Celebrating 175: Henry Ossawa Tanner, Writings & Notes, circa 1900-1930s

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entering wedge, and during this time- a week or ten days. I was reduced
to corn meal, made in as many ways as I was ingenious enough to
prepare it- with salt & water. My bill of fare read somewhat like this.

Morning, corn bread, and apple sauce (without sugar)
Noon, apple sauce, & corn bread
Night corn mush, and apple sauce-

I might change the as I liked or fry the mush if I wished, but at least I
never had to be in a quandary (quandary) what I should have for the
next meal. It was to be corn meal until I got some work. There was one
oasis in this "corn meal desert"—when I got an order to photograph a small cottage, and in twenty four
hours, I had the money on "my inside pocket.

I made photos of the whole immediate region, a most lovely country and
as no photographer had ever visited it before, they were a success, and
my hard times,—very hard times, vanished as the mountain mists do
before the sun.
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