



A DRUNKEN BEAR.

Bruin Acquired an Appetite for the Flowing Bowl.

A Grizzly That Got a Taste of Tipples and Liked It—Delirium Tremens Put an End to His Dissipated Career.

"Way back in the 50s I was temporarily handling the lines for the Sacramento Overland State Company, and it was over lots of land, I tell you, for my route ran through the roughest section of the Sierra Nevada.

I had three passengers, all men, and for freight carried a barrel of gin strapped on behind the stage. There was gin for "Red Mike," who ran a free and easy at the mining camp at Rabbit Creek. Suddenly my attention was called by one of the passengers to a novel race which was going on down the side of the mountain between a miner and a grizzly bear.

Several times the miner played this trick, and on each occasion gained considerable ground in one direction, but it could be seen he was rapidly tiring, and unless something happened the bear was dead sure to get him.

Well, when the horses made their jump the barrel of gin broke loose from its fastenings and went tearing down the mountain side toward the man and bear, who were coming along on a dead run.

We watched the proceedings with interest, and after we were satisfied the bear had a jag on, we went down, tied him up with ropes, dragged him up the hill and threw him inside the stage.

We drove on to Rabbit Creek and sold the drunken grizzly to "Red Mike" for \$100, and he chained him up in the corner of his saloon and kept him as a curiosity to draw trade.

Well, he did draw trade. "Mike" gave him a quart of whisky a day, and after awhile he became so docile that his chain was removed.

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A SMUGGLER'S PARADISE.

How Chinamen Gain Access to the United States.

Looking at the map one may see that the northwest corner of the state of Washington is torn off, and the space that is left is filled with water, dotted with an archipelago. The island of Vancouver fits partially into the gaping corner as if it had been torn out by some gigantic convulsion.

Those who transport the Chinamen are all white men. The resident Chinese act as their confederates and as the agents of the smuggled men, but do no part of the actual smuggling, that is to say, the boating.

These white men are of the class one would expect to find in such business. A government employe in Victoria told me that I would be surprised to know what important and respectable persons were connected with the smuggling.

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JONAH AND THE WHALE.

A Salt Lake Minister Gives an Explanation of the Story.

"Doctor," said a Salt Lake Tribune reporter to a city minister, "is there not a natural explanation of the whale's swallowing of Jonah?"

"Yes. In the first place there is nothing in the Hebrew to show that it was what we call a whale. The word translated into both the Septuagint and the New Testament by the Greek 'Katos' means simply a sea monster; and this word was the one used by our Lord in his reference to this account of Jonah (Matthew xii., 39-41). So far, therefore, as the Hebrew or Greek words are concerned the fish may have been a whale, a shark, a sea serpent or any other large monster of the deep.

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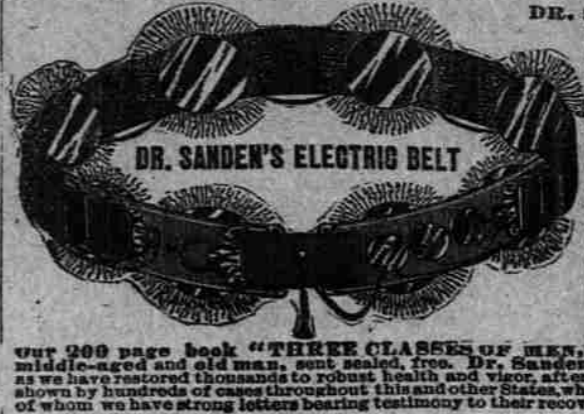
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