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Along the Umpqua.

(The following article is taken from an old number Overland Monthly.)

At Pansy's landing he looked about in the willows and found a carpet bag, which he bestowed snugly in the canoe, and walked back and forth on the pebbly shore, now and then flinging one skipping across the water. As he rose to his feet after a search among reeds for another of a suitable shape, he met the critical glance of Ad'line Ann. Her arm had been out of the sling for several days, and she wore a pink print dress and the wide hat; in his hand were twisted a few dry wild flowers the color of her dress.

Scionarsb uncovered his head and moved slowly toward her, thinking that her eyes were the color of the still, deep water under the shadow of the leaves, where an occasional shaft of sunlight falls. A mischievous smile curled her lips as she made a feint of going back, saying: "It's a long time since I see such a peart lookin' stranger in these parts. Ar ye lookin' for Mr. Pansy?" He stood in the path in front of her. "Aunnie, is your arm strong enough to go around my neck?"

"Law no, it ain't!" drawing back. "I'll just see if it is."

And stooping quickly he lifted her with one arm about the knees, and stood erect looking into the startled face above him. Of course not only the lame arm but the other also had gone around his neck, in an instinctive effort at self preservation.

"Kiss me, and I'll let you walk."

"No."

"Well then, I'll have to carry you," and he set her feet in the prow of the canoe, and then held it steady until she found her seat at the other end. In a moment they were out in the stream and slipped around the bend. Then he shipped his paddle and regarded her earnestly.

"Sweetheart, are you sure you are not going to be afraid of me any more?"

"Well, I do know. Ye look kinder queer in that hat, and your whiskers, they covered you up some."

He took off his high silk hat and set it carefully in her lap.

"Now do I look more natural?"

"No." "He is not particularly handsome to a casual observer perhaps, but something in the girl's eyes seemed to say she found him so.

"You are not going to take back what you promised yesterday?"

"No."

He slipped a slender ring over one of Adeline's little ring fingers, and kissed them all, saying, "John Schomarsb, his mark and seal."

He took his hat and showed it over his head with a cheer that echoed from the hillsides again, and again, as the little craft flew over the water under his rapid paddling.

At the mouth of Smith's River he ran up to shore and whistled. In a moment a young Indian appeared, who after a few sentences in jargon from Schomarsb got into the canoe also, and they moved out into the Umpqua, drifting down with the current until they met the up-going steamer, which they hailed, and as she stopped they climbed aboard, leaving the Indian in the canoe. He shouted at the retreating steamer with a wide grin on his wooden face, "Chlahim, six Socoomm tillicum!" He looked at the letter and the money Schomarsb had given him, and the grin grew yet wider.

When Dad Pansy's eyebrows spelt out the epistle that the unobservant aborigine peeped in his hands a few hours later, he experienced many emotions, but they finally settled into one of satisfaction, and he chuckled softly to himself for a long time before he showed it to his wife. This is what she read:

MR. PANSY:

DEAR SIR—

Miss Adeline Ann Pansy and myself have decided to take a journey to Roseburg for a few days. We did not have many preparations to make, and so said nothing about them. I have some government bonds that will enable me to support Adeline in comfort, and have in the will I have made, left them to her, in case of my death.

I have reason to believe that you have no personal objection to the relation I propose to assume, otherwise I would have considered the step I take honorable one.

I feel that the simplicity of our arrangements will have saved Mr. Pansy more or less trouble. She will find the key of my cabin under the third cupboard from the left corner of the roof, and if there are any changes there that the kindness of her heart may suggest for Adeline's comfort, I trust she will make them at any cost, and believe me grateful.

Yours with great happiness,
JOHN SCHOMARSB.

P. S. We will go to Seaside on the Washington, and be married there this evening, and stay at Lyon's until the stage starts in the morning.

J. S.

SAVREVILLE'S AMAZING HUES.

A Jersey Blasphemy In Yellow Set In a Symphony of Blue.

Probably the most remarkable bit of color to be found within a radius of 100 miles from this city is the little hamlet of Savreville, N. J. From an artist's point of view Savreville is impressionistic in the nightmare sense of the word. Its surroundings are beautiful, for it stands on a little bluff overlooking a spreading marsh through the center of which a sparkling river runs to lose itself in a rift of the faraway hills. The marsh is a dull, grayish blue, the river gives a steel blue effect, and far away the distance of the hills blends in soft gradations into the hue of the sky. In the midst of this gam of a landscape stands Savreville, yellow in every sense of the word. It is a blasphemy in yellow set in a symphony in blue.

In the neighboring villages there is a legend as to how Savreville became yellow. They say that when the town was first built three wags painted houses in it, and that one day an enterprising peddler on his notion selling roudy saw in this an opportunity for money making. He procured a large quantity of damaged paint at a nearby city, all of the paint being in various hues of yellow, from bright orange down to the palest buff. This paint he carried to Savreville and sold at low prices, and with little profit to himself. Then the town set about painting itself yellow. Some of the people pooled their interests and their paints and ornamented their houses with the combination. Others ran to stripes, and having used up one tint filled in with the rest. One man tried polka dots in chrome on a background of greenish buff, with brilliant effect. When the work was done, the peddler came back with a big consignment of staring green, with which the townspeople bought, and with which they painted their blinds. The result was pleasing to the Savrevillers, but starting to such few outsiders as chanced to journey to that town.

In the course of time two householders found courage to break away from the prevailing yellowness. One repainted his house in robin's egg blue, the other tinted his door and window frames with the same color. They moved their two buildings stand out conspicuously and give just enough color tone to the village to accentuate its amazing effects in yellow.—New York Sun.

SEALING IN LABRADOR.

Fields Many Miles Square Fairly Teeming With Seal.

Late in February the Newfoundland sealing steamers break through the ice in St. John's harbor and make their way to some northern outpost, lying there until March 10, the earliest date on which the law allows them to "go to sea." They stand out to sea until they reach the immense fields of ice from the Arctic ocean. These fields are often many square miles in extent and fairly teem with seals. A great seal hunter told me that the sea seemed suddenly converted into a vast field of seals and ice. The steamer breaks into the jam and floats with it or skids along the edge, the crew, 200 or 300 in number, taking to the floating ice and living there for days and nights.

The young seals fatten so rapidly that sealers say you can actually see them grow while you are looking at them. The poor creatures are easily killed, a blow with the butt end of a gaff finishing them. The hunter then "sculps," or skins them, inserting a sharp knife under the fat, and with marvelous dexterity taking off the "pelt" skin and fat together—in about a minute and a half. A party of men will "pan" their pelts—pile them up to the number of about 1,000 and thrust a gaff with the ship's flag into the pan. When three or four pans are ready, the steamer breaks into the ice and hauls them aboard with a donkey winch, or the men drag them to the vessel's side.

The Newfoundland seal hunters always speak of seals as "swiles," and for our word carry they say "spall." A schoolmaster who had been listening to a seal hunter's story said mockingly: "Swiles! How do you spell swiles?" "We don't spell 'em," replied the hunter; "we most generally hauls 'em!"—Gustav Kobbé in St. Nicholas.

THE OTHER KIND.

Not long ago a well dressed woman entered the savings bank in a western town and told the clerk that she wished to deposit some money to the credit of George Sampson.

Recognizing her as the wife of a man of that name, who already had an account open, the clerk rightly guessed that the money in question was to start an account for one of her children.

"Is he a minor?" he inquired.

"No, I guess not!" responded the depositor indignantly. "That's something we've never had in our family yet! And if Georgie shows any leanings toward it when he gets old enough—he ain't but 10 now—I reckon his pa can tell him yasn't that's what I'm expellin' and shaft fallin' on top of folks that'll settle him quicker'n a wink!"—Youth's Companion.

Notice to the Public

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Dated this 9th day of October, 1899.

WILLIAM J. BERGHARD, Administrator of the estate of Samuel Turner, deceased.

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