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SIX YEARS IN FROZEN NORTH

Canadian Mounted Police Corporal Returns From Arctic With 2 Eskimo Murderers.

PATROLLED CORONATION GULF

Expects to Return to Solitude, After Short Holiday at Home—Punishment of Criminals Makes Natives Respect White Man's Law.

Montreal.—In May, 1915, Corporal Cornelius of the Royal Northwest mounted police left Edmonton for Herschel island. He departed quietly, without any flourish of trumpets. He returned the other day to civilization again for the first time, as silently as he had left it. Over six years of his life has been spent in the Arctic wilderness, four of them in the sole company of two Eskimo murderers, sentenced in 1914, and freed by order of the government later.

Two years were passed at Fort McPherson, where the big supply of provisions and building material were deposited, comfortable winter quarters established, and patrols of the surrounding country undertaken.

The two Eskimo murderers who were taken out by the corporal and offered their freedom were so much taken with the ways of the white man that they asked permission to enter the service of the police, and were both engaged, much to their delight. They rendered great service as guides and interpreters, and the white man's law has never had a better advertisement in the Arctic circle than that given to it by these two men, tried, punished and released by its officials as a warning to others.

Two Years in Wilds.

In 1917 Corporal Cornelius was joined by Constable Brockie and the two set out for Herschel island where they spent two years with frequent patrols in the far corners of the uncharted wilds. Their next move was along the shores of the Arctic to Coronation gulf, a dog-sled trip of some 800 miles, where another two years were passed in patrols to Bathurst inlet, Kent peninsula. All points on the south and west sides of Victoria island to Victoria Land and Prince Albert sound were made during that period.

The final trip was taken from Coronation gulf via Bear lake to Fort Norman, down the river to Fort McPherson, then north to Herschel island, and back by the coast to Coronation gulf once more, with another return trip via Herschel island through Fort McPherson up the Mackenzie river and home by the summer steamboat. This latter trip was taken by dog sled, a distance of 1,100 miles being covered. The total patrols by dog sled last winter ran around 2,500 miles.

New headquarters were made at Fort Epworth, the patrol, accompanied by Staff Sergeant Clay, establishing his post. The party lived in snow huts for the greater part of this time, and subsisted on the simple diet of the wilds eked out by such rations as they were able to carry on sleds. They built a wooden hut at Fort Epworth, however, and enjoyed a mild taste of civilization.

Two Are Acquitted.

In 1918, two alleged Eskimo murderers were brought in by the coast route by Sergeant Conway. These two men, Kayyana and Komuk, had been tried by Inspector Phillips for the murder of an Eskimo woman, whom both of them claimed as wife. They were, however, acquitted, owing to lack of evidence, and Clay, Cornelius and Brockie took them back by way of Herschel island and the Arctic to Coronation gulf, where the two were allowed to rejoin their tribes.

Corporal Cornelius says that the trial of the four Eskimos had had an excellent effect on the general conduct of the tribes as a whole, while conduct of the four principals has been most exemplary. Kayyana and Komuk were seen several times on later patrols, their hands being usually found on the ice at the head of the Coppermine river, and each time the patrol received a warm welcome.

Despite their years of isolation and hardships both Corporal Cornelius and Constable Brockie are looking forward to a return to the North in the near future. They will now enjoy a well earned holiday, and both are leaving at once for their respective homes, Cornelius going to Halifax and Brockie to Winnipeg.

Original "Limerick."

The word is said to have been adopted as a name for a certain kind of nonsense rhyme because an old song current in Ireland, which had the same verse construction, contained the place name "Limerick."

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Rome.—The man whom King Victor Emmanuel hails as the most dangerous man in Europe is neither Communist, Socialist nor criminal. He, like his father and grandfather before him, keeps a store where safes are sold. This in itself is not an unlawful profession, but he inherited from his father, besides the small store off the Piazza di Spragna, the knack of being capable of opening any safe in the world with the help of a bit of stiff wire.

Never in his life has he been forced to break a safe open. He has been summoned by people of all nations and professional men to open safes that had jammed. But not only private individuals call him; the other day King Victor Emmanuel needed his services. The king had left his keys in his private safe, where his wonderful collection of coins is kept. He was worried, as his favorite amusement every day is rearranging these coins. He was very much worried until they told him that a specialist for safes lived in Rome and would be called to the royal villa.

His Real Name Withheld.

Mr. X (his real name must be kept secret, as the tax collector would levy a heavier income tax were it known that he was called to the villa) hastened to the Villa Savoia and found the king pacing up and down the stairs.

"You must not damage the safe, as there is my precious collection inside," said the king.

"No, your majesty," replied Mr. X. "I do not need even to damage the lock." Mr. X looked with a professional air at the safe.

"I am afraid you will find it a difficult task, as it is a Chubb Special," said the king. Mr. X inserted the wire, felt with the wire inside, delicately twisted it here and there, then opened the safe door.

"Here, your majesty, your safe is opened."

The king was very much astonished, and said: "You are the most dangerous man I have ever met." Mr. X replied: "I would be were I not honest."

Mr. X is rarely in his store, as his fame has traveled abroad and he is often telegraphed for to start at a moment's notice. Before the war he was called many times to Berlin to open the ex-kaiser's safe and he was recommended also to Francis Joseph, who often left his keys inside his secret safe, and would allow no one but Mr. X to open or try to open it.

Many Diplomats Call Him.

Diplomats, lawyers, doctors, all call him when they need a reliable doctor for their safes. When asked how he did the trick, Mr. X said: "It is purely a question of touch. I am like a specialist who, without operating can tell by examining a patient, by touching him what is the matter inside. Jamming of safes is like a case of lockjaw. With my wire I can locate the trouble inside the lock. Besides, my experience I inherited from father, who in his time was the only lock specialist in the world."

Sometimes it takes five minutes, and often he has to probe for 20 minutes or half an hour, but never in his life has he had to damage a lock in order to open a safe. He is the most expert lock specialist in Europe and with this talent has remained always an honest man who glories in his profession.—New York Tribune.

BURNS HOME TO KILL SIX

Parents Fearing Children Will Be Taken From Them by Aid Society Decide to Kill Them.

Calgary, Alberta.—A confession that he and his wife deliberately set fire to their home, after soaking their four children's beds with gasoline so that all might be burned to death, was made, according to the police, by J. J. Rutledge, an Innesfall farmer, the only survivor of his family.

The man said he and his wife preferred death to being separated from the children, who, they feared, would be taken from them by a children's aid society. Rutledge knocked one child unconscious to save it pain, then lost his nerve and escaped severely burned. The man is in a hospital, charged with murder.

Stories of Great Scouts

By Elmo Scott Watson

Western Newspaper Union.

WHEN ANDY LEWIS FOUGHT CHIEF CORNSTALK

The battle of Point Pleasant on September 10, 1774, was the first "all-American" battle ever fought on this continent. Europeans had taken part in all important engagements before—French and Indian wars against British and Americans. But when Andy Lewis and his borderers battled with Chief Cornstalk and his Shawnees, it was strictly a native affair.

Lewis was born in Ireland, but he had come to this country while still a child, and he was no less an American than the frontiersmen he led. He fought with George Washington in the French and Indian war and he became one of the greatest leaders of the colonial troops. He was six feet two inches tall and powerful.

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But She Didn't Enjoy It.

With reference to the recent divorce suit in which the wife told the judge she married her husband so that she could enjoy his bathtub, a correspondent waggishly remarks that the husband seems to have kept her in hot water all right.—Boston Transcript.

Curious Masterpieces.

Literary masterpieces have been written on strange mediums. Smart's poem, "Song to David," was written with a key on the walls of a madhouse. Coleridge once wrote a sonnet on a scrap of seaweed.

Honors More Than Even.

"I hear you got the worst of it with the little boy next door," I remarked to Harry. "Oh, I didn't get much the worse of it," asserted the little chap. "He licked me, all right, but my dog licked his dog and out I go."

Bird's Power of Vision.

A bird's power of vision is, on the average, about 100 times greater than man's. Birds have been known to see a worm on freshly plowed ground at a distance of 300 feet.

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Gladstone's Umbrella.

Gladstone's umbrella is a catch phrase for the Gladstonian policy. When in September, 1885, Mr. Gladstone issued his manifesto to the Midlothian electors, it was said that he "opened his umbrella." His ministry were said to shelter under his umbrella, and that is why in caricature he was frequently shown with a "gun" under his arm.

Nebraska Civil Rights Bill

Chapter Thirteen of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Civil Rights, Enacted in 1893. Sec. 1. Civil rights of persons. All persons within this state shall be entitled to a full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, restaurants, public conveyances, barber shops, theatres and other places of amusement; subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to every person.

Sec. 2. Penalty for Violation of Preceding Section. Any person who shall violate the foregoing section by denying to any person, except for reasons of law applicable to all persons, the full enjoyment of any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities, or privileges enumerated in the foregoing section, or by aiding or inciting such denial, shall for each offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, and pay the costs of the prosecution.

"The original act was held valid as to citizens; barber shops can not discriminate against persons on account of color. Messenger vs. State, 25 Nebr. page 677. N. W. 653."

"A restaurant keeper who refuses to serve a colored person with refreshments in a certain part of his restaurant, for no other reason than that he is colored, is civilly liable, though he offers to serve him by setting a table in a more private part of the house. Ferguson vs. Glea, 32 Mich. 358; N. W. 718."