

A MEMORABLE EXECUTION.

When "Cut-Nose" and His Thirty-seven Redskins Were Hanged at Mankato, Minn.

In the criminal annals of this country executions have been frequent, but the spectacle of a number of men expiating their misdeeds on the same gallows has been unusual enough to be extraordinary. Perhaps its most notable instance was the hanging of thirty-eight Indians at Mankato, Minn., on Dec. 26, 1862. During the spring and early summer of that year reports from various sources reached the capital that the Indian tribes of the Northwest were about to ravage the almost defenseless settlements of the Territories and frontier States. It was then claimed that emissaries from the Confederate States had come among the tribes to stir them to rise up to plunder and destroy, and that Canadians also visited them, urging that they bring their furs over the line, and promising aid and arms with which to drive the Americans from their old camping grounds. Be this as it may be, unquestionably the Indians had just grounds of complaint, though, of course, there can be no palliation for the awful crimes that resulted therefrom. The failure of Congress to pass certain appropriation bills left them without their annuities, and the rascally government agents had swindled and defrauded them. This treatment awakened a spirit of revenge among the redskins, and the Western Minnesota settlers, utterly unconscious of danger and with no fear of treachery, became the innocent victims of the horrible slaughter. The first open trouble began on Aug. 17, when a few drunken members of Little Crow's band of Sioux quarreled among themselves as to their individual bravery, and the barbarous test of killing whites was chosen as the surest and best. After committing several murders they fled at once to Redwood, where their village was, and told their story. The chief expected retaliation from the settlers, and so determined to strike the first blow. With 300 of his "braves" he marched to the agency at Yellow Medicine and began their murderous assaults. The small body of soldiers sent out from Fort Ridgely were attacked by ambushed Indians, and half of their number were killed. On Aug. 21 New Ulm, a flourishing German settlement, was reached, and there they engaged in the most fiendish brutalities and in the most revolting atrocities. Nearly half the town was left in ashes, and sixty of its defenders were dead or wounded. Gov. Ramsey sent a special messenger to the Minnesota Legislature in which he presented a horrible picture of the scenes, while he hurried off four companies of State troops toward the camps of the savages. Two days later he dispatched seven more companies, with Col. H. H. Sibley in command. On Aug. 23 New Ulm was again assailed. The Indians were repulsed, however, by the citizens, but remained in the neighborhood until a detachment of Sibley's forces scattered them. At the village some 2,000 women and children were gathered, and it was thought best to take them to a place of permanent safety, and the town was deserted. For nine days Fort Ridgely was besieged and bravely defended. Driven from there the plunderers marched northward, marking their way with a bloody path. At this time the great civil conflict was raging, and the greatest of Indian wars, which in two years cost the lives of over 1,200 whites and \$11,000,000, occupied a secondary place in the public mind. The number of victims to the savage fury of the Indians has been variously estimated, but it is probable that something less than eight hundred were massacred in two weeks by the unrelenting tribe. Only the Sioux were guilty of the outrages, the Chippewas even offering their services to the State. After a campaign of a few weeks a band of the Indians surrendered. Soon afterward a court-martial was instituted, and after trial about forty were condemned to die. An appeal was made to President Lincoln, who, upon examination of the facts, refused to interfere, and on Dec. 26, 1862, "Cut-Nose," the leader in the terrible work, and thirty-seven other members of his band were hanged upon the same scaffold at Mankato Minn. "Cut-Nose," it is said, gloried in his brave record of having killed thirty-two women and children in the New Ulm massacre. After the executions his skin was tanned and stuffed and brought to Chicago, where it was to be seen until the fire of 1871, in which it was destroyed. A strip of the tanned skin had been cut from across his back a short time before, and this ghastly relic of the massacre and big hanging is still preserved among the archives of the Chicago Historical Society.

The Secret of His Success.

Tony was 12 years old. He came from Sunday school one day, and said he had taught a class of little boys.

"What possessed you to do such a thing?" asked his mother.

"O, I got along first rate. They began to giggle and I told them if they didn't quit it, I would lick every last one of them when Sunday school was out. The Superintendent said it was the stillest class there was." —Detroit Free Press.

CONTRARY to general opinion, leprosy is spreading rapidly, according to Dr. Besnier, of the Paris Academy of Medicine. French colonists are fast falling victims. Physicians everywhere are urged to seek a means of abating its ravages. The disease is transmitted by a bacillus resembling that of consumption.

AN IMPORTANT FACT.

An Easy Cure for Weak, Tired, and Nervous Feelings.

Persons complain that they are weak, tired, and exhausted; they have no appetite, no strength, no life or ambition to work; they become irritable, cross, blue and discouraged; in some cases there are pains and aches in various parts of the body, and there is often indigestion, dyspepsia, belching of wind, dull head and general debilitated feeling. Sleepless, restless, and wakeful nights follow. Neglect of these symptoms results in excessive nervous prostration or paralysis, with numbness, trembling, cold feet and legs, prickling sensation and weakness and weariness of the limbs.

Thousands become prostrated, paralyzed or insane by neglecting the first symptoms, not knowing that the nervous irritability, gloom of the mind, loss of memory, nervous weakness and depression show an exhaustion of nerve force which will, unless the proper restorative remedy is used, result in utter mental collapse and absolute prostration of nerve and physical power.

Save yourselves from these terrible results while there is yet time by the use of that wonderful nerve invigorator and health restorer, Dr. Greene's Nervura Nerve Tonic. It is a purely vegetable remedy, and may be used by children or the most delicate invalids with absolute certainty of cure. Its effects are truly wonderful, and it is only necessary to use it to be convinced of its marvelous restorative and strength-giving powers. Do not fail to use this remedy, for it is the greatest medical discovery of the century, and an absolutely certain cure will result. All druggists keep it. Price \$1 per bottle. Be sure and get Dr. Greene's Nervura Nerve Tonic; take no other, for this remedy has no equal. If your druggist does not have it, he will get it for you. Its discoverer, Dr. Greene, 35 West 14th street, New York, the great specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases, can be consulted free, personally or by letter. Use his great remedy and write him about your case.

Henry W. Grady's Discourse on Ham.

Why is it we cannot buy now the sweet, old-fashioned country ham? Judge Samuel Lumpkin lately sent to the writer a half-dozen from his private smoke-house, of the vintage of 1884, that are simply poems in ashes.

Any self-respecting pig would have died gladly to have been so idealized. In these hams you catch the flavor of the smoke of the half-smothered oak chips, above which they drifted with the seasons into perfection. And the red gravy—excuse these drooling lips—clear, consistent, flavorful, it is such gravy as you used to find on your mother's table when you came home from a long day's hunt in the December wind. I had rather have a smoke-house with its loamy floor, its darkened rafters, its red-pepper pots, its festoons of sausages odorous with sage, and a hundred such hams suspended between earth and roof, like small Machet, than cellar of dust-begrimed bottles of Madeira of '23. Has the art of curing hams in the Georgia smoke-houses become a lost one? Shall red gravy go with Tyrian purple, into the realms of the impossible? —Atlanta Constitution.

A Large Family.

At the State fair at Dallas, Tex., last fall, they had a "baby show," open to the world. As fast as the little ones were entered for the contest by their doting mothers the infants were numbered and a large tag marked with the appropriate number placed on their dresses. A typical cowboy, who had been expressing his surprise at whatever attracted his attention, finally noticed a tag on a baby marked seven. "Say, pardner," he said, "here is a woman who has so many kids she has to number 'em." Passing on he saw another child with the tag No. 53. "Here is another one of 'em," he remarked. "No. 53. Great guns! What a large family!" —Detroit Free Press.

Could Hardly Believe His Eyes.

A well-known lawyer, when about to start on a railway journey, found that the clerk had given him a shilling too much. He accordingly returned to the booking office, and, informing the clerk of his mistake, handed back the money. For a moment the clerk stood speechless, then recovering himself, exclaimed:

"Please stand still one moment and let me look at you." After a pause, he added, in an awe-stricken voice, "and a lawyer, too!"

BECAUSE a wife does not speak out against some of your habits is no proof that they do not make her unhappy.

It is an impossibility for any man or any number of men to put asunder what God hath really joined together.

What It Means.

To a man or woman who has never been ill the word "health" is meaningless. But to the one who has suffered and despaired health appears as a priceless boon. To the thousands of unfortunate women who are suffering from some of the many forms of weaknesses or irregularities peculiar to the sex, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription holds forth the promise of a speedy restoration of this "priceless boon."

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