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ADVENTINES OF HID CR. ESERGY FINN BY Man f Young Apole in swill be presented, persons attempting to find a mortal mix will be beined. SPC PRIES OF THE AUTHOR, Per CA, Chief of Ordinance, SPERANTOFY II this book a number of idalects are used, to with the Missouri negro (alact, the average and the presentation of the presentat
ckest part of the bushes. Then we lit the candles, and crawled in on our hands and knees. We went about two hundred yards, and then the cave opened up. Tom poked about amongst the passages, and pretty so Now, we'll start this band of robbers and call it Tom Sawyer's Gang. Everybody that wants to join has got to take an oath, and write his nam e in blood." Everybody was willing. So Tom got out a sheet of paper th
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         a hole. We went along a narrow place and got into a kind of room, all damp and sweaty and cold, and there we stopped. Tom says:
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ed to kill that person and his family must do it, and he mustn't eat and he mustn't sleep till he had killed them and hacked a cross in the
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have his throat cut, and then have his carcass burnt up and the ashes scattered all around, and his name blotted off of the list with
                                                                                                                                                                                                             blood and never mentioned again by the gang, but have a curse
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         "Here's Huck Finn, he hain't got no family; what you going to do 'bout him?" "Well, hain't he got a father?" says Tom Sawyer. "Yes y said every boy must have a family or somebody to kill, or else it wouldn't be fair and square for the others. Well, nobody could thi
oks and robber-books, and every gang that was high-toned had it. Some thought it would be good to kill the FAMILIES of boys tha
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, he's got a father, but you can't never find him these days. He used to lay drunk with the hogs in the tanyard, but he hain't been se
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nk of anything to do--everybody was stumped, and set still. I was most ready to cry; but all at once I thought of a way, and so I off what's the line of business of this Gang?" "Nothing only robbery and murder," Tom said. "But who are we going to rob?--houses, d kill the people and take their watches and money." "Must we always kill the people?" "Oh, certainly. It's best. Some authorities t
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   ered them Miss Watson--they could kill her. Everybody said: "O
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        yer. "We ain't burglars. That ain't no sort of style. We are highwaymen. We stop stages and carriages on the road, with masks on, an re, and keep them till they're ransomed." "Ransomed? What's that?" "I don't know. But that's what they do. I've seen it in books; an
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d so of course that's what we've got to do." "But how can we do it if we don't know what it is?" "Whý, blame it all, we've GOT to d
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d if we don't know how to do it to them? --that's the thing I want to get at. Now, what do you reckon it is?" "Well, I don't know. Bu hey'll be, too--eating up everything, and always trying to get loose." "How you talk, Ben Rogers. How can they get loose when th som them as soon as they get here?" "Because it ain't in the books so--that's why. Now, Ben Rogers, do you want to do thing mind; but I say it's a fool way, anyhow. Say, do we kill the women, too?" "Well, Ben Rogers, if I was as ignorant as you I wo
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       thing LIKE. That'll answer. Why couldn't you said that before? We'll keep them till they're ransomed to death; and a bothersome lot t to set up all night and never get any sleep, just so as to watch them. I think that's foolishness. Why can't a body take a club and ran on YOU can learn 'em anything? Not by a good deal. No, sir, we'll just go on and ransom them in the regular way." "All right. I don't
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ke no stock in it. Mighty soon we'll have the cave so cluttered up with women, and fellows waiting to be ransomed, that t
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n of him, and called him cry-baby, and that made him mad, and he said he would go straight and tell all the secrets. Bu
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ld be wicked to do it on Sunday, and that settled the thing. They agreed to get together and fix a day as soon as they
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y, and I was dog-tired. CHAPTER III. WELL, I got a good going-over in the
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e of it. She told me to pray every day, and whatever I asked for I would g
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ever told me why, and I couldn't make it out no way. I set down one tim
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n fat up? No, says I to my self, there ain't nothing in it. I went and told
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nces, and a poor chap would stand considerable show with the wido
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undred elephants, and six hundred camels, and over a thousand
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ay, Saturday, in the ambuscade; and when we got the word we rushed out
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, and only a primer-class at that. We busted it up, and chased the c
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things. I said, why couldn't we see them, then? He said if I warn't
elephants and treasure, and so on, but we had enemies which h
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other crowd then?" "How
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says, "s'pose we got some genies to help US--can't we lick the
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h the thunder and lightning a-ripping around and the smoke e head with it--or any other man." "Who makes them tear ar
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ce forty miles long out of di'monds, and fill it full of chewin
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d more: they've got to waltz that palace around over the c
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e or four months run along, and it was well in
and rubbed and rubbed till I sweat like an Injun, calculat
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A-rabs and the elephants, but as for me I think different.
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ell and read and write just a little, and could say the multipl
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t first I hated the school, but by and by I got so I could stand i
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king!" The widow put in a good word for me, but that warn't going to
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nding around so. I couldn't make it out. It was very curiou
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   the watch-out. I went down to the front garden and
                                                                                                                                               I never tried to do anythin
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of new snow on the ground, and I seen somebody's tracks. They had
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s, somehow. I was going to follow around, but I stooped down to lo
                                                                                                                                            ok at the tracks first. I didn
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my shoulder every now and then, but I didn't see nobody. I was at
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u tak
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               e some for me?" "Oh, yes, a half-yearly is in last night--over
                                                                                                                                             Judge Thatcher's as quick
a hundred and fifty dollars. Quite a fortune for you. Y ou had b
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                u'll spend it." "No, sir," I says, "I don't want to spend
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                                                                                                                                            er let me invest it along w
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ou--the six thousand and all." He looked surprised. He
                                                                                                                                             seem to make it out. He s
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           hat can you mean, my b
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to SEL
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 s, "Don't you ask me no questions about it, please.
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                  says: "Oh
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                L all your property to me--not give it. That's the corre
                                                                                                                                               studied a while, and the
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     ct idea." Then he wrote something on a
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        paper and read it over, and says: "There; you see it says 'for a c
onsideration.' That means I have bought it of you and paid
                                                                                                                                               Here's a dollar for you
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             " So I signed it, and left.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               tson's *, Jim, had a hair-ball as big as your fist, which
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     had been took out of the fourth stomach
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         of an ox, and he used to do magic with it. He said there was a sp
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irit inside of it, and it knowed everything. So I went to him
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               at I wanted to know was, what he was going to do, and
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      was he going to stay? Jim got out his h
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pped it on the floor. It fell pretty solid, and only rolled ab out a
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             own on his knees, and put his ear against it and listene
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                                                                                                                                              Jim tried it again, and t
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im I had an old slick counterfeit quarter that warn't no good because the
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judge.) I said it was pretty bad money, but maybe the h air-ball would take i
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       split open a raw Irish potato and stick the quarter in between and
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his time he said the hair-ball was all right. He said it would tell my whole fortu
                                                                                                                                            ne if I wanted it to. I s
                                                                                                                                                                                                                o on. So the hair
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               -ball talked to Jim, and Jim
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             o me. He says: "Yo' ole father doan' know vit what he's
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        a-gwyne to do. Sometimes he spec he
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      'll go 'way, en den agin he spec he'll stay. De bes' way is to res' ea
                                                                                                                                                                                                                ny, en t'other one
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             o right a little while, den de black one sail in en bust it a
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sy en let de ole man take his own way. Dey's two angels hoverin' roun' 'bout hi
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                is black. De white one gits
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     e to fetch him at de las'. But you is all right. You gwyne to have co
nsidable trouble in vo' life, en considable joy. Sometimes you gwyne to git hurt,
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             ey's two gals flyin' 'bout you in yo' life. One uv 'em's lig
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               e to git hung." When I lit m
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             nd went up to my room that night there sat pap--his own
en by. You wants to keep 'way fum de water as much as you kin, en don't run no
                                                                                                                                           resk, 'kase it's down
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all the time, he tanned me so much. I reckoned I was scared now too; but in a mi
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g and tangled and greasy, and hung down, and you could see his eyes shining th
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dy's flesh crawl--a tree-toad white, a fish-belly white. As for his clothes--just rags, t
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w, don
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oking at him; he set there a-looking at me, with his chair tilted back a little. I set the
                                                                                                                                            candle down. I noticed the windo
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                                                                                                                                                                                                              w was up; so he had c
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none o' your lip," says he. "You've put on considerable many frills since I been away
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                                                                                                                                              I'll take you down a peg befor
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   You're educated, too, t
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        "Nobody never told her." "Well, I'll learn her how to meddle
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   arn people to bring up a boy to put on airs over his own father and I
ey?--who told you you could?" "The widow. She told me." "The widow, hey?--and wh
                                                                                                                                            o told the widow she could pu
                                                                                                                                                                                                             t in her shovel about a
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   thing that ain't none of he
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et on to be better'n what HE is. You lemme catch you fooling around that school again
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      she died. None
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       of the family couldn't before THEY died. I can't; and here you'
                                                                                                                                              you hear? Your mother cou
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    dn't write, nuther, before
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            elling yourself up like this. I ain't the ma
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                   g about General Washington and the wars. When I'd read about a half a
                                                                                                                                                                                                            a whack with his hand a
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       "It's so. You can do it. I had my doubts when you told me. Now I
                                                                                                                                                     ite, he fetched the book
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     nd knocked it across the
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    house. He says:
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   it. I'll lay for you, my smarty; and if I catch you about that school I'll t
an you good. First you know you'll get religion, too. I never see such a son." He took
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            give you something better--I'll give you
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   hide." He set there a-mumbling and a-growling a minute, and then h
                                                                                                                                                p a little blue and yaller picture
                                                                                                                                                                                                             of some cows and a boy,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       and savs: "What's this?
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     " "It's somethir
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     g they give me for learning my lessons good." He tore it up, and
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e says: "AIN'T you a sweet-scented dandy, though? A bed; and bedclothes; and a loo
                                                                                                                                           k'n'-glass; and a piece of carpet o
                                                                                                                                                                                                          n the floor--and your own fa
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     ther got to sleep with the
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     hogs in the ta
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         nyard. I never see such a son. I bet I'll take some o' these frills
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               out o' you
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             before I'm done with you. Why, there
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  o end to your airs--they say you're rich. Hey?--how's that?" "They li
e--that's how." "Looky here--mind how you talk to me; I'm a-standing about all I can s
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             e. You git me that money to-morro
                                                                                                                                           tand now--so don't gimme no sas
                                                                                                                                                                                                         s. I've been in town two days
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   , and I hain't heard nothing
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      but about you
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             bein' rich. I heard about it away down the river, too. That's
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   -I want it." "I hain't got no money." "It's a lie. Judge Thatcher's got i
                                                                                                                                                                                                          k him: and I'll make him pun
                                                                                                                                          tell you the same." "All right. I'll as
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   gle, too, or I'll know the r
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               , how much you got in your pocket? I want it." "I hain't
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   don't make no difference what you want it for--you just shell it out."
. You git it. I want it." ''I hain't got no money, I tell you. You ask Judge Thatcher; he'll
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     eason why. Say
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He took it and bit it to see if it was good, and then he said he was going down town
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                tried to make him give up the money; but he could
                                                                                                                                            didn't drop that. Next day he w
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            e Thatcher's a
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        n he swore he'd make the law force him. The judge and the widow went to law to get the court to take me away from him and let one
me to mind about that school, because he was going to lay for me and lick me if I
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of them be my guardian; but it was a new judge that had just come, and he didn 🐚
                                                                                                                                          he old man; so he said cour
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             could help it; said he'd druther not take a child away from its father. So Judge Thatcher
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    w had to quit on the business. That pleased the old man till he couldn't rest. He said he'd cowhide me till I was black and blue if I didn't
raise some money for him. I borrowed three dollars from Judge Thatcher, and pap took it and
                                                                                                                                                                                               ing around and cussing and whooping and carrying on; and he k
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      ept it up all over town, with a tin pan, till most midnight; then they jailed him, and next day they had him before cou rt, and jailed him again for a week. But he said HE was satisfied; said he was boss of his son, and he'd make it warm for HIM. When he got of
                                                                                                                                           got drunk, and went a-blow
ut the new judge said he was a-going to make a man of him. Šo he took him to his own house
                                                                                                                                           and dressed him up clean and nice, and had him to breakfast and dinner and supper with the family, and was just old pie to him, so to speak. And after supper he talked to him about temperance and such things till the old man cried, and said he'd been a fool, and fooled away his life; but now he was a-going to turn over a new leaf and be a man nobody wouldn't be as man nobody woul
hamed of, and he hoped the judge would help him and not look down on him. The judge said he could hug him for them words; so he cried again. And when it was bedtime the old man rose up and held out his hand,
and says: "Look at it, gentlemen and ladies all; take a-hold of it; shake it-don't be afeard." So they shook it, one after the other, all around, and cried. The judge's wife she kissed it. Then the old man he signed a pledge-made his mark. The
judge said it was the holiest time on record, or something like that. Then they tucked the old man into a beautiful room, which was the spare room, and traded his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb out on to the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and traded his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb back again and had a good old time; and towards daylight he crawled out again, drunk as a fiddler, and rolled his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb back again and the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and traded his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb back again and the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and traded his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb back again and the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and traded his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb out on the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and traded his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and clumb out on the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and then back again and then back again and then back again and then back again and towards daylight he crawled out again, drunk as a fiddler, and rolled off the porch-roof and slid down a stanchion and then back again and towards daylight he crawled out again, drunk as a fiddler, and rolled his new coat for a jug of forty-rod, and then back again and then
getting a cowhiding. Every time he got money he got drunk; and every time he got drunk; and every time he got drunk he raised Cain he got to hanging around the would show who was Huck Finn's boss. So he watched out for
me one day in the spring, and catched me, and took me up the river about three mile in a skiff, and crossed over to the Illinois shore where it was woody and there warn't no houses but an old log hut in a place where the timber was so thick you couldn't find it if you didn't know where it was woody and there warn't no houses but an old log hut in a place where the timber was so thick you couldn't know where it was woody and there warn't no houses but an old log hut in a place where the timber was so thick you couldn't know where it was. He kept me with him all the time, and I never got a chance to run off. We lived in that old cabin, and he always locked the door and put the key under his head nights. He had a chance to run off. We lived in that old cabin, and he always locked the door and put the key under his head nights. He had a chance to run off. We lived in that old cabin, and he always locked the door and put the key under his head nights.
un which he had stole, I reckon, and we fished and hunted, and that was what we lived on. Every little while he locked me in and went down to the store, three miles, to the ferry, and traded fish and game for whisky, and fetched it home and got drunk and had a good time, and went down to the store, three miles, to the ferry, and traded fish and specific whisky, and fetched it home and got drunk and had a good time, and licked me. The widow she found out where I was used to b
eing where I was, and liked it-all but the cowhide part. It was kind of lazy and jolly, laying off comfortable all day, smoking and get up regular, and be forever bothering over a book, and have old Miss Watson pecking at you all the time. I didn't see how I'd ever got to like it so well at the widow's, where you had to wash, and eat on a plate, and go to be all rags and dirt, and I didn't see how I'd ever got to like it so well at the widow's, where you had to wash, and eat on a plate, and some times up in the woods there, take it all around. But by and locking me in. Once he locked me in and was gone three days. It was dreadful lonesome. I judged he had locking me in. Once he locked me in and was gone three days. It was dreadful lonesome. I judged he had locking me in.
ad got drownded, and I wasn't ever going to get out any more. I was scared. I made up my mind I would fix up some way to leave there. I had tried to get out of that cabin many a time, but I couldn't get up the chimbly; it was too narrow. The door was thick, solid oak slabs. Pap was pretty careful not to leave a knife or anything in the cabin when he was away; I reckon I had hunted the place over as much as a hundred times; well, I was most all the time at it, because it was laid in between a rafter and the clapboards of the roof. I greased it up and went to work. There was an old horse-blanket nailed against the logs at the far end of the cabin behind the table, to keep the wind from blowing through the chinks a
nd putting the candle out. I got under the table and raised the blanket, and went to work to saw a section of the big bottom log out--big enough to let me through. Well, it was a good long job, but I was getting towards the end of it when I heard pap's gun in the woods. I got rid of the signs of my work, and dropped the blanket and he was down town, and everyth no end of the word to saw a section of the words. I got rid of the signs of my work, and dropped the blanket and he was down to work to saw a section of the words. I got rid of the words it would win the words. I got rid of the was his natural self. He said he was down to work to w
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He said he would like to see the widow get me. He said he would watch out, and if they dropped and they couldn't stay on hand till he got that chance. The old man made me go to the skiff and fetch the things he had got. There was a fifty-pound sack of come any such game on him he knowed of a place six or seven mile off to stow me in, where they might hunt till they dropped and they couldn't stay on hand till he got that chance. The
orn meal, and a side of bacon, ammunition, and a four-gallon jug of whisky, and an old book and two newspapers for wadding, besides some tow. I toted up a load, and went back and set down on the bow of the skiff to rest. I thought it all over, and I reckoned I wouldn't stay in one place, but just tramp right across the country, mostly night times, and take to the woods when I run away. I guessed I wouldn't stay in one place, but just tramp right across the country, mostly night times, and take to the woods when I run away. I
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