

BOTANY BAY HISTORY

THE TRUE STORY OF THE NOTORIOUS SOUTH SEA SITE.

No Convict Was Ever Landed There, No Settlement Ever Made There, and It Has Never Had Anything to Do With England's Penal System.

The first convict fleet sailed away from England in May, 1787, called at Rio Janeiro and arrived at Botany Bay early in January, 1788.

On the six small transports for this long, tropical voyage were packed convicts numbering 564 men and 192 women. There were also carried 168 marines and 10 officers, a few surgeons and mechanics, the wives of 40 of the marines and 18 children, the offspring of convicts.

It is easy for the visitor of today to understand the blank dismay that Philip felt when the fleet sailed. Bay and he saw for the place which had been selected for the spot for settlement.

Leaving the fleet anchored in the bay, Philip started up the coast in his tender to hunt for a better home. Nine miles to the northward he found himself facing those great gates now known as Sydney head, which Cook had seen from a distance, and, satisfied with Botany Bay, had marked on his chart as a possible harbor for small boats.

The fleet was standing out of the bay, when two French frigates appeared in the offing. They bore an exploring party under Comte de la Perouse, without hostile intentions, which was an immense relief to the colonists.

This is all of the story of Botany Bay, a name long infamous because of its association with convict transportation. No convict ever was landed there, and it never had anything more to do with the system than I have related.

When I went there not long ago, the tide was out and the beach was foul with all sorts of drifts. One peninsula, which juts between the bay and the ocean, has been reserved for noxious trades, and they will elbow the obelisk erected to the memory of Captain Cook, so that in the future the bay will be no more savory than its name has been, unjustly, in the past.

It was the 26th of January, 1788, when the fleet of Governor Arthur Phillip entered what is now Sydney harbor. The settlement of the continent of Australia was begun.—Chicago Record.

He Should Have Brought Them.

A doctor tells a good story in connection with a lad who, until recently, was in his employ. It was part of his duties to answer the surgery bell and to usher the prospective patients into the consulting room.

"Hello, Jackson!" he remarked. "What's the matter with ye?" "Oh, I just want to see the doctor," replied the visitor.

"Have yer brought yer symptoms with yer?" inquired Buttons. "That's the best thing he'll ask yer about. If ye ain't brought 'em, ye'd better pop back, an get 'em. He won't be down for a quarter of an hour, an he's awful pezzikler about 'em!"

"And would you believe it?" adds the doctor, "that fellow was actually about to act on the boy's advice when I entered the surgery!"—Pearson's Weekly.

The citizens of Berlin have a summary method of stopping the dangerous practice of carrying sticks and umbrellas horizontally.

LITERARY NOTES.

A war poem by Rudyard Kipling—a poem of torpedoes and torpedo-boats—will be one of the features of McClure's Magazine for May.

A romantic short story of the Arctic regions by a new writer, Mr. John A. Hill, will appear in McClure's Magazine for May.

The foremost authority in all the world on the subject of earthquakes, John Milne, and his unique earthquake observatory in the Isle of Wight will be the subject of an illustrated article in McClure's Magazine for May.

In McClure's Magazine for May Hamlin Garland will tell the ever-interesting and ever-tragic story of General Grant's last year. In preparing his paper, Mr. Garland has had access to important unpublished material; for example, he will give many passages from Grant's last conversations.

The instalment of Charles A. Dana's "Recollections" in the May number of McClure's Magazine will give some striking pen-portraits of the generals associated with Grant in the Army of the Potomac. It will also describe the almost ridiculous panic in Washington at the time of the Early raid.

A series of life portraits of Thomas Jefferson, with introduction and notes by Charles Henry Hart, will appear in McClure's Magazine for May.

The languor so common at this season is due to impoverished blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures it by enriching the blood.

McClure's Magazine for May.

At a moment when war and all its appliances and aspects have an especial interest, no doubt the first thing turned to in McClure's Magazine for May will be Rudyard Kipling's poem on the torpedo. In a recent statement by Lieutenant G. E. Armstrong that "the torpedo has brought into the navy a fresh zest, a new romance, and possibilities more brilliant than were existent before its adoption," Mr. Kipling has found an idea of just the sort he loves, and developed thereon a poem in his noblest manner—majestic in movement, felicitous and dramatic in description, and mystical and deep searching in sentiment. It is truly great in its individual expressions, and greater yet in its complete effect and impression.

The conditions of the present moment give a special interest also to Mr. Hamlin Garland's intimate story of the last year in the life of General Grant, since Grant is still our proudest memory and our readiest inspiration in a season of particular warward impulse. While in its main lines Mr. Garland's story is, of necessity, the familiar one of unspeakable suffering borne with heroic patience, yet it adds a number of new incidents and unpublished passages from Grant's last conversations that are of great interest.

This number contains two excellent short stories by new writers. One is a story of "The Polar Zone," by John A. Hill, which in perfectly convincing improbability and fervor of imagination almost equals Poe. The other is a kindly, humorous Memorial Day story—"Uncle Luther Dowell's Wooden Leg"—by Ray Stannard Baker. An instalment of Anthony Hope's "Rupert of Hentzau" particularly stirring and absorbing, adds further noteworthy to the fiction of the number.

Charles A. Dana's personal recollections of Meade, Hancock, Sedgwick, Humphreys, and the other generals serving under Grant in the Army of the Potomac; Cleveland Moffett's account of John Milne, the man who, of all the world, knows most about earthquakes, and of his earthquake observatory, where the slightest tremor of any part of the earth is automatically recorded and located; and Charles Theodore Murray's description of his voyage across the ocean with the circus, illustrated with pictures drawn from life by C. K. Linson, are other items of the number which readers will find more than keeping their promise in point of instruction as well as of interest.

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POPULAR SCIENCE.

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French Guiana is said to have the most violent thunderstorms in the world. The thunder is almost deafening, and the peals come in quick succession.

The gradual cooling of France is proved by its vegetation. The Italian poplar, common in early French etching, is now seldom seen in the country, while the lemon has disappeared from Languedoc and the orange from Roussillon, and the northern limit of many plant species has shifted far to the southward.

Ocean waves have on a number of occasions dashed over the tops of lighthouses which are 150 feet high. As a wave in the open ocean is accompanied by a depression as deep as the wave is high, a ship in the trough of the sea encountering such waves would be banked by hills of water, if the term may be used, 300 feet high.

Competition in the use of the X-rays seems impending in England. The Treasurer of St. Thomas's Hospital, in London, has written to the London Times protesting that whereas some beggarly fifty-seven cases of the use of X-rays in the Liverpool Hospital were considered worthy of mention, no account had been taken of the 416 similar cases at St. Thomas's, which had involved the appointment of an assistant operator.

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- No. 1. First and final account of Edmond Lutes, administrator of the estate of Daniel T. Lutes, late of Benton twp., deceased.
No. 2. First and partial account of Frank Rentz, executor of the estate of Caroline Boehm, late of Catawissa Borough, deceased.
No. 3. First and final account of H. W. McRoy, trustee for sale of real estate of A. K. Smith, late of Madison township, deceased.
No. 4. First and partial account of M. Alvera Hess, administratrix of the estate of Wm. S. Hess, late of Centre township, deceased.
No. 5. First and final account of F. I. Shultz and Nancy D. Shultz, executors of the estate of Samuel P. Krickbaum, late of Benton township, deceased.
No. 6. First and final account of Truman H. Mather, executor of the estate of Henry E. Mather, late of Greenwood township, deceased.
No. 7. First and final account of Joseph W. Reece, administrator of the estate of Jos. S. Albertson, late of Greenwood twp., deceased.
No. 8. The account of E. Layton Pruitt, administratrix of the estate of John C. Pruitt, late of Hemlock township, deceased.
No. 9. First and final account of A. P. Bittner, executor of the estate of Geo. A. Bittner, late of Locust township, deceased.
No. 10. First and final account of William S. Smith, administrator of the estate of A. K. Smith, late of Madison township, deceased.
No. 11. First and final account of John W. Shumaker, administrator of the estate of Margaret A. Meusinger, late of Main township, deceased.
No. 12. First and partial account of William Winer, administrator of the estate of C. E. Winer, late of the town of Bloomsburg, dec'd.
No. 13. First and partial account of Sarah E. Milton B. and Harry B. Creasy, administrators of the estate of Jacob H. Creasy, late of the borough of Catawissa, deceased.
No. 14. First and final account of Theodore Mericle, administrator of the estate of Daniel Mericle late of Hemlock township, deceased.

Register's office, Bloomsburg, Pa. April 2, 1898.

Jurors for May Term of Court.

- GRAND JURY. Bloomsburg—W. H. Moore, Charles Martin, S. W. Shutt, I. K. Appleman. Benton Boro.—Benjamin Crossley, W. C. Folmer. Berwick—M. L. Garrard. Briarclark—H. F. Hittenhouse. Catawissa—Lewis Albus. Conyngham—J. R. Miller, Thomas Weller. Fishhook—Jesse Runyon, J. D. Emery, B. A. Hartman. Franklin—D. W. Reeder. Hemlock—Henry Kote, George W. Miller. Hemlock—Frank J. Emmet. Madison—Chas. M. Gorton. Mt. Pleasant—John Harpe. Orange—J. D. Carl. Pine—Ulrich Chamberlin. Roaringcreek—Mayberry Levan. Scott—W. E. Dewitt.

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