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A GREAT HOSS-RACE IN ARKANSAW.

The Dismal Effects of One of the Judges Being Double.

"Were you ever at the Swampboro, Ark?" asked a humorist as he joined a group of fellow travelers. None of the crowd had been there.

"I'm just from there," continued the speaker, as he passed the cigars and took a seat in the club, "and while there I went to Mosquito Park, the new race-course. There was a good deal of excitement and much betting, the contesting horses being an aged claybank and an old fire-bitten gray—only two entries. The regular judges were just owners of the horses entered, and it was deemed prudent to call in an unbiased and disinterested party to judge the race. So Col. Blood of Bear Ridge was requested to accept that important office. With the assistance of several members of the association the Colonel and his jug mounted the stand. After several false starts the flyers got off fairly well, and the race was closely contested as far as the homestretch, but at that point the gray horse, in passing through a swamp that had not been properly drained, mired up to his knees in mud. The claybank was a little more fortunate, being on the inside track, where he struck firmer dirt, and won easily, coming in at the finish probably 200 yards ahead.

"The claybank's backers were, of course, wild with joy and they picked him up bodily and carried him around on their shoulders. Their joy was only momentary, however, for Col. Blood, standing up on a soap-box and flourishing a pair of silver-mounted derringers, said: 'Gentlemen of the Swampboro Blood Horse Association and fellow-countrymen: All bets on the race what he's just been run air declared off!'

"Now was the time for the old gray's backers to yell, and you bet they never lost the opportunity! For full ten minutes the shouts were deafening. In the meantime three men died unnatural deaths and two others' were disabled for life."

"I don't mind getting my chilblains cut out," said a wounded man leaning against the judge's stand, "and held his hat over his abdomen; 'an' I ken manage to get along with only one eye, but Colonel Blood, 'em if I ken see how in the nation you can declare' the bets off when the grey wuz beat 300 yards!'

"Gentlemen" roared the Colonel, as he finished reloading his derringer and took another pull on a jug. "Gentlemen, my decision was prompted by the rules and regulations of all first-class race tracks, and that high sense of honor characteristic of a Kentucky-bred gentleman. Sirs, I am not ignorant of the fact that the grays were left 300 yards behind in yonder neighboring swamp, but my decision was based on the fact that those two yallers run a dead heat, an' I am here to defend my judgment 'an' my honah."—Nashville American.

Way of the Boston Girl.

A Boston girl starting on a missionary trip, received from a bevy of her feminine friends a telegram couched in the following polyglot phraseology: "Carissima Amica! Belleste salutamus. Pansez a nous. Auf wiedersehen. Mirsch! Which, according to the *Congregationalist* (and, by the way, we are perfectly willing to take the word of the *Congregationalist* for its means: "Most Beloved Friend!—We who are left saluting you, we all we mean again. The Lord watch between us."

"Now that's just like a gang of girls, to stay at home and send a telegram to a friend which the recipient can't read until she gets to her journey's end and unpacks her trunk and gets out her dictionaries. If the traveler had been a man, says the *Kansas City Evening News*, his chum would have gone to the station with him, and then the two are Hawaiian, and the last few minutes of the little redoubtable earlier across the street until there was no time left for anything more than: "So long, old man. Take care of yourself!"

And, after the homely phrase of slangy love-taking menus just as much as the verbal decorations drawn from three dead and two living languages.

The Color Line.

In Philadelphia, which has a colored population of about thirty-five thousand, the color line has almost entirely disappeared, according to the *N. Y. Tribune*. There are six influential colored clubs in the city, three colored lawyers and five colored physicians. One of the colored lawyers has crossed swords with some of the most brilliant lights of the bar, and one of the physicians has a practice of \$50,000 a year. Three colored dentists have a flourishing practice, and one landscape and one portrait artist are doing good work. There are twenty-seven colored churches in Philadelphia, a branch of the Young Men's Christian Association and three amateur dramatic societies. There is a colored workmen's club, with a kindergarten attached, and influential race papers are published. There are two colored masonic lodges, six colored lodges of the Knights of Pythias and twenty colored odd fellows' lodges. There is a great deal of wealth and refinement among the colored people of Philadelphia.

Why Mountains Were Built.

The islands composing New Zealand are 800 with some of the most brilliant content, and the largest boat is natives have is no bigger than an Indian canoe. Then they resemble neither the South American Indian nor the native of the Australian continent. Their own theory is that the Great Spirit was fishing in a tub, and threw his line down from the sky to hook a whale. The hook struck in the ground, and he pulled and puffed until he drew a mountain up to the skies, which is now called Rangitiri. He flew along the clouds in a tub, and tried his luck 600 miles away, with no better success, for this time he brought up Mt. Egmont, a peak 10,000 feet above the sea level. Both these snow-capped peaks may be seen to this day by mariners who are out calling for the transfer of 200,000 acres of land in the Molepoules grant, was compromised in San Francisco, the estate purchasing the interests of the plaintiffs and receiving a cancellation of the contract. The terms of settlement are not made public.

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COAST NEWS.

Damage in Pomeroy by Freshets—Union Pacific Open.

BUCODA MINES YIELD 1000 TONS A DAY.

George Saltmarsh Attempts Suicide at Albany—More Postoffices Established.

The San Francisco presbytery has voted against a revision of the confession of faith.

Leigh's J. Hunt, proprietor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, is in Washington city.

The citizens of Bucoda are unanimously in favor of incorporating under a town charter.

The Union Pacific line which has been blockaded between Portland, Or., and the Dalles by the slides, is open.

A. J. Klock, aged 46, from Stayton, a native of New York, was brought to the asylum. He is a crony of religion.

The Russian bishop of San Francisco will be recalled. He will be succeeded by the archimandrite of St. Petersburg.

Floyd Boswell, a young man who was severely injured by falling on a broken sidewalk at Milton, settled with the city for \$400.

For want of care at least one-third of the cattle in the White Bluff range died during the winter, according to a Ritzville resident.

Not a true bill was returned against E. A. Johnson, the Portland bartender, not having been a clear assault upon the Wantless woman.

The Columbia river jetty has been so far extended toward the sea that its outer end is now two and three-tenths miles from Fort Stevens.

Considerable damage was done the sidewalks and streets of Pomeroy by the recent freshets. In some places sidewalks were completely undermined.

The filly Orna, winner of the two-year-old stakes at Santa Rosa last fall, died at San Francisco. Her owner, Captain Harris, had refused \$15,000 for her.

It is estimated that 2500 head of cattle have been lost in Douglas county this winter because their owners were not able to feed them or did not believe in feeding range stock.

The cattleman of the Touchet, Harry Shaw, reports that his cat, a white lettered cat, has lost two out of 200 head of cattle. The loss of horses was about 5 per cent.

The ship *Jabes Howes* arrived at San Francisco, 170 days from New York. The *Howes* started from New York to race with the *Charmar*, which vessel arrived more than a month ago.

The Bucoda mines are now turning out 100 tons of coal a day. This will soon be increased to 400. The land owned by the company covers 3000 acres and the supply is practically unlimited.

The brig *John D. Spreckels* and the barkentine *Marion* came into collision outside San Francisco harbor. The brig was much damaged, but managed to sail in. Repairs to the *Marmion* will cost \$200.

A gentleman from Eilenburgh states that traces of gold can be found in every portion of the Kittitas valley, and soon great mining excitement will be created there, as great as was ever known in Nevada or California.

Governor Waterman protests against the movement to have the Yosemite valley revert to the care of the government. He is bitter against Kate Field, J. M. Hutchins and Mr. Johnson, of the Century, as instigators of the scheme.

The total number of voters of all nationalities in the Hawaiian kingdom in 1888 was 14,598. Of this number 9396 are Hawaiian, and 2812 are Portuguese. Of all other nationalities combined there are 2490, considerably less than one fifth.

Postoffices have been established at Creston, Lin county, Or., with Henry J. Postmaster, at Richmond, Polk county, Wash., with L. F. Adams postmaster, and at Riverside, Malheur county, Or., with Teresa McRea post-mistress.

Mr. Hunt places the amount of what was stored in the Walla Walla district and along the line of his roads at from \$50,000 to \$60,000 bushels. Including barley there are in the neighborhood of 1,300,000 bushels of grain in the section referred to.

George Saltmarsh, who attempted suicide at Albany by shooting himself in the head with a revolver, is still alive. His brain was blown out, and his physician thinks he cannot recover. His young wife, whose wound, inflicted by her husband is slight, has been by his bedside.

Thomas Yelverton, proprietor of a small lodging house in San Francisco, died from injuries received a week ago while engaged in a scuffle with John Caray, a lodger at the house. Before his death Yelverton stated that his injuries were caused by a kick in the stomach from Caray.

The suits of Sebastian Fisher and others against the estate of Charles McLaughlin, deceased, to enforce a contract calling for the transfer of 200,000 acres of land in the Molepoules grant, was compromised in San Francisco, the estate purchasing the interests of the plaintiffs and receiving a cancellation of the contract. The terms of settlement are not made public.

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A MARVELOUS STORY.

Was the Great White Dragon Resurrected Portending a General Smash-Up.

A story which savors strongly of the marvelous comes to us from the interior of Asiatic Turkey. Three Mussulmen travelers were lately journeying to a point near Poomank, arriving at a spot called Akhlat, on the lake of them again, one of them approached the water and began his morning ablutions. As he was dipping his feet for the last time he suddenly uttered a scream and informed his companions that he was being dragged into the lake by some unseen marine monster that was holding his leg. His friends rushed to his assistance, and taking him by the hands and arms succeeded in bringing him ashore, but what was their surprise to see the monster also emerge from the water firmly attached to the man's leg by its teeth. His friends rushed to his assistance, and taking him by the hands and arms succeeded in bringing him ashore, but what was their surprise to see the monster also emerge from the water firmly attached to the man's leg by its teeth. His friends rushed to his assistance, and taking him by the hands and arms succeeded in bringing him ashore, but what was their surprise to see the monster also emerge from the water firmly attached to the man's leg by its teeth.

The head of an alligator and the restless, lidless eyes of a serpent. Between its fore and hind legs, on either side, were large, ribbed, leathery-looking wings. The tail was scaled, but not barbed like that in the picture of the typical dragon. With the exception of the under part of the throat and the tips of the wings, feet and tail, the creature was a beautiful creamy white and its skin soft as velvet. Knives, sticks, stones, and everything else which were brought to bear upon the monster proved unavailing, and at last the ingenious travelers contrived themselves of a heroic measure. They built a good fire and pulled the neck and belly of the beast, bird, or fish across it, taking good care not to burn the leg of their comrade in the operation. After the monster had disappeared, the animal from its torpor. It began to move its body and stretch out its leathery wings about the manner of a bat and suddenly flew into the air, still holding the man by the leg. After a while the monster disappeared, and took a "header" downward toward the lake, into which it plunged with a mighty splash, burying itself and victim out of sight. The natives are greatly excited, believing that the great white dragon has reappeared, and that the end of the world is near at hand.

A Wonderful Typewriting Machine.

Wier's cryptograph is a small typewriting apparatus lending itself admirably to the purposes of secret correspondence. The apparatus is only about twelve inches long by three inches wide and one and a half inches high. It consists of a type-carrier for ordinary letters and figures, which can be placed in any order that may be desired. There is also a moveable index plate on which the letters and figures appear in the order in which they are placed in the type-carrier. On a small tablet in the center of the machine are four white specks and a central black one, and opposite these specks is a movable pointer.