

ANGRY BULL GORES OWNER

Without Horns He Goes After
Red Sweater and W. A.
Colliver Who Wears it.

W. A. Colliver, a rancher of Catching Inlet, was in Marshfield yesterday to have himself examined and attended to after an exciting experience with a fine thoroughbred Jersey bull which he owns. Although pretty badly bruised he has no bones broken or pronounced gashes on his anatomy.

A fine bull had been attached to a chain and rope about one hundred feet long on Mr. Colliver's farm, and after the animal had eaten all the grass he could find with the radius of the circle which he made while tied to a stake, his owner decided to lead his further afield.

Mr. Colliver pulled up the stake and catching hold of the rope, which was joined to a chain fastened to a ring in the animal's nose, led the cheerful bull to a choice stretch of grass which he noticed some distance away where there was considerable water. Having reached the spot which would satisfy the inner bull, he proceeded to force the stake into the ground, and that was how the accident happened.

He was suddenly struck from behind with a violence which sent him several feet, and before he could recover himself he received another jolt. The animal was crazy mad, and when it was too late, Mr. Colliver realized that he was wearing a gorgeous new red sweater, which he had just purchased in Marshfield.

The bull went after the sweater with the firm intention of demolishing it, regardless of what might be inside of it, and having been dehorned the struggle was prolonged to an amazing length, during which Mr. Colliver was bunted and rolled around in the mud and water. The victim seized the chain attached to the ring in the animal's nose, but the bull did not mind any kind of twisting.

The sweater was no longer red. It had become a dark brown from the mud coating it had received. There was blood in the bull's eye, however, and the brute never noticed any difference. Fighting and struggling to gain the mastery, and being bunted with the bull's head until he was nearly overcome, Mr. Colliver finally managed to secure a grip on the animal's nose and forced his nostrils into a deep pond of water.

The bull took several deep draughts of the liquid into his lungs and suddenly became passified enough to give his owner a chance to get away from him. Mr. Colliver found that no bones were broken in the mixup, but he was bruised up pretty badly. He was attended to by Dr. McCormac yesterday, who, on learning the cause of the numerous bruises he found, could not help being amused at the incident of the red sweater.

"Would you care to repeat the performance at our next Fourth of July celebration?" he asked the rancher. "It would be a big drawing card and would undoubtedly prove exciting."

Mr. Colliver laughed at the suggestion, but declared that one experience of the kind was quite enough for his enjoyment.

Personal Notes.

G. S. JONES, of Mount Hope, Wash., is a business visitor on Coos Bay.

A. W. PERKINS, of Blaine, Wash., is spending a few days in the city on business.

WILL WILKINS, of Ten Mile, was a visitor in Marshfield yesterday on business.

HARVEY ALLEN, of Sumner, was a pleasant visitor to friends in the city yesterday.

GEORGE DUNCAN, of North Bend, was a visitor in the city yesterday afternoon on business.

E. W. GREGG, was a visitor in the city yesterday and a guest at the Blanco hotel, from his home at Coquille.

J. E. WARNER, the popular day clerk of the Blanco hotel has gone to San Francisco to spend his holidays. He will be away until after Christmas visiting friends and relatives and having a general good time in the Gate City.

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