

### EXPLORE CLIFF STOREHOUSE

Explorers Find Well-Preserved Flint Corn and Seeds in Primitive Structure Used by Indians.

Though settlers have lived in Nine-Mile canon, near Harper, Utah, for perhaps a third of a century, it was only recently that a primitive structure built high up on the almost perpendicular wall of the gulch was explored, says an exchange.

The building, which is regarded as the work of cliff dwellers, is made of adobe and stone and occupies a niche in the rugged wall 60 feet above the floor of the canon and is practically inaccessible. After letting down over 100 feet of rope from the top of the wall an investigator descended by this precarious means and gained access to the primitive shelter.

Here he found several ears of well-preserved flint corn, such as is now grown on many arid western farms, and a quantity of seeds resembling squash seeds. Neither rodents nor birds had molested this supply. The dry climate doubtless aided in preventing its decay.

Poles extending across the top were built into the masonry and probably once formed a part of a larger structure. It is thought that the primitive people used this, together with other shelters in the canon, as reserve storehouses, and that access to them was gained with the aid of ladders and poles.

#### NEW LIFEBOAT.

A new kind of lifeboat is a huge steel buoy which weighs 2,000 pounds and will hold 40 persons, as well as water and provisions sufficient for a week or ten days. The buoy has an anchor which serves as ballast and it is claimed to be unsinkable. If the buoy is kept on the deck of a vessel, all that is necessary in case of accident is that the passengers climb in. The buoy will launch itself as the vessel sinks.

#### JAPAN PAPER UNSURPASSED.

Japanese native-made paper is not surpassed anywhere in this world; it is used for the finest books, says the East and West News. The paper cloth of Atami, from which durable clothing is made, indicates not only the strength but the variety of uses to which the native paper of Japan can be put. All grades of news, magazine and book papers have advanced in Japan. The far East explains that the rise is due to the inability of the mills to supply both domestic demand and a rapidly growing export market. None of the Atami paper cloth is sent out of the country owing to the large home consumption. No attempt has been made, except in China, to develop this purely peasant household industry out of the narrow rut in which it exists and to place it upon a modern industrial basis.

### NATURE GOOD TO MARYLAND

Fruit, Game, Grain, Nuts, Beautiful Streams Found in Abundance in Favored Section.

The squirrels are "cutting hickory" and incidentally raiding the fields of ripe corn; persimmon trees are heavy with green fruit that gives promise of much luscious sweetness after the first hard frost; early flocks of ducks are winging over the coves and creeks where the wild celery upon which they feed is thick and long; and in the marshes the wild bats are dropping their ripe grain faster than the ortolans and reed birds can gather it, according to Nicksah. All these are signs that autumn is coming in tidewater Maryland.

One must not forget either, that oysters are almost prime and the fishermen are gathering them by the boatload, and that the sea trout are running and watermelons are ripe. Truly this region is friendly to man in its abundance of things that are good to eat. No wonder that the Indians loved the country, and that some of the first white men who came to America made it their home.

It is not a land of striking beauty, but one nevertheless pleasing to the eye. Slow-moving creeks spread into broad covers as they meet the wide green rivers; low hills heavily timbered roll back toward the rich uplands of grain field and orchard. Here and there on a commanding hilltop stands a graceful mansion with high pillared verandas and wide lawns—a leftover bit of colonial America.

#### ANCIENT PROPHECY FULFILLED.

The most important change in the Red sea has been the drying up of its northern extremity. The tongue of the sea has dried up for a distance of at least fifty feet from its ancient head, thus fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah 11:15 and 19:5. An ancient canal conveyed the waters of the Nile to the Red sea. The drying up of the head of the gulf appears to have been the chief cause of the neglect and ruin of this canal.

#### TREATMENT OF PARETICS.

As a result of two and a half years of treating paretics in the New Jersey State hospital with salvarsan, neosalvarsan and albuminate of mercury injected into the spinal cord, Drs. Britton D. Evans and Frederic H. Thorne report to the Medical Journal that this method has little or no value.

#### NOT QUITE PLUCKED.

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