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IN DARKEST AFRICA

A Young American Sees Some Horrible Sights.

Banquet on Human Brains.

Atrocities By Europeans As Well As By The Natives—Mourners Who Show Grief by Turning Somersaults.

The Baltimore Sun last week printed the following interesting story of the experience of an American who is returning from Africa.

W. Stamp, Oberlin, who left his home in Chicago in the summer of 1896, is now on his way to America, having had thrilling adventures in the heart of Africa.

For four years Mr. Cherry has been living among the Congo natives. He has been their companion, friend, leader and instructor. Unaccompanied by any men of his own color he has penetrated to parts where no other white man has ever dared to go. It has fallen to the lot of this plucky American to make important geographical and anthropological discoveries, pursued so unobtrusively and admitted so reluctantly that scarcely anyone has yet heard of them. They have been reserved for the Geographical Society of America.

"Dumba Creesy," as the natives chose to call Mr. Cherry, is as much of an American at heart as the day he decided that African exploration was more fascinating than the work of a civil engineer. The French Geographical Society was anxious to obtain the result of his work. The coveted ribbon of the Legion of Honor was dangled before his eyes, but the decorations of a foreign country had little luster in the eyes of this strange mixture of student and adventurer, philosopher and hunter.

IMPORTANT RESULTS OF TRAVEL.

Briefly summed up, Mr. Cherry, while traversing over 20,000 miles in the French Congo and Soudan, has accomplished the following results:

Exploration of the Upper Kotto river and surrounding region. The Kotto is a large tributary of the Mobangi.

Discovery of three native African people—the Brea, Engassa and Lindas—not previously known to white men.

Finding a species of elephant much smaller than hitherto known, which has no tusks.

In addition to these practical results Mr. Cherry has collected invaluable written and photographic data dealing with the anthropological aspect of the natives with whom he came in contact, especially those which inhabit the territory between the Waday and Mobangi rivers. Upon this he has formed the interesting and novel theory that all the countless native tribes of Africa, except, of course, the Arabs, sprang from common origin.

This was Mr. Cherry's second trip to Africa, but his former visit cannot be compared in importance to the recently completed exploration. For one year he did not see a white man, and for over three years not a white woman. He slept for four years in his clothes, a pistol strapped to him and a rifle by his side. For a similar period he lived on the diet of the country, a native in all respects except in color and in mind. Yet he is as healthy, strong and civilized as when he left Chicago.

What is, perhaps, more surprising is that no geographical or other society has been called upon to provide funds to send this explorer on his way. By his own keen eye, indomitable energy and hunting instinct, Mr. Cherry has not only been able to supply himself, but also to bring back with him such a supply of ivory that he returns to America comparatively rich. Over a hundred elephants have fallen to "Dumba Creesy's" gun.

STRANGE AND HORRIBLE SIGHTS.

Mr. Cherry saw seven native men and three women (escaped prisoners) shot to death by the French. Yet he is not of the opinion that the French treat the natives worse than other nations do.

"There are," he says, "no more atrocities committed in the French Congo than in the Belgian, German or English colonies in Africa. Men and women are killed indiscriminately but it seems necessary in order to keep the natives down. One gets accustomed to it living out there. To the casual visitor it is only horrible. The inevitability of the thing does not appeal to him.

Mr. Cherry went from Bangul with natives in canoes to the mouth of the M'Boua river until he came to the territory of Bangassou, one of the great of the N'Sacraw chiefs in the whole Congo basin. The day of Mr. Cherry's arrival Bangassou had been laid siege in a raid upon a neighboring tribe, with the result that 3,000 men, women and children had been captured and brought to Bangassou as slaves. In addition to these slaves Bangassou's warriors brought back hundreds of human heads; trophies of their prowess.

A BANQUET ON HUMAN BRAINS.

At night a great banquet was prepared. The heads of the slain were boiled and the brains were eaten. Afterward the skulls were piled in heaps, stuck on tree branches and otherwise put in places where they could be seen and adored, for, Mr. Cherry says, no fetish is more in favor among the natives than the human skull. The

men however was not entirely dependent upon skulls. Baskets of human flesh, well smoked, were carried around and devoured. Bangassou, by the way, has 1,800 wives. He is a staunch ally of the French Government.

Mr. Cherry crossed the country to the region of the Bardans. There he lived with the natives as a native, sleeping on mats with two blankets, and being received among them as the great white chief "Dumba Creesy," whose fame had gone before him. Dressed in monkey skin, speaking the tongue of the people with whom he lived, this young American taught them the elements of astronomy, geography and told them of the great white nation which lived without the sphere. In return they taught him the secret art by which they make amulets and other implements.

CANNIBALS RESIST CAPTURE.

Among the natives with whom Mr. Cherry has been living cannibalism is rampant. "After a tribal engagement," he says, "the captured men, women and children are cut up as quickly as possible and eaten. Human flesh, to these people, is delicacy. They want it, and when they have the opportunity to get it they cannot resist."

Regarding thieves he explored Mr. Cherry said:

"They drain the finest country in the world, where everything can be raised. Rice, coffee, vanilla and rubber grow in wild luxuriance. In no place in the world could you find such elephants. It's just like hunting rabbits."

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Reflections of a Bachelor.

Every woman who cries too much tries to get out of it by claiming she is "so nervous."

Probably Noah hadn't had his wife in the ark five minutes before she had all of the parlor furniture changed around.

A man is successful in society to the extent to which he forgets his clothes; a woman to the extent to which she doesn't.

It is a mistake for a man to make his wife so happy that as soon as she gets married she quits worrying about her good looks.

The average woman would a lot rather have her husband lose a thousand dollars in his business than have a looking-glass fall off the wall.

It is probably the same instinct which makes a young woman like to trap girls into getting married as it is which makes her want to save souls at a revival.

Every girl has a longing to have a man kiss her against her will.

Probably style was originally woman's attempt to get even with a man for not having any whiskers.

Every girl knows how to fix her hair so the hair pins will stick out and a man will want to fix them for her.

Petroleum is Diptheria.

An account of a new method of treatment of diptheria was recently published in the Normandie Medicale of Rouen. An epidemic of this disease broke out last year in the village of Neuville-Champ d'Oisel, about nine miles from Rouen, and the usual treatment was given by the country doctor. Happening to recollect the English use of petroleum as an anti-spasmodic and an antiseptic, he determined to make an experiment and selected for his first trial a little girl 7 years old, whom he had already given up. He swabbed the throat with common petroleum, and so marked was the improvement after the first application that the treatment was continued and the child recovered. He then tried the experiment with success on his other patients.

Ice Pools

Let the ice pool be thoroughly cleaned out before impounding the water to be frozen to fill the ice house, and see that all sources of pollution of the water are out. Freezing water does not purify it. Ice made from impure water is no more fit to use than impure water is safe to be drunk. If the house is already built, see that it is made clean and thoroughly repaired before storing the crop, and have on hand plenty of saw dust for storing it.—Southern Planter.

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Whisky Medicines.

The temperance press is emphasizing the danger to the home in the use of "medicines" which are loaded with whiskey or alcohol. In this respect, as well as in the remarkable character of their cures, Dr. Pierce's medicines differ from other preparations, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and "Favorite Prescription" contain no alcohol, whiskey or other intoxicant, and are equally free from opium, cocaine and other narcotics. Every family should have a copy of the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, sent absolutely free, on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send 21 one cent stamps for the book in paper covers, or 31 stamps for cloth binding. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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Most men are a size bigger than their friends think they are, and about ten sizes smaller than they think they are themselves.

WHOLLY FIRED INTO HIS HOME.

White Caps Attack a Justice of the Peace at Bedford City.

Mr. Bennett W. Jopling, justice of the peace and local agent of the Norfolk and Western Railway at Bedford, was shot through the hand by white caps, who surrounded his home Saturday night, with the evident intent of killing him.

Mr. Jopling, whose room is not far from the freight station was preparing to retire for the night, and had just put out the light in his room, when suddenly, without any warning of any kind, a terrific fusillade was begun by a band of men without, supposed to number about twenty-five.

They were armed with heavily loaded rifles and revolvers, and they directed their fire to the bed, where they thought the victim would be lying. This was generally ridiculed with bullets, and every pane of glass in the house was smashed to atoms by the rain of lead.

Mr. Jopling, had not retired, or he would have been killed at the first discharge. Jumping instantly to the opposite corner near the wardrobe, he began to return the fire from his own revolver.

The flash from his revolver set fire to the curtain of the window, and when Mr. Jopling reached out his hand from covering to extinguish the flame it fell to his side pierced with six buckshot. The men then retired.

Jopling states that the next morning the floor of the room was covered with lead, and that the one window pane remaining had fourteen bullet holes in it.

For nearly a year the neighborhood of Bedford has suffered from the lawlessness of this band of white caps. A barn has been burned and a gentleman twice fired at in his home without reason or provocation.

At the present term of the County Court several of the men, all of whom are well known, were brought before the grand jury, but their case was sent back to Mr. Jopling for trial, and it was because of his being a representative of the law that he incurred the enmity of the gang of outlaws.

Public sentiment demands that prompt and full punishment be given. The Baldwin Detective Agency is at work on the case in behalf of the Norfolk and Western Railway.

Black Hills Forest

Mr. E. M. Griffith, a field assistant in the division of Forestry of the Department of Agriculture, with a large body of assistants, has just finished making a forest survey of the Hills Reserve in South Dakota. The summer's work, which has thus been finished, is preliminary to the preparation of a "working plan" for the forests of the Reserve, which was undertaken at the request of the Secretary of the Interior.

The survey, if adopted, will result in the first application of scientific forestry to our national lands. The Black Hills Reserve, on which this examination has been made, contains 1,211,680 acres. No other tract of its size in this country or abroad presents more favorable conditions for forest management than this Reserve. Markets are accessible on all sides, and there is a large and steady demand for timber.

The forest, too, reproduces itself easily and grows with great rapidity, and, although cutting and burning have gone on in some places, the present which is presented is not, as in southern California, that of foresting a scanty growth and creating forest conditions, but rather of utilizing and caring for an already well-established forest.

In the course of the summer's work a part of the Reserve was examined, and on 12,000 acres exact figures were collected regarding the size and kind of all standing trees. From such measurements estimates of the present stand and future yield of timber can be compiled, and on these the recommendations for the management of the reserve will be based.

After leaving the Black Hills Mr. Griffith and his student assistants went to Southern Missouri, where they are now beginning similar field work on a large tract of hardwood land belonging to the Deering Harvester Company. This company, which applied for a working plan last spring, has undertaken the raising of timber for its own use.

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MISS MARY McOUTCHEN.

Miss Kathryn McOutchen, of Hildebrand, Augusta county, spent a fortnight here as the guest of Capt. and Mrs. J. S. Woodward in West Clifton.

She returned home Monday. Miss Belle Bell, of Bell's Valley, came up this week, and attended the Mann-Baskerville wedding. She was a guest of Mrs. J. S. Woodward while here.

A pretty wedding took place yesterday evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Wm. Long at Longdale Furnace. Miss Eva L. Long, a winsome and attractive young lady became the wife of Mr. O. M. Stull, the trusted chemist of the empire Steel and Iron Co., at Goshen. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. W. McDonald, of the Iron Gate Presbyterian church. The affair was strictly home wedding, only a few of the friends of the contracting parties being present.

A pretty December wedding was solemnized at the Presbyterian church at 8:30 Wednesday morning, the 5th inst., when Miss Mary Weir Mann became the bride of Mr. Thornton S. Baskerville. The bride is the popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lee Grand Mann, a lovely and accomplished young lady. The groom is the sturdy son of Mrs. Baskerville, of West Clifton, and the energetic representative of the Harlow Powder Co., in this section.—Review.

An Aged and Devoted Couple Dead.

Montevia, Va., Dec. 6.—"In death they were not divided," may be truthfully said of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lightner, an aged couple of Black Creek. Just eight days ago Mrs. Lightner was buried, and within two hours of the same time yesterday her husband was placed by her side on the little hilltop selected by them. They were born and reared in the same neighborhood; but were not married until both were 49 years old. This union lasted for 22 years, when both were called away; aged 71 years. They were singularly devoted to each other, were known and loved by everybody as "Uncle Sam, and Aunt Kate," and the almost simultaneous termination of their lives is regarded by all as a kind dispensation of Providence.

Preparations are making," says the Boston Post, "to railroad the ship bounty bill through Congress at this session. Possibly Hanna might have forced it last winter if it was worth while, but that astute political manager saw, what everyone else saw, that the enactment of such a notorious job would have been a millstone about the neck of the Republican candidate for President in the approaching campaign, and he let it go for a more propitious time. That time, in Hanna's opinion, has now arrived. He is safe in control for four years more of McKinley, and it does not matter what people may say or what protest may be made."

Extensive Purchase of Coal Lands.

Ex-Senator Henry G. Davis and Senator Stephen B. Ekins have purchased through Wilson Lee Camden, of Baltimore, a tract of coal land containing about 14,000 acres in Barbour and Upshur counties, West Virginia, adjoining the lands of the Century Coal Company. The Baltimore and Ohio take the field, but it is believed the Davis and Ekins are interested will be extended to it from Belington.

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