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The Center Market will be open for the usual large supply of Meats, Turkeys, Fowls, Fish, Game, Butter, Eggs, Cheese, Fruits and Flowers for the holidays. The market is being decorated with a fine display of luxuries of all kinds. Everybody goes to this Mammoth Center Market.

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JOUR DES MORTS IN PARIS.

It Costs $5,000 a Month for Flowers for Young Mackay's Tomb.

London News.

Winter has come upon Paris in its most unpleasant form—that of icy drizzle. It interfered on Sunday with pilgrimages to the cemeteries.

Tens of thousands wended their way there in the morning before the rain began to fall. The graves were less richly decorated with flowers than usual. This season chrysanthemums are more than twice the price they were last winter. The long drought interfered with the growth of these flowers. The intramural cemeteries are the most adorned.

A perpetual grave of two square yards now costs £42, and one of ten yards £840. Rich people only can lie there, and nobody is sure that they will not be disturbed. The The city has a right to run a new thoroughfare across a cemetery without giving compensation, but it must bear the expense of transporting the remains and rebuilding the tombs.

The tomb of Marie Bashkirtseff at Passy was one of the sights of the day, ornamented with white chrysanthemums that looked soft as falling snowflakes. M. Thiers' tomb, which is also that of Mme. Thiers and her mother, was remarkable for its wealth of fresh roses. Mme. Oosne devotes her time and much of her fortune to a rose garden and greenhouses to keep his grave perpetually covered with flowers, but she is most lavish on the Jour des Morts.

The coffin of the late J. W. Mackay, now lying in a vault of St. Augustin's Church, was not to be seen. It will be transported to Greenwood Cemetery, United States, when Mrs. Mackay has recovered strength enough to attend the second funeral. Meanwhile a florist contracts to keep the vault decorated with flowers at the cost of £1,000 a month. The family, on their side, constantly send choice flowers.

His Condition Improved.

Millard F. Holland, who was brutally assaulted by Albert F. Colbert Monday evening, is resting quietly at his home, and is in a fair way to recovery. Colbert, his negro assailant, is still at large, but the police are hopeful of landing him in a few days.

Dr. Tanner Beaten

In His Fast of 40 Days.

Edward Cowan, of Baltimore,

Has Not Eaten a Meal for 40 Years.

Physicians Greatly Surprised at His Wonderful Vitality.

AN INTERESTING CASE.

Mr. Edward Cowan, 889 Hollins street, Baltimore, I have not eaten a meal with any satisfaction for the last forty years. I have had the best medical advice; none could relieve me or tell me my disease. I thought I was the last man on earth to have catarrh, and no one of over one dozen physicians said I ever had catarrh, but today to the world I am a well man. My head is clear. Headaches gone. My nerves strong. Not a pain or ache, and can eat anything set before me. And due to Dr. George W. Fisher's Catarrh Cure. Price 50 cents, sold all drug stores and office, 617 Fourteenth street northwest. Office hours 9 to 11 a. m., and 3 to 5 p. m. Consultation free.

MANY ARRESTS MADE

People Who Will Spend the Holiday in Jail.

FOR BLOWING A HORN

Bad Whisky From Willow Tree Alley Causes Trouble for John Thomas. One Man's Crutches Caused Him to Be Given a Jail Sentence—Judge Kimball's Court Was Busy.

"Merry Christmas," ticked the big clock on the wall of the dingy old police court room in the grim building at Sixth and D streets; "Merry Christmas," said the bailiffs, also, when Judge Kimball took the bench, and then the button was pressed.

But the forty-nine prisoners that arranged themselves a la sardines in the dock before his honor didn't repeat the greeting. There were too many headaches, too many faint recollections that sometime in the past they thought they were celebrating Christmas eve.

Then, too, it did not seem exactly proper to wish others a merry yuletide when each had pending over them the possibility of spending the remainder of 1895 on the banks of the Eastern branch.

"Henry Huyler," called the clerk, and a white man stepped to the front and and pleaded guilty to vagrancy.

"You are fined $5," said the clerk, and as Henry slipped back there were only four dozen prisoners left in the dock.

A PERPETUAL DRUNK.

"I see dot man las' night drunk on N street," said an officer, who did not come from the Emerald Isle, as James Pedy was arraigned for vagrancy. "He ist drunk all die time and beats his vife."

"I have been drinking some of late," said James, as he shoved his fist through his hair, "but I haven't been drunk. Yes, I am out on my personal bonds from Judge Miller's court."

"Well, you are evidently not much good to your family, and you may go down for thirty days."

Margaret Wilson is a white woman, and she has seen fully five and two scores of Christmases.

"This woman was drunk and begging on Seventh street last night," said the policeman in the case. "When I took her to the box she created a great disturbance."

"Ten dollars fine."

"Can't you give me till Saturday to pay the fine, judge," said Margaret. "I am expecting to get some Christmas presents that I can put up to raise the fine."

"That's too uncertain," said the court. "Step back," said the bailiff, and Margaret will begin the leap year in the workhouse.

IN WILLOW TREE ALLEY.

Willow Tree alley whisky is questionable at any time. On Christmas eve it is dangerous.

John Thomas, a colored man, with a once white handkerchief over his right eye, was accused of cursing and swearing.

"Did he take the name of God in vain?" asked the court.

"Indeed he did," replied the policeman, "I heard him four blocks. He was quarreling with another man."

"How about it, Thomas?" asked Judge Kimball.

"I wusn't quarrelin', jedge. Me an' dat other man wus jes' fussin' a trifle, an' he plunked me over the eye."

"What?"

"He swiped me wid a stick over de eye, jedge."

"Then you were fighting?"

"No, sah, no, sah; not me; but he was, yo' honor."

"Let's see you eye."

The bailiff pulled the rag from over it.

"Why, it isn't marked."

"No, sah; but it was struck, sar, an' it feels like it's marked mighty heavy on de inside."

"Well, we'll take your personal bonds, while you have your eye doctored," said the court; "but that eye doesn't look as if it was hurt."

UNRULY CRUTCHES.

Phillip Carroll wears two crutches, and when Phil stands before the bar for a few rounds his artificial supports get very crazy.

They did that last night, and as he slung one crutch around to hit a boy on Seventh street the other flew from under him, and then when he fell he swore dreadfully, the policeman said.

"Why, you were only here yesterday," said Judge Kimball.

"I know it, your honor, and I had not been home yet."

"Well, you may go down for thirty days on both charges."

Though one of the provisions in the new police regulations permits the use of horns and bugles on the streets on certain occasions, including Christmas, Ike Mitchell, colored, is going to spend half a month in the workhouse for doing it while thousands of others, more fortunate in circumstances, will eat their Christmas dinners at home this evening.

HE BLEW A HORN.

"That boy came out of his house on 8 street," said Policeman Bell, who arrested him, "blowing a horn and making lots of noise. Then he cursed and swore. I told him to stop blowing the horn, and he ran in the house and then came back again."

"Mitchell, what have you to say?" asked the court.

"I was blowin' de horn, jedge, but I didn't know dar wuz any harm in it. I didn't curse an' swear at all."

"Fifteen days," said Judge Kimball. "The amount of disorder in this city last night was a disgrace to the Capital of the nation. Instead of fifty there ought to have been 500 arrested. The police ought to capture every man that blew a horn. The good name of the city has been disgraced."

John Lee wears a medal. It is a handsome gold one and may be seen at most any time on the lapel of his vest. Whether it is worn because Mr. Lee is a social leader or not is not known.

Anyhow John was out making Christmas calls last night. He had reached No. 216 Sixth street southwest about the time Santa Claus must have been making his final rounds. Then John decided it was time to go home, No. 1113 Twelfth street, and he hailed a cab. He didn't pay the cabby.

CHARGED HIM TOO MUCH.

"I really didn't know when we got home, and didn't know what the charges were," said Lee. "I thought the man was trying to charge me too much and told him to drive me to the station house. When we got there the police arrested me."

"Well, if you had paid him last night it would have cost you $1.25," said the court, "now it will cost you $3."

There was another Lee. This time it was Jim Lee, a Chinese laundryman at the corner of New York avenue and Ninth street. A mouse dropped in the center of a sewing circle couldn't produce half the consternation that ran over the people in the courtroom where the clerk announced that Lee had been drunk, according to the information.

A DRUNKEN CHINAMAN.

"What!" said Judge Kimball, "a Chinaman drunk? I never saw nor heard of one before."

"Lee went over to a fruit stand at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Seventh street," said the policeman, "and he was drunk. I went over to him, as he was creating a disturbance, and he cursed me terribly."

An interpreter came with Lee.

"He no guiltee," said the interpreter.

"Let him explain," demanded Judge Kimball.

"He no speakee Melican words."

"Why, he swore hard enough at the officer."

"No, he can't talkee good. It was 'this way: Lee wanted coacanut; he had been drinkee little, an' had some whiskee for ladee in house where he livee. Lee shookee coacanut, see if goodee, you know. He no makee disturbance. He no drinkee much."

"Well, that is a strange experience," the court said. "Lee, you will get off easy this time. Never disgrace the Chinese so much as to get drunk again. I'll fine you $3."

FOR HOLIDAY TIMES.

Holiday decorations have not only increased but improved of late years. The furnishing of fine holly and berries has become a money-making business, which employs a large number of people.

Various sections of the United States, from Florida to Canada, send their supply of green branches to decorate the churches all over the country. Every December, from the South, come carloads of Florida moss, Salsal palm, smilax, mistletoe, ivy and bay, and from the North arrive evergreens and running cedar.

Formerly all the holly used in our homes and churches was real English holly, but now nearly all that we use comes from the South, where this plant flourishes in profusion, often growing sixty feet high. As a shrub it is often found as far north as Maine.

Holly is packed carefully so as not to damage the berries, and a box containing about sixteen cubic feet sells at wholesale for $3.

Our laurel is used as a substitute for holly, and it makes a beautiful decoration. Among the other greens are Florida moss and long-needle pines. The moss is used with good effect over pictures, easels, mantels, etc. The branches of long-needle pine are used in making a large bouquet for placing in the corners of the room or beside the fireplace.

Club moss and running cedar are found in abundance in the virgin forests of Wisconsin, where the supply is gathered by the Indians.

Blackbirds With Appetites.

If anyone has just cause to desire the total extermination of destructive birds, E. D. Smith has just grounds to detest the blackbirds, as he has lost through them at least $1,000 this year.

Mr. Smith had probably the best crop of Egyptian corn this year ever grown in Butte county. He planted fifty acres during the proper season and almost every hill came up, and the corn grew and flourished until it was as high as a man's head, and every stock produced fine heads; in fact, good judges claimed that the yield would average forty bushels to the acre.

Mr. Smith waited patiently for the crop to mature, well pleased with the prospects of a bountiful yield. But judge of his chagrin when he went out to view the corn a few days ago to find the field the feeding ground for myriads of blackbirds and the whole field devastated. The birds had taken the entire crop as completely as if it had been run through a threshing machine.—Biggs (Cal.) Argus.

COLUMBIA'S ROAD RACE

New Cycle Club Has Its Initial Run Over the Tenleytown Course.

C. E. Wood Won Both the Time and First Prize—Jose Took a Tumble, But Pluckily Continued.

The first road race held under the auspices of the New Columbia Cycle Club was run over the Tenleytown road this morning. The course was for five miles, starting from the Woodley Lane road, and seven men competed for the prizes, which were donated by the local cycle companies.

Although there were only a score or so of spectators present the event was a success in every way. C. E. Wood, who started from scratch, won both the first and time prize. He easily outrode the others in the race and when he passed under the tape was going so easily that he coasted in.

Notwithstanding the fact that the road is a very bad one for a race, fairly good time was made, and there was only one accident during the run. E. Jose took a header, after going about two miles, but escaped with a few slight scratches and a general shaking up. He picked himself up and pluckily continued the race.

The officials of the race were:

Judges, C. L. Petze, Frank J. Wisner; starter, William Jose; clerk of the course, C. I. Ronsaville; referee, William T. Robertson.

The prizes which have been donated for the winners in the race, are a pair of G. & J. tires and rims, by C. L. Palmer & Co.; a pair of tires, by Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company; a pair of M. & W. tires, by Morgan & Wright of Chicago, and a Trenton cyclometer, by the Trenton Watch Company.

The finish of the race, with the corrected time, is as follows:

C. E. Wood, scratch, 15:27.
W. Walcott, 1 minute, 16:28.
R. Chrystie, 1 minute, 30 seconds, 18:44.
T. Wood, 45 seconds, 17:37.
H. Fiske, 2 minutes, 20:30 1-2.
R. Jose, 30 seconds, 18:04 1-2.
J. Pilling, 2 minutes, 21:13.

Hard to Realize.

The flash and glint of steel-shod, clinking heels,
The rasp and glitter of the skates on glaring ice;
And round and round the school boy skims and wheels;
Above his quickened breath in vapor takes its rise,
Awhile he sits upon the bank in snow,
And o'er the frozen surface sweeps his shrinking eye;
"I wonder how I ever come to swim
In this here pond in hottest days of las' July."
—Chicago Record.

The Bullet Proof Vest.

"Ladies and gentlemen, dis young man has kindly consented to shoot at me at 20 paces."

II.

III.

"De young man was nervous, I fear, but you will notice de vest remains unpunctured."

—Life.

RING, TRACK AND PADDOCK.

Pate's Mexico track is not making money.

Bob Smith, the Montana jockey, is in California.

Forget is showing up strongly as a two-year-old.

Avondale stable leads in winnings at New Orleans.

Old Logan is still in great form and a steady winner.

The Oakley and Latonia spring meetings follow Louisville.

The loss of Thorpe has been a blow to Fleischmanns.

Rancho del Paso has purchased Imp. Mariner for $2,300.

Jockey J. Hill heads at New Orleans in winning mounts.

Henry McDaniel will train C. H. Smith's two-year-olds.

Yearling races will be inaugurated in Louisiana in January.

Next season will be a great one for running in the West.

Starter Fitzgerald is improving in his work at New Orleans.

Ed. Smith has been made manager of the Bay District track.

Eastern horses are not doing so well in the South this winter.

Skin grafting is the latest scheme for effacing blemishes on horses.

Poor lots of youngsters pulled down the average at the Lexington sale.

Richard Croker's winnings in England were $1,925; Mr. Dwyer's, $1,975.

J. McDonald has left Rancho del Paso, and will train for W. O'B. Macdonough.

It is reported that Applegate & McMeekin have made overtures for Fred Gebhard's St. Saviour.

W. B. Jennings has purchased from M. Gilpin, bay colt Tom Moore, 3, by The Bard, dam Tara. Terms private.

Millionaire Walter Hobart was fined $50 for working Bright Phoebus over the track between the races recently.

Jockey Cassidy owns half interest in Overalle, which has won four good races recently.

Col. George E. Rust will retire from the management of the stock farm of Eugene Leigh.

Zaldivar, who came in third in the American Derby a few years ago, is now a selling plater.

George Engeman denies the report that he would erect a $100,000 grand stand at Brighton Beach. He has stated he would sell the property.

A call has been sent out for a meeting at Indianapolis, Ind., January 7, to arrange a circuit of running race meetings for June and July next year.

Several tracks in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, which have heretofore been the scene of trotting races, will cater to runners next year.

C. Littlefield, who has recently returned from England, where he carried four yearlings, last month, is much pleased with the looks of things at Newmarket.

H. Eugene Leigh, La Belle Stud, Ky., has secured G. W. Johnson, brown horse, foaled 1890, by Iroquois, dam Brunette, by Imp. Bonnie Scotland, and he will do stud service at La Belle farm.

Kit Chinn, who was the starter at the St. Louis fair grounds the past season, has been employed by that association for the season of 1896, and John J. Carter and Joseph Murphy have been engaged to act as judges.

"Lonnie" Clayton has gone to his home in Little Rock, Ark., and will remain there until March 1, when he will report to Col. W. P. Thompson, Brookdale stud, by whom he has been engaged for the coming season.

J. W. Rogers has returned to Morris Park, after a week's visit to Lexington, Ky. Glenmoyne, who is turned out at Elmerdorf will, in Mr. Rogers' estimation, be cured of his bleeding trouble after roughing it for the winter.

The Tennessee Derby, the chief stake event of the New Memphis Jockey Club, which closed January 15, 1895, has 133 entries. This event, which will be run at the spring meeting, 1896, at Montgomery Park, should prove an exciting and well-contested race.

Curley Brown, who was starter at the Kansas City meeting, has made formal charges against Judge Crevelling, accusing him of attempted corrupt collusion, with a suggestion of bribery thrown in. The charges have been forwarded to Secretary Hopper, of the Turf Congress.

W. O'B. Macdonough, the millionaire, owner of Ormonde and other great racers, has bet $1,000 with A. B. McCreery, son of the millionaire of San Francisco, that Macdonough can ride twenty miles at Ingleside track within one hour and ten minutes. The number of mounts is not specified.

Norman Brough, who for the past four years has been official handicapper at the Bay District track, has been dismissed by the board of directors of the California Jockey Club. Mr. Brough, through the friendship of President Williams, has been retained in his position a long time, and for the past year or two his work has been severely criticised.

Billy Lakeland, the clever trainer, who has scored many success with the Keene horses, will have a string of his own next season. He starts out with about eighteen horses, and hopes to get his share of the plums. Lakeland is one of the very best trainers in the country, and his string will be watched with a great deal of interest. One of his accomplishments is his ability to place horses in races where they belong, which is the backbone of a trainer's success.

Quite a number of jockeys, horse owners and stablemen are wintering at Gloucester. Prominent among them are Hardy Morrissey, Willie Morris, Walter Ducey, Harry McLaughlin and Walter Blake. A number of runners are now quartered in the stables on the track. W. Becket has Westside, Fritz, Nina and Murray; Harry Morrissey has The Coon, The Buffer, The Count and some 2-year-olds; J. H. Boylen has Chieftain and Mary B., and Charles Miller has Little Dorritt and a lot of promising 2-year-olds.

After seven years of suspension Charley Wood, one of England's most promising jockeys, is to apply for reinstatement on the English turf. He was found guilty of pulling a horse in 1888 and was ruled off the turf. Notwithstanding he was one of the first jockey in the land, his suspension has not been lifted. In fact, no one attempted his reinstatement, though his intimates figured among the most influential turfmen. Such punishment as this is the prime factor of the stability of the English turf. How different it is in this country. A jockey, owner or trainer ruled off today is reinstated tomorrow, comparatively. The example set by the English Jockey Club should be followed here, instead of conducting the turf in such a slipshod way as it is at the present time in some sections. The Jockey Club is gradually rounding into the English methods, as last season proved by its purity. The great trouble in this country is the influence the magnates have over some of the officials, many of whom are afraid of losing their positions if they do not adhere to the requests of the financial ends of the concerns.

GRIDIRON IN READINESS

University of Virginia and Columbia University Eager for the Fray.

Game Will Be Called at 3 o'Clock. Similarity of Colors Will Cause Much Confusion.

Unless all predictions fail, the struggle on the gridiron at Capitol Park this afternoon between the elevens of the University of Virginia and the Columbian University should prove to be one of the most exciting and closely contested games that it has been the lot of Washington lovers of the sport to witness.

The Virginians arrived in town this morning, looking in the pink of condition, and confident of scoring a victory over the local men. The University of Virginia men have gained confidence in their prowess by their many victories over some of the strongest aggregations of football players in the country.

The grounds this afternoon will present a gay scene but some funny mistakes are apt to occur owing to the fact that the colors of the two colleges are exactly alike—orange and blue. That there will be plenty of fun and noise to interest the spectators besides the game proper, is assured by the many crowds of gaily bedecked college youths who have been parading the streets all the morning making noise enough for a small army with their tin horns.

These teams are so well-known to local lovers of the sport that the crowd should be fully as large as was present at the Thanksgiving Day game between the Columbian University and the Columbia Athletic Club. At that time the C. A. C. was thought to be so much stronger than the 'varsity team that the game was expected to be a very one-sided one. The 'varsity lads furnished a surprise, however, as they came within an ace of taking the C. A. C.'s into camp.

Since then they have been practicing at their grounds at Capitol Park almost daily, and with the new material that has lately been added to the team, should give the Virginia boys a hard battle.

The fact that Phil King, the famous Princeton quarterback, will be referee, and that Frank Butterworth, the noted Yale fullback, will umpire, will, in itself, draw many football cranks to the park. Ormsby McCammon will officiate as linesman for the Columbians.

The Virginians have been in regular training since Thanksgiving Day, when they met the team from the University of North Carolina at Richmond. The line-up will be exactly the same as it was when they met the North Carolina team, and this in itself is sufficient guarantee that there will be no weak spots in the make-up of the eleven.

The addition of Aiton, Clapp, Busey and Avis to the local team will greatly strengthen it, and there is no doubt but what they will put up a much stronger game than they did when they met the C. A. C.'s on Thanksgiving Day. Capt. Cockrill has lost no opportunity to strengthen the team and when the boys did not have an opportunity to go to the park to practice the signals were practiced by the hour at the college.

The lineup of the teams will be about as follows:

C. U.		U. of V.	
Avis	l. e.	Jackson	l. e.
Doolittle	l. t.	Morris	l. t.
Busey	l. g.	Davis	l. g.
Harlan	c.	Johnson	c.
Cummings	r. g.	Penton, Cap.	r. g.
Gambrill	r. t.	Weist	r. t.
Mills	r. e.	Cocke	r. e.
Aiton	q. b.	Hoxton	q. b.
McDonald	l. h. b.	Jones	l. h. b.
Cockrill, Cap.	r. h. b.	Lambert	r. h. b.
Weaver	f. b.	Lang	f. b.

Game will be called promptly at 3 o'clock.

WITH THE TROTTERS.

The authorities of the West End Trotting Club, Berlin, Germany, have decided to give at their spring meeting eight prizes to amateur drivers. Four will be for single drivers and four for teams.

John Rombough, a well-known Hamilton, Ont., horseman, has sold the brown gelding, Johnny Goldduct, 2:17, to Charles Burns of Toronto. The horse will be sent over the ocean.

N. Orton, son of the late president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, has bought a half-interest in the sire, Imp. Albert. Dr. M. W. Williams owns the other half-interest. These gentlemen recently bought Prime Minister, by Bishop Patricia, for $2,500.

That stallion and sire of trotters, Herod, 2:24 1-4, has gone over to the majority. He was foaled in 1866, and was in comparatively good health till two weeks before he died. He was by King Herod, dam Hilliard, by Green Mountain Boy.

Harry Kaiser of Buffalo has bought the bay gelding Harvey Wilkes, 2:26 1-2. He is sixteen hands high, by Red Wilkes.

Cogent, by Mambrino King, who won the class for high-stepping carriage horses at the horse show, will be shipped across the ocean.

C. H. Nelson, of Waterville, Me., is negotiating with Charles Backman for the purchase of Stony Ford farm. If the deal is made Nelson, 2:09, will be transferred to Orange county.—Exchange. Mr. Backman says there is no truth in the statement.

In the list of State trotting and pacing records, published last week, Guy Wonder's half-mile track record of 2:15 3-4, made at Allentown, Pa., last September, was given among the trotters, whereas it should have been among the pacers, since Guy Wonder is of that persuasion. It is the best for a three-year-old pacer.

Messrs. L. Bank Holt and James F. Scott, owners of the Almanac Stock Farm, Graham, N. C., have decided to sell all their trotting and pacing stock in New York next February. The stars of the consignment will be John R. Gentry, 2.03 3-4, and Baronet, 2.11 1-2.

The Eastern Iowa circuit was formed at Dubuque December 12. The towns included are Dubuque, Independence and Davenport. Races will be held in Dubuque June 23-27; Independence, July 1-4, and Davenport, July 8-11.

Seth Griffin is hard at work upon the new track of the New England Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, at Readville, near Boston, Mass. He says it will be one of the best tracks on the continent, with seventy-rod stretches and ninety-rod transition turns. Mr. Griffin has made a contract to take care of the track for a term of years.

The recent annual business meeting of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association developed a highly satisfactory state of affairs. The financial report showed a cash balance in the treasury of $3,986, and the members' roll disclosed the fact that forty-three new members had joined the roll in 1895. The meetings during the season were highly satisfactory.

Trotters had the call at the recent San Francisco horse show. In class 16, for roadsters, Hazel Wilkes, 2:11 1-4, got the blue ribbon; Lady Indigo and Gay Dawn the other prizes. In class 10, for 2-year-old fillies, the first prize went to Numa, by Sable Wilkes, dam Tabbie Rosenbaum, by Nutwood. In class 11, for yearlings, the blue ribbon went to Ellert, a Palo Alto Farm entry, and the other prizes going to Ritero, Owghee and Volium. Class 7 was for stallions, 3 years and under 4. Zombro took the first prize, the second by Fred Kohl and the third by Iran Alto.

Duke & Wishard have received a cablegram from John Huggins, stating that he has secured training quarters for their string at Newmarket. The stable is now on the way over, Ramapo being the best one in the lot.

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COMING TO THE THEATERS.

Della Fox comes to the New National Theater next Monday evening, presenting her new comic opera, "Fleur-de-Lis," for the first time in Washington.

Comic opera lovers care very little for plots nowadays, but from all accounts the libretto of "Fleur-de-Lis," which was taken from the French of Chivot and Durn by J. Cheever Goodwin, with original music by William Furst, is far above the average.

It is said to be brimful of fun and tuneful melodies. The Della Fox company is really stronger than it was when here last season with "The Little Trooper," and embraces such well known people as Jefferson De Angelis, Alf. Wheelan, Charles Dungan, Charles J. Campbell, Melville Stewart, Edward Knight, Villa Knox, Kate Uart, Alice Cameron, Ada Bernard, May Cuthbert, besides the fair prima donna, Della Fox herself, and a well trained and handsome chorus of some fifty people.

The scenery, costumes and appointments are said to equal in magnificence anything that has yet been seen in Washington. The orchestra of the New National Theater will be largely augmented and directed by Frederick J. Eustis, who has been so long associated with first-class comic opera organizations. The sale of seats opens tomorrow morning.

"Shadows of a Great City," a fine melodrama, will come to the Academy of Music next Monday night, December 30, and continue on the boards one week.

The play is written by L. P. Shewell and the critics pronounce it the best acting melodrama that has been written in America for a number of years.

Its material is similar to that used by Pettit, Meritt, George Sims, and the other London authors whose work has won popularity in this country. The characters and locals of the play have been found in and about New York city, and the story, which, of course, illustrates the triumph of virtue over villiany, is told with directness and a sympathetic power that will strongly appeal to the large class of people who find comfort and amusement in this form of drama. Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

The admirers of Tim Murphy, who are very numerous in this city, will be pleased to hear that he will appear at Allen's Grand Opera House next Monday in "A Texas Steer." The popular comedy will be given nightly during the week, and matinees will be given on Wednesday and Saturday, as usual.

Mr. Murphy's successful presentation of the principal role in Hoyt's famous play is well known here, where he has earned the applause of the best audiences of the capital. His conception of the part of Maverick Brander, as developed by the experience of several seasons, has brought it into prominence as one of the strongest comedy types of the day.

As usual, Mr. Murphy will be surrounded by an excellent company of artists, and the play is bound to be one of the most popular theatrical attractions of the holiday season.

One Horse's Jump.

The Georgia mule is famed in song and story, but a horse jumping over a railroad train beats his best record. The horse belonged to a deputy sheriff in Elberton, and the scene of his remarkable feat was on the Seaboard Air Line, near that town. A freight train was in a deep cut, and the deputy's horse, becoming frightened, jumped completely over the box cars, falling in the cut on the opposite side. Luckily the deputy jumped from the cart just before the collision. The cart was knocked into smithereens, but the horse and train were only slightly damaged. It is said the brakeman who was standing on the car just behind the one run over was scared out of his wits, thinking that the clouds were raining down horses and roadcarts.—Atlanta Constitution.

Dr. R. C. FLOWER,
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Dr. R. C. Flower to Make a Professional Trip Through Virginia and to Washington, D. C.

The patients of Dr. R. C. Flower will be glad to know that he has arranged a professional visit through the State of Virginia, and to Washington, D. C., as follows:

Washington, D. C., Riggs House, Friday and Saturday, December 27 and 28.

Danville, Va., Hotel Burton, Monday and Tuesday, December 30 and 31.

Richmond, Va., Exchange and Ballard Hotel, Wednesday and Thursday, January 1 and 2.

Norfolk, Va., New Atlantic Hotel, Friday and Saturday, January 3 and 4.

It is claimed by Dr. Flower's friends that he can diagnose any disease of any person without asking the patient a question, and that he is the only living physician who can scientifically do so without making a mistake.

The Boston Globe says: "In the treatment of cancer, consumption, tumor, heart, and nerve troubles, Dr. R. C. Flower has no equal in the world." The Boston Traveller says: "There is no experiment in Dr. R. C. Flower's practice. Able as he is to tell any one his disease, without asking a question, he is not likely to doctor his patients for the wrong disease." The New York Tribune says: "Dr. R. C. Flower of Boston, is the highest authority on chronic disease and enjoys the largest practice of any living physician."

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