PERILS OF THE DIAMOND.

"Mud-Rush."

One morning a band of natives hard at work in a corner of the mine at Kimberley were startled by a dull noise as if a few tons of some soft substance had been hurled against the high door that separated the spot where they worked from the a brigand. long tunnel that led to the shaft, says the New York Sun. "The mud!" they cried and dropped their picks in an instant. A mud rush means certain death to all in its track. It gives no warning. It comes silently like an ugly, wriggling snake; it works its way swiftly, spares nothing, covers everything.

The Englishmen at the opening to the tunnel roared out, "Climb to the top of the wall!" which the natives promptly did. There for the time at least they were safe. "Stay where you are!" the Eglishmen called. "If you jump down you will be sucked in and suffocated in two minutes!" Soon the tunnel was a tunnel no longer, but a mass of quivering slime. The mud flowed for hours. Then it gradually slowed and ceased.

The Englishmen outside sat round on a neighboring rock and looked down helplessly into the pit. All manner of suggestions were made, most of them worthless, but in the end it was decided to try to reach the men, not by removing the mud. but by passing over it. One man laid a plank upon the mud and stretched himself on it. A little spade was handed to him, with which he began to cut into the mud and pull himself along as a man face downward in a canoe might pull himself forward with a paddle. He worked bravely on, half-inch by half-inch. Then another man put down a plank and followed him.

In half an hour six men were laid flat on six planks in the midst of the mud. There was 65 feet of mud between them and it were these thin planks that might keel over at any moment and send them to a suffocating death. And behind was the hidden spring of destruction that might let loose its slime again, flood the tunnel and capsize the planks like cockle shells on a turbulent sea.

When the man on the first plank reached the wall on which the natives were huddled he called to them: "You've seen the way I've come. Well, I'm going back, but I'm leaving the planks for you to follow on. a snake as you can,"

back, leaving the wooden line behind them. Slowly the natives fol-Nobody spoke. The black mass underneath looked as hard as a rock, but was as soft as porridge and trembled horribly. As each man reached the end plank he was hauled into safety and carried half-fainting out of the tunnel. When the last native arrived his mates thought he was a stranger. His hair was per-

Do Not Use Postal Banks.

Washington, April 19 .- On January 31, 1912, there were 58 postal savings depositories in operation in South Carolina with deposits amounting to over \$6,000. This amount was deposited by about 200 depositors or an average of \$30 per depositor. Since the opening of postal savings depositories in South Carolina there have been approximately 300 accounts opened and more than 800 deposits made or an average of three deposits to each depositor, and about 200 withdrawals, or an average of less than one to each de-

Compared with number of depositors and amount on deposit with other States South Carolina ranks lowest in number of accounts remaining open January 31, and lowest in total amount remaining on deposit.

Horse Stung by Bees.

One of the most exciting incidents in the life of Dave Stribling, mail carrier on Route 4, happened Friday afternoon as he was driving on his usual daily journey. Several miles from Senaca an unusually large swarm of bees came humming up the road to meet him. They settled on his horse, stinging it over 150 times on the head alone. The horse was badly injured and it was thought for some time that it would die, but it is doing well now. Mrs. J. D. Oliver, who lives near the scene of the incident, seeing the plight of the horse, had the presence of mind to come to the rescue, which she did by throwing her apron over the horse's head. While scraping the bees off the sides and flanks of the animal, both Mrs. Oliver and Mr. Stribling were stung a number of times, Mr. Stribling being severely stung on the hands and head. The bees were gotten rid of after a while, a new horse was secured and the carrier continued his journey rather the worse for wear.-Senaca Farm

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FREED AFTER 46 YEARS.

by the World's Progress.

Fifty years ago the brigand d'Angelo was famous in Europe. He was a young man of Palombara, a mountain town in central Italy. He killed the defamer of his sweetheart's name and then fled to the hills and became

His method was to capture a traveller, rob him and then lead him to a precipice. There the unfortunate man was allowed to choose between leaping to death and having a bullet in the brain.

D'Angelo had disposed of a dozen victims before he was captured, tried and sentenced for life. That was 46 years ago. He has just been re-

He was dismissed with \$30 earned in prison, and as his legs are paralyzed, he was carried to the railway station, where a ticket to his native village was given to him. On the way he met a motor car and was terrified at the strange rushing humming thing. Then a cyclist came along and d'Angelo was much perturbed lest the rider should fall off.

The prison officials say that during his long captivity he was never known either to ask a favor of any one or to break a prison rule.

Girl Lawyer Defends Negro.

New York, April 18 .- Miss Lucile Pugh, the young North Carolina woman lawyer who was assigned by Judge Swann in the court of general sessions to defend Leroy Poindexter, the negro who is under indictment for the murder of Thomas Brown, another negro, in a row over a crap game, appeared before Justice Davis in the criminal branch of the supreme court yesterday to ask that the grand jury list drawn for the Poindexter case be quashed on the ground that the negro had been discriminated against in the making up of these lists, in violation of the fourteenth amendment to the consti-

No negro appears on the list from which the grand jury which indicted Poindexter was selected and no negro appears on the special jury list furnished for the trial.

Miss Pugh said in her argument that there are 85,000 negroes in New made to carry the inhabitants to Mil-York and that there was prejudice liken's Bend where a temporary against them, which operated against their being placed on jury lists. As Crawl along the planks as much like an evidence of the general prejudice against the colored race in New York Slowly the men on the planks slid she instanced the action of various property owners' associations in attempting to keep negroes out of certain districts in the city, particularly

Miss Pugh submitted a memorandum in support of her contention and asked that Commissioner of Jurors Allison and others having to do with the making up of jury lists be subpoenaed to tell why the prejudice against négroes should be allowed to enter into a court proceeding.

Assistant District Attorney Moss, in opposing the motion, insisted that there had been no discrimination against men of the colored race and declared that he owed his life to a colored porter and that he had more than an ordinarily kind feeling for the colored race. Justice Davis said he would announce his ruling this morning. The case has been put over until April 23.

After the argument Miss Pugh said that if her motion was denied she would take the matter to the United States courts under the fourteenth amendment.

Flood Situation Grows Worse.

New Orleans, April 20 .- With flood waters of the Mississippi river rushing through crevasses in the levees of the big stream in Southwest Arkansas, Northwest Mississippi and Northeast Louisiana, slowly finding their way over towns and plantations, reports to-day continued to tell of much suffering in the vast flooded area.

Relief work among the thousands of homeless people is being well conducted under the supervision of State and federal officials, with headquarters at Vicksburg, Miss., where already about 3,000 negroes from Louisiana are quartered. Relief sta- Clack and his wife, Leonora Clack, tions have been established at a were found guilty of conspiracy and dozen points in Northeastern Loui- extortion by a jury in the circuit siana and at points in Mississippi, court to-day. They are alleged to throngs of destitute folk are being have extorted \$200 from J. B. Sudfed and given clothing, cooking uten- duth, an aged farmer of Holly sils, medicines, etc. A number of Springs. Mrs. Clack accused Sudbreaking point to-night. The fed- her and he was put in jail. After eral and State engineers admitted Suddeth had complied with Clack's they may not be able to hold all of demand for \$200, Mrs. Clack made them if heavy rains continue for affidavit that her charge against Sud-

the next week in the Sunflower Val- investigation held by Magistrate Goley of Mississippi and in Northeast-lightly that Suddeth attacked her.

Louisiana and mayors of cities not guilty, although the jury found throughout these States have issued her husband guilty of subordination appeals during the past few days of perjury on the ground that he had for relief funds, and provisions are coerced his wife into swearing falserapidly being rushed to the flood ly. The defendants will ask for a

170 HORSE CARS IN GOTHAM. With Electricity.

There still survive in New York 170 horse-drawn street cars, according to a report by the public service

The discovery that even one of these ancient vehicles is still in use in a city of skyscrapers and rapid transit has always been a shock to strangers, says a New York special, but reason for the survival is pointed out by the Street Railway Asso-

Notwithstanding that horses and their keep have become far more costly than two decades ago, the comparison with the increased cost in equipment and maintenance of electric lines has been far greater and for short cross-town hauls the horse itself still proves profitable power for street car transit. In competition with something like the strength of 1,000,000 horses, as represented in electrical power, there are 2,000 real horses still in service for drawing the 170 surviving cars.

Adds Thousands to River's Victims.

The break in the main line levee of the Mississippi river last Thursday four miles below Rosedale and another in Arkansas river added 25,-000 persons to the list of flood sufferers in southern Arkansas, northeastern Louisiana and northwestern Mississippi, the yellow flood pouring over the richest land in the country and inundating an area almost as large as the New England States. The plight of thousands of homeless people is pitiable, hundreds are marooned in isolated places, patiently waiting to be carried to higher ground. Many have been without food for days and are in dire distress for the want of clothing, food and bedding.

Officials of the national government have combined their forces as many as possible. The need of motor boats and skiffs to be used in rescuing persons in trees and from house tops is extreme and all available craft, power and otherwise, has been bought or chartered by the of-

The water is rising fast at Tallulah, La., and every effort is being refugee camp will be established immediately to take care of 4,000. This camp is to be protected by the national guard.

Urgent appeals from more than 8,000 persons have been received at Vicksburg, where a large camp will be established immediately under the protection of the Mississippi National Guard. The territory between Vicksburg and Monroe, La., is flooding rapidly and whatever is done must be done quickly.

Railroads are all out of commission in the inundated sections and whatever supplies are collected can only be distributed by boats. A large subscription has been started in New Orleans. The New Orleans cotton exchange gave a check for \$1,000, which was soon followed by a check for a similar amount from the Benevolent and Protective Order of less effectually.

Tragedy of a Double Life.

Joseph Diamond, a child of one of the quiet, comfortably well-to-do families of upper New York city, appeared to his family in every regard as an ideal son. He wrote them regularly, and made them visits at their home with the greatest loyalty and delight. He told his parents he had and they believed him. The other Friday night he wrote them he would be home and spend the Sabbath with them as he often did. On Sunday the parents got word that their boy had been killed as a burglar by a policeman in Philadelphia, and that his body was in the morgue awaiting directions. The young man was a professional burglar, with a record of crime in many of the cities of the country.

Clack and Wife Guilty.

Spartanburg, April 18 .- W. R. levees were reported almost at the deth of having attempted to assault deth was without foundation, al-Conditions will grow worse during though she swore positively at the

Mrs. Clack was tried also on a The governors of Mississippi and charge of perjury. She was found new trial.

BAD AFFAIR NEAR GREER. Rescue of Native Miners from a Once Famous Italian Bandit Scared 2,000 Quadrupeds Still Competing Four White Men Charged with Assaulting Young Woman.

Greenville, April

reached Greenville to-night of a horrible offence, said to have been perpetrated upon a young white woman by four white men, about midnight Saturday, at the home, one mile north of Greer, in Spartanburg county. The police of Greer notified the local authorities to-night of the affair and requested them to be on the watch out for the men. Their names and other data were furnished the police. It was stated that the Spartanburg police have been advised of the matter and requested to keep on the lookout for the parties. A warrant was worn out for the men before Magistrate Henderson, of Spartanburg county, and his constables have been in pursuit to-day. Tonight communication was established with the police at Greer and particulars of the alleged crime secured. According to the story of the

Greer police, four white men went to the home of a white man, one mile from Greer, about 11:30 or 12 o'clock Saturday night. The man of the house was not at home, having gone to Spartanburg to see a sick brother. His wife and a single woman about 25 years of age, either a sister or sister-in-law, were alone in the house. The men are said to have forced an entrance to the house. Their approaches were resented by the two women and a lively struggle ensued. One of the men is said to have struck the married woman over the head with a lantern and felled her. This woman is said to have recovered from the blow and rushed out and to the house of a neighbor. In the meantime, it is said, the men took their departure.

A boy with a shotgun, it seems, responded to the woman's cries for help and took up his position at the house. Very soon, it is said, the men returned to the house and disarmed the boy. They are said to have then seized the young woman and carried her to a nearby patch of woods, where they succeeded in accomplishing their purpose.

The Greer police were unable to give any further particulars of the affair. The alleged crime took place in Spartanburg county, and through the constables of the magistrate who issued the warrant the Greer police learned these particulars.

News of the alleged crime had not become generally known at Greer tonight or in the surrounding country, and as to whether or not there would likely be any show of violence if the news spread the Greer police could

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