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## THE COUNTRY PAPER.

He was getting home from business—he, a merchant well-to-do—
The wheels of the electric car were throwing sparks of blue,
And around him were acquaintances who, where they stood or sat,
By look or word or gesture, were inviting to a chat.

But quite ignoring all of them, except to bow and smile
When hailed by some one at the door or just across the aisle,
He read with boyish eagerness, while speeding through the street,
The poorly printed pages of a little country sheet.

He read of Tom Jones' enterprise in adding to his barn,
And learned that "Solon Huddleson has got a bran-new yarn,"
That "Aunty Simpkins gave a tea," that "crops are pretty good"
And that "Ab Bailey came to town and brought a load of wood."

Well, yes, these things are trifles, perhaps to you and me;
For him they are reminders of the times that used to be;
And from his busy city life he glances back with joy
To see the town that circumscribed his doings as a boy.

Each poorly printed paragraph upon the homely sheet
Presents a scene familiar or a friend he used to meet,
And maybe—you can tell it by the smiles that quickly come—
There's mention of his mother and the other "folks" at "home."

Men wander far for fortune and find it, too, and yet
The farm and slothful village and its folk they ne'er forget;
And there's not a thing in city life which greater joy can give
Than the little country paper printed where they used to live.

—*Columbus Dispatch.*

[WRITTEN FOR THE TRANSCRIPT.]

## NOTES OF TRAVEL IN SWITZERLAND.

### Charming Notes From the Diary of a Charming Trip.

This country abounds in so much of natural beauty, and there are such abundant facilities for reaching the almost numberless attractive places, a sense of justice impels me to pay my passing tribute.

From whatever direction one enters this favored land, at every threshold, a scene of beauty greets the eye, and as it was said of old, "all roads lead to Rome," so it may be truly said to-day, that the principal lines of European travel all converge to Switzerland, a veritable "Alpine Park," divinely created, but so improved by human enterprise and genius, that Switzerland is to-day one grand pleasure ground, where in Summer, myriads of visitors find pure fresh air, rest, recreation and beautiful scenery of the rarest kind. Here are many lakes dotting the landscape, while ranges of snow-clad mountain peaks, with their majestic outlines, seem almost to reach and penetrate the very firmament. Fertile valleys lie between these mountain ranges, where are busy towns teeming with human life, and not alone in the pleasant sheltered valleys are the abodes of men, but high up on the mountain slopes the white Swiss chalets gleam in the sunshine, surrounded by cultivated fields or vineyards. Down numerous ravines and through the lowlands the swift mountain streams find their way to the far off sea.

In every mountain nook nestles a hamlet, and in each a comfortable inn, where the visitor is provided with every necessary comfort and good fare at moderate cost. Nature in this land has been bountiful with beauty, and thus attracting, holds out a welcoming hand to all, while every facility has been provided by human energy, in footpaths, turnpike, steamer and rail, for convenient access to the thousands of interesting and picturesque points.

For many generations this little Republic, bravely maintaining its national independence through many vicissitudes, has been the Mecca of all classes of summer visitors, for pleasure, for health, or for rest.

Nowhere else do such combinations of natural beauty and abundant facilities for access ramify through every possible avenue. Mountain roadways, creeping as if up into the clouds, and easy ways of reaching the most sequestered spots. I cannot restrain my astonishment and admiration of this land's natural attractiveness and the enterprise of its people in providing means so adequate for the enjoyment of the beauties of nature.

I can only touch in a cursory way of what Switzerland possesses. It is a country only about one-third the area of the State of New York, through which, from end to end, one may travel in a straight course in 8 or 10 hours.

Here in all Europe, is the nearest approach to our grand American Niagara, in the "Falls of the Rhine," where the river takes a dashing plunge into a rock chasm, beneath the battlements of a castle. On all sides the horizon is fringed by the uneven tops of mountain ranges, with many snowy peaks always so lovely when decked with sunshine, making them gleam like fitting portals to heaven.

Some of the most rugged and grand of the Swiss Alps are: "Mount Blanc," the "Matter Horn," "Mount Pilautus," "Burgenstock," and many others to which the adventurous traveler may climb on foot with guides if he prefers, but to which less ambitious ones can go upon marvelous funicular railroads, very triumphs of engineering skill and daring. So many thoughts crowd upon me about Switzerland it is hard to make a selection of what to speak and when to refrain.

We entered Switzerland at "Basle, which is a handsome old city on the Rhine, quite near the south-western border of the "Black Forest." In its ancient cathedral, (built in the 11th century) its palace, its public library, its museum and medieval relics, its fine location and commercial activity, it has much to interest even the most casual visitor. "Berne" is the Swiss capital city and is famous for its old and elaborately ornamental cathedral, its arch-covered sidewalks, a well-shaded promenade on a high knoll, commanding a fine view of the river "Aar" and the range of the Burnese Alps.

Some bears, which are pets of the public, are kept in pits and are a favorite attraction to all tourists stopping in Berne. Here, too, they have public concerts, which are an almost universal and very pleasant entertainment in public squares and gardens in summer throughout the European continent.

At "Interlaken" an immense number of summer visitors congregate to enjoy the beauty of the valley region, surrounded by the majestic mountain monarchs, such as the "Eiger," the "Wetterhorn," the "Yungfrau," the "Shreckhorn" and others, to whose lofty peaks hundreds of daring adventurers go, some as pedestrians, guided by trusty and surefooted guides, but more by easier ways to the more accessible points. The loftiest and most distant of these glittering snow-capped glacier summits possess a wonderful fascination, difficult to resist, as they are lighted by the sunshine, seeming so near, yet in reality so far.

Another most attractive Swiss summer resort is Lucerne. The number of visitors here is surprising, crowding the spacious well-kept hotels and boarding houses. A walk on the "Quai" or promenade in front of the "Schwitzerhof" or grand hotel, is a delight and a revelation. Such a constant stream of well-dressed, happy looking people, in which many English and Americans are sure to be recognized, gives some idea of the patronage Lucerne receives. This is not strange. Its location is charming, on the lovely lake of the same name. In the background are rugged mountain ranges, with the "Rigi" and "Pilautus" lifting their snow-crowned heads right into the blue heavens.

The town itself is most picturesque, with many quaint old buildings, an ancient cathedral, convent and chapel, where there is, night and day, a *constant* service of prayer and praise, one group of nuns relieving another perpetually. There are fine hotels, full in summer, and crowds of promenaders in the shady boulevards on the Quai, most attractive stores, tempting one to buy the beautiful Swiss embroideries and wood carving especially.

Lucerne is the centre of great streams of traveling multitudes to Italy, to the Rhine, or farther on, to Paris, and certainly abounds in excellent accommodations. Here is the scene of the patriotic story of William Tell, and a most enjoyable sail on the lake to Tell's chapel at Fluellan, is a never-to-be-forgotten memory. This Kapella memorial to the heroic Swiss liberator is said to have been built in 1388, on the spot where Tell sprang to the shore out of the oppressor's (Kessler's) boat. On Friday, after Ascension day each year, we were told, the neighboring inhabitants attend mass at this chapel at 7 A. M., coming in gaily decorated boats, and by this annual service and pilgrimage keeping the memory of William Tell still fresh in their minds. The lake at this point is said to be 700 feet deep.

No one can visit Lucerne and fail to find intense interest in the town and its surrounding scenery. The lake itself is a gem in its beautiful setting of natural scenery, and everywhere a landscape of marvelous beauty greets the eye. A world-renowned art-treasure here, is the wounded lion of Thorwaldson, carved in the rocky side of a hill; so also the glacial gardens are rare relics of nature's antiquity.

With Lucerne, will also be associated memories of delightful organ concerts in the quaint old cathedral where, at the hour of the "Angelus," wonderful strains evoked by a master's touch, sometimes roll in waves of softest music, and again swelling into a volume of sound as if veritable, deafening claps of thunder were reverberating through the mountain crags and rending the very heavens. This grand old organ, giving us a "Storm among the Alps," makes sounds so realistic, that one can hear at first the gentle rustling of the leaves by the wind, then more and more violent becomes the tempest, the thunder, low and distant at the beginning, finally seems to shake the earth and heavens with the stunning roar of artillery, coming nearer and nearer. We hear the very swaying of the trees when the tempest is fairly on, and at last the shrieking of the wind, and a downfall of rain in torrents. Nothing approaching such realistic music have I ever heard anywhere else.

Thun is another ancient Swiss town, where one can spend weeks and never tire of the surpassing loveliness of the mountain ranges, blue lakes, fertile valley, and quaint dwellings and shops. Here the venerable "Schloss" occupies a commanding position, and the old town wall and curious towns, with their fine outlook on the smiling face of nature around, are a most pleasing prospect.

I might fill page after page in descanting upon what there is here to enjoy. Not the least interesting for one's study are the Swiss people themselves.

At Thun, on market days, the curious little wagons would come in with quantities of cheese, butter and other mountain products, presided over by rather stunted-looking, toil-worn men and women, many of the latter afflicted with "Goitre," a swelling of the Thiroid gland, often of huge proportions and very unsightly and disfiguring.

The strange little star-shaped white flower, the "Edelweis," is highly prized by natives and tourists as an Alpine blossom, and gives a touch of sentiment and beauty to the veriest sunburned rustic swain, as we see this memento of glacial summits stuck in his hat-band or buttonhole.

The marvelous St. Gothard Railroad is the great highway connecting Central Europe, through Switzerland, with the Italian lakes, also Lombardy, Central and Southern Italy—and the Riviera, along the Mediterranean.

Words cannot do justice to the stupendous efforts required to successfully construct this great railway, which is a gigantic engineering achievement. Ten years of the most arduous labor were necessary to build it. On the main line there are fifty-six tunnels, one alone, nine miles in length, required nine years of toil. The scenery along this mountain highway, when one emerges from the tunnels, baffles description.

It is impossible to do justice to my subject of what there is to admire and love in Switzerland. Among the important Swiss towns and cities, Zurich deserves a high place. A great commercial, social, and traveling centre, to linger here for weeks, will amply repay the observant visitor. It is beautifully located at the foot of an Alpine range, and on the highway from Lombardy, which crosses the mountains and continues by various rivers and lakes into the heart of Germany.

The people of Zurich are noted for their enterprise, industry and love of progress. Here are facilities for education in science, music and art of unusual excellence, and every branch of literary work. There is a spacious and well-endowed university and polytechnic school, besides many other smaller ones. I must not omit to mention the claims of the city of Geneva for appreciation, situated on a most picturesque lake, renowned the world over for its beautiful surroundings. A remarkable fact attesting the antiquity of Geneva is its mention and description under the same name it continues to bear, by Julius Cæsar, who wrote of it in the year 56 B.C nothing among other important associations we should not fail to recall, is the fact that many centuries later than when Cæsar wrote of it, Geneva became the great metropolis of the momentous Protestant reformation.

The earnest Protestantism of Geneva reformers, instinct with the spirit of true liberty, reached England and Scotland, and from thence was carried by the Pilgrim Fathers to our new world in America, where the doctrines of self-government have successfully developed.

John Ruskin wrote of Geneva and her people that "they are pious, learned, and busy to a man, woman and child," and this can be truly said of the Swiss national character. One special industry is Geneva's unrivaled skill in the manufacture of clocks and watches; in jewelry and music boxes, also, they have a reputation for excellence the world over.

Mont Blanc, the monarch of mountains, in his glistening robes of eternal snow, looks down upon this beautiful city. Excursions to "Chamouni" and other of the Alpine heights, are easily made from here, besides pleasant sails on the lovely lakes, and walks and drives to many points of interest.

At Zurich German is the common language, at Geneva a pure French is spoken, and this fact, with its pleasant climate, has made Geneva a favorite permanent residence of many foreigners and an educational centre for centuries. It is especially patronized in winter by many English and American sojourners on the European continent, and a permanent colony of English-speaking citizens resides here.

Much has been written of the attractions of Switzerland, but it is hardly possible to do the subject justice. The character of the Swiss people also deserves the tribute of praise. Their patient industry and sturdy resistence to oppression, have enabled them with fortitude and courage to maintain their independence, and a genuine liberty is enjoyed through their wise legislation, preventing class-hatred or any growth of socialism. The national social condition is unique, truly illustrating the old Scotch proverb, "Rank is but the guinea's stamp, and the man is the gold for all that." The twenty-two different Swiss Cantons which form the Confederacy, are firmly united in a true spirit of brotherly love, having for their motto, "*Un pour tous—Tous pour un.*" (One for all), (All for one.)

HARRIETT L. WESTCOTT HILL.

## HE WAS FROM THE COUNTRY.

### How Robert Jacobs, of Bear Creek, Tried to Influence Justice Sanner With Strawberries.

"Deed, if you let me off dis time, boss, I'll send yer some real nice strorbeahs next summer," said Robert Jacobs, an ideal specimen of the colored farm hand, to Justice Sanner yesterday afternoon.

Jacobs was arraigned for being drunk, and had the country mud still clinging to his boots as he stood before the bar.

"I had a notion to let you off," said the court, "but I will not be even tempted by a bribe. Put him back."

Jacobs' eyes grew as big as saucers as he looked at the court, and dimly realized that he had committed some terrible offense.

"'Deed, mister, I meant no 'fence at all. I wuks down yere on Miss Scales' farm on Beah Creek, jest down yere Lemme off; nebber come to town again."

"No, sir, you've insulted the dignity of the court," said the magistrate, with mock dignity. "Turnkey, remove the prisoner."

Jacobs had small sidewhiskers, which stood out like bristles from astonishment as he was taken out.

The magistrate ordered a few more cases, and then ordered Jacobs, whom he only intended to frighten, before him.

"Jacobs," said the magistrate severely, "we have considered your case, and, in consideration of your youth, we will dismiss the charge. If you have any strawberries laying around loose next summer, bestow them on Lieutenant Jones here. As for me, I never eat strawberries."

Jacobs, who is over 50 years of age, looked astounded at the reference to his youth, and said to the magistrate:

"Doan't eat strorbeahs? Den I'll bring yer peas."

"No; don't want them," said the court.

"Punkins?"

"No."

"Fish?"

"No."

"Blackberries?"

"No."

"Milk?"

"No."

Every time the court said, "No," Jacobs face grew more melancholy, and, at last, after a perplexed look at the court, he vanished through the doorway, no doubt of the opinion that country delicacies were in low favor in the Police Department.

## MARYLAND MATTERS.

Sandy Spring farmers held their 24th annual convention last week.

John Wagner was killed by a freight train at Cumberland.

Seventy-six men left Hagerstown for the West in search of employment.

James W. Fling, Deerwood, was run over by a traction engine and seriously injured.

James Larkins, an Annapolis oysterman, was paralyzed while at work on the bars.

"Kid" Gibson, of Baltimore, has been convicted of perjury at Frederick and sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary.

Cumberland firemen are making arrangement for the annual meeting of the State Firemen's Association there in June.

Elkton horsemen think the anti-race bill will be passed by the Assembly. The racing men will not make further efforts in opposition to the bill.

The Delta Peach Bottom State Company has been chartered under the laws of Pennsylvania for the development of quarries in northern Harford.

The Dubs and Miller factions are warring over the Hagerstown Evangelical Church. The Dubsites took possession of the church in face of a court decree granting the property to the Miller faction.

Alumni of the Frederick College held their third annual reunion and banquet. Prof. A. T. Ormond, of Princeton College, delivered an address on "College Education." Mr. Wm. P. Maulsby was toastmaster.

Baker & Morgan, canned goods brokers of Aberdeen, have secured a judgment for $7,164.98 against Alfred G. Day, their book-keeper, who was convicted last year of embezzlement and sent to the penitentiary for a term of years.

Hagerstown is divided on the question as to whether the coming municipal election is to be held under registration lists made by the old or new registers. The latter have advertised registration days, although they have not yet been commissioned.

## TO FARMERS AND STOCK BREEDERS.

### Whaley, the Shoer, Writes of the Requirements of the Horse.

The horse is strictly a vegetarian and vegetables should enter into the vocabularp of his diet nearly as much as in that of the human family. He is very fond of them, as well as of fruits, and will often partake of the latter when nothing else will tempt him to eat. For a horse with a capricious appetite nothing is so good for him when they can be obtained, as a few sour apples in the morning. They have a very invigorating effect. The Swedish turnip is an article of food, the value of which has not been fully appreciated. Although it is far from containing the quantity of nutritive matter which has been supposed, that which it has seems to be capable of easy and complete digestion. They quickly fatten the horse and produce a smooth glossy coat and loose skin.

Carrots.—The virtues of this root are not sufficiently known, whether as contributing to the strength and endurance of the sound horse or the rapid recovery of the sick one. To the healthy horse the quantity of half a bushel can be fed daily. There is little provender of which the horse is fonder. The following account of the value of the carrot is not exaggerated: This root is held in much esteem. There is none better nor perhaps so good. When first given it is slightly laxative, but as the horse becomes accustomed to it this effect ceases to be produced. They also improve the state of the skin. They also form a good substitute for grass and an excellent alternative for horses out of condition. To sick and idle horses they render corn unnecessary. They are beneficial in all chronic diseases connected with breathing and have a marked influence upon chronic cough and broken wind. They are serviceable in diseases of the skin, and in combination with oats they restore a worn horse much sooner than oats alone.

Potatoes have been given and with advantage in their raw state, but when it has been convenient to boil or steam them the benefit is far more evident. Purging has then rarely ensued. Some have given boiled potatoes alone, and horses, instead of rejecting them, have soon preferred them even to the oats; but it is better to mix them with the usual manger feed in the proportion of one pound of potatoes to 10½ pounds of the other ingredients. The use of the potato must depend on its cheapness and the facility for boiling it. A horse fed on potatoes should have his quantity of water materially curtailed.

ELWOOD WHALEY,
Horse Shoer, Chestertown, Md.

## LITTLE LOCALS.

Brother Hadaway, of the *Easton Ledger* always keeps a close eye on Kent, and gives the readers of his excellent paper the benefit of his observations through its columns. In last week's issue the following condensed items were given:

Rats gnawed the fetlocks of a Rock Hall horse.

There are but two unsold crops of wheat in Kent county.

A Fairlee man had a lamb with a face like a monkey.

Chester river dredgers went on the warpath last week.

Granulated sugar is selling in Chestertown at 4½ cents a pound.

The price for shoeing horses in Kent county has dropped to 49 cents.

Sixty men have been thrown out of employment by the Chestertown strawboard mill shutting down.

The old Chestertown market house has been sold to Capt. William D. Burchinal for $75. The building will be removed.

Crumpton farmers are angry because a man named Richardson is unable to pay the notes he gave them for their produce.

When it was known in Chestertown that the Legislature had decided the Pearce-Westcott contest in favor of Senator Westcott, the colored band serenaded that gentleman and he invited them in and served refreshments.

Respectfully dedicated to Clinton Moody by the TRANSCRIPT man:

A Milton man while out gunning fell into a muskrat bed, and the gun went off, killing two ducks he did not know were anywhere round.

Selected for the benefit of the future by the eds.:

At last Centreville has a Republican lawyer. He is John E. Wilson, a young man of Elkton and a graduate of the Maryland University.

### Generosity in Queen Anne.

Referring to the magnanimity of Queen Anne county Republicans, the *Observer* has the following to say: "The Republicans of Queen Anne have certainly done the generous thing in the distribution of patronage here. They have given the Democrats six justices of the peace, one registrar of voters, two notaries and a school commissioner. This is quite as much as could have been expected, and in fact much more than the Democrats had any right to demand or expect. The Republicans, having full control of the State, had the right under the spoils system, so popular with politicians, to claim everything, and place only Republicans in office, but they generously declined to do this, and gave the places above named to Democrats, because they doubtless regarded the appointees as efficient and entitled to be continued. They were particularly generous in the matter of the school commissioner, because that carried with it the continuance in office of our excellent school examiner, who is a Democrat, and this appointment was made in opposition to a faction of the Republican party that opposed the appointment."

### How to Procure Sleep at Will.

London *Leader:* There are few things more wearisome than to lie awake through the night and listen to the climbing of one hour after the other. Those who are unable to woo sleep may care to try the following suggestions, which have been given as a remedy for sleeplessness:

Turn on the right side, settle the head comfortably on a pillow, slightly close libs and take a full respiration, breathing as much as possible through the nostrils. The lungs are then left to their own action—that is, the respiration is to be neither accelerated nor retarded. Now fix the attention upon the action engaged in, the sleeper depicting that she sees the breath passing from her nostrils in a continous stream. The very instant that she brings her mind to conceive this, apart from all other ideas, consciousness and memory will depart. Imagination slumbers, fancy becomes dormant, thought subdued. It is said that the instant the mind is brought to the contemplation of a single sensation the hypnotic faculty steeps it in oblivion.

An experienced doctor says that damping the head on the top, just where the nerves are centred, will encourage sleep.

Anne Arundel oystermen and fishermen have asked the Legislature to continue the exemption of tonging grounds in West, Rhode and South rivers for two years longer; to exempt Parkin's Island for ten years from dredging and tonging, and to allow pound-net fishing below Poole's Island.

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