OUTWITTING A GRIZZLY.

A Venera : Traveler Tells How He Burney Up a Pierce Old Bear. He was a vooerable and intelligent man and had been a great traveler, and he kind-ly undertook to while away an idle hour by telling a New York Evening Sun reporter of the true inwardness of California life in the footbill of the sizera foot-hills of the sierra.

foot-hills of the sierra. "I had several very curious adventures down there," he said, "and, by the way, young fellow, if you ever happen to go to that region you had better throw off your patent leathers and your boiled ahirt to be cowhide boots. The bruah down there has thorns three inches long, barbed like fish-hooks, and you would soon leave behind you that costume with more of what is inside of it than would suit you.

\* As to your question about grizzlies, I'll tell you my first and rather remarkable ex-perience with one of those varmints. I was a kid, not yet twenty, and new to the region of the sierras, having come from the East but a few months before. On a moonlight night early in April I was gently meander-ing home on muleback. I was unarmed with the exception of a pocket-knife, for I had foolishly lent my pistol to a friend early in the day. I had almost reached the ranch, having only a short stretch of chapparal to pass. I had heard the settlers allude re-spectfully to old Ephraim. They said he was flercest in the spring, after his winter's was fiercest in the spring, after his winter's siesta. He's always an ugly customer, and after a man has had a wipe or two from his talons there is seldom enough left of that man to tell the tale.

man to tell the tale. "On this evening I speak of I was dog tired, as I had been riding all day. I had almost fallen asleep on my mule, when--jumping Jehosaphat! how that mule did jump! Standing ahead, as large as life, on the bank of a little brook, was a big grinsly. He grinned at me and growled in a way calculated to agitate the nerves of Ajax, the fellow who defied the lightning, much more those of a tenderfoot, as I was then.

then. "I had heard enough to know that if I turned tail, that is the mule's tail, I could leave Ephraim behind me, but on the other side of him was home, and I had my share of grit even then. I had heard of the notion entertained by some people that a man can master the most ferocious wild creat-ure by looking him in the eyes and advano-ing straight upon him. Even a greenhorn would back out of such an experiment with Ephraim, the most ferocious of all wild creatures.

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creatures. "Suddenly I remembered I had in my pocket a large box filled with friction matches, those made with plenty of brim-stone for use in a strong wind. An idea occurred to me, and I patted and encouraged the mule, who trembled so I thought she would drop down under me, and urged her boldly right in the face of old Bruin. When within a few feet I suddenly struck a dozen matches and threw them right into his open within a few feet I suddenly struck a dozen matches and threw them right into his open jaws. Never was there a more sudden change from defiant and malignant ferocity to the most abject cowardice. The huge brute actually cowared and shock with ter-ror equal to that of the mule herself.

"This was something altogether outside of his experience. I suppose he thought he had struck a prairie fire on muleback. Even the mule saw the situation and gained courage. She advanced and I kept a con-tinuous shower of burning matches. Lucki-ly a rather strong wind blew from me and carried away the fumes. In fact this is

carried away the fumes. In fact this is what brought the varmint to me, he having winded me. To cut things short, old Eph turned tail and ignominiously fied. "Now, stranger, I might proceed to relate further how I kept at the heels of that old grissly and kept setung fire to his fur until he was entirely burned up; but in this akeptical age it may be well to suppress some of the facts of the case, for fear of be-ing doubted."

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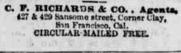
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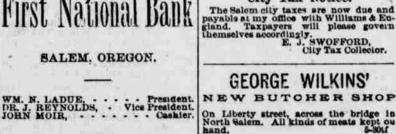
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Once, soon after the arrival of a circus and menagerie combination to exhibit in the city, the drunkard saw one of the keep-ers purchase a pailful of whisky for a sick elephant, and sneaked after him to the circus tent, following the impulse of his raging thirst.

The keeper put the bucket of whisky down before "Betsy," the sick elephant, and she drank about half of it. The intelligent brute knew it was medicine, and did not propose to take more of it than she thought she needed. The bucket, still half-full of hquor, was left standing hear her, and the keeper's attention was called away for a moment.

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