Homer's most intimate friends. Crooks sinstructed to "break up" John as he supon the back-stretch of the eighth see if he would break tired. the entire ten miles alone other horse to urge him; and mile, after passing the quaroks let go his head and he caught in three strides and in to his gait. He came home and full of life, accomplishrney in 28 minutes, 19½ sec-at night Honest John and were matched for \$5,000 a side, eit. On the strength of the aforesaid, Honest John was ed a favorite in what little antepost

ast half in

antime it leaked out that ess had developed a temper and was ble to kick everything to pieces. So er, E. W. Teackle, would pay the for-This only pricked the Honest John up and whatever bets the y up and whate. Ten days from the sent play or pay. Ten days from the sing of the match they "got action" har money. Crooks had told them whatever bets they could or pay. Ten days from the needed a big work out and, in of seven miles in about twenty-five d of seven miles in about twenty-five nits, they decided upon a sharp five is. He told them the horse was feel-like a bird and he believed he could the Dutchman's 7.32\frac{1}{2}, then the recor three miles.

ordingly, on the 18th day of Februthese gentlemen took out Hon-John, driven by John Crooks, and see Chief, driven by John M. Dan-They gave the gray horse the pole sarly a length the best of the start, he brown gelding had passed him taken the pole from him before ing the half. The first will taken the taken the pole from this oscillation in the half. The first mile was rin 2.34½, and the second in 2.36½, ag 5.11 for two miles. Honest John ing by two open lengths. Just as swung around the first turn somepopped like a pistol and old John ped as though he was shot. He had an down in the coffin joint. He was a down to Whipple's farm at San and every care taken of him, but year later

his left the Hosmer-Pease-Alton-Card te without a horse to tackle Prin-The forfeit was paid over to Teackle me \$8,000 of play-or-pay bets were that night at the old saloon oppo-Nothing was heard of a days. Since coming into or several days. Since coming into well, but no one had seen her do any menally fast work. She was now hands of James L. Eoff, the most us man in the history of the Ameri either trotting or running. Eoff to John Crooks one night and sug-d that there should be a job race up, out of which both could make

all right, "said Crooks, "but you'll to do the jobbin'. That mare of scan pull an omnibus and beat all ses as Glencoe Chief or Jim Bar-

aton's not the horse," replied Eoff, twe want is Glencoe Chief for ten I will break Princess up on the ile and, on returning to the stand, etend I thought I had gone ten shen I had only gone nine. Men ge rattled in a long race that way." tooks went off and saw Pease, the of Glencoe Chief, and Hosmer the to Gencoe Chief, and Hosmer the to Honest John. They made an attent to meet Eoff, who then to do just what he had told Crooks. hen agreed that they should match Chief against Princess for \$5,000 ace, and should stand ready to bet ckle \$20,000 if necessary, within ight hours before the race. Acof the gate money. In the first race the horses were to go to wagons, and in the in his place? To this I agreed, and it as a good wagon and was my first day as an officer of a race. or the gate money. In the first race the horses were to go to wagons, and in the second Princess was to go to wagon and the Chief in harness. That day Teackle commenced betting and never let up till the day of the race.

On the day of the race.

On the day previous to the first race
Hosmer met Teackle in front of the Mint
saloon and bet him \$10,000 cold on the
first race. This bet was posted with Porsarion and become representation of the same along with Porter & Collins, proprietors of that saloon. An hour later Pease came along with \$5,000 and Teackle covered that, too, but 85,000 and Teackie covered that, too, but Col. Jack Gambill was designated as stakeholder of the bet. Capt. Card next fall in and het \$1,000 on the Chief; and about four o'clock W. 8. Alton dropped in and bet \$1,500 on the race. This made \$34,000 in all, bet by the four principals

In that day there were no street cars and only a few omnibuses in San Francisco, and the ways of getting out to the track were very limited. the track were very limited. It was four miles out of town, and there was a little sand beach at Islais Cove, where a great many passengers were landed from a little boat called the Rambler. The omnibusses It was four charged \$1 per head and the backs \$3.50, then had more than they could do The \$34,000 was carried up into the stand and then the judges were chosen. Col. Jack Gambill represented the syndicate and S. H. Meeker represented Teackle After submitting several names for pre siding judge, the choice fell upon Alfred J. Ellis, the father of Mrs. Eilly Emer who was originally Mrs. Orrin

Princess drew the pole, and as they came up to score I saw Teackle pull up the collar of his long drab overcoat and put both hands in his pockets as he walked up the stretch and took a position walked up the stretch and took a passenger near the draw gate. His face was as pale as a corpse, for he had two long dueling pistols in his pocket and stood ready to kill Eoff if he lost the race. As they came up the first time the Chief was ahead, but Eoff nodded for the word and with a quick chirp to his mare held the pole. The balance of the race defies description, for Princess held her lead right along for seven miles, when the gray broke and Eoff had to pull back to gray broke and non had to pull back to him. On they went in this manner until coming down the stretch on the tenth mile when Pease rushed out excitedly and

"Jim, what the h-ll are you about This is the tenth mile. "You're mistaken.

It's only the ninth," said Eoff.

So after trotting ten miles in 29:10; they went on into an eleventh mile when Princess suddenly broke and Glencoe Chief passed her. Just then I looked up the stretch again and saw Teackle. He had taken his hands out of his overcoat pockets and was holding his sides with aughter. Glencoe Chief crossed the score sixty yards ahead of Princess on this th mile, but unfortunately for the Pease-Hosmer syndicate, that mile did not count. Princess had won the race, time 29:107, and Mr. Teackle came up stairs into the reporters stand, followed by a negro with six bottles of champagne. He treated the reporters and then set up as much more to the judges. He then went into town with the \$34,000. That went into town with the \$55,050. How night I met him down town. We were in a quiet place, and I ask, "Would you have shot Eoff to-day if he had lost the action of the course I would. Why have snot from to day if a would. Why race?" "Of course I would. Why shouldn't I shoot him for \$34,000 when he shot a man in Illinois once for \$300

That day was a very calm one, but the ext showed signs of being a living gale. As I was getting on my horse to ride to the track, along came Col. Jack Gambill and said he could not go out on account of spatial said as could not go out on account of yet they made two races, to one his wife illness. He asked me to deliver and to the winner to take two-thirds I did. Hosmer said, "So old Jack won't I did. Hosmer said, "So old Jack won't I did.

No incident of any sort occurred during No incident of any sore occurred during the race, for Princess trotted the entire distance with the lines lying on her back in 29.16j, and, as there was a sharp win d blowing at the time, I thought it was a better performance than the one of the previous day. - Hidalgo,

### JOKED THE PROHIBS.

How New Jersey Humorists Played Tricks on Hallow'een.

MONTCLAIR, N.J., is full of hum Some of them got together before Hallow-een and resolved to give a public exhi-bition of their propensities. They agreed to make their jokes at the expense of the prohibitionists

And so, when night came, they met near the home of D. F. Merritt, the neer prohibitionist of Montclair, in ullerton avenue, and, moving upon it in a body, soon converted its exterior into a fair imitation of that of a beer garden Beer kegs were scattered about the garden, brewers'signs were put over the g way, and a transparency was stuck at the gate which read

Pienic grounds. Beer garden in the r. Free lunch all day."

rear. Free lunch all day.

A deck of cards was scattered about
the lawn. Then a rumor was started in
the town that Mr. Merritt had decided
that he had been cruel in his persecution. of the liquor interest, and to make amends had become a saloon keeper. Neighbors who went up to his house to see turned who went up to mis nouse to see turned away shocked without going inside, and returned home and prayed for Mr. Mer-ritt, who meanwhile was drinking ice was drinking ice water with his family in the back parlor, ignorant of the commotion about him

Similar decorations were made outside the residence of Rev. J. S. White, who was once a candidate for Sheriff on the Prohibition ticket and got several votes. A dummy bar was built outside his gate and signs and beer kegs were distributed at artistic intervals. The figure of a drunken man was put up against the

The jokers had stolen the fire box key of Edward Leach, of Hose Company No I, and at midnight they pulled an alarm. Mr. Merritt and Mr. White came running out simultaneously with thearrival of the out simultaneously with the surprised fire-engines and things. The surprised fire-men found Mr. White fighting with the lay figure of the drunken man. hy night of the armined man. He was very mad, especially as in kicking the figure he stubbed his toe against the bowlders that it contained. Great excitement and indignation prevailed

#### THE WAY HE WORKED IT. Cuteleigh-" I'm sorry to see you broke,

Butcleigh - "Broke! Who's broke? What's the matter with this?" (on show-ing roll of bills.)

Cutcleigh -- "Nothing. Lend me twenty, will you?"

"What have you got to say for your

" Jest dis, suh ; I wants a liar to defend

"You mean a lawyer?"
"Yes suh; I knowed I most had it!"

W if (reading newspaper)—"According to the statistics I see the number of marriages decreases, while the number of nicides is increasing

"That's easily explained." Husband—"That's easily explained."

Wife—"How so?"

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