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Brooklyn Eagle.

"It's all very well, strangers, for you to chin about gittin' lots o' quail and ducks, but whar I live we call that yer slim shootin', now you hear me. Only gals shoot birds out my way."

"I suppose you have much larger game," suggested an admiring bystander, who had been telling how he bagged some robbins over in Jersey in the fall of '56.

"Now you're talking language. B'ars, buffalos, elephants, camels, giraffes, kyotes, mastodons, is nothing for us to git. I laid in a stock of jack tigers year afore last that would make you fellers weep with lafter fer to see 'em, and people come fer a thousand mile to see my coral o' polar b'ars, captured right onto my own premises."

"Won't you take a little something?" asked a man who had theretofore paralyzed the mob with wild duck stories.

"You might stir a little sheet lightnin' into some assafedity, and gimme a squirt o' vitriol into it," observed the stranger. "I'm accustomed to powerful stuff, but I got hurt in a seal fight, and hev to drink pooty light now."

"Tell us about it!" chorused the mob.

The stranger sipped in silence a moment, and then opened up: "You see, the elephants had been stealin' my hens for some time, and I jest sot a trap for 'em; I bought a steamboat and took off her hog chains for a slip-noose, and fastened one end around a hole about a quarter of a mile thick; I knowed for sartin that no dogponed elephant could start that; then I put an ostrich that my daughter had killed on her way from school in the loop, and went to bed; about 4 o'clock in the mcrning I heard a row and found I'd got a buck seal in the trap: he showed fight and I went for him, and for nearly a week it was hard to tell which had the b.at of it; finally, I drowned him, and out o' that seal I got 'leven hundred bar'ls o' ile and 'nigh onto a squar mile o' skin, good fur, and worth $16 a yard, but it crippled me financially."

"How?" demanded a breathless listener.

"In the fuss thet yer seal knocked over my house and buildin's and tore up my arable sile clear to bed rock. Couldn't plant a thing."

"Won't you try another drink?" asked a sympathizer.

"Gimme a little powered sulphur and half a dozen red peppers in some nitro-glycerine, will yer! Doctor says I got to be keerful for a month or six weeks. I got squar', though," he continued. "I kim out ahead. When I got to open thet ostrich I found a fourteen acre farm, well stocked and watered, eigty-two miles o' barb wire fencin', three hundred ton o' hay and a Baptist church, all in good repair, only the steeple was a little bent. It was a good hand, stranger."

"Did you ever get the elephants?" inquired an Oyster Bay man, who claimed to have walked over to Great South Beach on the backs of a school of blue-fish.

"Only nine of 'em. Only nine or ten of 'em, stranger. I started a sewin' circle in the church, and when the elephants heerd the cacklin' they thought it was chickens, and I got eight thousand pounds of ivory, besides six pounds that was on gold plates and a job lot o' old sun-bonnets and shin bones and pinted elbows that only need assortin' for the market. It strained the church so that I sold it second hand to the county for waterworks, and it irrigates the whole deestrict."

"Won't you try something more?" queried an Eagle reporter, who had skirmished around the outside of the crowd during the relation of these marvels.

"Jest drop a tablespoonful of prussic acid into a couple o' pints o' hartshorn. You'll hev to excuse me from goin' heavy, I have got some business this afternoon. I came down for a Gatling gun to see if I can't git some o' them eight-eyed lions that's been stealin' whales out o' my acquarium. My old smooth bore cannon busted the other day under a charge of cook stoves the baby had rammed to kill a sea sarpint which was stealin' milk from a pet cow he had been trainin', and the discharge busted the usefulness out o' a gorilla I had been raisin' to carry tramps to the pigs. Otherwise, I would jine you, gentlemen. I want to git home pooty early, 'cause a couple of my devil fish broke loose yesterday, and my wife don't like to go down cellar while them sea spiders is slingin' eighty foot of legs for fresh meat. Then the baby is liable to get among the tarantulas and eat 'em up."

"Where do you live?" asked The Eagle man. "Where's your home?"

"I am naturally a Nevada man," replied the stranger, "but it is too tame out in them parts for my folks, and so we moved to New Haven, Conn, more for the sportin' than anything else. Come up and see me anytime and take a hyena hunt with me. Won't cost you a cent, and when you git back there ain't a man on Long Island as will want to talk hunt within forty miles of where you're tellin' about your experience. Glad to see you all at my house, gentlemen," and the orator bowed gravely and retired.

It was an hour before a word was spoken, and then the Oyster bay man began to speak about quails; but the rest looked at him so sadly that he stopped short, and silence reigned profound until the proprietor of the saloon closed up.

Protection for Home-made Storks.

Chicago Tribune.

The female sex, as at present constituted, may be divided into two comprehensive classes—viz: women who paint and women who paint china. The latter class may be subdivided into women who, for some inscrutable reason, paint soup-dishes and butter-bowls, women who paint plaques with gaunt storks engaged in one legged reflection upon colossal frogs several miles away; women who paint tiles with sun flowers which are Catherine wheels and with elm trees growing in flower-pots; women who paint fans on flatirons; and women who paint Gargantuan monstrosities upon screens, blue owls upon pink trees, green ships sailing upon yellow seas, cat-tails growing in deserts, and morbid Japanese women enveloped in patchwork dolmans. This latter class of women who paint things have recently been brought into close relations with the United States supreme court and the treasury department. The story is brief but touching. It seems that some one attempted to bring into New York a lot of plates with pictures on them involved as chinaware, with the foul intent of defrauding the revenue by paying only the duty that would be collected for ordinary wash-bowls and stone jugs that have never been transformed into symphonies of color by the esthetic young woman. The customs officers seized and held the symphonies, and the case went into litigation. The lower court was esthetic in its views, and had evidently been trained at home to distinguish between a Kioto stork and a Kankakee swamp heron, knew a dado from an intermediate, and had honestly striven to so conduct itself that it should be worthy of the andirons which its wife had raked out of her grandmother's garret. Consequently it held broadly that the value of pictures painted by hand depended upon the skill of the particular artist who painted them. In course of time the case went into the supreme court of the United States, and the venerable old gentlemen who compose that august body, having no blasted esthetic nonsense about them, no sentimental pining for storks, devil-fish, grub-worms, dragons, and other monstrosities that now form the staple of modern art, and who can't tell a symphony in color from a page out of the Nibelungen Trilozy, deliberately sat down upon the whole thing and held that no amount of painting upon china could make it anything but china; consequently, that painted plates, no matter how nicely they are painted, are only plates, and only as such are dutiable. Under this rule they become decorated china or porcelain ware, and pay only 10 ten per cent ad valorem duty, instead of paying 50 per cent ad valorem, as paintings on china or porcelain.

Such a decision as this must be an iron which will enter the soul of the young woman who paints things, for it must naturally tend to stimulate the importation of painted plates and jugs, and by so much diminish the protection afforded to home made plants and jugs. In this there is a great principle involved. It makes no difference that our young women who paint things will grow whortleberries on oak trees and cocoanuts on ground pine; that they will plaster everything in the house from the kitchen table to the old trunk in the attic with evidences of their handiwork; that they will swarm every ceiling with flocks of fans; that they will persist in having the most extraordinary storks chase the most extraordinary butter flies across mountains that are as big as hickory nuts; or that they will make bullrushes blossom out in water-lilies, and flour de lis grow on running vines. This is not to be considered. Home industry must be protected. If our laundresses cannot get along without flatirons adorned with storks and green violets, shall we be compelled to buy the foreign effete stork because our domestic stork painters cannot compete? Is our home talent, with all its charming grotesquerie, its cheerfully incongruous symphonies of color, its pre-Raphaelitic naivete, which, with innocent and childlike audacity, spurns all formulas of consistency, and revels in infinite varieties of the most dazzling effects, to be imperiled because the venerable old gentlemen of the supreme court are not up in the canons of "culchah" and the rules of decorative art? By no means. It is time for the young women who paint things and for the decorative art societies to rise and move upon congress in a solid phalanx and demand that it shall pass an act that will hurry these foreign pots, and jugs, and soup plates out of the country, and stimulate our own dishes to the maximum of high-art creation. There is no reason why under proper protection and encouragement our home art should not grow and expand to that degree that every man can leave his house in the morning as elaborately decorated and touched up as an Oriental arabesque, and the poorest, humblest cabin can have a stork upon its wash boilers and fans and cat tails upon its wringers and ironing boards. The work of art will not be completed until every laborer can carry a Limoges dinner pail and smoke his Faience pipe at night under his own hand-painted figtree. But this cannot happen if domestic art is to be set down upon in the ruthless manner we have described.

Saved by Her Calves.

Philadelphia Press.

The utility of a pair of patent sawdust calves was strikingly illustrated on Saturday. Shortly after 4 o'clock in the afternoon a mad cur, pursued by two perspiring policemen, dashed into Eighth street from Walnut and caused such a flutter among the petticoats as that locality has seldom witnessed. Among the feminity that was flouncing along was a nymph who flings her shapely legs before the footlights of the Grand Central Theatre. This female could not face a rabid canine, so she bundled up her petticoats and made a dash with the others for safety. Her legs, which had served her so well before, did not go back on her this time, for the mad dog, probably attracted by the development below the knee, drove his poisonous fangs into her stocking and went howling on. The ballet dancer, more dead than alive, was dragged into a drug store, where an eager and anxious crowd of men carefully examined her legs. Their fears were allayed, however, when the discovery was made that the canine had only destroyed the sawdust padding which the young woman had tied to a lean shank to give it roundness and attractiveness. The eager, anxious and solicitious men departed much sadder and a heap wiser.

More Sea Serpents.

London Telegraph.

Another serviceable installment of the sea serpent has come to hand. We do not vouch for it, but on the surface there is nothing very incredible in this monster. It was not "the size of a barrel," nor had it a mane, nor did it comport itself unbecomingly. As a matter of fact, the thickness of the great worm varied from four to nineteen inches, but its length was—sixty five feet. By far the most satisfactory point in the narrative, however, is this—that both ends of a sea serpent have now been seen. Hitherto only the head extremity has been reported upon, leaving the ultimate result of the creature so completely a matter of conjecture that the whole of the Kraken came to be discredited altogether. In the present case, the successful fisherman, finding they had "something" on the hooks, began to haul in. They hauled in fifteen feet of it and began to get puzzled. But they went on for ten feet more, and then their best was full of it. So they passed up the head end to the yawl they were lying by, and paid it out like a hawser. The men on board tied the fish around the foremast and aft again, and at last, with a flop, the creature came to an end. It measured sixty-five feet, and resembled nothing more dreadful than "a silver cable." What was it?

The Drive-Wells Swindle.

C. B. Nonpareil.

There is a good deal of feeling among the farming community in this part of Iowa over alleged outrages at the hands of patent right men. The trouble seems to originate from an indiscriminate issue of right to various persons for the same things from the patent office at Washington. The parties concerned secure an interference on some generally-used patented article, and then send agents through the country, levying blackmail on farmers who have unwittingly offended against the law. The favorite scheme just now is to levy tolls on drive-wells, upon which there is a patent, but with which an interference has subsequently been granted by the patent office to another person. As the information comes to us, informers are now going through the country, and whenever they find a well they tell the farmer that he has been guilty of an infringement upon their rights, for which he can be heavily fined and sent to prison. Country people, as a rule, being in great dread of lawsuits in the federal courts, fall an easy prey to the proposed blackmail in the shape of a compromise. As a rule they are almost at the mercy of the agent who makes the proposition, and after deliberation the farmer usually concludes that he might as well pay $100 as to become a party to suit in a distant court and contest his rights. It seems that in a number of cases recently the agent of the party who has the interference has threatened suit on farmers where they found the wells, and finally settled by assessing from $25 to $50 in the way of a compromise. Twenty-five dollars seems to be the favorite sum, and it is said that several thousand dollars have in this way been collected by the patent sharks of people who when they hired their wells dug by the drive process, had no knowledge of the grant of interference from the patent office, and supposed that there was no question about the right of the party with whom they dealt. This is a state of things which ought in some way to be rectified, and it is to be hoped that general knowledge of it may lead to this end.

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These proposals will be opened on the 30th day of April, 1881, and the Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

W. L. MAY, Fremont.
H. S. KALEY, Red Cloud.
R. R. LIVINGSTON, Plattsmouth.
State Board of Fish Commission. ap23-d10t-wlt

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OFFICE OF BURGEANSO AND D. F. W., COMMISSARY OF SUBSISTENCE, OMAHA, NEB., April 8th, 1881.

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, subject to the usual conditions, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock noon, on May 15th, 1881, at which time and place they will be opened in the presence of bidders, for the furnishing and delivery at the Substistence Storehouse, in this city, of twenty thousand (20,000) pounds flour, in new, strong, single cotton sacks. To be made from No. 1 spring wheat, half hard, to be soft or odessa to be sealed before grinding and mixed in milling, to be high ground. Sample of flour to be sent in with proposals, and all to be delivered on or before June 10th, 1881.

The government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

Blank proposals can be obtained at this office. Proposals must be enclosed in sealed envelopes marked "Proposals for Flour," and addressed to the undersigned,

THOMAS WILSON, Chief, C. S., U. S. A.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

Jacob Johnson and Ellen Johnson, his wife, will take notice that on the 20th day of April, 1881, William T. Seaman, plaintiff, herein filed his petition in the District Court, of Douglas County, Nebraska, against said defendants, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the said defendants to one F. B. Bryant, and by said Bryant duly sold and transferred to one C. J. Canan, and by said Canan duly sold and transferred to said Seaman, upon lot nide (9) in block "Y," in Shinn's 3d addition, to the City of Omaha, in Douglas Co., Neb., to secure the payment of a certain promissory note dated April 9th, 1874, for the sum of $116 25 and interest, and due and payable in three months from the date thereof, and that there is now due upon said note and mortgage the sum of $116 25 and interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum from maturity and an attorney's fee; plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the sum or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 30th day of May, 1881.

WM. T. SEAMAN.
By A. CHADWICK, His Attorney.
Dated, April 20th, 1881. ap21-w4

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CHARLES H. BROWN, Attorney for West & Fritscher. 75-svn-3w

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