

GREAT MAN'S WIFE

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THE story of the Simeses was in many respects the usual one of a man having gone on in worldliness and social achievement quite beyond the wife, who had stood still after marriage, as the saying goes. Again, the story of the Simeses was quite unusual in this respect. Frank Simes had gone on in a manner as unusual as it was startling. At thirty-one, the young clerk in a second-rate publishing house, while off on a two weeks' holiday at an obscure seaside resort with his wife, had filled in his spare time writing a description of the life about him.

duttering as near together as they dared. Brody knew to what extent Mary had manufactured the success of Simes. It was the only intimate subject they ever permitted themselves to discuss together, and then only under pretense of legal affairs. Time and time again, instigated by one thing or another, Brody had openly credited Mary with being the impulse that had pushed Simes from the position of a humble clerk in a publishing house to the unique standing he had achieved in the world of letters.

TALES OF THE CHIEFS

By Editha L. Watson

SPOTTED TAIL

A cow is the most inoffensive animal that walks the earth, yet she has been the cause of plenty of trouble. A cow started the Chicago fire, and a cow was the reason for the killing of Lieutenant Grattan's detachment. The Chicago cow was probably something of a pet—the other bovine was an old one abandoned by emigrants and taken by a Brule Sioux.

Grattan was sent to arrest the Indian for his salvage of the cow. The Brule thought this proceeding rather high-handed, and the battle began, with the result that Grattan's detachment was destroyed. The cow had probably become Indian sustenance long before the fight.

Prominent in this engagement was a young Indian who later attained almost the prominence of Red Cloud. He, too, was self-made, and besides being a leader among warriors, he had fought a duel with a subchief for the hand of his wife, and had won. When the head chief died, Spotted Tail was chosen over the heads of older men to succeed him.

After the battle over the discarded cow, which led to depredations on the Oregon trail and subsequent punishment of the tribe by other troops, Spotted Tail and two others were commanded to give themselves up as murderers. Much to the surprise of the soldiers at Fort Laramie, this was promptly done, and the three braves, dressed in their war array, marched in, chanting their death-songs. This bravery had an effect in their favor, and Spotted Tail eventually was freed.

In 1865, when the Sioux under Red Cloud opposed the building of a railroad into Montana, Spotted Tail favored the treaty, although he did not sign it. He did, however, sign the treaty of April 29, 1868, in which the Sioux reservation was accepted and the road to the mines abandoned.

Later, gold was discovered in the Black Hills. Not knowing exactly how the white men valued this metal, Spotted Tail visited the miners and prospectors in their camps to find out. As he sat before their fires, he listened to talk of wonderful mines and rich ore, given a greatly exaggerated value by the imagination of the prospectors—a habit which has not ceased to this day. His untutored mind gained the idea that the Black Hills lands were extremely valuable, and that a price commensurate with this value should be paid to the Sioux.

The treaty of 1868 had taken away from the chiefs the power to make treaties for sale of lands. On this account, commissioners were sent to the Sioux to find out what price they demanded. Spotted Tail had spread the news he gathered: the lands were valued by the Indians at \$60,000,000. Naturally, no such price could be paid. Further negotiations must be entered into, but for the time affairs were at a standstill. The troops, feeling that later on the territory would be opened, began allowing miners to pass in without limit.

The younger Sioux, who hoped with their elders that a large price would be paid, saw this influx with alarm and anger. To a man, the warrior warriors on the reservation joined the hostiles, of which Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse (a nephew of Spotted Tail) were leaders.

Spotted Tail, who had been to Washington, where he was made much of, had become much friendlier to the white people than some of his brother chiefs liked. Big Mouth, in particular, had considerable to say about this, and was managing to turn the Brule against Spotted Tail.

There was one sure way to cause Big Mouth to be still; Spotted Tail went to his lodge, and called him out. As the talkative chief appeared, two warriors seized him, and before he could resist, Spotted Tail shot him dead.

The Sioux uprising has been discussed elsewhere in these articles, and its outcome told. After the Custer disaster, Red Cloud was suspected of disloyalty, and Spotted Tail was made chief of all the Indians at both his own agency and Red Cloud's.

Crazy Horse had separated from Sitting Bull, and engaged in a desperate battle with General Miles and his troops. Spotted Tail negotiated with his nephew, and in the following spring (1877) Crazy Horse surrendered. The great Sioux uprising was at an end.

The Brule chief, now a man of middle age, still preferred an active life. Intertribal feuds remained to be settled, and Crow Dog, another Sioux, was one of the marked men. Spotted Tail gathered a war-party and started out to spill some Indian blood.

They met near the Rosebud agency in South Dakota, August 5, 1881. Crow Dog felt that he was in a dangerous position, and prepared to defend himself.

A shot rang out—more than one, no doubt, but this shot reached its mark in the heart of Spotted Tail. The Brule chief lay dead. (© 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

University of Oxford

Old Seat of Learning

The university, in the modern sense, dates to the Twelfth and Thirteenth centuries as an outgrowth of earlier schools in connection with cathedrals and monasteries. This despite the fact that a number of European universities have legends carrying their origin considerably farther back—as for instance Oxford, whose tradition is that it was founded by King Alfred about 872.

Oxford dates, however, to early in the Twelfth century. The universities of Paris and Bologna, which exercised the greatest influence upon the later institutions, were founded about 1200. The oldest Spanish university is that of Salamanca, dating to 1240. The earliest Italian universities, besides Bologna, were

Padua, 1222; Naples, 1224; Genoa, 1243, and Perugia, 1276. About ten others were founded in that country before 1550, and Italy was the greatest resort of students for the higher education during those times. The University of Prague was established in 1348; the first college at Cambridge in 1257, and the University of Jagiello, in Cracow, Poland, in 1364. The University of Copenhagen dates to 1479, and of Edinburgh to 1582.

Deer's Appetite

At least one acre of the best forest browse or greenery is needed during the growing season to support a single deer, while during the winter a much larger area of sparser browse is required, according to Drs. E. B. Forbes and L. O. Overholt of Pennsylvania State college. Doctors Forbes and Over-

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