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DISPATCH RIDER'S COOLNESS.

Captured by the Boers, He Saves His Precious Papers by a Shrewd Trick.

One of the most remarkable instances of self-possession on record is accorded to a gentleman who arrived here so late as October 29, writes a Transvaal correspondent of the London News. He rode a bicycle, and his dispatches were made up in a brown paper parcel, which he carried in his coat pocket, so that if he saw trouble ahead he could command the safety of his parcel to the open field. He was riding swiftly, and on turning a treacherous corner found himself face to face with a party of about 20 Boers, who had been looting, or, in their more charitable phraseology, commandeering. He at once dismounted and said "good day," and as his "gut up" was excellent one of the Boers shook hands with him.

This gave a little respite, and enabled him to collect himself. Yes, he said, he was coming from Kimberley, and was looking for work. He preferred looking for work to taking up arms. Before the Boers sought to search him he brought out two hard boiled eggs, which he offered them. They refused, and then he produced his brown paper packet of dispatches, and said he had two sandwiches which they could have. His seeming kindness was his salvation, and the Boers were satisfied. They gave him plenty of advice, and told him to keep his sandwiches as they had a sufficiency of blitton.

VOTING PLACES IN PRUSSIA.

Beer Halls Are Generally Chosen for the Purpose of Holding Elections.

The practice in Prussian cities regarding the selection of voting places is in direct contradiction to American usage, says Municipal Affairs. Instead of closing all places where intoxicants are sold on election day, it is precisely the best-known and most popular beer halls that are chosen for the purpose of holding elections. The halls which are commonly maintained in such places to be used for all sorts of social gatherings are seldom occupied during the day, and as they are well known in the neighborhood they form ideal places for holding an election.

Liquors are not sold in the room in which the voting takes place, but may be freely drunk there. Indeed, it is a very exceptional election judge who does not have a capacious krug on the table before him, from which he occasionally quenches his thirst while the tedious process of balloting is going on. A very considerable economy is effected by holding elections in such places, as rent is either not charged at all or else is fixed at a nominal sum by the proprietor, who expects to be reimbursed through the purchases of those who visit the polls. Any unusual amount of drunkenness on election days, or at least during city elections, which are seldom attended by excitement of any sort, is unknown.

TRAVEL ON THE LAKES.

Summer the Steamers Are Kept Very Busy by the Tourist Travel.

The travel on Lake Michigan by boat is immense, far beyond any popular estimate. The along-shore routes from here to Racine, Milwaukee, lake ports further north as far as Green Bay, and the routes across the lake to Michigan points are crowded throughout the summer months and in the early fall, says the Chicago Chronicle. Great numbers also embark at Chicago for Lake Superior. All the craft on the lines to Mackinaw, Marquette, Ashland and Duluth are loaded with tourists. A few years ago the lakes were almost deserted by travelers. Within a year or two the attractions of lake travel have been widely appreciated by the public, and a trip on the "floating palaces," so to speak, of the lake navigation companies with a sojourn at resorts or in camp at favorable points, is understood to be the best outing that a fellow-citizen of moderate means can find within his reach. A trip up and down the great lakes serves the same purpose as a trip across the continent by rail to create a vivid conception of the greatness of this country. The length of the lakes is some 1,500 miles, and to produce an appreciation of their remarkable diversity they should be seen from both directions, making a voyage as long as that across the Atlantic. An American who has not traveled on the lakes from Buffalo to Chicago and to Duluth and back again is not fitted for foreign travel; he has no images of his own country to compare with the images of other countries which may be formed in the mind.

Big Fire in Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 26.—A fire, which raged in the cities of Hull, Quebec and Ottawa from 11 o'clock this morning until almost midnight, practically wiped up the first named place, burned a large section of the wholesale and manufacturing district of this city known as the Chaudiere flats, and destroyed two of Ottawa's suburbs, Hintouburg and Mechaonville.

As a result of the disaster a number of persons, estimated as high as ten and including Fire Chief Benot of Hull, lost their lives, 30 were injured, 14,000 are rendered homeless and an equal number thrown out of work. The property loss cannot be accurately estimated tonight, but it will range between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. All telephones, street cars and electric lights in the two cities and the suburbs have been destroyed, and every mill, factory, business house and lumber yard on both sides of the river has been completely wiped out.

For a while this afternoon it was feared that the flames would leap over the high bluffs behind the Chaudiere flats and gain a hold in the retail business and official sections of the city. Fortunately at this critical moment the wind shifted and drove the flames back over the burned flats. Just about this time the fire departments from Montreal and other adjoining cities arrived, and their efforts, combined with the aid of the local department and hundreds of volunteer fire-fighters, saved the city property. Perfect security, however, was not assured until several buildings had been blown up by dynamite.

All that remains of the city of Hull tonight—and the fire is still burning—is a small corner in the east end of the city. There are also a few houses standing in the suburbs. Hull has a population of about 12,000 people, and more than half of the city is homeless tonight. The entire business part of the city, including the courthouse, postoffice and public buildings and newspaper offices, is one mass of ruins. The population is almost entirely composed of people who work in the mills or who derive their business from those workers.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 27.—Over five square miles of territory burned over, more than 3000 buildings destroyed, seven lives lost, 7000 men, women and children homeless, and a property loss of \$17,000,000, according to the latest estimate, insured for about half its value, are the results as seen tonight of the fire which swept this city and Hull yesterday and today. Although under control for many hours, the flames were not entirely extinguished until about noon today.

The wife of Major-General James H. Wilson, military governor of the department of Matanzas-Santa Clara, died at Havana from the effects of burns accidentally received while driving with her daughter. In alighting from her carriage Mrs. Wilson stopped on a match, which ignited her dress. She was terribly burned, and although everything was done to relieve her suffering she died a few hours later.

Frank E. Bundy, ex-city chamberlain of Elmira, N. Y., and defeated candidate for mayor on the Democratic ticket in the spring election, has been indicted for grand larceny in the first degree and embezzlement and falsifying the city books. It is now thought that the report of the expert accountants examining his books will show a shortage of about \$100,000.

Admiral Dewey recently received a delegation representing 50,000 children in the northwest, who presented him, as a token of the regard and esteem of the donors, a beautiful gold watch and fob. The money was raised entirely by "1 cent" subscriptions, the movement being started by Archie Cadzow of Rose Mount, Minn. The names of all contributors, together with the story of the enterprise, made up from newspaper clippings and prepared in the form of a beautiful book, accompanied the watch. The watch is 23-karat gold, bearing the monogram "G. D." in gold enamel on the front of the case, and the admiral's flag in blue and white enamel on the back. On the inside of the case is an inscription of the names of the Spanish ships destroyed in Manila harbor, and the inscription, "Presented to Admiral Dewey by the children of Minneapolis and the northwest, May 1, 1900, each donor contributing 1 cent."

An accident within the exposition grounds at Paris caused the death of nine persons and injured nine. A temporary bridge, which had been condemned, broke while a crowd was passing beneath it. The injuries are mostly compound fractures of the legs. One woman and a child are unidentified.

Through a wager entered into between George Stoncovich and John Mickolick, death and destruction were brought about in the tenement-house at Larimer, Pa., on Tuesday night. A party of Austrians sat in a room where there were stowed several kegs of powder and some dynamite, at the home of John Mickolick, discussing the explosive powers of powder and dynamite. Stoncovich offered a wager of 25 cents with Mickolick that the blasting powder contained in the kegs would not ignite. The bet was accepted and a quantity of the powder was placed on the floor and a lighted match thrown into it. Stoncovich lost the bet. The body of Mickolick was taken to the morgue. The other victims will recover.

Mon. Matthew S. Quay has been refused a seat in the United States senate on the appointment of the governor of Pennsylvania by a vote of 33 to 29. The entire time of the senate that day was devoted to debate upon the question, many of the greatest lawyers and orators in the body delivering speeches.

—All kinds of cash and doors and screen doors, at lowest market price. W. Woods.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED FROM THE WEEK'S DISPATCHES.

John Owens Arrested For Murder Confesses—A Car of Wheat For Vancouver—Stricken India—Indianas Kat a Dead Man.

By the upsetting of a coal oil stove the clothing of Mrs. Sadie Gray of San Francisco was set on fire, and before aid came she was so badly burned that she died.

Westley Noos, the oldest resident of Sutter county is dead. He was 90 years old and came to the state in 1849.

American salmon canners operating at Anacortes and other near by places have offered the Dominion government to establish and maintain a first-class hatchery on the Fraser river.

A. S. Halliday, president of the California Wine works and inventor of the cable railroad, died at his home in San Francisco a few days ago.

With the abandonment of the effort to close down the shingle mills on Puget sound and maintain the association, list prices were given the first out at Seattle when offering were made at 12 cents below the list on all grades. There was little demand. For the next ten days deeper cuts are anticipated.

Scores of Japanese who recently arrived on Puget sound and went to work on the railroad have quit and are coming to California. The wages they received amounted to but 90 cents a day and their board was too high.

The session of the grand parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West was concluded at Oroville a few days ago. Santa Barbara is to get the next session.

Work was begun last week at Point Richmond clearing of the ground on which the Santa Fe railroad will build its shops and roundhouse. The plans for the improvement as contemplated by the railroad company were received several days before by the resident engineer of the company, but when the actual work of building the shops was begun, it had been hoped by the people of Oakland that the company might be induced to locate its plant there.

James B. Blair, a man with many ailments, was arrested at Berkeley a few days ago. He has been carrying on an extensive swindling game. He posed as secretary of an oil company and would send letters to someone who had just died that there was an amount still due on oil stock, and as soon as it was paid dividends could be drawn. Relatives would open the letter, and thinking the dead man had actually bought stock, send the money demanded.

Judge Buck of Redwood city, has sentenced John A. Vales to serve a term of three years in San Quentin. Last January Vales struck a fellow-countryman over the head with a jug of wine, the man dying from the effects of the blow a few days afterward. Both men were drinking and quarreling over the liquor. The jury brought in a verdict of manslaughter and recommended the prisoner to the mercy of the court. Both men were well-known characters about Half-moon bay.

In two years the coast shipping situation on Puget sound has completely changed and vessels are worth at least double what they were. Two years ago John Rosenfeld & company of San Francisco paid \$2500 for the Bartlett Theobald, clearing over this sum on her first trip to San Francisco with coal. Later they sold her for \$10,000. Recently it is reported they offered \$15,000 for her, but her present owners ask \$17,000.

Charles Zichfeld, a baker of Oarson, Nev., attempted to kill his wife by shooting at her while she was at the house of a friend. After firing the shot, which missed her, Zichfeld re-

DR. PIERCE'S Favorite Prescription

"I am so grateful to you for your advice," says Mrs. Sidney B. Oakes, of Whitwell, Pittsylvania Co., Va. "When I commenced your medicines I had been treated by different doctors for three months or more, but would only receive partial relief for a short while and then would be worse than before. Was confined to my bed most of the time. At the time I commenced your treatment my left side was completely paralyzed. Had no desire to eat anything; bowels costive all the time. Nerves were all unstrung, so I could not bear the least noise. I also suffered from diseased ovaries and female weakness. But thanks to my Maker and you, after following your advice, I am able to do all my washing, sewing and house work in general. I haven't had a spasm in two months. Left off medicines about one month ago. Didn't think it necessary to continue them longer. I have taken about seven bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, seven of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and two vials of 'Pleasant Pellets.' I heartily recommend those medicines to all suffering as I was."

makes weak women STRONG, sick women WELL.

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ECZEMA = SATANIC ITCH.

This most aggravating and tormenting of all skin diseases is caused by an acid condition of the blood, and unless relieved through certain instrumentalities too much of this acid poison reaches the skin and it becomes red and inflamed. The itching and burning are almost unbearable, especially when overheated from any cause. The skin seems on fire, sleep or rest is impossible, the desperate sufferer, regardless of consequences, scratches until strength is exhausted. This burning, itching humor appears sometimes in little pustules, discharging a sticky fluid, which forms crusts and scales. Again the skin is dry, hard and fissured, itches intensely, bleeds and scabs over. This is a painful and stubborn form of the disease. While Eczema, Tetter, Erysipelas, Salt Rheum and many like troubles are spoken of as diseases of the skin, they are really blood diseases, because

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Mrs. Lela M. Hoffman, of Cardington, Ohio, says she was afflicted with Eczema and Erysipelas from birth. Her face at times became so badly swollen that she was not recognizable, and her limbs and hands were very sore. She was treated by all the doctors in town without being benefited, and in her researches for relief, was told by an old physician to take S. S. S. She followed his advice and was promptly cured, and has never had a return of the disease. This was seventeen years ago. She sincerely believes she would have been in her grave years ago but for S. S. S., and adds, "what it has done for me it will do for others."

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turned to the bakery and killed himself by shooting a bullet into his brain. Zichfeld and his wife had trouble last week and his wife left him. He made an attempt to kill her, but the sheriff took the pistol away. He was given the pistol under promise of no further trouble. Zichfeld left a letter disposing of his property and also stating that he intended killing his wife and himself. Zichfeld had served a term in the Nevada penitentiary for bigamy. He married the woman he tried to kill while another wife was living in California.

The Truckee hotel is in ashes. The fire started in the laundry shortly after midnight, and in a few moments the old pine building was a mass of flames. The hotel was built in 1865, and added to from time to time. There was not the slightest chance to save the building and the firemen simply kept the flames from spreading. Fire engines from Summit and Truckee, with the town water system, confined the fire to the main building. The loss is placed at \$25,000.

Cloudbursts and heavy rain throughout Texas last week did immense damage. At Waco eight people are known to have lost their lives. Other deaths are reported.

Passengers arriving from the Orient declare the general belief throughout China to be that Emperor Lyrag, Hsu is being slowly and deliberately poisoned by the Empress Dowager, preparations for his demise being already completed. Mean while the inability of the imperial powers to curb wild rioting throughout the empire, and more particularly near Taku, the gateway of Peking, has led the interested powers to send their warships there and land marines, posing a general conflict. All the English papers of the coast cities regard the situation as more serious than it has been for many years, the Russo-Japanese complications being completely obscured.

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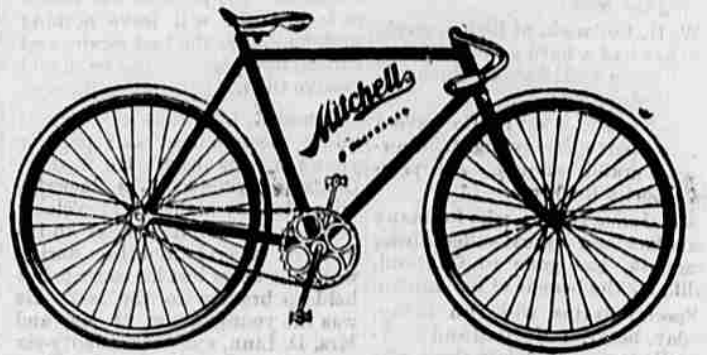
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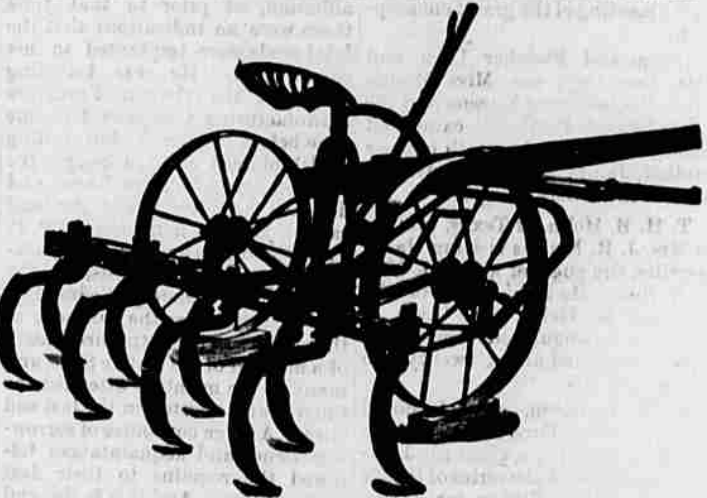
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The Standard Bred Trotting Stallion, ZILOPHONE

Zilophone's register No. 14 566; race record, 2:18; trial, 2:22; sire of Dan Mollo Muro, 2:14; Del Norte, 2:08; Allie, 2:09; Ella, 2:04; Doc Sperry, 2:08; Patience, 2:09. Zilophone's dam was Belle Price, by Duke, 2:28; by Ericsson, 1:50; by Sembrino Chief, 1:50. Zilophone is a beautiful dark bay with black points; stands 15 1/2 hands and weighs 1300 pounds and breeds very large. This horse can be found at the Union livery stable at Medford during the season. Terms:—Season, \$10, to be paid at end of season. To insure, \$10, to be paid when mare is known to be in foal. Hay and grain taken in payment when mare is in foal.

J. W. LAWTON, Owner, Wm. BRADBURY, Mgr. Medford Oregon