15 years old, to jail. It obliged her to dodge a kick which she says a warrior officer levelled at her head from his horse. It brought close to her dodging head the saber slashes of the Colorado Cossacks who tried to ride her down. It gave her a

smashed foot when a burly soldier jammed her with the heavy, cruel butt of his gun.

"I marched in the parade because I believed it was a crime to keep an old woman like Mother Jones in jail for talking," says Rose. She had come from the convent school she attends, to join the parade.

"When Gen. Chase's horse stumbled, I just had to laugh," she said to me. "He looked so funny—until he rode towards me and kicked me as he rode. Then I ran. I got behind a telegraph pole as a soldier rushed up and struck at me three times with his sword. Then soldiers with guns came and one of them brought down the butt end of his gun on my foot. Then they grabbed me, tore my coat and carted me off to jail."

Thrust into a dirty cell by the sol-