

FLY IN THE OINTMENT.

WHAT THE WANDERERS DID NOT LIKE IN ST. JOHN.

They claim that the referee inclined to the side of generosity toward the team of which he was not a member—close of the football season.

HALIFAX, Nov. 21.—The most popular sport in Halifax, and Nova Scotia, is almost over for the season. Every football match played this season has had some interesting features about it, apart from the game itself.

Then there was a specially interesting feature with the St. John-Wanderers match on Saturday. The players and the Halifax contingent ventilated it fully on the train on the way home from St. John.

Touching for King's Evil. Between the years 1661 and 1682 as many as 92,107 persons were touched for the King's evil.

Twelve Series of Perfumes. A leading authority on perfumes divides the entire list into twelve series: 1. Floral, as of the rose, violet, and the like.

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the fact that it has the color of roses, but from the odor exhaled by it when freshly cut. 7. The root series, as the orris root and many others.

TERRORS OF THE RED SEA.

Characterized as Literally Infernal in its Intense Heat. "The veritable hell of our earth," remarked the Calcutta representative of a New York firm, home on his biennial vacation, the other day, when he saw a cable dispatch stating that the invalid soldiers of France's Madagascar campaign would be returned via the Suez Canal, instead of voyaging around the Cape of Good Hope.

"I have traversed it six times, and I have been on the verge of collapse every trip when we reached Aden or Port Said, so I think it likely that many of the French sick and wounded soldiers will not survive the journey.

"The heat is terrible. For nine months in the year the mercury remains at about 93 degrees in the shade, and when there is a breeze from the torrid deserts to the west or east it is as hot as the breath of a furnace. A year frequently goes by without a drop of rain falling, and I have heard incredible stories of the heat which the desert sand along its banks seem to store up.

"The water of the Red Sea, as may be imagined, is also very warm, and I have heard it asserted that it loses by evaporation each year enough to make itself an aqueous blanket twenty-three feet thick. Naturally it is one of the saltiest bodies of water on the globe.

Uses of the Banana. In the West Indies the dried leaves and prepared portions of the stem are used as packing materials. Fresh leaves are used to shade young coffee or cacao seedlings in nursery beds, and to cover cacao beans during fermentation.

Unable to Walk, Owing to Excruciating Pain. After ten years' terrible torture, cured by Scott's Emulsion.

Racked With Rheumatism. A. H. Christiansen, writing from the Clifton House, Niagara Falls, says: "I owe you more than I can ever pay. For ten years I suffered the tortures of the damned with rheumatism.

Scams Disappearing. According to advices received by C. S. Shayne, the next annual sale of fur seal-skins, to take place in London Dec. 3, will consist of only 15,000 Alaska skins, 17,700 Copper Island and 55,000 Northwest coast seals.

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MOSQUITOS AND SNAKES.

Remarkable Anecdotes of the Kind Found in Northern New Jersey.

One of our young business men, who spent the greater part of the past summer in the northern portion of New Jersey, comes back loaded down with scars received a battles fought with mosquitoes, and wondrous tales of the boring propensities of the pernicious insects.

For medicinal purposes he kept a pint bottle of whiskey upon the bureau in his room, and one night, on going to his lodgings, he found about fifty of the large-sized mosquitoes aggregating around on the bureau not one of them able to fly. Missing his whiskey flask, he commenced searching, and finally found it standing on the window sill.

"The snakes up there are almost as rapacious as the mosquitoes," said the voracious young man, "and when they can't get anyone to eat, they swallow themselves."

"Oh, yes, I was out walking one Sunday near Asbury Park, and saw a big black snake squirming around a stump as fast as it could go, evidently trying to catch its own tail, which wiggled along about six inches ahead of its open mouth. Suddenly the snake turned its head, and darting back the other way, snapping at the tail when it came in sight. In less than a minute the tail and about half the body had disappeared down the snake's throat, and then he stopped a moment to take breath."

The Kaiser and the Tramp. An anecdote of the Kaiser and the tramp has just appeared in the Berlin papers, Kaiser Wilhelm was, it seems, lately staying at the Jagdschloss Hubertstock, near the Angermunde, and was one day shooting in that neighborhood.

What She Said. "A friend studied Pitman shorthand nearly a year at a college, and writes 50 words a minute. I write 120 in less than 3 months. I learned a better system; read my notes so well."

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limit allowed by law, and apparently shows a scarcity of seals.

"The only way to prevent the complete extermination of the seal," said Mr. Shayne, "is to Russia, England, and America to unite and stop all sealing for five years. If this is not done the seals will go as did the buffalo. It sealing continues five years scarcely a seal will remain. I think our government should take immediate steps for a conference looking toward the protection of the seal fisheries."

Carried off by Vultures

In the canton of Uri a woman was living in 1854 who had been carried off by a lammergeier, or Alpine vulture, when a baby at Hundwil, in the canton of Appenzel, a child was carried in sight of parents. On the Silberalp a vulture attacked a little boy who was watching sheep seated on a rock, and had time to knock him over the edge of the cliff before the shepherds could drive the bird away.

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