

WINNER IN A DRIVE

Horton Makes a Sensational Finish at Oakland.

LAST MOST OF THE WAY

He Makes a Bad Start, Being Knocked by His Knees Soon Thereafter—Only One First Choice Gets the Money.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—A feature of the racing at Oakland today was the sensational finish made by Horton, favorite for the sixth race. He was almost knocked to his knees soon after the start, and was last most of the way, but when called upon he responded gamely and got up in time to win in a drive from Rosario and Redwald.

Dargin was the only other first choice to win. Double Six made her first appearance and beat the heavily played Glendinning, running six furlongs in 1:06, which is a quarter of a second better than the California record.

Starter Jacob Holtman has arrived and will officiate when the meeting opens at Ingleside next Monday. Summary: Seven furlongs—El Pilot won. Telephone second, Elie third; time, 1:23.

Five furlongs—Dargin won, Instrument second, Harbor third; time, 1:04.

Five and a half furlongs, selling—Double Six won, Glendinning second, Albarino third; time, 1:06.

Seven furlongs, selling—Hilowah won, Heather Honey second, St. Winnifred third; time, 1:27.

Five and a half furlongs, selling—Horton won, Rosario second, Redwald third; time, 1:06.

At New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7.—Crescent City results:

Five furlongs—Sea Shark won, Diaphanous second, King's Counsel third; time, 1:01.

One mile and a sixteenth—Ben Chance won, Alladin second, Fairbury third; time, 1:52.

One mile—Manselle won, Sarah Maxim second, Free Admission third; time, 1:46.

Six furlongs—Cyprienne won, Worthington second, Aggie Lewis third; time, 1:12.

Six and a half furlongs—MacBeth won, Emma A. M. second, Baromet third; time, 1:24.

Tod Sloan Damage Case Argued.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The case of Tod Sloan, the American jockey, against the French Jockey Club for \$50,000 damages for being ruled off the turf in connection with the case of the famous American rider at Chantilly in May last, was further argued today, and adjournment taken for a fortnight, when a decision will be rendered.

Japan May Compete for Cup.

TOKIO, Dec. 7.—It is reported that a syndicate is being organized here to build a yacht to compete for the famous America's cup. Among the names mentioned as subscribers to the syndicate are Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the members of the well-known mercantile house of Kurematsu, Goshi & Kishida. The plan is to have the yacht designed and built in Japan, and manned by a Japanese crew.

WEALTHY MAN INVOLVED.

New York Fire Adjusted Tells of Wholesale Swindling.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Startling disclosures, based upon information obtained through a confession made by Max Karzfeld, a public fire adjuster, who has been convicted of fraud in connection with a claim of loss he had himself put in and who will be sentenced on Friday, were made tonight by Assistant District Attorney Garvan. The cases of 12 persons who are suspected of having defrauded insurance companies in a similar manner will be presented to the grand jury within a few days. Among them are three lawyers, several merchants, several public fire adjusters and two or three adjusters employed by fire insurance companies. Mr. Garvan declared fire insurance companies have lost hundreds of thousands of dollars through paying false claims of loss.

One of these persons is a merchant worth \$50,000, and another is president of a corporation which employs 400 men. Fire patrolmen, men employed by the Board of Fire Underwriters to take charge of properties after fires have been extinguished and save as much property as possible, Mr. Garvan alleges have been in league with fire adjusters. Instead of doing their duty, he says, he knows that in many instances they have purposely damaged goods by water for a fee paid by fire adjusters.

Still an Older Brick.

SILVERTON, Or., Dec. 6.—(To the Editor.)—I see by today's Oregonian mention is made of a brick that was made

20 years ago. I have a brick that is nearly 57 years old. In the Spring of 1846 my father, King Hibbard, and my uncle, William Hibbard, burnt a brick kiln on my father's donation claim. At the Waldo Hills, and sold the brick to the pioneers of the county, and many of the brick are still in existence to this day. The one I have is as sound and good as it was when made. T. R. HIBBARD.

ARMOUR PROTESTS IGNORANCE

He Can Give No Light on Amount of Rebates Paid Watson.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Protesting that he has no personal knowledge of the accounts of the Fruitgrowers' Express Company, or any agreement which that concern may have had with the Porter Bros. Company, J. Ogden Armour, when placed on the stand before Bankruptcy Referee Wean today, declared he could not help the creditors of the latter company to discover how much money President James S. Watson received as rebates. Mr. Armour, who is the principal owner of the Fruitgrowers' Express Company, was on the stand for two hours, all of which time he was busy answering or refusing to answer questions put to him by Attorney Bach of New York.

The lawyer who was acting for the New York creditors of the Porter Brothers Company has previously learned from General Manager Robbins, of the Fruitgrowers' Express Company, that Watson had received about \$700,000 as rebates from the express company in six years. Mr. Bach thought Mr. Armour would be able to give more information on this subject, and also tell how much Watson received from the railroad companies which used cars of the Fruitgrowers' Express Company in transporting goods for the Porter Brothers' concern, but in this the New York lawyer was disappointed. The witness said Armour & Co. had made large loans to Watson and the Porter Brothers' Company, though he did not know how much or for what purpose. Mr. Armour declared the company's only claim against the Porter Brothers' estate today is for \$50,000, which is secured by Mr. Watson's life insurance policy and stock of the bankrupt company.

Russia Recognizes Panama.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 7.—United States Ambassador McCormick has been officially notified of Russia's recognition of the Republic of Panama. The signing of the decree was one of the first acts of the Czar after his return here from Skjennic on Saturday.

SPORTSMEN SHOOT THE LIMIT.

Good Day's Hunting on the Duck Preserves.

Sportsmen were agreeably disappointed on Sunday, by having the duck shooting turn out much better than was expected. The weather was rather chilly along the river and in places the fog hung on most of the day. On many preserves the ducks continued to come in scattering all day and the result was full gamebags.

At Morgan's place a very good shoot was had, and at Dead Willows, a party of four shot the limit. Several preserves just below these did not make so good a showing, but game was plenty on Deer Island, where a party of five, headed by Morris Abrams, killed the limit, as also did three of the Lobster Club, half a mile distant, who shot an even 150, quite a number of them being teal, however.

Over on the Columbia bottom the shooting was poor, except at mudhens, which were slaughtered by the sack full. From the number of people seen carrying large bunches of ducks it is evident that there was good shooting in many places on Sunday. A string of canvasbacks and mallards, mixed, was seen on the sidewalk on Front street yesterday, which came from Wapato Lake, Yamhill County, where the carp was not introduced and the waterfowl still flourish. Very few wild geese are seen in the markets, and there have been so many ducks that there is but little demand for them.

Kangaroos for the Park.

ASTORIA, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The three kangaroos, which were brought here on the French bark Goshawk when she arrived from Newcastle, Australia, were purchased this afternoon by a representative of the Portland Park Association, and the animals were shipped to Portland on the Lurline this evening.

Street-Cars Collide in Fog.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 7.—Two street cars collided today in a fog at the southern end of the Westminster-avenue bridge, and the following were injured: Robert Farley, a businessman, leg broken; Motorman Gael, leg crushed and broken; Motorman Cameron, hand cut.

Rioting Follows Order of France.

BORDEAUX, Dec. 7.—A demonstration against the employment agencies here today was attended by serious rioting. Mounted troops repeatedly charged the demonstrators, and many were injured before the mob was dispersed. Numerous arrests were made.

Arrives With Banner Sugar Cargo. BOSTON, Dec. 7.—The big British tramp steamer Knight Errant arrived here today from Java, having on board 11,000 tons of Java sugar, said to be the largest cargo of sugar ever brought to any port in the world.

Mascagni's New Opera Finished.

ROME, Dec. 7.—Senor Mascagni, in a speech which he delivered at a dinner given him in Turin, said that his new opera, "Vestale," was finished.

HERBERT SPENCER DEAD

WELL-KNOWN AUTHOR HAD BEEN AILING FOR SOME TIME.

Last Hours Were Without Pain—The Most Notable Events in His Career.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Herbert Spencer, the famous author, died this morning at his home in Brighton. His health had been failing for some months. The illness took a critical turn a few days ago and he became unconscious last night, passing away without pain.

By his own desire, the least possible information was given out during Mr. Spencer's illness.

SKETCH OF HIS CAREER.

More Important Happenings Which Occurred to Him During Life.

Herbert Spencer, the great philosopher, was a profoundly self-headed man, of middle height, considerably rounded at the shoulders, with a firm mouth, soft gray eyes, and pinky white cheeks, framed in curly gray side whiskers. Up to the very day he was compelled to take to his bed he adhered to the broadcloth frock coat, low cut waistcoat, standup black cravat and overgaiters of long ago. Despite the immense burden of learning which he carried, he was singularly modest; had the gentlest of voices and was almost feminine in manner. He had few intimate personal friends. It is related of him that his doctor once told him that it was not good for such a man as he to live alone, as his solitary meals were apt to be marred by thinking too much on deep subjects, and advised him to stay for a while in some boarding-house, where the dinner-table talk would be conducted by nice, cheerful, brainless folk. He went, but did not stay long. It came to his ears that the pleasant lady, whose seat was next to him at table, was a sad disappointment. A friend asked her how she liked the boarding-house; could she recommend it?

"Oh, yes, I think I can," she replied; "but there is a Mr. Spencer who thinks that he knows about science and philosophy. I have to correct him every night."

Comic opera was Mr. Spencer's delight. He found in it an offset to his incubations upon the data of ethics. No matter how fine the day he always carried an umbrella. He also carried about a couple of little pins in his pocket, and whenever the conversation around him became annoying, he would take them and put them in his ears, and thus become deaf to the chatter about him. He was a great friend of George Eliot, and knew all the celebrities of his day. Like Carlyle he persistently declined all academic or other honors. He was the best note of the autograph collector, whose excuse for existence he did not see. Though universally conceded to be the greatest thinker in the world, he was not read, as he held but little attention to his literary styles, and frequently wrote in an incomprehensible vein. So that, though his books were translated into Polish, Greek, Chinese, and other uncomprehending tongues, they did not cover the cost of publication, to say nothing of the profit supposed to be left for the author.

His Early Life.

Mr. Spencer was born in Derby, Eng., April 27, 1820. His father and grandfather were teachers. Having slender health in boyhood, he was not kept at school, and his father, a gentleman of enlarged views, attended to his studies, but left him much to himself. At 12 he was sent to study with an uncle, the Rev. Thomas Spencer, a liberal clergyman and a cultivated scholar with whom he remained three years. He had been attracted to the study of history under his father's encouragement, and had collected, practiced drawing from objects, made physical and chemical experiments, and invention. While with his uncle he developed a taste and capacity for working out original problems. He was familiar with physical and chemical experiments, and the bent of his mind was strongly toward experimental inquiry. Returning to Derby he was busied for a short time with inventions and miscellaneous study, and in 1837 entered the office of Sir Charles Fox, where he began work as a civil engineer. After this he was engaged for several years upon railroads, but gave his spare time to inventions, scientific experiments, mathematical studies and to writing for various magazines. In 1850 he published his first book, "Social Statistics," which was a development in a more scientific form of the ethical ideas maintained in his earlier letters on government. He now took up the occupation of a writer, contributing elaborate articles upon various subjects to the leading English reviews. Although dealing with various themes, his course of thought was systematic, and the mastery series of essays which he published from 1850 to 1860 were mainly devoted to the elaboration and application to various important subjects of the principle of evolution. In 1853, Mr. Spencer published a very able and original work, entitled "The Principles of Psychology." In this work the doctrine of evolution was applied to the science of mind, and the ground was taken that mental faculties in the whole scale of animal life have been developed by experience, through the influence of living organisms with their surroundings, through the principle of heredity and variation, producing slow modifications in vast periods of time. This work was so profound in exposition and so greatly in advance of the time that it produced but little public impression.

His Conception of Evolution.

Mr. Spencer's favorite recreations were billiards, concerts and theaters, with frequent country rambles. He was a regular frequenter of the Athenaeum Club, where he looked over his periodicals, took notes in the library, chatted with friends, played billiards, took his tea in the smoking room, and sometimes smoked a cigarette.

Mr. Spencer had now grasped the conception of evolution in its broad relations, and in 1858 he reached the conclusion that it is

a universal process dependent upon the laws of matter and force, and capable of being solved and formulated. Believing that the time had come to attempt a comprehensive scheme of thought from the point of view of modern scientific results, and that, although imperfectly executed, it might still be valuable, Mr. Spencer resolved to undertake it. He began his work by drawing up the prospectus of a "System of Philosophy" involving the full working out of the law of evolution and its application to the phenomena of life, mind, society and ethics. This remarkable analysis of his system was written the same year (1859) in which Mr. Darwin made his great contribution to the development of theory in one of its aspects by the publication of the "Origin of Species." Mr. Spencer's initial treatise, "Principles," was published in 1862 in one volume. In 1897 he completed the "Principles of Biology," in two volumes, the second division of the system. In 1872 appeared the "Principles of Psychology," also in two volumes, the third installment of the "Philosophy." The fourth division of his system was the "Principles of Sociology." But before entering upon it Mr. Spencer issued, in 1872, the "Study of Sociology," a small book, not a part of the regular system, but partially designed as introductory to the sociological division.

JAPAN WAITS ON RUSSIA.

Meeting of Diet to Receive the Answer of the Czar.

TOKIO, Dec. 7.—It has been officially announced that the opening session of the Japanese Diet has been postponed until Thursday. This announcement gives rise to the belief that an intimation has been conveyed to the Japanese Foreign Office that the answer of Russia to the Japanese demands in connection with Manchuria and Korea will be ready before that time. The postponement, therefore, was deemed necessary, as the Mikado desires to treat with the matter in his annual address from the throne on Monday, and to outline the policy to be pursued in the future.

No intimation as to the nature of the Russian reply has reached the Japanese Foreign Office, though the officials are also in the dark as to when the document will be reached by them. However, in view of the fact that the Czar is again in St. Petersburg, it is declared no further reason for delay exists, and the reply can be expected at any time.

China Making Deal With Russia.

PEKING, Dec. 7.—Prominent officials here assert that China is concluding an agreement with Russia for the government of Manchuria. It is expected that the arrangement will include most of Russia's supplementary terms for the evacuation, and will nominally confirm Chinese sovereignty, while giving Russia an advisory share in the government.

During the recent palace conference three plans were discussed—whether against Russia, an appeal to the friendly nations for assistance, or a settlement with Russia on the best terms obtainable. The first plan was dismissed as suicidal. The second failed. Since then China has been unable to suggest, and the United States, to whom she appealed, has been unable to see any practical steps to be taken. Therefore, the third plan was adopted.

DECLARES CANADA IS LOYAL.

Minister Sifton Regrets to See It Represented as a Squawling Infant.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 7.—Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior, delivered an important speech tonight before the Canada Club. Mr. Sifton was the British agent before the recent meetings of the Alaska Boundary Commission. He dealt with the fiscal discussion now going on in England, and spoke freely and frankly upon the question of imperial preferential trade, imperial defense and the best method for Canada to pursue in regard to these important matters. There was no portion of his speech which was not warmly indorsed as when he declared any preference which was not mutually advantageous to British and Canada alike would not have his support. He said he regretted to see Canada represented in the United States as a squawling infant crying out for something which we could not get, and representing to the empire if we did not get it. Mr. Sifton declared he objected to anyone saying Canada had to be bribed to remain loyal to the empire. He agreed with Sir Charles Tupper, which he did not offer to do. Sir Charles said Canada did not require the protection of the British Navy. There was no country more self-contained than Canada, and it was those who purchased the produce of the country that required to protect it by sea.

Canada did require land defenses, but there was no need of a large standing army. Mr. Sifton showed how Canadian militia had improved in recent years, and said he had suggested to the Minister of Militia that every school boy should be taught to use a rifle when he was 21 years of age and it should be presented to him. Mr. Sifton, in referring to the Alaskan boundary award, agreed with Mr. Aylesworth and Sir Louis Jetté, when they refused to sign it. He maintained that in future negotiations of treaties, all the Commissioners on the British side be Canadians when Canadian cases were concerned.

SEDITION TRIAL CONCLUDES.

One of Chinese Prisoners Released, Three Others Are Reversed.

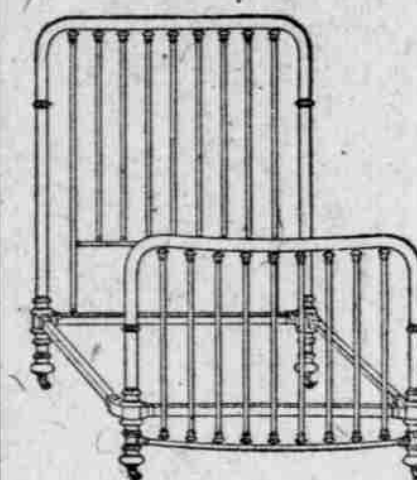
SHANGHAI, Dec. 7.—The trial before the mixed court here of the Chinese local newspaper Supao, charged with writing seditious articles, was concluded today. One of the prisoners was released, and in the cases of three others judgment was reserved.

Get Only Light Punishment.

PEKING, Dec. 7.—Foreign public opinion regarding the Supao prisoners charged

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