

"Bad Man" Began His Lawless Life Early

Bill Langley probably was one of the toughest characters that Texas ever produced, Owen P. White tells us. In Collier's Magazine, according to his family Bible he was born of honest, God-fearing parents, but he took to shooting early. When he was only fourteen years old he was doing his daily "dozen" with a pair of six-shooters and filling all the trees in the ancestral wood lot with clusters of leaden bullets, generally grouped a dozen in a spot and no spot more than six inches in diameter. Thus early in life did Bill make a bid for fame. He learned to shoot with both hands, afoot or horseback, it was the same to him. But, sad to relate of one so young, Bill's conscience apparently was just as well trained as his shooting eye. It never bothered him in the slightest degree. Hence, before he was nineteen years he had six ticks on his gun and had been hanged by a Texas vigilance committee. But the hanging did not "take." Members of the party fired shots at him as they rode away. One of the bullets clipped the rope, weakening it, and a few moments later he dropped to the ground and quickly recovered. After several years of wild degradation, Langley was executed in Giddings, Texas, October 11, 1878.

Joel Chandler Harris Never a Social "Lion"

The first published work of Joel Chandler Harris, creator of "Uncle Remus," was set into type by hand as ideas came to his head, without first being committed to paper, says J. T. Manry of Plain Dealing, who worked with Harris on the Monroe Advertiser in Forsyth, Ga., shortly after the close of the Civil war.

Harris would not read his compositions after they were in print if he could avoid it. He taught Manry to read proof and thus avoided having to read what he had "written" with type. Harris was extremely shy and declined to meet many persons. Once Harris, Mark Twain and George W. Cable met in New Orleans. Twain recounts the instance in his "Life on the Mississippi." When the New Orleans children saw "Uncle Remus" they were greatly disappointed and exclaimed:

"Why, he's white." To console them, a move was made to have Harris read the Tar-Baby story aloud. But he never had real aloud to people and was too shy to make the venture.

Ponderous German Verbs
The ponderous use of the divided German verb is as characteristic of their mental processes as is one of their great machines. In fact, it reminds one of Big Bertha shooting at Paris. It also seems to be the thing which is most embedded in their way of thinking.

I knew a German who had lived forty years in America and had practically forgotten all of his German. But to the end of his days he would get off such an expression as this: "As long as I live in this town the more I find, by Jimmy Christmus, out," and that final "out" landed with all the force of a projectile which had been carefully aimed and had carried a long distance.—Henry C. Emery in Harper's Magazine.

Handel Rebuked King

The courage of conviction is a characteristic to be admired. Handel held no other avocation or individual higher in his estimation than the elevated standard to which he placed music. To him the power of man was no greater power than that of his art. With such exalted reverence did his genius worship the spirit of music it is quite reasonable to accept his fearless manner of constantly championing it, no matter what the dignity of the personage whom he found himself compelled to address. On one occasion, when the king of England told Handel how greatly he pleased him, the composer answered: "Your majesty, I did not intend to amuse or afford pleasure, but to make the world better."—The Violinist.

Hid Stolen Gold in Eye

The death of the owner of a "pub" at Kalgoorlie, western Australia, recently revealed a unique theft from the gold mines many years ago. In his youth the man had lost an eye in an explosion and a glass one had been substituted in the socket. A cavity at the back of this furnished a hiding place for gold stolen from the mine, and though the miner stole only a small bit of gold each day, his revenue from this source was about \$40 a week. Before his death the man told his friends that he had stolen several thousand dollars worth of gold, but that he retired and bought a "pub," fearing he might arouse suspicion.

New Name for Old Dish

A correspondent of the Daily Chronicle of London, who traveled by rail from Bucharest to Cracow, writes: "As is the custom on transcontinental lines, the menu for each meal was printed in the language of the country through which the train was passing at the time. Thus I had my lunch in Rumanian, but at dinner was confronted by a Polish menu. I chose 'hementex,' which somehow suggested an Esperanto delicacy. What was my delight when a dish of ham and eggs was placed before me!"

Dogs Must Wear Moccasins

Army regulations referring to dogs used in Alaska for transportation provide that, with other things, each sled taken out shall be furnished with "two pairs of moccasins specially fitted for each dog." Another unusual feature of these regulations is that "the nails of dogs will be carefully pared down before the first work in the fall, and will be examined every month and pared as often as necessary to prevent pulling out, which causes lameness."

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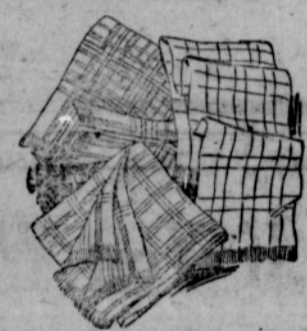
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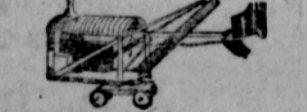
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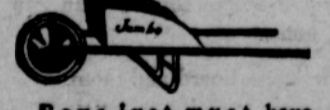


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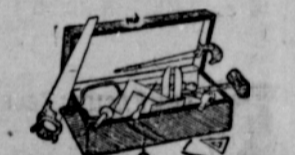
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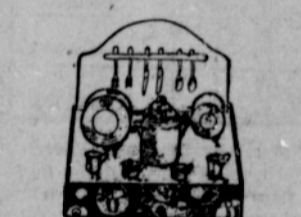
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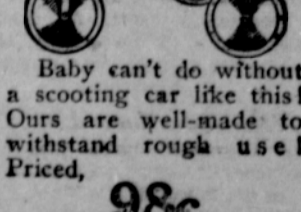
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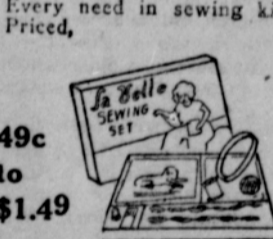
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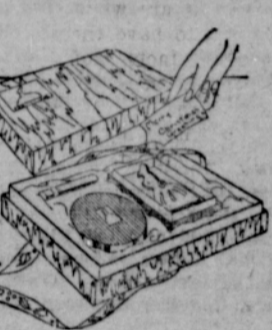
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