UN UNEVEN RACE.

The Desperate Run of a Brave California Bronco.

He Keeps Ahead of a Thoroughbred Race horse Until He Falls from Exhaustion - A Thrilling Narrative.

An exciting story is told by Cromwell Galpin, in St. Nicholas, of a race between a bronco and a big thoroughbred horse. The former was ridden by a mere boy, a Californian, who had to file a certain paper in court before noon in order to retain possession of a farm. The writer says:

There was still wanting the one thing that stirs a racer to his utmost endeavor. Felipe had almost forgotten the horse behind him. Two-eyes had not. He had been on the alert, horse fashion, with one ear now and again turned, and increased his speed as the thoroughbred drew near. Felipe turned his head with a sick feeling that in a minute more he would not be obliged to turn his head to see. One sidelong glance showed him a bay horse with his head in the air, his dainty ears upright and his frothing mouth wide open. The rider stood in his stirrups, leaning over his horse's neck with the reins wound around his hands. White foam had gathered at the saddle girth, and sweat dropped from the horse's body as he ran.

Felipe shut his teeth, and turned his face toward Los Angeles. He did not need to look long nor to know very much about horses to see that this one was a true race horse, and the man a steady and a skillful rider.

And Two-eyes? Two-eyes heard the quick hoof-beats, and the "huh-huh, huh-huh" of a horse at speed, and felt hot breath on his flanks as the thoroughbred drew alongside.

Not the unmusical cry of Tomas, not the flerce shrick of the savage who in the old days rode him-neither beating with knotted rope, nor cruel stroke of sharpest spur-could have gained from the bronco horse the response he gave to the challenge of the thoroughbred. The big head came down closer to the ground, the hairy ears were laid back till the mane concealed them, and the deep lungs labored as, through blazing ostrils, the horse sucked in the strong salt breeze.

Interesting Information About a Locomotive The number of puffs given by a locomotive always depends upon the cir-

WHEELS AND PUFFS.

cumference of its driving wheels and the rate of speed at which the engine is moving. For every one round of the driving wheels a locomotive always gives forth 4 puffs-2 out of each cylinder, all such cylinders being double.

The size of the driving wheels vary greatly on different patterns of engines, they being from 15 to 23 feet in diameter, the general run, however, being 18, 19 or 20 feet. Five engines out of every 7 may be set down as having driving wheels 20 feet in diameter.

The speed of the average express train varies from 54 to 58 miles per hour. Taking the average circumference of the driving wheel to be 20 feet. and the average speed per hour at 50 miles, a locomotive will give, going at express speed, 850 puffs per minute, or 52,800 puffs per hour. During the same time the wheels will revolve 13,200 times, which will cause the locomotive to give 1.056 puffs to the mile. Therefore an express train going from London to Liverpool, a distance of 204% miles, will throw out 213,048 puffs between the time when it leaves the London depot and that at which it arrives at its destination.

During the tourist season of 1888 the journey from London to Edinburgh was accomplished in less than 8 hours, the distance being 401 miles, giving a speed throughout of 50 miles per hour. According to the figures shown above, a locomotive making such a journey in the time stated must have given forth upwards of 500,000 puffs, or say 532,456.

Two Elephants Quarrel Over a Peanut and Injure Several People.

Two elephants fought over a peanut and nearly seared the life out of fifteen thousand people at Lawrenceburg, Ind., the other day.

It was during a circus street parade, says a local exchange. There are six elephants in the show, and one of the two big ones, named Prince, was offered a peanut by a bystander. Instantly his mate, Diamond, rushed at him, trumpeting wildly. Prince knocked Diamond down and the fun

A MYSTERIOUS LEAK. It Was a Worm Hole in the Keel of the Sallboat There was a man had a Connecticutriver boat built, which cost him \$235, and she was a beauty. She could go

quite nicely and the man was pleased with her till he found she leaked. "Oh, well," said he, "that's easily remedied." So he looked her all over for the leak. He couldn't find a crevice. He filled up several places that he thought might have let in a little water, but it didn't do the least bit of good. He gave it up finally and sold the boat for \$35, and thought he had the best of it at that.

The fellow who bought the craft, says the New York Herald, knew she was a fast sailor and he had an idea that he was smart enough to find that leak, but it wasn't long before he began to think maybe he wasn't such a success as he might be. She leaked just the same regular amount all the time. One Sunday he made up his mind he would find that hole if he never came back. He took her out and, after she had shown that she was in good leaking form, he beached her. After the tide went down he went all around her, listening as a doctor listens for lung trouble. He heard a sucking noise about her keel. He got down on the under side and in the timber of the keel was a worm hole in the wood. It had been there when the beam was shaped. It probably wound around like a letter S and to look for it on the inside would be something like hunt. ing a needle in a haystack. He stuck Cut Prices a match in the hole to see how big it was. It just fitted. The match broke off and he let it go at that. She has never leaked a drop from that day to

WHY THE GIRLS LAUGHED.

Unable to See a Caller.

school the other day a young miss boasted that her sister was coming on the next visiting day with a handsome and very captivating young fellow. She said all the girls might see him, but only two or three of her best and dearest friends should be introduced to him. It was to be a case of "you may look but you mustn't touch" to nearly says the New York Sun, and with it came the sister and the young man. There was a flutter all over the school. The visitors sat in the parlor while Miss Rapid gave the finishing touches to her toilet. Meantime the principal of the school entered the parlor. She asked for the visitors' names and got them. "And you are not related to this young lady?" she inquired of the youth. "No, ma'am," said he; "just a friend, that's all." "Oh," said the principal, "only relatives may visit our pupils, so I must ask you to let me entertain you in my office until the sisters have had their visit." This was the situation when Miss Rapid came down into the parlor. She bore herself bravely, but all through the air of the big brownstone house there was an undertone of strange, choking, indescribable noise. It was the suppressed giggling of the other girls.



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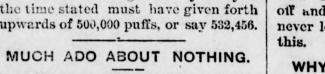
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sea leviathans becoming scarcer, like

whales, or to their displaying more ac-

tivity in evading capture, is disputable,

but the fact remains that their fins,

as a delicacy, are becoming dearer and

It is generally supposed that sharks'

fins are never eaten outside of the

celestial empire, but they do occasional-

ly figure in select banquets in England

and France. So far as known they have

not become a staple luxury in this coun-

try, however, though they are occasion-

ly served at banquets given by San

Francisco epicures. The Chinese are

very fond of them, and, notwithstand-

ing the cost of the last war, still show

such a desire for these delicacies that

A Costly Relic.

was the victim of a new kind of swindle.

He sent five dollars in answer to an ad-

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would receive a well-preserved piece

of protective armor which had prob-

ably been used in the Trojan war. The

precious relic arrived on schedule time.

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took refuge with Paris within the

ancient city of Troy. If this was not

the case, it was probably the property

of the fair Cleopatra. Anyhow, we re-

ceived the money, and it is kindly ac-

Slot Machine Gives a Penny.

knowledged by X. Y. Z."

An antiquarian in Taunton recently

the price is still rising.

dearer.

Chinese politicians are doubtless

So far the race had been run over level ground; but as the riders approached the city, the country became hilly and the road rougher.

It was not for nothing that Two-eyes had spent five wild years in the Sierra Madres, where the gray wolf and the mountain lion are always swift and always hungry; nor was it without ad vantage that Felipe's tomboy sister. Ignacia, had raced the pinto horse over this road till it was as familiar to him as the stableyard at home. To the bronco horse, used to the mountains from colthood, the hilly road appeared to be rather a relief. He galloped laboriously up the little hills and rushed down the opposite sides with a speed that took away his rider's breath; he jumped from hillock to hollow, and across the little gulches; he dodged the spots where reedlike grass showed that the ground was wet and soft; and whether running or trotting or pro gressing by irregular jumps, he went on his way with scarcely lessened speed. The thoroughbred had never been al-

Prince.

before they cried for relief.

circus man had a leg broken and was hurled seventy-five feet. In the afternoon the parade was held as usual, the elephants being entirely subdued.

FIGHTING WITH CHEESE.

Won the Day.

lowed to run except on a smooth and level track. He refused to leap the first gully which crossed the road though it was scarcely a foot wide. When Harry made him face it again, be jumped ten feet farther than was nee essary, and stopped stock-still upon the opposite side. Then he bolted sidewise, and ran in the wrong direction; asked his first lieutenant.

and Harry felt as if his arms were be-ing pulled off as he forced his horse to return to the road. As for Two-eyes, he did what ne

could. He was old, as horses' years are counted. He had run many races for Apache masters who jerked his head his stride, in their ignorant and ferocious efforts to make him go faster. In all his life there had been but one year in which his feed was regular and good; of all the masters he had ever known this was the only one who had called upon him for speed, riding with steady hand and watchful eye and inspiring voice, sparing him needless pain.

It is bronco nature to respond heartily to these things, and Two-eyes tried desperately to keep away from the clattering hoofs behind him. His breath came in gasps; his mouth was dry, and his sight was dim; his trembling legs grew weak as side by side the horses raced down the street leading to the courthouse, now hardly a mile away.

As in a nightmare, Felipe saw the head outstretched and down to the level of the withers, the dainty ears laid flat, the crimson nostrils widely spread, and the eyes glaring with fierce eagerness.

The bronco ran on, but unsteadily. Felipe drew his legs out from under the rope, and as he did so the bronco's feet sank in the soft earth where a little bling strides, and fell

commenced. The tigers, lions and hyenas added their outeries and beat the bars of their cages. Patsy Forepaugh and Johnnie

Kelley, the elephant linepers, rushed on the big beasts. Diamond caught Forepaugh and threw him thirty feet away against a box car, rendering him unconscious and bruising him terribly. Kelley was knocked down by

The four other elephants were then called in to capture the two rebels. They crowded upon them, and after a terrible struggle, knocked the offenders down and held them until they were chained. They were punished in the most severe manner for three hours

Several people were bruised and knocked about in the melee. One

A Few Broadsides of the Dutch Article

The most remarkable ammunition ever heard of was used by the celebrated Commodore Coe, of the Montevidian navy, who, in an engagement with Admiral Brown, of the Buenos Ayrean service, fired every shot from his lockers. "What shall we do, sir?"

It looked, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch, as if Coe would have to strike his colors, when it occurred to his first lieutenant to use Dutch cheese as cannon balls. There happened to be a

large quantity of these on board, and in a few minutes the fire of the old from side to side, and threw him out of Santa Maria (Coe's ship), which had ceased entirely, was reopened, and Admiral Brown found more shot flying over his head. Directly one of them struck his mainmast, and as it did so shattered and flew in every direction. "What the dickens is the enemy firing?" asked Brown. . But nobody could tell. Directly another came in through a port and killed two men who

were near him, and then, striking the opposite bulwarks, burst into pieces. Brown believed it to be some newfangled paixhan or other, and as four or five more of them came slap through his sails, he gave orders to fill away, and actually backed out of the fight, receiving a parting broadside of Dutch cheese.

MEANNESS EXTRAORDINARY.

The champion mean man paid San Francisco a visit the other day, says the Post of that city. He was a big, long-legged, raw-boned fellow, with a nose like the blade of a hatchet. His eyes. like little black beads, were set within half an inch of each other and glistened and gleamed at everybody and every-He plunged forward half a dozen bony hand and clawed at his whiskers



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thoroughbred forge ahead, the bony The Name of Hog Would Be a Compliment to This Man.

stream crossed the street. The horse's thing at once. He clutched the arm of courage was greater than his strength a sad-faced little woman with long,

edge of the little stream. Felipe slid over his horse's head into a patch of tules, and lay, half stunned but not hurt, while the thoroughbred horse passed out of sight and hearing. and the dust his flying feet had raised settled down upon the quiet street.

Singular Case of Blindness.

Mrs. Jonathan Rowe, of South Atkinson, Me., who has been totally blind for twenty years, experienced an odd partial recovery of her sight a few days ago. She suddenly became able to see quite distinctly one afternoon about two o'clock, but her vision was totally obscured again in two hours. Since then she has been able to see every day between about two and four o'clock i the afternoon, but during the rest of the twenty-four hours is as blind formerly.

with the other as he ordered the waiter in a Market street restaurant to give him a cup of coffee. The waiter brought it with some bread and butter and laid down a check for ten cents. "Would you give me an extra pitcher of cream?" asked the mean man. The waiter brought it.

"Yes, by the way, give me a cup of hot water, will you, please?"

The waiter brought it and watched the mean man curiously. He poured the cream into the hot water, put a little sugar in it, shoved it to his wife and flung one slice of bread without butter in her direction. The little woman ate it hungrily and the waiter added five cents to the mean man's check. The row was heard three blocks up Market street. He declared he was being robbed because he was from the country, but he finally paid when threatened with arrest.

slot machine in that it dispenses the coin instead of absorbing it. The contrivance is devised to act as a labor test for vagrants and beggars, for it exacts the turning of a handle 100 times before it yields the coveted penny.

And this labor is by no means lost. for it actuates machinery, electrical or otherwise, which will perform some actual work, or store up the energy expended for future use.

A Libel on Girls.

Women are now admitted to lectures at Edinburgh university, where they sit on the front seats. Recently eight women were attending Prof. Tait's lecture on the geometric forms of the crystals. "An octahedron, gentlemen," said the professor, "is a body with eight plane faces. For example:" "Look at the front bench," broke in s man from the back seats.

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