

For Possession of a Woman.

Indians Fight to win Bride--Braves Battled for Prairie Flower.

Two Fox Indians fought a duel for a bride on the site of Iowa, Ia., in 1840, is related by W. S. Hard, of Des Moines, as told to him by his father, an eyewitness.

The duel took place on the Capitol square, southeast of the old stone Capitol, in the city. The story follows:

By some means it became known that a duel was to be fought on the square. The news was a woman named Alga, the sister of Cocohic. She was as beautiful as a prairie flower.

Two young Indians had been courted for a long time. Her father told them that his daughter must wed a brave. The title of a brave could only be gained by war or in the arena.

The young men were determined to win the honor of a brave. In the fall of the year they went for their annual hunt. Each of these young men returned with the scalp of a Sioux Indian, enemies to their tribe, hanging from his belt. They were admitted to the council of the brave and were named Elk, the other was named Mugus or Bear. The Elk was a tall, and had the step of an athlete. The Bear was short and stout and as active as a cat.

The new braves now renewed their rivalry with all the fervor of ardent warriors. All this time there was engaged in and about Iowa City a young Fox Indian, Cocohic, the brother of the Indian maiden, could decide between the lovers, and the matter was referred to Chief Powessieck. He decided that it must be settled by a combat, the best man to have the maiden. Curiosity led my brother to go and see the combat, expecting to see an exhibition of savage fury. He was mistaken.

Arriving on the ground he saw assembled five hundred Indians on the open prairie south side of Capitol square. Up near where the old Capitol building now stands was the commanding figure of Chief Powessieck in full view of the scene. The Indian maiden was there in all her wild finery. She seemed to be unconscious that she was the cause that impelled two noble youths to plunge the murderous knife into each other's bosom.

The Combat.

Near the centre of the ground stood a man towering above the assembled Indians, his head silvered over with the frost of sixty winters. His arms were folded, and he was looking at the combat with a steady gaze. He was Chief Kishkiskask and was directed by Powessieck to take charge of the arrangements for the contest.

He was waiting for the shadow of a pole set in the ground south of them to fall on a mark. As the shadow neared the mark he stepped off the ground. The order of the combat was soon arranged. The Bear and the Elk were naked to the waist. Kishkiskask made a few remarks to them, after which they politely stepped to where the maiden was and bade her good-bye. They went to their places as cool as if they were going to their wigwams for dinner.

After Kishkiskask had placed the contestants ready for the combat he gave each of them a large hunting knife. The shadow was on the mark, he stepped back and gave the word. Now for a while they circled around and around each other while waiting

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for a chance to strike. Presently Elk aimed a blow at the Bear; he lifted up his knife, but was wounded in his right arm. They now stood up manfully to their desperate work, thrusting and standing on their guard. Elk made a plunging strike at the Bear, wounding him badly and he was himself wounded.

In a few moments they were both down, when at a word from Kishkiskask 2 Indians leaped upon their feet, steadied them for a moment, then let them go. Bear kept his feet, but Elk went down again. They were both desperately wounded. Kishkiskask, having satisfied himself that Elk was unable to rise, decided the contest in favor of the Bear and gave him Alga, the Indian maiden. They left the grounds.

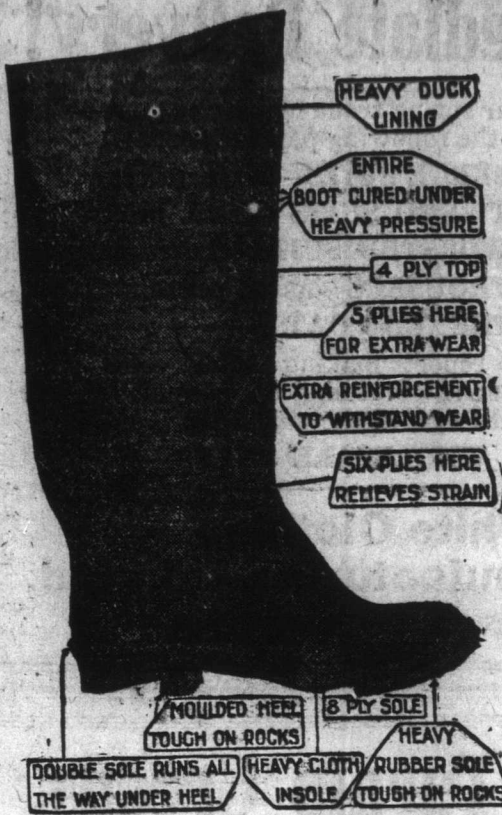
It seemed for a moment that the Elk had no friend and that he would be allowed to bleed to death; but there was one woman true to him. She was his mother. She was down on her knees by his side to stop the effusion of blood that would surely ebb his life away. Several Indian women came to her assistance. They bandaged up his wounds and carried him off the ground to their wigwam.

A Battle Averted.

Now there was a war cloud arising dark and lowering over the prairie. On the south side of the square the friends of the Elk were stationed. They raised the war whoop and came in a solid body brandishing their knives and tomahawks to attack the friends of the Bear, who had taken their stand in a grove of oak trees on a ridge near where the Capitol building now stands, prepared for battle.

The Indian braves had left their firearms at their camps by order of War Chief Kishkiskask. The friends of the Elk were met near where the stone wall now is coming down from the old Capitol building leading to the east—by Powessieck and the great medicine man of the tribe. Powessieck spoke to the angry Indians with all of his natural eloquence. At times he would assume a commanding attitude (his voice was loud and commanding) then again would lower his voice to a soothing tone that was truly eloquent, and the talk of the great medicine man stayed the onward march of the friends of Elk, and they returned to their camps, and then the white angel of peace brooded over the scene.

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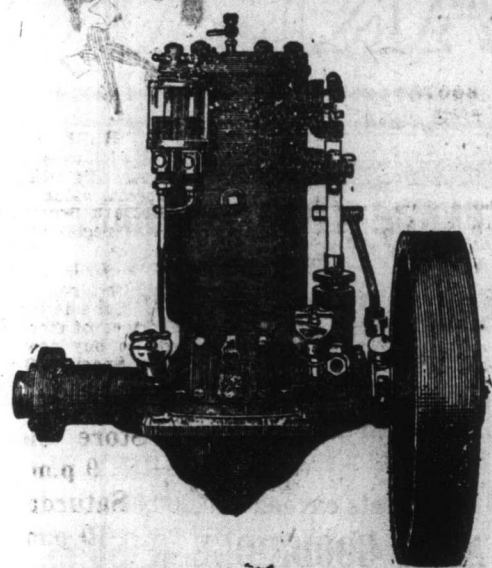
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