

TWO CUTE FOXES.

They Had Fun While Baffled Hunters Wondered Where They Were Hidden.

In Outing is told the story of a pair of foxes that for a time, at any rate, enjoyed the sport of a fox hunt. The dogs jumped them, but after awhile the trail ended at a pond.

About the center of the pond was a bent tree, the two ends of which were in the water, while the highest point of the curve was perhaps 20 feet above the pond. The dogs were working about the pond, looking for the trail, and the men were looking, too, and they were beginning to feel rather curious, especially as every few moments they would hear a fox yelp sharply. It seemed to be a derisive bark, which it probably was. After awhile a movement in the top of the curve of the tree in the pond attracted attention.

"Upon this tree," the account continues, "seated comfortably at the point of its highest curve, was an old dog fox. The cunning rascal had traveled across the pond on the logs, then scaled the bent tree, and while we watched he jerked his goodly brush up and down and barked his derision at the whole performance. After awhile we saw his vixen seated on an adjacent log. They were simply watching the futile efforts of our pack to locate them, and, likely enough, they enjoyed the experience."

One of the men got up wind from the animals and his scent drove them out. The dogs took the male fox's trail and drove it at last to a log spanning a ditch, on which a man was sitting. The fox did not see the motionless man till close enough to be reached, when, with a frantic leap sideways into the water, he escaped the grab. The race did not last long then. The wet fox gave off a strong, easily followed scent, and the wet brush was like a piece of lead, so the animal was killed by the dogs while the men rushed in afoot to get a closer view.

JOHN H. SURRATT.

His Escape From Capture When He Was a Papal Zouave.

Whether Surratt was in the city on the day of Lincoln's assassination will probably never be positively known. During his trial he attempted to prove that he was in Elmira, N. Y., doing special service for the Confederacy, and the proof which he furnished was sufficient to convince 8 out of the 12 jurors that he was not present and took no part in the plot. Surratt claimed to have first learned of the murder on the morning following the assassination from the newspapers while in Elmira and on the next morning, while en route to New York city, of his suspected complicity in the plot. He fled immediately to Canada, where he remained concealed by Catholic priests for nearly five months. Leaving Canada, he went to England, thence to Paris, and thence to Rome, where, under the name of Watson, he enlisted in the zouaves of the pope.

While in the Papal zouaves he was recognized by a Canadian acquaintance, who betrayed him. On the day following his arrest, while under the guard of six men, he leaped blindly from a rocky precipice over 100 feet in depth, and, alighting by chance on a projecting rock 30 feet below, clambered quickly down the abyss, escaped, reached Naples in the course of a week and sailed to Alexandria on the same vessel which carried the instructions to the consul there that led to his capture. He was finally brought back to the United States and tried at Washington by a civil court. The trial extended over a period of two months, and more than 200 witnesses appeared on the stand. The jury disagreed, as above stated, and the government did not prosecute the case further.—"Four Lincoln Conspirators," by Victor Louis Mason, in Century.

"I'd like to hear you play the violin, Mr. Tillinghast," said 7-year-old Tommy Dillingham, who was entertaining the caller.

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THE SITUATION IS SERIOUS

Republican Sentiment Crippling Out in Spain.

CAN NO LONGER BE CONCEALED

The Government's Ruse of Blaming the United States for Its Failures Will Not Much Longer Answer the Purpose

Madrid, Aug. 10.—Trouble of a serious nature is being fomented in Spain, particularly in the province of Valencia, by agents of the Cuban insurgents. The minister of the interior, Senor Cosgayan, yesterday replying to a question in the chamber of deputies admitted that riots had occurred in Valencia, caused by the friends of the Cuban insurgents, who hoped thereby to prevent the departure of reinforcements of troops for Cuba.

Hitherto the popular demonstrations have been attributed to protest against imposing new taxes, made necessary by the financial strain the government has been subjected to, through carrying on the campaign against the insurgents in Cuba, but while the government is only willing to admit that the riots were instigated by the agents of the Cuban revolutionists, it is generally admitted that the root of the trouble is much deeper and that it is being nourished by a natural feeling of alarm and dismay at the apparent utter inability of the government to cope with the situation in Cuba.

That the large Spanish army in Cuba must be still further heavily reinforced is looked upon here as being a confession of weakness on the part of the administration and as an admission of the growing strength of the Cubans. In addition, many letters have been received in different parts of Spain by the relatives of the Spanish soldiery serving with the army in Cuba, and they tell such terrible tales of sickness, privation, incompetency and mismanagement, to say nothing of lack of pay, that a dangerous feeling against the government has arisen, and is gaining strength day by day. Under these circumstances, agents of the Cubans do not have much difficulty in carrying out their plan of causing popular outbreaks. They steadily fan the flame of discontent by pointing to the apparently unnecessary hardships which the Spanish troops in Cuba are compelled to endure.

The republicans also are taking advantage of the situation to push their propaganda, and the combined movements are making more headway with the masses than the government will admit, although it is already betraying symptoms of alarm and has sent stringent instructions to the prefects to suppress promptly and effectually demonstrations which occur in their districts, and to have no hesitation in calling out the military for support.

A number of conflicts between rioters and the police and soldiers have already occurred, shots have been exchanged, several persons have been wounded on both sides, and a number of arrests have been made. This the revolutionists hope will serve to call attention to their cause and enlist in their behalf the sympathy of the people. The roads in Valencia are being patrolled by the gen d'armes, troops are pursuing armed bands of revolutionists in the mountainous districts of the same province and further trouble is apprehended.

Madrid up to the present has been quiet, but signs are not wanting that the spirit of discontent is abroad, and that the efforts of the government to gain support by trying to throw the blame for everything upon the United States, the chief bugaboo of Spanish politicians, will not much longer avail.

In a factory near the city of Valencia the authorities have discovered a quantity of arms and ammunition, and similar stores are believed to be in existence in different parts of the province. The arms referred to are known to have been smuggled into Spain quite recently, and are of foreign manufacture, showing their shipment to be part of the plan of campaign being conducted by the Cubans in Spain.

The Spanish officials, as usual, are blaming the United States for the troubles in this country, basing their assertions upon the fact that among the leaders of the recent riots was Dr. Bernardo Toledo, said to be an American citizen, whose brother is in command of a force of Cuban insurgents. It is claimed that money, arms and ammunition, were served out to the rioters from the house which he occupied, and a series of spying is said to have resulted in the discovery of letters from the United States, Cuba and the Argentine Republic, showing that the outbreak here have been planned by the leaders of the Cuban insurgents, and that the movement is widespread and capable of assuming serious proportions.

Death of Mrs. Annette Hicks Lord.
New York, Aug. 10.—Mrs. Annette Hicks-Lord, who was in her day one of the most notable figures in New York society, died last night, aged 67. Mrs. Hicks-Lord was descended on her mother's side from a titled English family, and was related to General Robert Schenck, once United States minister to Great Britain.

Nevada, Mo., Aug. 10.—Sheriff Scroggheim closed Conkling Bros.' banking house in this city, and also the bank of Bronough and the bank of Richards. All the property of Conkling Bros. this morning was seized under an order from the Vernon county court, the action being based on a report by State Bank Examiner Jones that the business was being conducted in an unsafe manner. A. W. Conkling says the closed banks will pay every dollar of their indebtedness.

ORR TACOMA'S MAYOR.

Declared by Judge Fritchard to Have Been Duly Elected.

Tacoma, Aug. 10.—Edward S. Orr was today declared by Judge Fritchard to have been duly elected mayor of Tacoma, by a majority of fifteen votes, at the election held last spring. He will take his seat as mayor as soon as the judgment in the case is signed, unless a supersedeas bond is permitted to be filed, pending an appeal to the supreme court.

Judge Fritchard handed down his decision on the disputed ballots at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. It covers twenty-five pages of typewritten manuscript, and deals exhaustively with the case.

A. V. Fawcett, who was, after the official canvass, declared elected by a majority of two over Orr, the previous mayor, and candidate for re-election, will have to step down and out.

The contest case has been on trial two weeks. It was at its commencement that it was discovered that the vote of four precincts, that gave majorities for Orr, had been stolen from the city vaults. The court, however, went ahead with the count of the other ballots, taking the figures of the missing ballots from the returns.

The undisputed ballots gave Orr 2,620 and Fawcett 2,590 votes, including the four stolen precincts, the official returns of which were counted. Four disputed votes which were counted for Orr, gave him a total of 2,624, and nineteen disputed votes, counted for Fawcett, gave him a total of 2,609, a majority for Orr of fifteen votes.

ROBERT J. A WONDER.

The Fastest Four Consecutive Heats Ever Paced or Trotted.

Columbus, O., Aug. 10.—Robert J. Agan demonstrated today that he is the greatest pacer ever harnessed to a sulky. Frank Agan was the favorite in the free-for-all pace, and, relying upon his remarkable performances at Cleveland, nearly every horseman on the track backed him to win. Previous to the second heat of the great race, Robert J. had few backers in this town outside of Hamlin and the attaches of the Village Farm stables. When Robert J. took the second heat, however, he became a hot favorite. It was evident from the first that Robert J. was to be driven to win, and the fact that Agan was so heavily backed made it certain the race would be hotly contested. And so it was. It was the greatest race of the year, the fastest four consecutive heats and the greatest fourth heat ever paced or trotted on any track being made.

In the first heat, paced in 2:03 1/2, Agan lowered his record half a second, and broke the track record. The second and third heats, in 2:04 1/2, were considered phenomenal, but the crowd was not prepared for the great surprise when the fastest fourth heat ever paced or trotted, was made, the time being 2:02 1/2.

NO LONGER CITIZENS.

Admission of Negroes to Creek Nation Declared Unconstitutional.

Perry, O. T., Aug. 10.—The final decree has been promulgated from Okmulgee, capital of the Creek nation, as it had been handed down by Judge Adams, chief justice of the supreme court of the nation, in the citizenship case. It strikes from the rolls of citizenship of the nation the names of over 1,700 negroes.

The decision held that the action of the emancipation act by the United States, in admitting the negroes to tribal relations, was unconstitutional, and, therefore, at this time invalid. Since the passage of the act these negroes have drawn in annuities \$1,000,000 from the Creek government, and have improved their farms, and have educated their children at the nation's expense for twenty years. From the decision of the court there is no appeal.

The interior department has held to the same opinion in a similar case. The Dawes commission, which has been appealed to by the deposed negroes, claims it has no right to interfere with the decision of the Indian court.

BOOKS IN A MUDDLE.

Expert Report of Ex-Treasurer Minto's Accounts.

Salem, Or., Aug. 10.—The report of the expert committee, appointed to ascertain the ex-treasurer's standing with the county, which was given out by the county court today, corroborated the information before published and showed that besides the \$1,577 held back in the First National bank, there was \$741.45 wholly unaccounted for. The experts further said the accounts were so badly confused and the methods so poorly adapted to the requirements that the office books would have to be rewritten for the period of the treasurer's incumbency. The treasurer's receipts for the special school fund and taxes, amounting to \$79,817, were not entered on the book of receipts and disbursements, nor was the payment thereon, amounting to \$82,114, entered. The entire amount handled by Minto was \$349,878.

A New Orleans Bank Suspends.

New Orleans, Aug. 10.—The American National bank failed to open today. The directors have decided to go into liquidation.

Killed by Lightning.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—During a heavy thunder and rain storm this evening Walter Scott, 27 years old of the firm of Bauer & Scott, stone dealers, was instantly killed by lightning on Calumet avenue. While the thermometer did not register as high as during the previous two days, the effects of the great heat were more deadly. During the day there were four fatal cases of sunstroke and nearly a score or more of serious prostrations.

BRIEF PACIFIC COAST NEWS

A Resume of Events in the Northwest.

EVIDENCE OF STEADY GROWTH

News Gathered in All the Towns of Our Neighboring State.—Improvement Noted in All Industries.—Oregon.

Eight earloads of wool from Heppner were received in one day at a Dalles warehouse.

The graders are at work on Tansy point on the line between Flavel and Warrenton, leveling off the space on which will soon be built the car sheds of the Astoria road.

An effort is being made to place Pendleton and La Grande on the regular bicycle track race circuit. A movement to that end is now under way, and already purses are talked of for a meet at La Grande.

One day last week a freight train ran into a band of cattle that were hemmed in between a bluff and fence, near Blalock. All of the cattle were either killed by the accident or so badly maimed that they had to be killed.

John Richie, who lives near Pendleton, is the father of a two-months' old boy that was born with ten fingers and ten toes, besides the thumbs and great toes, all of which are perfectly formed. The family physician thinks these extra provisions may be of great value when the boy is grown up.

The farmers of the Grand Ronde valley are engaged in putting up hay, but the crop is so heavy that in some sections much of it will be left standing. Huge stacks dot the valley throughout its length and breadth. It will be but a few days before the farmers will turn their attention to the grain harvest.

The National bank of Heppner of which E. R. Bishop is cashier, has gone into liquidation. This step was taken for the reason that the bank can do no more business profitably for the present. It has no more money to loan upon the security offered, and will proceed to collect outstanding money as fast as possible.

A whale was driven ashore at Bandon the first of last week. Captain Hans Reed secured it, and prepared to utilize the catch. It came on the beach just above the lookout. It is over thirty feet long, and ten and one-half feet across the flukes. It is of the kind called Greenland, or right whale. It will bring the captain about \$200.

It is reported that the hay crop in Clatsop county will this season be a very short one. In the month of June there was no rain whatever, an unprecedented fact in the history of that county in a number of years. The grass was burned before it ripened, and it is probable that not enough hay has been produced for home consumption.

The first car of fruit which left The Dalles last week billed for Chicago, consisted entirely of peach plums. There were 800 boxes. This, it is said, is the finest carload of peach plums that ever went out of The Dalles. This is because of the packing. There was not an overripe plum in the lot, and nearly all were picked at just the right time, a trifle green.

Washington.

Two new warehouses are to be built in Garfield.

It is estimated that the state's hop yield this year will be about 12,000 bales.

Superintendent Stevens has apportioned \$3,284.57 to the school districts of Pacific county.

The assessed valuation of personal property in Chehalis county is \$93,000 less this year than last.

The flagship Philadelphia arrived in Port Angeles last week from Portland. The Monterey and Bennington came a few days later.

The prospect of ever catching the burglars who stole the ballot-boxes from a vault in the Tacoma city hall is said to be growing less every day.

The Indian war veterans held an adjourned meeting at Willapa, recently. The name adopted is "The Indian War Veterans of the Northwest Coast."

There are thirty acres of growing flax in Whatcom county and ten in Skagit county. It will be worked up as soon as the scutch machinery at New Whatcom is made ready to receive it.

The treasurer of Lewis county has received a remittance of over \$9,000 for the county school fund from the state treasurer. Chehalis district comes in for \$1,100 and Centralia for \$1,400.

The war of prices that has been carried on for a year by the bakers in Spokane ended last week. The bakers came to an understanding and a slight advance has been made in the price of bread.

Most of the logging camps in the Gray's harbor country are shut down, and it is reported that there has not been a time in ten years when so little logging has been done. The burning of the Northwestern Lumber Company's plant has much to do with it.

The county road between Svenson and Knappa has been opened and hereafter there will be considerable travel between the two communities. This also connects Cathlamet with a through road to Astoria.

Sixteen farms in the vicinity of Pendleton, some in Oregon and some in Washington, have been harvested, and the returns show the average to have been 31 1/2 bushels of wheat and 60 bushels of barley to the acre, with the quality fair. The heaviest yield so far reported is 60 bushels.

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