

Blanket Sail Saved

Life of "Jeff" Davis

Use of a blanket as a sail once saved Jefferson Davis, later to be president of the southern Confederacy, from death at the hands of hostile Indians, a writer in the Kansas City Star recalls. He was Lieutenant Davis then and had been sent to superintend the cutting of timber on the banks of the Red Cedar river in northern Wisconsin. His task consisted mainly of cutting logs, dragging them to the water, fastening them together in rafts, and guiding them down the Chippewa river and thence to the Mississippi.

Once Davis' party, paddling along a stream, was halted by a party of Indians who demanded a trade of tobacco. Davis and his men paddled over to the bank to parley. Some one in the party discovered that the peaceful ones of the Indians were merely a cloak to hide their hostility and warned Davis of the danger. The soldiers hurriedly pushed out the stream and the Indians followed. Realizing what little chance white men had against such experienced paddlers, Davis conceived the idea of rigging up a sail with a blanket. A strong wind made this rather dangerous, but as it was a chance between death from the Indians and possible death from drowning, they were willing to take the risk. The sail was quickly hoisted and it worked well. They soon sped on far ahead of their pursuers.

Happiness in Labor

Great Joy of Life

I believe the right question to ask, respecting all ornament, is simply this: Was it done with enjoyment—was the carver happy while he was about it? It may be the hardest work possible, and the harder because so much pleasure was taken in it; but it must have been happy, too, or it will not be living. . . .

We are not sent into the world to do anything into which we cannot put our hearts. We have certain work to do for our bread, and that is to be done strenuously; other work to do for our delight, and that is to be done heartily; neither is to be done by halves and shifts, but with a will; and what is not worth this effort is not to be done at all. Perhaps all that we have to do is meant for nothing more than an exercise of the heart and of the will, and is useless in itself; but, at all events, the little use it has may well be spared if it is not worth putting our hands and our strength to.—John Ruskin, in "The Seven Lamps of Architecture."

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"Help Yourself!"

An invitation to "come in and consume all you can eat and drink" is displayed outside a cafe in San Diego, Calif.

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A waitress serves at the counter serves butter, water, soup and silver-ware, but after that the customer looks after himself. An assortment of meat, vegetables, salads and desserts rolls past on the moving circle. This circle runs through the kitchen, where the cook fills up the dishes as they are emptied.

Three National Capitals

The nation's capital was moved from New York to Philadelphia on December 1, 1790, for a period of ten years, ending December 1, 1800, prior to its removal to Washington. After the burning of the capitol during the War of 1812 a strong movement arose for removing the capital from Washington. In fear of such a result the local interests formed the Capitol Hotel company, and erected a building for government occupancy until the repairs on the capitol were finish. It was occupied from 1814 to 1819 and was afterward known as the "Old Capitol" and was used in the Civil war as a military prison.

Golf Instructions

An absolute beginner was totting round the links wondering if the game was really worth while and vowing, to his grizzled Scottish caddy, that this would be his last round.

"And what should I take now?" he asked a moment later, finding his ball in a terrible lie.

"Well, mon," replied the caddy, "you have three alternatives. For a start, you might take me and get me something to drink; secondly, you might take a' your clubs home and give up golf; thirdly, you might try throwin' the ba'!"

Puzzles Radio Experts

In a Toronto flower shop it has been discovered that everything that is broadcast from a nearby radio station is received and made audible by the faucets of a metal sink. The sink it- self acting as a loud-speaker. Music can be clearly heard ten feet or more from the taps. It is also said that in London a certain metal lamp pole has been found to act in the same way. Radio experts have so far been unable to explain these newest mysteries of wireless transmission.—Youth's Companion

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Our Millionaire Cabinet

There are at least five millionaires in the present cabinet. They are Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, Secretary of Commerce Hoover, Secretary of State Kellogg, Secretary of Labor Davis, and Secretary of the Interior Work. Their wealth rating probably corresponds to the order in which their names are given.

Tree-Planting Experiment

Seedlings of California redwood are soon to be planted in the Natural Arch and other forests of Virginia, according to Science. It is hoped to reproduce the giant trees of the Pacific in many other parts of the country.

They Certainly Do

Examiner—The farmers raise the grain merchant; now what do the grain merchant do?
Boy—They raise the price.—Paris Rire.

Explained

"Are you a college man?"
"No, I'm wearing these clothes to pay an election bet."

Prefers the Telephone

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So Consoling

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