HEROES OF THE PLAINS OR

LIFE AND WONDERFUL ADVENTURES OF WILD BILL, BUFFALO BILL

AND EXPLOITS OF

GEN. CUSTER,
KIT CARSON,
CALIFORNIA JOE,
CAPT. JACK,
CAPT. D. L. PAYNE,
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A Ride for Life. (See Page 59.)

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J. B. HICKOK,
(Wild Bill.)

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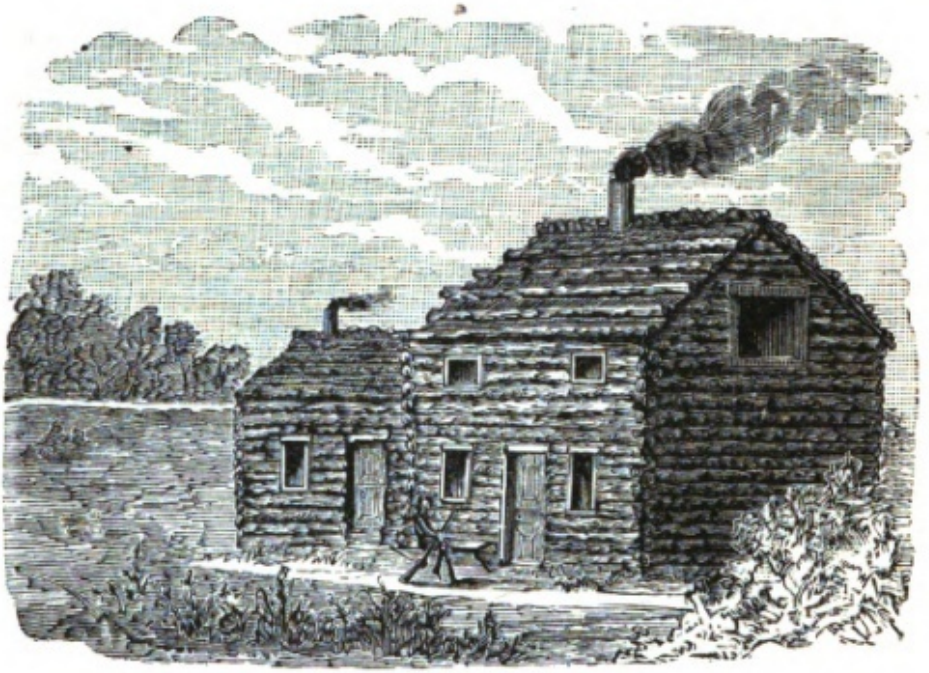
and entered proving so satisfactory that it is still occupied by two survivors of the family.

The house in which Wild Bill was born was built in 1836 and stood, fronting east, upon a prairie one-half mile from the timber skirting little Vermillion creek. The house is still standing, and occupied, but the progress of rapid settlement in Illinois has reared the village of Homer about the pioneer's home, and the birth-place of our hero is now situated in the southeast corner of block



Wild Bill's Birth Place.

number thirteen of that town. The cut of the house as here produced, was made from a drawing executed by H. D. Hickok, in March of the present year, and therefore illustrates the place of to-day, though there have been no material alterations made in the building since its first erection.

The family consisted of six children, four boys and two girls, whose names and ages are as follows: O. C. Hickok, was born in New York in 1830; he is now a resi-

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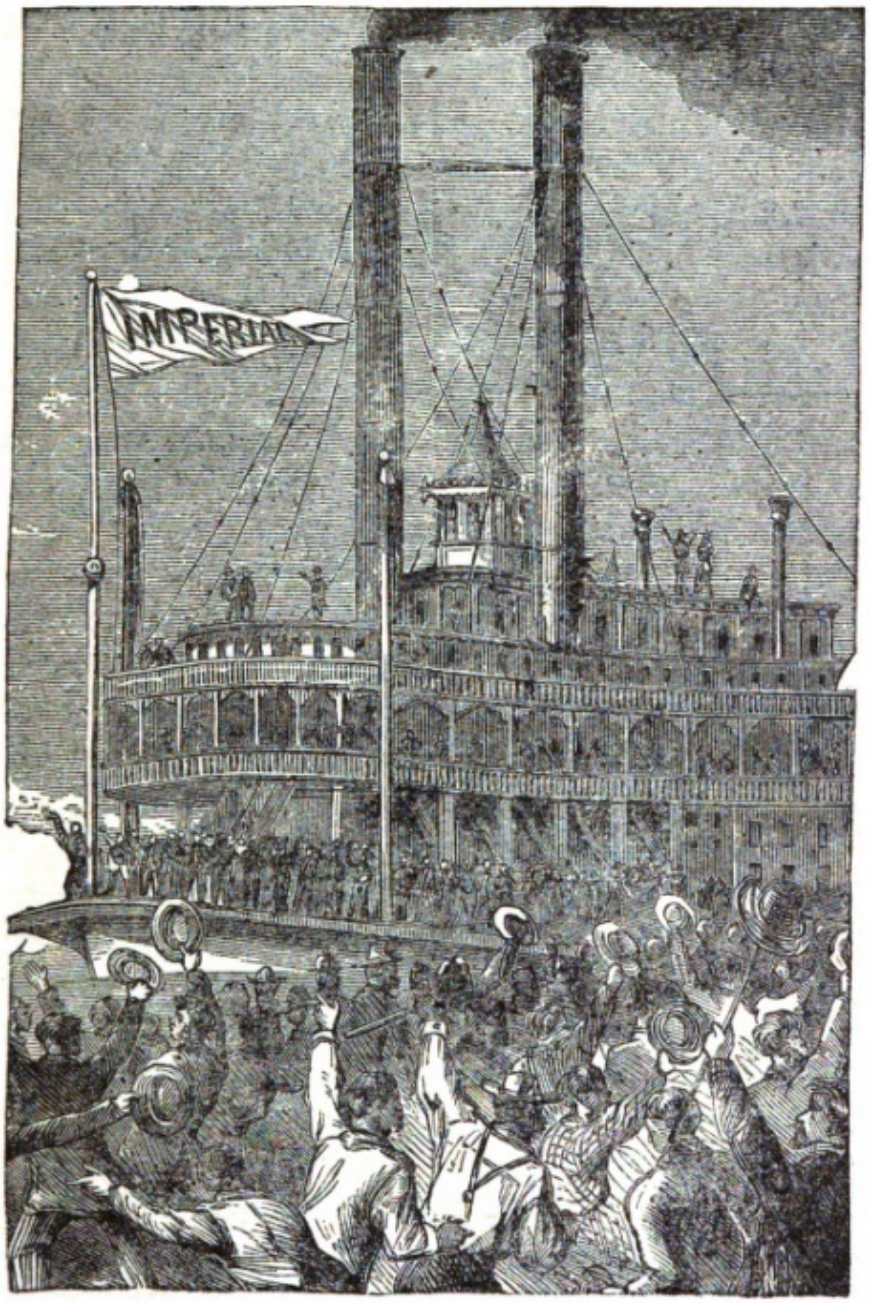
began to carry off freight. While in this occupation he had no difficulty in slipping away through the crowd and gaining the center of the town, where he at once cast about for means of employment.



Disembarking in a Kansas Mob.

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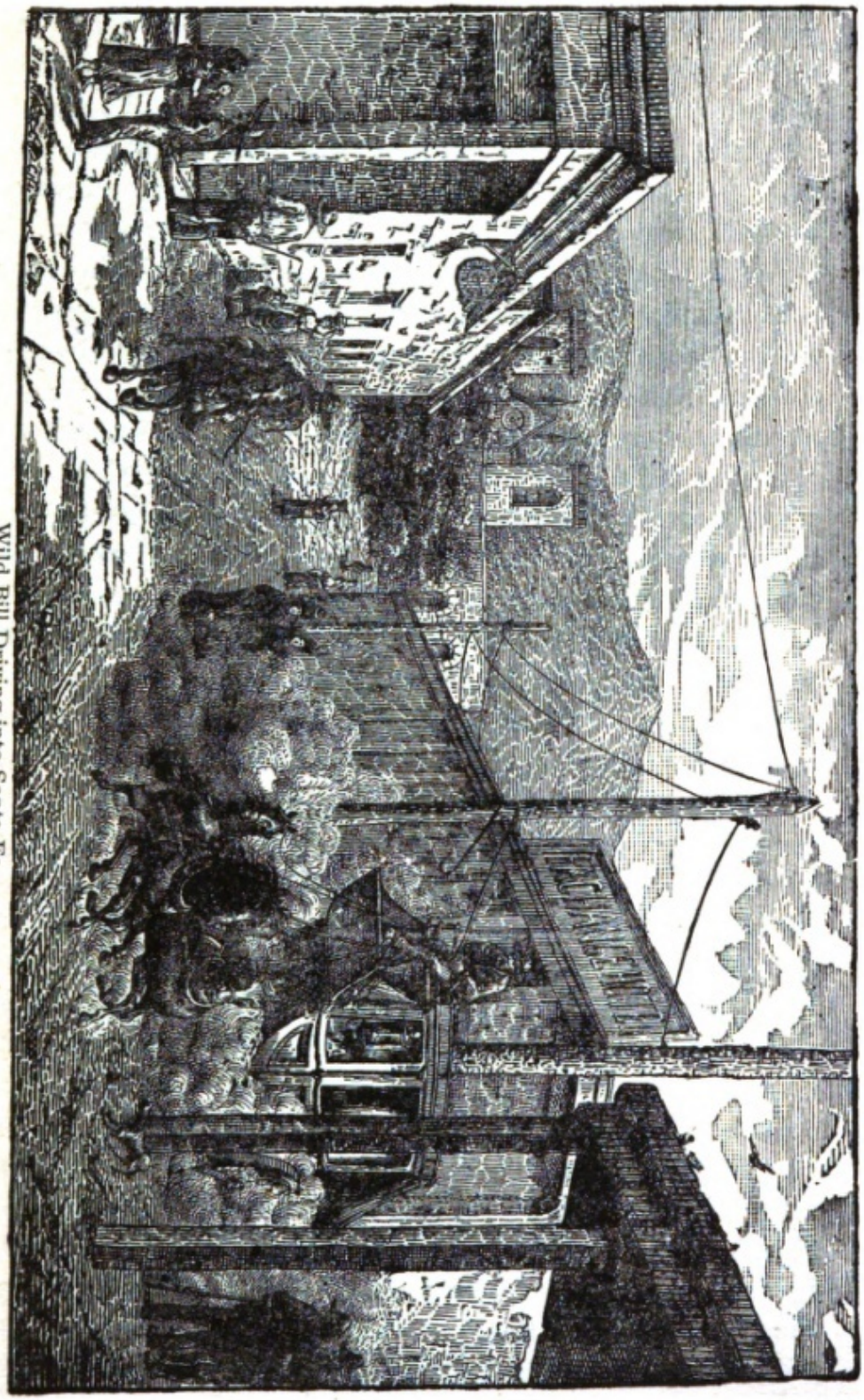

Wild Bill Driving into Santa Fe.

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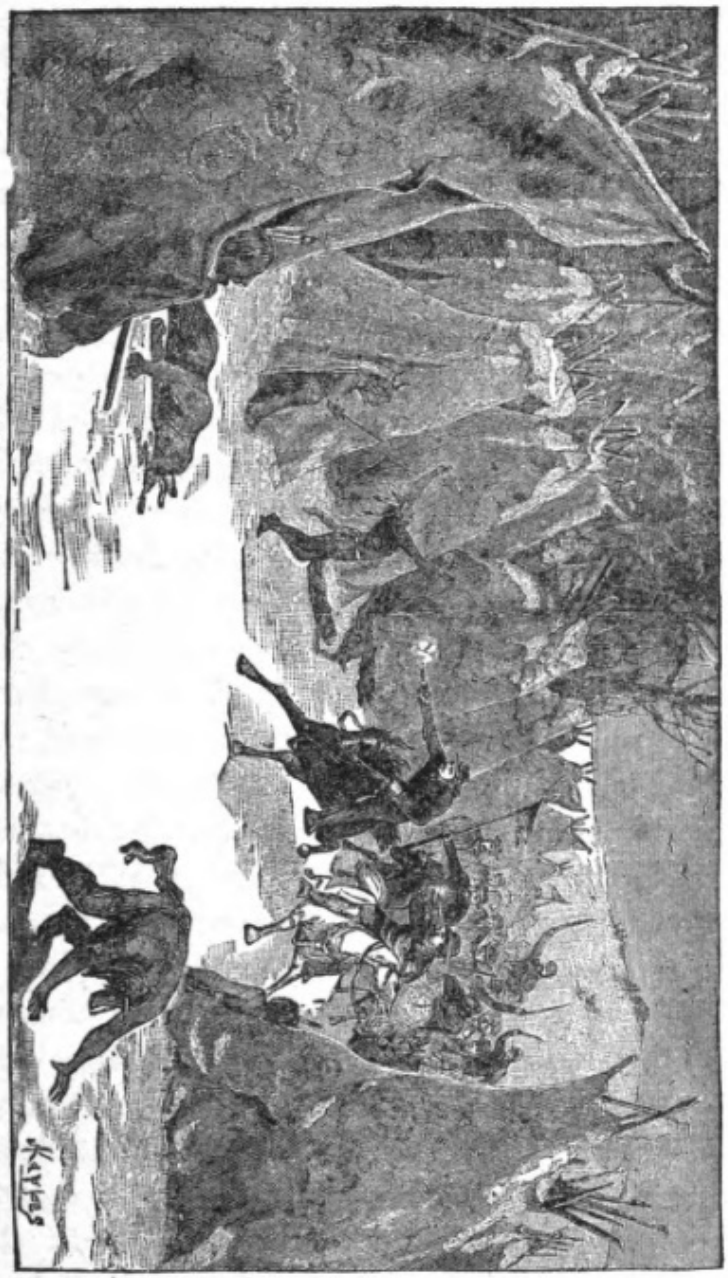
and then a dash was made for the corral by twelve of the men while the others rode into the camp and as the half



Wild Bill and his Men Charging the Indian Camp.

stupefied Indians came out of their tents, not realizing what the confusion meant, they were shot down until the attack became a slaughter. The surprise was complete;

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WILD BILL AND THE CINNAMON BEAR.

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