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Oklahoma's Land Lottery Begun.

One Thousand of the Choice from the 13,000 160 Acres Claims Were Awarded.

EL RENO, O. T., Aug. 3.—Oklahoma's great land lottery was begun here in earnest to-day and when the commission appointed by the federal government adjourned the drawings for the day 1000 of the choice of the 13,000 160 acre claims in the Kiowa-Comanche country had been awarded.

The first name drawn from the wheels was that of Stephen A. Holcomb, of Paul's Valley, I. T., for a homestead in the El Reno district, and the second, Leonard Lamb, of Augusta, O. T. These two men select the two choice claims in this district. The capital prize winners, however, proved to be James H. Wood, of Weatherford, O. T., whose name was the first to come from the Lawton district wheel, and Miss Mattie H. Beals, of Wichita, Kan., who drew the second number in that district. They will have the privilege of getting the first flings in the Lawton district and will undoubtedly choose the two quarter sections adjoining that town. These are considered the most valuable in the territory, and are, it is estimated, worth from \$20,000 to \$40,000 each.

The day was one of keen excitement, replete with interesting scenes. It is estimated that fully 25,000 persons witnessed the drawings. The immense throng was wrought up to the highest pitch.

Statement from Guffey.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 3.—J. M. Guffey, who is credited with having had much to do with the resignation of Charles P. Donnelly as chairman of the Democratic city committee of Philadelphia and with the election of former Governor Pattison in its stead, says he believes Mr. Pattison's resignation will have a good effect upon the Democracy all over the State.

For some years it has been contended by the country Democrats that there was little or no use in them hustling in their counties at the state elections when the Philadelphia Democracy traded with the state machine in the city of Quakers and overcame their efforts. Mr. Guffey here out the following statement on the matter today:

"The voluntary resignation of Mr. Donnelly and the action of the committee in electing Governor Pattison as his successor are highly commendable and mean much good for the Democratic party, not alone in Philadelphia, but throughout the state. Representative of the city of Quakers, the party at this position cannot be questioned, and it will leave no room for factional strife. He is fair and honorable and will command the respect of all good citizens, and the integrity of the organization under his management will not be doubted or questioned. I have wired him urging him to accept."

German Fling Reviled.

Secretary of the Columbian General Urbe, Arrested and Dragged Ashore.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Allegheny, which arrived here to-day, reported that she was held in the harbor of Cartagena, Columbia, for 12 hours. Passengers on the Allegheny report that Abel Marrillo was arrested on the ship at Cartagena and taken ashore by the Columbian authorities. Marrillo protested against his arrest, claiming that he was entitled to the protection of the German flag.

Marrillo is said to be the secretary of General Urbe. He went to Colombia, it is reported, with a passport given by the representative of the Columbian government at Washington on the understanding that his mission to Colombia was a peaceful one.

According to the passengers on the Allegheny the Columbian officers, notwithstanding Marrillo's protest, seized the man and dragged him from the vessel. By some it is claimed, that the police went up to Marrillo, and tearing from him his "dirty rag," as they called the flag of Kaiser Wilhelm, took the prisoner from the ship.

Neither the officers of the Allegheny nor officials of the lines would make any statement concerning the arrest.

Speed of Dogs.

The Greyhound Ranks as the Fleetest of Quadrupeds.

Comparatively few people realize of what remarkable speed dogs are capable says the London Daily Mail. Some remarkable statistics in regard to this having been gathered by M. Dusolier, a French scientist.

After pointing out the marvelous endurance shown by little fox terriers, who follow their masters patiently for hours while the latter are riding on bicycles or in carriages, he says that even greater endurance is shown by certain wild animals that are akin to dogs.

Thus the wolf can run between 50 and 60 miles in one night, and an Arctic fox can do quite as well, if not better.

Nansen met one of these foxes on the ice at a point more than 70 miles northwest of Sanakow territory, which is 480 miles from the Asiatic coast. Eskimo and Siberian dogs can travel 45 miles on the ice in five hours, and there is one case on record in which a team of Eskimo dogs traveled six and a half miles in 28 minutes.

According to M. Dusolier the speed of the shepherd dogs and those used for hunting range from 10 to 15 yards a second. English setters and pointers hunt at the rate of 18 to 19 miles an hour, and they can maintain this speed for at least two hours.

Foxhounds are extraordinary swift, as is proved by the fact that a dog of this breed once beat a thoroughbred horse, covering four miles in six minutes and a half, which was at the rate of nearly 18 yards a second.

Greyhounds are the swiftest of all four-footed creatures, and their speed may be regarded as equal to that of carrier pigeons. English greyhounds which are carefully selected, and which are used for coursing, are able to cover at full gallop between 18 and 23 yards every second.

How great an achievement this may be judged from the fact that a thoroughbred horse rarely, if ever, exceeds 16 yards. Moreover, it is said that a hare at its greatest speed never goes faster than at the rate of 18 yards.

These interesting statistics are exciting much comment among sportsmen and other lovers of dogs, and the opinion is unanimous that M. Dusolier has fully proved the right of the greyhound to rank as the swiftest of the quadrupeds. Express engines only surpass them.

Where Fires Can't be Drowned.

Fighting fires deep down in coal mines is a task to put the heroism of the bravest to the test. At Plymouth, a large town in the Wyoming valley, a big mine caught fire from the burning of a breaker. Some workers beat down the shaft, setting it on fire, and preventing entrance to the mine. The fire burned in the shaft and spread downward and upward. In this case there was but one thing to be done. Great pumps were erected, and the river being near, water was poured into the mine for months, until it was flooded to the bottom of the shaft. Then the water was allowed to remain for some weeks, until, in the opinion of the officials, it had reached every nook and cranny of the mine where fire could have lodged. Then the weary work of pumping it out commenced. It took five months of constant effort by the monster pumps. A couple of months' more work was needed to make repairs, and then it was discovered that a large fire burned in the mine, many feet below the level the water had reached. This was due to the air and gases, generated by the fire, holding back the flood of water, a monster cushion of compressed air and gas. Vent holes had to be bored from the surface to remove this, and the weary work of flooding was begun again. It was two years before the mine was in condition to resume operations.—Leslie's Monthly.

Chocolate.

In South America the retail price for the better grades of chocolate averages about \$1 a pound, while in Italy, France, England and in the United States the better grades sell at a much lower price. In America the ordinary chocolate of trade sells for about one-third of the price that is charged for it where it is produced. The cause of this, the producer says, is that the original product is adulterated greatly before reaching its final market, a cheaper article than the cocoa bean constituting the large proportion of 90 per cent of the chocolates of commerce.

The cocoa bean from which chocolate is manufactured is produced in its finest form in Venezuela, though various other parts of Central and South America grow and export large quantities. Two crops of the bean are gathered each year, and the manufacture consists simply in grinding up the beans into a meal and then adding sugar and arrowroot, with the necessary flavor, usually vanilla or cinnamon. The mass is moistened until it is in a semifluid state, after which it is run into molds of the proper shape.

Bank Divided 1900 Per Cent.

Practically Gives First National's Old Stockholders Twenty Shares for One.

It became known last week that the extra dividend actually declared by the First National bank, New York city, for the benefit of the eighteen stockholders, who held all of the bank's old capital stock of \$500,000, approximated 1,900 per cent. This, it is thought, has never been equalled in this country's national banking history. It enabled the old stockholders to pay for their share of the increase in capital stock without putting up any fresh cash, the practical result being that for every share of the old stock that they held they now hold twenty shares of the \$10,000,000 stock of the bank.

Just how the bank was able to declare the record-breaking dividend the bank's officers do not tell, merely saying that it was a matter of bookkeeping. The bank has been understood for years to have an enormous amount covered in its statement under the head of "other stocks and bonds" representing the difference between par and the market value of the securities.

To Detect Tipplers.

The Method Used to Get Evidence Against B. & O. Employees.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad has sent out what the railroads call "spotters," to detect employees who frequent bar rooms and drinking places. Each one is around with a concealed camera, and when a railroader enters a bar for the purpose of taking a drink the "spotter" takes a snap shot of him in the act of taking the drink. The picture is sent to headquarters and the offending railroader called in and confronted with this unimpeachable evidence of frequenting saloons while on duty. He is then "furloughed" or discharged, as the facts in the case may warrant.

Kept Her Vow.

Wife Told Thirteen Years For Revenge on Man Who Deserted Her.

For thirteen years, Mrs. Julius Thomas, of Wilkesbarre, has waited to be revenged on the husband who deserted her, running away to this country and leaving her to bring up their several small children.

When he had gone she made a vow that some day she would be able to find and punish him, and on Wednesday the vow was fulfilled. Her oldest child was a boy of nine years, and the two devoted themselves to working for revenge. Every penny they could save was put away for the search fund. Years passed and the boy grew slowly, but their purpose never faltered, and day after day they kept up the fight.

Finally they had saved enough to bring them to this country and help them in their search. They learned that the runaway husband and father was living somewhere in the region of Wilkesbarre, and promptly had him arrested for desertion and non-support. He was given a hearing before Alderman Brown on Wednesday.

Thomas threw himself on his knees before his wife and begged her to be merciful, promising if she would withdraw her charge to spend the rest of his days supporting her. But she had toiled and waited for thirteen years, and was in no forgiving mood.

The prisoner could not give bail, and was locked up. His wife smiled as the handcuffs were placed on his wrists.

Oatmeal and Dyspepsia.

The Scotch, says the Healthful Home, are the greatest dyspeptics on earth, largely owing to their use of half-cooked oatmeal and soft bread. Next to the Scotch are the Americans, and no single thing has contributed more to American dyspepsia than half-cooked oatmeal mush for breakfast.

In rural France, where dyspepsia is practically unknown, hard bread and vegetables, with a very moderate amount of meat, comprise the chief items of the bill-of-fare. Take the center out of a hot biscuit and roll it a minute in your hand, it soon becomes a solid mass of dough, a "lead-pill." That is the thing you should eat with bread when it attempts to digest hot bread or biscuit. A good deal of the cold bread is just about as bad. Such food may be nutritious for the chap in the circus who relishes ground glass and eats swords and ten-penny nails, but it shortens the lives of average people.—Leslie's Weekly.

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