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### THE LATEST RAREY.

And the Conflict between a Wagon and a Horse.

San Francisco Chronicle.

Prof. R. H. Tapp, the celebrated American horse-tamer, commenced a week ago to tame the Petaluma man-eater, as described in last Sunday's Chronicle, and has every day since given public exhibition of his process and progress in a temporary amphitheater in the rear of the Record stable, on Market street, opposite Seventh.

Yesterday, however, the man-eater changed the programme, and attempted to tame Tapp in so effective a way that Tapp emerged sorely wounded, and only by a miracle with his life. The man-eater, whose other name is Cognise, is a dark dappled Norman stallion, seven years old, weighing, in fighting trim, eighteen hundred pounds, foaled in Normandy France; imported to years ago to Illinois, and subsequently bought by Joseph Wooden, the Norman horse-breeder, of Petaluma, and brought to this state, and declared by him to be the finest horse of the breed ever brought to America. Until brought to Illinois he had been an exceptionally gentle animal, but, having indiscreetly and probably playfully, bitten out a couple of pounds of an Illinois groom, he was so injudiciously and brutally beaten that, as Deacon Dunham would say, he experienced a change of heart, all his latent devilry was developed, and he has ever since been the terror of all whom necessity have thrown into his company. Mr. Wooden considered him to Mr. Tapp to have him cured of this sole little trouble. Yesterday at two o'clock the exhibition commenced in the presence of about two hundred spectators, and progressed until about half-past three, during which time the horse had been handled by the professor, driven to the buggy, and appeared perfectly tractable. After being unlimbered he was cross-hobbled by making a stout rope fast from the fetlock of his right fore leg to that of his hind leg, an arrangement which permitted him to trot but prevented his galloping, as also his kneeling down. The horse stood near the center of the enclosed circle and the professor about midway between him and the inclosing high barricade, the horse perfectly subdued under the eye of the commander. Some person on a seat in the rear of Tapp asked him a question, and for one instant Tapp removed his eye and half turned his head to answer. In that instant the crafty brute sprang upon him like a tiger. There was a yell of horror from the spectators as the horse caught the man up by the clothes at the small of his back, shook him as a terrier does a rat, and flung him through the air against the inclosing planking. Before Tapp could regain his feet the ferocious monster was again upon him, seizing him with his teeth by the left shoulder and endeavoring to kneel down upon him. This the cross-hobbed prevented him from doing, and the cool professor, with his shoulder still in the grip of the monster, jaws, struggling to bite, and with his right hand, so held the bit as to prevent as far as possible the successful working of the horse's jaws. The crowd was intensely excited. Mr. Wooden seized a long pole and poked it between the halter and the horse's lower jaw, and still further retarded the biting. The friends of Tapp called for a gun, but there was no gun, and what is remarkable in a collection of two hundred Californians, no one had a revolver, or the murderous brute would have been shot instantly. The horse and Tapp continued fighting half way around the ring, Wooden on the seat outside still hampering the former's efforts with the pole. The spectators on the front seats also did all they could to distract the man-eater's attention, one lady seizing the crutch of a man sitting next her and beating the horse over the head with it. By the aid of these distractions Tapp was enabled by degrees to draw his arm through the horse's jaws, the horse chewing it as it slipped away from him, until finally it was entirely withdrawn. The crowd shouted to Tapp to jump for his life, but the plucky trainer called for his whip, and with his mangled left arm dangling by his side, so hekked the fetlocks of Cognise that the enterprising animal was again in the power of his captor. Last evening the trainer was in the stable-office with a friend pouring an odious insult over his bandaged arm, and the man-eater, with all his evil passions inflamed with the taste of blood, was romping around his prison and eagerly reaching up for a mouthful of any timid spectator that ventured near enough to look down at him. The people will continue to look forward with interest to the solution of the problem whether Tapp will tame the man-eater or the man-eater will tame Tapp.

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