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COMING DOWN TO WEIGHT.

The Absolute Suffering Endured by Jockeys While Reducing.

A great jockey on a great racehorse is the ideal of the thousands of young Americans who through the race-tracks during the metropolitan meetings...

It is not all praise and plaudits and show and gold in a jockey's life, not even with the greatest of them...

To be a successful rider one must come within a certain limit of weight. In the olden time this limit was higher...

"How will you get down by tomorrow?" "Oh, I'll take a sweeter early in the morning and that will fix me."

"Bye-and-bye the sun gets high and hot. With all the clothes on every step is downright work..."

"The boys are waiting for me, when I get there so tired I can just stand, they wrap me up with my clothes on me in blankets..."

"Well, the brakeman got down to throw the switch, when slide made a bee line out of the cab and flew at the fellow as if he had gone crazy and back..."

"What do you eat?" "Eat? I don't eat—that is I don't eat enough to keep a chicken alive..."

"The orders are, no fat meat, no bread and no water, no nothing that will make flesh and blood, and then some people wonder that we are always out of humor..."

"I earn every cent I get for riding. It's work, work all the time to get off flesh, and it's starve, starve all the time to keep from piling it on..."

"The toughest thing in the world is to get down to the bottom notch for a two year old race in the early spring and starve yourself to the edge of the grave to do it..."

"The story of one jockey is the tale of all the heavier ones have to tell. To such riders as Garrison, Murphy and McLaughlin life is a burden during the racing season..."

"Yes sir," remarked the gray-haired gentleman, with a slight tremor in his voice, "I have given up riding now..."

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A Terror of the Tropics.

One of the deadliest serpents of the tropics is the fer-de-lance, of which there are at least eight varieties...

Again, it may be black, or yellowish brown, or any hue resembling tropical forest mould, old bark, or decomposing trees...

In Martinique, the fer-de-lance is absolute lord of the forest by day, and at night he extends his dominion over parks and public roads...

One creature, however, has no fear of the fer-de-lance. Horses tremble at sight of it; dogs whine and shiver...

The cat, upon seeing a snake, at once carries her kittens to a place of safety and then boldly advances to the counter. She will walk to the very limit of the serpent's striking range...

Nevertheless, pussy does not dare to spring. The enemy, still alive, has almost instantly reformed his coil. She is in front of him, watching, vertical pupil against vertical pupil...

One more, the stroke of the serpent, once more the light, quick cutting blow. But the reptile is blinded, stupefied. Before he can attempt to coil pussy has leaped upon him...

A curious calculation of the amount of food consumed in a lifetime of seventy years has recently been made by M. Seyer, a French savant...

The painter, paper hanger, kalsominer and decorator can be found during the day hard at work, and will be very willing indeed to give estimates and furnish designs for all classes of work...

"We speak of half or a quarter million dollars as a trifling circumstance, while to say that so and so was worth a million, conveys little or nothing...

"The friend addressed closed his eyes meditatively and said slowly: 'A million silver dollars, one piled on another would make a column about 1,000 feet high..."

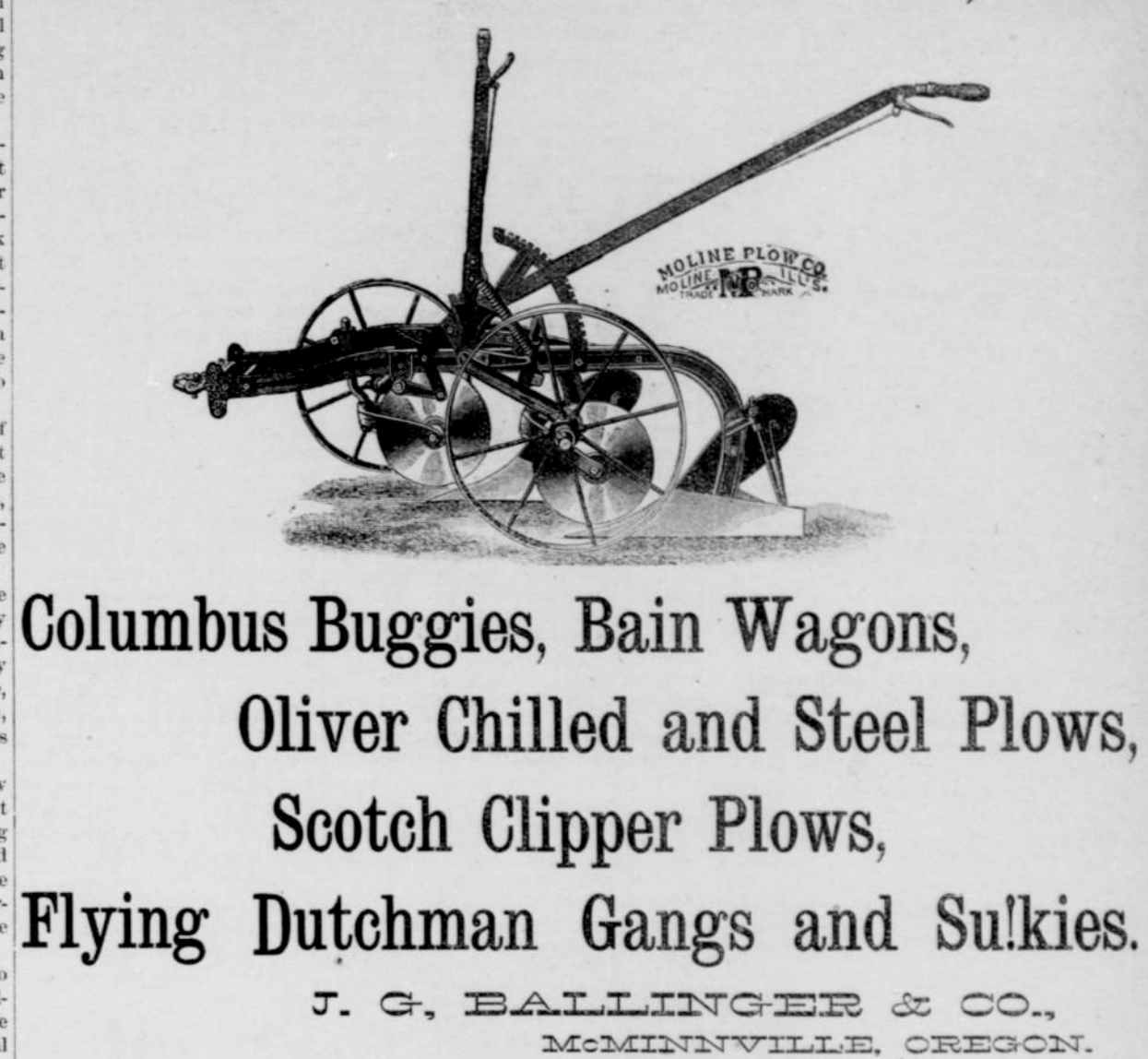
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