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CAVALRY RIDING DRILL.

An Ex-Trooper Tells How Raw Recruits Are Put Through Their Paces.

The first riding lesson usually takes place in the "riding-school," where, as the floor is covered with "tan," the recruits who come off will fall softly. The military authorities don't want their recruits laid up in hospitals. The lesson consists of leading the horse around the riding-school; so that the axiom of learning to creep before walking is slightly modified here, for the recruit learns to walk his horse before riding him. When he has led his horse around for awhile, the horse's head is brought in from the boards (i. e., the walls of the school), and the recruit is taught to "stand at ease" and to step from side to side of his horse's fore feet in measured paces. Then comes the "mount," and usually the unfortunate recruit has no sooner got up on one side than he rolls over on the other, owing to the vagaries of his horse, who knows that he has a recruit in hand, and takes advantage of it. Presently the order is given to "march," and away file the horses around the school walls, many of the pupils thinking horseflesh is very perverse in rubbing its side against the school wall with a recruit's leg for a buffer. The day when I got my first riding lesson many of us started off by pulling on our horses' mouths, and got (to quote our rough rider) "all over the shop like a pack of sheep." After a few turns round—during which the "rough" taught us the aids to horsemanship in the preliminary stages of the "walk"—we learned that we were not to "pull our horses' heads off," but to handle the reins gently by feeling them with our wrists and not with our whole arms. All we had to do (we were told) was to sit there and keep our bodies upright with our chests forward, by hollowing the back and drawing in our stomachs, as well as to keep our "chins off our stocks" and our heads up. We began to see that learning to ride was no trifling job. When it came to fixing our legs, getting them well back, raising our toes and sinking our heels, we got more to do than we ever bargained for. Your teacher is a hard man to please; and I'm sure that by sheer practice recruits at Canterbury have got all their stomachs pressing up against the diaphragms. Otherwise how do they muster such small waists and such pigeon-like chests? The fact is that lungs, heart, liver, stomach and spleen are all packed together chestwards, like a tin of Australian mutton. Whether nature ever intended such a cramming is a question that the military authorities don't study. Make your men as wooden as possible—never mind nature, is their dictum; and certainly they are listened to. After we had done a little walking around the riding school we got more confidence; and thought, no doubt, that we should like a bit of a "trot," just to see what that was like. When it did come to trotting many of us fell off, or nearly fell off, and went hobbling around the school—to quote our rough—riding again "like a lot of stuffed dolls riding up horses from nose to crown." And certainly many of us were more often on our horses' withers and haunches than on the center of their backs, and we had our arms more often round their necks than holding our reins. The "rough" called us to a halt, and even here we were at fault. Some of us pulled too much, or we pulled too little, or we pulled awry, with the result that our horses were "all over the shop." At last we had stopped, our friend the "rough" again let us know a bit of his mind about our first appearance as cavalrymen. He never saw such a blooming lot of asses in all his born days; my old mother could ride better than you," etc. He had probably told the same yarn to generations of recruits; but really we believed that we were a set of out-and-out duffers. After a few months' riding drill the cavalryman learns to ride his horse at all paces; and when he can take him through the turns, circles and windings of the manege drill, and knows how to use his "arms" mounted, he is fit to call himself a real cavalryman, and is ready to go on and fight his country's wars when he gets the chance. If the reader wants to learn more of cavalry equitation, he had better join. A few months drill will teach him all he will care to learn.—London St. James' Gazette.

The American's Tips.

The tips given by Americans in England are almost always too large, and by this they add to their expenses in a manner which greatly astonishes English people, who regard all tips as an exaction, not to be inflated in a spirit of liberality, but to be reduced to a minimum in a spirit of economy. An American always likes to seem to be richer than he is. An Englishman does not care a button what the porter thinks of him, and gives the man what he thinks such a man ought to expect, and no more. In the same way Americans always increase their expenses by traveling first-class, on a sort of noblesse-oblige principle, a habit which causes infinite amusement among the more economical English, and gives point to the old joke that no one travels first-class except fools and Americans.

EASTERN ITEMS.

A BIG REAL ESTATE SWINDLE IN ST. PAUL.

Geronimo Will Not be Sent Back to Arizona—Will Test the Meat Inspection Law—Local Option—Cigarette Smoking.

New York wholesale grocers have a trust.

Indianapolis men will test the Meat Inspection law.

Yale defeated Harvard in the college regatta on the 28th.

A labor lyceum for women has been organized in St. Paul.

Denver's Fourth of July celebration extended over three days.

Missouri has set apart \$2000 for wolf scalps for 1889 and 1890.

Some Chicago cable cars make from 10½ to 14 miles an hour.

The Hudson Bay Company report shows a net profit of \$68,000.

Philadelphia will presently have two new cold-storage warehouses.

The electric cars continue to scare horses in Boston and vicinity.

Fourth of July was turned over to the small boy in all towns and cities.

Two acres of land at Stockbridge, Mass., have been sold for \$10,000.

Mrs. M. L. Evans has been appointed postmistress at Lake View, Oregon.

A Chicago enthusiast talks of erecting a tower in that city 2000 feet in height.

Grape-growing promises to be a profitable business in some parts of Florida.

The Standard Oil Company has purchased the great Derrick well at Oil City.

The Pittsburg policemen have sent their old uniforms to the Johnstown police.

S. C. Morgan, cashier of the bank of Sidney, Neb., committed suicide on the 28th inst.

About one-half the adult males at the Boule agency have signed the proposed treaty.

Crop reports from abroad are worse than last month in the Atlantic States and Europe.

Richard Broeck, who challenged Villard to a duel, has been sent to the insane asylum.

Colonel A. M. Saxton, a St. Joseph banker, and a prominent Missourian, died on the 27th.

According to the new city directory, Chicago has a population of over nine hundred thousand.

A Cincinnati jury acquitted a saloon keeper who sold on Sunday "just to give the spies a lesson."

Eric Canal is reducing rates on grain from Buffalo to New York to compete with the Lehigh Valley road.

Indiana's Supreme Court has decided that shaving on Sunday is not a necessity. Abraham never shaved.

The Knights and the Farmers' Alliance of Alabama will work together in the next election for the legislature.

The Local Option bill in Michigan has become a law. This means prohibition in half the counties of the State.

The figures of just completed directories make the population of St. Paul and Minneapolis close on to half a million.

A new Connecticut law prohibits cigarette smoking by minors under 16 and the sale of tobacco in any form to such persons.

The Standard Oil Company are preparing to build an 8-inch oil-pipe line from Cuyahoga, Ohio, to Detroit, for handling fuel oil.

A New York estimate is that 40,000 tourists more than the number who go every summer will cross to Europe this season.

John P. Hudson of Smyrna, Del., a leading peach-grower, places this season's yield of the Peninsula at 1,000,000 baskets.

It is denied in Washington that any such proposition as that of sending Geronimo back to Arizona has ever been contemplated.

Michigan has passed a law by which one-fifth of the voters in any county may demand and secure a vote on a local option law for that county.

Knoxville has already raised \$2000 of a fund to erect a monument to the memory of John Sevier. It is proposed to erect a \$20,000 monument.

The Chicago Tribune is receiving and forwarding to the proper authorities contributions for the relief of the starving coal miners of Northern Illinois.

The shores of the Chesapeake Bay are still strewn with timber and wreckage carried into it by the great floods on the Susquehanna and its tributaries.

George W. McCann, a brother of Commodore McCann, killed himself at Meridian, Miss., by cutting his throat. Poverty and drinking was the cause.

The British steamer Haytian, supposed to have been in collision with the steamer Victoria, off Nantucket, is at Quarantine Station, below New Orleans.

A. S. Dunbar, living near McDonald, Penn., has a mare thirty-one years old with a coat four weeks old. The mare is gray-headed and as sound as ever.

The fight between John L. Sullivan and Jake Kilrain, on the 8th, for \$10,000 a side and the championship of the world, London Prize Ring Rules to govern, was won by the former in seventy-five rounds.

The local physicians of Johnstown, after carefully going over the returns of the people rescued from the flood, still place the estimated loss of life at 10,000.

Judge Bradley of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, has decided that there is no cruelty in docking a horse's tail. This is important, if true.

The Chicago will soon cross the Atlantic to join the European Squadron, and it is said she will convey the remains of inventor Ericsson to the shores of his native land.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

Labor Organizations—Up in a Balloon—The Fast steamship Line—Beggary as a Profession—Notes.

Bishop Lambrecht of Ghent is dead. Wilkie Collins has had a stroke of paralysis.

Copious rainfall in Cuba has rejoiced the planters.

Labor organizations are making rapid progress all over Germany.

Russia contemplates a new loan for strategic railways and forts.

Fears in Russia of bad crops have been dissipated by favorable weather.

Queen Christina went up in an army balloon 1000 feet at Madrid, last week.

The railroad to be built from Joppa to Jerusalem will have American coaches.

Herr Hasenclever, formerly a leading socialist member of the reichstag, is dead.

The three missing steamers belonging to the Wissmann expedition have arrived at Zanzibar.

Garter won the Midland Breeders' stake at Fair Oaks, Birmingham, England, on the 3d.

The Shah was received by Queen Victoria at the state entrance at Windsor castle, on the 3d.

It is predicted that the number of Americans visiting Paris this summer will exceed 100,000.

There are eight ladies of title in England who carry on the business of dress and mantle-making.

Paris has no flies. The Parisians say that it is on account of the thorough cleanliness of the city.

The American team did the best shooting at the 200, 500 and 600-yards shooting at London on the 2d.

Sir Lepel Griffin proposes to colonize Cashmere with 3,000,000 Englishmen as a bulwark to the Indian Empire.

The Russian army is to be equipped with new rifles of small caliber. The weapons will be manufactured in France.

The British bark Ecuador, Captain Hughes, from Buenos Ayres, April 23d, for Barbadoes, has been lost with all her crew.

The French Chamber of Deputies has voted the Urgency Panama Canal Relief bill, and later passed it by a vote of 358 to 58.

A London paper says 500 Cornwell families are reported to be wearing crepe for relatives lost in the Conemaugh Valley.

The new Duchess of Portland ranks eighteen in the list of peeresses, and the American Duchess of Marlboro takes precedence.

Last year the number of visitors to Shakespeare's birthplace was 16,800, Americans constituting one-fourth of the number.

The National Amalgamated Sailors and Firemen's Union of Great Britain and Ireland is now reported to have 40,000 members.

A subscription bar is soon to be opened at Berlin, where for \$150, paid in advance, a man can drink all he chooses as often as he chooses.

Porto Perraio, Napoleon's landing place at the Island of Elba, is now used by the fleet of steamships which bring iron ore to America.

Princess Louise Victoria Alexander Dagmar of Wales, eldest daughter of the Prince and Princess of Wales, has been betrothed to Earl Fife.

Russia has readopted the law which forbids heirs to the throne contracting marriage with persons not members of the orthodox Greek Church.

London is so crowded with Americans that those who have not engaged their rooms in hotels beforehand stand chance of having to sleep in Trafalgar Square.

The Gossips of Europe tell great yarns about the Shah of Persia's grandeur. It is said that the precious stones imbedded in his throne are worth \$30,000,000.

Arabi Pasha, the Egyptian patriot, complains that his incarceration at Ceylon is killing him. The climate is too damp and he is tortured with rheumatism.

M. Meyer, a Paris financier, has been sentenced to imprisonment for one year and to pay a fine of 5000 francs for being connected with the Society Mobilere frauds.

M. Eiffel, whose name has been exalted by his great tower, is 57 years old. His real name is said to be Bonickhausen, and his reasons for changing it are unknown.

The watchmakers of Prescott, England, who have long been famous, finding that their trade is declining, have decided to build a factory and work on the American plan.

The height of snobbishness is reached at English bazars, where money is taken as the price of an introduction to this and that beauty or titled lady presiding over tables.

Beggary has been reduced to an art as well as a profession in Rome. In a recent case before the police an old man admitted that he had as many as fifty lies in daily use.

An American has set up a school in Paris and advertises that he "will teach any Frenchman to speak the only sensible language in the world in six weeks at a cost of only \$25."

The large steam hammers in use in England and on the Continent for making the forgings required for artillery and machinery are to be quite generally replaced by hydraulic presses.

The ship railway, which is to transport loaded vessels across the Isthmus of Chignecto, N. B., is progressing rapidly. Seven hundred men and 200 horses are at work upon it.

Governor Hill of New York, is said to have signed his name to some bills passed by the legislative assembly and then erased his signature with acids. Vulgarly speaking, he scored on them.

The new treaty between Japan and Mexico has not been ratified. The treaty between the United States and Japan, which was signed February 20th, will go into force February 11, 1890.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

THE BOY CONVICT DIES IN THE OREGON PENITENTIARY.

California Fruit Shipment—Killed by the Cars—A Girl in Male Costume—First Regiment Encampment—"Black Bart."

Salt Lake City has a building boom.

San Leandro is now lighted with gas.

Tacoma is to have a Produce Exchange.

St. Helena is putting down stone sidewalks.

Los Gatos has repealed its firecracker ordinance.

The upper San Joaquin river is almost too low for navigation.

A. French, a wealthy land owner at San Diego, has become insane.

"Black Bart," the famous California stage robber, is said to be in China.

Hon. M. C. George delivered the Fourth of July oration at Albany, Or.

Los Angeles has twenty-one school houses, but they are all overcrowded.

About three hundred bales of wool were sold at Cloverdale on the 28th at 22 cents.

The total value of the assessment on San Joaquin county property is \$36,687,000.

The honey crop of Southern California will be less than one-seventh of an average.

Ex-Judge James W. Bicknell of San Mateo has just died near Modesto, aged 76 years.

The Paragon Extension Society of the Pacific Conference met in Santa Rosa on the 28th.

Peter Barger killed his late mistress, and bit off the ear of his rival, at Tacoma, last week.

United States Marshal Hayes of Los Angeles, has been arrested for overdriving a Fresno team.

Napa is pleased with having secured the First Regiment encampment. It will last eight days.

San Francisco, it is understood, is soon to be the terminus of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road.

The first car for the East from General Bidwell's Ranch Chico, was loaded with Bartlett pears and plums.

The Sonoma County Agricultural Park Association will not hold a fair in connection with the fall races.

A movement is on foot at Fresno, Cal., to get the Board of Trade of that city to establish a free labor agency.

William Dolan, serving a life sentence in the San Quentin prison for murder, made his escape on the 3d inst.

The Yamhill County Herald says a floating island 300 yards in diameter has been found in Honey Lake, Idaho.

David Connell, of Rockford, W. T., was struck in the throat by a rocket on the night of the 4th. He cannot live.

One man a day is now the killing record of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company when passing Pendleton, Or.

The whereabouts of C. A. Roberts of Huron, Fresno county, is sought for by his wife. He left Huron about a month ago.

George Brown, a brakeman, caught his foot in a railroad frog at Carson, last week, and was run over and fatally injured.

Helena, M. T., capitalists, disgusted at the water supply, have formed a new water company and extensive works will be erected.

Almost the entire business portion of Ellensburg, W. T., was destroyed by fire on the 4th. The loss will not fall short of \$1,000,000.

Sarah Hallett, formerly of Oakland, killed herself with poison at Tucson on 27th, and Charles Kenyon shot himself at St. Helena.

A non-partisan convention has put a strong ticket in the field to be voted for in the choice of officers for the new county of Orange.

Stockton's proposal to secure the spring race meetings under the State Agricultural Society, has aroused Sacramento to increasing the premium lists.

The prize of \$500 offered by Claus Spreckles to farmers producing the largest per cent of sugar per acre of sugar beets, has been awarded to J. B. Hudson.

George N. Miller, an electric belt doctor, well known all over the Pacific Coast, was arrested at Port Townsend on the 3d, charged with embezzlement at Mercet, Cal.

The trial of Calvin T. Lewis, the gambler who shot and killed John Harrington, near the Baldwin Hotel, San Francisco, ended on the 3d, the jury returning a verdict of not guilty.

Charles E. Merville, a brakeman on the Columbia & Puget Sound railroad, was run over by a car at Kent, W. T., horribly crushing both legs, from which he died on the 4th inst.

Charles Schmidt was crushed to death at Seattle on the 27th by the falling walls of a building left standing in the recent fire. John Brewster was seriously injured at the same time.

John McAllister, the 16-year old criminal, who poisoned his father at Woodville, Jackson county, Or., about one year ago, has just died in the Oregon penitentiary from consumption.

Nancy Howard, the girl who recently worked at Leech's saw-mill in Yuba county, in the garb of a man, says she is the sister of the wife of Forepaugh, the circus man, and he ill-treated her.

No less than 300 fishermen lost their lives on the coasts of England and Wales last year. The fishermen are so heavily clad that, once overboard, there is small hope for him. He usually sinks like a stone.

A yacht has recently been launched on the Thames by electrical appliances, which enabled all the supports to be removed on the pressing of a button, and the vessel glided into the water without the slightest hitch.

The remains of J. C. Flood, the San Francisco millionaire, who died in Germany several months ago, has arrived in New York. The remains will be interred in Calvary cemetery, San Francisco.

HOME AND FARM.

The Wild Horse—Fruit Stanes—Distillates—Log Clod-Crusher—Salt as a Check for Chinch Bugs.

Everything is useful to a good house-keeper.

Oil of wintergreen mixed with an equal quantity of olive oil is recommended as a rheumatic pain-killer.

A cook of some note says that if peaches are peeled and put into cold water for half an hour they will retain their color.

The wild horse, it is said, is not exclusively of Asiatic origin, but has existed in America as far back as the tertiary age.

Cold boiled turnips make a nice garnish for roast beef or lamb. Cut them into thin slices, and brown in butter, pouring hot gravy over them. Place them on the platter around the meat.

A hot salad, which is a well known Pennsylvania dish, is made by slicing green tomatoes and small onions, and a few potatoes and frying them together; season them well and send them to the table smoking.

Instead of "sticking peas" in the usual manner, the American Agriculturist suggests setting stakes about a rod apart and stretching wires between them, the first one foot from the ground and the others eight inches apart.

After each rain the ground should be cultivated lightly in order to prevent evaporation of moisture. The loose dirt serves as a covering and shields the earth from the direct effect of drying winds and heat of the sun.

Clove Cake: One cup of dark sugar, two-thirds of a cup of butter, one-half cup of sweet cream, two cups of flour, one cup of raisins, two eggs, one tablespoonful of cloves, one-half tablespoonful of nutmeg, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder.

One of the best disinfectants to use about the poultry house is a half pint of crude carbolic acid, two and a half gallons of water and one and a half pounds of copperas dissolved and mixed thoroughly and apply the same as a whitewash into every crack and corner.

Plant a small patch of sweet corn, beans, peas and potatoes very early. If the frost kills some of them the loss will be small, and if they escape you will have a change, of rations a month earlier than people who neglect the garden till all the farm crops are in.

Fruit stains may be removed from linen by rubbing the spot on each side with soap, then laying on a mixture of starch in cold water, very thick; rub it well in and expose the linen to the sun and air till the stain comes out. If not removed in three days renew the process.

Hardy shrubs and flowers should be selected with the view of having a supply of flowers from spring until fall. As some flowers bloom early and others late, selections of varieties best suited to the soil and for each month will assist in ornamenting the yard until frost appears.

In a majority of cases it rarely pays to attempt to cure a hen that has fallen into the habit of eating eggs and for the reason that she is almost certain to learn others the same trick often almost before you are aware of it, the best plan is to kill as soon as the trick is discovered. It hardly pays to run the risk.

A Roly Poly: Beat together two cupfuls of sugar, one cupful of butter, one egg, two cupfuls of cream, half a glass of wine, three cupfuls of flour, a heaping teaspoonful of baking powder, half a pound of seeded raisins. Pour into a pudding bag and boil for three hours. When done serve hot with a cream sauce.

The statement that the dropping of one hen per year are worth 50 cents is going its annual round. We have kept about 100 hens on that average but fine them credited with only \$5 on our book for manure, or 5 cents each. Ten cents is the very highest that we would be willing to allow for the annual manure crop from each hen.

An effective table scarf is made of serim. An eight inch border of old gold satin serge, on which has been worked in arseane embroidery a spray of eglantine, applied at either end by means of fancy stitches in silk, corresponding to the tones in the embroidery. A hem-stitched border edges the entire scarf, and the edges are fringed with silk in all the colors of the embroidery and old gold.

Ingenious ladies are using summer jackets of light cloth for house wear. The jackets are without lining, and are exceptionally pretty, useful and becoming. Draped vests of crepe de chine or sarah may be added, and a fancy revers and cuffs, according to the taste. A very wide, strong belt should be set inside the jacket, and so arranged as to fit the figure quite closely outside of the garment.

Hot Lobster: Pull about three pounds of boiled lobster to pieces with two silver forks, make a sauce of mustard, vinegar, tomato catsup and plenty of cayenne pepper and salt. Put the lobster, the sauce and half a pound of good fresh butter into a chafing dish, cover the dish tightly and when the lobster begins to cook open and stir with either a silver or a wooden spoon. Cook about twenty minutes in all, and about two minutes before blowing out the lights open for a minute and throw in a glass of good sherry, stirring quickly and covering again at once.

Salt as a Check to the Chinch Bug: Professor Forbes, the Illinois State Entomologist, is credited with having said: "I have no personal experience with the use of salt as a check upon chinch bug increase, but from what I know of the habits of that insect and the effect of other fertilizers, I should not expect any important advantage, except in soil where salt will specially stimulate the growth of the grain. Some experiments with salt, made within my knowledge by intelligent farmers of Southern Illinois, were without noticeable effect."

A Log Clod-Crusher: A log, preferably of oak or other compact, hard wood, eight feet long and from eight to ten inches in diameter, is prepared by removing the bark, and tapering slightly toward the ends. About one foot from the end a notch is cut deep enough to admit a chain which is securely wrapped around the log. The double-tree is attached to this chain about three feet from one end of the log and five feet from the other. The log is thus drawn diagonally. If the weight of the log is not sufficient an additional one can be laid in front of it, resting on the chain, which is made a little longer for this purpose.

PORTLAND MARKET.

SPECULATING ON THE COMING PRICE OF WHEAT.

Apples, Plums and Peaches—Provisions are Steady—No Change in Dried Fruits—Chickens in Good Demand—Wheat Dull.

The Fourth of July has come and gone, after having as usual caused a day's more or less cessation of business, to the great benefit to all. In many portions of the inland empire a good harvest is assured, thanks to the late sufficient rainfall, but in some sections it arrived too late to do any good. The merchants are now busily engaged in speculating on the likely price of wheat, and the chances seem to be that they and the farmers will have no reason to complain, for the cereal yield of the Northwest will be enormous, and the price about average. No change in sugars, and coffee is unsettled. Provisions remain about steady. Fruits and vegetables are cheaper all round and are quite plentiful. No change in dried fruits. Chickens in good demand. The wheat market is as dull as ever.

GROCERIES. Sugars, Golden C 7½c, extra C 7½c, dry granulated 9½c, cube, crushed and powdered 9½c. Coffee: Java 25¢@27c, Mocha 28¢@31c, Costa Rica 21½¢@22½c, Rio 21½¢@22c, Arbuckle's roasted 24