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The Rev. Malcolm MacGregor of New York thinks there never will be what he technically has called a Scotchman in this country. He says: "Scotchmen have so thoroughly identified themselves with the various interests of this country that they have never occasioned the slightest sectional feeling and have been treated as well in this country as they have ever had ground for complaint."

THE FIRST GENERAL REUNION OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS. The first general reunion of Confederate Veterans, held at Independence, Oregon, on Friday, July 12, 1890, was a most successful one.

DEATH OF THE LAST WITNESS OF THE ASSASSINATION OF LINCOLN. Kemmer's Third Sentence—A Railway Accident—Appointment of Postmasters—Pensioned.

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SPORTING NOTES. O'Connor Again Defeated by Stansbury in Australia. Another Fatal Pugilistic Encounter in Chicago.

Excepting Maud S., California Produces All the Fastest Running and Trotting Horses Alive. The Ladies' Billiard Club of Brooklyn is now in a flourishing condition. It has a membership of forty-six.

The defeat of O'Connor by Stansbury on the Farman course did not surprise the Australians at present in this city. Peter Jackson is said to have won quite a snug sum on the result.

A very important shipment of pedigreed horses, thirty-three in number, intended for the Illinois State Fair at Mason, Chicago, has just arrived from Liverpool.

The late of Frank La Rue, recently killed in a pugilistic encounter in San Francisco, overlooked a pugilist named Mike Brannan in Chicago the night of July 24, his antagonist being Frank Gardner of Chicago.

The second race between O'Connor, the Canadian oarsman, and Stansbury of New South Wales, which was rowed in the United States Bay, yesterday, was won by Stansbury in the first race, took place June 29th and was won by Stansbury, who thus wins \$5,000 and the championship of the world.

California has only one million out of the sixty million people in the United States, but she has the honor of having owned and bred every one of the fastest running and trotting horses alive in the United States, excepting Maud S., whose record is certain to be lowered this year by Stimp or Palo Alto.

W. E. Lee of San Francisco, who left Oakland at 12 o'clock the night of July 17 for the purpose of breaking the Pacific Coast twenty-four-hour bicycle record, successfully completed his journey at 10:30 the following night, having covered 212 miles with an hour and a half to spare against Fred Cook's 207. His time was 24 hours, 12 minutes and 30 seconds.

There will be no more "tin-up" records. The National Trotting Horse Breeders' Association has taken a step in the right direction and passed resolutions that horses who are out for a race against the watch must all enter a "standard stake," and then trot races, three at a time. The winner of a heat in 2:30 is to be the standard, and the two remaining horses fight out another heat, and the winner is also retired, and the remaining horse goes his best alone.

These rules apply only to horses who have no record, and are made to keep horses from securing a standard record by performances against the watch.

In the now celebrated case of Smith vs. France, partners, involving the management and control of the great Kentucky trotting association, Red Wilkes, the defendant, W. C. France of this county, has filed an amended answer in which he prays that the partnership be dissolved and Red Wilkes be sold as an insane person.

This much-lauded stallion is likely to be put up at auction. It is, he will probably bring more than any trotting stallion of his age ever brought, but the least Kentucky breeders want him, and it will require a big sum of money to take him out of the State.

Paddy Ryan was one of the champions of America. His reign was very short, but he was a great champion. Ryan won the title by defeating Joe Goss, after a long battle in which eighty-seven rounds were fought. After this victory Ryan became afflicted with the big-head, but he did not possess the necessary qualifications to live and reign a champion, and prize was one of the causes of his downfall.

Red Wilkes, however, a gentlemanly good-natured man, but there was not enough of the brute in him for a pugilist. When in front of John L. Sullivan, fighting for \$5,000, he quailed, and was not able to fight hard enough to keep his place.

Ned O'Ballwin was, with the exception of Charley Freeman, the American giant, the tallest pugilist who ever stood in a prize ring to fight, either in England or this country. He was a clever man with the gloves and by his prize-ring encounters proved that he possessed great staid powers. He was not a tremendously hard hitter, as many would suppose. He was of what was styled "iron pusher." His fault was his high temper, which he could never control, and the insults and assaults he made on people in Boston, Philadelphia and New York were not without result.

He met his death at the hands of the pistol's muzzle just in time to prevent his being enrolled as a murderer or convicted of manslaughter.

Mr. G. A. White in the June Ouling tells the story of the Manhattan Athletic Club and its new palace. Speaking of the early struggle of the club, he points out how athletics finally came to win public favor: "The public conscience was settling more and more to the conviction that physical exercise, rightly directed and systematically pursued, was of the greatest importance to health and consequently to mental vigor. Perhaps no individual example of this had ever been so successful as that of a man who had not the support in 1880 that he had in 1880."

Portland's Speed Association's Fall Meeting. UMATILLA AND YUMA INDIANS ENJOYING A YEAR OF PLINY. Arrest of a Notorious Horse Thief—Democratic Club Meet in Tacoma—Corner on Prunes.

Carpenters are working seven days a week at Tombstone. Bricks are scarce and in demand all around Puget sound.

Nearly all the rabbits in Sierra Valley perished last winter, but the few left will soon stock the country. Phil Askins of Tonto Basin, in Gila County, A. T., has killed over 100 lions and a large number of bears.

One man has shipped five tons of mo-hair from Dallas, Tex., this season, the prices ranging from 20 to 25 cents. A fifteen-year-old son of G. O. Gruell of Junction, Mont., swallowed a silver dollar the other day and has it in his stomach yet.

The entire prune crop of California has been covered by three New York concerns. The price to be paid is 10 cents per pound in-casks. A 400-foot highway bridge, the largest of the kind on the Pacific Coast, is being constructed by the Pacific Bridge Company at Springfield, Lane County, Or.

Attorney-General Jones filed an important opinion, July 13, holding that the right of way of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company is, in taxable by the State of Washington.

John DeWalt, an Italian, living at Port Townsend, was found dead in bed with his throat cut from ear to ear last week. His clerk, who has disappeared, is suspected of the murder.

John Driscoll was killed July 13 by a cave in the tunnel of the Boston mine, near Graniteville, Cal. The deceased was a young man, unmarried, and has relatives living in San Francisco.

A large number of fishermen are engaged among the San Juan islands catching halibut and cod. They are caught at a depth of about 250 feet. They are very large and find ready sale at Fort Townsend and from 5 to 10 cents a pound.

James Walsh, a bachelor, who for a number of years has been living across the Calapaloo from Albany, died at the residence of George W. Clum from dropsy, superinduced by the grippe, which he had last winter. He was born in Ireland in 1835.

The Umatilla Indians have enjoyed a rare bonanza in picking the wool from sheep in Morrow, Grant and Umatilla counties, that gave up the ghost in the storm of last week. Thousands of pounds of such clean fleeces were purchased by wool merchants this season.

The Democrats of the State will meet at Tacoma in August to organize the Washington State association of Democratic clubs. It is expected that delegates from every county will attend. A letter has been received by the Secretary from ex-President Cleveland expressing his sympathy with the movement and his inability to attend.

The sale of the Seventy-six Land and Water Company to the Alta irrigation district was consummated, July 24, at Dunabe, near the mouth of the river. The price paid was \$410,000 in bonds of the district, which was recently organized under the Wright irrigation law. All the water rights heretofore sold by the Seventy-six company are to be paid back in full at \$5 per acre.

As proof that the camels brought to Arizona a number of years ago are not extinct and are breeding rapidly, the following from the Yuma Sentinel is reproduced: A large band of camels, numbering thirty-five, were seen within a few miles of Harrisburg, last week. Jim Doten caught one with a lariar, and after bringing it into camp was forced to shoot it, as all the horses around became badly frightened at the sight of the ungainly beast.

The poets and programmes for the fall meeting of the Portland Speed Association are now out. The aggregate of the purses amounts to \$12,325, the largest sum ever offered in the Northwest. The programme as arranged is the finest ever offered west of St. Paul. Railroad and steamship tickets leading to Portland will have a coupon attached for the races, the fare to and return being one and one-half of the regular rates.

Jose Bravo, leader of a gang of horse thieves that have been operating near Santa Monica, has been arrested. He was surrounded by friends who would warn him of the approach of an officer that his capture was thought impossible. "Constantly benefited himself as a woodchopper and located Bravo. Then he slipped handkerchiefs on him while he was in bed asleep, and on awakening him frightened him so that he marches him out of the rough hills and into jail.

A dispatch from Miles City, Mont., to the Helena Journal thus explains the reports of a threatened Indian outbreak: The circumstances in the case are that three steers came on a run for Seminoles, who for his own safety shot at one, and the bullet glanced off, striking the Indian, who was sitting on a fence, and killing him. The Indians say it was intentional. A troop of cavalry has been ordered out for the summer to camp at the agency merely for a safeguard. Seminoles is under arrest.

Ten more Chinese were captured, June 30th, in the neighborhood of the Mexican line at Tia Juana while endeavoring to reach this city from Lower California. The capture was made by Deputy Collectors Marsh and Goodrich, and they landed the contrabands in the County Jail. When searched they had but \$6 in the whole crowd, and one of them lies in a precarious condition from sickness. It is supposed to have been caused by hardship and exposure since they left the steamer which landed them on Mexican Territory.

A communication was received by the Board of Health, July 24, from Constable Wilson of San Miguel Township, San Luis Obispo County, Cal., stating that a white man supposed to be a leper resided there, and asking that the health authorities of this city should examine him to determine whether or not it is a case of leprosy. Secretary Hoesch has replied that the law compels all county physicians in the State to make such examinations in their respective counties, and if leprosy is discovered the County Supervisors are required to organize a lazaretto for the care of lepers under section 2652 of the Code.