

DWARF AMERICANS.

THE REMAINS OF A RACE OF LILLIPUTIANS UNEARTHED.

In Eastern Tennessee Have Been Found Graves and Skeletons of an Almost Forgotten People—A Legend That Deals With the Mexican Aztecs.

The Smithsonian institution has undertaken a peculiar work in this locality. These people of the world who have paid lengthy visits to that hilly country known as east Tennessee have always been impressed with the sublimity and beauty of the mountains, the simplicity and superstition of the inhabitants and the general air of sleepy mysteriousness surrounding everything.

On the eastern slope of one of the peaks of the Great Smoky mountains, where the first rays of the morning sun strike, is an ancient burying ground, and such another burying place could not be found, though the world be searched, for not one grave more than three feet long.

The tombs are two feet beneath the surface and are formed of cement and flat stones, and have defied the ravages of time to cause them to be destroyed. Most of those examined contained a vase, a few beads and a human skull, which was never more than 3 1/2 inches long and was that of a full grown person.

The natives have a beautiful legend of the place and say none were interred here except Indian children, while naturalists claim the skulls to have reached their full growth.

But the most interesting account is that of the red men who held that country when first settled by whites. They claim that when they came to that section of country it was peopled by a race of small, fierce men, with red hair, and these dwarfs waged a long and bloody war with the Indians, but were finally all killed; that this burying ground was used long before they came into the country, and that those killed in the war were never buried.

In some parts of the adjacent mountains, high up on the cliffs, are to be seen rude drawings of combats between fully grown men and a number of dwarfs. On account of the superstitious of the east Tennesseans, it is difficult to reach this pigmy cemetery, and almost as much as life is worth to attempt to dig into the graves of the "little people."

In the mountainous district of one of the southern states, in a bend of one of the great rivers, is situated a natural fort, known to the surrounding inhabitants as "Indian Fort." Surrounded on three sides by perpendicular cliffs, at the bottom of which flows the river, wide and deep, the only way of approach is by ascending a stiff declivity from the open side, near the summit of which are still to be seen traces of an ancient embankment, almost obliterated by time.

Within the space inclosed by the river and embankment have been found a great many stones and flint implements of Indian warfare and a few bronze axes. There have also a number of tombs, formed of large flat stones, containing nothing but dust and dirt at the present.

In the time of the early settlers the native Indians had a tradition of a great battle having been fought at this place previous to their own time, in which an entire race was exterminated. The legend is: The exterminated race, who were called "Worshippers of the Sun," had been gradually driven southward from the far north by the Indians. Before reaching the "Great river" (the Ohio) they separated into two divisions, one going to the southwest, the other going directly south. Whether the one of the first part is not told in the legend.

After innumerable battles the fleeing race made a final stand at Indian Fort, and after a siege of many months, during which time the besieged subsisted on provisions previously gathered, they were conquered, and every man, woman and child was killed. The legend says these people came from the vicinity of the great lakes, and the few bronze implements discovered seem to give some truth to that part of the story.

It is supposed that these people were the ancestors of the Mexican Aztecs, and that that portion which escaped when the tribes divided wandered toward the southwest and entered Mexico from the north. At the time of the conquest of Mexico by Cortez the Aztecs claimed that they came from the north, and sun worship was the national religion.

To investigate these relics of a departed race the Smithsonian officials sent Professor Snow and a corps of assistants to the scene.—Tennessee Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Tradition of the Flood.

All the northern coast Indians have a tradition of a flood which destroyed all mankind, except a pair from which the earth was again peopled. Each tribe gives the story a local coloring, but the plot of the legend is much the same. The Bella Coola tradition is as follows:

The creator of the universe, Mes-sa-nik, had great difficulty in the arrangement of the land and water. The earth persisted in sinking out of sight, and he was again peopled. Each tribe gives the story a local coloring, but the plot of the legend is much the same. The Bella Coola tradition is as follows:

All mankind perished in the whelming waters, with the exception of two, a man and his wife, who were on a fishing boat in a big canoe. These two succeeded in reaching the top of the mountain and proceeded to make themselves at home. Here they remained for some time until the anger of Mes-sa-nik cooled, which resulted in his fishing up the sun, moon and stars, and again fastening it to the moon. From this pair thus saved the earth was again populated.—Victoria (B. C.) Colonist.

Much Better Than Begging. An urechin 8 years old, with a very dirty face and a pair of bright eyes, accompanied a woman as she was hurrying across the common the other day.

"Please to give me some money to get me something to eat," he whined. "No, I won't give you any money to get you something to eat," was the reply. The lady mimicked his whine.

Finally she hired him to carry her umbrella to her office, and on their way thither she gave him a dissertation on labor and its fruits in phrases she thought he would understand. She advised him to go into the newspaper business and loaned him 20 cents to invest in papers, after he had signed his name to a contract she drew up, promising to pay her immediately he had cleared that amount.

In an hour and a half he came back to the office, grumpy and dejected, the money loaned on her desk. She took 10 cents of it, and he kept the other to make further investments. The next day he cleared \$1.50. He was radiant.

"This is better than begging, isn't it?" she asked. "You bet," he said. "Now, if I give you this 10 cents, will you promise to buy with it what I shall ask you?"

"Yes'm."

"Then buy a cake of soap and use it." He said he would and went out.—Boston Globe.

A Belief That Proves Troublesome. A recently returned eastern missionary says that a small, but persistent, vexation in household affairs is the firm belief in the transmigration of souls among one's Buddhist servants and its often ludicrous consequences. For instance, once on shipboard the sailors were directed to kill the cockroaches with which the vessel was infested. This they dared not do, fearing that some ancestor's spirit might be imprisoned in that most unwholesome form. They approached the vermin gently, lifted them up on sheets of paper and dropped them overhead in a manner almost tender and quite deferential.

One young convert clung to her newly made friend during her last illness with the constant cry that she feared, when the end should come, that the old belief would be too strong for her, it pressed so hard upon her that the soul was destined for further earthly life. It was a cause for great rejoicing at the mission station that dissolution came in sleep and unattended by this horror.—New York Times.

Easter Sundays in the Future. The rule for ascertaining when Easter Sunday occurs may be gathered from this statement: Easter is the Sunday which follows that fourteenth day of the calendar month which falls upon or next after March 21. We give a number of dates of Easter Sunday, which will be useful for preservation to such readers as are desirous to watch these recurring days:

Table listing Easter Sunday dates from 1884 to 1910. Columns include year, date, and day of the week.

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A Duchess and Her Diamonds.

When the Duchess of Marlborough made a flying visit to America about a year ago, she dressed very simply and wore few jewels, three or four diamond stars in her hair and on her corsage being, as a rule, her only ornaments. Some people expressed disappointment that she did not appear in her coronet.

St. Dunstan and the Devil. One of the most famous smiths of the Weald was St. Dunstan, archbishop of Canterbury. Mayfield in Sussex is the site of an ancient archiepiscopal palace, and here, according to some, took place the terrific contest between St. Dunstan and the devil. At any rate the ax, bill, hammer and tongs which are alleged to have belonged to the saint are still preserved at Mayfield palace.—Gentleman's Magazine.

A loose and easy dress contributes much to give to both sexes those fine proportions of body that are observable in the Grecian statues, and which serve as models to our present artists.—Rousseau.

At Easter in Scotland, where the great festivals have for centuries been suppressed, the children still get their hard boiled dyed eggs, which they play with and finally eat.

It is a physician's suggestion that persons suffering from a chronic cough should move on for their chest, avoiding emanations from the sewer openings usually found there.

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LOS ANGELES LOCAL MARKETS. The quotations given below are current wholesale selling prices.

Table of local market prices for various goods like flour, sugar, and other commodities.

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Southern Pacific Company.

IMPORTANT CHANGE OF TIME. Trains leave and arrive due to arrival at LOS ANGELES (A. O. G. DEPOT), THIS SUNDAY, MAY 22, AS FOLLOWS:

Table of train schedules for Southern Pacific Company, listing destinations like San Francisco, San Pedro, and San Diego.

Take Santa Monica train from San Francisco street, Nevada's junction, Commercial street, Grand depot, and California street, Grand avenue, or University.

For other branches: Arroyo, Commercial street, Nevada's junction, San Francisco street, Grand depot, and California street, Grand avenue, or University.

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LOS ANGELES NATIONAL BANK, United States Depository. CAPITAL \$500,000 SURPLUS \$25,000.

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