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Horsemen of Austria Pay Unique Compliment to Prince.

The news that during his forthcoming tour in Australia the Prince of Wales will ride Bayard, a blood bay over fifteen hands, acknowledged to be the champion hack of the Commonwealth, is full of meaning for one who knows the great island-continent and its people, says London Answers. From the Australian point of view, a greater compliment could have been paid the prince. More than anything else the country-bred Australian loves his horse. There is no people so skilled in horse-love. Horse-racing is a national passion. A great race horse becomes almost an object of veneration. In lonely places, hundreds of miles away from the great centres of population, men argue about his achievements, and carefully treasure altered fragments of newspapers setting forth his exploits.

On the basis of comparative population, there are more verse-writers in Australia than in any other country, and ninety per cent. of their verses are written about the horse. There is at least one Australian horse-poet—B. ("Banjo") Paterson—whose verses are known by heart from one end of the continent to the other. The veneration achieved by his books, at a copy, would turn the most successful of our British masters of poetry green with envy.

Every country-born Australian is horseman almost from his birth. It is no exaggeration to say that most of them learn to ride soon after they have acquired the art of toddling. At eight years of age many of them ride many miles to school and back again every day. (And sometimes, before and after school, they will milk half a dozen cows, and do other odd jobs about the farm.)

At seventeen, or thereabouts, the Australian lad becomes the proud possessor of a horse of his own—a "real pony hack," instead of the pony or old farm general utility horse of which he has made use hitherto. On his he will ride long miles cross-country in the evening to visit the girl of his heart upon a distant farm. If it has "a turn of speed," he will end hours each day in training it, the hope of being able to win a race with it at the annual picnic races the nearest town. Or if it can jump bit, he will develop its talent by schooling it over post-and-rail fences or improvised hurdles. The fiercer knew one young Australian who erected a hurdle under a tree with an overhanging bough so low that if the horse cleared the hurdle, the rider had a very narrow escape from having his head cracked by the bough. He said it made it "so much more exciting."

Another young man lived twenty miles from a country town, to which he would frequently ride in a night more or less half-broken horses would dance until two or three o'clock in the morning, and then ride home. And if it happened to be moonlight, he would not bother to open any of the many gates on his journey, preferring to make his half-

schooled horse jump the barbed wire fences instead. That was exciting, too.

Wonderful friendships sometimes exist between these men and their horses. The writer came once to a desolate sheep-station (ranch) in a far-distant part of Australia, where his hostess told me that her husband had left three days before to help fight a devastating bush-fire which had broken out on the property of a neighbor. They had become anxious at his prolonged absence, and were sending out a search-party to look for him. The writer joined it. Twelve miles away from his homestead he was found lying in a pool of his own blood, with his faithful horse standing guard over him. Exhausted by his efforts to fight the fire, he had gone to sleep on the horse's back on his way home, fallen off, and cracked his skull on a big stone. But the horse had never moved from his side.

So that is why it is safe to say that the decision to place the champion horse Bayard at the disposal of the Prince of Wales is a great compliment. The Australian will lend his horse only to a man whom he respects. He will allow no duffer to put his leg across its back. The man to whom he lends him must have the "hands" and "seat" of the born horseman. Evidently the "Digger" is convinced that the prince satisfies all these requirements.

Man From West is Sure Enthusiastic.

MAT. A. CARLSON PRAISES DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

He Says They Steadily Helped Him When He Was Sallow and Thin and Felt the Twinges of Rheumatic Pains.

Endako, B.C., May 10.—(Special.)—Mat. A. Carlson, a well-known resident here, is a firm believer in Dodd's Kidney Pills as a remedy for sick kidneys. Mr. Carlson gives his reason—

"I was 'sallow and thin,' he says, 'and then I felt the rheumatic pains, dizziness and chills. I unfortunately didn't suspect my kidneys and was nearly dead when I discovered the true cause of my sufferings.'

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City Built Entirely of Salt

The famous salt mines of Wieliczka, not far from Cracow, in Galicia, which are among the wonders of the world, are described in a book on "Salt and the Salt Industry," by M. A. F. Calvert, recently issued in London.

A detailed account of their unprecedented features, he says, would fill a thick volume, for there are monuments, churches, lakes, restaurants, railway station, and, in fact, a complete city, 12,000 feet below the level of the earth. The whole of the system extends over an area of about 12 miles, and railways run along the various galleries. Some of the wonders of the subterranean city are described by Mr. Calvert:—

"The Letow ball-room, which lies at a depth of 216 feet below the surface, dates from 1750, and has been the scene of many Royal visits and splendid entertainments. One end of this spacious chamber is adorned with a colossal Austrian eagle, and in an alcove at the opposite end is a crystal throne. The giant chamber which bears the name of Michalovice,

a fearsome and stupendous excavation, was completed in 1701, as the result of forty years of continuous labor. It is 69 feet long by 92 feet broad, and the roof supported by a wooden framework, has a height of 118 feet. The chamber is lit by a salt chandelier, furnished with 300 electric bulbs.

"The Francis-Joseph ball-room is another of the wonders. It is an immensely large and lofty apartment, lit by six large chandeliers, fashioned of crystalline rock salt. Salt statues of Vulcan and Neptune, which adorn the hall, reflect the electric light from a myriad brilliant points and angles, and contribute to the general impression of flashing splendor which the scene conveys."

About Sugar.

As our sugar ration has been reduced, let us try to make up the deficiency with a few "grains" of information on such a sweet subject: The sugar-cane in some cases grows to a height of twenty feet.

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than any other part of the body. In fact, some people have been known to eat a small quantity after muscular exertion in order to get back lost energy.

Sugar loves rheumatism, and persons who suffer from that complaint should leave it alone.—Answers.

Gems of Thought.

Luck is ever waiting for something to turn up. Labor, with keen eyes and strong will, will turn up something. Luck lies in bed, and wishes the postman would bring him the news of a legacy. Labor turns out at six o'clock, and with busy pen or ringing hammer lays the foundation of a competence. Luck whines. Labor whistles. Luck relies on chance. Labor on character.—Cobden.

The human heart is like a millstone in a mill; when you put wheat under it, it turns, and grinds, and bruises the wheat into flour; if you put no wheat in, it still grinds on; but then it is itself it grinds and slowly wears away.—Luther.

True love's the gift which God hath given, to man alone beneath the heaven. The silver link, the silver tie, which heart to heart, and mind to

mind, in joy and in soul can bind.—Walter Scott.

Many men are angry with them that tell them of their faults, when they should be angry only with the faults that are told them.—Vening.

A vulgar mind is proud in prosperity and humble in adversity; a noble mind is humble in prosperity and proud in adversity.—Ruckert.

For contemplation he, and valor former; for softness she, and sweet attractive grace; he for God only, she for God in him.—Milton.

When men cease to be faithful to God, he who expects to find them so to each other will be much disappointed.—Bp. Horne.

I will chide no breather in the world but myself, against whom I know most faults.—Shakespeare.

Of all evils to the generous, shame is the most deadly pang.—Thomson.

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By Bud Fisher.

MUTT AND JEFF

MUTT FIGURED HE WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE.

