

ANYTHING IS EASY FOR THE CZAR OF INGLESIDE

A SKEW TO THE STAKE RACE.

CORRIGAN'S POWER

How Spencer Happened to Ride.

Judge Edwin F. Smith Was Found in Good Humor.

The Ed Corrigan's gelding Adolph Spreckels captured the Gunst stake at Oakland on Saturday last in past history now. But how it came about the "iron chancellor" of Ingleside secured the services of Henry Spencer to pilot the horse may be a matter of news to many.

It will be remembered that on February 15, during the progress of the last Ingleside meeting, Spencer was suspended for ten days by the judges for a breach of turf etiquette—his mount bumping another horse in a race. His term of suspension would thus have held good until Sunday, February 26. At the time of the ruling the crack rider had accepted mounts for several days ahead. The judges allowed him one day's grace. The well-known Sacramento trainer and owner, Ab Stiemler, had figured on having Spencer toss the leg over Loderstar a day later, but was told by the officials in the stand that he would have to secure another rider. This he was unable to do and scratched the horse, thereby, no doubt, entailing the loss of a purse. All efforts to have the ruling set aside proved unavailing.

On Saturday last, Corrigan surveyed the list of eligible riding talent and his face wrinkled. Turner, Thorpe, Bullman and Martin had mounts in the race. Pigott was too heavy. Then the thought struck him, why not reach the ear of Edwin F. Smith at Sacramento, and put Spencer on the back of Adolph Spreckels. Nothing was easier. The wires were touched, and the presiding judge of Ingleside wired the pre-



ED. CORRIGAN



AB. STIEMLER

Three Prominent Figures in the Latest Turf Expose.

siding Judge at Oakland, giving Spencer permission to accept the mount. Spencer rode Adolph Spreckels, and mainly through his superb saddle work the stake was placed to the credit of the ex-ruler of Hawthorne.

At a gathering of horsemen downtown Saturday evening, the action of Judge Smith was loudly denounced. As a rule Ab Stiemler takes matters philosophically, but his wrath and indignation knew no bounds. He said if a California horse owner had no rights, then it was about time to quit the business. The incensed owner ar-

SUPERVISORS READY TO FIX WATER RATES

Old Schedule Will Probably Stand.

LACKMANN MAKES A PROTEST

BYINGTON ALSO STANDS FOR A DECIDED REDUCTION.

Water Committee Allows Itself Only One Hour in Which to Prepare a Report to the Board.

The Water Committee of the Board of Supervisors will meet at 9:30 o'clock this morning to prepare a schedule of rates for the present year. An hour later the board will meet in committee of the whole to receive the report of the Water Committee. The investigation into the values of the Spring Valley plant in actual use closed last Wednesday evening. The board having gone over the same ground a year ago and obtaining nothing new, the report of the previous investigation was reintroduced into the record. This time the figures presented to the Supervisors by the water company are practically the same as those of last year.

On Friday Chairman Phelps sent a notice to Messrs. Lackmann, Black, Algeltinger, Kalben and Attridge, the Water Committee, that a meeting would be held Saturday at 2 p. m. to consider the report. Mr. Lackmann went to the City Hall and waited half an hour for his conferees, but none appeared. Mr. Phelps telephoned Mr. Lackmann that there would be no meeting of the committee until 9:30 o'clock this morning, but gave no reason for the change. As this arrangement gives the committee but one hour to prepare a report on the vexing water question, it is presumed that the committee intends to readopt the schedule of a year ago, which is based on the statements furnished by the water company. The board was requested by the representatives of the company to adopt this plan.

The majority of the committee decides to follow this course. Supervisor Lackmann will present a minority report, which will recommend a radical reduction in water rates. Supervisor Byington has been collaborating with Mr. Lackmann on this report. These gentlemen are not satisfied with the statement furnished by the Spring Valley Company. The Byington-Lackmann schedule will, if adopted, reduce the fixed rates 10 per cent and the meter rates 15 per cent.

REPENTANCE HIS THEME

Father Cottle Addresses the Members of the Calvarian Society.

The Lenten devotions of the Calvarian Society, which were inaugurated the first Sunday of Lent, were repeated yesterday with impressive solemnity. The address was delivered by Father Cottle, the pastor of St. Bridget's Church, his subject being "And Christ looked on Peter," and Peter remembered the word his Master spoke. "These words," said the preacher,

gued—and rightfully, too—that all horsemen in good standing should be treated alike.

This last kick is but the beginning of a storm that threatens some day to burst with all its fury over Ingleside track. The meetings of the board of stewards held at the local track are said to be farces. At a recent meeting, as a steeplechase rider expressed it, the board was composed of Ed Corrigan, Edward Corrigan and E. Corrigan.



JOCKEY SPENCER

SALOONKEEPER CHLOROFORMED AND ROBBED

Weird Experience of John Strothoff.

UNCONSCIOUS FOR HOURS

LOST NEARLY \$100 AND A DIAMOND PIN.

He Was Just Closing When Two Men Entered the Saloon, Drank Some Beer and Awaited Their Chance.

John Strothoff, a saloon-keeper at 45 Third street, had a weird experience with two robbers at an early hour yesterday morning, and he is still suffering from the effects of the drug administered to him. Between 12 and 1 o'clock, just as he was thinking about closing up, two men entered the saloon and ordered two glasses of beer. He served them, and after they drank the beer they continued to talk to each other. He reminded them that he was going to close, and they ordered a fresh supply. While they were drinking the beer Strothoff counted the money he had taken in during the day and placed it in the safe, intending to lock the safe after the men had gone.

They showed no intention of leaving, and Strothoff, taking a combination gas lighter and extinguisher and walking from behind the bar, remarked: "I am going to put out the lights and you had better go." He has a faint recollection of being suddenly pinioned and a handkerchief being pressed against his nostrils, but that is all.

When he returned to consciousness he was seated in a chair in the bar room. All the lights were out and daylight was just breaking. He experienced a feeling of nausea and it was some time before he could gather his wits. Then he recollected about the two men and immediately suspected that he had been robbed. He hurried to the safe and found that the money had disappeared and also a diamond pin that was in the safe. Altogether \$86.70 in money had been stolen, consisting of two \$20 gold pieces, a \$20 greenback, six \$5 gold pieces and the balance in silver.

Yesterday morning Strothoff was too sick to call at police headquarters to report the robbery, but sent a friend. He was able to give an accurate description of the two men, and detectives who have been put on the case expect to have them



JOHN STROTHOFF.



Two Bold Holdup Men Chloroform a Saloon Keeper.

under arrest soon. The daring character of the robbery, considering the neighborhood and the mode adopted, make the police think that the robbers are old hands at the business, and it is thought that while they were using the chloroform on the saloon-keeper and going through the safe, a confederate was keeping a sharp lookout.

John Strothoff, the victim of the robbery, is an elderly man, and the expert on his countenance. He gives a graphic account of the robbery and description of the three men who perpetrated it. "A little after midnight Saturday," he said, "two men came into my establishment and ordered the round I was drinking. I was alone at the time and intended closing up to catch the late car for my home. The meetings of the board of stewards held at the local track are said to be farces. At a recent meeting, as a steeplechase rider expressed it, the board was composed of Ed Corrigan, Edward Corrigan and E. Corrigan.

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COMPANY H VICTORIOUS.

The Amateur California Championship Won by the Invincible Cadets.

At the Cyclo-drome, Vallejo, yesterday, Company H, League of the Cross Cadets, defeated the Snowballs and gained the amateur football championship of California. Company H won by a score of 10 to 0. The game was a very interesting one, and the Snowballs put up a very good fight. The game was played on a very muddy field, and the players were very tired. The game was a very interesting one, and the Snowballs put up a very good fight. The game was played on a very muddy field, and the players were very tired.

Sport in the Handball Court.

Yesterday's sport in Phil Ryan's handball court, at 128 Howard street, was very interesting. The game was played on a very muddy field, and the players were very tired. The game was a very interesting one, and the Snowballs put up a very good fight. The game was played on a very muddy field, and the players were very tired.

AT RECREATION PARK.

A baseball game played yesterday at Recreation Grounds, between the Golden Gates and Olympic Cyclers, was won by the former team by a score of 9 to 3. The game was a very interesting one, and the Snowballs put up a very good fight. The game was played on a very muddy field, and the players were very tired.

POPLIST RIVAL HELD THE LOCAL STRIFE

Party Machine a Bone of Contention.

OUTS ANXIOUS TO BE INS

G. D. GILLESPIE TALKS OF JEALOUSY AND REVENGE.

Chairman of the County Committee Says the Charges Recklessly Made by the Outs Are Without Foundation.

The factional row in the local Populist camp appears to be an early reminder of the coming summer and fall campaign somewhat as the willow catkins are advance heralds of summer. The perennial Democratic fight will bloom soon and the first thing the city knows the summer of political joy will be here. The local Populist party is small, but fierce. It has a quality composed of the ins and outs and the outs are obeying the mysterious law of their being by trying to be the ins at election time. So it is quite natural that epithets, charges in war paint, threats and tales should multiply. Control of the party machinery is the issue. The fight is also between the fusion and the middle-of-the-road wings. The charges of misuse of campaign funds and similar weaknesses recently made by certain of the outs against the ins campaign committee and dismissed by the executive committee a few nights ago, have not been dropped, as appeared by the report in yesterday's Call of an intention to institute a suit, which, it is fairly well result some interesting disclosures regarding campaign funds and campaign methods last fall. Last year, the party was controlled by the element called the "fusionists," led mainly by George D. Gillespie and A. B. Kinne. These gentlemen, with B. J. Pie, Henry Huppert and M. Meakin, composed the campaign and purity of elections committees, and against them, and especially against Gillespie and Kinne, the wrath of the outs is directed. The most active among the latter, according to the accounts of the committee, are Dr. W. T. Griswold, George H. Clough and Garrett W. Smith.

"There are others in the background behind these men," said George D. Gillespie, who is chairman of the new executive committee, of which A. B. Kinne is secretary. "It is all an effort to get hold of the organization. A new primary law will be in effect this year, and these people hope to be able to throw mud enough and make enough people suspicious of us without risking any direct charges to defeat us as convention delegates at the primary."

"We court the fullest investigation of the work of the committee and have asked that Dr. Griswold to make some specific charges and in writing, but all he will do is to shout 'boodlers' at the center of the organization. A new primary law will be in effect this year, and these people hope to be able to throw mud enough and make enough people suspicious of us without risking any direct charges to defeat us as convention delegates at the primary."

"The accounts and bills of the committee were examined by the minority of the committee, and reported correct and fair to the executive committee. Griswold for the majority reported progress and wanted time and he said he could prove that funds were improperly handled. He insisted that he should be allowed to investigate the accounts, but asked Dr. Griswold to move that they be referred to the Grand Jury, which he declined to do and tore his signature from the charges. Griswold wanted to make the committee a court of inquiry. He appeared with attorneys, a stenographer and notary public and answer questions. They would be judge, jury and prosecutor, and we could ask no questions of them. We couldn't see that way."

SUDDEN PASSING OF JOHN E. MACDONALD

He Died at His Home Saturday After a Brief Illness.

John E. Macdonald, a pioneer of the State, died of pneumonia at his home, 117 Fourteenth street, Saturday evening after an illness of but three days. The deceased was born at Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, in 1838. In the early sixties he came to California, where he lived up to the time of his death. For the last thirteen years he was foreman of the men employed as mechanics at the Grand Hotel, and during all that time never lost a day. He attended to his duties until Wednesday night, when he was compelled to leave his bed. While he had been complaining of a cold for some time, his condition was not considered serious, and his death coming so unexpectedly is a severe blow to his family and numerous friends. Mr. Macdonald leaves a widow, four daughters and four sons to mourn his death. The funeral will be held from his late residence to-morrow.

At Sutro Baths.

T. Guerin won the fifty-yard swimming dash, Adler second, at Sutro Baths yesterday. R. Tohl won the 100-yard dash (juvenile), W. Freecbie second. T. Guerin won the 150-yard dash. For the last second, Joseph A. Jackson won the underwater swimming match, C. Strothoff second. E. McKenzie won the prize for trick spring-board diving, T. Guerin, second, and O. Schulte took the prize for trapeze and high diving, H. J. Baker second.

Tried to Stab an Officer.

James O'Connell, a laborer, was creating a disturbance on New Montgomery street last night, when Officer Beach happened along and placed him under arrest. On the way to the patrol box O'Connell drew a long knife and made a slash at the officer. Beach grabbed his arm, and after a short struggle, succeeded in disarming him. He was then taken to the City Prison and booked on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon.

Ellis Opera Season Sale.

The season sale of the twelve performances of the Ellis Opera Company at the Grand Opera House will begin at Sherman & Clay's this morning at 9 o'clock. The boxes will be sold at 50 per cent and the demand promises to be very large.

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DROWNED IN THE BREAKERS WHILE FISHING

FELL FROM OLYMPIC PIER

A CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS IN THE PARK.

Policeman de la Guerre Sustains a Fractured Ankle While Pursuing a Speedy Wheelman.

The ocean beach and park were the scenes of a chapter of accidents yesterday. One proved fatal, the drowning of Charles McCarthy at the end of the iron pier which supports the ocean main of the Olympic Salt Water Company. The foot of the pier leading to the Cliff House. McCarthy, accompanied by two friends, William Clayton and Creany King, left home yesterday morning on a fishing excursion. They were catching their lines some time from the extremity of the iron structure when a heavy breaker rolled over the top of the pier, entangling the lines and drenching McCarthy. While attempting to disentangle the tackle another breaker caught him and he was washed into the ocean. The ebbtide was running strong and swept McCarthy toward the sea. The swift undertow then caught him and he was carried beneath the surface with his hatmen was slippery and he fell. The sea for hours McCarthy's companions held vigil, but nothing was seen of their friend. Decedent is a widower and leaves one child. He was 28 years of age and his occupation that of a shoemaker. He is at present in the City Prison. The Park Emergency Hospital staff had little of the Sabbath rest. The accidents to pedestrians, cyclists and drivers demanded the attention of Dr. Sweney and his assistants, who patched torn skins and set fractured limbs from early morning till eve. The first patient was F. B. Guernsey, whose frontal bone was smashed by a baseball. B. Hassenagos tumbled from a bicycle whose gear proved too lofty and seven stitches on his right cheek will serve as a warning to speed cyclists.

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