

WILD LAND FARMS

What Bohemians Accomplished by Co-Operative Work.

Families From New Jersey and Ohio Make Homes in Tennessee Wilderness—Are Not Only Making a Living but Show Profit.

Nashville, Tenn.—In the spring of 1911 the Tennessee Central railroad located a colony of Bohemians on the Cumberland plateau at Mayland, under the name of the Bohemian Co-Operative Farming company.

The land was subdivided into fifty acre tracts, one tract to the family, so that the entire purchase would care for 100 families.

"The first work that was done after the property was subdivided was to build a few comfortable cottages to care for the pioneers.

"Mr. Schwartz showed me over the lands. Where formerly the timbered jungle stood were modern, imposing barns overflowing with feed.

"Then there were patches of buckwheat, rye and the vegetable gardens, all luxuriant and profitable.

"Not only have these thrifty sons of Bohemia supported themselves while making their homes, but are now reaping a distinct profit.

"Every day is workday for them. It is never too hot or cold, they keep everlastingly at it. They work with intelligence, with a definite idea in view and accomplish what they start out to do.

"In the field the Bohemian idea, no walking between the plow handles for him. There is no dragging the plow around at the head of the land, but the horses keep on moving.

"They are now turning their attention to horticulture and orchards are being laid out on a scientific scale and thoroughly prepared.

BRIDGE TO BE MONUMENT

Minister of Belgium Pays \$200,000 on Structure to Stand as His Father's Memorial.

Boston.—Lars Anderson, minister to Belgium, has paid \$200,000 to the state treasurer to build the Anderson bridge, between Boston and Cambridge, near the Harvard stadium.

Cowboys Rape Chaperon. Cheyenne, Wyo.—Lassoing their chaperon, twenty pretty Vassar girls on tour, were rustled by fifty cow panchers from the range about Cody, near here, and riven off in a dozen automobiles.

In one of the machines the chaperon, Dr. George B. Shattuck, of Vassar still indignant, sat roped, helplessly watching his charges flirting, photographing and later dancing with the cowboys.

DAINGEROUS FISH TO MEET

Habitat of South American Waters That Seems Particularly Fond of the Human Body.

Probably one of the most dangerous and least known of man's watery enemies, says the Wide World Magazine, is the candera, or canern, a fish three to eight inches long, and guilty of the extraordinary habit of diving suddenly into the human anatomy by the most convenient channels.

There are two distinct species, one eel-like in appearance, blunt-headed and smooth-bodied, the other armed with a sharp, bony snout, two to three inches in length, swallow-tailed, and covered from snout to tail by small barbs.

In the case of both types a serious surgical operation is involved; but in the case of the Beni variety the more, the fish or the victim wriggles the farther the fish penetrates—and it cannot get back. It frequently causes death, for a surgeon is a rara avis in these wilds.

I saw two cut out of a woman in Riveralta, South America, where victims are common. The fish is a bloodsucker, and can be easily caught with a lump of raw meat, into which it dives in a much similar way—the proboscis being probably its usual means of securing blood.

WAS DABBLING IN THE PAST

Pilgrim Somewhat Resentful Because He Was Misled Into Perusing an Old Magazine.

"Among the things I'd like to know about," remarked the weary looking pilgrim with the drab mustache, on the car, "is this: How does a doctor or dentist come by his magazines?

"A day or so ago I had occasion to sit in the reception room of a prosperous dentist—that is, I suppose he's prosperous if he charges everybody on the same scale that he does me—and while I waited I began to rummage through his magazines that I found lying on the table.

Charm of Memory. The charm of memory lies, I think, in the quality which it gives things, at once of intimacy and remoteness.

Error to Try to Hurry Women. A Fort Scott (Kan.) man and his wife were planning to take a trip, the Tribune of that town says, and after they had decided on the day the man spoiled all the pleasure of preparing by suggesting that he "bet they would miss the train."

Value of Knowledge

Mrs. Featherston had embroidered a gown for herself. Butterflies were the design, and she had made them look so natural that—so Mr. Featherston said—one would think they were actually alive.

Recreation for the Rich. Let us give credit where it is due. You can not think that the devotion of surplus wealth to the acquisition of works of art deserves condemnation.

It is AN Made Plain. "Gertrude says no man has ever missed her." "I have often wondered why she showed such a decided preference for mere boys."

THREW THE DIAMOND AWAY

Second Finder Was Wiser and Kept It for Its Much Worried Owner.

At a big hotel not over half a mile from Times square, which may be further identified by the fact that some of the employes can afford to wear diamonds, a good-sized brilliant went begging for a time Friday morning.

After things had got quiet, the man who cleans up the second floor saw something glittering on the carpet in one of the public rooms on the second floor. He picked it up and took it to the night controller.

"Aw, that's nothing but a bit of glass," appraised the controller, who doesn't wear diamonds.

When daylight came the rays of the sun came in and fell on the diamond just as a housemaid was tidying up the room. She saw it and picked it up. The cleaner had not yet gone home, and she showed it to him.

NEEDED THAT OTHER ROOT

Patients of Dentists Will Appreciate Story of "Nerve" That Comes From Kansas City.

In Kansas City there dwells a man whose boast is that he has "the nerve," and at least one dental surgeon will support him in his claim.

There was a tone of real sadness in his voice as he regretfully said: "If that thing had only had another root, I'd have won the drinks."—Kansas City Journal.

WAS TAKING NO CHANCES

Casey Unwilling to Take the Word of His Rival When It Would End Hostilities.

It had come to blows at last. After many threats and sundry fist-shakings, not to mention odd brick-ends which were thrown, Casey and Riley determined to "have it out," so they adjourned to a neighboring field, followed by an enthusiastic, admiring crowd.

Worried High Official. Custody of the great seal is one of the most important duties undertaken by the British lord chancellor in return for his \$50,000 a year.

Judicial Spelling. A probate judge in western Kansas wrote to the judge of the juvenile court in Kansas City asking for information as to how the court should be conducted.

Protection During Fog. Two brothers named Hodgkinson have invented an apparatus which works as "ears" for a ship will afford a protection now lacking in time of fog.

The Bitter Bit. A certain critic, renowned for his bitter tongue, found that on occasion even artists will turn. The occasion was a reception at which the artist was exhibiting his latest work.

Barometer. Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, despite his financial troubles, continues to tell innumerable witty war stories. One of the most recent of these concerns a captain in a South American war.

After he had shirked about seven battles by means of sick leave, he became notorious; and it is said that he once overheard, from the hospital tent, two newboys talking about himself.

"Juan," said the first boy, "we'd better order an extra supply of papers. There's going to be some tall fighting tomorrow."

"How do you know that?" Pepe, the second boy asked.

"Captain Blanco" was the reply, "is sick again."

"O, I know that," pursued the artist, "but it would really interest me very much indeed."—Berlin Illustrated Times.

MAKE LIVING BY THEIR WITS

American Adventurers Who Have Gotten Wealthy Through Shady Deals in South America.

Ever hear of Jim Dugan of Curacao? Well, Jim started a revolution in Central America some years ago, and was put out. He landed in Curacao with a stew and a \$5 gold piece.

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