FIREWORKS

Premature Display Occurs at Celebration by Society Given in Brooklyn.

PANIC NARROWLY AVERTED

Members of Society Try to Mob Master of Ceremonies but Police Inter. fere in Time.

New York, Aug. 3.-Two men were severely injured and the windows of half a dozen houses smashed last night in Brooklyn by the premature explosion of a lot of fireworks. The arrival of a squad of police reserves was all that prevented a riot in the wake of the explosion

The St. Alfonso Society was holding a feast and celebration on a small platform and in the street was a big hear of fireworks. The roman candles and wheels and bombs were just beginning to boom in fine shape when sudwas an explosion which scattered the crowd and knocked the platform to pieces. A fragment of a bomb struck a policeman in the side and knocked him down. Another man was struck in the eye by a piece of a bomb. The injured men were removed to hospitals. After the explosion, the members of the society were bent on mobbing the master of ceremonies, but the police took him in charge and he was locked up on a charge of crimfnal negligence.

THIS BOY WAS PLUCKY.

Held Injured Companion Onto Train for Many Miles.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Aug. 3 .- After holding a struggling dying companion on the roof of a freight car for many miles over the New York Central. Robert Buchanan, a New York boy, appeared in the freight yards here and asked a brakeman to take the dying man from the roof of the car.

The boy had worked for and lived with an elder brother, but in consequence of a disagreement with him decided to leave home.

He boarded a freight train in New York to go to Albany, where he thought der date June, 1832, says: "The event he might get work. A little later a ed into the car and asked him for a chew to tobacco.

"I teld him that I had no tobacco," said the young man, "and he then drew a revolver, pointed at my head and told me to throw up my hands. I did loyalty in both houses, and their maso and he went through my pockets jestles were loudly cheered at Ascot," and got 20 cents, all the money I had. Then he passed on over the train.

"At Spuyten Duyvil the train stopped and a negro got into the car. We talked together and when the train stepped at Peekskill we walked over the top of it toward the locomotive. I remember going through two tunnels. Then I was struck by the wires that indicate another tunnel and I dropped quickly. The negro, who was ahead of me, was struck by the tunnel arch and thrown back against me so hard that he almost knocked me off.

"He was unconscious and his head was terribly cut. I laid him down on the top of the car and held his head on my arm. After awhile he became conscious and tried to get on his feet and I had to hold him down with all my strength. It was at least three quarters of an hour before the train stopped in the freight yards in this

A watchman called an ambulance and took the negro to the hospital, where he gave his name as John Miller. His face and head were crushed and one eye was gone. His injuries are so severe that he cannot recover.

SCHAEFER CONCEDES POINT.

Modifies His Challenge for Championship Billiard Contest.

New York, Aug. 3.-Jacob Schaefer's challenge for a billiard match has been greatly modified since it was first given out by him in Paris Friday, on the eve of his sailing for America. As now stated, Schaefer will make match to take place either in Paris or New York next December and will toss for the choice of cushions. The original challenge provides that the first game should be on a new cushion for attaching his name to which Schaefer is paid a salary and the winner should select the cushion for the second. The death. Thus a mere scratch, insignifidifference in wording the challenge is cant cuts or puny boils have paid the very material since Schaefer has been death penalty. It is wise to have using the new cushion nearly a year, Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy, while all other leading players who It's the best Salve on earth and will might accept have been playing on an- prevent fatality, when Burns, Sores, other cushion. The inventor of the Ulcers and Piles threaten. Only 25c

quipment for practice of any player accepting Schaefer's challenge, but aceptances are extremely doubtful, ac-EXPLOSION cording to the statements made by slosson. Daly and others. sson, Daly and others.

ROYALTIES AT THE RACES.

English Monarchs Who Have Been Enthusiastic Patrons of the Sport.

King James never missed a race if he could possibly help it. On one occasion a match between the horses of William Salvin and Master Maddocks was put off nearly a fortnight to suit his majesty's convenience; and again re are told how James stayed so long watching the races at Newmarket that he was "forced to put in at an inn at Whichford bridge by reason of his being indisposed, and came very late in the night to Roysteon."

The "merry monarch" was never happier than when he was on the race-Evelyn, "with jolly blades, dancing, feasting and revelling." On several occasions he acted as his own lockey. and won many cups, riding at the welterweight of 12 stone; and once, we earn, on the way to Newmarket "the king and duke of York had the misrate in Holborne, and the king all dirty but unhurt." At Newmarket, too the house in which he was residing was burnt down one March day in 1683 with the result that Charles had to leave Newmarket eight days earlier than he had intended, thus defeating the designs of the Rye house plotters who were not prepared for such as early return to town.

George III was no great turf-lover, and was content with an annual state visit to Ascot; but his father, Frederick Prince of Wales, appears to have been an ardent lover of races. Once he was so carried away by his excitement that he threw a bottle at a winner just as it was passing the post at Ascot.

The fourth George was, as all the world knows, an enthusiastic horselover, and there were few races which he was not a conspicuous figure. Sometimes he would travel to the course in great state; but at others, ed nothing better than to put the royal postillions in the coach, and mounting the near-leader himself, with a boon companion on the near-wheeler, drive at breakneck speed, exchanging chaff with every whip he passed on the

King William IV had at least one unpleasant experience on a racecourse Greville, in his "Memoirs," writing unof the races was the king having his very little sensation on the spot, for he was not hurt, and the fellow was a miserable-looking ragamuffin. It, however, produced a great burst of -Tit-Bits.

The Dragon in America.

One of the grave questions that the next congress will have to meet is the new treaty arrangements with the Chinese government, as the period of the exclusion act terminates in December. The powerful Chinese Six Companies its vastly lucrative traffic in Chinese labor, and there is every reason to beleve that the same lavish expenditure of wealth will be made during the fall that has marked the policy of this powerful and dangerous body in past years. In view of this fact, Dr. Charles Frederick Holder's brilliant, exhaustive and fascinating historical sketch of the Chinese Six Companies, entitled "The Dragon in America," which occupies the place of honor in "The Arena" for August will command general attention, and to citizens of California, Oregon and Washington it will occasion particular satisfaction. Hitherto there has been much heated controversy on the Chinese question, but seldom if ever has the true inwardness of this issue been so ably and so judicially presented as has been done by Dr. Holder in this remarkable paper. Certainly never before has the un-American character of the traffic in Chinese labor been so clearly pointed out.

"The Arena" has again taken the foremost place among the reviews of opinion which discuss live questions ably and in conformity with the prinno time in its history has it been advertising for a day now and then. stronger or more representative of the best progressive and liberal thought of No Dessert the hour than at the present time.

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ers to Get Employes to Return to Work.

LABORERS ARE VERY SCARCE

One Big Firm Unable to Make County Delivery and Order Goes to an Independent Company.

Chicago, Aug. 3 .- Notwithstanding the claim of the packing house managers that they have no difficulty in securing workmen, they are said to be making strong efforts to induce their former employes to return to work. The latest move made in that line is the distribution of cards among the induce their husbands to return to the packing plants and offering increased pay. The firm of Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company notified the county officials that it could not make the usual weekly delivery of meat ac cording to contract and the superintendent of public service placed an order for \$4,000 worth of meat with an independent firm.

TO LOOK FOR STRANGE RACE.

Chicago Professor to Hunt for White People in Northern China.

Chicago, Aug. 3 .- In quest of a myserious white race, which lives in th nountains of northern China, Prof. Frederick Starr, head of the department of anthropology at the University of Chicago, will leave next spring for a long stay in the orient. After searching for the strange people in the mountains, Prof. Starr may spend the remainder of his life among the Chinese, for he declares that China, within three years will occupy the center of the world's stage in commerce. His plans were announced in his lecture to his class in anthropology.

According to Dr. Starr, he will leave the University of Chicago at the end of this year's work. His first stop after leaving America will be Japan where he may remain for two years, 26, 1904. Sealed proposals will be reliving the life of the Japanese people. After this he will make his long vivit p. m., of Friday, August 26, 1904, and to China, which he designates as "the then publicly opened, for the construc-

His return, he says, will depend upon how well he likes Chinese life,

TO REPORT ON BEEF INDUSTRY. Importers Now Collecting Information

Demanded by Congress.

Washington, Aug. 4 .- A description of conditions in the stock yards at Chicago during the strike now in progress there is expected to form an interesting feature of the reports of the beef industry, which will be made by the president to congress in response to the Martin resolution passed at the is already at work in the interests of last session. Fifteen or 20 inspectors are in the field under the direction of the department of commerce and labor, collecting information required by the of the country and their inquiries have covered every branch of the beef industry. This embraces the herding and ranching of the cattle on the plains, their slaughter and the shipment of the dressed products. The inspectors, have been engaged at this work since early in April and reports from some of them are daily expected at the department. The inspection has been conducted under the immediate supervision of James R. Garfield, the commissioner of the bureau of corporations of the department of commerce and labor. Mr. Garfield has taken a personal hand in some features of the investigation. Such portions of the report as bear on the strike now in progress at Chicago, it is said, are incidental to the general line of inquiry

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