RILEY GRANNAN OFF WITH ACTRESS---$60,000 IN DEBT.

The Famous Plunger, Ill and Penniless, Sails for Europe on the St. Paul.

Actress Bride Alone Sticks to the Unfortunate Young Race Track Speculator.

DAISY DIXON.

A FEW OF GRANNAN'S HITS.

1895—Won at New Orleans	$200,000
1895—Won on Lassarone (one race)	70,000
1895—Won on One I Love (one race)	50,000
1896—Gravesend (one race)	50,000
1897—Sheepshead Bay track	60,000
1897—Won at fare from Al Smith	40,000
1897—Won on Forget	9,000
1897—Morris Park ($20 capital)	32,500
1899—In England (estimated)	100,000
Total	$611,500

Riley Grannan, the plunger, has sailed for Europe. He left behind him debts aggregating $60,000, but took his wife, Daisy Dixon, the erstwhile actress, with him. She stuck to him, and both sailed in the second cabin of the St. Paul, under assumed names, last Thursday.

Lately good luck has not come in Grannan's way, and his friends say he has only gone to the other side to borrow money from persons there who are willing to advance him a sum he could not obtain from his sporting acquaintances here. His debts he has flagged, so to speak.

HE ODDLY VANISHED.

In any event there is much talk over Grannan's odd disappearance from the turf and the betting rings.

This is not the first time the plunger, who was once a bellboy in a New Orleans hotel, has sustained losses. Four times he has gone broke and lost each time a fortune. His friends say he will come back and bob up again in the swim.

Ever since he returned from Europe last year he has been "up against it," as the sporting men say. Everything he touched was a frost. His fortune of perhaps $200,000 was dissipated. Every horse he backed lost. Only Daisy Dixon, the pretty young actress wife, stuck to him.

HIS RISE WAS RAPID.

Grannan is a peculiar character on the turf, as queer in his way as old "Father" Bill Daly. After making a few hundred dollars as a bellboy, he bought an interest in a book and in a few months at New Orleans was worth $200,000. He came North and proved a phenomenal winner. At one time he bet everybody to a standstill when he laid 7 to 10 against Domino on Dobbins, and as the race was a dead heat he was $13,000 winner.

Three years ago he was ruled off the tracks for some unprofessional work, but was reinstated later. He is a tall, angular young man, with a thin face, a sharp eye and a lead-pipe cinch on talking too much.

He fell in love with Daisy Dixon, the actress, about two years ago, and their marriage was announced in San Francisco shortly afterward. They lived at the Baldwin Hotel and many costly wedding presents were received by the couple. She is not a brilliant actress, but is very shapely and pretty.

Her acquaintance with Grannan began at the race track near Oakland, where he met her when she was playing with a burlesque company.

Grannan's financial reverses have seriously affected his health and he was a pretty sick man when he went aboard the steamship with his pretty bride.

His friends think he will go to Italy or the south of France for a year if he gets the financial aid he is seeking and try to build himself up.

RILEY GRANNAN.

"Grannan will make good, all right, all right," said a gambler friend. "All he wants is time. If news of a man's being broke gets out the gang jump on him like a pack of wolves. I think Riley was a very wise guy. A real thing. They can't bother him now a bit, and with no knocks coming he'll come out all right. He'll make good. See if he don't."

LITTLE GIRL HEIRESS TO $10,000,000 HERE.

Col. Tom Kruse and His Daughter at the Waldorf—How He Made His Pile.

A little brown-haired girl of thirteen is a demure guest at the Waldorf-Astoria.

She is a plain, every-day sort of girl, with her hair hanging down her back, like the little girls in the story books, and dresses that do not reach below the knees; and as she saunters about the people whisper:

"That's old Tom Cruse's daughter. He's worth $10,000,000—Montana gold king—and it all comes to her some day."

Miss Mary has her governess and maid and she has her regular hours for study, no matter where she is. She plays the piano, guitar and banjo and next Winter wiyll take up the harp. She is also cultivating her voice under the tutelage of a renowned teacher of the Pacific coast who has had apartments in Col. Cruse's home.

"I am very pleased, indeed, to meet a New York newspaper man," said the child to an Evening World reporter this afternoon. She was bright as a dollar coined from some of papa's new-mined gold and perfectly self-possessed. He was a delighted auditor at the interview. "I have heard about them at Helena. I hope you are not the kind that puts wrong things in the paper."

The reporter hoped so, too.

Doesn't Know Money.

"Papa wants to go to Europe for the Paris Exposition and I want to go on to St. Petersburg. I tell him he may go if he will take me. He says I ought to stay at home and study. Pshaw! But I generally have my own way, if I am only thirteen and he sixty-three, and I guess I will have it in this. I usually get what I want out of him."

Large laughter from papa.

"Money?" continued the little heiress, in answer to a question. "I don't know anything about it. If I want anything I just ask for it and it generally comes. I don't know what I would do if I had papa's $10,000,000 to spend all by myself. I don't want so much as that. I'd want to fix it so that poor girls who want to study music and other things should have the chance. I don't know what I would if I couldn't study. One thing I know, if I had papa's money I wouldn't give a lot of it to the Free Silver party, as he did."

Exhuberent laughter from papa.

"Have you formed any plans about getting married?" asked the reporter.

The little lass laughed heartily.

Boys Are Stupid Things.

"Oh, dear me, I know hardly any boys," she said. "Somehow they do not interest me. Some of my girl friends in Helena have brothers, but as a rule I find them pretty stupid. Boys are dreadfully uninteresting things. However, I suppose I shall get married some day. That seems to be the fate of us poor girls. But it is too early for me to bother my head about that. Papa is all the company that I want yet a while."

Col. Tom Cruse, the Father.

It is old Tom himself, in his not too well fitting clothes, who accompanies her. Her chubby hand is lost in his big fist. The knobs have been erased and the callouses which mark years of the hardest kind of toil with miner's tools, the hammer and pick and drill and spade. His hair and beard are white and patriarchal looking, but his step is so alert and active that one scarcely would give him credit for his years.

He is not "Old Tommy" any longer, but Col. Thomas Cruse. One becomes at least a Colonel, in Montana, when one can count his money in seven figures. Cruse ought to be a General or Field Marshal at the very least.

His life story is a Monte Cristo romance. It was the finding of a little bit of quartz no bigger than his knuckles, after searching for thirty years, which led the way to his fortune, which is surpassed by that of only two men in Montana, and brought about the brief but happy marriage which gave him the little daughter, chief among his treasures.

WHAT! NAGLE A GAMBLER?

New Street Cleaning Commissioner Said to Own Pool-Room.

What's this? The office of the new Street-Cleaning Commissioner in a gambling house? Can this be true? What was it the poet said about Augean stables?

The City Directory gives the address of Percival E. Nagle and his "business" in the following terms: "Real estate, 123 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street; h., 6 East One Hundred and Thirtieth street."

A reporter, calling to see Mr. Nagle at his real estate business, was startled to find his office as it is. It is in an old wooden building within a stone's throw of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street station-house. On the ground floor is a cigar store and saloon, run by "Jack" Nagle. Upstairs, in a room decorated by the sign "Winona," high, and low, faro, red and black, roulette and stud poker attract the attention of crowds of young men and old men nightly.

There are two roulette wheels, and they are very busy wheels.

Patrons of the place, which the police cannot see and which the police do not disturb, say that "Jack" Nagle is the patron saint of this interesting place and that Commissioner Nagle is its financial and political backer. It is very interesting. It furnishes much succulent food for study in civic politics and one thing and another.

It is said that Commissioner Nagle has for years been connected with the pool-room business. But now——. For further particulars, see City Directory. Real estate! Ha ha!

Special Election in Jersey City.

A special election will be held in Jersey City to-morrow to decide whether the city will purchase from P. H. Flynn, of Brooklyn, the new water works now nearing completion. It will be necessary to issue $7,595,000 bonds.

BONNER'S PETS GOING.

Sunol, Maud S. and All the Great String at Sale.

There will be held in Madison Square Garden to-morrow the most remarkable sale of light harness and trotting horses ever conducted in this country. The sale is more than interesting, for the reason that it marks the end of the Bonner stable, the most famous string of trotters and pacers that one man ever gathered together.

The name of Robert Bonner has been a synonym for fast trotters for many years. No other man ever expended so much money for harness horses, and his fame extended the world over through the performances of Maud S. and Sunol.

All these memories are revived by the announcement that Bonner horses are at last to go under the hammer, and the auctioneers will extol their qualities to-morrow in Madison Square Garden.

The Bonner horses have been in the public eye for nearly half a century. To be exact, four years are lacking to make up that time. Mr. Bonner made his first investment in horseflesh in 1856, buying a bay mare that could trot in about three minutes. He paid $275 for that old mare. He lived to see harness horses travel at a gait better than two minutes. He also increased investments until he amazed the world by paying $40,000 for Maud S.

Maud S. and Sunol were very high types of the trotter. So was Dexter, for whom Mr. Bonner paid $33,000 on the day that the white-faced gelding lowered the record to 2.17 1-4 at Buffalo.

To illustrate the onward march of the harness horse since the days of Dexter it is only necessary to state that, at the auction to-morrow, there will be offered no less than sixty-eight trotters and pacers who have records equalling or to beat the time of Dexter. Yet it is doubtful if any of these horses or mares will bring the price that Dexter brought, many years ago.

There are many of the Bonner horses to be offered which have not become famous. The most noted is Sunol. Maud S. is in the stud, but Sunol has not been bred. There are grand possibilities in her, as it is very likely that competition will be very brisk. She is not likely, however, to bring anywhere near the money her owner paid for her.

Sunol trotted a mile in 2.08 1-4, which stands as her record. Maud S.'s mark was 2.08 3-4, which she made at Cleveland, O., July 20, 1885. This, however, was in the days before the modern pneumatic-tired sulky came into vogue.

Mr. Bonner always claimed, while other trotters were beating the records of Maud S. and Sunol, that they were not equal to the task of beating his two mares if they used the old-fashioned, wooden-wheeled iron-tired sulky.

To-morrow Fasig Co. will offer one hundred and forty-five trotters and pacers, mares, colts and geldings, every one of which has a record of 2.10 or better.

But the fact that the most famous, most costly and best stable of trotters ever assembled together by one man is to be offered in the history of the sale.

SUNOL.

FIRE HORSE WENT MAD.

Plunged Into Crowd and Knocked People Down.

A horse attached to Fire Hose Tower No. 2 went mad at 10.15 o'clock this morning while running to the fire at Houston and Elizabeth streets, and by its frantic plunges knocked down a half dozen persons and then dashed out its own brains against the curbstone. The fire tower was unable to proceed to the fire and an immense crowd blocked the street.

The horse began to rear and plunge at the corner of Houston and Elizabeth streets, bringing the tower cart almost to a standstill. Then he lashed out with his front and rear hoofs, alternately kicking his mates severely.

The other horses began to plunge also, and the driver was unable to control them. They swerved into the crowd running to the fire, scattering the people right and left.

Adam Willner, Walter Smith, John Reynolds and Henry Goodman were knocked down and badly bruised. They were attended in a drug store and were able to go home.

The fire hoses dashed madly around the corner at Bowery and Fletcher st. so. The heavy tongue swung around and threw him heavily to the street.

The animal's head struck the curbstone with a crash, splitting open the skull. The other horses were hauled up short by their fallen comrade's weight and plunged furiously over its body.

The hose tower could not proceed until the horse, which still struggled, was shot and hauled out of the way. Then the fire was out.

TROY PUPILS STRIKE.

High School Boys Refuse to Work on Lincoln's Birthday and Go on Parade.

(Special to The Evening World.)

TROY, Feb. 12.—The entire Boys' High School struck to-day because the School Board refused to let them have Lincoln's Birthday.

The students paraded the streets with flags and banners denouncing the School Board.

Workingmen to Hear Lectures.

Beginning next Thursday evening a series of lectures to the workingmen of the city will be given in St. George's Protestant Episcopal Church, Stuyvesant Square, under the auspices of Bishop Potter, the Revs. Lyman Abbot and W. S. Rainsford, and Josiah Strong, ex-Mayor Abram S. Hewitt and a number of other distinguished men. A musical programme will form a part of every lecture.

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