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LONG SHOTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Romance 25 to 1, J. W. Cook 20 to 1, Verdi 12 to 1 and Dockstader 8 to 1.

New Orleans, Dec. 4.—Thirteen books drew in and did a good business. Most of them were big winners, as only one favorite won, other races going to rank outsiders. Jockey Penn made his appearance here today, and rode Romance, a 30-to-1 shot, in a close finish with Bloomer, the even-money favorite. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs—Romance, 25 to 1, 1; Bloomer, even, 2; Marquis, 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.15.

Second race, 7 furlongs—Tancred, 4 to 5, 1; Willis, 50 to 1, 2; Renaud, 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.30¾.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Verdi, 12 to 1, 1; Mate, 25 to 1, 2; Bowling Green, 4 to 5, 3. Time 1.16.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Dockstader, 8 to 1, 1; Booze, 4 to 5, 2; Cass, 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.42½.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—J. W. Cook, 20 to 1, 1; Sir John, 4 to 1, 2; Buckmore, 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.15½.

St. Asaph summaries—First race, 7 furlongs—The General, 2 to 5, 1; Van Dyke, 4 to 1, 2; Lena H. 3. Time 1.30½.

Second race, 5½ furlongs—Balmoral, 3 to 5, 1; Bloodstone, 8 to 1, 2; By Gordon 3. Time 1.10¼.

Third race, 6¼ furlongs—Gaiety, 8 to 1, 1; Doc Birch, 11 to 5, 2; Remorse 3. Time 1.21½.

Fourth race, ¾ mile—Venusberg, 10 to 1, 1; Jim Donley, 4 to 5, 2; Marguerite II. 3. Time 1.16½.

Fifth race, mile—Hammie, 10 to 1, 1; Devisee, 3 to 1, 2; Dr. Helmuth 3. Time 1.44½.

Sixth race, 6½ furlongs—Joe Mack, 10 to 2, 1; Bronston, 7 to 5, 2; Dr. Johnston 3. Time 1.23½.

Alexander Island entries—First race, 4½ furlongs—Misery, Red Star 112, Moderate, Miss Agnes, Trixey, Garner, Fanny Beverly, Ike S., Red Elm 109, Saginaw 109, Drumstick 106, Prosper, Delia M. 102.

Second race, 6½ furlongs—Tancred 110, Tralee 104, Cockade, Finnwater, Kitty Van 99.

Third race, 4½ furlongs—Hippona, Tim Flynn, Parthian, Some More, Tolosa 109, Wheeloski 105, Damal, Ardax, Jewsharp, Goldspec, Monitoress 102.

Fourth race, 6½ furlongs—India Rubber, Dart 102, Duke of Fife, Bobolink, Psyche, Pickaway, Clansman, Nineteen, Andrews, Electro 117, Monolith, Svengali 91.

Fifth race, 1 mile—Deceitful 115, Eclipse Jr., Florinda, Forest 108, Rola, Bella G., Benald, Clysmic, Helen H., Nonsense 105.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Fagin 114, Drizzle 107, Chiswick 107, Dr. Helmuth, Tribute, Brooklyn 104.

Zamblia Brought $200.

New York, Dec. 4.—The sale of trotting stock was continued at Madison Square Garden to-day, when consignments from various owners were put up for sale. The bidding ran low as a rule, the best price of the day being $2600 for Zamblia, by King Almont, dam Minnie Helm, by American Boy. Zamblia has a record of 2.13½, and has won several races. Fifty-four head realized $13,280, an average of $246 each.

Toronto Pedro League.

The Toronto Pedro League will play the following games this week:

Royal Canadian Bicycle Club v. Ramblers Cycling Club, Thursday night, at Ramblers' rooms; Conservatives v. Queen City Bicycle Club, Thursday night, at the latter's rooms; Toronto Rowing Club v. Tourist Cycle Club, at Toronto Rowing Club, Friday night.

Orillia Hockey Club.

Orillia, Dec. 4.—The Orillia Hockey Club reorganized last night, and elected the following officers: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sheppard, patron and patroness; Rev. R. W. E. Greene, chaplain; E. C. Roper, hon. president; R. H. Jupp, president; T. Haywood, first vice-president; R. Wade, second vice-president; O. D. Tait, captain; P. Wade, treasurer; T. W. Robbins, secretary; C. Frost, E. McKay, J. Curran, Managing Committee.

Dr. Andrus of the Old International.

Dr. W. W. Andrus, one of the best-known and most popular of Canadian baseball players of a few weyars ago is at present in the city staying at the Rossin House.

Everyone knew Andy in the days of the old International and Canadian Leagues, when he guarded second base and right field for Hamilton and Toronto. His great forte was in run-getting. He was a terrific hitter and baserunner, and, thanks to a careful mode of living, is still in the front ranks on the diamond. Dr. Andrus graduated three years ago from Trinity University here, and is now a flourishing physician in Myles City, Montana. That prosperous place does not revel in league baseball, but had an amateur nine the past season that laid low the rival aggregations from Helena, Butte and other ambitious centres in the western state. Dr. Andrus played second base in all the home games, and materially assisted his side to victory by timely hitting.

The doctor has just taken unto himself a wife, an accomplished and estimable young lady of the city of his adoption, and they are presently on their honeymoon tour. The happy couple leave for the west today.

Athletic and General Notes.

The Star Hockey Club of Parkdale will organize on Tuesday night, Dec. 10, at 8 o'clock, at J. McCreary's, 1336 Queen-street west. Those of the last year's Parkdale Juniors and others wishing to join please attend this meeting.

The checker contest between Messrs. McKenzie and Wylie is drawing to a close, with the former in the lead. Of the 17 games played, 15 have been drawn, the remaining two being won by McKenzie. The match will be finished at the Nealon House next Tuesday night.

Carter and Peall, the billiard players, have arranged a match of 1500 points up, under the English rules, for £100 a side. The match will be played on Jan. 20 in London.

Capron, the Galt billiard player, who sent his entry too late, will probably be admitted to the shortstop tournament in Chicago next month. Maggioli has already agreed to it, and the other entries are likely to do the same.

Over 10,000 spectators turned out to see the Thanksgiving Handicap run at New Orleans, and the Picayune claims that the bookmakers handled $50,000, the bulk of the money being put on Logan, Cass, Buckwa and George Smith, Cass being backed from 50 to 1 to 15 to 1.

Messrs. Richard Crocker and Pierre Lorillard have entered horses to run for the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster in 1896.

Harley Davidson and Sam Young of the Royal Canadians left yesterday for New Orleans, where they will participate in a number of races.

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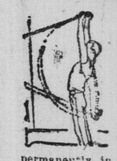

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THE FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIP.

Has the Title Reverted to John L. Sullivan?—Parson Davies' Show.

The championship tangle has brought John L. Sullivan to the front again, for many theorists now say he is the champion of the world. Tom O'Rourke says that Jim Corbett had no right to hand over the championship of the world to Peter Maher, and has bet Bob Tucker of Newark $100 that Maher is not the heavyweight champion. O'Rourke claims that when Corbett retired from the ring the championship reverted to John L. Sullivan, from whom it was wrested by Pompadour Jim.

Parson Davies writes that Sullivan is meeting with big houses everywhere, and that the big fellow is attending strictly to business. The Chicago Inter Ocean the other day had this to say about him:

"John L. Sullivan and wife, Boston, Mass., adorned the register or the Hotel Imperial until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the clerk, in caballistic characters, checked the entry off as settled, and the fistic idol of the century was through with Chicago. He had a short talk with his manager, Charles E. Davies, a squaring of accounts, a handshake, and then boarded the train for the east. "You can say for me," said Sullivan before leaving the hotel, "that I never got into the courts until after a fight. I always got away from the law long enough to make good any articles I signed, and then did the best I could afterward. I am going to Boston first, and will lay off there until the 'Parson' arranges some dates. And while you are talking about the 'Parson' you can say that he is the whitest man I ever did business with. Why, he and I didn't speak to each other for 12 years. I am unable to make out. It was one of those things where the other fellow had done the work and the talking. For my part, I think the mold that was used in making the 'Parson' was destroyed after his birth. Good-bye," and, almost lifting his wife into the elevator, the big man was gone.

In view of the fact that Parson Davies is now in New York conferring with Dan Stuart with the object of matching his protege, Joe Choynski, with Bob Fitzsimmons, or, failing this, to match him with Peter Maher or any of the many other claimants to the championship, the dudish Californian will be an object of especial curiosity at the Auditorium Saturday night. The Buffalo Express said of his performance there two weeks ago: "Joe Choynski was the first of the stars to appear. He came on for three rounds with Mike Leary, who mixed it up in good shape for the first round, but his condition began to tell on him after that, and Choynski tired him out by simply ducking, dodging and guarding, while Mike punched the empty air. Joe is looking on edge."

Besides, Choynski gives one of the most expert exhibitions of bag punching ever seen anywhere.

The Olympic Club promises a bigger and better program than a week ago, and Parson Davies guarantees that the stars will all be fitted for their parts. Jack Crawford, who proved himself a clever boxer, will go up against Choynski, and should anyone take up Short's defi, a hot bout may be looked for. The reserve plan opens at noon to-day at 81 Yonge-street.

Percy Short Challenges the Lightweights.

Sporting Editor World: Having come to an arrangement with the Olympic Club, I am now ready and willing to go on at the Auditorium next Saturday night with any ambitious boxer of my own weight—126 pounds—or I would not object to concede a few pounds, and I hope to then convince spectators that I have some knowledge of pretty hitting and scientific stopping. I understand that there is a limit here to hard hitting in exhibitions of this kind, but that limit was not nearly reached last week. Anything addressed care C. Patton, 39 Simcoe-street, will reach me. Percy Short, champion amateur lightweight of Canada.

Hall Can Sometimes Spar.

Speaking of the opening night at Philadelphia, when Maher and Hall appeared there, this week, The Times or that city says: The two put up a rattling good "go," for big men, for they are compelled to hold their strength in reserve and thus detract somewhat from their speed and quickness. But the bout was sufficient to show the ability of both, and it must be said that Maher has improved wonderfully. He still has that happy-go-lucky style of using his hands, but he manages to get both going rapidly, and, as the last man that met him can testify, with force.

Corbett Won't Fight.

New York, Dec. 4.—The Evening Telegram says: "Corbett, the retired champion, will not agree to meet Fitzsimmons for the $20,000 purse offered by Dan Stuart of Texas. The ultimatum was handed to Stuart this afternoon by W. A. Brady. Corbett did not meet Stuart. Stuart submitted articles of agreement to Brady, and made a direct proposal to the manager that Corbett meet Fitzsimmons for a guaranteed purse of $20,000.

"'We have retired,' was Brady's reply. Stuart was disgusted, but he has not given up all hope of forcing Corbett into a match with Fitzsimmons. He will now match Maher against Fitzsimmons, and hopes to make Corbett agree to meet the winner.

"'Suppose,' said Stuart to Brady, 'that Fitzsimmons whipped Maher, what will you do then?'

"'Challenge him in a minute,' was the reply.

"Stuart will, therefore, have a meeting with J. J. Quinn, Maher's manager, tomorrow morning, and offer a purse for the Irish champion and Fitzsimmons. The fight will take place near El Paso, Texas, about the first of February, during the Mardi Gras Festival."

Daly Wants to Meet Butler.

Buffalo, Dec. 4.—Jim Daly to-night authorized the issuance of an open challenge to Joe Butler, the colored heavyweight, who is now being managed by Billy Madden. Daly is willing to meet Butler at catch-weights for from 10 to 25 rounds, for the best purse obtainable, before the Empire Athletic Club of Maspeth, L.I., within six weeks from the signing of articles.

Smith and Creedon Matched.

London, Dec. 4.—Jem Smith and Dan Creedon have been matched to fight 20 rounds at the National Sporting Club for a purse of £400, on Jan. 27.

The Off-Hand Rifle Club.

At the annual meeting of the Toronto Off-Hand Rifle Club, held at the Woodbine Hotel on Wednesday evening, Dec. 4, the following officers were elected for the current year: T. S. Bayles, president; J. A. McNab, vice-president; W. J. Graham, sec.-treas., 76 McKenzie-crescent. The club is in a flourishing condition, and invites all lovers of rifle shooting to come and join. Membership fee, $1 annually. The president's and vice-president's match takes place on Saturday next at the club's range, Greenwood-avenue, for an oyster supper.

Toronto Athletic Club.

The Toronto Athletic Club have decided during the coming season to have a club evening every fortnight, and a smoking concert once a month. The first club evening is to-night, when D'Alessandro's Orchestra will be in attendance. A smoking concert will be held on Friday, the 13th inst. Tickets may be secured for the latter by members only from the secretary.

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Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 4.—Two world's bicycle records were broken here yesterday. John Green rode a mile in 1 minute 25 seconds flat on a straightaway road course, with flying start, and unpaced, beating the world's record, held by McLeod, of 1.33 2-5.

Charles Erswell rode a mile in 1 minute 40 seconds flat, standing start, unpaced, straightaway road course, breaking the best time recorded—2.04 2-5.

Several hundred persons witnessed the trial, which was with a wind blowing 22 miles an hour directly upon the backs of the riders. L.A.W. timekeepers and judges officiated.

Tourist's First Anniversary.

The Tourist Cycle Club's rooms were profusely decorated with red, white and blue bunting, and its colors were also conspicuous throughout the magnificent apartments of this enterprising club, upon the occasion of the first anniversary, held Tuesday evening. To the 60 members assembled the sight was a most pleasing one. Arranged up the centre of the large parlor was the table, so tastefully laden with all the delicacies of the season, watch made many a heart glad ere the time arrived for the most substantial part of the evening to begin. After the usual business had been gone through with, "our worthy president in the chair," the members settled down to do justice to what had been so temptingly displayed before them during the evening, at the conclusion of which a very interesting and entertaining program was rendered, consisting of songs, recitations, mandolin and guitar solos, etc. As the well, small hours approached the celebration was finally brought to a close by the singing of "God Save the Queen," all expressing their entire satisfaction with the long to be remembered first anniversary.

Mr. De La Fosse Resigns.

F. M. De la Fosse, the popular and energetic secretary of the Atheneum Club the past two years, has just resigned the position, to be succeeded by Mr. H. Smith. Mr. De la Fosse will now exert his energies to the welfare of the prosperous monthly Athletic Life, which has had a portion of his attention for some time past.

Murray Cricket Club Dinner.

Harry Webb's parlors held a merry party last evening, when about 50 members of the club and their friends sat down to the annual club dinner. Major Murray occupied the chair. After dinner, which was gotten up in Webb's best style, toast, song and sentiment held the boards. Mr. T. A. Baker's songs, Mr. Richards' banjo solos and the playing of D'Alesandro's Italian Orchestra added much to the enjoyment of the evening. This was conceded by all to be the best annual affair the club has yet had. There are rumors of a minstrel entertainment to be given by this popular club at no distant day, to which their friends will look forward with much pleasure.

CHANCE FOR YOUNG DOCTORS.

Can Go to South Africa and Make a Mint of Money.

There is a promising field open for young physicians in South Africa. According to a letter received by the London Telegraph from a lady who professed to know South Africa well, the openings for good doctors are numerous and inviting. She says: "The scarcity of medical men in South Africa is very great, and their numbers are very inadequate for the population. I am speaking of Cape Town, Johannesburgh and Barberton. There seems to be no reliable oculist, optician or dentist in either of these places. A lady who has recently gone to Johannesburg with her children writes that people residing there and requiring an optician must go to Durban. All who can afford it come home to have their eyes and teeth attended to, and, as this is expensive and inconvenient, many suffer much pain and injury. Many ladies endure the fatigue of travel and come to England when they require special care, rather than place themselves in the hands of the doctors at present available. I understand the mortality in Johannesburg is appalling. Many are there quite alone, and having no one to attend them in sickness, go to the hospital, where they usually die. I should state that the patients are not admitted free, but pay about $20 weekly. It seems to me most strange that this state of things should exist, especially as there are so many doctors here who complain of scarcity of patients."

An Electrical Heating Plant.

No little interest will be taken in a heating plant which is being installed in the Carmelite Monastery at Niagara Falls, Ont., inasmuch as electricity will be used for the purpose. It is not intended that the entire institution shall be heated by electricity; but as a fixed amount of electric power has been arranged for by the institution, the surplus will be used for heating a portion of the building. Electricity will be used entirely for cooking and for all power purposes, and also for laundry work. The cost of heating buildings by electricity has not as yet reached figures which will make it an every-day competitor in the heating world, consequently the operation of the heating system in this monastery will be closely watched by all who are interested in the electrical field. While electricity has been used for heating street cars, it is because it presents so many advantages over any of the systems which have been in use in the past, and not because it is economical.

Diamonds.

A fashionable weekly published in London says: "Anything which treats of diamonds appeals to many interested in them—not only females, but, nowadays, men, as the edict exists no more which formerly said men of good taste must not wear gems on their fingers. The males of to-day may now consequently be seen with monster diamonds in their rings, making them utilitarian as knuckle clusters. The point of mutual interest is that the diamond trade, which is a most important one in Amsterdam, has received a check by the strike of 12,000 men employed in cutting and polishing. The strike may not last long, but Dutchmen are proverbially obstinate. This must seriously affect the markets, wholesale and retail. But if the latter was not unprepared for this event, and can meet it without disturbing business.

The Spider's Appetite.

Sir John Lubbock has been experimenting with the appetite of a spider, and comparing its eating capacity with that of a healthy man. He finds that not even the ogres of fairyland were credited with such eating capacity as a man must have if he absorbed the same proportion to his weight in food that a spider does. If a man ate in the spider's proportion he would consume the equivalent of four barrels of fish, a dozen hogs, three sheep and two oxen in a single day.

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APOPLEXY.

The Cause and Effect of the Ailment—How to Avoid It.

In apoplexy the person falls down as if suddenly struck with death. There is neither thought, feeling nor voluntary motion. There is no sign of life, except that of deep, heavy breathing. It comes on with the suddenness of the lightning's flash, and with as little premonition. If the person is not really dead, the face is flushed, the breathing loud, and the pulse full and strong, usually. In mild attacks, a person is found in bed of a morning apparently in a sound sleep, but no amount of shaking makes any impression. The earliest Greek writers described apoplexy with minute accuracy, which has scarcely been exceeded since, showing that it is a malady belonging to all time. To pass from apparent perfect health to instant death on entering one's own dwelling, or sitting down to the family table, or while at the happy fireside in the loving interchange of affectionate office, strikes us as being terrible. But the terror belongs to the witness; the victim is destitute of thought, feeling, sensation, and consciousness. In many cases, after lying for hours, and even days, in a state of insensibility, the patient wakes up as if from an uneasy sleep or dream; but often, as many sadly know, there is no return to life again. The essential nature of the disease seems to be such an excess of blood in the brain that its appropriate vessels or channels cannot contain it, and it is "extravasated," let out, upon the substance of the brain itself, and thus arrests the function of life.

Corpulent persons with short necks are almost the sole subject of apoplexy, but it may be induced by falls, blows, shocks and overdoses of certain drugs. Apoplexy is an unavoidable disease, which we can neither forsee nor prevent; it results from too much blood in the brain, which is either sent there too rapidly or detained there in some unnatural manner, the effect being the same. Whatever "excites the brain," such as intense and long thought on one subject; all kinds of liquors; any drink containing alcohol, whether ale, beer, cider, wine or brandy, induces apoplexy. So will a hearty meal, especially if alcoholic drinks be taken at the same time; going to bed soon after eating heartily; sleeping on the back, if corpulent, may bring on an attack at night; so will a hot bath, so will a cold bath soon after eating. The ultimate effects of all opiates are to detain the blood in the brain, while the things just mentioned send it there in excess. The great preventitives are warm feet, regular and temperate habits, and the avoidance of opiates, tobacco and all intoxicants. In case of an attack send for a physician. Meanwhile put the feet in hot water and envelope the head in ice. It is safer to live in a hilly than level country, in town than country. Winter is more dangerous than summer. The liability increases rapidly after 40 years of age, greater at 60, when it gradually diminishes. Statistics seem to show that the most dangerous years are from 50 to 60.

Women and Football Games.

Edward W. Bok in discussing the brutal exhibitions into which football games have degenerated, writes in the November Ladies' Home Journal: If men have been compelled to turn from the game in shame and disgust, it behooves women to look into the matter and see how far they can go in their endorsement of it by their continued presence at games. Woman's part in this popular craze lies in the fact that she has encouraged it by her attendance upon it. That very fact has lifted the game to a position which it could not have attained by any other means. It is only right that any healthy-minded woman should wish to see a game wherein masculine strength and skill are shown at their best. And every man is proud to demonstrate his skill to a woman. But women should discriminate between masculine strength and brutal force. And as football is now played, a woman shows her truest self-respect by remaining away from one of the "great games." It is not enough to have the football teams promise that the rules will be changed so as to make an repetition of the scenes of the past few years impossible. That was distinctly and definitely promised last year, yith the result that the new rules were completely broken down, and exhibitions of brutality were more pronounced and revolting than in any other year in the history of the game. This year, undoubtedly the same promise, only stronger, will be made. But the woman with self-respect will be truer to herself and to her best instincts as a woman if she will let this year pass over without attendance at football games, and if she will continue to remain away until it is demonstrated to her that those who have the game in hand intend to bring it bac kto the point of respectability. The game of football can and must be modified so as to make it respectable. It is too good a game to be lost. But its present deformities must be removed before well-bred women can continue to patronize the game. Last year women felt themselves bemeaned by their attendance at such spectacles as were given. It is for them to decide whether they will spare themselves the possibility of a like feeling this year.

Public Warm Spots.

An experiment is to be tried this winter in the streets of Paris in providing warmth and shelter for the poor. In all but the richer quarters there are to be awnings, under which enormous braziers will be kept constantly burning. To the average Parisian there will be one great advantage in this plan if it works well. It will rid the public buildings, museums, railway stations and churches of the crowds of loafers, who throughout the winter months seek shelter in them from the cold. It is estimated that the expense will not be more than 25,000 francs.

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It naturally followed that from the importation of the first sheep until about a decade ago, the aim of our sheep owners was to produce a sheep that would yield the largest amount of wool upon the food consumed, and so sheep were bred solely with that end in view. While the Englishman was troubled to get enough to eat, and was breeding his sheep to supply that want, our people were so abundantly supplied with food that their chief object was to get clothes to keep them warm. And so the sheep of the two countries were raised on systems which were very dissimilar, and while they have produced the best mutton sheep of the world, we have been equally successful on wool-growing lines. Nowhere else in the world have sheep been bred that will grow as many pounds of as fine staple to the live weight as in this country.

Passion of Money-Making.

The Rev. Charles H. Parkhust, D.D., in witing of "The Passion of Money Making" in December Ladies' Home Journal says, concerning the prevalent idea regarding the value of an education to boys: "We are considering the effect which is going to be had upon the boy by being led to feel that the value of his training, whether it be obtained in a business college or in any other kind of a college, is determinable by the amount in cash, stocks, and securities in which it may be expected ultimately to eventuate. That is an indirect—but none the less effective for being indirect—way of telling the boy that money is so transcendently great a thing that the only value that anything else can have is its efficiency in contributing to that end. It is an indirect way of telling him that the only value of an idea, the only value of a mental energy, the only value of a disciplined brain, in fact, is its cash value; which amounts substantially to listing intelligence and putting it upon the market in mercantile competition with wheat, leather and railroad stock. Of course there is no such intention as this on the part of parents when they hurry their sons into the store or the banking-house or on to the exchange, but the effect just stated comes, is bound to come, and is damning in its consequences."

To Neatly Roll an Umbrella.

The proper way to roll an umbrella is to take hold of the ends of the ribs and the stick with the same hand, and hold them tightly enough to prevent their being twisted while the covering is being twirled around with the other hand.—December Ladies' Home Journal.

Japanese Steamship Line.

A company has been formed in Japan with the object of establishing a regular line of cotton-carrying steamers to run between Kobe and Yokohama and Mexico, in connection with the Tehauntepec Railroad. The Japanese Government has promised to subsidize the line.

De Oro Beaten, Sutton Also.

Syracuse, Dec. 4.—New interest was added to the international pool tournament to-night by the victory of Horgan of New York over De Oro, the present champion, in an exciting series, in which the Cuban was defeated by the score of 125 to 116. With 12 balls needed to run out, the champion was compelled to attempt a difficult combination, on which he failed. Horgan is one of the two men who qualified in the preliminaries held last week for the big tournament, and his victory was a surprise, although he put up a remarkable game. He never player before, excepting as an amateur. The result of this series may throw the championship into the hands of Clearwater, or, possibly, Eby, the boy wonder, who is playing great pool. Still, De Oro has a fighting chance. The other series to-night resulted:

Stoft 125, Sutton 110. Stoft is another new man, and qualified with Horgan in the preliminaries.

Eby, won 2, lost 0; Clearwater, won 1, lost 0; Keough, won 1, lost 0; De Oro, won 1, lost 1; Sutton, won 1, lost 1; Stoft, won 1, lost 1; Horgan, won 1, lost 2; Sherran, won 0, lost 1; Walsh, won 0, lost 1.

A WAY TO GET EVEN.

The Plan Did Not Wholly Appeal to the Complainant.

"I'd do anything to get even with that hotel," said the man who had been loafing around the reading-room.

"What's the matter?" asked the guest who had just registered.

"That smart diamond-studded clerk has ordered me to keep away from the house. He says I have been hanging around here for the last three weeks using the stationery and occupying the most comfortable chairs."

"Well have you?"

"Sure. What's his old house for if it isn't for the use of people who haven't anywhere else to go? But you can bet I'll get even with him."

"How?"

"I don't know just yet, but I'll find a way."

"Would you like a suggestion?"

"That's what I would. Do you know a way?"

"Why, yes, if you've the nerve to try it."

"Oh, I have nerve to throw to the birds. Let's have your scheme."

"Well, you know how a good hotel hates to get mixed up in a police case in the newspapers?"

"Yes."

"This house is particularly proud of its record in avoiding everything of that sort, too."

"I know it."

"Then all you have to do is to get some sensational case located here and you are revenged."

"Of course. But how?"

"Engage a room, go up to it and commit suicide. It's a very simple matter you see. I'll loan you the money if you are broke."

But the man with the grievance departed without even expressing his thanks for the kind offer.—Chicago Post.

Stranger—Hard farming out here, I take it?

Woolly West—You bet.

Stranger—What are you going to do this winter?

Woolly West—I'm 'bout to trade for two more dogs an' soon's I make the dicker we're goin' to start back to wife's folks.—Chicago Record.

A Whirlwind.

The American ship Bohemia, Capt. Hogan, which arrived here yesterday from Philadelphia, brought in a tragic tale of the sea. Down in the Atlantic on July 1 she was caught in a terrific gale, which almost dismantled her. When the jibboom went by the board it carried with it Frank W. Weston, a Swedish sailor, to death in the surging sea. The ship received a terrible buffeting, and only her strong build and careful seamanship saved her from being lost. It was in Latitude 33 deg. 26 min. south and Longitude 47 deg. 40 min. west that the violent storm struck her. It was circular in form, and came like a whirlwind. When the ship emerged from the contest with the elements her jibboom, foretopmast and main topgallant mast were gone, and her main topmasthead and mizzen topgallant yard were sprung. All the gear went with the masts that were carried away. Weston, the sailor who was drowned, went with the jibboom when it was carried away. Nothing could be done to save him, as it was very dark and the ship was going nine knots.

The disabled ship stood for Rio Janeiro for repairs. She arrived there on July 17, and it was Aug. 25 before she got away again.—San Francisco Chronicle.

How and Why It Rains.

Rain is an accumulation of the tiny particles of the vapor of the atmosphere into drops. These drops, first small of size, attract others of their kind, and become drops of such magnitude that they fall to the earth because of their weight. There is a limit to the quantity of water which the air is capable of absorbing and retaining as invisible vapor. Warm air is able to hold more than cold air. Hence, when the air which is saturated with moisture becomes cold for any reason whatever, it can no longer retain its moisture. A portion must, under such condition, accumulate into drops. These fall to the earth in the shape of rain.

Pretty Little Party Souvenirs.

Japanese trifles make pretty and inexpensive souvenirs of a child's party. Tiny fans of different kinds, kites and baskets, all of paper, and little silk bags filled with bonbons please children. Bonbon boxes in various shapes of fruit and animals are pretty but more expensive.

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