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S.S. Rosalind left Halifax at 6 p.m. Sunday and is due here to-morrow afternoon.

S. S. Waerden finishes loading fish to-night and sails for the Meternan. She has a cargo of about 15,000 qds.

Schr. Buella Mar arrived in port yesterday, bound to Port Union. The vessel was recently purchased by the Union Trading Co.

S. S. Julius Holmblad has arrived in port with a cargo coal from North Sydney.

Schr. Jean McKay has sailed from Burin for Pernambuco taking 1,828 drums and 3,633-half drums dry fish, shipped by G. M. Barr.

S.S. Stella Maria has sailed from Woods Island for Halifax taking 1,067 bris, Scotch and 296 bris, pickled herring, 357 qds, codfish, 2 casks cod oil, 10 cases lobster, 160 bris, green codfish from various shippers.

S. S. Centa has sailed from Corner Brook for Halifax with a cargo construction material.

Schr. Carver sails from Little Bay Island to Lisbon instead of Malaga as previously intended.

Schr. Cathrine May has sailed from St. Jacques for Nassau.

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EARTH SHOCK RECORDED.
MODENA, Italy, Dec. 22.
An earth shock, lasting five seconds, was observed at 7:52 a.m.

John L. Sullivan's "Knockout Tour"

Cleared More Than \$100,000 And Topped Thirty-Nine Opponents In Eight Months.

It seems to be the fate of most boxers that a time comes when their popularity goes on the wane; but wherever old sports are gathered—those who saw John L. Sullivan fight—old-timers still talk of the feats, the ability, the gruffness, the big-heartedness of the "Mighty John L." And so it was with interest that the writer recently listened to a long talk—a "gas-house" session—the principal subject of which was the experiences which John L. had on his famous knockout tour—a time when the "Boston Strong Boy" was in his prime.

First of all, the trip took place in 1882 and 1883, soon after Sullivan had whipped Paddy Ryan in nine rounds in Mississippi City. The party was composed of Steve Taylor, one who had gone down to defeat at the hands of the "big un" in two rounds; Pete McCoy, Mike Gillespie, Herbert Slade and Mike Donohay, all of whom were boxers, and Al Smith, who was the advance man; Jake Munsinger, the treasurer, and Frank Moran.

Smith went ahead, smoothing the way, drumming up business, frequenting the saloons and all places where followers of the ring were wont to gather. He was more or less of a "confidence man," for he would make all sorts of assertions fitting the discussion that would tend to draw anyone into a bout with Sullivan on his arrival.

The troupe met with success, for they cleared \$11,000 over and above their expenses, which were \$44,000. This was a lot of money for those days, and all those concerned knew it.

Carries A Sparring Partner.

It was purely a boxing troupe and Steve Taylor acted as Sullivan's sparring partner, so that the fans who came to the show would be sure to see the "Boston Boy" in action, even though Al had not been able to work any of the residents up to a fighting spirit. Sullivan was so good that he went all over the country offering \$1,000 to any man who could stay four rounds with him. It was a bold def, and according to the official record there wasn't a single man who stood the test. Sullivan knocked out thirty-nine men in that eight months and all within four rounds.

When the party struck Butte, Mont., the big, husky miners turned out by the hundreds. Every seat was taken and the men were hanging on the rafters. Every last one of them could fight, for all of them had in order to live in that country in those days. It was no place for a man who could not protect himself with his fists.

But before the hall was filled that night an interesting incident took place. The troupe of boxers had arrived in town early that morning, and John L. had spent the greater part of the day examining the interior of the many barrooms. Consequently, when it came time for the show he was well "oiled."

There was fear in the hearts of his party, for they had advertised that \$1,000 would be paid to any man who could stand up for four three-minute rounds. From all appearances Sullivan wasn't able to stand up straight himself for one minute. They had to depend on a miracle—and miracles aren't usually to be depended upon.

There was one big strapping miner who thought he could get the money, and he didn't hesitate to let his friends and the visiting troupe know it. When he got in the hall where the show was to be held he was in a fighting and confident mood. Along with those attributes that are dangerous for any prospective opponent, he was built like a giant, the muscles stood out on him in great bulks, and—in the vernacular—he was so hard-boiled that "where he spit the grass never grew any more."

Sullivan's Friends Worried.

Sullivan's friends were worried, for they well realized the shape that Sullivan was in. They didn't want to part with the \$1,000 and, furthermore, they knew that if he was knocked out by an unknown his reputation would be badly bent if not ruined.

Moran told Sullivan what he was up against, but the champion only growled at him. A couple of his friends went on him, trying to get him in the best shape possible. Then Moran went into the unknown's dressing room and handed him his gloves. They were two-and-a-half ounce gloves and it can easily be imagined that a wallop with one of those things from a husky miner means something. The challenger wore heavy cowhide boots and he said he was going to fight in them.

The situation looked bad. Moran went back to Sullivan and tried to throw a scare into him.

"He's a big duck with a red shirt and beard, and he's as hard as nails," Moran told him.

"But he's as big as you are, John," Moran added.

"So much the better. The bigger they are the harder they fall," snorted the champion.

The men entered the ring. Sullivan staggered a bit, but he held his footing pretty well considering the fact that he was chock full of "hard Jick-

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er." The miner looked immense.

The bout started. Sullivan made some hard swings, after each of which he had great difficulty in maintaining his equilibrium. Then "smack" came a terrific right from the native. It landed plumb on John's jaw. Sullivan opened his eyes wide. He had awakened him, and he tore into his antagonist with a ferocity that probably had never been seen in the ring. He cut, mangled, tore, beat, pounded and smashed the unknown, until after two minutes he had had enough, and he did not say anything about it either, for he was knocked out cold.

"What'd I tell you?" growled John L., as he left the ring.

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The woman who washes with Pearline saves time and trouble.—oct13,m,tf

Square Deal

That the public certainly appreciate a "Square Deal" has been amply proved by the enormous number of people who have attended the Raffle conducted by the "Square Deal" boys during the last couple of nights in Bishop's Grocery (second store from the corner of the cove). Beginning again to-night and continuing till Xmas Eve, they will be only too pleased, to meet and cater to, the thousands of friends they have made, and give them the same Square Deal as before. They have made no alterations whatever in the number of tickets on their famous wheel. Their motto is the same as always: Lowest prices for a chance, and No. 1 poultry guaranteed by Nid. Atlantic Cold Storage Co.; best quality cakes, guaranteed fresh and pure by East End Baking Co. (Our Own). Go in to-night and try your luck on their famous Square Deal Wheel, and win a Turkey, Goose, pair of Chickens or a Cake for 5c. Make sure you go into the right store, look for the "Square Deal" signs on the windows, 2nd store from corner of Bishop's Cove.—dec22,11

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MINARD'S LINIMENT, THE ATHLETE'S REMEDY.

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TO-DAY'S MESSAGES

FORMER BRITISH AMBASSADOR DEAD.
LONDON, Dec. 22.

The Right Hon. Sir George Buchanan, former British Ambassador to Rome and Petrograd died here Saturday.

RAILWAY TO THE LABRADOR PROPOSED.

QUEBEC, Dec. 22.
A direct railway line from Quebec to the Labrador boundary is mooted in an application to Parliament which will be made at the next session of the Legislature for an act to incorporate a company under the name of the Quebec Great Northern Railway Co., and give them power to construct a line of railway from a point at or near the city of Quebec to a point at or near the town of Chicoutimi to the boundary of the province at or near Hamilton Inlet, by the most direct route, together with a branch line to James Bay or Hudson Bay and to the St. Lawrence River at or near Seven Islands.

RELATIONS NEVER MORE COR-DIAL.

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Ambassador to Great Britain, in a statement in the Sunday Times declared it is preposterous to form any real feeling of antagonism between Japan and the United States. Relations have never been more cordial and promising. Only the closest working friendship between Great Britain, the United States and other Powers can maintain the so badly needed era of peace.

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GANDHI'S STIPULATION.

BELGIUM, British India, Dec. 22.
Mohandas Gandhi, who is president elect of the Annual Indian National Congress, opening on Friday, has stipulated as a condition to retaining leadership, that every Congressman must spin 2,000 yards of yarn monthly. One object of the co-operative movement headed by Gandhi is the effective boycotting of foreign cloths and the encouragement of home spinning.

GREECE NEUTRAL.

LONDON, Dec. 22.
The Greek Government has declared it will maintain strict neutrality in the Albanian situation, according to

a special despatch from Athens reply to a query from the Minister.

A 44 Word Letter

IN THE EYE OF A NEEDLE RECEIVED AT WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 17.—A four word letter reposing in the eye of a needle, which was sent to the Smithsonian Institution. The message missive, which was sent to the institution for display before the annual meeting of the Board of Regents, is so small that it can be read 88 times before it can be read. The letter, exactly one-eighth of an inch square.