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THE ARMY'S BEST SHOT.

His Record as Marksman Began at Vancouver Barracks.

There is a soldier in troop G, of the second cavalry, at Fort Wingate, Ariz., says a correspondent in the Boston Traveler, who bears the distinction of being the best shot in the United States army. He is Sergeant Henry Henser, and not only is he a thorough cavalryman in every sense of the word, a perfect carbine and pistol shot, but he has had some adventures that few men would have lived through. I saw the sergeant the other day in his comfortable quarters, and obtained a record of his wonderful shooting, as well as the story of a desperate battle he had for his life in Arizona in 1890, near Fort Huachuca.

Sergeant Henser has served as a soldier for almost 19 years. He is a powerfully built, athletic man of about 38 years of age, a pleasant conversationalist and a thorough good fellow, so his comrades say.

In his competition for a place on the army team of 1890, when marksmen were to be selected for the great army team shoot, he scored 557 points, against Captain Kerr's 567. He was therefore prevented from shooting on the army team that year, and it was mortifying to him later to learn that Captain Kerr won the army medal by 557 points, the very score he had made in the preliminaries. It taught him a lesson, however, and he grimly declared in future the man who disqualified him would have to do some shooting. He proved this a year later, for, notwithstanding the fact that he had been almost torn to pieces in December, 1890, by a silver-tip bear, he won the third place in a preliminary department shoot for a place on the army team and secured the first prize there, winning a handsome gold medal, more than seven ounces in weight.

He scored 546 points in the army team shoot.

In the distinguished marksmen's team shoot in 1892, he won the celebrated "Buffalo" medal, a huge gold adornment sought after more, perhaps, than any other insignium of marksmanship to be found in the army. It is larger than the government's gold medal awarded to the winner of the army team shoot, and it has to be won from the most distinguished marksman in the service. He scored 900 points in this shoot. In the same competition in 1893, at Fort Sheridan, he again won the "Buffalo" medal, with a score of 582. Some one tampered with the sights of his carbine at this shoot, and after he had commenced to fire he had to take a new carbine, about which he knew nothing. He found that it shot a trifle too high. He allowed for this and won first prize in spite of the machinations of his enemies. Again, in last year's shoot he captured the greatly-prized "Buffalo" medal, and now has three of them, in addition to the first prize medal of the government for the army, and less valuable decorations enough to cover his breast. He has made the highest scores in skirmish firing ever attained, namely, 170, 177 and 104, out of a possible 200 points.

The shooting at these various competitions is not "still shooting" by any means. Neither are the distances from the targets known; neither are the targets the great immense square affairs at which the militia shoot at Creedmore. The targets are silhouette figures of soldiers, life size. One is standing in the act of firing a rifle, another kneeling, and the third is lying prone upon the ground, with only shoulders and head in sight. A hit on the standing target counts three, a hit on the kneeling one four, and the lying figure counts five when hit. The men are given 40 rounds of ammunition. They are started toward the targets at a distance of 500 yards. They are commanded to halt at some point, the distance of which is unknown to them, between 500 yards and 200 yards from the targets. They must fire one shot at each stop, and there are five halts each way, going and coming. The second shot is fired at an unknown distance further on and the competitor may fire as many or as few as he likes, during the 30 seconds' halt. He must estimate his distance, arrange his sights, allow for windage, load his piece at each shot, and respond promptly to the call to stop firing and advance to the next halt. Of course, the men are very expert in the handling of their carbines, they will

drop to the ground like a shot, with fingers full of cartridges, and, at the closest ranges, will fire from 10 to 13 shots at the targets in 30 seconds, and hit the target every time. Sergeant Henser is thought to be a better shot today than he has ever been, and if he does not win the "Buffalo" again this year, some one will have to shoot very fast and very well to prevent him from doing it.

Fruit Not Accepted.
The Oregon Fruit Union was preparing to ship three car loads of prunes from Union Saturday, says the Republican, but it was discovered just before loading them into the cars that they had not been properly sorted, or at any rate in such a manner as not to be acceptable to Mr. Brown the manager of the Union who was here to inspect them and the producers were compelled to haul them back to their homes. Mr. Brown informed the Republican that he was greatly disappointed but could not afford to injure the reputation of the union by shipping anything but the very best fruit packed properly. The trouble was caused by the frost which injured the prunes for shipping in the green state, and it seems that some of the damaged fruit was packed with the sound, instead of carefully separating it as the Union claims it instructed the packers to do. The fruit however, will not be lost as it can be saved by drying it.

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The success of Hood's Sarsaparilla in conquering scrofula in whatever way it may manifest itself is vouched for by thousands who were afflicted by this prevalent disease, but who now rejoice over a permanent cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Scrofula may appear as a humor, or it may attack the glands of the neck, or break out in dreadful running sores on the body or limbs. Attacking the mucous membrane, it may develop into catarrh or lodging in the lungs lead to consumption.

SAVED BY THE PRESIDENT.
Cleveland Commutes the Death Sentence of a Kansas Murderer.
The president has commuted to imprisonment for life the death sentence imposed upon Clyde Mattox, of Kansas. This is the case in which the prisoner's mother, after appealing personally to the president, secured a letter assuring her that the death sentence would not be carried out.

Mattox was convicted of killing an old colored man, John Mullen, who was seeking to protect two colored girls. He was convicted and sentenced to be hanged in Kansas in 1891, but gained a new trial from the United States supreme court, and after two more trials was again convicted, and sentenced to death March 25, 1894.

Another appeal was taken to the United States supreme court, and this time the judgment was affirmed and the convict sentenced to be hanged October 11, this year. As a last resort, an appeal was made to the president. In his endorsement the president says:
"It is with much hesitation that I can show any measure of clemency in this case, inasmuch as I do not regard this convict as entitled to any sympathy because of his former life or the testimony taken in the trial. I have concluded, however, after an anxious, perplexing consideration of all the facts presented me, to save the convict from the death awaiting him, under sentence of the court, and at the same time to effectively protect society in future against his vicious propensities by directing imprisonment during life. I am constrained to this course simply and solely because I cannot shut out the fear that certain testimony offered upon his trial and excluded by the court, and which a strong minority of the supreme court held should have been received, might, if admitted, have produced a result more favorable to the convict, and probably have averted his sentence of death."

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Old Su-wap-a-to Gives His Reasons for a Long and Cold Winter.
Su-wap-a-to, an aged Indian from Okanogan country, says that winter will set in earlier this year than for a long time past. He has discouraged with old men from great distances in all directions, and such was the unanimous opinion. Su-wap-a-to is not an astronomer, in the sense that white people understand that term, yet long experience and little else to do but make observations and store up results in his memory, he is equipped with a fund of knowledge as to weather signs, which in his judgment are infallible.

"The Great Spirit," he said, "gave men plenty of horses, but they stole his lightning and killed the cuttaf for food. Then the wheel came. Even with these old eyes of mine, and with sick tumtum, I saw Indian boys from the school, side by side with whitefaced kloochmen, dressed in breechcloths, riding man style, before the wind. I saw Indian kloochmen turn away in shame, for when they ride straddle they have the modesty to cover up their legs with blankets. I know all this would offend the sun, and was not surprised when he turned his face away from the world one day. I thought it would never be seen again, and was glad when he turned and looked back, seeming to say he pitied the poor old Indians who had watered the desert with blood to prevent the sickness called civilization from poisoning the pure air of the west. He pitied the Indians, but his face was red with rage. That night the storm king flashed his axes and knives in the north sky. Next morning when the sun arose from a troubled sleep two sundogs sat on his right and left hand. He turned them loose to roam over all the sky and warned the good spirits to go back to their wigwams. The sun pulled a black blanket over its face and its folds spread across the sky. Behind it the dogs growled all day, and the little lightning there was left was poured out on the world. Two nights later the frost king floated over the world. He camped last night with a great army this side of the north end of the world and blew his breath to the south. He is marching swift and fierce. He will be here earlier than ever before, and the oldest man will say this is the coldest and longest winter ever known."

THEY ARE BAD BOYS.
What Might Have Been a Most Serious Wreck.
Huntsville, between Dayton and Waitsburg, contains a number of bad boys, who have greatly inconvenienced the O. R. & N. railroad company during the past year, on several occasions throwing rocks and eggs through the windows of the passing trains, says the Statesman, and obstructing the track, etc. Says the Dayton Courier. On Sunday last the train, M. H. Patton, conductor, narrowly escaped a serious wreck on account of these same boys. Two young men, both of whom attend the public school at Huntsville and whose parents are very highly respected, had placed a "fish-plate," or, in other words, a long steel rail, between the rails of the "frog" just this side of the station and at a point where the train is usually at full speed. Two coupling pins and a number of bolts had also been placed in the "frog" in such a manner that a wreck would have been certain had the train run on the "frog" at ordinary speed. Besides this the boys had driven fourteen spikes between the rails at intervals on each side of the place where the "fish-plate" had been placed. Fortunately, however, W. H. V. Richards, who is employed in the warehouse at Huntsville, discovered the obstruction and also recognized the two boys as they departed.

Conductor Patton has secured the pieces of iron which were used, also the names of the boys, which, for good reasons, are not given at this time. Prosecutions will certainly follow. It was a narrow

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MADE THEM NERVOUS.
A Bear Walked In a Yellowstone Hotel and Mangled with the Guests.
At the hotel which was located at the Upper Geyser Basin, but burned last winter, there was last summer a big black bear who slept under the house, and became so tame that the guests fed him, and one evening the porters enticed him into the hotel office with sugar. He came in, walked through the big lobby, smiled at the telegraph instrument as though he understood that it was clicking messages back to the great cities of America, and walked to the front door gazing out at the Old Faithful, and hesitating about his return to the pine woods beyond. This playful prank of the porters was, however, enjoyed more after bruin had gone than while he was in the hotel.

The guests, who had no fear of him out at the garbage box or around the grounds of the hotel, were somewhat nervous when he took possession of the big lobby, where they were sitting about the big, open wood fire, talking about what they would do if a bear should walk into the hotel. They sat like statues, and Manager Howe, who had fed bruin from his hand outside, felt that this was a closer acquaintance than he desired to cultivate. He thought the bear might next move on the dining-room and play the part of the bull in the china shop. Mr. Haynes, the official photographer of the park, sat near enough to the door to lay his hand upon bruin, but he did not attempt to get his picture, though he had been waiting years for a bear to come up and sit for his photograph. The kodak enthusiasts were too nervous to even press the button and get a snap shot. They all felt more comfortable when the bear walked out the front door, across the veranda, and out across the lawn to the pine woods. Manager Howe told the porters that while he wanted to keep on friendly, and even intimate, terms with the bear, he did not want him to infringe the rules against dogs being allowed in the parlor or dining-room, and a bear, gentle and friendly as he might be, could not be allowed privileges not given to the dogs.

That bear, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, still haunts the Upper Basin, but the hotel which sheltered him has been burned, and Mr. Howe has only a lunch station there now, but he finds him out at the garbage box just as before.

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