

Miscellaneous

A resident of Washington, D. C., was escorted to the almshouse by his sixteen faithful dogs.

An iron wedge seven inches long was found in the stomach of a hog butchered in Robertson Co., Ky.

While on his way to Marion, Ky., one day last week, a young man killed with one stone not two birds but seven rabbits.

A Brunswick (Ga.) rat whipped two cats and a terrier in quadruple combat, and a fox at Weatherfield, Vt., killed and carried off a cat.

A resident of Greenup, Ky., had his head split open with an axe, but according to the local paper, "continues to improve, the extracting of two batches of brain having given him great relief."

An exchange says:—The Almighty can hear the rattle of a ton of coal or a bag of potatoes given to a poor man more distinctly than the most ornate prayer shouted from the steepest tabernacle in the land.

"Beg pardon; we blundered," said two unknown men at Salem, Ind., the other night, when having knocked James A. Boyce off his horse with a club, cutting a fearful gash in his head, they stooped over him and examined him more closely.

"Is that deer?" asked a citizen of a butcher a couple of days ago, pointing to a leg of mutton which he mistook for venison. "No, it's sheep," was the prompt reply. And one smiled at the other as the shadow of a joke flitted between them.

One of the charges against a Seneca Falls minister, is that the gentleman hired a livery horse and wagon, was gone two days, swapped horses six times, and came back to the stable with the same horse he took out, having made one hundred dollars in the operation.

On Tuesday of last week, as Mr. Stephen M. Leau, of the Stratford and Port Dover Station Hotel, Listowel, was engaged in wrestling, by way of physical exercise, he had the misfortune to get his leg broken. He will have to exercise a good deal of patience for a few weeks to come.

Mark Addy, of Salford, a well-known English oarsman, has been given the Albert medal of the first class for his repeated acts of heroism in saving life. He has rescued thirty-six drowning men in the last quarter of a century, and received bronze, silver and gold medals from humane societies, besides illuminated addresses and a purse of 200 guineas.

MOLLIE MCCARTHY'S JOCKEY.

A tall, slim boy, calling himself Uriah Wharton, was taken before Justice Otterbourg, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, on Thursday last, on a charge of being a vagrant. The Justice asked him how he came to be a vagrant, and the boy said: "I got here from California 'bout a month ago. I come here 'cause I thought I might get some work to do. I ain't got any mother or father or any friends, either, anywheres, and I thought my best chances was here. But I'm worse off than ever. I couldn't get any work, and I'd like to be sent somewhere for the winter, and in the Spring I can find my way back to California. I stole a ride here, added the boy hesitatingly, 'and I s'pose I can do the same thing when I want to get back there.'"

"Do you belong in California?" "I don't belong anywhere. My father had a farm in New Jersey and when I was four years old, he sold it and we all went to Oregon. We were there two years and I believe father made a good deal of money. Then we all went to Australia, but father didn't do so well, and he brought us back to New Jersey. Afterwards he went to Alabama, and he got to drinking and he died; and then mother died. I had an uncle, Uriah, who used to keep the Boulevard Hotel in Hoboken, and he moved to Sacramento and took me with him. There I got knocking around among the men in the racing-stables and I got to be a boy-jockey. At this point the boy brightened up with the remembrance of his exploits. "I rode Mollie McCarthy," said he, "Mollie H., Lizzie Dunbar and Modoc Chief. Last Summer I rode Flying Jack and won \$550. But I wanted to come here, and I began to steal rides on trains coming East. Sometimes I was treated first rate, but oftentimes I was put off the trains. I'd willing to run the risk of going back the

wagon, stopped his team, and struck the horse several blows with a pole he found in the road. Kinerd ran up and the two succeeded in beating the horse off the wagon, but as it fell off its hind feet got hung in the front bounds of the wagon, and several minutes passed before they got it released from that position, all of which time Schafer beat it over the head with a single-trees. On being released it tried to leap clear over the wagon again to get at the man, but failing, ran in the direction of some other horses in a pasture and tried to get at them. Schafer set the dog after the horse, and after running about twenty minutes at a rapid speed it fell in a lane, where it died. It was supposed by everybody around that the horse had hydrophobia.—Dallas (Texas) Commercial.

BLACK-AND-TAN COLLIE.

This dog, common throughout Scotland, would be much more at home in the southern part of the island than in the north. It cannot endure the same amount of cold. In winter it has a great inclination to get near the fire, and is generally shivering, whereas the rough-coated collie seldom draws to the fire, but seems to be at home among the drift and snow. It is finely adapted for hill climbing, owing to the strength of its limbs and the depth of its chest. Shepherds state that they can safely trust 200 or 300 sheep to the sagacity of this valuable dog, which does not hurry or push, but drives them as coolly and as cautiously as if its master were present. Further, it will not follow game. The black-and-tan collie, if it sees a hare, will dart away after it at its utmost speed. Most dogs will do so; but it is different with the rough-coated collie. If a hare starts up amongst its feet, it will look after it with a scared-like look, and then move on its way again.

WONDERFUL "GO."

HOW A RAW-BONED NAG GAINED MONEY AND HONOR.

[From the Des Moines, Ia., Leader.]

Horse traders were surprised in this city a couple of days ago because a horse which they refused to buy at twenty-five dollars trotted under 2:50 and made a couple hundred dollars for his impetuous-looking owner. Graves and others were standing out at the corner of Third street when a rustic-looking chap drove up in a rickety rig, patched up harness and banged wagon. Two horses were hitched in and one of them seemed about ready to lay down under a load of years and short grass. This horse the fellow tried to sell. He was very hard up and wanted to dispose of him the worst way. In his recommending he did not forget that the old horse had 'go' in him. But the lookers-on didn't think that plug could go, and some of them were rash enough to bet he couldn't go a mile in four minutes. They put up money on it and kept betting on time clear down to 2:50. The owner then wanted to bet \$500 his horse could make a mile on our track in 2:45. The exceedingly wily horsemen in the crowd got scared about this time and refused to invest any more money, preferring to see how the old nag could go. They all adjourned to the fair grounds where rustics, hitched to an old sulky, drove around a few times to limber up, and then got the word 'go.' Away he went, like the wind in a cloud of dust, by the stand and down the first quarter; past the half mile in 1:22, and never skipped as he came down the home stretch and passed under the wire in 2:50. The boys haven't got so much money as they had, but they found out something.

A STONE FORMED IN THE JAW OF A HORSE.

We take the following account of a singular occurrence from the Virginia City, Nev., Territorial Enterprise of Dec. 12: For a long time a lump has been observable in the side of a jaw of a horse belonging to Superintendent Obiston of the Gould & Curry and Best & Bolcher mines. The lump lay in near the jawbone, and could be moved about under the skin. It seemed very hard, and no liniment had power to soften or to drive it away. Yesterday a veterinary surgeon made an incision, and, to his astonishment and that of all present, brought to light a hard and smooth stone, about two inches long and one inch in diameter. The stone was of a red

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