

THE ENTERPRISE.

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The Rescued Mexican Women.

THE SUFFERINGS AND INDIGNITIES THEY WERE SUBJECTED TO BY THEIR SAVAGE CAPTORS.

TUCSON, A. T., June 18. The five Mexican women and one child rescued from the Apaches and brought here last evening are now in charge of Consul Tuleji, who has telegraphed to his government for instructions as to what disposition to make of them.

The troops had been ordered home and the women followed their husbands at a distance of about two days' journey behind, traveling on foot.

On the 10th of May they were surprised by a band of Apaches under the personal command of Geronimo. The Indians suddenly arose from behind rocks and bushes. The women were frightened and began screaming.

A Mexican captive named Jose, who had long been with the Indians, came forward, and, addressing them in Spanish, assured them no harm would come if they would surrender and follow the Apaches.

There was nothing else for them to do but to follow. The Indians then came forward and asked a great many questions through Jose. They were anxious to know the names of the Mexican soldiers, their whereabouts and intentions.

To all of which the women answered as best they could. There was another woman with them at this time, whom the Indians sent to Chihuahua for peace, as they said.

The capture was on or about the 10th of May. The Indians, with their captives, traveled incessantly the remainder of that night and the next day, where they were captured is known as Corrite Cuartes, and is half way between El Carmen and Plan de El Elrmo.

They calculated that the next morning after their capture they were at least 100 miles distant, though they cannot tell in which direction. For three days they were without water, but after that it was found in abundance.

The country thro' which they passed was wild beyond description. At times they were compelled to crawl upon all fours. Their thirst for the first three days nearly drove them crazy, and the Indians would whip and lash them up and compel them to travel.

Toward the last of their captivity food commenced giving out and they were put upon rations, a small piece of raw beef being all that was given to them. Mrs. Antonia Hernandez all this time carried her babe in her arms.

The Indian children took great pleasure in tormenting him, pinching him, flogging sharpened sticks into his side and giving him great pain. When she remonstrated, Geronimo or his men only laughed at her moans.

The last two days of captivity they had no food at all. There was no snow on the mountains. The cold of the mountains was intense and the women suffered almost to freezing.

The Indians never remained quiet in one spot a day, but were continually moving. They traveled nearly 100 miles a day, going in every direction, but tending generally northward.

The captives were abused and maltreated in every possible manner. They were made to work heavily whenever camp was made, and were general objects of abuse and ridicule.

They would take up Mrs. Hernandez's little boy and threaten to kill him, and would throw stones at him, to the great mental anguish of his mother.

One of the women was sent as a hostage of some sort to Chihuahua to make peace. The experience to cold, thirst, famine, exhaustion from travel and fear of torture, was having its effect on the poor women.

FACTS FOR FARMERS.

Linseed meal is excellent food for a colt.

Real Estate Agents.

Two Connecticut cows were lately poisoned by a pail of paint carelessly left where they could get it.

It is a common mistake to plant beans too early. The beans are a hot weather plant, and it is worse than useless to plant till the ground is well warmed.

Experiments in packing fruit for export in cheap straw have signally failed. Specimens wrapped in paper ship well; lining barrels with paper is also satisfactory.

Blocks of wood two inches square, painted red, are twisted into the upper strand of barbed wire fence as danger signals to stock. Whether the device is patented or not we don't know.

In all the States where the clip has yet been placed in the market, wool growers are holding their wool above the present view of buyers, and many of them will not sell on present basis of values.

A. S. Dykeman, of South Haven, is said to frequently spend \$500 in thinning out his peach crop, often removing nine-tenths. His rule is to leave one peach on a shoot six inches long.

In reference to the necessity of free range for fowls the Western Rural men a Chicago fancier who says his poultry in confined city quarters, are "not much over half as large" as those of the same breed on his farm.

Mr. D. W. Lewis calls tallow oil, lard oil and cottonseed oil, "venered in fresh cream," "the three greases," and he thinks they are prettier in the future, as last week, to break the back of butter held over for higher prices.

Mr. F. S. Peck, East Palmyra, N. Y., author of the suggestive treatise on "Soiling summer and winter"—thinks there is a great practical advantage in regular intervals of walking—at 4 o'clock morning and evening, throughout the year.

The Sacramento (Cal.) Cultivator's Guide says that orchardists in that state who have used solutions of soap and sulphur for spraying their trees in fighting insects, have claimed a decided diminution in pear scab and other fungus diseases.

The liquid from boiling in water bread toasted very hard is recommended by The Witness as a pleasant as well as wholesome drink for any weather, and especially effective for quenching thirst during the trying heat of harvest time on the farm.

The Germantown Telegraph suggests that competitive horse-shoeing should be included in the premium list of agricultural fairs, inasmuch as all must know how many animals are injured—sometimes permanently crippled—by untaught ignorant and reckless shoeers, who treat the hoof of a horse with as much roughness and recklessness as they do a plough share.

The following rule for estimating the amount of hay in a stack will be found approximately correct: In stack, timothy, after ten days or two weeks' setting, 600 cubic feet to the ton; clover, 700, and prairie hay 850 feet.

After thorough setting about 500 cubic feet of timothy, 550 of clover, and 450 of prairie hay. The cubic dimensions of a stack, multiply the average length, breadth and height together.

The following method of preserving potatoes is said to be that used by French hotel and restaurant keepers: The tubers are first washed and then, a few at a time, by means of small baskets, are plunged into boiling water and held there for four seconds; they are then immediately stored. This system destroys the vitality of the buds or "eyes" and there is no tendency to sprout, but the potatoes keep sound and in good flavor until the next crop comes in.

The United States Veterinary Journal says cracked hoof is the general result of a dry state of the hoofs which makes them weak and brittle; and the trouble may arise from fever or other causes of degeneration. Among the more prominent influences which tend to produce cracked hoof are an uneven bearing of the shoe, calking or other wounding, or injury to the coronet and the drying of the hoof of the hoof.

Charcoal has considerable manurial value, especially when applied on rich ground, the ammonia of which it absorbs and gives out as the plant roots require. It also improves the mechanical texture of the soil whether light or heavy, and its dark color holds the heat from the sun, making the land warmer at early seasons.

The remains of old charcoal pits always make the best land in the field for many years thereafter.

AGRICULTURE IN CHINA.

The North China Herald says: "Every true Confucian is an agnostic. He believes only in the seen; the unseen he regards as unknown and unknowable."

A Test of Indian Courage.

An Indian inter-tribal fair was held, not long ago, in order to show some of the results of civilizing the savages.

A number of tribes attended and displayed articles of home manufacture, such as needle work, embroidery, lace work and blankets. Many of the Indians had their pictures taken, and showed a childish delight in looking at their faces.

Others, however, could not be persuaded to go near the camera. Yellow Bear, of Arapahoe, was the first to pass through the ordeal of a sitting. He suffered himself to be properly seated, and then the camera was brought to bear upon him.

But when the prepared plate was placed in the box, and the lid lifted, he leaped to his feet at a bound, and attempted to leave the tent. All attempts to reason with him failed. At last a photograph of a Cheyenne, taken some years ago, was shown him. He looked at it a moment, then went quietly back to his chair, and sat like a statue while the negative was taken.

He explained that no Cheyenne warrior was a greater brave than he. The gigantic Osages, on the other hand would not approach the tent. They say the camera kills them of their good spirits. The Kickapoo gave the very same reason, and the photographer was peremptorily ordered out of the country on that account. The Indian is a profound believer in the power of spirits for good or evil, and takes care never to offend them.

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