

WOMEN'S RHEUMATISM The Weekly Post. LINDSAY, FRIDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1899

A Missionary of the Far West

Continued from last week.

There they were often delayed for days or weeks, when the river was downed in floods. And there Carson remained for several years as professional hunter; for, besides the way-farers who might be welcomed within the stockade, the fort was held by forty men. But in those days there was seldom difficulty in finding game. Deer swarmed in the willows and cottonwood fringing the streams; in the season of the annual buffalo migration tongues and tendons were in superabundance, while meat could be jerked or mixed up in pemmican, in any quantities for winter use. It became so renowned as a crack shot that he won the sobriquet, while still a lad, of "The Nestor of the Rockies," which shows that the frontier men had a certain classical culture, though their ideas might be somewhat mixed. He is said to have once killed five buffalo with four balls in a single run, for, ammunition having given out, he mistook the Indians for the fourth victim. Horsemanship and shooting came equally into play there. The first thing was to be mounted on a prairie "buffalo runner" that would hold up alongside and wheel swiftly before the charge; the second, to send the ball home below the heart and behind the shoulder, where the lungs would be choked with sudden suffusion of blood; for a buffalo merely shot through the heart might gallop out of sight and recover. The hunter, who had become a master in prairie and mountain craft, soon became equally celebrated as the surest of scouts and the most reliable of guides. When the like of his services were acting against the Indians his services were always in request. His profound acquaintance with Indian tactics and dogmas made him worth any number of pickets or ordinary sentinels, and we know not that any party under his guidance was ever taken by surprise. When some startling atrocity was committed, if within reach, he was called in; for he was the Inspector Bucket or Maitre Leocoy of the prairies. And the episodes of his career unfold a panorama of life as it used to be in those parts—a life with an extraordinary variety of excitements. For example, an enterprising firm of speculators had taken to running stage coaches from Independence to the westward of St. Louis, to Santa Fe. The track ran through the raiding grounds and favored haunts of the Indians—men who were their own escort, risked the chances of the road. But the Indians were also posted in the regular way, which greatly facilitated their operations. On one occasion the coach actually drove into the arms of the noted White Wolf, who, standing in a spot in the wrecked coach, the corpse and the foot-organ and a regular pursuit was organized. Kit Carson swiftly followed up the traces to the place where the Utes were encamped. With characteristic impetuosity the born guerilla charged on into the camp, whooping out his war-cries. When he heard no crack of rifle, he did not did at length look over his shoulder, he saw that not one of his companions had followed. His case seemed desperate, but the accomplished horseman threw himself Indian fashion out of the saddle, and galloped back protected by his horse. The broncho had many arrows in the back, the rider escaped unscathed. When he did rally his party and ride back into the camp, the Indians had had time to evacuate it, having previously butchered their captives. He was always appealed to for any mission demanding unusual sagacity, coolness and courage. In 1843, when the Santa Fe trade was most flourishing and lucrative, a rich Mexican caravan was in a grave dilemma. It was escorted by 100 armed Mexicans, and was protected besides by United States soldiers to the Mexican border. Beyond that, it must be left to its own devices; and between the frontier of the States and Santa Fe a body of hostile Texans was known to be looking out for it. The caravan was owned by Gen. Armijo, one of the ricos and great cattle ranchers of New Mexico, who had lately become a resident in the States. Kit was invited to take a message to the General, asking him to send troops to meet his convoy, and as the pay was in great measure due due the success of Fremont's daring expedition. Fremont's story was a singularly romantic one. The "Great Pathfinder," as he was proudly called by his compatriots, when a young lieutenant in the topographical engineers, fell passionately in love with a girl of seventeen, the only child and heiress of a wealthy senator. The stern father used his influence to send Fremont on a dangerous expedition to the Des Moines River. Within a year he had come back triumphant to claim his bride. But as his father-in-law in prospective continued unrelenting, and planned new labors for him, he took the initiative himself. Having married the young lady secretly by way of prelim-

FEELING MADE MIND Aldermen are not in a Happy Mood.

LAGGING WORK AND SECRET MEETINGS CRITICIZED

A Special Meeting held last Saturday Evening for General Business—Capt Crandell Threatens to Resign and Alderman Ingie Says He is Willing to Step Down—Reports, Communications, Etc.

The representatives of the local press were notified of a special meeting of council to be held on Saturday evening and made their way to the appointed rendezvous in a chastened and even grateful spirit. It was not really true, then, that they had been forgotten! Notwithstanding that secret committee meetings ad lib. had been held, and even two secret sessions of council inside of a few months, the men elected to transact the people's business in a faithful, fearless fashion, were actually an opinion or two outside the sound profane walls of the clerk's office. Bravo! Pray for them, O ye citizens, that they may not grow weary in well-doing.

At the opening of the session the members present were Mayor Walters and Councilors Ingie, Sotheran, Lennon and Jackson, Couns. Horn and Crandell arrived later.

From the Hamilton Bridge Works Co., stating that their representative would visit Lindsay for the inspection of the Lindsay bridge on Wednesday morning.—Fyied.

From Mrs. B. Keenan, asking for a rebate of taxes on one of her vacant shops. The hazard of the cause informally caused by the overflow of water on Wellington-st.—Board of works.

From Mrs. Geo. Ellsworth, asking council to assume charge of Wm. Ellsworth, whose wife will not maintain him, and who is unable to earn a living, for his wife.—Mayor Walters said he would refer the case informally with Solicitor Hopkins; Ellsworth had a house and lot some years ago, but had made it over to his wife, and according to law a husband is bound to maintain his wife, but the spouse cannot be compelled to keep the husband.—The matter was referred to the finance committee.

A Pasty and Fretful Baby. This is now quite unnecessary! Like many others you may have your baby fat, laughing, and happy, if you give it Scott's Emulsion. Babies take it like cream.

It Invariably Gets Round. Jacob thought he was doing a pretty smart thing when he took the skin of the kid and deceived his poor old father into thinking his firstborn Esau was before him, and thus stole his brother's blessing; but there came the day when his ten blackleg sons brought in the coat of many colors, dipped in the blood of a kid and with almost the identical trappings he had used to deceive old Isaac, deceived him into the belief that Joseph, his pet son, whom they had sold as a slave, had been slain by wild beasts. He sowed a lie and reaped ten times such sorrow of soul that it made him an old man in his prime. David deceived some clever scheming to get his wife and committed murder to cover up the miserable crime of adultery. What did he get? Adultery in fact upon the miserable crime of adultery. Many interesting experiments made with these tablets show that they possess remarkable digestive power, one grain of the active principle being sufficient to thoroughly digest a pound of meat or similar wholesome foods; these tablets do not act on the bowels like after-dinner pills, nor in fact do they act upon any particular organ, but the manner in which they will cure all forms of indigestion is this: They act entirely on the food eaten, digesting it completely, nourishing every tissue and forming the weak stomach rest and assistance to enable it to recover its normal strength. This is the reason so many pretended cures have signally failed, and unless the lack is supplied, it is waste of time to attempt to restore the enfeebled stomach by means of "tonics," "stomach bitters," and "pills," no permanent good result from their use.

When it was proposed to engage an engineer the motion was defeated in committee on the score of expense. If the council think any other member could perform my duties better I will resign.—The council should be highly important that under drainage should be provided whenever a road is improved, for surface water never injured a roadbed, but water underneath was fatal.

Coun. Sotheran said he would support plan, and asked upon Provincial Commissioner Campbell's system being followed exactly.

From Town Solicitor Hopkins, enclosing draft of a general by-law for local improvements under which it will be necessary to pass a special by-law for any particular piece of work.—Laid on table.

From W. M. Robinson, asking that Kent-st. sewer be completed, road order the construction at any time.—Laid on table.

From Robt. Ross, asking that the proposed granolithic pavement from York to William-st., south side, be proceeded with as soon as possible.—Board of works.

From Town Commissioner Pilkie, enclosing receipt of memorials relative to River improvements and grant to Lindsay business and asking that their request for fire protection be favorably considered.—Town property committee.—Fyied.

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