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### SIX DAYS BICYCLE RACE.

As Swift As Trains They Madly Rush Along The Track.

A French Rider Crazy by the Nervous Tension.—Miller's 400 Miles.

New York, Dec. 9.—At midnight the 18 long distance riders were still pedaling their way, lap after lap, around the high banked floor of the Madison Square garden. From midnight to midnight Miller had put more than 350 miles behind him. This marvelous record on the third day of the great race carried him along to a total of more than 1200 miles in 71 hours, 139 miles ahead of the former record. During this weary journey Miller has left the track but a few hours. With the exception, perhaps, of Stephane, the Frenchman, Miller had, up to late in the afternoon, had less sleep than any other man on the track. And notwithstanding this, Miller is seemingly in as good condition as he was yesterday, when experts claimed that he and Rice, the Wilkesbarre coal miner, were in the best shape of all the riders.

The next man to Miller at the present time is Rice, and he is seemingly more than 50 miles behind. But he is strong and seems to have the same determination that carried him almost to the front in the big race of last year.

Dec. 10.—Rivierre, the Frenchman, has run amuck. The awful strain from the first day of the riding has in a measure mentally unbalanced him. He has been taken from the track.

arena again. This fact was gained after an interview with Mrs. Fitzsimmons, now in this city.

Before the contest last March Fitzsimmons promised his wife he would never enter the ring again without her consent. In reply to a question whether she would give her consent Mrs. Fitzsimmons replied:

"I will say I don't care to stand in my husband's way, and if he thinks it better to give Corbett another chance I may change my mind, but until I do there is no prospect whatever of the two men meeting."

### His Last Hope Gone.

The supreme court of California last week dispelled the last hope of W. H. T. Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lanont and Minnie Williams, by disposing in a summary manner of his two appeals.

In a written opinion, from the pen of Chief Justice Beatty, which is concurred in by all but one of his colleagues, the court affirms the judgment of Judge Bahrs, in remanding the prisoner to San Quentin until the time set for his execution, but reverses that sentencing Durrant to be hanged on November 11, and remands the case to the superior court, with instructions to proceed according to law.

### Against Annexation.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Senator Hoar today presented a monster protest in the senate from native Hawaiians against the annexation of the Hawaiian islands to the United States. The protest filled several hundred pages of foolscap paper and was forwarded by Enoch Johnson and Lillia Ahele, secretaries respectively of the Hawaiian Patriotic league and the Hawaiian Women's Patriotic league, who made certificates that the signatures were all genuine.

Of the 21,299 signatures 10,300 were women and 160 foreigners. The petition was printed both in the English and Hawaiian languages and was very brief, merely "protesting against annexation to the United States in any shape or form."

### Klondike Graveyard Him.

Stockton, Dec. 9.—The remains of Edward N. Bouche have arrived here from Seattle to be buried in the family plot in the city cemetery. Bouche was a successful mining operator of the Northwest, and had bright prospects till the news from the Klondike depreciated the value of his mines, and properties, which he could have sold a couple of years ago for large sums, are now about valueless. He ended his troubles by committing suicide last Sunday week. Bouche was reared here and was 33 years old.

### An Unprecedented Order.

Dublin, Dec. 9.—The Evening Telegraph says that the war office has sent an order to Dublin for the sharpening of all swords and bayonets in the possession of the regular troops in Ireland. The order is unprecedented, and a perfect mystery to both officers and men.

### Bryan in Mexico.

Monterey, Mex., Dec. 10.—Wm. J. Bryan is in Monterey today. His visit has aroused great enthusiasm. The gentleman is being made recipient of high municipal and federal honors.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The house committee on pensions met today and took action that is intended to correct the alleged rapidly growing abuse of young women marrying old soldiers and sailors for the purpose of becoming their widows and drawing a pension from the government. This subject has been much discussed in view of the comparatively large number of widow claimants on account of the revolutionary war, the war of 1812 and

### Corbett and Fitz.

Milwaukee, Dec. 9.—It is almost a certainty that Fitzsimmons and Corbett will meet in the roped

the Mexican war service of husbands.

The committee authorized Chairman Rait to obtain from the committee on rules an order permitting an amendment to the pension appropriation bill providing that no pension shall hereafter be granted to the widow of a soldier or other person who is married to such person or soldier after the passage of this act, excepting, however, all soldiers, sailors, officers, etc., now in who or who may hereafter enter the military or naval service of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The solicitor of the treasury has rendered an opinion in which he holds that Chinese who failed to register under the act of November 3, 1893, are not lawfully in this country, although they may have registered under the act of May 2, 1892. In an opinion by Attorney-General McKenna today, it is held that Chinese who have been excluded from the United States by collectors of customs may be summarily excluded without process of law in case a second entrance is attempted.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Representative Adams, of Pennsylvania, who was named today as chairman of the subcommittee of the committee on foreign affairs to deal with the Cuban question, in an interview tonight, expressed himself as wholly in accord with the views of the President.

Mr. Beyers has made a proposition to the Commercial Association of Pendleton that it shall take the matter in hand of disposing of a quantity of his realty, and thereby give him the money sufficient to pay for building his flouring mill. The idea is to sell \$31,000 worth of land. The matter is now in the hands of a committee.

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