

**P**ulled out early and went to work with a will. While letting the Maid down with ropes she got crossways with the waves and broke loose from the five men holding the line, and was off like a frightened horse. In drifting down she struck a rock that knocked her stern part to pieces. Rhodes and the trapper jumped in the small boat and gave chase; caught her half a mile below. Got everything over by sunset and camped on the east side on a sand bar. Pulled out at seven o'clock, and ran a bad rapid the first half mile. The freight boats went through in good style, but the Emma, in running too near the east shore, got into a bad place and had a close collision, filling half full, but finally got out, all safe, baled out, and ran two miles through smooth water, when we came to another bad rapid and had to let down with ropes; tied up while we repaired the Maid; passed the rapid and on through two miles of smooth water, when we came to another rapid that has a fall of about twelve feet in a hundred and fifty, but clear of rock; the Emma ran through without shipping a drop, followed close by the Maid, she making the passage without shipping much, but poor Kitty's Sister ran on a rock near the east side and loosened her head block and came down to the other boats leaking badly. She was run ashore when Rhodes caulked her with some oakum that would serve to keep her afloat for a while; when we pulled out again, run half a mile with the Emma and got into a complete nest of whirlpools, and got out of them by extreme hard work; decided that it was unsafe for the freight boats to attempt it; so we were compelled to let them down with ropes on the east side through a narrow channel. Jumped aboard again and pulled down two miles further through smooth water, and camped for the night on the east side at the head of a rapid. While we were cooking supper a whirlwind came up the canyon, and in an instant the fire was running everywhere; threw what happened to be out on board again as quickly as possible, and pulled out and ran the rapid and on down two miles further and camped again on the east side, and commenced anew our preparations for supper; had supper, and laughed for an hour over the ludicrous scene at the fire. Went to bed and were lulled to sleep by the rain pattering on the tent.