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BOOKS CATALOGUE, 1889

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**G. A. HENTY**

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”In this story of the South African war Mr. Henty proves once more

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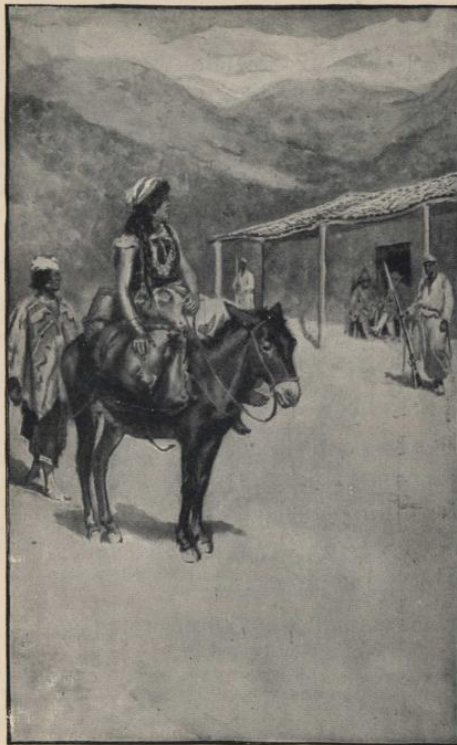
"The escape from Siberia is well told and the description of prison life is very graphic."—*Academy*.

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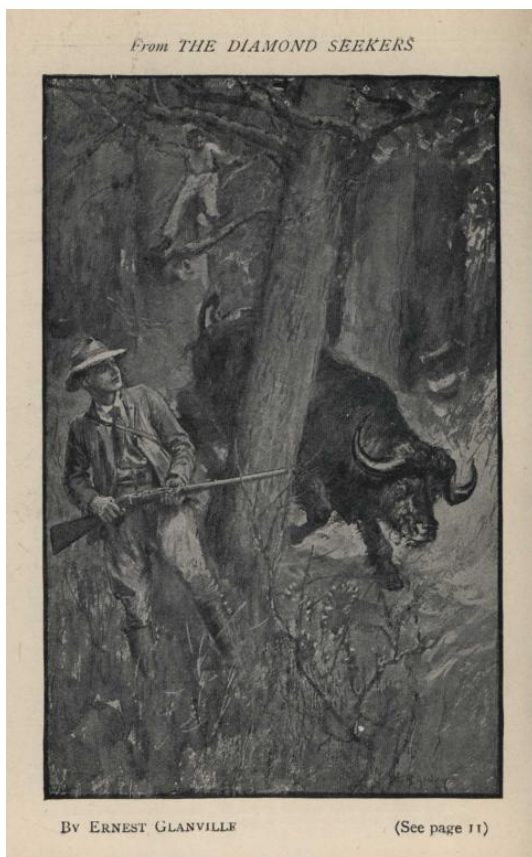
The tale is of a romantic youth, who leaves home to seek his fortune in South America. He is accompanied by a faithful companion, who, in the capacity both of comrade and henchman, does true service, and shows the dogged courage of an English lad during their strange adventures.



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"It is of Marryat, that friend of our boyhood, we think as we read this delightful story; for it is not only a story of adventure, with incidents well-conceived and arranged, but the characters are interesting and well-distinguished."—*Academy*.

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The Adventures of a Barge-boy.

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"A thoroughly wholesome and attractive book."—*Graphic*.

*From ONE OF THE FIGHTING SCOUTS*



BY CAPT. F. S. BRERETON

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”As healthy and breezy a book as one could wish.”—*Academy*.

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