

FULL DRESS.

A Siberian Traveler's Protection Against the Cold.

The author of "On Sledge and Horse-back to the Siberian Leper" was determined not to freeze to death.

On my feet were stockings made of long hair over them a pair of gentleman's thickest hunting stockings;

My head-covering was a fur-lined cap, and the ecteteras consisted of shawls, rugs and wraps.

The sledge—one of the elevated kind—had to be mounted. I stood beside it trying to solve the knotty problem of how to get in.

Three muscular policemen attempted to lift me gently into the sledge; but their combined strength was futile under the load.

Then I attempted, in a kind of majestic, contemptuous way to mount without assistance; but alas! my knees would not bend.

I was in, but I had to be packed and stowed away. The men pushed and pulled and dragged and coaxed, and at last I and my clothes were ready for starting.

A LANDLUBBER SURPRISED.

Quickness of British Fire in Clearing a Battleground for Action.

At the words "Clear for action" there is a commotion which a landsman might mistake for a panic, as men rush from point to point.

At a prize shooting recently a detachment fired sixteen shots in three minutes from one of the repulse guns, scoring nine direct hits and planting all the other seven shots so close to the target that they would have riddled the hull of a very small ship.

CURED BY LAUGHTER.

Cases Where Health Was Restored Through Fits of Mirthfulness.

The remedial effects of laughter are really wonderful. Cases have been known where a hearty laugh has banished disease and preserved life by a sudden effort of nature.

A Face.

Appropos of the fact that those who "came over in the Mayflower" mostly bore such surnames as Winthrop, Haythrop, Lothrop and Lathrop,

THE BOER LANGUAGE.

It Differs Materially from That of Holland.

The "Afrikaansche Taal" is not the Dutch of modern Holland. In its origin it represents the old Dutch of the country districts in the Netherlands,

Words are greatly clipped, and, although the abominable guttural "g" is still retained, the equally fatiguing Dutch pronunciation of "g-h" is happily changed into a simple "ak."

As a matter of fact, a young Boer will learn English as quickly as a raw Scotchman would exchange his harsh dialect for the incisive, clear, quick speech of southern England.

EARLY USE OF OXEN.

They Preceded the Horse in Agricultural Labor.

The help which our bovine servants render us by the power which they exert in traction, as in drawing plows, sleds or wagons, appears to have been first rendered long after their introduction to the ways of man.

The inventive genius who first contrived to overturn the earth by means of the forked limb of a tree, shaped in the semblance of a plow and drawn by oxen, began a great revolution in the art of agriculture.

Next after the contribution which the kindred of the bulls have made by their strength we must set that which has come from their milk. Although this substance can be obtained in small quantities from several other domesticated animals, the species of the genus Bos alone have yielded it in sufficient quantities greatly to affect the development of man.

WHAT A FLIRT IS.

A Word Which Has a Queer English Derivation.

I remember a long time ago hearing a singular definition of a term very well understood by most of us, given by an old Scotchman, who spoke with a strong accent.

While on this subject, says a writer in the New York Journal, I should like to mention, as the result of observation, that flirts are born, not made, and that unless the faculty comes by nature, it is not very much use to try and acquire it, because not only does the effort recall sometimes the attempted gambols of a cow, which only draw attention to the natural heaviness and solemnity of the animal, but it is as likely as not that in putting on a manner and "ways" that are not consonant with one's temperament, one may make hideous mistakes, just as when a very shy person tries to be cool and assured in hearing it happens often that the coolness seems like rudeness, and the assurance like insolence.

Very Palatable.

The Mexicans have a way of making a kind of hot bread, called tortillas, that is quite appetizing to a hungry man. The cooking utensils used in the making of it are simple in the extreme, consisting merely of a smooth, flat stone about two feet long and a thin plate of iron.

DISLIKE THE TELEGRAPH.

The Chinese Regard It as an Instrument of Evil.

Two American bicyclers, Allen and Saebtleben, tell in the Century of their meeting with a Chinaman in the heart of the flowery kingdom who electrified them by addressing them in the purest English.

PARIS SEWER BOOTS.

How They are Utilized in Making Fine Shoes for Ladies.

Speaking of the fashions brings us to an odd discovery which has recently been made. There is a small shop on the other side of the Seine, in the Rue des Ecoles, which deals exclusively with the second-hand boots of the men who work in sewers.

The leather of these boots is, so to speak, tanned by the alkaline and greasy water in which the sewer-cleaners so perpetually paddle, and they are eagerly sought for by the great Parisian bootmakers; for this leather, being at once tough and light, serves to sustain the curve of the Louis XV. heel.

THE GRAVE OF LAFAYETTE.

An American Flag Has Always Waved Over It.

"While in Paris a short while ago," said a traveler recently, according to the Washington Post, "it occurred to me that it was a fitting act to make a pilgrimage to the tomb of that illustrious Frenchman dear to the hearts of all American patriots, Marquis de La Fayette.

"The first thing that attracted my attention in connection with the hero's tomb was that above it floated a silken flag, bearing the Stars and Stripes. It seems that a good many years ago an American gentleman left in his will a sum of money to be used for the special purpose of keeping an American flag forever flying above the grave of La Fayette.

Misunderstood.

A young man, who looked every inch the bridegroom, stood in the rotunda of the Great Northern the other day, says the Chicago Times, telling a friend of the manner of his proposal to his bride.

The Horse's Ears.

When the horse sleeps it is said that one ear is directed forward, why is not known. A writer in the English Mechanic thinks this is to guard against danger, being a survival of their originally wild habits.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The La Crosse academy at Dall's has been started up again.

Corvallis has two women's clubs—one of single and one of married ladies.

Every cash purchaser of \$10 worth of goods at S. P. Bach's store gets a crayon portrait of themselves or friend free. See sample of work in his window.

Suit has been instituted in the Kiamath circuit court against the bondsmen of ex-County Treasurer Howe to recover the amount of his shortage, \$8,183.43.

The ladies of Lebanon and vicinity are cordially invited to call at the Ladies' Bazaar, when in Albany, and examine their elegant fall stock.

John Manning, the Coos bay incendiary, for whom a reward is offered, has been seen frequently in the Coquille woods by acquaintances the past few days.

Good potato sacks 5c a piece at Lebanon Warehouse in any quantity. Parties desiring to do so can ship potatoes or tops through the house for 60 cts. per ton.

Music lessons at the academy have been reduced from \$2.00 to \$2 per month. Harmony free to students taking lessons in any other of the music courses.

A petition for the pardon of Thomas Godfrey, who killed a young man named Smith on the Siskiyou mountain while hunting and was convicted a few months since of the crime of manslaughter, is soon to be presented to Governor Penneyer.

If you want to buy, sell or trade a car, town lot, horses, cows—all and anything—call on Peterson & Unipirey, and they will find you a deal if there is one to be made.

The snow is already driving deer down from the Southern Oregon mountains into the foothills and hunting is lively. A local authority estimates that the deer cannot be exterminated yet for 100 years.

If you want to go East write or call on J. C. Peterson, local agent of the Northern Pacific R. Co., at Lebanon Oregon, for your tickets. The rates are low, and accommodations are not excelled by any road running east.

Tillamook county is getting its delinquent tax list published at about one-fourth the usual rate. The county court took charge of the matter and asked for bids from both papers in the county.

Place your insurance with Peterson & Unipirey. They represent a number of reliable companies that pay when there is a loss, and do not keep you waiting for your money.

For a pain in the side or chest there is nothing so good as a piece of Chamberlain's Pain Balm bound on over the seat of pain. It affords prompt and permanent relief and if used in time will often prevent a cold from resulting in pneumonia. This same treatment is a sure cure for lumbago. For sale by N. W. Smith, druggist.

The new owners of the Mountain Lion mine in Josephine county paid out over \$2,400 for their employees last week. It was reported that a large amount of amalgam had been stolen from the plates previous to the clean-up, but those in charge of the works are very reticent over the matter.

W. A. Metuire, a well-known citizen of McKay, Ohio, is of the opinion that there is nothing as good for children troubled with colds or croup as Chamberlain's cough remedy. He has used it in his family for several years with the best result and always keeps a bottle of it in the house. After having in gripe he was himself troubled with a severe cough. He used other remedies without benefit and concluded to try the children's medicine and to his delight it soon effected a permanent cure. 50 cent bottles for sale by N. W. Smith, druggist.

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