

THEY LOVE THE HORSE.

The Japs Exceed all Other Soldiers in the Affectionate Care of Their Mounts.

The Japanese cavalry was generally criticised at the outbreak of the war because of the poor quality of the horses Japan had been able to secure.

Why don't you lead your horses to the circus? I asked one of the horsemen. What he said was simply this: "Why? Why, dear sir, these horses have made many miles over the country where they are too barbarous to have roads. They are tired and no one is running to fetch some water for them."

And those men after fetching food and drink for the horses, after comforting them with all kinds of caresses, those tired men turned in and took to cooking beans in iron pots. Ask them why it is when they are so thoroughly tired, while their stomachs are empty and their legs are aching under them, they should take the trouble of cooking dry beans which are not meat for their mouths.

but in a second recognizing that I was nothing more than a surgeon, he shook his head, without saying a word. Then he went on crying as bitterly as ever.

"At last he tried to say something but could hardly say a word. His sobs broke even one word into so many pieces that I was obliged to sharpen my wit and sense pretty keenly in order to catch the meaning of what he was trying to say. I fancied that he said something about his horse."

"What about the horse?" I asked. He was overwhelmed once more with his grief, with his tears and with his heartrending sobs. It was very pitiful and the sight of him touched my heart to such an extent that I was voiceless for many a minute.

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AND THERE WAS A GREAT CALM.

A Stillness in the Political Atmosphere of New York -- Prophecies as to the Result of the Vote Worthless.

The poll of votes at the coming election in the State of New York will be toward 1,670,000. That is a number more than 75,000 greater than the aggregate poll in the election of 1900.

The poll of the city of New York will be about 650,000. In only five States of the Union besides New York were more votes polled in 1900 than in 1904.

We make these comparisons simply to suggest the valuelessness of the prophecies of the poll in the city and State of New York as made by certain newspapers. Whether made on the strength of a so-called "postal-card poll" or on the basis of estimates by campaign committees, they are equally worthless.

The wife of a well-known naval officer in Washington recently advertised for a cook. Though the establishment presided over by the officer's wife is in accord with their undisturbed social position, yet it is by no means pretentious.

It is not remarkable, then that the "postal-card polls" differ widely in the results of which they are put forward as sure indications. One gives a Parker plurality of about 140,000 in the city and another of about 180,000.

DEMAND FOR PIG IRON LARGE.

It is Heavier Now than When the Buying Movement Began--Large Orders Booked.

Pittsburg, Nov. 1.—There is apparently no let-up whatever in the demand for all kinds of pig iron which has characterized the local market for several weeks past.

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Dealer.—Oh, this is the suit you want to go hunting in. It's just the color of a deer, you know. Customer.—That's something. Dealer.—That's everything. No less than five men who sought suits here were mistaken for deer and shot dead before they had been in the woods twenty-four hours.

THE GHOST OF GLAMIS CASTLE.

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ALEXANDER'S PALACE.

A Part of it Still Stands in Macedonia.

The massive fragments of an ancient gateway, known to the natives as the palace of Alexander the Great, are still to be seen in Macedonia.

Within the precincts of this inn stands the boyrind monument of the Roman, C. Vibius, whose titles and achievements can still be deciphered upon the sides of the block.

One of the most picturesque figures of the New York Bar was the late Thomas Nolan, a lawyer whose witty retorts furnished subjects for merriment at many a lawyers' gathering.

It is curious that in a country so overflowing with loyalty, despite the millions, very few of the stage performers have any national favor.

INFLUENCE OF BOOKS.

The discussion over the influence of books still waxes more or less (and more often less) merrily on.

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