

ONLY GENUINE WILD HORSES.

A BOOK ABOUT THE BEASTS PRJEVALSKY DISCOVERED.

Captives From the Gobi Desert in Asia Studied Carefully by the Russians—Proved to be a Distinct Species—They Have Been Untamable Thus Far.

There was little prospect thirty years ago of the discovery of the genuine wild horse. There are, to be sure, the so-called wild horses of the Americas, but they are the descendants of horses that the Spaniards brought to the western world some centuries ago. While evidence existed that wild horses were probably as abundant in prehistoric times in the south of Europe as sabras are to-day in British East Africa, most naturalists believed that true wild horses with an unbroken line of wild ancestry were extinct.

Then, in 1879, the Russian explorer Prjevalsky reported that he had discovered a new and quite distinct horse in the Gobi Desert to the west of Mongolia. Two years later Poliakov published a description of the horse to which he gave the name Equus prjevalskii. Then the brothers Grum-Grjimalo saw the horses in the desert and learned many new facts about them.

The Russians were greatly interested and it was decided to capture a number of the animals and bring them to Europe. These efforts were successful, and five years ago a herd of about thirty of the Prjevalsky horses, after no end of trouble, were landed in Europe. Most of them are still in Russia, but a few were taken to England, where they are kept on the estate of the Duke of Bedford.

The English naturalists did not make a scientific study of the animals in that country because the Russians had had a most thorough investigation in progress, with the advantage that nearly all the captive horses and a number of skeletons are in their hands. Very few of the English naturalists believed that they were true wild horses, but looked upon them either as a kiang, hybrid, the kiang being a species of the ass, or as the offspring of escaped Mongolian ponies. The Russians, however, have settled the question. They have proved by the methods of comparative anatomy and in other ways that the Prjevalsky horse has no relationship with Mongolian ponies or the kiang, but is a valid and distinct species of the genus horse, without relationship to the ass, though it has some features which remind one of the Asiatic ass; but even in these features, as the tail, for example, the resemblance is closer to the horse than to the ass.

The results of the investigation were prepared for publication by Dr. V. Salensky, director of the Zoological Museum of the Imperial Academy of Sciences, St. Petersburg. The book has just been translated into English and published in London under the title "Prjevalsky Horses."

It contains a number of pictures of the captives. The frontispiece shows a three-year-old stallion and a two-year-old mare which are the property of the Czar.

The animals were mere colts when they arrived in Europe, and were not prepared for the novel conditions, were out of condition and had ragged coats and awkward gaits. They have now reached maturity, have been well cared for and are good-looking animals.

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Abyssinian Ministry.

The decree of the Emperor Menelik announcing the construction of a Cabinet on European lines is as follows: "The lion of Judah has prevailed. Salutation be to you.

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"I have now taken steps to appoint a Ministry, and if it is the will of God I will complete it. I inform you that I have appointed the following persons: Afa Negus Nambur, Fitaurari Habta Giorgis, Friry Seal Gabra Belsasi, Bejirond Mulugatsi, Likamamus Kalkama, Nagadras Halls Giorgis, Kanthia Waldia Sadih."—From the London Standard.

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What Irrigation Has Done for the Cotton Crops of Egypt.

Economists who study the increased productivity of the earth which is secured through irrigation, when they come to Egypt wonder on the cotton yield. In the fullest sense that is what future Egyptian irrigation means. The showing of the cotton yield of the Nile regions in values presents a remarkable series of ascending figures. In 1906 the increase in the value of the crop over the previous year was \$30,000,000. Over cropping, boll weevil, and unfavorable conditions of the season from which Egypt is no more exempt than other cotton-growing regions, have been balanced by bringing increased areas under cultivation, so that an actual increase of 20,000,000 pounds in the crop of 1907, was obtained, the production for those years, a decade apart, being 654,313,000 pound and 674,000,000 pounds respectively. The area under cotton in 1907 was slightly in excess of 1,500,000 acres and the average yield per acre was 445 pounds. In Lower Egypt 40 per cent. of the cultivated area of 1,200,000 acres is under cultivation and all of this section through having perennial irrigation a cotton-bearing. So, by means of the Assuan dam, the engineers have assured the permanency of this source of Egypt's wealth, since cotton can be grown on the same lands two years out of five.

We may conclude that in cotton Egypt has a permanent world market, and for that reason the cotton can be cultivated in preference to other crops. The change from the time of Joseph and his captive brethren to the epoch of Lord Cromer and the British Proconsul is one from corn to cotton.

From "The West in the Orient"—Irrigation: An Old Force Newly Applied, by Charles M. Pepper, in the January Scribner.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

The Busy Bee.
The value of \$25,000,000 placed on the annual output of honey puts this farm crop only slightly behind raw cane sugar, which had a valuation at the refinery of \$28,000,000. Comparisons with the output of the sixty-four best-sugar factories, which have a capacity of 40,000 tons of beeta daily, may seem odd. Yet the product of this coddled and fostered industry—\$45,000,000—was less than double that of the busy hive communities.

The bee in effect pays the interest on the public debt—\$24,310,326. Shall not the insect which Napoleon made an imperial emblem have some State recognition such as Massachusetts gives to the codfish in its legislative halls. As a matter of fact, the products of the New England fisheries, which have been the subject of treaties and international conventions and occasionally raised the spectre of war, amount in value to only half the bee's product.—The New York World.

Time To and From Sometimes Varies.

Howard Carroll, of Denver, whose business-like presentation of the invitation to the Democratic National Convention to come to Denver was largely instrumental in the victory of that city over Chicago and Louisville, told a good story in the course of his speech.

On the Boulevard.

"Allow me to introduce the man who has written more absolute nonsense than anyone else in Paris."

"That Mrs. Popley," said Miss Grouch, "is the most slovenly housekeeper I ever saw."

TALLER SILK HATS FOR MEN.

Changes in Style That the London Hatters Are Considering.

The question whether the tall hat shall become taller is now being anxiously debated by the half dozen west end hatters who rule the fashion, and several of them have almost decided to take a step in that direction by an increase of one-sixteenth of an inch in height.

"The Englishman," said a west end hatter, "is never violent or conspicuous in changing a fashion, and only a very slight alteration can be made at a time. For two or three years, however, there has been no decided change in the shape of the top hat, and it seems about time there was some alteration. The limit of shallowness seems to have been reached. They are now being made six inches deep in small sizes and about six and a quarter in the largest, so that they can only grow taller again. A sixteenth or even a quarter of an inch does not sound very much, but it really makes a great deal of difference in the appearance of a hat. The very tall hat of fifteen years ago was only six and five-eighths inches deep."

"I do not believe, however, the top hat will become as deep as that again. The bell shape has come to stay, and if you increase the depth the shape must either become nearly straight or display a conspicuous and inelegant waist."—London Daily Mail.

What He Liked Best.

Speaking of critics reminds me of one old friend, long dead, who considered himself a connoisseur of ministers and their performances. One day I was out of my own pulpit, and a friend considered the services for me. He was a Bonapartes in style, and fairly took the congregation by storm. Meeting Davis during the week, I was not surprised to hear his highly laudatory opinion of my friend's preaching gifts. "I am delighted you like him, but" he said, "can you tell me what particular feature in his preaching attracted you most?"

HAND AND ARM ENDANGERED.

Zam-Buk Arrests Blood Poison.

Neglect to cut or scratch and it may turn to blood poisoning. Mr. Joseph Laliberte, of St. Arthure street, Quebec, might have had his hand and arm bud for the timely use of Zam-Buk. He says: "I cut one of my fingers on a rusty piece of tin and had no idea it would become so serious. In two days blood poisoning had set in and my fingers became terribly discolored, and my hand and arm swelled. I was unable to do anything but receive an ointment after another but none relieved me. I was about to consult a doctor when a friend advised me to try Zam-Buk. This I did. Zam-Buk began by drawing out the inflammation and in one week the wound was nearly healed. Since then I have had no healing balm in the house but Zam-Buk. I feel as grateful for my cure as that which unites give my testimony to the merits of Zam-Buk."

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One on the General.

Benjamin F. Butler, of Massachusetts, was a tireless worker when he started on anything. He and his secretary, Clancy, says the Baltimore Sun, oftentimes sat in the library until almost daylight, when the general wanted to finish up anything.

The Flustered Father.

Lincoln Beachey, aeronaut, was being congratulated on the \$2,000 prize that he won with his dirigible balloon at St. Louis.

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One Man to a Hat.

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THREE MEN IN THE SAME TROUBLE

A Voluntary Statement by a Justice of the Peace Showing How Consumption is Being Cured by Psychine.

There are few people who, either themselves or some of their friends, are not suffering from some form of throat, chest, or lung or stomach trouble. To such the following voluntary letter, written from a sense of duty, to those who are suffering from these troubles, will bring encouragement and help. It is a source of comfort to know that there is one remedy which, after all others have failed, and the physician's skill has been exhausted, can always be relied on to bring help and relief to the suffering, and restore health and vigor.

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The Ebb and Flow of Immigration.

That immigration flood of 1,285,000 people in the fiscal year 1907, which ended on June 30th and which left all the records far behind, attracted far less attention than did an influx of a quarter of those dimensions half a century ago. When the potato famine in Ireland in 1846 sent the immigration into the United States in 1847 above the 200,000 mark for the first time in the country's history, and when the abortive insurrections in Austria, Hungary, Prussia, Bavaria, and other European countries in 1848-49 re-enforced the Irish impour and sent the immigration above the 300,000 line in 1850, and above 400,000 in 1854, many persons feared that the alien deluge would overwhelm America and subvert its institutions.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diptheria.

He came home at night to find the house deserted, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. There was a crumpled note on the centre table. He read it. His wife had eloped with a fascinating billsticker. He flung the note on the floor. Then he bravely wiped. There was no response. He whistled again. He saw it all now. She had gone and taken the dog with her!

The Philosopher.

He picked up the note and read it aloud.

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Extraction Without Pain.

An electrical instrument recently invented for avoiding the pain incident to the extraction of teeth has attracted considerable attention. Briefly it consists of adjustable prongs, carrying buttons and connected with an electric battery. The buttons are placed on the face over the nerves leading from the teeth to the brain, and a circuit is established the moment the extracting instrument touches the tooth.



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VOLCANIC POWER.

Italian Engineer Plans to Use Steam From the Globe's Interior.

So much has been said regarding the dangers of destroying the picturesque beauty of the great falls of the Niagara River by using the enormous mass of water as a power producer, that an engineer who turns his attention to the inner fires of the earth may be regarded as a sort of scientific saviour of society. Pictures have been published showing the condition to which Niagara will be reduced in a single decade of years, and the satirist and the sentimentalist have joined hands in attacks upon the sordid commercialism which destroys what nature intended to be indestructible.

But volcanoes, though picturesque, are not so alluring as waterfalls, and might be utilized to almost any extent for practical purposes without fear of a public protest. An Italian engineer, a native of Tuscany, proposes to attempt this feat on a large scale. He has made a close observation of the temperature of a steam issuing from the saffoni, and has found that during the past ten years or so the temperature has scarcely altered, nor has the amount of steam altered, nor has the amount of steam varied much in quantity. The steam rises thirty and occasionally ninety feet, the temperature ranging from two hundred and fifty degrees to two hundred and eighty degrees Fahrenheit.

This ingenious Italian has already succeeded in harnessing the energy for the operation of a small steam engine, to which a dynamo was connected, and is confident of far greater achievements. He is now making endeavors to drive a turbine with the steam issuing from three large saffoni, representing an aggregate of some four thousand horsepower. If these first reports are to be accepted as accurate, it would seem that in the near future a new unit of energy will be created—namely, volcanic power.

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'Tis not the maid well groomed and fair,
The maid with merry eye,
Who fills the world with woeful care
For men like you and I.

'Tis not the gayest of the gay

At party, ball or show,
Who make life seem a fun'nal day
For all mankind—O, no!

All thanks to her with laughing eye

And ruby tinted lips,
Who, at our elbow lingers nigh
And of love's necker sings.

'Tis not the jolly girl, I claim,

Who with her sunny winks
It's just the over-proper dame
That drives the man to drink.
—From the November Bohemian.

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Alfred Nobel, whose memory receives its annual revival in the award of his munificent prizes, has little personal knowledge of England. He disliked our climate and cooking—in all London he found only one hotel and one restaurant where dinner was a possibility, and he qualified even this phrase by describing their cuisine as "the least disagreeable" in England.

A disappointment that he never got over was that he was not elected a member of the Royal Society, while his lifelong weakness and nervous disposition and winter bronchitis made first Paris and then San Remo his chosen abode on his attainment of wealth.

Only twice did Nobel ever visit the great high explosive factory which he established in Scotland. In Paris he was to be seen daily huddled up in his rugs in his carriage driving to his laboratory outside the city. He had an extraordinary knowledge of languages, a distrust of lawyers—he made his own will—and when heart disease came upon him he wore a sphygmograph, to trace the irregularities of his pulses.

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Benefactions continue to be showered upon that most fortunate of Scottish burghs—Dumfermline. The latest benefaction comes from Mr. Peter Donald, New York, who has announced his intention of giving \$1,500 to endow a bed in the Dumfermline and West of Phipps Hospital. A native of the city, who has, like others belonging to Dumfermline, not only a native of the city, but also a native of the firm of Inglis & Co., Dumfermline, who have two large damask works. His father he has been in the habit of giving a treat to the poor of Dumfermline on New Year's Day, a custom established by his brother Robert while he was provost of the city.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Pat and His Property.

There was a special celebration of some kind in the church where a certain Irishman owned a pew. The building was crowded and just as the service began this prospector made his way down the aisle to the door of the pew which was only two seats from the front. In it were two or three ladies, strangers to him. There was an abundance of room near the head of the seat, but he stopped at the door, laid one hand upon the back of the pew next in other said, in a voice loud enough to be heard over half the church—"Come out are that now, or I'll sue you and get you out of the man's way. The man who owned the pew was the last one out in the aisle than the man whose property was being sold. How in wid eye again," he remarked, louder than before. "An' make yourselves at home. O' only wanted yes to know who owned the pew."

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A Co-Ed Conundrum.

Out at the University of Chicago the women's dormitories have developed fountain heads of humor, from which wit springs as spontaneously as oil from John D. Rockefeller's wells in Indiana. Most of the numerous "gags" at the founder's expense are suspected to have emanated from this source. Recently the co-eds have formulated a new jest, or, rather, a new version of an old one, which starts off like this:

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Doctors at Sea.

First interne—Doctor, there's something wrong with the ship.

The surgeon commander—What's the nature of the attack?

First interne—It appears to be an inclination on the outer argument, sir. The lookout calls it a leak.

The surgeon commander—Never mind what the lookout calls it. Treat it with sterilized cotton and surgeon's plaster. If the symptoms do not abate report to me and I will arrange a consultation.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.



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