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SAVED HIS SCALP.

Why One Apache Didn't Pay a Visit to the Happy Hunting Ground.

One hot summer day after climbing the old "Government" road, which winds in and out of the gulches, but always up from Copper Basin, my companion, Colonel Bigelow, and myself reached the cool spring which bubbles from the rocks just before the divide is reached from which the road commences to descend to Prescott, which is eight or nine miles away. The mountains here are covered with tall pine trees which spring from the ground covered with immense granite bowlders.

Resting ourselves at the spring the colonel pointed to a trail leading up the side of the opposite mountain and said: "A good many years since—I think it was in 1863, and when I felt much younger than now—I came very near being taken in by the Indians up on the trail where it passes over the divide. I'll tell you how it was.

"I had been down to Prescott for a month or two, having a good time with the boys until I had become broke and tired of so much hilarity, and, I made up my mind I would strike out for camp, which at that time was at the mouth of the Grand Wash, which leads down into the Hassayampa, four or five miles below Copper Basin.

"I started out from Prescott, and was coming up the trail on the other side of that ridge over there, all the time keeping my eyes open for Indians, for in those days a person was always on the lookout for Indians and always had his gun ready for instant use.

"As I came up the hill I noticed a movement of the boughs in the top of a tall pinion pine tree which stood on top of the ridge. Not being able from my position to discover what made the commotion in the pine tree top, I carefully made my way up the hill until I had a good view of the tree, and what do you think I saw? Well, an Indian had shinned up the pine tree, and, with a long light rib of a saghuaro, was knocking off the pine cones which hold the sweet pinion pine nuts.

"I felt very comfortable when I saw the Indian up the tree, for I imagined the result if he had caught me up the tree. I made up my mind that he was my Indian, for the Apaches had made things particularly hot for me on more than one occasion. Without any regard as to whether he would fall on a soft spot or not, I took good aim and then—didn't shoot."

"No; what was the matter?" I asked.

"I'll tell you why," continued the colonel, "Hearing a slight noise, I looked down the trail on the other side of the hill, and there, not more than 100 yards away, were coming seven or eight Indians in single file, and all were armed. They had not seen me. I suddenly concluded I hadn't lost any Indian that day, and I lay flat down in the brush while they passed along the trail in full view of my hiding place and disappeared over the hill.

"As I didn't care to call a band of the red fiends upon me by shooting, I just crawled away from there without letting the Indian up the tree know how near he had been to being my meat, nor how near my scalp had been to hanging to the belt of one of his tribe."—Arizona Republican.

The Chinese Alligator.

Two examples of the Chinese alligator has reached the zoological gardens. They are the first that have ever been exhibited here alive. The alligator is so distinctively an American animal that the proof, so recently as 1879, of the species in China was extremely interesting. Nevertheless, the Chinese classics contain numerous references to the creature, and even pictures, which would be easily recognized as being a crocodile of some sort. It is to be hoped that the survivors of the two will beat out the notion of the extreme longevity of the reptile.

Its name is apparently used in certain parts of China in the same sense as Methuselah in this country. Marco Polo wrote about this animal and recommended its gall as an excellent remedy for the bite of a mad dog and for various other complaints, so that it seems to have been the mediæval equivalent of some of our much advertised remedies of the present day. Curiously enough, the beast is even now made use of in Chinese medicine.—London News.

The First Ring.

There are two precious stones that tend to make the hand look extremely white, and these are the emerald and the sapphire. Women more than ever are wearing rings on their fingers. How many know where the first ring came from. Straight from fairyland. A merry sprite who loved a little fairy danced with her on the green until he was drunk with moonshine and he lost his ring. It was found by a peasant girl and she gave it to her lover, and these two were happy ever after. That's the story of the first ring. One hopes it will be the story of every ring that is given for dear love's sake.—New York Sun.

An Easy Solution.

"I'll have to get rid of Matilda," said Mr. Yeaze to her husband.

"During the week she does not get through her work until dark; but on Sundays, when she wants to get out, she manages to get through by 2 o'clock in the afternoon."

"Well, the way to get even with her is to let her go out every day."—Kicksha.

Keenan's Real Estate Investments.

Speaking of George Keenan, he has made a fortune out of his Russian experiences. He gets about $30,000 for a lecture season, and his investments in Washington real estate are growing in value. He bought 3,000 feet of ground on Sixteenth street a year ago, intending to build a house on the lot, but he finds that he must be away from Washington so much that he has decided to wait. In the meantime he has been offered an advance of about $5,000 on his lot, and it will soon double in value.

The property that John Hay bought on the corner of Sixteenth street and Lafayette park is worth twice what he paid for it, and all Washington thought he was wild when he bought it for six dollars a square foot. He has made at least half the amount of the president's yearly salary out of the increase in the value of the ground.

His biography of Lincoln is, I understand, selling well, and though he is several times a millionaire he is getting considerable money from his pen.—Frank G. Carpenter in Pittsburg Dispatch.

Too Clever by Half.

A newsmonger was retailing a piece of intelligence which happened to be false.

"That can't be true," quit one of the listeners, "as I have a letter of the 30th in my possession which states the contrary."

"My letter," the newsmonger went on to say, "is dated the 31st."

And all the while they were talking of an event which happened in February, and nobody remarked the absurdity.—Il Diavolo Zoppo.

The First Aluminum in England.

In 1860 works were started at Battersea, near London, in which aluminum was produced more economically from cryolite and sodium by methods due to Dr. Percy, and saving about half the cost of the Deville process. Cryolite, which contains about 13.5 per cent. of aluminum, is, it may here be stated, a mineral found only in one part of Greenland; but so extensive is the deposit that no danger exists of its exhaustion.—Chambers' Journal.

Provoke.

Fretfulness may be excusable in sick people, but it isn't pleasant to encounter.

"My dear," said a sick man to his wife, "this room is dreadfully warm."

"There is no heat coming from the register," answers the wife.

"Well, see if the dampers are right at once. Do you want a man to stay here and freeze to death?"—Youth's Companion.

Oscar Wilde's Companions.

As the story goes, it was Whistler the artist who induced Oscar Wilde to visit the United States in the interests of esthetics. Wilde was one of Whistler's most doting satellites, and Whistler recognized in the ambitious and audacious young man just such a missionary as would do good work for the new school in this wild and woolly republic of ours. It is said that Whistler planned every detail of the famous tour, even to the amusing item of that long hair with which Oscar won half the battle among us.

While worshiped Whistler, hanging upon his utterances as though he were a veritable god, Whistler understood his pupil thoroughly, reading his thoughts as though his mind were an open book. None knew better than he Oscar's faculty for absorbing the useful. Oscar's powers of assimilation were always amazing, and London folk used to say that Oscar's bon mots were Whistler's companions were warmed over.

On one occasion Whistler told a very funny story, and after the applause had ceased Wilde drawled out somewhat peevishly, "Egad, Whistler, I wish I'd said that." Thereupon Whistler retorted amiably and soothingly, "Ah, never mind, Oscar, but have patience, for you will say it; indeed you will."—Eugene Field in Chicago News.

Taking a Drive with Grant.

I was a resident of Detroit when the late General Grant was a captain of infantry and stationed at Fort Wayne, the military post near that city. Grant at that time owned a pacing pony that was as fast as a ghost. One day he invited Bishop Bedell to take a ride behind the pacer. The bishop weighed 250 pounds and was very dignified. Grant's course lay up Jefferson avenue to Grosse Point, then, as now, a favorite drive. Grant started the pacer up long before he got beyond the city limits, and was soon fairly flying along.

I well remember seeing the bishop holding on to the seat of the buggy with one hand and on to his hat with the other, while Grant was holding on to the pony to steady him and not saying a word. When the ride was ended the bishop expressed his thanks to Grant for the courtesy shown him, but Grant could never get him into his buggy again. Poor old McCloskey! It is sad to contemplate that he was compelled to die in exile. Few men have fallen as hard as he did nor created a greater sensation when they fell.—Interview with Treasurer Howe.

Careful Tommy.

Colonel Target—Tommy, you ain't going to eat that lump of candy that fell in the mud!

Tommy—No, sah, not until I has done licked the mud off it.—Texas Siftings.

A Professional Pessimist.

"Why, I thought Wesner a real optimist."

"So; since he went into the meat business he makes the worst of everything."—Munsey's Weekly.

In France the government still levies a tax on doors and windows. To the peasant in his small hut this tax amounts to a little more than three francs a year, but in the house it rises to seventeen francs annually for each door.

Beautifully for Pennies Bridge.

Paris green is the standard remedy, and when thoroughly applied is always effective. When applied in solution a desertspoonful of the poison to a pailful of water is enough. Apply in as fine a spray as you can, and only as often as the numbers of the insects make it necessary. The poison has a tendency to settle, which makes continual stirring important, otherwise it is likely to be unequally distributed and to injure the foliage in spots. For this reason many prefer its dilution with plaster. Among them is Mr. E. S. Carman, than whom there is no better authority on the subject. He says, "A desertspoonful of the green thoroughly mixed with two pailfuls of plaster will prove just as effectual," and is considered the preferable method of using it on the potato vines.

A Cheap Ice Box.

Now that the warm weather is here, if one has no refrigerator and can get ice regularly it will pay to make a cheap ice box. To be sure it will be a rough one, but much better than none, and in keeping qualities will compare well with more costly ones. It can be made with two second hand dry goods boxes. One should be from three to four inches smaller in diameter than the other. On the bottom of the larger box sprinkle sawdust, and set the smaller box on it. Pack around between the two with sawdust. Put a tin spout through the bottom for a drain pipe. Put shelves at each end of the inner box, leaving a space for ice in the middle. Fit tops with hinges to each box and set the whole on supports at each end, so that a pan can be set under to catch the drip.

Where to Fasten the Carriage Lanterns.

The query, "Wanted to know where to fasten a lantern to a carriage to light up the road on a dark night," is answered as follows in Ohio Farm Journal by an Ohio correspondent: I respectfully answer, by all means to the bed of the buggy or carriage or wagon, out of sight of the driver. I have an inexpensive holder of my own devising which I am using with the greatest satisfaction. The driver being in the dark, the pupil of the eye is dilated and takes in all the rays of light visible. To illustrate: If you go to a window on a dark night with a lamp in your hand you can see nothing. If you place the lamp outside the window where you cannot see it in the dark room you can see every object it illumines distinctly.

Agricultural Items.

It is stated that California has six ostrich farms.

Sheep husbandry is growing rapidly in South Dakota.

The Dorset and other mutton breeds rank first in Iowa, where sheep are increasing in numbers and quality.

In Wyoming the Jersey and Holstein breeds are most prominent for dairy purposes, while Durham and Hereford are preferred for beef.

The eleventh session of the national farmers' congress will be held Nov. 31 at Sedalia, Mo. The convention will continue four days. B. F. Clayton, Maryville, Ia., is secretary.

The failure of the wheat crop in Georgia last year was so nearly complete that a greatly diminished area was the result this year. The present area is considered the smallest of the past fifty years or more.

Dairymen are delighted with the promised provisions for the dairy exhibit at the Columbian fair. The board of managers have decided upon the erection of a suitable building, which, with its outbuildings and yards, is to cover five acres of ground and cost $75,000.

That one of the greatest of all the cities built by the Buddhists in the east should have been forgotten and lost in the depths of a trackless forest for 1,000 years is a curious fact that takes a powerful hold on the imagination.

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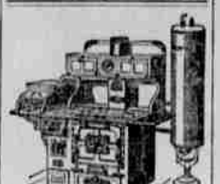

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