

White Men Blaze Trail Over the Kalahari Desert

Many Types of Bushmen Met in What Has Been Called the Cradle of Mankind

Johannesburg.—An expedition of white men over the difficult Kalahari Desert, has now been completed. The party was led by Captain Clifford, the imperial secretary.

Many types of bushmen were met with in that so-called cradle of mankind. Outside Kalahari they are often regarded as pure savages just a little removed from the animals they hunt with bow and arrow, but to talk with them, to overcome their natural suspicion of the stranger, to see their life and general habits at first hand, is to realize that these isolated groups of the desert are much more civilized in the true sense than many other natives in South Africa.

They also display exciting dances and their skill in hunting is an art in itself. They move about the desert with nomadic freedom and appear with startling suddenness. Time and again the expedition camped in what was apparently a wilderness of sand and scrub with no animal or human being within hundreds of miles. Yet within half an hour a dozen bushmen would mysteriously appear creeping forward to warm themselves against the camp fire.

Among the many important matters investigated by the expedition was the so-called slavery of British Bechuana-land. Naturally an inaccessible country is the subject of extraordinary rumors, and Bechuana-land has its mysterious whispers by pseudo pioneers. Allegations were also made that conditions analogous to slavery existed in Bechuana-land. The Bechuana-land is the labor of both bushmen and Kalahari natives and a state of hereditary servitude then existed.

The British authorities, however, are fully alive to the possibility of such injustices existing in a protectorate and have on frequent occasions publicly warned the chiefs and their assembled tribesmen that hereditary service will not be tolerated in a British territory.

During the course of their journey the members of the expedition heard of big game hunter protest that Bechuana-land was a country where a native had all the rights and a white man none. Although an exaggeration, this seems to help to prove that the protectorate is a protectorate in reality as well as in name.

Turn to Electricity

Holland Turns to Electric Power As Windmills Fail to Fill Needs

The Hague.—Electricity is playing a rapidly increasing part in the industrial life of Holland, as it is being found that, in spite of their picturesque character, windmills are falling very much behind in their output capacity. The capital for financing conversions from wind power to electrical power and for creating electrical power for other purposes is not always available and, therefore, an international finance corporation has been founded, with a capital of 10,000,000 florins, at Amsterdam.

The holders of this capital are Proehl and Gutmann and Telxela de Mattos, of Amsterdam; Chase Securities Corporation and Speyer & Co., of New York; Dresdner Bank and Darmstadter and National Bank, of Berlin, and Hambros Bank, London.

Activity will not be restricted to Holland, although the idea and the central organization have originated here, but will be spread wherever there is need of capital for electrical enterprises. It is possible that shares in electrical undertakings will be purchased, but the chief aim is to be able to supply loan capital of either a permanent or temporary character.

Peiping Decrees Women Must Bob Hair Or Pay Tax

Peiping.—The Municipal Bureau of Public Safety has decreed that Peiping women under 30 years of age must bob their hair or pay a "degeneracy tax."

The order becomes effective Sept. 1. It is meant to discourage the old Manchurian style of hair dressing and contradicts the ruling of General Chu Yu-pu, military governor of Chihli under the former regime, who prohibited hair bobbing.

The Mayor, Ho Chi-ung, is determined to eliminate feudalistic customs still venerated by some of the Peiping people. He has ordered that men who insist upon wearing queues must pay a heavy monthly tax and women must remove the bindings from their feet within the next few weeks or pay a periodical fine.

The full dinner pail seems to have gone the way of the full clothes line, and in their place may be found the full gas tank and the full pay envelope.

Russia, once a leading wheat exporter, is now buying 8,000,000 bushels in Canada, so maybe, after all, it's a good thing for Russia that this country hasn't gone bolsheviki.

A TIRED-OUT FEELING

Is a Sure Sign That the Blood is Thin and Watery

"I am glad to have an opportunity of testifying to the benefits I derived from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills," writes Mrs. Lawrence Kennedy, St. Joseph, N.B. She further says:—"Some years ago I was working as a stenographer, and became badly run-down. I always had a tired-out feeling, had no appetite and suffered terribly from backache. Almost every month I had to remain from the office for a day or two. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I have reason to be glad that I followed this advice. Before I began taking the pills very long I began to feel much better. Continuing their use, my strength came back, I regained my appetite and the terrible backache from which I had suffered disappeared. I have been married some years now and have two fine healthy children, a girl and a boy, and am in the best of health. All this I owe to Dr. Williams' famous Pink Pills, and I trust that these few lines may help some other weak, run-down person."

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Light on the hill;
Mallows in the grey yards,
Rosy-lipped and still.
Hush, hush!
From his closet in the dew,
Hark to the thrush!

Of what his singing?
Camelet, Rome?
Old houses in the wind?
Candlelight, home?
Yea, nay!
And of my early love,
Gone many a day.

—Lizette Woodworth Reese.

"Dad, did you go to Sunday School when you were a boy?" "Yes, my son, I always went to Sunday school."
"Well Dad, I think I'll quit going; it isn't doing me any good either."

The difference between learning to drive a car and learning to play golf is that when you learn to play golf you don't hit anything.

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Low Wave Radio Flashes News of Icebergs

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Aid Weather Forecast

Amateurs Asked to Keep Watchful Ear for Station

A 125-foot boat of the Coast Guard, United States Treasury Department, is now cruising between Labrador and Greenland, with only short-wave transmitting and receiving outfits and a radio compass as a communication link between those storm-tossed, foggy waters and civilization. Yet this sailing craft, on the mission of trailing the icebergs to its lair, will probably be in constant communication with radio amateurs in various parts of the world. The American Radio League has requested its membership to listen nightly for the call letters NITB and forward the messages of this floating radio station to Washington, D.C.

Already the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture is receiving reports of meteorological conditions from these ice-encrusted waters, radio amateurs relaying this information to the national capital. Adequate knowledge of icebergs in the formative stage may increase the fund of information about weather conditions in warmer regions, thus adding to the accuracy of our daily weather forecasts. To obtain these reports as well as to transmit official orders direct from headquarters in Washington to the Marion, this ice-exploring boat, the Coast Guard has installed a short-wave transmitter and receiver in the Coast Guard Annex, on Pennsylvania Avenue. This equipment is a duplicate of the outfit on the vessel now meandering between Labrador and Greenland.

A wave length of thirty-four meters has been assigned the cutter Marion, and the power rating of the transmitting set is 250 watts. The usual radio equipment on a Coast Guard patrol boat—the so-called T-5 transmitter—supplements the high-frequency outfit, but the former is not expected to give the desired communication range on intermediate or long wave lengths. A specially designed radio compass should prove an invaluable instrument on this 6,000-mile cruise, offering assistance to the two officers and crew of twenty in determining their position in foggy weather. This compass, completely built, is said to be extremely accurate in giving bearings on signals from transmitting stations several hundred miles distant. "The Marion proceeds northward," to quote Coast Guard headquarters in Washington, "equipped with one of the most modern and efficient radio sets which ever has been the fortune of an exploring vessel."

In considering a stinging rejoinder the mosquito may not be left out of the calculation.

Admiralty Island, Off Vancouver, Has Odd Moss Growth

Bellingham, Wash.—On the north shore of Admiralty Island, lying between the mainland and Vancouver Island, the misty, water-laden fog from the Japan current has the effect of producing a growth of moss, declared by scientists to be one of the natural wonders of the Northwest. The cellular growth starts on the drooping boughs of hemlock and spruce and continues to grow perennially. Specimens of this moss twenty feet long and four feet wide at the point of contact with the branch have been found. These blanket-like growths of moss are so luxuriant and rank as to darken the forests along the shore of the island. Where spruce overhang the water, moss keeps on growing after reaching the sea and extends many feet into the beach and tide water.

Tourists viewing the island from steamers report this moss hanging in long blankets from forest trees gives the impression of many Indian wigwags erected among them.

Recent experiments with this kind of freely growing moss indicate that it has medicinal properties as does the gamay or sphagnum, widely used as surgical dressing in the World War.

Other uses suggested for the harvested and dried moss are packing material, stuffing for mattresses, cushions and automobile seats, and for fertilizer, since it is composed largely of nitrogen. As soon as removed from the forest trees, a new growth begins at once and, in a single summer, reaches a prodigious length.

SAVE THE CHILDREN

In Summer When Childhood Allments Are Most Dangerous.

Mothers who keep a box of Baby's Own Tablets in the house may feel that the lives of their little ones are reasonably safe during the hot weather. Stomach troubles, cholera infantum and diarrhoea carry off thousands of little ones every summer, in most cases because the mother does not have a safe medicine at hand to give promptly. Baby's Own Tablets relieve these troubles, or if given occasionally to the well child they prevent their coming on. The Tablets are guaranteed to be absolutely harmless even to the new-born babe. They are especially good in summer because they regulate the bowels and keep the stomach sweet and pure. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Will It Always be Respectable?

(In view of the recent volcanic activity on Falcon Island, considerable interest has been aroused in that little piece of British land in the Southern Pacific. Mr. Frank Burnett, F.R.G.S., well-known Vancouver author and traveller, knows the history of the island very well.)

When first seen from H.M.S. Falcon, in 1865, he says, it was merely a breaking reef. In 1877 nothing was left of it, but smoke was observed issuing from where it was submerged. It appeared again in 1885 and was surveyed in 1889 by the Egeria when it was found to be one and one-quarter miles long by one mile wide, the highest part being 153 feet above sea level. In 1894 it had been eroded to such an extent that it had the appearance of a low streak of black rock.

At the end of that year, however, as a result of renewed volcanic action, a new crater had been formed about fifty feet high, three miles long by about a mile and a half broad. Four years later it had again become a thing of the past, nothing remaining but a shoal 100 yards in extent upon which the sea broke heavily and which, in 1906, had at its northern end been elevated to several feet above sea level. When visited in 1918 it had undergone considerably elevation and had the appearance of an ordinary coral atoll with a sparse vegetation growing upon it, leading observers to conclude that it had at last decided to behave like a small respectable island. Such appears not its intention, however.

There's Style to These English Girls!

Women predominate in the town of Hinckley, Leicestershire. There are three women to every man, and most of the girls are well-to-do.

Hinckley is responsible for half the silk stockings produced in this country. But though the stockings they make might be good enough for most girls, the Hinckley girls don't wear them. Why? Because they earn anything from \$15 to \$30 a week, working only five and a half days. Many earn more than their brothers and fathers and can afford Paris hose.

"Tom looks a bit fed up. I think something must be preying on his mind." "Don't worry; it will die of starvation."

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Petunias, Hollyhocks, Canterbury Bells

Petunias, hollyhocks and Canterbury bells—we know in advance what we can expect of these plants with such gayly colored blossoms! We cannot even think of an old garden without picturing box-edged beds of pink petunias, tall parallel spikes of colorful hollyhocks, against a rambling whitewashed wall, or a group of Canterbury bells peering at us across a wall curb.

The new petunias are all large flowering. Some of them are quite fluted or deeply fringed, and all of them are deep-throated and beautifully marked. The petunias has so many uses. It will decorate a porch or a garden path; in fact it will live quite happily wherever the sun shines.

Most petunia enthusiasts prefer the single giant flowered varieties, such as California giants, Monstrosus and Purple Prince, but no collection is quite complete without a few double flowering kinds. We must, however, keep in mind when planting double varieties that this seed is obtained by hybridization, and therefore will not produce all double flowers. Some blossoms on these plants will be sure to be single, but when this happens the blossoms will be unusually fine. The weaker seedlings should receive great care, as they produce the finest double flowers.

Bushing the Petunias

At this time in the latitude of Toronto, most petunias are becoming a bit "leggy." We can easily overcome this tendency on the part of these plants by occasionally pinching out the centre of each sprout. This will cause the plants to become more bushy, and at the same time prolong their season of blooming. If we are careful to go over our plants each day and remove all dead leaves and withered blossoms there is no reason why we should not have flowers until the plants are cut down by the frost in the fall.

The Stately Hollyhock

At this time hollyhocks are at their height. There is no garden flower that possesses more decorative possibilities. They are stately, majestic, towering plants that lend interest and beauty wherever they are grown. No matter whether we find them in masses against a stone wall or building, in the rear of the perennial border, or interspersed among the low growing shrubbery they are effective. They are especially useful in a new garden where we want to cover bare

watering we must give the plants a mulch; this can consist of either leaf mold, lawn clipping, peat moss or well rotted cow manure. Any of these will be useful in retaining moisture.

In early September we must be careful to remove all dead leaves and fading flowers. This will not only add to the attractiveness of our garden, but will encourage the development of other flowers. When staking Canterbury Bells do not gather them in shapless bundles, but tie the stems to a stake, and arrange the plants in such a way that air can reach the centre of the plant. This also insures an even distribution of sun.

The Sweet Bellflower Family

The Campanula or Bellflower family cannot have too much praise. The flowers and foliage are equally desirable, and the plants are so adaptable. The most prominent members of this family are Canterbury Bell, Bluebell, Peach Bell and Hare Bell. There are many ranging from two inches high to those four and one-half feet high, all bell shaped and of lovely color. Of the low growing varieties the Campanula Harebell is the most practical for a rock garden. For general garden use the Canterbury Bell will be best. We can select the pink, blue or white varieties and they are equally they are about three feet high, they should be placed at the back of the border.

When your Children Cry for It

There is hardly a household that hasn't heard of Castoria! At least five million homes are never without it. If there are children in your family, there's almost daily need of its comfort. And any night may find you very thankful there's a bottle in the house. Just a few drops, and that colic or constipation is relieved; or diarrhoea checked. A vegetable product; a baby remedy meant for young folks, Castoria is about the only thing you have ever heard doctors advise giving to infants. Stronger medicines are dangerous to a tiny baby, however harmless they may be to grown-ups. Good old Castoria! Remember the name, and remember to buy it. It may be a sleepless, anxious night. It is always ready, always safe to use; in emergencies, or for everyday ailments. Any hour of the day or night that Baby becomes fretful, or restless, Castoria was never more popular with mothers than it is today. Popular druggist has it.

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places and add to the coloring. Some landscape architects depend almost entirely on the hollyhocks to hide unsightly vistas. Hollyhocks will yield most wonderful flowers the first season.

We can have single or double varieties. It is really the color of a mass of hollyhocks that most of us admire rather than the flowers of individual plants. The stalks range from four to nine feet in length. As hollyhocks in the garden means flowers in August, a season when there are fewer flowers. These plants are somewhat demanding a soil composed of good garden loam and leaf mold, equal parts. This must be well incorporated with the soil. Some growers add a little well-decayed manure to the soil. For hollyhocks to be at their best a good drainage must also be provided. Never allow these plants to suffer from want of water during the growing season; they must have plenty of water.

Sow New Hollyhocks Now

This is the time to start new plants. As the seeds ripen in August or early September they can be sown as soon as they are gathered and kept during the winter. Hollyhocks also self-sow very rapidly. In order to get the best results hollyhocks should never be grown too long in the same place. At this time if the plants are not already staked you will want to do so at once. The weight of blooms makes the stalks heavy, and a sweeping storm might break them off easily unless they were kindly supported by their gardeners. It is also well at this time to give the plants a cupful of liquid manure.

At this time when we are apt to be experiencing hot, dry weather we must give some definite attention to our Canterbury Bells if we would have them continue to bedeck our gardens with their dainty bells. Each day we must literally soak the soil about their roots with water. We must use a sufficient quantity to reach the feeding roots of the plants. Merely sprinkling the top of the soil with water will be of little use. The Campanula family are all moisture loving. Aside from watering we must give the plants a mulch; this can consist of either leaf mold, lawn clipping, peat moss or well rotted cow manure. Any of these will be useful in retaining moisture.

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On a certain island station there was a garnish of marines as well as bluejackets, with a senior officer of each corps. Their two wives each laid claim to a special pew in the little church, and an appeal was acrimoniously disputed. He recorded a patient hearing each claimant, and decided that the pew should be occupied by the elder of the two. Result, the pew was never occupied by either.

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