

[Toronto (Canada) Globe.]
A SCENE OF HORROR!

"PETER THE GREAT," THE RUSSIAN BEAR,
AT THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, DEMOLISHES HIS CAGE AND LETS LOOSE THE ANIMALS.

Such a scene of horror as yesterday took place at the Zoological Garden in this city, it bids fair to say, has never before been equalled on the continent. About half-past six o'clock last evening word was passed in our office that the Zoological Garden was a scene of bloodshed and horror: that "Peter the Great," the Russian Bear, an animal weighing over twelve hundred pounds, and who for the past few days has been almost unmanageable, from severe pains, from which the animal has been suffering, had broken loose from his fastening, and in his rage had wrested the small bars from the den in which the leopards used to be contained, and attacked those animals. In his fierce rage the bear tore the smaller of the leopards limb from limb, and fiercely attacked the two larger ones; the struggle, as described by an eye-witness, was terrible in the extreme. The keeper wisely flew for his life, leaving the infuriated animals to contend for the mastery as best they might; in his haste, however, he overlooked the key of the front door or gateway, which he left standing wide open, thus leaving a free passage-way to the street. The whistling of the locomotives in the immediate vicinity was drowned by the fierce cries and bellowing of the maddened beasts; cries that filled the air for blocks around the "Zoo." No one among the thousands who ranged themselves in a frightened, curious mob in the neighbourhood of the Garden, dared approach nearer than the "Quaker's" or "Walker's" hotels; the roofs and windows of these hostilities were crowded with spectators looking on in awe. In the midst of the fiery fray a ear-piercing roar, that chilled the blood in the veins of all who heard it, rent the air and shook the very earth; it was a double roar, that sounded like dreadful thunder. The "Royal Tiger" and the "Nubian Lion" had broken loose and entered the fray, and soon ensued such a scene as never before was witnessed; the animals were all together in a fierce struggling, quivering mass; now the lion upward, and next the shaggy coat of brown appearing, covered with blood. In the midst of this blood-curdling and never-to-be-forgotten scene, the leopards ran wildly up and down through the inner apartment, now eager to break through the crowd, at which they would sometimes stop and gnaw gnashing their teeth until their red and gaping jaws grew redder with bloody foam. At last a roar from the lion told the death of the Russian bear; the monarch of the forest had conquered, and bruin was no more. The roar, however, had the effect of causing terror to strike the leopards, and they at once drove through the entrance and straight for the crowd, who by this time blocked the streets in all directions. The leopards were joined by the lion, who came maddly tearing and stamping, head and mane erect, with jaws distended and eyes darting fire; it was a moment of terror and suspense; a moment of horror, fraught with fear for the stoutest heart. The crowd flew wildly in all directions, completely clearing the streets in the neighbourhood of the "Zoo." We sent a reporter to the Zoological Garden on hearing the news, as we have given it above. Our scribe returned a short time after, and reported the following reasons for the uproar. It will appear from what follows that the 'thing is not so bad as might at first be supposed. Our young man visited Capt. Harry Piper, Alderman and Superintendent of the Zoological Garden, and gleaned from him the following. Mr. Piper said: "Some time ago we purchased from the collection of animals at Central Park, New York, a monstrous Russian bear, which we have named 'Peter the Great,' on account of his tremendous size. Not long after 'Peter' arrived we found that he was suffering from the rheumatism, and in a pretty bad state. Pete was not the only one in the 'Zoo' which had a touch of that delicious torture; the lion likewise had it, and in fact it was just being cured of a bad case of the rheumatism myself, by the use of St. Jacobs Oil, the Great German Remedy. I found St. Jacobs Oil an excellent remedy, for it cured me in a short while, and my case was a very aggravated one. I argued that if it cured me, it must be good for the animals as well. While I was thinking the matter over, a young gentleman connected with the 'Evening News,' a reporter on that paper, named Mr. Going, told me of a cure performed on his ankle, which had been a long time weak and painful, and some men disabled him from making his regular rounds. Mr. Going said St. Jacobs Oil was

the only remedy he ever found that did him good; he had tried twenty different liniments, and they all failed, but as soon as he used St. Jacobs Oil he was completely cured. All these things served to convince me, and I determined to use St. Jacobs Oil on the animals. I did use it, and I cured them with it. While I was giving an account of it to your informant, Captain Millett, who will be in here presently, told him how he too had been cured by St. Jacobs Oil, and the number of wonderful cures all coming together must have been too much for his mental calibre, and 'Guitteaud' him—set him crank." Just at this juncture Captain Millett, at present connected with the Toronto "Zoo," and formerly owner and captain of a vessel built expressly for seal hunting, entered the office. Captain Millett has the honour of being the

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and the gentleman who bears that distinguished honour said: I can easily imagine how your informant became excited. You see Mr. Piper's experience with St. Jacobs Oil, and Mr. Going's experience with it, backed up by mine—for I was cured of a bad case of rheumatism, indeed—and all these cures being supplemented with the fact of the animals being cured, was more Oil than he could stand; he got excited, and thus he imagined the horrible story which he told at your office. The fact of the matter is this, that we have all been cured by St. Jacobs Oil down here, animals and all, and that it is a fortunate thing for the people that St. Jacobs Oil could be procured, to cure the bear and the lion, or, in their rage—from the rheumatism—they might have caused just such a scene as that excited personage related; however, it is well as it is. The animals are now all right, and so are myself and Mr. Piper and Mr. Going.



TENDERS.

CANADA PACIFIC RAILWAY.
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By order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.
Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, January 5, 1882.



CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
EMORY'S BAR TO PORT MOODY.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.
Tender for Work in British Columbia.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to NOON on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd day of FEBRUARY next, in a lump sum, for the construction of that portion of the road between Port Moody and the west end of Contract 60, near Emory's Bar, a distance of about 1 1/2 miles.

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This timely notice is given with a view to giving Contractors an opportunity of visiting and examining the ground during the fine season and before the winter sets in.

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F. BRAUN, Secretary.
Dept. of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, Oct. 24th, 1881.

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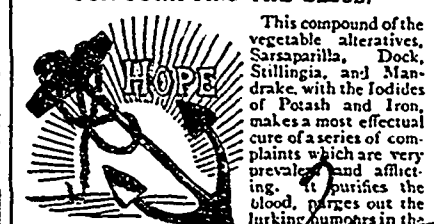
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