

"COMANCHE BILL."

General Terry's Favorite Scout and His Wild Life.

Thirty-one Years in the Saddle—Pistols and Scalps

Kansas City Times. William Porter, known far and wide by the appellation of Comanche Bill, has been for some time with General Reynolds at Fort Reno, and is now on his way to join General Terry's command at Parton, Dakota territory.

THIRTY-ONE YEARS IN THE SADDLE. He rode from Iowa, Kansas, Tuesday, to this point, and, indeed, made the whole trip almost as quickly as he could have done on some of the slow trains.

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"I tell you it's enough to make a man a demon," he said: "father, mother, sister, two cousins, an uncle, aunt and wife, killed at one blow."

Who killed your mother, Bill? "Is he alive yet?" "Wa'l, I guess he'll never scalp any more women."

"Did they kill your wife, too?" "Yes, they tortured her to death. Oh! I've had a scalp for every drop of blood they spilled that day, he continued. "I took an oath that as long as I could look through the hind sight of a rifle I'd kill every Sioux Indian I got a chance to shoot at."

"That's Comanche Bill." Another man said he didn't blame the Indians for what they done that day. "I jumped over the table and scalps that fellow and I'd do it again to-day if anybody commenced to make another such a talk."

"Do you know Buffalo Bill?" "Oh! Buffalo Bill; yes, I've heard of him."

"What kind of a scout is he?" "Scout? What that d—d fool can't tell a beef trail from a pony track."

"Have you any friends in Missouri, Comanche, or are you just stopping here to see the town?" "Friends? No, I ain't got no friends anywhere. The only friends I ever had were a pair of good six-shooters, and when they cracked I knowed they reached for keeps."

"Were you ever in Kansas City before?" "Young fellow, I reckon I was in this town before you was foaled."

It seems strange that when Bill's special aversion was the Sioux Indian he should have won the sobriquet of "Comanche" Bill, but such is the name he has gone by for years.

"It's only a nick-name," said Bill; "I got down in the Comanche country when Sioux were scarce and I had to have something to practice on."

but they play h—l with you if you don't marry a squaw." An incident is related of Bill which happened in Wichita a few weeks since. Bill rode into town dressed in a complete suit of buckskin and with a complete set of horns at his back. As he went along he saw a "counter-jumper," as he was pleased to call him roughly catch a little girl about 18 years old by the shoulder and solicit her attention. The girl withdrew her arm angrily, and just then the scene fell under Bill's personal inspection.

"She was a poor girl," says Bill, "and plainly clad in an old dress, but I want to go to see her insulted by any durned counter-jumper under my mountain eyes. I just jumped down from my horse and I called for that fellow to stop. He didn't seem to want to, but I made him stop. I took up the little girl in my arms and sat her down on a box. I took off her shoes and said to the counter-jumper: 'Now I want you to get down and lick the dust off the soles of that poor girl's feet whom you have insulted!'"

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books, papers and magazines treating of the subject, but with studious and observant a d industrious habits. It is a work that requires much labor. The bees do their share of the toil, but by no means all of it. Close and unremitted attention must be given to it at all stages and in all seasons of the year, and the manager of an apiary must expect to become a specialist. If he would succeed, and must not have "too many irons in the fire" in other directions. It cannot be made a profitable addition to farm operations, unless some member of the family makes it a subject of such special study as we have pointed out.

It is a matter of special pride to the writer of these lines to be able to express the opinion that bee-culture has been developed and thriven in the west to a greater extent than in any other part of the world. Not only are the representative bee publications issued in the west, but the representative bee-culturists are mostly western men. And notwithstanding all that has been done there is still room almost everywhere for earnest and effective workers.

Persecuting the Jews. London Telegraph. It was hoped that the worst of the persecutions which the Jews have been exposed in Russia was now over, for even Russia is not inaccessible to the influence of civilized public opinion, and that has been expressed with sufficient distinctness. But the outbreaks just reported from Pultowa show that the danger is not yet past, and that Muscovite fanaticism receives little check from the authorities.

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The artificial rearing of queens. This is another most important help to the modern beekeeper—for it seems to be an absolute necessity all through the working season to be able to supply colonies, both old and new, with young and vigorous queens the mother bees, upon whose constant supply of eggs the life of the establishment depends. This is carried out to a great extent, not only by individual specialists for their own private use, but many parties resort to it for sale.

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