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METEORITE FARMING

STONES FROM THE SKIES BRING REVENUE TO KANSANS.

Tillers of the Soil Plow Up the Celestial Projectiles and Dispose of Them to Advantage.

Dr. F. H. Snow, of the University of Kansas, has, in the past 15 years, brought together an unusual collection of meteoric stones that have fallen in Kansas. Some of them have a historic as well as a scientific interest, states the New York Post. The finding of more than one of the lot has saved a farmer from the man who held the mortgage. During some years of this period meteor-hunting became the popular pastime among the Kiowa county farmers, and Dr. Snow got with certain of the stones romantic stories of their discovery.

It was in 1890 that the attention of Dr. Snow was called to the existence of a collection of meteoric stones in the hands of a farmer named Kimberley. Some years before a shower of the stones had fallen. The cowboys knew where many of them were, and, knowing nothing of their value, readily told the farmer. Mrs. Kimberly, in the course of her reading, learned that meteorites were valuable. Her husband was skeptical and traded his collection, one by one, for whatever a neighbor would give. The wife promptly bought the stones and kept them. When Dr. Snow heard of the Kimberly hoard he bought it, paying a price large enough to lift the mrotgage from the Kiowa county farm.

The Kansas collector bought for $500 a 218-pound stone that had been placed on exhibition by a farmer in a country grocery store. The bargain was made while the owner and Dr. Snow drove to the store. When they arrived a telegram from a New York jewelry firm was handed the owner, in which $1,100 was offered for the prize. From a son of the farmer Kimberly already mentioned Dr. Snow bought one of his choicest specimens, and the money came, as had been the case with his father, in time to relieve a pressing need.

In Washington county, at the northern edge of the state, a tenant farmer named January was lucky enough to have a 188-pound stone fall almost at his feet. A 44-pound piece was broken from it when it struck, and the canny finder drove a good trade in fragments chipped from the smaller piece. The large portion he mounted and exhibited, driving over a large portion of the state with his "meteorite show" and gathering in some hundreds of dollars in admission fees before Dr. Snow bought the stone.

A young woman school-teacher, who saw this Washington county meteorite fall, described it in a letter to Dr. Snow: "I was driving along the road beside the cornfield in which January was plowing, when I heard a rumbling sound. I thought it was my parasol rubbing against the cart-wheel. The sound frightened my horse. . . . Looking ahead, I saw a blue streak passing overhead. . . . Upon striking the ground, it burst with great violence. . . . The meteor fell within 50 yards of where I was, and I drove to the place. It left a hole in the earth about three feet in diameter, two feet deep on the north side and three feet on the south side." The school-teacher and the farmer dug the stone out—after quieting both the horse hitched to the cart and the plow team. Before the sale of this specimen was completed the owner of the farm, a New York woman, put in a claim for the stone on the ground that it belonged, like the soil, to the holder of the title.

During the time when meteorites were being found most often in Kiowa county the farmers plowed their land deep and often. They illustrated the old fable of the poor man who prayed to the genii to show him the road to riches. In answer to his prayer the command to dig for the gold that was buried under his farm was given. Digging deep, and planting incidentally while searching for the gold, brought the riches he sought—from the markets. So, the search for meteorites has, in one form or another, brought prosperity to the imaginative Kansas farmer.

Luxuries in Alaska.

A side light upon the mode of living in Alaska is given by stating the fact that in Seattle recently 7,500 cases of canned cream (15 freight carloads) was ordered by one Seattle firm from a single cannery for shipment to Alaska. This cream is really milk condensed to about half its volume, and is very popular in Alaska. The Alaskans drink it as they eat bacon. In Juneau the cold, or so-called "shut-in" months, are enlivened with club affairs, dances and social functions, at which the men are required to wear dress suits. There are carpets on the floors of the Alaskan log huts, and the more pretentious houses have almost all American luxuries.—Binghamton Press.

Watch Factory Disease.

In the year 1890, when influenza was epidemic throughout Europe, many workmen contracted the disease in three watch factories at Madretsch, Germany, and a number died. At one factory at Madretsch, however, the disease did not appear. Investigations showed that oil of turpentine was used in the turning of the metals used for watchcases. The oil became warm and evaporated and the workmen inhaled the air laden with it. This seemed to protect them against the disease. Since then oil of turpentine has been always evaporated in that factory upon a stove and not a case of influenza has ever occurred there.

THE EVOLUTION OF NAMES

First Distinctive Appellations Were Naturally Expressive of Descent.

The adoption of a second name was originally suggested, of course, by the fact that the number of available first names was altogether out of proportion with the increase of the human race.

The first distinctive appellations naturally thought of, says the Philadelphia Inquirer, were expressive of descent. Children were distinguished by their fathers' respective names; one was known as John the son of Thomas, another as William the son of Richard, and so on, and soon these clumsy phrases were abbreviated (to refer only to languages with which we are all familiar) to John Thompson, Thomson, Thomason, Tomkins or Tomson, and William Richardson, Richards, Dickson or Dixon. And thus are originated our numerous names ending in "son" or prefixed with "O," "Mac," "Ap," etc.

By and by a man's peculiarities were called upon in this connection. A certain Henry who was noticeable for his height was aptly distinguished from others as "Henry the long one," or "the tall man," and it was not long until the shorter forms "Henry Long" or "Henry Tallman" took the place of the original ones. With this compare Mr. Short, Mr. Black, Mr. Gray, Mr. White, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Stout, Mr. Wiseman, etc.

In the course of time what more natural than that a man should be specified by his trade? And according to all languages we find Smiths, Carpenters, Merchants, Shoemakers, Taylors, Slaters, Wrights, Wheelers, Shearers, Shepherds, Mariners, Mercers, Hunters, Fowlers, Coopers, Turners, Fullers, and what not.

There was a fourth source of distinctive appellations, and one too convenient to be neglected, viz., a man's residence, and when people got tired of speaking of a certain party as "Charles at the waterside," or "James at the wood," or "Edward at the hill," they just said Charles Atwater (later, Water), James Atwood (later, Wood), Edward Athill (later, Hill), and so on, with all the Vales, Dales, Pooles, Bushes, Bridges, Townsends, Holmes, Leas, Longbottoms, Longacres, Streets, etc., etc., that we meet in personal nomenclature.

These were not by any means the only factors in the primary evolution of names, but they are the four principal ones.

APPLES WERE SUPERIOR.

That Was What the Dealer Called Them, But the Farmer Called Them "Superlative."

He had a shrewd and kindly face and he was standing with his hands behind his back, spellbound in a grocery store not far from the alleged post office, relates the Providence Journal.

"What's interesting me?" he said, in reply to a question.

"That basket there with those red apples marked 75 cents a dozen. They're seven cents apiece if you don't take a dozen, and I've been trying to muster up courage to buy one and bite into it.

"I've a sizable farm of my own back here a ways, and I've been used to apples all my life, but that basket fascinates me like hissing serpents in a cage.

"Every time I come to town I brush by it, and then I go back and stare at it like all possessed.

"And I keep mumbling to myself: 'Apples 75 cents a dozen.' $75 a barrel and $750 for ten barrels!' That's voluptuous arithmetic. I can't make it out. I was jesting with the clerk on it the first time I saw them.

"'Ain't you got your signs kind er twisted?' I asked him. 'Don't that card with 75 cents on it there in those apples belong on a ham or a hindquarter of beef? Or may be it strayed from the strawberry counter?'

"'No, sir,' says he, kind of tart like, 'those are superior apples.'

"'Superior!' say I. 'They must be better than that—the best that ever grew—superlative, I'd call them,' but he didn't seem to want to joke.

"A few years ago I put a notice out near my well that people could have all the apples they wanted if they'd pick them up and cart them off; they were rolling on the ground, but not a soul came after an apple. And here are apples at 75 cents a dozen—more'n six cents each by the dozen. And there's all kinds of queer-looking foreign fruit I can't call by name. I don't know what we're coming to, lately. Half the time I feel as if I'd just been born and didn't know nothing."

Formosa Under Japan.

Since Japan acquired the island of Formosa from the Chinese she has spent over 300,000,000 yen on that possession. During all this time the revenues derived from the island have not reached 100,000,000 yen. Japan has established a modern school system in Formosa, has regulated the camphor trade, built railroads, and 300,000 yen are spent every year for modern fortifications. At Kelung the Japanese have constructed a new harbor at a cost of about 8,000,000 yen. The agricultural resources are also now being developed on a large scale.

Conclusive.

"Yes, ma'am," said the man with the old valise, "I acknowledge that I used to go trampin' around this neighborhood beggin' for cold victuals, but I don't do that any more. I've reformed."

"What evidence have I of that?" asked the woman of the house, still eyeing him with suspicion.

"Well, ma'am," he said, opening the valise, "the fact that I'm sellin' soap now ought to be enough to convince anybody. Oughtn't it?"—Chicago Tribune.

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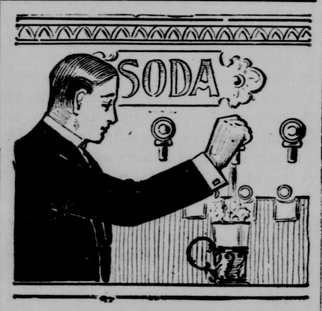
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