

WORSHIP THE SHARKS

South Sea Islanders Fear Them as the Abode of Ghosts.

HOLD SOULS OF THEIR DEAD.

The Natives Offer Gifts and Food, Sometimes Human, to Appease the Man Eaters—The Hawaiians Used to Feed Their Dead to the Monsters.

In view of the wide distribution of sharks and their strength and ferocity, qualities which appealed to the savage mind, it is not strange that the cult of shark worship should have arisen.

In the Solomon Islands living sacred objects are chiefly sharks, alligators, snakes, etc. Sharks are in all these islands very often thought to be the abode of ghosts, as natives will at times before their death announce that they will appear as sharks.

Such a one was Santahmatava at Ulawa, a dreaded man eater, to which offerings of porpoise teeth were made. At Saa certain food, such as coconuts from certain trees, is reserved to feed such a ghost shark, and there are certain men of whom it is known that after death they will be in sharks.

In the Banks Islands a shark may be a tangaroo, a sort of familiar spirit or the abode of one. Some years ago Manurwar, son of Mala, the chief man in Vanua Lava, had such a shark.

The Samoan native believed that his gods appeared in some visible incarnation, and the particular thing in which it was in the habit of appearing was to him an object of veneration. Many worshipped the shark in this way, and while they would freely partake of the gods of others they felt that death would be the penalty should they eat their own god.

In the Fiji Islands, Vliava and other gods claim the shark as their abode, and their devotees must never eat of that fish, for if they did they would be partaking of the god himself.

It was in the Hawaiian Islands, however, that shark worship reached its greatest perfection. Its worship was quite common on the islands, each one having a special shark as his ancestral god. The worship of sharks was due largely to the fact that the belief in the transmigration of souls is quite general among the Polynesians, and the Hawaiians would feed their dead to the sharks under the supposition that in this way the soul of the dead would enter the sharks and so animate the latter as to incline them to respect the bodies of the living.

Several of the African coast tribes worship the shark. Three or four times in the year they celebrate the festival of the shark, which is done in this way: They all row out in their boats to the middle of the river, where they invoke, with the strangest ceremonies, the protection of the great shark. They offer to him poultry and goats in order to satisfy his sacred appetite. But this is nothing. An infant is every year sacrificed to the monster, which has been feted and nourished for the sacrifice from its birth to the age of ten. On the day of the fete it is bound to a post on a sandy point at low water. As the tide rises the child may utter cries of terror, but they are of no avail, as it is abandoned to the waves, and the sharks soon arrive to finish its agony and thus permit it to enter into heaven.

The Polynesians have an ancient fable treating of the flight of Ina, the daughter of Vatoranga and Ngaeta, to the sacred isle. After the sole jumped her at the edge of the breakers with such disastrous results to it, that from the angry princess the latter summoned the shark and by its help succeeded in reaching the sacred isle. Feeling thirsty during the voyage, Ina cracked a coconut on the shark's forehead, and this accounts for the bump now found on the forehead of all sharks.

Absolutely Hopeless. "You might learn to love me," he said. "No idea," she said, "what a poor student I am."—Chicago Post.

"The more we study the more we discover our ignorance."—Shelley.

SHOEMAKERS' WAX.

The Surprising Properties of This Peculiar Substance.

One of the most apt illustrations ever made by Lord Kelvin was his likening the luminiferous ether to a mass of shoemakers' wax. What Lord Kelvin said of shoemakers' wax may be tested by any boy in a manner that will astonish his playmates. First let it be said that the ether penetrates all space. It is as rigid as steel and yet so flexible that it does not retard the passage of planets through space in the least. It is an invisible substance which travels in waves through all things. Now, to illustrate the nature of such a paradoxical material Lord Kelvin searched everywhere and at last concluded that shoemakers' wax represented it best. He made tests, and this is what he found:

He melted some wax in a common glass tumbler. After it had hardened he tried to thrust a lead pencil through it. It would not go. Then he placed a coin on the surface of the wax and left it there for several days. When he again visited it the coin had sunk to the bottom of the glass. The wax had closed over it, and by lifting up the glass and looking through the bottom he could see the coin lying there. Had the wax been as deep as a well the coin would have gone on sinking until it reached the bottom. This proved that the wax would conform only to very slow movements. If he had tried to push it too fast it would have resisted him.

An idea struck the scientist. If the wax acted like this toward the coin, how would it treat an object which floated? He accordingly placed a cork in a tumbler and poured hot shoemakers' wax upon it. The wax hardened with the cork at the bottom. Yet when Lord Kelvin looked at the bottom of the glass in a day or two he found the cork had disappeared. It was somewhere in the mass of wax and probably rising very slowly, but surely, toward the top. Sure enough, after a given period of time the cork peeped above the surface of the hard wax, and finally it rose to a point where it remained half imbedded in the wax, just as it would have done in a glass of water. It rose no higher than this, however, and a corkscrew probably would not have pulled it from the wax. Yet its own buoyancy had raised it up from the bottom through what seemed an impenetrable mass of wax.

This, in fact, is the peculiarity of shoemakers' wax—that it resists all sudden or quick movements, but is highly susceptible to very slow and prolonged pressure. If you pressed a flatiron hard down on a lump of wax on a table it is probable you would make no impression on it, but if you left that iron resting on the wax for a day or two you would find the lump flattened out under the iron. So curious is this property of the wax that tuning forks have been cast from pieces of it. These forks were capable of vibration, giving a musical note and being set going by vibration from another tuning fork, yet when one of them was laid across the open mouth of a jar it slowly collapsed and fell into the jar in a shapeless, sticky mass.

How She Missed Him. A poor woman who kept a small shop in a northern village and who was troubled with a husband who could scarcely be considered a credit to the family one day found herself a widow through the sudden demise of her spouse. A lady who frequently made small purchases at the shop called to see her and offer her sympathy, though well knowing that the man's death must in a certain sense come as a relief, as the wife had often suffered from his violence. She was not, however, quite prepared for the stolid way in which the wife took her bereavement. Said the lady, "I am sure, Mrs. G., that you must miss your husband." "Well, mum, it do seem queer to go into the shop and find something in the till."—London Express.

A Summer of Haze. Europe and Asia were covered by fog during the summer of 1783. Says Gilbert White (letter 106): "The summer of the year 1783 was an amazing and a portentous one. . . . besides the alarming meteors and tremendous thunderstorms. . . . the peculiar haze, or smoky fog, that prevailed for many weeks in this island (England) and in every part of Europe and even beyond its limits was a most extraordinary appearance. The heat was intense. Calabria and part of the Isle of Sicily were torn and convulsed with earthquakes." Cowper also refers to this phenomenon in speaking of "nature, with a dim and sickly eye."

The First Word. "That is what I call an ideal marriage," Hardy declared to his wife as they were walking homeward after an evening at the Car-Dis. "Actually, I believe, both think absolutely alike." "Yes, they are certainly charming," assented Mrs. Hardy; "but about the thinking, Joe, if you will notice, she generally thinks first."—Youth's Companion.

The Poor Women. "Why does a woman always want another woman to go shopping with her?" "She gets the other woman to make the selections and then takes something else."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

If You Can Get Up. "There's always room at the top." "Yes, but sometimes the elevator isn't running."—Cleveland Leader.

BOA CONSTRICTORS.

The Young Shift For Themselves as Soon as Hatched.

The real home of the boa constrictors is in the tropical countries. Mrs. Boa seeks a sandy place. When she has found it she coils herself into a great and almost flat corkscrew. Then by just two or three turns of her body she digs a shallow hole in the sand. This is her nest. In this hole she lays about twenty-four eggs. The eggs are about as large as those bantam chickens lay and are a dark cream color. They are oblong and more the shape of a pecan than of a hen's egg. The shell is not hard, like a hen's egg, but yields to the pressure of your finger, something like rubber.

Having laid her eggs in the nest of sand, the mother boa winds herself into a perfectly flat coil, like a round mat. This done, she gently pushes waves of sand upon the eggs until they are covered from four to six inches deep. Then she settles herself upon the top and stays there for nineteen days. At the end of this time a lot of little snakes may be seen pushing their way out from the nest and away into the world to get their own living. They don't show a bit of affection for their mother or for each other, but glide away, probably never to be together again. Is it any wonder, when they act so just after being hatched out, that boa constrictors never like anybody and never have anything to do with people if they can avoid it?

Each little snake measures from twelve to fourteen inches in length and is about as big around as a lead pencil. It is said that they eat nothing at all during the first six months of their lives or until they are old enough to catch and crush to death small animals and swallow them whole. The boa constrictor never bites—it has no poison fangs—but always kills by coiling about its victim and crushing it to death. Fully grown, the boa constrictor is thirty to forty feet long and as big around as the large part of a man's leg.

CHEWING TOBACCO.

The Grip With Which This Habit Holds Its Victims.

Every slave of the weed will know better than I do how much truth exists in a story told me a few evenings ago by a well known committing magistrate in New York.

We were seated at a club table discussing various kinds of dissipations, especially the fascination that liquor and gambling are said to have for men who cannot resist the impulse to gratify one or the other of these passions. The judge spoke:

"In my opinion the most overmastering craving known to our race is that for chewing tobacco. Opium in some forms may be as bad, but I am sure it isn't worse. A few weeks ago an incorrigible was brought before me, and after hearing the evidence I sentenced him to the island for three months. He appeared to take it very sensibly until a police officer as a teaser whispered into the man's ear, as I afterward learned, that he would not be allowed any tobacco while in the penitentiary. The poor chap turned pale, rose in his seat and held up his hand as a sign that he desired to ask me a question. I motioned to him to speak up.

"I say, good Mr. Judge, will you do me a great favor?" "Certainly, if it be within my power," I replied.

"I hear my tobacco will be cut off. Cannot you make my term six months or even a year if I am allowed to have chewing tobacco?"

The judge had to explain that he couldn't do anything of that sort. He related the prisoner's mind on the tobacco question by telling him that if he was a habitual chewer the prison physician would order a small quantity of the weed for him daily.

"Never did I see a greater change in a human face," concluded his honor.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Preparing an Alibi.

If culture remains confined within the splendidly bound volumes of the new library that has just been bought by a New Yorker it will not be the fault of the rich man's secretary. He is doing everything he can to let it loose. "I am cutting the leaves in all the books," he said. "The chances are nobody belonging to the family will ever look inside these books, but the boss has friends who may go snooping around through the library sometimes. In case they do he doesn't want them to gain the impression that literature is neglected in this house, so I am making sure that they will at least find the leaves cut."—Exchange.

The Finest City in Great Britain.

Edinburgh may be noted for its learning and for beauty of situation. Dublin may rank as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Oxford may boast its colleges and Canterbury its picturesque streets and grand old cathedral, but London stands supreme—the finest city of Great Britain.—London Captain.

A Paying Garden.

"No money in gardening? Why, I know a man who cleared \$30,000 last summer from less than an acre." "Impossible! Utterly absurd!" "Not at all. You see, it was a roof garden."—Boston Transcript.

The Best Way.

Old Ben Franklin was about the wisest product this country ever produced, and he never said anything much better than that the best way to find money is to earn it.—Atchison Globe.

Percheron Stallion Ville.

The Registered Percheron stallion Ville will stand for the season 1909 in Tillamook at Tillamook City, Beaver and Hebo. Ville is the largest and best proportioned stallion in the county. L. E. SANDERS, Owner.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Tillamook County. Mitchell, Staver Company, a corporation, Plaintiff, vs. E. E. Tyler, doing business as the Cash House, defendant. Firm name of E. E. Tyler & Company.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.—That whereas an execution has been issued out of the above entitled court, in the above entitled cause, in and to the said defendant, as Sheriff of Tillamook County, Oregon, to sell the hereinafter described property, real and personal, belonging to the said defendant which has heretofore been attached in said cause to satisfy the sum of \$1500.00, with interest thereon, on September 29th, 1908, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and for the further sum of \$1500.00, with interest thereon, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from September 29th, 1908, and \$75.00 as attorney's fees, and the costs and disbursements of said action, and whereas all the personal property attached in said action has heretofore been sold as hereinbefore provided, except the building erected upon the North 55 feet of Lot One, in Block Five, in Tyler's addition to the town of Hebo, now Tillamook City, Oregon, and the interest in the same, I will on the 25th day of June, 1909, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, in front of the Court House, in Tillamook City, Oregon, sell at Public Sale all the right, title and interest of the said E. E. Tyler, in and to lot number four (4), in Block Five, in Tyler's addition to the town of Hebo, now Tillamook City, and 55 feet of the North End of Lot One (1), in Block five (5), in Tyler's addition to the town of Hebo, now Tillamook City, and also the building erected on the last named tract, to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand.

Dated this 19th day of May, 1909. H. CRENSHAW, Sheriff of Tillamook County, Oregon.

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What Ails You?

Do you feel weak, tired, depressed, have frequent headache, and tongue bitter or bad taste in morning, heartburn, belching of gas, acid risings in throat after eating, stomach gnaw or burn, foul breath, dizzy spells, poor or variable appetite, nausea, and times and kindred symptoms?

If you have any considerable number of the above symptoms you are suffering from biliousness, a torpid liver with indigestion, and dyspepsia. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is made up of the most valuable medicinal principles known to medical science for the permanent cure of such bilious conditions. It is a most efficient liver invigorator, stomach tonic, bowel regulator and nerve strengthener.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" is not a patent medicine or secret nostrum, a full list of its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper and attested under oath. A glance at its formula will show that it contains no alcohol, or harmful habit-forming drugs. It is a fluid extract made with pure, triple-refined glycerine, of proper strength, from the roots of the following native American forest plants, viz., Golden Seal root, Stone root, Black Cherry bark, Queen's root, Bloodroot, and Mandrake root.

The following leading medical authorities, among a host of others, extol the beneficial roots for the cure of just such ailments as the above symptoms indicate: Prof. R. Bartlett, M. D., of Jefferson Med. College, Phila.; Prof. H. C. Wood, M. D., of Univ. of Pa.; Prof. Edwin H. Hale, M. D., in Chicago Med. College; Chicago; Prof. John King, M. D., Author of American Dispensary; Prof. J. M. Scudder, M. D., Author of Specific Medicines; Prof. Laurence Johnson, M. D., Mod. Dept. of N. Y.; Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., Author of Materia Medica and Prof. in Bennett Medical College, Chicago; Send name and address on Postal Card to Dr. E. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive free booklet giving extracts from writings of all the above named authors and many others endorsing, in the strongest possible terms, each and every ingredient of which the Golden Medical Discovery is composed.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate the stomach, liver and bowels. They are used in conjunction with Golden Medical Discovery if bowels are much constipated. They're tiny and sugar-coated.

NOTICE OF VACATION.

Of that Portion of Bayocan Park Lying North of the South line of Twenty-seventh Avenue.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this 31st day of May, 1909, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Tillamook County, State of Oregon, petition for the vacation of all that portion of the map or plat of Bayocan Park lying North of the South line of Twenty-seventh Avenue, and all the streets, avenues, boulevards, and alleys of said Bayocan Park lying North of the South line of Twenty-seventh Avenue; that the petitioner desires that the petitioner and the signer of this notice be the owner in fee simple and in possession of all the real property herein mentioned, and that no parties interested in said vacation and that it is the intention of the petitioner to replot and rededicate the property.

The said petition will be presented to the county court of the county of Tillamook sitting as a Board of County Commissioners for the transaction of county business on the 27th day of July, 1909, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M., or as soon thereafter as the said petition can be presented.

POTTER-CHAPIN REALTY CO., By H. L. CHAPIN, Vice President.

Administrator's Notice.

In the matter of the estate, of Julia A. Mapes, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.—That the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Tillamook County, administrator of the estate of Julia A. Mapes, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same properly verified, by July 1st, 1909, at the office of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Tillamook County, or as soon thereafter as the said petition can be presented.

W. B. ALDERMAN, Administrator of the estate of Julia A. Mapes, deceased.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.—That the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the Estate of ALBERT A. FORD, deceased, by the County Court of Oregon, for Tillamook County. Now, therefore, all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present them to me at Tillamook City, in Tillamook County, Oregon, with proper vouchers, on or before six months from the date hereof. Dated at Tillamook, Oregon, June 14th, 1909. E. G. FORD, Administrator of the Estate of Albert A. Ford, deceased.

RESTORATION TO ENTRY OF LANDS IN NATIONAL FOREST.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.—That the lands shown on the map of the National Forest, within the Sluaw National Forest, Oregon, which are subject to settlement and entry under the provisions of the homestead laws of the United States and the act of June 11, 1906 (34 Stat. 233), at the United States Land Office at Portland, Oregon, on August 19, 1909. Any settler who was actually and in good faith claiming any of said lands for agricultural purposes prior to January 1st, 1909, and who is not a settler of the same, has a preference right to make a homestead entry for the lands actually occupied. Said lands were listed upon the application of the persons mentioned below, who have a preference right subject to the priority right of any such settler, provided such settler or applicant is qualified to make homestead entry and the preference right is exercised prior to August 10th, 1909, on which date the lands will be subject to settlement and entry by any qualified person. The lands are as follows: The SW 1/4 of Sec. 10, T. 10 N., R. 12 W., listed upon the application of A. F. Gardner of Beaver, Oregon; Frank Bennett, Commissioner of the General Land Office, approved May 22, 1909; Frank Pierce, First Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, May 27th, 1909. Notice is hereby given that the Northern Pacific Railway Company, whose post office address is St. Paul, Minnesota, has this 27th day of May, 1909, filed in this office its application to select under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved July 1, 1898 (30 Stat. 597, 630) as extended by the Act of Congress, approved May 17, 1906, Lot 2, sec. 24, T. 1 S., R. 9 west, W. M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal of applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office, on or before the 16th of July, 1909.

ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

J. R. HARTER, Real Estate and Financial Agent.

Insurance. OFFICE, TILLAMOOK HOTEL.

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THE POET SAYS

"Beauty draws us by a single hair."

This seems like something of an exaggeration on the part of the poet, if at least does not apply to men. The man with a single hair would not draw worth a cent, unless as a curiosity.

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