

## AIMED AT MRS. LANGTRY.

Jockey Club at Newmarket Adopts a Rule Excluding Outsiders.

Prince of Wales Given a Setback, Also-Doors of Society Are Shut Against the Jersey Lily.

A dispatch to the New York World from London says: The report that Mrs. Langtry will be again taken into society is more than offset by a resolution that has been passed by the Jockey club which is aimed directly at her and the prince of Wales.

The resolution says that "for the future ladies other than the wives, daughters and sisters of the members of the club will be admitted to the inclosures and private stands of the club at Newmarket and on other race courses only on presentation of a voucher signed by a member of the club, together with the payment of one pound sterling."

Until the resolution was passed a member of the club had a right to pass into the Jockey club inclosures and into the private stands any young women whom he saw fit.

There has been a general impression that Mrs. Langtry has had the freedom of the race track, but this is not true.

Until the death of her husband two months ago, she was kept out of the inclosures and private stands of the Jockey club.

It was on the day that her husband died and the day that her horse Merriam won one of the greatest racing events of the year at Newmarket and nearly \$100,000 for Mrs. Langtry that the prince of Wales conducted her into the inclosure and within the gate of Jockey club society.

This act—it has generally been called a breach on the part of his royal highness—made a great stir. It was commented upon most unfavorably. Even the newspapers deplored it.

This recognition by the prince of Wales gives rise to the rumor that Mrs. Langtry would try to regain her old place in society and that in this effort she would be backed by the prince of Wales' influence.

As a matter of fact, it is doubtful if Mrs. Langtry has any very great desire to get into society again, and it is absolutely certain that she could not do so if she tried.

## GIANT MULE COMES TO TOWN.

Hails from Missouri and Will Go to Join London Show.

The largest mule in the world arrived in Chicago on Saturday and is stopping at the stock yards for a short time. The animal is not destined to be slaughtered, but is bound for London, where adventures await it as well as the admiring gaze of the British public, for it is to become the star attraction in a menagerie, where it will doubtless be plagued as "An average American mule."

The mule, in spite of his undenied claims to distinction, is not vain. It is accustomed to nothing better than cornfodder and the plow, which were its daily lot in Maryville, Mo. Now it is to have circus grooms and pennants for its daily portion. The mule is 19 hands 2 1/2 inches high and weighs 1,830 pounds. It is nine years old.

The discoverer of the animal is F. P. Brown, a stock yards horse dealer, who found it on its native heath in southwestern Missouri. He believed that his find was not in its proper environment and succeeded in disposing of it to an English animal tamer.

## A MILLION DOLLAR CARGO.

Valuable Catch of Seals of the Russian Barkentine Behring.

One million dollars is the estimated value of the cargo of the Russian barkentine Behring, which has just arrived at San Francisco. The cargo represents the major portion of the business done by the Russian Seal and Fur company during the season just closed. By far the most important item shown on the manifest is the consignment of seal skins. Of these there are 7,000. There are several hundred bear skins, all of the finest quality, and a large number of skins of almost all the animals found in the arctic regions.

PEAR THE LION OF LONDON.

American Explorer Wins Hearts of British by His Modesty.

Lieut. R. E. Peary, the American explorer, has taken London by storm, though he arrived there unheralded. The newspapers, geographers and scientists are at his disposal. As a leading geographer said to a representative of the press:

"Lieut. Peary has won all our hearts by his modesty, courtesy and learning. We put him on the same plane as Dr. Nansen and have the utmost confidence in his plans."

The Saturday Review says: "There is a tinge of hero worship in the reception accorded to Lieut. Peary which surpasses the reception of Dr. Nansen. This is as it should be. Peary is of our race and speaks our tongue, and it is only fitting that we should feel more warmly for him than for a foreigner. Moreover, the desperate courage shown by Lieut. Peary is almost unparalleled in the splendid story of arctic exploration."

## FLORIDA WOMAN FIGHTS DUEL.

Nearly Kills Her Husband's Enemy and Then Rides to Town.

Mrs. Zachariah Martin, the young and pretty wife of one of the most prominent farmers of Alachua county, Fla., gave herself up to the sheriff the other evening after a long ride from her home. She confessed to having shot with a rifle and probably fatally wounding James Goff, a neighboring tobacco grower, with whom her husband had had trouble in the past.

During the absence of Mr. Martin, who went to town, some miles away, on business, Goff came upon the place. Mrs. Martin saw him through the window approaching and went upon the piazza and requested him to leave immediately. He declined to go, used insulting language, and made vicious threats. He declared that he would do as he pleased on the premises and began picking fruit.

Mrs. Martin hurried to the house, and procuring a Winchester rifle repeated her order. Goff quickly drew a pistol and fired, the bullet whistling over her head. She leaned the rifle against the door of the house, took careful aim, and fired. Goff fell to the earth with a groan. A ball had penetrated the lower part of his abdomen and made a wound that will probably prove fatal.

Mrs. Martin gave instructions to servants to summon medical assistance quickly, saddled her horse, and rode to Bronson, where she gave herself up.

## ELECTRIC ROAD PLANNED.

Arrangements Made for the Longest Trolley Line in the World.

Arrangements for the construction of the longest electric railway in the world have just been completed. The projectors of the Geneva Lake, Sycamore & Southern railway have concluded arrangements with projectors of the Kanakakee, Wilmington & Morris railway to consolidate the lines and thus form the longest line of electric railway extant.

The eastern terminus of the road will be Kankakee, Ill. From this point the road will follow the Kankakee river through the beautiful valley to Wilmington, and from there to Morris, with a branch to Joliet. From Morris the road will traverse the Fox river valley, connecting with lines from Elgin and Aurora, to Sycamore and thence to Geneva Lake, Wis.

This road will penetrate country not at present occupied by any steam lines. The population of different centers it will strike and connect with which it will depend upon for traffic exceeds 400,000.

The new line will be constructed through the most picturesque portion of the Mississippi valley. Rights of way from Kankakee to Morris have been secured by capitalists interested in the Kankakee, Wilmington & Morris road.

## AN AMBULANCE SHIP.

Suggestions Made by Surgeon General Van Reypen of the Navy.

If Surgeon General W. K. Van Reypen can accomplish it the navy will be supplied during his administration with an ambulance ship, says the Washington correspondent of the New York Herald. Plans prepared in accordance with designs submitted by Dr. Van Reypen contemplate the construction of an ambulance ship of 3,550 tons displacement. She will be 300 feet in length and 50 feet beam, and will steam 14 knots an hour. The ship will carry four steam launches and four barges, each barge arranged with a flying floor between the thwart, so as to conveniently carry 12 cots. There will be beds for 274 patients and hammock space for 36, and the vessel will comfortably accommodate 330 ill or wounded men, with sufficient berthing space for the crew. There will be quarters for four medical officers, two apothecaries and 12 nurses.

H. P. JUDDSON, Dean.

The bulletin caused no small amount of comment among the students, who although they found nothing mandatory in the wording of the notice, nevertheless realized that the spirit was such that there would be trouble if the practice should be continued. Accordingly the users of tobacco assumed disgruntled airs, while the "theologians" and the "coeds" smiled triumphantly.

Heretofore smokers have been in the habit of lighting their pipes and cigarettes and standing around the entrance to the buildings before and after classes.

## MORMONS GOING TO MEXICO.

Purchasing Large Tracts of Land in State of Chihuahua.

It is announced at Chihuahua, Mexico, that representatives of the Mormon church of Utah have contracted with the Mexican government for the purchase of 3,000,000 acres of land, situated in the Degollado district of that state. It is the intention of the church to locate 40,000 Mormon colonists over this land within the next two years. Many of the colonists will come direct from Utah, but the greater number will be new converts to the Mormon faith from different parts of the United States. There are already two prosperous Mormon colonies in Chihuahua, aggregating 5,000 persons. The 3,000,000 acres just purchased will all be placed under irrigation and divided into small farming tracts.

## New Automatic Elevator.

An elevator that can be run without any attendant is being put into market by the Elektron Manufacturing company of Springfield, Mass. It is operated by pressing a button and setting a pointer at a figure on a dial, which indicates the number of the floor to which the passenger wishes to be carried. The door to the well can be opened only when the elevator is at that landing, so that no one can walk into the well, or be hit by a descending elevator while looking into the well. The elevator cannot be operated if a single door is unatched. The elevator is called by pressing a button near the door, but will come only if it is not in use.

## St. Martin.

On a recent Sunday the pious folk of Tours were engaged in celebrating the fifth hundred anniversary of St. Martin in the venerable basilica where Clovis, Charlemagne, Hugues Capet, and other mighty monarchs prostrated themselves before the holy man's tomb, where Urban II preached the first crusade, and where Richard Coeur de Lion and Philip Augustus took up their pilgrim's staves. Three archbishops, a score of minor prelates, and several mitered abbots assembled to do honor to the Hungarian soldier whose conversion was due to an impulse of simple human charity, leading him to share his military cloak with a beggar.

**Fast Sailing.**

The barkentine Josephine has just made the passage between Rio Janeiro and Baltimore, a distance of 4,820 miles, in 23 days. This record beats that of the famous clippers, and is better even than the time of the average steamer.

**Largest Telegraph Office.**

The largest telegraph station in the world is at St. Martin's-le-Grand, London. There are about 3,000 operators, 1,000 of whom are women.

**Bacteria Always in Milk.**

It is impossible to obtain milk free from bacteria.

## REVELRY IN A BREWERY.

Novel Banquet of Cincinnati Yale Club in a Malt Cellar.

Menu Consisted of Broiled Beefsteak, Baked Potatoes and Schooners of Beer-Song and Stories the Entertainment.

Some 40 members of the Yale club of Cincinnati, O., enjoyed a rather unique dinner on Saturday evening. It was served in the malt cellar of Kauffman's brewery and in true bohemian style. The bill of fare comprised such toothsome edibles as broiled beefsteak, baked potatoes, and quail, with lettuce salad by way of aiding digestion, and cool beer as the beverage. The waiters were hand selected from the brewery, and their uniform was the blouse and overalls worn in their daily duties.

The dinner was served promptly at 6:30, and amid such surroundings as those present will not soon forget.

Down deep under the earth and surrounded by cold, black walls, the banquet hall was at first anything but inviting. The flickering lights seemed at first but to intensify the general gloom of the cellar, but this sense of discomfort was soon dispelled by the pleasing fumes of broiling steak and baking potatoes that greeted the sense of smell after a moment's stay. The tables were not over fancy, while the participants had to be content with beer kegs for chairs.

Mr. Frank Shaffer, president of the club, acted as master of ceremonies, and after full justice had been done the bohemian repast he announced that the programme should be as original as the occasion itself. Each person present would be required to either tell a story or sing a song. And these, if not original, must be new. The penalty fixed for telling a story or singing a song that anyone present had heard before would be the telling or singing of another, and so on until something new had been presented. Some of those present got along well enough under this rule, but one poor individual, whose name is withheld for obvious reasons, was kept on his feet nearly an hour, telling tales and singing songs. When all had had a turn all joined in a number of old Yale songs and then adjourned before the clock struck 12.

The Yale club has no regular meetings except that once a year there is an annual dinner, at which the old college days are recalled and fraternal ties renewed. Saturday night's affair was not the annual dinner. That will be held later. It was merely a meeting to have a good time and enjoy one more night in bohemia.

## BAN PLACED ON SMOKING.

University Students Asked to Abstain About Entrances of College Halls.

Smoking has fallen under the ban of the faculty of the University of Chicago. That august body has decided that the practice, said to have been introduced into civilized countries by Sir Walter Raleigh, is a nuisance, and must therefore cease around the entrances to the varsity buildings.

The announcement of the decision of the faculty was made to the students the other day when there was posted in front of Cobb hall a big bulletin with the following inscription:

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