

## RESCUED IN MIDAIR.

ALAR CAUGHT AS SHE FELL FROM HER LOFTY PERCH.

A Circus Performer Knocked Senseless. Was About to Be Shot From a Big Crossbow High in Air—Saved by a Hairbreadth.

One incident of the big show at the Madison Square Garden, New York, on Monday night was missed by many of the spectators. Alar, the trim young woman with pink silk legs, whose contract with the show people demands that she be shot from a big crossbow near the roof of the arena, fell through a paper covered hoop and into the arms of her sister, who hangs head downward from a trapeze, was knocked senseless on the narrow platform from which she expected to make the trip. The bowstring was snapped prematurely.

For nearly a minute, and it seemed much longer to those who were watching, the young woman, she was stretched out unconscious. The long board on which she rested was 50 feet from the ground and but a few inches broader than the "human arrow" herself. As she began to regain consciousness she swung one leg off the board, and then it was apparent that she was going to fall. While the spectators, whose attention had been directed to this accident, were watching the young woman, her brother ran up the rope ladder and caught her just as she slipped off her perch. She hung limp in his arms, as he carried her down the people and witnessed the rescue applauded hysterically. But the band was playing, and there were performers in the other rings, so that only those who happened to sit near the big crossbow noticed by what a narrow margin a serious accident had been averted. One man, who had watched the accident intently, fainted as the young woman was lowered to the net.

Alar has been performing with her brother and sister, whose family name is Tynan, only a short time in this country, and the feat that she failed to do on Friday night is a new one. Before attempting it the Zedoras gave an exhibition on the flying trapeze. Alar's act was to be the climax. She dropped from the net from the trapeze and ran up the rope ladder to the big crossbow near the roof. This catapult was made after the style of the massive crossbow used centuries ago for hurling huge stones and spears. It consists of a narrow board about 20 feet long covered with smooth cloth, and in one end of this is set a heavy bow.

When no accident occurs, the bowstring is pulled back and held by a trigger. Alar stretches herself out on the cloth covered board, with her head pointed toward the arena and her feet resting on a cushion that in turn rests against the bowstring. The bow is set at 100 pounds. With her hands clasped before her like a diver, she gives the word to her brother below, and he pulls the trigger that releases the bowstring. She is shot from the rest like an arrow, pierces the paper covered hoop that hangs in midair and is caught by her sister, who hangs downward from a trapeze.

When Alar reached the narrow board which forms part of the crossbow on Friday night, the string was pulled back and held in place by the trigger. Her brother was swinging from the trapeze in the center of the arena, and on the trapeze below was her brother ready to pull the string that should loose the bowstring. Alar was just preparing to stretch herself out for her flight when the bowstring was loosened accidentally. It flew forward, striking her in the back of the neck and knocking her flat on the cloth covered board. It was apparent to every one who was watching her that she was unconscious. Her brother called to her:

"What has happened?"

Alar made no response. Then she swung one leg over the edge of the board and moved convulsively, as if in pain. Her brother saw that she would surely fall, and he ran up the ladder as fast as his hands and feet would take him. The net which was spread under the trapeze did not reach quite far enough to protect Alar should she fall. The spectators of the trapeze performance forgot the rest of the show. They saw only the young woman in the pink silks who was slipping slowly from the board up near the ceiling. As Alar's brother approached her he held out his arms, and just before he reached the crossbow she slipped into them. She was still unconscious, and her brother carried her down and placed her in the net. Alar revived, and when she was carried to her dressing room it was found that she was not injured severely. The bowstring had struck her a knock-out blow on the back of her head, but it had not cut her.—New York Sun.

### GOING FOR BUSINESS.

Make the Town Easy of Access by a System of Improved Highways. In these days of keen rivalry for trade among a country town is missing a golden opportunity for becoming the market center for a large agricultural area. See the L. A. W. Bulletin. The town that has the best roads leads

ing to it is sure to get the farmers' trade. Once this becomes established nothing but better roads to some competing town will change the current of affairs. A lead once gained may be maintained with a reasonable degree of care.

Merchants who do not make an organized effort to procure a system of good roads leading to their town are very short sighted. It is to their interest to see that rivers are bridged and roads built hard and smooth, and with grades as easy as they can be made.

A steep hill may be the means of diverting much traffic from the town where it naturally belongs to another farther away that is not hedged about with such obstacles.

A market to which but half a load can be drawn should pay double the price a good roads town should.

But it doesn't. It usually pays less because less produce is marketed there, and all business is done on a smaller scale than in a wide awake town.

Stores in such towns carry small stocks and cannot offer the best opportunities for buying.

All in all the good roads town has everything in its favor. The poor roads town is an all around loser.

One of the best things a town can do is to set a good example by paving its principal streets, where it can be done, and maintaining a tidy appearance.

A town that expects to catch the surrounding country's trade without providing a good network of roads should learn a lesson from the spider. She spins her farreaching web and sits in the center, fattening on her spoils.

Good roads are town people's business as much as the farmer's. Possibly more.

### Norwegian Pioneers.

MADISON, Wis., Sept. 21.—The Norwegian Pioneer association of America held a session, this meeting devoted chiefly to reminiscences. Many more charter members joined. It was decided to send a letter of congratulation to Explorer Nansen. In the afternoon a boat ride was enjoyed.

### Old Iowa Bank Suspends.

VINSON, Ia., Sept. 21.—The banking house of S. H. Watson & Sons, established 40 years ago, has made a general assignment for the benefit of all creditors. The liabilities are estimated at \$250,000 and assets at \$350,000. All depositors and other creditors will be paid in full.

### The Prince Not Hurt.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—The sensational story circulated in the United States to the effect that the Prince of Wales had been injured while out shooting at Tulcau lodge, Sassoons Place, in the highlands of Scotland, is a canard.

### Stevenson Will Preside.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Vice President Stevenson has informed Secretary Gardner of the Association of Bryan Clubs that he will accept the invitation to preside at the club convention. The club officials now count upon an attendance of 10,000 delegates.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons Indicted. NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Corbett and Fitzsimmons have been indicted by the grand jury and warrants were issued. As the indictments are only for a misdemeanor the pugilists will not be arrested until they arrive in this state.

### Killed His Wife on the Train.

BELVIDERE, Ill., Sept. 21.—Edward Shannon shot and killed his wife in a coach on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad. The murder was the result of divorce proceedings instituted by the woman.

### French Statute of Limitations.

PARIS, Sept. 21.—It is now said that it is impossible to extradite Tynan on the charge of having been connected with the Phoenix Park murders, as the French statute of limitations intervenes.

By the arrest of Tynan, Bell, Wallace and Kearney, the London police are believed to have nipped a widespread conspiracy in the bud. It is even said in some quarters that Queen Victoria's life was threatened.

### Wasteful Boom Efforts.

While there is no questioning the great opportunities for development in the southern country, and while no one will deny that this region offers inducement for capitalists to invest on a perfectly safe basis, it also furnishes illustrations of the most reckless expenditure and most wasteful efforts to build "boom" towns.

It is sad and at the same time amusing to note the present condition of the wrecks of such towns. In one instance a bank capitalized at \$250,000, with a handsome interior, is now used as a corner. A farmer is now growing corn on the lawn of a \$200,000 hotel, which now rents for \$10 a year, insurance and taxes.—American Manufacturer.

### Superior and Duluth.

Fifteen years ago the combined population of Superior and Duluth was less than 4,000. Ten years ago Superior's commerce was less than \$500,000 a year. In 1895 it was \$65,000,000. Five years ago Superior hadn't a flour mill. Now it is the second flour milling point in the world. We can't get everything at once. It takes time to move capital.

## LABOR NEWS.

The Nashville (Tenn.) cotton mills shut down for six weeks. The present high price of cotton is assigned as the cause.

Two representatives of the Chicago trades and labor assembly have gone to Mexico to investigate the condition of labor in a free silver country.

United States Consul Steiner reports from Munich that a second exhibition of power and labor saving machines will be held there, in 1898. Americans are invited to participate.

## SPORTING NEWS.

Lasker and Steinitz will fight out a chess match in October.

Fitzsimmons has challenged Corbett for a fight, and Corbett has signified his willingness to accept.

Football has succeeded cricket as the popular sport of the season in England, and it arouses almost as much public interest.

Gentry beat Star Pointer at Glens Falls, N. Y., in the phenomenal time of 2:01½, equalling the record made by Robert J. at Terre Haute two years ago.

Pitchers Denzer of St. Paul and Callahan of Kansas City and Fielders Connors and Preston of Minneapolis have been sold to Chicago from the Western league.

## MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS.

The directory estimate of West Superior's population is 40,459.

Albert G. Whitehead, the released dynamiter, has sailed for America.

The interstate commerce commission has begun an investigation in Chicago.

Texas fever is raging among the big herds of cattle in Northern Queensland.

Hog cholera has made its appearance in the stockyards of East Buffalo, N. Y.

There is great excitement over reported rich discoveries of gold 40 miles southeast of Rawlins, Wyo.

The United States battleship Texas, which went ashore at the mouth of the Newport harbor, was floated apparently uninjured.

James L. Rake was elected commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans at the Louisville meeting. The next meeting will be held at Indianapolis.

Rev. Dr. John A. Dearborn, ex-president for Missouri of the A. P. A., who was assaulted and nearly killed Saturday, has regained consciousness and may recover.

The Chicago university has received another gift of half a million dollars worth of property to be used as a biological station. It is at Roby, Ind., and includes a fine inland lake.

## BRAND NEW SPIDER STORY

This One Spells Out the Words "W. McKinley" in Its Web.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Sept. 19.—A spider web three feet long with the words "W. McKinley" woven plainly in the web is drawing hundreds of people to the scene, which is on a common in this city. Other webs have the initials "W. M." and the letters "McKinley" plainly woven in them. The letters are made by the large "gold spiders." Their backs are golden and they are unusually large. The letters are interpreted to mean that McKinley will be elected.

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