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MAN AGAINST SHARK.

"The prettiest battle I ever witnessed was between a Cuban and a couple of sharks," said Thos. C. Ridgway, "We had reached Havana from New York, and were lying perhaps half a mile from the docks awaiting the signal to go in. Several fruit peddlers had boarded us, and among them was a swarthy, bare-legged young fellow who looked like a pirate. The purser was standing by the rail, holding his niveyear-old son in his arms, watching a couple of monster sharks that were hanging about the vessel, when the child slipped from his grasp and fell into the water. The father plunged overboard and seized him, and the sharks at once made for the pair.

"The bare-legged young buccaneer dropped the fruit basket and went over the rail like a flash. As the first shark turned on its back, the invariable prelude to biting, the Cuban rose, and with a long, keen knife, fairly disemboweled it. The other was not to be disposed of so easily. He seemed to realize that in the Cuban he had a dangerous foe, and, in the language of the ring, sparred for an opening. Seceral of us began to blaze away at him with our revolvers, but the Cuban appeared to fear our bad marksmanship more than the shark, and begged us to desist. The purser and his child had been pulled on deck, and the combatants had a fair field. The Cuban dived, but the shark did not wait for him to come up, and changed his location. Finally the latter advanced straight upon his antagonist, his ugiy fin cutting through the water like a knife, turned quickly upon his back and the huge jaws came together with a vicious snap, but the Cuban was not between them. He had sunk just in time to avoid the shark, and as the latter passed, shot the steel into it. The old sea wolf made the water boil, and strove desperately to strike his antagonist with his tail, but the latter kept well amidships, and literally cut him to pieces,

"We made up a purse for him, and the next Sunday the brave ragamuffin could have given Solomon pointers in

gorgeous apparel."

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS. Washington, Dec. 11.-The president has nominated Henry W. Melton, of Indiana, to be commissioner for Alaska. and Andrew F. Snelling, register of

the land office at North Yakima, Wn. POSTPONING THE EVIL DAY.

Washington, Dec. 11.-The ways and means committee has changed the time when the tariff bill well go into effect from March 1, to June 1, 1894,

NOTABLE DEAD.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 11.-Ex-Gov ernor Jacob Bezon Jackson dropped dead at h's home at Parksburg this afternoon. He was a cousin of Stonewall Jackson

PRENDERGAST'S TRIAL.

Chicago, Dec. 11 .- The work of getting a jury was resumed this morning in the trial of assassin Prendergast. The taking of evidence in the Coughlin trial was also begun.

BANK RE-OPENS.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 11,-The Montons National bank, which closed last July, re-opened this morning.

STEAMER BURNED.

Seattle, Dec. 41.-The steamer Ellis, plying between Seattle and Port Orchard, was destroyed by fire at Bremerton last night. She was undergoing repairs. The loss is \$25,000; insurance, \$10,000

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JOHN JACKSON, Administrator of the estate of F. E. Nelson, deceased. December 5, 1893.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE OF SALE.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to an order of the county court of Clatsop county. Oregon, the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Sarah E. Coffman, deceased will, from and after the 16th day of December. 1893, proceed to sell. 11 grivate sale, for eash or approved security, all the right, title and interest of the sald Sarah E. Coffman, deceased, at the time of her death, in the following described real property belonging to said estate, to-wit: A tract or lot fifty feet wide off the north end of that particular parcel of land belonging to the sald estate, described and bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the west side of the county road, leading from Seaside postoffice to Skipanon Landing in Clatsop county Oregon, 485 feet north of the north line of Section II. township 8 north, of range 10 west, and 272 feet west of the west line of section 15, of the same township. Thence north along the first medical authorities and are presented in a form that is becoming the fashion with physicians and patients every where.

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