

**HORSES FOR ARMY SERVICE.**

**They Must Be Strong, for They Have Heavy Loads to Carry.**

The study of the question of remounts for English cavalry on Indian and colonial service has brought out the unexpected result that of all the breeds of horses supplied to the British cavalry in India the Australian chargers are the least fitted, for the conditions of the life. They are difficult to acclimatize and, though fairly satisfactory in cantonment and on peace duties they break down rapidly under hard ships of a campaign and can scarcely stand even a month's outing during the heavy maneuvers in cold weather. The experiment of mounting the cavalry on Arabs was tried some time ago, but their comparatively small size and light make was considered to make them unsuitable for carrying the burden of eighteen stone which the British trooper with his accoutrements is supposed to average. This argument has however, been disproved by the experience of the Omdurman campaign, through which the Twenty-first lancers were carried by Syrian Arabs of the same class as those sold in the Indian markets.

Even the ordinary country-bred horse of India would be likely to be a more serviceable animal in actual war than the large-framed and more imposing looking "water." Of foreign horses used as remounts for British cavalry abroad those supplied by South America to the troops in South Africa seem to be the most satisfactory. "Coming from a grass country," says a correspondent of the Times on the subject, "where the breeders think nothing of working a horse hard thirty to forty miles a day with sixteen stone on his back, a class of animal has grown up which, while it has the constitution and stamina wanting in the Australian, has also the weight and bone which are lacking in the Arab and which would be essential if our cavalry on foreign service were called upon to meet on equal terms cavalry mounted on European-bred animals."—San Francisco Chronicle.

**LAW AS INTERPRETED.**

A surety who has been obliged to pay the obligation is held, in *Pace vs. Pace* (Va.), 44 L. R. A. 459, to have the right to prove the entire debt against the insolvent estate of his cosurety and receive dividends upon the entire debt until reimbursed that half of the common burden which belonged to the cosurety.

For the damages caused by the erection of a pethouse near the residence of a person, it is held, in *Clayton vs. Henderson* (Ky.), 44 L. R. A. 474, that the city is liable, notwithstanding the fact that it is erected within a mile of the city, in violation of a statute which expressly makes the officers liable, without declaring that the city is liable.

A deed to a son of the grantor and "his own brothers and sisters," is held, in *Morris vs. Caudle* (Ill.), 44 L. R. A. 480, to give no interest to a child born a short time after the execution of the deed. And, although the deed was not delivered until after the birth and also the death of the child, it was held to give no interest to either the child or those claiming under him.

Permitting a shivered pane of glass to remain in a window above a street where pedestrians are frequently passing, when there is an apparent danger of the pieces falling or being shaken out by the wind, or otherwise, is held, in *Detzur vs. B. Stroh Brewing Company* (Mich.), 44 L. R. A. 500, to be such negligence as will create a liability to a person who is struck by a piece of the glass while on the sidewalk below the window.

The right of a city to take a bond from a street contractor to keep a street and pavement in repair for five years after performing the contract is denied in *Portland vs. Portland Bituminous Paving and Improvement Company* (Ore.), 44 L. R. A. 527, when the bond covers in effect all injuries liable to arise from whatever source and is not limited to defects in the performance of his contract. With this case is a note collating the decisions on the power of a city to bind a contractor to repair a pavement which he makes.

**Not the Worst.**

As an instance of the sort of things one might wish to have expressed differently, a prominent physician reports a remark made to him by a patient.

The doctor had written a note to the lady, and on his next visit she asked him to tell her what two words in it were, as she had been unable to decipher them.

"It has been said of me that my writing is the worst thing about me," said the physician, laughingly, as he surveyed his own scrawl with doubt.

"Oh, but I'm sure that is not so!" was the hasty disclaimer. "Far from it, doctor, far from it!"

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**In the Horseless Future.**

The following is the Chicago Tribune's prognostication: "What was the matter with that cab driver you were called to see last week?" asked Doctor Squills. "As nearly as I can describe his case," answered Doctor Kallomel, "it is automobiliousness."

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**His Head's Course.**

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