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SHOT MOUTH CHARLEY

Old Puyallup Woman Cashes in and Moves Over to the Others Side

Shot Mouth Charley, the last of the Puyallup warriors who took part in the massacres of 1854 and 1855, and one of the oldest and best known Indians of his tribe, has gone to the happy hunting grounds. The old warrior, whose American name was Charley Shodashirt, died at his home on Vashlon island, near Clam cove, aged 90 years. The funeral services were held at the home of the warrior's nephew, William Adams, on the reservation, near Wapato, with all the pomp and ceremony possible out of the $500 left by Shot Mouth Charley for the occasion.

Shot Mouth Charley, so called because of the fact that he was shot through the mouth by one of the United States soldiers under General Kautz during the trouble between the Indians and the early settlers, has been a character in western Washington for more than half a century and was very influential with the surviving members of his illustrious tribe.

Was Leader in His Tribe.

During the troublesome times 50 or 60 years ago, when the Puyallups were warring with the redskins who came down from British Columbia and later when there were many fights between the Indians and the white settlers, Shot Mouth Charley was a leader in his tribe and took a prominent part in the hostile actions of the Puyallups. Of late years he has led a peaceful life and had acquired considerable property.

During the period when the Puyallups were compelled to defend themselves against the hostile Indians from across the boundary, Shot Mouth Charley was one of the sentinels who watched from vantage points for the approach of the British Columbia tribes, and when the enemy was sighted it was his duty to inform the Puyallups in time that the women and children might be gotten to places of safety and the braves prepared for war. In those days Point Defiance park was one of the spots from which a watch was kept for the canoes of the enemy, and many a lonely vigil has been kept on the point by Shot Mouth Charley, and when he died he carried to the grave with him the scars of wounds received in many a hard fought skirmish, both with hostile tribes and with the men the government provided to protect the white settlers in this part of the country.

Led Fight Near Auburn.

The old warrior was one of the leaders in the skirmish back of the site where the town of Auburn now stands and in which Lieutenant Slaughter lost his life at the hands of the Indians. When General Kautz started out with a company of regulars to put a stop to depredations being committed by the hostile Puyallups, Shot Mouth Charley was leading the band that came in contact with the regulars. The Indians fired on General Kautz' men and then retreated behind a bluff, but Charley stood his ground and was shot, the bullet passing through his mouth, in one cheek and out another. When the regulars reached the scene the Indians were gone, but some of the teeth that the old warrior had lost were found, and Gus Kautz, a son of General Kautz, now living in Tacoma, still keeps them as a memento.

For many years the old warrior has been declining in health and in anticipation of his death he sold some of his land and placed $500 in the bank, which was to be used to defray his burial expenses and provide the liquor and other necessities for a true Indian funeral.

Fishing in Oceania.

A peculiar method of fishing is indulged in by the natives of Tetuila, one of the islands of Oceania. At a given signal the inhabitants of the village assemble on the seashore to the number of about 200 persons, each of whom carries a branch of cocoa palm. With these in their hands they plunge into the water, and at a certain distance from the shoe turn toward it, forming a compact half circle, each one holding his palm branch perpendicularly in the water, and thus forming a sieve.

The leader of the party then gives a signal, and this living net approaches the shore gradually in perfect order, driving before it a multitude of fishes. Surrounded by this living wall and entangled in the cocoa palm branches many of the fishes are cast on the sand by waves, while others are killed with sticks. After being cooked over hot coals the fish are served with bananas and cocoanut milk.

The scene as described by a Frenchman who visited the island was interesting and picturesque in the extreme, the effect being immensely heightened by the appearance of the natives, whose costume consists of a short tunic of seaweed or leaves. Their hair is powdered with chalk, while the warriors are distinguished by the hair being powdered red. Wreaths of gardenias or red hibiscus are worn on their heads also round their necks.

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CHINESE DAILY KICKS

Points out Duty of American Citizens and Advocates the Boycott

The first number of the new Chinese daily paper has been published at San Francisco. It is said to be the only Chinese daily published outside the Flowery Kingdom, and is styled the Tai Tung Yat Bo. It has eight pages, and costs $6 a year. While nearly all of it is in Chinese characters, a strong editorial in English appears in the issue on the subject of the president's recent order requiring courteous treatment by immigration officers of Chinese entitled to land in the United States. The article denounces the methods adopted by these officials as "revoltingly inhuman and barbarous," and says the merchants of China are by no means satisfied with the president's recent order; that he invested customs officers with power to declare any consular certificate of a suspicious character, so that Chinese merchants arriving may still be subjected to oppression and inconveniences. The article proceeds as follows:

The grafters of the United States service are quick to take advantage of this presidential blunder, and the old wrongs, extortions and insults are perpetuated. When Mr. Roosevelt's attention was lately called to this error of judgment by Samuel Gompers, chief officer of labor organizations, he coolly dismissed the matter by announcing that he would "let it run for six months to see how it would work," showing a woeful lack of confidence in his own statesmanship. The obstacles will exist to a faithful and true administration of the exclusion law as applied to the exempt class. The Chinese merchants see in the president's double meaning promises only a ceaseless repetition of the indignities heretofore heaped upon them, and having learned also that the threat of declining further trade with America has at last called attention to these outrages they purpose to prosecute the boycott until just and equitable relief shall be obtained. They have the right to expect and exact gentlemanly treatment from gentlemen, and if this is not accorded them they must perforce decline further intercourse. It is not our province to suggest to the president the very apparent course to be pursued to maintain the respect and the trade of China. The dismissal of the rapacious officials who have raised this wall against the Chinese merchant and the substitution therefor of honest men who disdain to stoop to the low grafting and cruel methods of incumbents will be the cure for the ills complained of.

There is a high authority for this complaint of official dishonesty. Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte, secretary of the navy of the United States, in an oration delivered in Baltimore on June 30, this year, said:

"The underlying evil in the administration of our public affairs is simply dishonesty; our public offices are too often gained by dishonest means, and too often used for dishonest ends."

In view of such a confession the Chinese merchant is justified in meeting the dishonesty practiced upon him by an effective and thorough boycott, and the news comes by telegraph that at the conservative port of Shanghai the boycott went into effect today, despite the utmost efforts of the consular authorities to allay the agitation.

Mr. Williamson's Retrial.

Francis J. Heney, the San Francisco lawyer who was made United States district attorney in Portland in order that he might prosecute the land fraud cases, is showing himself a man of determination and force. He has given the land ring a shock by following the failure to secure a conviction in the Williams-Gesner-Biggs case with a motion for an immediate retrial, and Judge DeHaven, the San Francisco jurist who is trying the land fraud cases, granted the motion on Thursday against the vehement protests of the defendants' counsel, who naturally demanded time to "pull themselves together."

This unexpected and somewhat unusual procedure by Mr. Heney indicates at least his own behalf that he will be able to obtain a conviction on the second trial. This assurance is shared by many persons who have given attention to the evidence brought out before the court in the hearing just closed. The decision of the government prosecutor is wise. His refusal to be intimidated by the fact that two members of the first jury stood against conviction will convince both the public and the land grabbers that the government is in deadly earnest in its determination to run to earth all who have been engaged in the thefts of public lands.

Notwithstanding the failure of the jury to convict him on the first trial, Congressman Williamson's public career is doubtless at an end. Ten men, whose imparitality there is no reason to question, have declared upon the evidence that hee was guilty of robbing the people whose servant he was in one of the highest offices his fellow citizens could bestow upon him. Nothing can ever remove the stigma save a triumphant acquittal on the second trial, and of this there would seem to be little likelihood. Mr. Heney is apparently not wasting any time or effort in the attempt to convict men against whom the government does not have strong proof of guilt.—Spokesman Review, July 22.

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