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 with atr to produce a dim blue flame
*ith great heating power. This flame
serves to heat a mantie of min-
eral salts white hot, and It is this in-

And He Admits That the Mules Did the Rest.


Even today in the Slerra Nevadas
where Hittle mintng carps send out he nearest rallway station to the San Francisco mint a shotgun messenger
rides with the driver if there is a gold
shipment in the box. The barrel of ge gun is shortened for the sake of
onventence in handling in close quarters, and its efflecency for its partur-
lar work is not lessened, as it is used only to quiet a robber who has sud-
enly appeared close by the side of he treasure stage with the laconte
command, "Throw down the box ". The messenger, as he is called where
he is know, never guard or gun man,
carries his gun across his knees where carries his gun across his knees wher
danger seems IIght, or lighty th his
hands paesing through bad spots. His.

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## the cond betore the stage molldie of sinto sight. That is the sate wat. If a messenger talls to see a rob- ber before the latter has him covered

 the box is thrown down-usually.There was one trstance where the rullo.
was not followed, which old stage driv. ers in the Sierra Nevadas tell about
day. On a stage out trom Bodle w
a shipment of bullon consligned the Carson mint. The mensengere was was
alert, his sawed-oft shotgun ughtly balspots, or resting on his knees where
the cover seemed to concea
road.
On. gripped his gun between his knees
whille both hands sought in the pocket unexpected coat hor the makenedionings. The of a patch
of straggly sage brush two men leat ed, one to the bridle of the of leader
mule, one to the of side of the stage.
They had the dryp on both messenger
and driver. "Throw down the box t" commanded
the man at the fore wheel of the stage.
The messenger theugt that part of the storp-and then wilth
out having to trigger of the right barrel. so mo many
thlges happened in the remalning three-quarters of the first second af-
ter the command that they make a
long and lovely story as one Histens to shot shreded of the ears of the leaderer
and generally speaking those mule ahead, startled nnd Indignnnt. 1d succession by the off leader, off
swtmg and off wheler, so hts ppstol
ntm was not good, and the robber n rear wheels, and whs alm was not good.
ree six mules, the driver has sworn to this, thd the next mile in four min-
utes flat. and there was no time when
 truly made up with them lead mules.
They never seemed to rellsh me atter
that netle sawedor spore to them.
Touchy sort of critters, mules ts, any


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regards weight
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world are: Cullinan, now called the
Star star of Africa, part of the British
crown Jewels, 3,$032 ;$ Excelstor, 009
Koblnoor, 900 , 198, all
280, cut.

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with ours."

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