CHILDREN OF BENGUET TRIBES

PRACTICING WITH BOW AND ARROW

I MUST write of some of the characteristics and peculiar customs of the natives in certain parts of the islands of the Philippines. In the mountains of the Benguet province at Baguio, the summer capital, is the home of the igorrotes. They remind one in their appearance of the lower caste of negro to be found in the swamp districts of Louisiana or the mountain districts of North Carolina and Tennessee, writes J. Hamilton Lewis, in Chicago Evening Post.

Of medium height, black and dark brown color, with short, matty black hair, half-flatted nose, stocky of figure and erect of stature, such are the outlines of these natives. The men wear little crowns for hats, composed of anything that dazzles, and all the tassels that can sway in the breeze. This adornment is set on the back of the head, as a fez is worn by the Turk. A shirt of any fabric, as gaudy as can be obtained, comes only to the middle, and there is met with the belt that is the only remaining garment. This is tight-fitting and held only by a string.

In these mountains the cold becomes great at times. Frost and particles of snow are often seen, and at night it is always cold, yet these men never wear covering and sleep in huts and tents, as did the primitive American Indians. They go barefoot, save that of late a form of sandal is assumed for perfect dress. This covers only the toes and is worn with no sock.

Often one may see anachronisms of civilization in these igorrotes; tattooaded, their ears pierced through or the lower part pulled down and stretched so large as to wear a spool—the usual spool on which thread is wound—in their ears as adornments, and their teeth blackened. To this is added a shirt or blue army cloth with brass buttons, like a soldier's jacket; a hat or derby of straw, depending on what has been traded the wearers; a sword in the shape of an American bayonet, for which they have exchanged their head ax, an instrument they carry to cleave off heads of people they meet and dislike, or use in assaults in war.

With this military accoutrement they are adorned above the waist; below, as was Adam, if we trust the description of the Bible; "naked to his enemies," in the language of Cardinal Wolsey. This igorrote is a sight for the gods—of photography.

The women reverse the process. A skirt adorns or flounders about their legs. This is made of a material looking like jute bagging. Sometimes there is a sandal on the foot, at the waist a flowing cloth, fluttering at the ends, of most flaming color when obtainable. From the waist up "about the tides of wind naked to the breeze," in a Walt Whitman spectacle. There is not a cloth or covering until the head is reached. Then possibly a shawl or wrap which is a lately assumed display of fashion upon occasions.

Sunday is their market day. So Commissioner Worcester, the most learned man in the east on the natives, provided a building for them. To this they come on Sundays, quiet, unperturbed, with no curiosity as to the foreigner. They affect the superiority of attitude characteristic of the Indian, that is, to overlook superciliously the fact that a white person is about, so insignificant to them are such unimportant intrusions.

At this market are brought all the dogs to be had. For dogs are the chief object of trade. As it is cattle at our stockyards, or chickens in our market, or turkeys in Spain, so it is dogs in the igorrote country. The dog is the animal of food. He is to the igorrote as the pig to the Chinaman. But mark—it is the fat pig which the Chinese seeks, and the fat rat. The igorrote must have only a thin, poor, wasted dog. The thinner, the poorer, the more emaciated the animal is, the more in demand and the higher is price is it.

Thus, as geese are fattened in the Italian Tyrol and in France to prepare the pate de fois gras, so in the igorrote country the dog is famished to the point of starvation so as to keep it thin, poor and with bones barely covered. This is to make the animal tough. It thus serves as a chewing cud, like unto dry or strong beef in America.

So hundreds and hundreds of dogs of every stripe and color, kind and bred, yoked together as may be seen oxen in America, are brought by their owners to the market.

Here the sellers bargain and trade, always to the point of getting the most for the thinnest dog, which is apparently the toughest. The women sit in silence, a virtue of the igorrote woman, or in soft tones bargain bits of cloth and smoke big black cigars as they trade and prattle. The women keep the money of the house.

In the distance just beyond is the settlement of more than a thousand years of existence which Prof. Frederick Starr of Chicago has attractively described. Here the natives have had for years and years the practice and creed of total marriage, just as shown in the Balkans, in one of the Russian provinces. Here can be seen in system and discipline the trial marriage of which George Meredith wrote. Others who lately have surfeited our yearning on this point could have learned much from this example.

These people say that the Chinese Malay of a thousand years ago taught them this method, and that it came from Israel and Greece. The method is this: The woman chooses the man; the man can bid, but he cannot force his acceptance. If the woman is satisfied, she keeps him, and then he does no work. If children come he contributes, but in nowise maintains the household. Should she conclude to reject him, he must go elsewhere, but before departing she takes every vestige of money or property he ever possessed. Should he try to hide any of it the disclosure of such fact deprives him of the hope of any other woman proposing to him.

The children are at the sole disposition of the mother. Never but by her consent can a child go to the father, or but by the child running away and swearing on the ax to take the new mother. Then the real mother cuts it out of her heart by gashing her breast with a knife.

It is reported that not more than ten out of 500 trial marriages result in any disadvantage to either contracting party or to children. In most instances the marriage following the trial has proved eminently satisfactory. The husband has been carefully supported and has no complaint with the manner in which his affairs are directed by his wife. If he works as a pastime it is quickly discussed that it is only for his amusement or for obtaining a little provision with which he can obtain a new wife or be in demand by a new application in event of the death of his spouse—or his divorcing her for failure to support him.

Taking His Measure.

"What do you think of that man who said New York is the most impolite city on earth?"

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"'Will ye be my valentine?' he said on February 14 to the girl he loved.

"'No,' she replied. 'I am another's.'

"He heaved a sigh and said:

"'Shure, thin, darlin', I wish ye was twins, so that I could have at least the half of ye.'"

NO HEALTHY SKIN LEFT

My little son, a boy of five, broke out with an itching rash. Three doctors prescribed for him, but he kept getting worse until we could not dress him any more. They finally advised me to try a certain medical college, but its treatment did no good. At the time I was induced to try Cuticura he was so bad that I had to cut his hair off and put the Cuticura Ointment on him on bandages, as it was impossible to touch him with the bare hand. There was not one square inch of skin on his whole body that was not affected. He was one mass of sores. The bandages used to stick to his skin and in removing them it used to take the skin off with them, and the screams from the poor child were heartbreaking. I began to think that he would never get well, but after the second application of Cuticura Ointment I began to see signs of improvement, and with the third and fourth applications the sores commenced to dry up. His skin peeled off twenty times, but it finally yielded to the treatment. Now I can say that he is entirely cured, and a stronger and healthier boy you never saw than he is to-day, twelve years or more since the cure was effected. Robert Wattam, 1148 Forty-eighth St., Chicago, Ill., Oct. 9, 1909."

Just Like Spaghetti.

Marjorie, aged six, was questioning the noodles in her soup. "Mother," she asked, "what are noodles made of?"

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"So you and your husband are always quarreling?" said the family lawyer.

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DEMOCRATS SEEM SURE OF VICTORY

Confident That They Will Be in Control of Sixty-Second Congress.

REPUBLICANS SMILE AT CLAIM

Declare Opponents by Blunder Destroyed Their Best Issue—Arizona and New Mexico Putting Forward Strong Claims for Statehood.

Washington.—The Democrats in the house of representatives seemingly have lost none of their confidence that they are to be in control when the Sixty-second congress comes together in December, 1911. The regular Republicans say that the Democrats committed a tactical blunder when they allied themselves with the insurgents in the effort to defeat what had come to be known as Cannonism. The old-time regulars declare that the Democrats overreached themselves because they helped in the effort to put out of existence the issue which the minority party was depending upon to help to elect its candidate for the house of representatives at the next election.

The Democrats retort that they made no mistake, because they have shown the country positively that when they come into power they will not countenance a rules committee which will have the power to obstruct legislation which the country is anxious to have passed. The leading Democrats declare that the evidence has been so strong of a revolt throughout the country against house procedure, as it has been the rule recently, that they will gain just as many votes by taking the field early against Cannonism as they would if they had put off their opposition until the days of actual campaigning before the people.

Democrats Are Confident.

In the ranks of the Democracy in the house, however, the feeling that victory is to come next November is so strong that even now there is discussion as to what Democrat shall succeed Mr. Cannon in the speakership. Champ Clark is the leader of the minority, and as a matter of natural course it is to be supposed that he will be chosen speaker, but nevertheless, there are other Democrats in the house who have ambitions, and it is perfectly true, as some of the party admit, that there has been some opposition to Mr. Clark's methods of procedure as leader.

Among the Democrats who are known to have at least latent speakership ambitions are Ollie M. James of Marion, Kentucky, who has been in the service of the house for seven years; Swager Shirley of the same state, where term of service has been coincident with that of Mr. James; Oscar W. Underwood of Birmingham, Alabama, who has been a member of congress for 15 years, and John Joseph Fitzgerald of Brooklyn, New York who has been a house member for 11 years.

Clark in the Lead.

It seems to be practically assured, however, that if the Democrats do succeed in carrying the next house, they will elect Champ Clark of Missouri as the speaker. Not all the Democrats are in favor of Mr. Clark.

No matter what opposition may be shown to the Missouri member's candidacy in the caucus, the party majority will carry the day and it seems that almost undoubtedly Mr. Clark will be chosen to take the chief seat in the next congress now occupied by Mr. Cannon—provided, of course, that the hopes of the Democracy are fulfilled and that victory comes to them next November. The Democrats in their high hopes not only are talking about the speakership succession, but actually are looking at the choice of places with a view to determining what chairmanships are to fall to the lot of the men who stood by Leader Clark through the tumult and the fighting.

Chance for Personal Bills.

With the enlarged rules committee of the house of representatives which has just come into legal being as a result of the revolt of the allied insurgents and Democrats there may be greater opportunity offered for the passage of what are known as personal bills. In the course of a congress there are introduced hundreds of measures, in addition to pension bills, and of these only a small percentage ever received the support of a committee report, let alone being given the privilege of actual discussion in the house with a view to passage.

It has been the complaint in the past that the men who were in a position of power either on the rules committee or because of close personal and political affiliations with the speaker, were the ones who were able to secure the uninterrupted passage of measures which were of particular interest to their districts. The non-influential member who had a bill which his constituents were demanding had difficulty at times in securing the sanction of the house authorities for its passage. The enlarged rules committee perhaps will be more considerate of the legislative desires of the less influential congressmen. There are bound to be on the committee, either in the majority or the minority representation, a man or two who, because of sympathy with the trials of the uninfluential will endeavor to secure for them and their measures such recognition as is possible. The rules committee does not act on many bills but the influence of the members always has been great.

Now that the committee has been enlarged the Democrats probably will exercise more influence than they did when the committee was smaller. The regular Republicans know that there is a likelihood at any time that the insurgents and the Democrats may get together once more and defeat any measure which the minority party and the minority of the majority party consider as being of a nature intended to cause a return of the old conditions of house control. At any time a combination of the insurgents and Democrats can force the election of a new rules committee by joining forces, passing a resolution to that effect and compelling the election of the rules members in the open house. For these reasons the organization Republicans on the rules committee, it is believed, unquestionably will pay the greater heed to objections which may be offered at the committee meetings by the Democratic minority membership.

Eager to Become States.

Arizona and New Mexico may be obliged to wait "until a more convenient season" for the honors of statehood. The party in power has promised that the territorial form of government soon shall be a thing of the past, but the question which the representatives of the two territories who are anxious for statehood would like to have answered is just what is meant by "soon."

The friends of statehood, in their anxiety, cannot see any other reason for the further exclusion of the territories from the union except the one political reason that the Republicans do not want to add to the senate's Democratic membership just at the present time. The Republican leaders who, while saying that they are not opposed to statehood after proper preparations for it can be made, deny that political considerations have anything to do with their unwillingness to act quickly or, as they put it, hastily. It is not altogether assured, however, that if the territories were to be given statehood at once their legislatures would elect four Democratic senators.

Dealing with Mexican Element.

There is a considerable element in the population of Arizona and New Mexico which is of Mexican extraction. Thousands of these people have kept their old Mexican ways and a great many of them cannot speak English. It has been proposed to deny suffrage to all men excepting those capable of speaking English.

The desire of Republicans who are not opposed to statehood even at the present time is that if admission is given to the territories they shall hold their constitutional conventions and their elections of state officers at different times. It is held by the advocates of this plan that in the scramble for the offices the people might be led to adopt constitutions without proper study of their conditions. This, it is said, would happen unless the voting on the ratification of the constitutions and on the election for state officers were held at widely separated times.

It is yet problematical whether or not statehood for the two territories will come to a vote at the present session of congress. Even those who are opposed to admitting them into the United States say that the time is not far distant when they must be admitted, because neither party can afford to ignore the promise that it has made. The Republicans, it is claimed, if they continue in power, cannot afford to be heedless for any great length of time of the president's recommendation in favor of granting the rights of states to the two southwestern territories.

Defense of Railroad Bill.

The troubles in the house of representatives, the debate in the senate on the interstate commerce bill, and other matters, have rather shadowed the issue of statehood for the two territories, but within the shadow nevertheless there has been a half obscured scrap. It does not seem probable that the demand of the territories for a new form of government which will make them states of the union will long be denied, but if the friends of immediate action are to be believed the Republicans are none too anxious for it now to give the territories admission because the majority party does not wish immediately to add four Democratic senators to the minority party's representation in the upper house.

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The judge listened very gravely to his story. After hearing of the poor man's misfortunes, he professed great sorrow and sympathy for the sufferer.

"Go home and get cured," said he kindly; "and as you are poor, take with you that bag of cash"—heavy Chinese coins—"as a gift from this court."

The prisoner bowed, quickly threw the heavy bag over his shoulder, and departed, while every one wondered. But he had hardly got outside the door of the court, when he was arrested. The judge remarked that if he could easily carry off a heavy sack of money, he would have no difficulty in stealing a light table.

In the Days of Graft.

The removal from the county clerk's office of two safes which had been purchased by the city in the days of "Boss" Tweed, recalls the story which a man once prominent in Albany politics used to tell whenever he had an opportunity, says the New York Tribune. John McBride Davidson, maker of safes and member of the inner circle, was met in the city hall park one day by a man who introduced himself as a fellow Albanian. "I am a grafter; can't you get me a job on the courthouse or city hall?"

"No," said Davidson. "I don't think I can. They give those jobs to New Yorkers."

"But I want only the job to put in one pane of glass."

"What good will that do you?"

"Once I have a contract for one pane of glass from those gentlemen, my family is provided for. I need never work again" was the reply.

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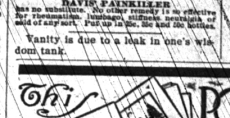

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Thus, as the value of the story of the prodigal son does not depend upon the question whether there ever was such a father and two such boys, so the value of the story of the garden of Eden does not depend upon the question whether there ever was a tree the fruit of which would give knowledge of good and evil, or a talking serpent tempting a woman. The real value of the Book of Jonah has been almost wholly lost to most readers in the hot debate of the question whether a whale can swallow a man.—From an Editorial in The Outlook, by Lyman Abbott.

A Pair of Punsters.

"Two Smart Alecks met on the street corner yesterday."

"Two Smart Alecks often do that."

"Quite right, quite right. One of these chaps said, 'What will Delaware?' and the other one said, 'I don't know, Alaska.'"

"Did they escape?"

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