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A STRANGE ACCIDENT

Knocked From Jersey City Bridge Into the Bay a Poor Fellow Causes Delay of Train.

A BURGLAR AIDS IN RESCUE

A Tramp, a Newspaper Reporter and an Oyster Man Mixed Up in the Tussle With Wind and Tide.

New York, Aug. 24.—A fast passenger train outward bound from Jersey City on its way to St. Louis has been held up more than an hour on the trestle over Newark bay while a man who was walking on the track and had been knocked into the water was being rescued. He was a tramp. A tramp, an alleged burglar, a newspaper reporter, an oyster man and two travelers figured in the rescue.

Half way over the bay the engineer saw a man a few feet ahead directly in the train's path. He blew the whistle but before the echoes had died away the locomotive grazed the man and hurled him into the bay. The train was brought to a quick stop. Passengers about to retire sprang to the windows.

Out in the bay a black form was visible, making feeble efforts to keep afloat. A man, coatless and with no shoes, said he would save the injured man. He jumped and swam toward him. He succeeded in keeping the head of the injured fellow above the water, but could not make his way back to the bridge against the tide. Aid was necessary and Charles Cameron of Smith Center, Kan., appeared in his night robes and dived into the bay, but the three could not beat against the swift tide and another passenger volunteered.

On the suggestion of a woman the signal cords were cut from six cars and tied together. The last volunteer took along one end of the line but it parted when those on the bridge tried to pull the swimmers aboard. A reporter then suggested going to the end of the bridge for an oyster boat. The engine was uncoupled and dashed away. With the reporter and an oyster man at the oars, a dory was soon on the scene and, after nearly an hour's work, the swimmers were rescued, all in good condition except the original cause of the trouble. He was hurried to a hospital, where he will soon recover.

The first volunteer was arrested when he got off the train at Elizabeth, an alarm having been telephoned several hours previously from Bayonne charging a man answering his description with having committed burglary.

THE COST OF THE WAR.

Portland Journal: A dispatch from Tokio places the cost of the present war at one hundred million dollars, 70 per cent of which is apportioned to Japan. Just how the figures have been reached and just how Japan's proportion of the total is so great is not stated, though undoubtedly Japan has been put to extraordinary expense to meet the difficulties and cost of maintaining its extraordinary campaign.

But if it has escaped with this outlay it has not only been extremely fortunate, but it has got away with a tremendous undertaking with little waste. If these figures are correct its expenses have amounted to a little over a third of a million dollars a day. Our own relatively insignificant war with Spain cost us close to a million dollars a day while it lasted and a very pretty penny afterward. If it had been longer continued it doubtless would have cost us proportionately less per day. England's two and a half years' campaign against the Boers cost it the staggering total of \$1,115,000,000, or about \$1,161,000 in round numbers every day it lasted.

In the light of such facts as these it may well be believed that the richest of nations, if it is wise, will long hesitate to assume a war with a well equipped neighbor. So far as Japan was concerned there was nothing else for it to do if it desired to maintain its national entity. For this reason when the national existence was placed in the balance against mere money it was not hard to decide what the outcome would be. But if the figures are as they are represented in the Tokio dispatch the Japs have got the full worth of their money for every dollar they have spent since the opening of the campaign.

The Lesson of the Savings Bank.

New York Press: In this great and happy country there were by official count in 1903, 7,635,228 savings banks

depositors with an aggregate balance to their credit of \$2,935,204,845. Preliminary estimates of the United States banking officials indicate that the deposits today are largely in excess of \$3,000,000,000, and that the number of individual accounts has increased to about seven and a quarter million depositors.

These more than seven million citizens of the United States are asked by the democratic party to vote for a man, Judge Parker, who in 1896 and 1900 deliberately gave his ballot, and says so, to the formal proposition of Mr. William J. Bryan to cut the value of those savings banks deposits in half, to make of every dollar earned, accumulated and put away at interest only 50 cents of good money; to make every dollar of interest paid only 50 cents of good money!

It is true that Judge Parker has said in a telegram designed to save his party from annihilation and to put himself in control of the United States administrative government that he now "regards" the gold standard as firmly established. In other words, while he twice voted to make a 50-cent piece of every dollar in the savings banks, he now "regards" that the depositors themselves, and the rest of the nation, as a majority, will not permit their dollars to be converted into 50-cent pieces. He has not said he was wrong in 1896 and 1900. He has not said that he now believes a dollar should remain a dollar. He has said the full 100-cent dollar is "established," whatever he believes, whatever he would do had he his own way now, as he tried to do in 1896 and 1900!

PACIFIC COAST NOTES.

Miscellaneous News Items From Oregon and Neighboring States.

The new sawmill of the Oregon Lumber, Wood and Light Company, south of Falls City, is ready to begin operations. This mill has a capacity of 20,000 feet per day, and will depend largely upon the local market for the sale of its product.

The Port Townsend gravity water system will be constructed by the Jacobson-Bade Company, the Portland firm that recently put in The Dalles sewerage system. The contract price of the Port Townsend waterworks is \$244,000.

Corvallis Gazette: The Bell Telephone people have opened wide their hearts. Free switching is now given over Linn county, involving over 150 new subscribers, and three lines with intervening connections. Peona, Halsey and Shedd's can now be reached free.

The Dalles Times-Mountaineer: R. H. Weber, manager of The Dalles Fruit Growers' Union, is well pleased with the returns received from the first car of peach plums he shipped east this season. The car was sold at a price that netted growers 40 cents a crate. This is a better net price than was realized on individual shipments.

You don't close your store for a day every once in a while—but that would be as wise as to drop your newspaper advertising for a day now and then.

Cancerous Ulcers

ROOTED IN THE BLOOD.

After the age of 45 or 50 when the vital powers are naturally weaker, it is noticed that a hurt of any kind heals slowly, and often a very insignificant scratch or bruise becomes a bad ulcer or sore. At this time of life warty growths, moles and pimples that have been on the body almost from birth begin to inflame and fester, and before very long are large eating, sloughing ulcers.

Whenever a sore or ulcer is

slow in healing then you may

be sure something is radically

wrong with your blood.

Some old taint or poison that

has been slumbering there for

years is beginning to assert

itself, and breaks out and be-

comes a bad ulcer and per-

haps the beginning of Cancer.

Dear Sirs:—I have not words strong enough to

praise your great medicine. I had a sore on my

left temple for several years. It would itch and

burn and bleed, would scab over, but would

never heal. The doctors pronounced it Cancer.

After taking S. S. S. awhile the sore began to dis-

charge, and when all the poisonous matter had

passed out it healed. I took it all about thirty

bottles, taking it for some time after it had en-

tirely healed. This was about ten years ago, and

I have seen no sign of it since.

Gant, Audrain County, Mo. JOSEPHUS REID.

These old sores are rooted in the blood, and

while washes, soaps, salves, etc., keep the surface

clean, they are not healing. A blood medicine to

purify and strengthen the polluted blood, and a tonic

to build up the general system is what is needed, and

S. S. S. is just such a remedy. No poison is so power-

ful and no germ so deadly that this great vegetable blood remedy cannot

reach it, and ulcers of every kind quickly yield to its wonderful curative

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