

HUNGRY SNAKES ATTACK KEEPERS

One Man's Thumb Bitten to the Bone and Another's Leg Almost Crushed in Fight with Reptiles.

EXCITING STRUGGLE IN CAGE IN CENTRAL PARK.

Men Were Giving the Snakes Anti-Parasitic Medicine When a Twelve-Foot Python Seized One in His Coils.

Three of the keepers at the Central Park menagerie had a battle with eleven pythons in the large cage in Central Park today, and one of the men, Jacob Cook, an assistant keeper, had the thumb of his right hand badly bitten, and Keeper H. K. Shannon had his right leg badly squeezed between the work of giving the pythons medicine was satisfactorily accomplished.

THREE MEN ENTER CAGE.

It was decided to give them an anti-parasitic medicine, and Supp. Smith ordered Keepers Cook, Shannon and Snyder to give the snakes the medicine early today before the every day crowds arrived.

Accordingly the three men entered the cage, locking the doors after them. Of the eleven snakes some were swimming about in the two tanks and others were coiling about in the trees in the cage. All of the snakes are from eight to twelve feet long.

Keeper Snyder was armed with a long sprayer filled with the medicine. Keeper Shannon would catch one of the pythons and Cook by the tail, so that the snake could not coil about the men and crush them, and then Shannon would open the mouth with a stick and Snyder would force the medicine down the snake's throat.

After the medicine had been given the snake was placed in a gunny-sack and left in a corner, it being thought advisable to keep them covered until all had been given the medicine.

Snake Springs from Tree. Three of the snakes had been given the medicine and the others were becoming greatly excited. The largest of the snakes, at the foot of a specimen, was coiling about in the trees. He appeared to be much more excited than the others and two or three times had slid down the trunk of the tree toward the men, but had been driven back.

Finally this python swung from the tree and struck at Shannon's stomach, and he was thrown back in time to escape the snake and also prevented him from coiling about him. Cook reached the snake and grabbed him by the neck, but too late, and before he could do anything the snake had twisted his head and fastened its teeth in Cook's stomach.

Cook shouted for help, and Shannon ran up to pull the snake away. As he did so the snake coiled himself from the tail about Shannon's right leg. The python began to squeeze the leg, and Shannon was also shouting for aid, when Snyder stepped forward and seized the snake by the head and the other finally forced the medicine down the snake's throat and placed him also in a gunny-sack. The remaining snakes were then captured one by one and given the medicine and left to recover from their excitement.

Cook's thumb was dressed by the park ambulance surgeon. Shannon's leg was not crushed but was tightly squeezed, and a moment or two longer it would probably have been crushed by the coils which were tightening every moment.

JAPANESE FACTORY WOUND UP IN NIGHT BATTLE

The guns fired by the Russians developed a range of 8,500 metres. Eight heavy guns posted on the Russian right in the vicinity of Hushangtao also were discovered, and another strong Russian position developed by these reconnaissance was on another hill southwest of Nanshan Hill, where the Russians had a series of shelter trenches.

Wednesday morning at 5.30 the Japanese attacked Kinchow, and for three hours they had an artillery duel with the batteries on Nanshan Hill. The Russian gunners searched the Japanese lines with their fire, but failed to inflict much damage.

The battle was resumed at dawn on Thursday. Three Japanese gunboats then entered Kinchow Bay, and in co-operation with the artillery on shore shelled the Russian positions on Nanshan Hill.

A Russian gunboat in Tallenwan Bay steamed close to the shore and shelled the Japanese left.

UPPER BROADWAY BLOCKED BY FIRE

Spectacular Blaze in Herald Square Stable Attracts an Enormous Crowd and Street Car Lines Are Blocked.

HOTELS AND APARTMENT HOUSES IN EXCITEMENT.

Two Alarms Are Sounded and Engines Have Hard Time to Get Through Throgs of People on the Streets.

Upper Broadway and Sixth avenue were blocked this afternoon by the crowds that gathered to witness a fire in Thirty-ninth street near Sixth avenue. Great clouds of smoke ascended from the blaze, giving the impression all through the Tenderloin that a tremendous conflagration was in progress.

The fire was in the old Herald Square Stable, now occupied by H. L. Messmore as a theatrical-property factory and scenery storehouse. The building extends half-way back to Fortieth street and abuts on the rear of two buildings at the northwest corner of Thirty-ninth street and Sixth avenue.

Many workmen were busy in the Messmore place to-day stowing away scenery of attractions that have just closed on the road. They had just completed putting away the scenery of "The Casino Girl" and "The Belle of New York" when the fire was discovered on the ground floor.

It is supposed that one of the workmen started the blaze by throwing a lighted cigar or cigarette into a corner. The inflammable nature of the contents of the building balked the efforts of the factory hands to extinguish the fire.

Hard Job Fighting Fire. The firemen who responded to the first alarm immediately sent in a second, which brought Deputy Chief Duane to the scene. He took charge of the work of fighting the fire and kept the flames confined to the Messmore Building, but it was a hard job.

At the northeast corner of Sixth avenue and Thirty-ninth street is a five-story building occupied by one of Horton's ice-cream factories and F. Skelton's trunk works. Next to this building on the north is Miller's Hotel, three stories high. The occupants of these buildings were ordered out until it was seen that the fire was under control.

In the windows of the flat-houses and hotels around the fire there was the greatest display of negligee costumes the Tenderloin has seen for years. The crowds of this class will be watched with unusual interest, as their performances will be a criterion for the final results of to-morrow's games.

The heat of the hundred-yard dash were first started. Five of them were scheduled, the winners to complete the race in the first round, and the second were to run in a special heat, three to qualify for the semi-final. The winners of the semi-final were:

100-Yard Dash—First heat won by Shick, Harvard, time 17.5 seconds; second, Doughterty, Georgetown, time 18.0 seconds; third, Williams, Princeton, time 18.5 seconds.

Second Heat—Won by Castleman, Colgate, time 18.5 seconds; second, Cornell, time 19.0 seconds; third, Cornell, time 19.5 seconds.

Third Heat—Won by Duffley, Georgetown, time 19.0 seconds; second, Yale, time 19.5 seconds; third, Cornell, time 20.0 seconds.

Fourth Heat—Won by Cartwell, Pennsylvania, time 19.5 seconds; second, Cornell, time 20.0 seconds; third, Cornell, time 20.5 seconds.

Special Heat for Second Men—Three to qualify—Won by Yale, time 18.5 seconds; second, Yale, time 19.0 seconds; third, Yale, time 19.5 seconds.

50-Yard Dash—First heat won by Shick, Harvard, time 12.5 seconds; second, Doughterty, Georgetown, time 13.0 seconds; third, Williams, Princeton, time 13.5 seconds.

Second Heat—Won by Castleman, Colgate, time 13.5 seconds; second, Cornell, time 14.0 seconds; third, Cornell, time 14.5 seconds.

Luna Park Coupon No. 5. From THE EVENING WORLD of Friday, May 27, 1904. This coupon when accompanied by Coupons 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 of the Third Week Series—SIX COUPONS IN ALL—will be exchangeable at the main office of The World, Pulitzer Building, Park Row; the Uptown World Office, 1381 Broadway; The World Harlem Office, 211 West 125th street; the Brooklyn World Office, 292 Washington street and 317 Fulton street, and at the main entrance of Luna Park, for one EVENING WORLD ticket of admission to Luna Park, good for any week day or evening during the week beginning Tuesday, May 31, and ending Saturday, June 4.

SIX coupons, numbered serially from 1 to 6 and cut from The Evening World of Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, this week, will entitle the holder to one ticket for Luna Park good for any week day or evening of the week which begins Tuesday, May 31, and ends Saturday, June 4. The coupons are valueless if presented in any other way than all six together—Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive. For every set of six a ticket will be given.

COLLEGIANS IN ATHLETIC GAMES

Annual Intercollegiate Championship Trials Contested To-Day on Franklin Field, Philadelphia.

(Special to The Evening World.) FRANKLIN FIELD, PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—The twenty-ninth annual field and track championships of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of America were started here this afternoon. The conditions for this great annual athletic carnival were almost perfect, the only drawback being a stiffish westerly breeze, which faced the sprinters in the two short dashes. Although the wind was not likely to affect any of the competitors as far as handicapping them was concerned, it destroyed all possibility of any new records in the 100-yard or 200-yard dashes.

GIANTS DEFEAT THE BROOKLYNS

(Continued from First Page.) made a pretty one-hand stop and threw the ball into the hands of McGinn. McGinn splashed one to centre for a base and slid safely into second on a steal, Strang dropping Ritter's throw. Mertes was allowed to take a walk and McGinn made a neat steal of third. Mertes pitched second without Ritter making an effort to catch him. Strang captured H. McCormick's auspicious drive. NO RUNS.

Second Inning. Babb received a life on Gilbert's fumble of his slow one. M. McCormick sacrificed. Dahlen's fast work retired Ritter at first. Garvin boosted a high one to M. McCormick, who sacrificed. Dahlen was called out on strikes and he didn't look satisfied with the decision. Gilbert perished on a grounder to Dillon. Garvin covering the bag. Warner took a wide pitch in the left hand line. Mertes pitched to Lumley, squeezed Mertes' long ascension. NO RUNS.

Third Inning. Sheekard hit past Gilbert for a sack. Lumley followed with a single to left. Both men moved up on a passed ball. Dahlen sent into Mertes' hand. A wild pitch let Sheekard score and Lumley take third. Dillon was passed by first. Mertes pitched to Strang, who squeezed Mertes' lofty ascension. NO RUNS.

Fourth Inning. Mathewson blocked M. McCormick's drive sufficiently for Dahlen to throw him out. Three called strikes settled Dahlen's fate. Garvin on a club swinging act. NO RUNS.

Fifth Inning. Sheekard's lined pop dropped safely close to catcher and apparently lost it in the sun. Mertes got Lumley's sacrifice to McGinn in ample time. The big fellow also threw out Dahlen on a bunt. H. McCormick took Dillon's soarer. NO RUNS.

Sixth Inning. Strang's pop fly fell into Dahlen's glove. Dahlen and McGinn took care of Babb. M. McCormick's well proved to be looked up. Gilbert drew a free ticket. Warner hit sharply to Garvin and died at first. NO RUNS.

Seventh Inning. Garvin was retired on strikes. Sheekard pitched an enough good one to get a pass. Lumley followed with a free ticket and Sheekard was forced at second. Dahlen stole second. Dahlen bunted and Mertes' fast assist caught him by a hair. NO RUNS.

EIGHTH Inning. Strang's pop fly fell into Dahlen's glove. Dahlen and McGinn took care of Babb. M. McCormick's well proved to be looked up. Gilbert drew a free ticket. Warner hit sharply to Garvin and died at first. NO RUNS.

NINTH Inning. Strang's pop fly fell into Dahlen's glove. Dahlen and McGinn took care of Babb. M. McCormick's well proved to be looked up. Gilbert drew a free ticket. Warner hit sharply to Garvin and died at first. NO RUNS.

CHAUFFEUR LOST CONTROL OF BIG TOURING CAR AND IT DASHES DOWN STEEP HILL AND JUMPS OVER FENCE.

Chauffeur loses control of big touring car and it dashes down steep hill and jumps over fence. The car was driven by a chauffeur named Alfred P. Hanna, a shoe manufacturer. They had been in Tarrytown, and were returning. McGirk was the chauffeur, and on the front seat with him sat Bertschmann.

They decided to take a short cut through James lane to Webster avenue. James lane runs down a steep hill and the roadway is in bad shape. When half way down the hill the running gear broke and the steering gear seemed to get out of control at the same time.

The big car gained headway at every inch, and McGirk shouted that he had lost control of the machine. One of the men on the rear seat started to jump, but McGirk restrained him, telling him it was certain death. The roadway was narrow, and the banks dropped down forty feet at a steep incline.

At the foot of the hill is a sharp turn, and just beyond it a stone wall at the edge of the lawn in front of Dr. Kellogg's private sanitarium. The machine struck the wall, ran along a few feet, jumped over the wall and turned over, pinning Bertschmann and McGirk underneath. Wars and Brees were hurled twenty feet away.

A leak started in the gasoline tank, and as Dr. Kellogg and his assistants reached the wreck it began to blaze. McGirk, who was still conscious, was shouting for some one to put out the fire, fearing an explosion of the gasoline tank.

Dr. Kellogg and his assistants extricated the men who were pinned under the auto and extinguished the flames. An ambulance was summoned from Fordham Hospital and the injuries of Brees and Wars were attended to. McGirk and Bertschmann were taken to the hospital and attended to by the surgeons there. Both are said to have sustained internal injuries and each had several ribs broken.

JOBS FOR H. S. THOMPSON. Appointed Member of City Improvement Commission. Henry S. Thompson, Superintendent of the Building Department under Mayor Low, who was named as the successor to Percy M. Stewart, removed from that position by former Borough President Cantor, has a new job under the present administration.

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McCARREN'S ALLY

Brooklyn Democratic Leader Has a Long Conference with the New York District-Attorney—Much Gossip Results. Senator Patrick H. McCarren, of Brooklyn, called on District-Attorney Jerome at the Criminal Courts Building late this afternoon and had a private talk with him lasting an hour. Neither man would discuss the subject of the conference afterward, but the visit was sufficient to revive an old rumor that Mr. Jerome will soon come out as the leader of a new Democratic organization in this city.

Much of the fear in which Charles F. Murphy and other Tammany leaders have professed to hold Senator McCarren has been based on his alleged ambition to create a new Democratic organization here on the lines of the old County Democracy. If Senator McCarren really has such an ambition, an affiliation with Mr. Jerome would greatly strengthen his position.

At the same time such a connection might prove embarrassing. That Mr. Jerome cherishes gubernatorial ambitions is an open secret. Mr. Grout has thrown himself into the McCarren cause, and if it is successful, expects an affiliation with Mr. Jerome would greatly strengthen his position.

There is much speculation as to the exact talk that the Brooklyn Senator and Mr. Jerome had to-day. No one believes that any business other than political would keep these two in conference for an hour.

Mr. Jerome smiled when asked if he were going to help McCarren start a rival organization to Tammany Hall, but said nothing. Senator McCarren smiled, too, but was equally unwilling to say what his business at the District-Attorney's office was.

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