

An Oregon Horse.

A recent issue of the Scientific American contains a picture and description of the Oregon horse Wonder which it says, has recently attracted much attention to the extraordinary development of the hair of his mane, forelock and tail.

Southern Oregon Mines.

Grant's Pass Courier. Sherer, Simmons and Williams are slucing out \$100 a day with four men at their mine, just below the mouth of Gallico creek.

A party is opening the Lewis McCallister mine on Rogue river below Dutcher creek, and expect to have the diggings in order next week.

William Rubie was down from the Rubie placer mine near Wolf creek. He is running two giants with eight men. He expects to put in another giant next week, and to put on three or four more men.

A Touching Instance.

A touching instance of insect instinct, was related to us this week by one of our best friends.

"I found a cockroach struggling in a bowl of water I took half a peanut shell for a boat. I put him into it, and gave him two wooden toothpicks for oars and left him. The next morning I visited him, and he had a piece of white cotton thread on one of the toothpicks, and set the toothpick on end as a signal of distress. He had a hair on the other toothpick, and there that cockroach sat fishing. The cockroach exhausted, had fallen asleep. The sight melted me to tears. I had never to chew leather to get a soul; I was born with one. I took that cockroach out, gave him a spoonful of gruel, and left. The animal never forgot my kindness, and now my house is chock full of cockroaches."

The Deadly Cigarette.

Linkville Star: The death record of the cigarette is still drawing tears from the recording angel. The 14-year-old son of one of Pomona's prominent citizens went under last week in delirium tremens and horrible convulsions from overmuch use of the little paper smoke-wad.

His Little Joke.

National Labor Tribune. A clergyman who was a widower, had three grown-up daughters. Having occasion to go away from home for a few weeks he wrote home from time to time. In one of his letters he informed them that he had "married a strapping widow with six children."

Picturesque Reformers.

Butte Miner: "How to kill the lottery" is discussed learnedly and exhaustively in the New York Press, but that bright journal shoots wide of the mark. The way to kill lotteries is to stop buying tickets. Editors who write labored editorials on how to kill the lottery, while at the same time they have a ticket for the drawing in one pocket, the left hind foot of a rabbit in another and a rusty horseshoe over the door, are brilliant and picturesque reformers.

One Consolation.

If it should prove true, as announced by Dr. Hamilton, the well-known Philadelphia physician, that the gripe will prevail in this country this winter in a serious and perhaps an epidemic form there is some consolation in the fact that another well-known physician, a resident of this city, announces that the best remedy for the disease is a warm bed and a hot toddy.—Louisville Times.

But a Matter of Time.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Truth, Labourer's paper, publishes an article on Canada's future, drawn out by the troubles in the province of Quebec. Truth says it is the manifest destiny of the Dominion to become a new United States, or to become attached to the great republic. The change is inevitable,

and the sooner it occurs the better. The emancipation of the grotesque domination and its absorption in the United States would be a benefit to Canadians and also to Great Britain. Such a course would relieve Great Britain of the necessity of engaging in transatlantic squabbles in which she has no concern. It would, moreover, give the Canadian energy and enterprise which no mere colonists can possess. The only sufferers would be the Indians who would be transferred to the tender mercies of what is probably the most corrupt and rascally institution on earth—the Washington Indian bureau. The paper further says that Canada once free, Australia would soon follow. The talk of Australian loyalty to the British crown, Truth says, is all buncombe.

High-Toned Chilean Refugees.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—A dispatch states that the fact was developed at yesterday's cabinet meeting that the refugees at the American legation in Santiago are proving a great source of embarrassment to the administration. In the event of hostilities between the United States and Chili it would be impossible for this government to afford them any further protection. In the event of war Egan would give his passports and permitted to leave the country in safety, but not so the refugees. It seems, too, the refugees are proving themselves a white elephant on Egan's hands. They insist upon being entertained in the most hospitable fashion, and they seem to feel their right to the best which the legation affords is unquestioned.

The Missouri Train Robbers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—A woman giving the name of Florence Waterman has been arrested by detectives here, and it is claimed she has not only acknowledged being the wife of Marion Hedpeth who is suspected of being one of the gang of train robbers which held up the train at Glendale, Mo., November 30, but has given information which may lead to the arrest of other members of the band in addition to Albert Sly who was arrested last week in Los Angeles by Detectives Pinkerton and Whitaker, and who was taken east on Sunday without the formality of extradition papers.

Plot to Assassinate the Czar.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—Ten police made a large number of arrests in Russian Poland, as the result of a discovery of a secret league, the object of which was to assassinate the czar. It is thought many persons connected with the conspiracy have taken flight at the knowledge of their plans by the police, and will seek safety by fleeing from the country. The authorities have ordered the frontier closely watched, and it is believed further arrests will shortly be made.

Two Men Killed by Blasts.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 30.—At 7:30 a. m. four boxes of dynamite bombs, used for blasting at Schoonmaker's stone quarry at Wauwatosa, a village five miles west of this city, exploded, blowing Albert Butliis and William Walker to atoms. John Ralasky was fatally injured. The two men killed were in the act of loading a blasting pump when the explosion occurred. The concussion demolished hundreds of windows in Wauwatosa and a number in this city.

A Train Wreck in Russia.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Le Clair publishes a dispatch from St. Petersburg, giving details of a terrible railway accident in Russia at Rosova station on the railway between Minsk and Smolinsk, the latter city being 250 miles southwest of Moscow. An express train yesterday ran into the rear of a military train. Twenty persons were killed outright, and over 100 seriously injured.

In Kittitas County.

CLE-ELUM, Wash., Dec. 29.—The prospects are that this section will experience the greatest depth of snow in several years. At Fish Lake, twenty miles above here, the snow is eleven feet deep on a level. At Lake Cle-Elum it is eight feet, at Easton seven feet and at this point about two and a half feet. Snow is still falling and slightly drifting.

Collided With a Switch Engine.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 29.—A passenger train on the Union Pacific collided with a switch engine in the yards this afternoon, badly wrecking both engines and derailing the mail and baggage cars. The engineers and firemen of both engines were slightly hurt and the passengers given a lively shaking up, but none injured.

Quarantine Against Massachusetts' Cattle.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 29.—The Maine cattle commissioners have posted a quarantine against Massachusetts cattle because of tuberculosis, but the regulations shall not apply to Western cattle coming through Massachusetts into Maine for the purpose of slaughter.

The Texas Railway Strike.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 29.—The entire system of the San Antonio & Arkansas Pass railway was tied up today by the strike of its employees, who went out last night. The trouble was caused by the discharge of a conductor for an alleged violation of orders.

Will Confer Today.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—The railway employees' committee here to assist the telegraphers in obtaining a settlement of their difficulty with the Southern Pacific company has appointed tomorrow afternoon as the time to confer with General Manager Towne.

Bob Sims' Brother Hanged.

SHURBETH, Miss., Dec. 30.—About 3 o'clock Sunday morning John Sims, Bob's brother, was taken from jail at Butler, Ala., and hanged by a dozen men. Sims protested his innocence, and said he had done nothing to deserve such a fate.

Mine Hoisting Works Burned.

TOMBSTONE, Ariz., Dec. 28.—The Conlention mine, hoist and works were burned yesterday. The loss is \$300,000. The amount of insurance is not known, but it is believed to be \$150,000. The fire caught in the roof of the blacksmith shop, where a watchman had a stove to keep himself warm. The residence of the superintendent was also destroyed. The loss includes the pumping plant. The 600-foot shaft is still burning. No work has been done on the mine for several years, owing to a misunderstanding with other companies on pumping the water out. The mine is owned principally in San Francisco.

A Change in Ministers.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The North German Gazette says it learns from reliable sources that Dr. Von Hollenbum, at present German minister to Japan, will be transferred to Washington, where he will represent Germany in place of Count Arcovalley, who died some time ago. Baron Von Gutschmid, who is now German minister to Chili, will be transferred to Tokio, to take the place made vacant by the transfer of Dr. Von Hollenbum. Dr. Von Winckler, now holding the position of secretary of the German legation at Constantinople, will be appointed minister to Mexico.

Deshabille Did Not Bother Him.

GENEVA, O., Dec. 28.—An exciting chase took place here yesterday. The vestibuled sleeper No. 12, east-bound, was sidetracked, awaiting the clearing of a freight wreck at Kingsville. A passenger awoke and saw a thief running from the car with his trousers, which contained \$250 in cash. He pursued the thief to Main's storeroom, where the culprit dropped the garments, which were regained without loss. The gentleman coolly wrapped his coat about him and marched back to the car, while the crowd applauded heartily.

The Colonial Parliament Closed.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 29.—The governor of Victoria prorogued the colonial parliament today. His excellency, in closing the session, said he regretted difficulties had arisen in dealing with the commonwealth bill, but he believed the federation of the Australian colonies was only delayed, not defeated. He added that the financial prospects of the colony were promising and good reports were received concerning the harvest.

Shot Without Any Cause.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 28.—A man named Ben Pierce shot Patsy Hamilton, an employee of the Nevada & California railroad, in the Russ house last night. The wound is said to be of a very dangerous character, it being about an inch below the heart. The shooting is said to have been without provocation. Pierce is in jail.

By the Morphine Route.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 29.—Leah Benjamin McGregor who, with her husband, took morphine at the Hotel Ramona Sunday morning with suicidal intent, died at 6 o'clock this evening. It is now believed that McGregor first took poison and then forced his wife to take a deadly dose. An inquest will be held on both bodies tomorrow.

A Desperate Old Man.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—An old man living in the eastern department killed his son in a quarrel over a legacy. When the gardames arrived to arrest him, he barricaded himself in the house. He fired at the gardames, whereupon a second gardames leveled his pistol at the murderer and killed him.

Arrested for Murder.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 30.—A dispatch from a detective at work on the New Synara murder case states that he has arrested Irving Jenkins for the murder of a family in the Packwood house, and had him committed to jail at Delano.

Refused to Pardon Him.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The president today denied the application for pardon in the case of Harper, convicted on a charge of embezzlement of funds of the Fidelity Savings bank of Cincinnati, and sentenced in 1887 to ten years imprisonment.

The New Spanish Tariff.

MADRID, Dec. 30.—The new tariff adopted by the cabinet, and which is to be published January 1, imposes prohibitive duties on alcohol and sugar. It relieves the present burdens on rails and railway material generally.

French Prisoners at Liberty?

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Five men serving terms of imprisonment in Montpellier have made their escape. The warden of the prison and one prisoner, who is supposed to have refused to join the others, were found strangled.

Want an Indian Legislature.

BOMBAY, Dec. 30.—The Indian national congress, in session at Nangpur, adopted a resolution declaring necessary the establishment of a legislature in India to which Indian people shall elect representatives.

Shipwrecked Sailors on a Rock.

QUEBEC, Dec. 28.—The marine department has been notified that there are shipwrecked castaways on Bird rocks in the gulf. It is thought they belong to a French lugger which left St. Pierre a few days ago.

It is reported on good authority at Rome that diplomatic relations will soon be resumed with the United States. That's so—Italy has been sulking for several months; but as the people of the United States had about forgotten the diplomatic rupture, the game of freeze-out has evidently been a failure.

The Siege of Yemen.

VIENNA, Dec. 30.—A letter is published here describing the ten week's siege of Yemen by the Arabs. The town was under bombardment daily, while a terrible famine prevailed there. When the Turks relieved the city, a general butchery of prisoners occurred on both sides.

A Real Estate Man Missing.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—W. T. Hall, a veteran real estate man, has been missing since December 18, and his friends entertain fears as to his safety. It is asserted the firm has been financially embarrassed of late.

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