

Wichita Daily Eagle

ON LAND AGAIN.

And Goodness Gracious, How Glad Every-body Was, to Be Here!

An English clergyman, who had never before been off his "tight little island," was on his way to Spain. After a week on shipboard, he landed in Lisbon. Till then, he says, he never appreciated the feeling of freedom and joy so generally attributed to "Jack on shore."

"A large Norwegian emigrant ship, damaged, had been towed in for repairs, and I beheld the delight of those homely emigrants as they were helped down the ladder to the place where I stood, and sauntered up toward the town. They seemed too full of joy to do anything but laugh, and prove their freedom by stepping to this side and that, or walking down this street and up that one."

"The men were of the poorest class of laborers, and with most of them wives and children. By permission I went on board the vessel with two huge bags of biscuits and sugar-plums for the children—about fifty—and I remember the grace and courtesy of the poor mothers, with children in arms or at their sides, in never pushing forward to get the little offerings for their darlings."

"I remember, too, the dark, close-packed quarters, and the very savory but rough cooking below decks, of which the poor intelligible people always offered me a share. I remember, too, the fair, faxed hair, and the dresses, shapely, but girled round the waist, and the ruddy cheeks of these poor women."

"All this I remember. But one thing I can never forget, namely, the joy with which, one and all, men, women and children, they crowded down the steps of the vessel, and streamed up to the town, to the barracks, to the chief streets, to the sea front, to the country around, only to look about, to feel free, to pluck a daisy, to throw a stone."

"This was the joy of them—joy so plainly expressed in their smiles and gestures, that one who saw could never forget it. And now, after my short seven days on board a steamer, I felt my own joy at putting foot on shore, and I thought of and understood the joy of the Norwegian emigrants."

DEADLY SPIDERS.

Catching Tarantulas with a Thread and Some Chloroform.

The exciting recital of fishing for three deadly tarantulas with a bit of flannel and a spool of thread was told to the writer. The gentleman who told the story had just returned from an extended tour through California and other states, says Forest and Stream. He brought back three creepy-looking members of the spider family.

"I had several interesting experiences," he said, "but the most interesting was the capture of these tarantulas. I had long wished to see them in their native state, and, being in the land which their very presence renders dangerous, I constantly carried a spool of thread, a bit of flannel and a bottle of chloroform."

"I was walking in an orange grove about ten miles from the coast one afternoon when I saw one of the beautiful things just creeping from beneath a large log that was half buried in the sandy soil. I jumped upon the log, so the insect could not crawl up my leg, and then dropped my baited thread. He—I use the sex advisedly, of course—immediately accepted the challenge and hastily caught at the flannel."

"I had lost my balance just then and I jostled the log to regain my position. The happening came near being serious for me, as two of the most ferocious-looking fellows rushed out and all three attacked the flannel, and before I had the one entangled they started upward at the most alarming rate of speed. In some manner or other I was able to retain my presence of mind, and with my cane knocked the uppermost to the ground."

"The remaining two were fighting most viciously, and, as I had gradually let out the thread, became entangled, and by the time the third was at the writhing little mass they were safe from working any harm. The third made another attack, and I soon held a trio of squirming, writhing tarantulas; and then, deprecatingly in a can, I saturated my handkerchief in chloroform and in half an hour had these three, which are the finest specimens of the insect I have yet seen."

Holy Lands of All Religions.

Christians call Palestine the Holy Land because it was the birthplace of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, as well as of our religion. To the Mohammedans, says the San Francisco Examiner, Mecca, in Arabia, is the Holy Land, it being the scenes of the nativity of Mohammed, the savior of those who believe in his doctrine. India is the Holy Land of the Chinese and other Oriental Buddhists, it being the native land of Sakya-Muni, the Supreme Buddha. Ellis, one of the several divisions of the ancient Peloponnesus, was the Mecca and the Jerusalem of the Greeks. The temple of Olympus Zeus was situated at Elis, and sacred festivals were held there each year. The believers in the Sinto religion make annual pilgrimages to Sitsa-Kawa, the immense stone pillar where their supreme ruler last stood while talking to men.

The Rattler's Fatal Charm.

A few days ago, out near America, says the Atlanta Constitution, a good lady who doesn't like notoriety heard a rattlesnake making a terrible fuss and she proceeded to investigate. She found a big rattlesnake coiled up near the foot. Her herself could not kill a snake and the good woman called for help. Help came and the snake was killed. The moment this was done the guinea dropped dead. It certainly was not struck by the snake. It didn't get sick and it didn't swell up. The explanation is that the fowl was charmed. Anyhow, it died as soon as the snake was killed and it certainly wasn't poisoned by the snake.

Money for the Heathen.

Little Dick—Where did you get all that money? Little Dick—From papa and mamma, and uncles and aunts, and the rest. I told 'em I wanted it for the heathen. Little Dick—Will the heathen get it? Little Dick—Yes. The heathens wot takes the crackers will—Good News.

ABOUT THE BIG FIGHTS.

Mike Donovan Thinks Sullivan Has Reduced Flesh Too Rapidly.

Not Quite Certain How the Myers-McAuliffe Battle Will Go, But Pretty Confident That Dixon Will Whip Skelly.

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I do not recall an event of such transcendent importance in the pugilistic world as the tournament at New Orleans which is to decide the heavy weight, the welter weight and the feather weight championships of two continents. No American pugilistic organization can compare in enterprise



THE OLYMPIC CLUB-HOUSE, NEW ORLEANS.

with the Olympic club of the Crescent City, which overcame what appeared to be insurmountable obstacles and arranged definitely for the three greatest fights of the decade, and therefore I say: "All honor to the Olympic club and its fine corps of officials."

As I understand it, the Myers-McAuliffe fight is to take place September 5, the men to weigh in at 135 pounds and the purse to aggregate \$30,000. Of this the club puts up \$10,000 and the backers of each man \$5,000. The second fight is to be between Dixon and Skelly, who are to go into the ring at 118 1/2 pounds. In addition to the purse offered by the club each man is backed for \$5,000.

On September 7 comes the great match of the tournament, in which James Corbett will do battle with John L. Sullivan. Corbett will go into the ring weighing about 190 pounds and Sullivan's backers say he will tip the scales at 210. This I doubt, and my reasons are given below. But a fight for a total of \$45,000 is certainly unparalleled in fistio



BILLY MYERS.

history, and I doubt if in this century we will ever again see so large an amount at stake.

I admire the arrangements for the great fight, as no stone has been left unturned to make certain of the contests, and the guarantees posted are an assurance to the public of the squareness which inspires all the doings of the Olympic club. The fight will take place in the magnificent new clubhouse, in which the arena is arranged to comfortably seat about 10,000 or 12,000 people. In my opinion, at the fight will be nearer 25 than 20 when he goes into the ring. In my career I have gone through the experience of overtraining,



JACK M'AUILLIFFE.

of reducing too low, and, as a result, I was invariably weakened. The system won't stand it. There are sudden reductions in flesh are bound to develop any inherent weaknesses in the system, and this is one thing Sullivan will have to guard against with the utmost precaution.

I have seen Corbett two or three times since he went into training, and he is as fit to fight as was ever a man who stood up in the ring. In fact, he was in condition a month ago, and when I last saw him I felt convinced that he was every inch a champion. He hits with every pound of weight in his body. There is no weakness of strength at any juncture in his battle. When he hits his arm is guided by an excellent judgment, and he hits with 120 pounds, or more, every time. He is clever, too—in my opinion the cleverest man in the ring to-day. He is sound as a dollar, every limb and every part is perfect, and September 7 will see him facing Sullivan, the greatest fighter the latter ever met.

The Myers-McAuliffe fight is a difficult one to forecast. If Myers has improved, and I understand he has, McAuliffe has a hard battle. But they are both plucky, nervy fellows. McAuliffe has the advantage of having fought Myers before, and being a tactician, will improve by that experience. Myers is not so much of a general as McAuliffe, and it is doubtful if he will profit much by his last experience with him. Myers fights peculiarly. His con-

sition is anything but correct, and yet he manages to do some very clever work. Taking the old fights as a criterion—I refer particularly to the draw at Judson, Ind.—I should say that McAuliffe would stand a good show of winning if he cuts the pace at the outset and goes in to finish rapidly. In that fight at Judson Myers proved himself coolheaded. He never once led. I remember meeting him shortly after that fight, and I asked him why he didn't go in to win.

"Why," said the "Cyclone," "those people down in Stretator had mortgaged their houses and their farms to back me, and I wasn't going to run any chances."

Another strong point about Myers is that he is not affected by the jeering or cheering of a crowd. He will hold off if he sees it to his advantage, no matter if the house is hissing itself hoarse.

McAuliffe, on the other hand, responds quickly to the calls of a crowd and makes brilliant rallies. I am of the opinion that it will be a splendid fight, a fight in which there will be lots of science and skill exhibited and plenty of muscle.

As to the last fight, that between Dixon and Skelly, the odds are of course strongly in favor of the little colored wonder. Dixon is a wonderful judge of time and distance, and that is a thing that comes to a prize fighter by intuition. I have found in my experience that they can't be taught, and you can tell in a second whether or not a man is a natural born fighter by his skill in this direction. Dixon, as I say, is a



GEORGE DIXON.

marvelous judge on these two points, and in his last fight with Fred Johnson, who, by the way, is a good fighter, had the Englishman completely at his mercy. Skelly and Dixon are to fight at 118 1/2 pounds and I imagine they will have no trouble in weighing in at that figure.

I know very little about Skelly, except that he is a very clever Williamsburg amateur. But I have always argued that an amateur, no matter how good in his class, is never the equal of a professional. The latter has had a experience with professionals, knows a thing or two about the professional ring, and in that he is always the superior of the first-class amateur. So, while Skelly is a good man and clever enough, he has yet to get a good bit of professional experience before he can be expected to best Dixon. That man is big boned, muscular, shrewy, nervy, "cagey"; his eye, his head and his hands work together all the time. His body blows are terrors, and I must say that



JACK SKELLY.

Skelly, the as he looks, will have a hard time of it against the clever Boston boy. But Skelly is in the hands of Jimmy Carroll, the man who trained Fitzsimmons for his fight with Maher and had a good deal to do with that fighter's success. Carroll is a prize fighter all through and will give Skelly the best of training. On that fact alone Skelly's friends must lay their hope.

Legions of Ancestors.

Did you ever stop to think how many male and female ancestors were required to bring you into the world? Let us reason together on this subject and see if we cannot prove it to be a most curious and interesting theme to write and talk about. First, it was very necessary that you should have a father and a mother—that makes two human beings. Each of them must have had a father and a mother—that makes four more human beings. Then, again, each of these four had a father and a mother making eight more representatives of God's greatest handiwork. So we go on back to the birth of Christ, or through fifty-six generations in all. The result of such a calculation, which can be made in a few minutes by any school child, will show that 139,325,017,489,334,978 births must have taken place in order to bring you into this world. Yes, you who read these lines. All this, too, since the beginning of the Christian era, not since the beginning of time, by any means. According to Professor H., from a single pair, for 5,000 years each husband and wife had married at twenty-one years of age, and there had been no deaths, the population of the earth would now be 2,199,915, followed by 144 ciphers. Verily, the human mind shrinks from contemplating such immense numbers. — St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Costly Mistake.

Poor cupid thinks the times are hard: He's him as stum on be, I saw the boy not long ago— Lamenting loud was he, Repeats his date as costing more Than ever they did of old; For now, to make them kill be, Has to have them tipped with gold.

His First Love.

Young Downie—Id propose to Miss Haughtie, but I'm afraid she'd only promise to be a sister to me. Miss Haughtie's Little Brother—I think she'd promise to be something nearer than that. "Do you, really?" "Yep, I guess she'd promise to be a mother to you."—N. Y. Weekly.

Mickey in a Sad Flight.

Mistress—Well, Bridget, and how is your husband? Washerwoman—Shure, an' he's all used up, mum. Mistress—Why, what ails him? Washerwoman—Inlaid, thin, mum, last night he had such bad dreams that he couldn't stane a wink all night, mum.

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TALKING HEADS OF BRASS. Strange Creations of Old-Time Wizards and Magicians. Upon the authority of several passages in history we are lead to believe that famous wizards, magicians and astrologers have constructed not less than six brazen, human-shaped heads that possessed all the faculties of speech. The first of these was the work of Monk Gerbert, who afterward became pope with the title of Sylvester II. The head is said to have predicted that Gerbert would be pope and that he would not die until he had said mass in Jerusalem. After the first part of the prophecy had been fulfilled and he had placed the papal tiara upon his head he resolved to live forever by steering clear of Jerusalem. While saying mass one day in a small church in a suburb of Rome Sylvester was taken with a sudden rigor. Knowing that his end was near, he asked the rector if the church had any special name. Being informed that it was popularly called "Jerusalem" he closed his eyes and died within an hour.

The second "brazen speaking head" was made by one Robert Grosseteste, an Italian bishop who resided in England between the years 1175 and 1253. The third is said to have been the result of thirty years' labor on the part of the astrologer, Albertus Magnus, who was born in the year 1200. Friar Bacon, who died in 1294, is given the credit of having made a head of brass which constantly repeated the words: "Time comes, time's here, time's past." The marquis of Willes—1844—also made a speaking head of sheet brass. A Polish disciple of Boccetto made the sixth and last mentioned of the famous "talking heads of brass."

PLAYING INDIAN. The Terrible Mistake of a Novel-Reading Cashboy. A laughable incident growing out of the fondness of the average small boy for "blood and thunder" literature is told as happening in Cincinnati. The Times-Star says that one of the city's merchant princes employs a large number of boys, who are compelled to eat their lunch in the basement of the establishment. At this time, too, they were in the habit of playing "Texas Jack," Indians, etc., inspired to this, no doubt, by the perusing of dime novels. One day the proprietor had occasion to visit the lunchroom during the dinner hour, and unconscious of anything, was making his way through a dimly lighted part of the room, when he was suddenly seized from behind. Being a small man, he could do nothing with

his assailant, who, prodding him in the ribs with a wooden bowie knife, hissed in his ear: "I have sworn to avenge the wrong you did me, so die! die like a dog, and thank your lucky stars that you are not killed more." Thinking himself in the hands of a madman the proprietor, with a strenuous effort, released himself and turned to flee, when, catching a glimpse of his would-be murderer (?), saw it was one of his cash boys, who, on seeing his terrible mistake, tried to stammer an apology, expecting to be dismissed on the spot. The proprietor, however, only gave him a lecture, and advised him to refrain from reading blood-curdling literature. There is no more Indian playing in the establishment.

Nature's Handiwork. The processes by which nature forms accumulations of silver are very interesting. It must be remembered that the earth's crust is full of water, which percolates everywhere through the rocks, making solutions of elements obtained from them. These chemical solutions take up small particles of the precious metal which they find scattered here and there. Sometimes the solutions in question are hot, the water having got so far down as to be set a boiling by the internal heat of the globe. Then they rush upward, picking up the bits of metal as they go. Naturally, heat assists the performance of this operation. Now and then the streams thus formed, perpetually flowing bitter and thicker below ground, pass through cracks or cavities in the rocks, where they deposit their loads of silver. This is kept up for a great length of time, perhaps thousands of years, until the fissure or pocket is filled up. Crannies permeating the stony mass in every direction may become filled with the metal, or occasionally a chamber may be stored full of it, as if by a myriad hands were fetching the treasure from all sides and hiding away a future bonanza for some lucky prospector to discover in another age.

The Discovery of Tea. By whom or when the virtues of tea as a beverage were discovered is "lost in the wide revolving shades of centuries passed." The famous herb is spoken of in Chinese annals as far back as 2,598 years B. C., at which time its cultivation and classification was as much of an art as it is to-day. Tradition says that its virtues were discovered by accident. King Shen Nung Shu, "The Divine Husbandman," who flourished forty centuries ago, was boiling water over a fire one evening when some tea

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A REGAL MOTHER-IN-LAW. Queen Victoria's Treatment of Her Daughters' Husbands. However shorn Queen Victoria's authority may be as queen, she retains it all as a mother-in-law. As her family is large, her opportunities are great. To the New York Evening Sun there is something formidable in the idea of a mother-in-law who is also a queen, when she is disposed, as is the queen, to exercise her rights, both natural and inherited, even unto her children's children of the third and fourth generations. The details of a daughter's marriage being mother and child into sweetest communion and sympathy, but these in the marriage of Louis of Wales, the queen took entirely into her own hands and settled altogether to her own satisfaction. Doubtless she prescribed the infant trousseau of Lady Alexander Duff. The English journals do not hesitate to allude to the satisfaction of the duchess of Edinburgh that owing to the royal mourning in England for the duke of Clarence, the wedding of Marie, of Edinburgh, to the crown prince of Roumania, may take place at Coburg, which the Edinburghs regard as their home. The reason plainly assigned is that the duchess will be free to make her own arrangements without the interference of the queen. The same motive, it is alleged, keeps this branch of the royal family out of England so far as etiquette will permit.

Monarchs Who Died of Violence. A curious list has recently been made of the kings and emperors of Europe who have been overtaken by misfortune. It appears that 564 have been ousted from their thrones, 108 have been condemned to death and executed, 21 have committed suicide, 84 are on record as having been placed under restraint in consequence of having become insane, 125 have been killed in warfare, 25 have been tortured to death and 251 have been officially declared to have been assassinated. The number of monarchs who are suspected of having been assassinated is infinitely greater. It will be seen from this that the possession of a throne is not without its extremely objectionable and disagreeable features.

Languages in Africa. The Germans are trying to count the languages that are spoken in their new colonial possessions. In east Africa they have found fifty languages; in southwest Africa, twelve; in Cameroona, twenty; in Toga, five or six. These figures do not include a large number of dialects which are almost equivalent in some cases to another language. The Germans have no idea yet how many languages are spoken in their South sea possessions, but they have thus far counted fifty. Their missionaries and agents are hard at work reducing the languages which are most used to writing and making dictionaries of them.

Rapid Animal Motion. The rapidity of animal motion is sometimes far greater than can be detected by the human eye. It is a favorite amusement of country boys when they can find an owl sitting on a stump in a field to walk around the bird at a considerable distance and see him "twirl his head off." As the observer circles round the creature seems to follow him by turning his head continuously round in a circle. As a matter of fact, however, as soon as the owl's neck is twisted sufficiently for comfort, he turns his head suddenly in another direction, but so quickly that the eye cannot detect the motion.

No Spectacles; Ergo No Wisdom. Miss Russellina Dorchester (of Boston)—Solomon could not have possessed the wisdom with which he is usually accredited. Miss Dorothea Hiddle (of Philadelphia)—Do tell! Miss Russellina Dorchester—No, because spectacles were not even invented in Solomon's time.—Jewellers Circular.

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