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SONS OF RUSSIA.

INTERESTING NOTES OF THE HABITS AND CUSTOMS OF THE MENNONITES SETTLED IN THE ARKANSAS VALLEY, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS.

Halstead, while possibly of itself not deemed worthy of more than a passing glance at its neatness and general air of comfort, is, from its associations, one of the most interesting points on the road. It is the commercial center of the Mennonites, those peculiar people transplanted from the steppes of Russia to the rich Valley of the Arkansas, and who, in bringing with them habits and customs of a hundred years ago form one of the most interesting and suggestive features in the rapid development of the New West. They are a distinctly religious people, and make their settlements in colonies, with mutual interest and a common church for bonds of fellowship. There are now about 8,000 of them in this section, and more coming every year. They own something more than 200,000 acres of land on the line of the Santa Fe, all purchsed of the railroad, and mainly for cash. Each colony has a village consisting of one long street, with houses a few rods apart, all built in the same style, and the farms of the colonists lie contaguous to these villages. The church, which is also a school-house, stands at one end of the single-streeted town, and around it cluster all the moral and social interests of the colony, It is a plain structure, always, and the minister, like all his parishioners, is a farmer, who with his own hands supports himself and family, and preaches only because "called of God" so to do. The religion he expounds is similar in many respects to that of the Lutherans—its patron saint, Menno Simonus, having been contemporary with Luther in Germany. It opposes infant baptism, the bearing of arms and the taking of oaths, and inculcates practical moral laws and duties rather than abstract theological speculations. It is not a cheerful religion, by any means, but it seems wonderfully adapted to its stolid professors, and it certainly makes honest men and good citizens of them.

The Mennonites take no part or interest in politics, and rarely fellowship with other religious denominations; indeed, they have as little as possible to do with "the world's people" in any way, though if you visit them you will find them remarkably hospitable, polite and communicative. Their homes are plain and neat, without carpets or stoves, and with very little furniture. The houses are heated by huge brick ovens in the center, where most of the cooking is also done. Their food is of the most frugal kind, and principally vegetable. Their favorite fruit is the watermelon, which they raise in abundance, and eat without stint. As farmers, the Mennonites are models of thrift and industry. Their fields are cultivated with scrupulous thoroughness, and their yields of grain are enormous. They raise corn and wheat mainly, though they do something also in smaller crops, and they are preparing to go into silk culture—an industry to which they say the soil and climate of Kansas are peculiarly adapted. They have good live stock, as a general thing, though they do not devote special attention as yet to that branch of husbandry.

The women are plainly-clad, good-tempered set of beings, "a little lower" than the men in intelligence, but equally industrious and pratical. In fact, personal industry is the Mennonite crown. A drone or shirk cannot live long among these toiling and economical people. Their very religion has labor for its corner-stone and chief glory, and "a good crop" is the outward and visible sign of moral and spiritual grace—or, at least without that sign, unless the season has been notably unfavorable, the possession of grace is seriously doubted. —[The Rocky Mountain Tourist

A Lesson in Modesty.

Max Alder in Philadelphia Bulletin.

At the last meeting of the Lime Kiln Club, Brother Gardner rose up, swept the hall with the glance of an eagle, and said:

"Gemlen, ez I was walkin' round dis mawnin' I 'proached a spot where a hoss had fallen on de street. Dar was a right smart o' men roun' dar, an' ebry man o' dem was pushin' an' jammin' an' clawin' to be nearest to de dyin' anamul. One man yelled out one fing, an' den an' anodder yelled somethin' else, an' de poor hoss didn't know whedder it was best to lib or die. Did I rush inter dat crowd? Did I jump up an' down an' raise my clahyun voice above de odders? Did I push all dem fellers away an' shriek out dat I'd raise dad hoss or die?"

"In course you did!" replied Chowder Davis as the President halted for breath. Brother Gardner bestowed upon him a look of XXXX contempt, and slowly continued:

"No, gem'len, I didn't! I stood back on de outsqurts o' dat crowd, sayin' nuffin to nobody, an' knowin' dat I'd be called on if wanted. Dat's my principel, an' dat's de principel dat I wants to waccinate into ebery black man in de country. Some fokes hab got de impresshun dat de man wot does de mos' whoopin' and yellin' an' attracks de mos' attenshun am de chap wot makes de bigges' pile o' cash, but don't you belieb it. De empty wood wagon makes five times de nois dat de costly kerridge do. De burdock takes ten times de room dat de, tulip do, but de tulip hez de bulge on de burdock when it comes down to beauty and market value. De modest man hez all de bizness chances dat de forward man hez; he keeps on gainin' de respect of de wourld an' bimeby he crawls to de top of de hencoop, while de blowhard rolls inter de ditch. Modesty am its own reward. It am capital in de bank; it am first mortgage on improved real estate; it am a purty fa'r sort o' religun. Stan' back! Doan' try to git dar befor' all de rest. Doan' be shootin off dem moufs for de simple sake of usin' up yer spar' time. As de poet says;

"De big sunflower may rise above
De modest 'tater-vine,
An' brag about its Sunday clothes,
An' put on airs so fine;
But when de winter howls around,
And the snow lies at de doah,
De big sunflower, oh! whar am he—
De 'tater hez de floah!"

—Henri Stuart, the well known clog and jig dancer, and his wife, left on the Steamer Senator for San Francisco and will return in about two weeks with a first-class company of star artists, four males and three females. He will stop in all the principal towns from San Francisco to Los Angeles. They will play two nights here at Turn Verein Hall. From Los Angeles they go to Prescott, Arizona. Every performer will be a star in his profession and it will be managed by H. Stuart and Jessie Foster.—[Los-Angeles Star.

Peter Cooper, of New York, recently entered his 88th year in the full possession of all his faculties. He began life as an apprentice to a coachmaker. After several failures in business he invented a glue that made his fortune.

Thirty-five bars of silver bullion, valued at $33,000, most of which came from the McCracken mine, passed through Wells, Fargo & Co's office yesterday. [Los Angeles Star.

MOHAVE CORRESPONDENCE.

MINERAL PARK, April 30, 1878.

EDITOR MINER:—In Mohave County the mining prospects are most cheering. It is said that "the proof of a pudding is the eating of it;" so the proof of our mining enterprises is the shipment of bullion which goes through its proper channel to San Francisco. It will be by some accident, like breaking of machinery, etc., that will prevent the mills of Mohave County from shipping from $200,000 to $300,000 worth of bullion each month; and this large shipment willbe increased as soon as more mills are built. It now looks as though Mohave would remain the banner county in the production of bullion.

The people of Mohave county feel sore over the way they are treated in regard to mail matters. They hope that a change will be made after July 1st, but this hope must die away when they take into consideration the low price the contractors get for carrying mails.

Again, the County and all the inhabitants of the Upper Colorado River, especially those who have freight landed at Mojave, Hardyville, and Eldorado Canyon, have cause to complain of the way they are "steamboated." The steamer that should have landed freight in the month of March at Hardyville, landed it at Aubrey, and waited until freight enough had accumulated for two steamer loads, then piled all in at once. This way of doing business will not suit, and causes general dissatisfaction. Large quantities of perishable goods were spoiled and wasted. Freight, of course, was paid in advance. Then there were extra charges put on for landing goods and storing them at Aubrey. One firm, Messrs. Ridenour & Crozier had paid to Hardyville, but had to pay extra freight and charges from Aubrey to Hardyville. There is no way to reach this great Railroad monopoly, they are independent.

Merchants of Mineral Park and Hackbery have arranged to get flour from Phenix, and will soon make arrangements to get grain for feed from there also. Teams have been put on from San Bernardino across the desert, so that in spite of this monopoly the mines of Mohave county will be worked, but not to the same advantage as they would if proper and regular means of transportation were afforded them.

Again one more cause of complaint that we have is our representation in the Legislature. It will be seen that according to the Great Registers of the counties there were about one-half of the citizens of this county registered; while in Yavapai one to five; Maricopa about the same proportion, while in Pima and Yuma counties about one to twelve. Now, looking at these figures will even a prejudiced man point out the fraud, and say without hesitation, who is guilty of barefaced fraud? Then Mohave county, with her advanced mining industries, has gained more in population than any other county in the Territory, yet one member of the lower house is all that we are allowed.

Yours respectfully, H.

THE "UNTERRIFIED" IN COUNCIL.

The Democratic County Committee met this forenoon in Judge H. H. Cartter's office. There were present — W. W. Hutchison, chairman; J. W. Simmons, Pat Hamilton, H. H. Cartter (representing Fred Henry and A. G. Dillon), and W. H. Weber, Sec'y.

It was moved by Pat Hamilton that the Democratic county committee still adhere to the proposition as made to the other counties, in regard to apportionment of delegates to the Territorial convention, as being the only just basis of representation. Carried.

Moved by W. H. Weber that a Democratic county convention be held, at a date hereafter to be agreed upon. Carried.

On motion of Judge Cartter the chair appointed a committee to correspond with Democrats in the different precincts, make the apportionment of delegates and report three weeks from to-day. Committee appointed, Cartter, Weber and Hamilton.

The following was offered by Mr. Hamilton, and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the acts of the Democrats of Upper Verde and Oak creek is a step in the right direction, and that we would recommend that the Democracy of the county form clubs in their several precincts and take all necessary steps to perfect their organization.

Adjourned to meet Saturday, May 25th, 1878, at 10 A. M.

MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS.

The Board of Supervisors, Gideon Brooke, chairman, and Joseph Cook; Wm. Wilkerson, clerk, and Paul Weber, District Attorney, met this morning for the purpose of attending to certain matters pertaining to the county:

Chas. Yates, contractor for feeding and doctoring the indigent sick of the county, reported the following persons as having been under his care during the last month, some of whom have been taken away and discharged: Paul Stauber, inflamation of right eye, left for California; John Caughlin, sprained knee, discharged; John W. Fadden, scurvey; Fernandes Felis, pneumonia; Wm. McGailey, heart disease.

Ed. F. Bewers, sheriff, made a report of licenses, etc., collected, and accounts found correct.

Mr. Howe, superintendent of county building, presented a plan for change in the tower of the court house. Plan examined and change ordered to be made. The difference in price of construction, $400 in bonds.

John Hill presented his bill for putting in new caps over windows, etc., amounting to $400—allowed.

The foregoing changes, upon examination, were found really necessary, and the Board very wisely ordered the same; and it is to be hoped that the cry will not be sent forth that the Supervisors are trying to bankrupt the County, when the changes were really necessary for the support and beauty of the structure.

Wade Hampton says: "I voted against Hayes and did all I could against his election and told him so. but the Democrats proposed that electoral commission, and Hayes did what any other man in America would have done. He could have done nothing else but take his place, and if he had not done it Wheeler or Ferry would, and it is better as it is. I will sustain Hayes as long as he continues to observe the Constitution. If it is proclaimed that I am not a Democrat for so doing, then let it be so. I shall still sustain him so long as he sustains the Constitution and the right.

The list of minerals in the Paris exhibit from this coast numbers 1,387, but under some of these separate heads there are thirty or forty variations or varieties. It is said that the mineral exhibit will occupy 300 running feet of show-cases, and is undoubtedly the most complete exhibit ever made of minerals of the Pacific Coast.

RED TAPE.

For the benefit of those who may not have been so fortunate as to receive the patronage of our respected Uncle Samuel, we give the following scrap of true history to show how easy and simple a thing it is to receive pay for labor done for Government, through the wise regulations and perfect working machinery of the circumlocution office. In March 1875, T. J. Butler, then proprietor of the MINER, did something over three hundred dollars worth of job printing for Government, at the request of Col. Chandler, then Chief Quartermaster of the Department of Arizona, and rendered his account in the regular way; Colonel Chandler forwarded the account to the War Office at Washington, endorsed as correct and reasonable, and done on his order for the benefit of the military service, etc. The authorities there recognized the necessity that required the work to be done, but cut the bill down to $211.62 to make it correspond in price with work done in Washington City. This action, it is perhaps needless to say, reduced the claim to a figure below what it actually cost to furnish material and do the work in Arizona; but upon the facts being reported to the claimant, he concluded that "half a loaf was better than no bread," accepted the shave and signed blank vouchers, which Col. Chandler forwarded to the War Department. Nothing more was heard from it for about a year, when the Colonel, at the claimant's request, sent a letter of inquiry, and learned that the vouchers were supposed to have been sent, and lost in the mail. Col. Chandler then recommeeded, as the money had been withheld from the claimant so long, through no fault of his, that they send a check direct from the Treasury Department. After several months an answer came, that they would do so, but would require a bond to protect the Government against the lost vouchers A good bond was accordingly gotten up, approved by the Chief Quartermaster, and sent on. Another year elapsed, when Hon. Hiram S. Stevens undertook to trace the matter up, and upon going to the War Office learned that it had been transmitted to the Third Auditor of the Treasury for payment. He went to that Department, and learned that the matter had been referred to a clerk, that the clerk had been "fired out," and the papers could not be found. Mr. Stevens continued to call first upon one office and then another and insist upon having it hunted up, until he was finally told that it would be necessary to file another bond to protect the government against the finding of the papers lost in the Third Auditor's office; this he communicated to the claimant here who promptly forwarded a second bond. Armed with this last requirement Mr. Stevens marched up to the Treasury Department to draw the money and was informed that the matter had been neglected so long that it had been carried to the deficiency account, and must await an appropriation in 1879 or 80.

Yesterday the mail brought the following letter:

"TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
THIRD AUDITOR'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22, 1878.

SIR:—Balances of appropriations made for quartermasters' and commissary departments which have stood upon the books of the Treasury for two years are covered into the 'surplus fund,' making them no longer available for the payment of claims and demands.

The claim of T. J. Butler has been allowed by the 2d Comptroller and will be certified to the Secretary of the Treasury at the beginning of the next session of Congress, that he may ask Congress for an appropriation from which payment can be made.

In any future inquiry this letter must be presented or the number and appropriation referred to, etc., as incidental expenses, year ending June 30, 1875.

HORACE AUSTIN, Third Auditor."

Thus it will be seen that a young man who contemplates marriage, and the rearing of a family, may safely engage in doing work for Government with a reasonable hope that, if closely attended to, the claim may be available for the younger of his grand children, but for an old bachelor to to be beguiled into wasting his time and means in that way, with the idea that the case can be reached in his day, is evidence of down right stupidity.

Richard Gird.

The many friends throughout the Territory of Mr. Richard Gird—Dick Gird—will be pleased to learn that he has made what he considers some valuable locations in the Tombstone Mountains, east of the San Pedro river, and near the boundary line of the old Chiricahua Reservation.

Mr. Gird is an old resident of Arizona, having come here, we believe, in 1864, and during his early scoutings had more than one brush with the Apaches; of late years he has been a resident of Mohave county, where he was successful in smelting ores at Planet. Few names are better known throughout that section than his, and wherever known it is synonymous with energy, uprightness and intelligence. He is no ordinary man, being thoroughly familiar by long experience, with the nature and reduction of ores; an engineer of standing he made the first official map of Arizona, and in mechanics he is a veritable genius having invented a successful calculating machine and several valuable improvements to the steam engine.

We are glad to know of his present good fortune, and hope it will bring him the wealth and ease he has so well earned.—Citizen.

SALT RIVER ITEMS.

We clip the following from the Salt River Herald of May 14th:

Jos. Chase, a herder in the employ of Mr. Ayers at John Mullen's Lower Verde settlement was drowned on Friday of last week.

We learn that a tin mine has been discovered in the northern part of this county, some two or three miles east of the station occupied by G. W. Moore.

Owing to the break at the head of the Maricopa Canal, it has made water so scarce that one of our largest farmers will lose 300 acres of barley.

The Golden Star mine, on Cave creek, has 50,000 tons of ore in sight on which to commence operations. As will be seen by a private telegram to the editor of this paper in our telegraphic columns the mill will no doubt be shipped on Monday next from San Francisco.

There must be much idle capital in the country. The $100,000,000 of bonds which have returned, from Europe, seem to have been placed in some way, and the Treasury is selling four per cents at a slow but reassuring rate. These sales average about $4,500,000 per week.

A majority of the Senate Military Committee approve the House bill placing General Shields on the Army Retired List.