

ONE KILLED And Two Wounded, One Fatally, in an ELECTION FIGHT.

A Memphis, Tenn., Saloonkeeper is Riddled With Buckshot By a Judge of Elections.

Memphis, Tenn.—J. G. Wellington, a saloonkeeper, was killed, W. J. Cooke, a judge of elections, is fatally wounded and a third man less seriously injured in a fight at a polling place a few minutes after the closing of the polls for the election of county officers Thursday.

B. E. Conn, the third man wounded, was another judge of elections. He was not seriously hurt.

The trouble arose over the county election, which was held Thursday. Wellington insisted on being present at the count of the ballots and in an argument, Wellington is said to have drawn a revolver and began shooting. According to the story told to the police, Conn rushed out of the polling place, secured a shotgun and began firing. The first shot fairly riddled Wellington with buckshot.

Wellington kept on firing until he dropped, and when the smoke of the battle cleared away, Cooke was found on the floor desperately wounded, a bullet from Wellington's revolver having pierced his side.

PIG IRON.

Production for the Year 1906 Will Exceed 25,000,000 Tons.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The American Iron and Steel association has received from the manufacturers complete statistics of the production of pig iron in the United States and Canada in the first half of 1906. The production of pig iron in the United States for the period named was 12,692,901 gross tons, against 11,829,205 tons in the last half of 1905 and 11,163,175 tons in the first half of 1905.

The production in the first half of 1906 was the largest in any half year in the history of the trade and larger than that of any whole year prior to 1899. It is now reasonably certain that the production of pig iron in 1906 will exceed 25,000,000 tons.

The production in Canada in the first half of 1906 amounted to 282,010 tons, against 257,797 tons in the last half of 1905 and 210,206 tons in the first half of that year. The production in the first six months of 1906 was the greatest half year in the history of the Dominion. It was also greater than the production of any whole year to 1902.

FEUD FIGHT

In Kentucky Results in the Killing of Four Men.

Louisville, Ky.—A dispatch from Sand Lick, Knott county, says four men were killed there Wednesday night in a fight between the Martin and Hall feud factions. The factions have been at war for some time and the authorities have been trying unsuccessfully to end the trouble.

The Martin faction is said to be led by W. Yates Martin and his two sons, Silas and Alexander. They are now entrenched at the home of Martin, on Beaver creek. Sheriff Hayes and posse are in the neighborhood, but it is not believed any arrests will be made.

Every effort is being made to get a truce arranged and to persuade Martin and his sons to surrender to the authorities.

Unless the Martins surrendered within a short time Gov. Beckham will be asked to send troops.

Must Pay Back Taxes.

Cincinnati, O.—Back taxes to the amount of \$182,728 must be paid by the Union Central Life Insurance Co. if the state supreme court sustains the decision announced Thursday by Judge Hoffheimer, of the superior court. The county treasurer brought suit, claiming between two and three million dollars in back taxes. The amount of judgment was for taxes on money on deposit against which checks had been written and afterwards cancelled, not having been used.

Condemned the Aikin Law.

Columbus, O.—In state convention on Thursday the prohibitionists divorced their party from other temperance organizations, condemned the Aikin \$1,000 saloon tax law as vicious in principle and powerless as a remedy, and adopted a platform declaring for direct legislation, woman suffrage, international arbitration, election of United States senators by direct vote and a more rigid bank inspection. Alfred F. Hughes, of Delaware county, was nominated for secretary of state.

Price of Oil Drops.

Toledo, O.—Because of the great amount of oil being sent to the Standard Oil Co.'s numerous plants, another cut of three cents east and two cents west was posted by the western management Thursday. This makes a cut of six cents east and four cents west this week.

Billings Buys Another Fast One.

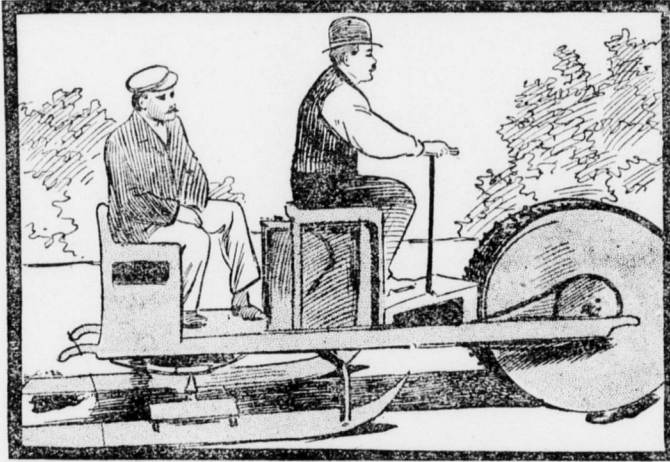
Decatur, Ill.—W. H. Stubblefield, of Oran, Mo., on Wednesday sold the 7-year-old stallion Blacklock (2:07 1/4) to C. K. G. Billings, of Chicago, for \$10,000.

THE ACCESSORIES OF THE WELLMAN POLAR EXPEDITION

Some of the Wonders of Science That Are to Be Used
in the Attempt to Reach the Pole.

What may be called the accessories of the equipment of the Wellman polar expedition are by no means least in point of interest in the novel undertaking to reach the north pole in an airship. The way in which the explorer has utilized the latest scientific discoveries and inventions in his coming battle with the elements of the north form one of the most interesting chapters in the story of preparation. With the exception of the airship itself the wireless telegraph and the motor sledge, or, as Mr. Wellman calls it, "the mechanical dog," stand out as of peculiar interest. Should Mr. Wellman and his companions be successful in reaching the pole the wireless telegraph instrument is expected to inform the world of the act of placing the American flag on that important point of the world's surface within a few minutes after it has occurred. Should anything happen to the airship the "mechanical

In this respect, as in all other ways, the Wellman expedition will differ from all others, for direct communication, not only with the base on Dane's Island, but with the commercial cables of the world, is expected to be maintained through the De Forest wireless telegraph apparatus that forms an important part of the impedimenta of the expedition. The wireless telegraph service, like the airship, while not having been brought to the highest stage of perfection or certainty of successful operation, nevertheless has become commercially practicable and reasonably reliable. Recent tests at sea have lengthened the possible communication distance to more than 1,000 miles without relay. A complete wireless outfit forms a part of the expedition's apparatus, and one of the five men who will make the trip in the airship is an expert wireless telegraph operator and mechanician.



ONE OF THE "MECHANICAL DOGS." Drawings Made from a Photograph taken in France, where the Machines Were Tested.

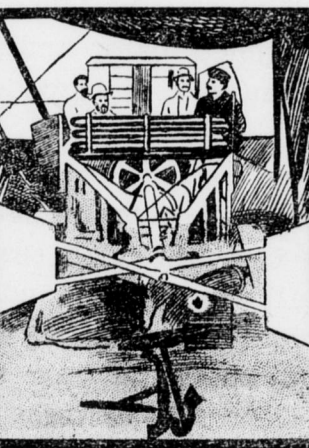
dogs" offer the possibility of motorizing over the ice and snow to safety.

The "Mechanical Dog."

While it is unnecessary to point out that, without the utmost confidence in the efficiency and "staying" powers of the airship, the promoters of this epoch-making expedition would not undertake it, yet this confidence has not been of the blind sort that has caused them to hurl caution to the winds. Two supplemental provisions have been made for insuring the success of the expedition and the lives of the explorers. The most important of these is the motor sledge which is to be carried in the car of the airship and which, it is confidently believed, will prove of the utmost value in the event of accident to the airship at any stage of the voyage. There are two of these sledges, propelled by gasoline motors. They have six-horsepower each. The motor is mounted on runners, like those of the ordinary sled, and the power is transmitted by chain to a large front wheel which has breadth enough to serve the purpose of a snowshoe and the periphery of which is studded with projecting spikes to furnish the gripping power. These "mechanical dogs" weigh 225 pounds each and can be carried by two men. They are so constructed that they can be knocked down and assembled quickly and when such obstacles are met as they cannot overcome they can be taken apart and hauled by the explorers over the hard places.

In all previous explorations the Eskimo dog has been the traction mainstay of the explorers. While the canine of the north has proved of the

greatest assistance in reaching high altitudes he has many drawbacks; but from his mechanical successor Mr. Wellman expects, if compelled to forsake his ship, to derive all the advantages of the real dog and none of the disadvantages. The motors used in these novel sledges are air cooled, of the ordinary motor-cycle type.



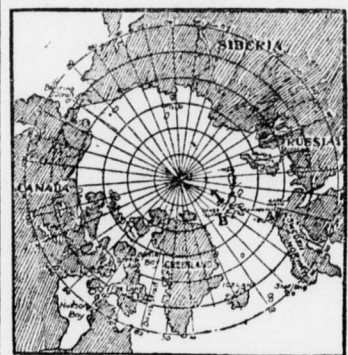
MR. WELLMAN AND COMPANIONS IN AIRSHIP CAR. Made from a Photograph Taken in France at the Testing of the Machine.

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The Wireless Telegraph.

Heretofore arctic explorers, after leaving their base of supplies, have been cut off from all communication with the more southerly world. Hundreds of them have perished in places not so remote but that they might have been succored had they been able to communicate with their base.

At Hammerfest, Norway, a point in touch with the Atlantic cable, the first wireless station has been established. Station No. 2 will be at the base of the expedition on Dane's Island, and wireless station No. 3 will be in the airship. The "aerial," which on land and on sea-going ships is a mast, in this case will be a wire suspended from the airship, and which can be coiled up out of the way when not in use. The experts in wireless telegraphy have gone over the situation in the light of conditions as they are likely to find them in the arctic region, and have given it as their opinion that there is nothing in these conditions to prevent the maintenance of virtually constant communication between the airship and the Dane Island



MAP OF THE POLAR REGIONS. Showing Route of the Wellman Expedition and the Location of the Wireless Telegraph Stations.

A—Hammerfest wireless station No. 1, where connection is made with cable line.
B—Dane's Island wireless station and base of expedition.

station. In its present use at sea there are often atmospheric disturbances which temporarily destroy the usefulness of the wireless apparatus, but these periods have been brief. It is believed thoroughly by the experts in wireless telegraphy that nothing short of a catastrophe which wrecks the ship and renders all apparatus useless will prevent the publishing daily of dispatches from the explorers sailing poleward in the monster airship. As the magnetic pole of the earth has been found 1,200 miles from the mathematical pole, on the coast of North America, it is reasonably certain that at the mathematical pole there will be encountered no magnetic disturbances which will destroy the usefulness of the wireless apparatus.

Moving Pictures Provided.

The importance of the expedition is reflected significantly in the fact that a London firm has sent cinematograph operators to Spitzbergen for the purpose of catching on moving films all the trial work done before the serious flight is undertaken. Already these operators have been in Norway photographing the trials of the "mechanical dogs" and these films have been shown in London with great success. Spitzbergen is as far as the moving picture men will be able to follow the expedition, but ample provision has been made for the securing of still pictures after the airship leaves Dane's Island for the pole. The experiments with the "mechanical dogs" were made in Norway, and the results, as shown by the moving pictures shown in London, were eminently satisfactory.

LIKE EDGE OF THE WORLD

Unalaska, in the Alaskan Islands, a Desolate Spot—Where White Men May Not Land.

Unalaska resembles other northern stations, having warehouses, docks, the inevitable Greek church and a score of wooden cabins. Whalers leave here for the Arctic regions.

Dutch Harbor is a station for our revenue fleet. There is much coming and going of ships of all nations; there are quite a formidable fleet, and only two ships out of twelve carry colors of the same country.

Just before entering the harbor one notices a detached rock high against the side of the cliff. It bears a striking resemblance to a Russian priest in full robes. Touched by the sunset light, he seemed to stand blessing the harbor.

Sailing north out into Behring sea, one looks back at the desolate, silent, treeless islands, which seem to wall the edge of the world. Hundreds of miles west they run toward Vladivostok.

Two hundred and forty miles north of Unalaska are the Pribilof islands; not large, but the greatest seal islands in the world. There are many fur seals around the shores of Behring sea and the Aleutian islands, but the great mass of them are bred on the Pribilof group. No white man is permitted to land on these breeding grounds without a permit, signed by the secretary of the treasury of the United States.—Outdoor Life.

FOUR YEARS OF AGONY.

Whole Foot Nothing But Proud Flesh—Had to Use Crutches—"Cuticura Remedies the Best on Earth."

"In the year 1899 the side of my right foot was cut off from the little toe down to the heel, and the physician who had charge of me was trying to sew up the side of my foot, but with no success. At last my whole foot and way up above my calf was nothing but proud flesh. I suffered untold agonies for four years, and tried different physicians and all kinds of ointments. I could walk only with crutches. In two weeks afterwards I saw a change in my limb. Then I began using Cuticura Soap and Ointment often during the day, and kept it up for seven months, when my limb was healed up just the same as if I never had trouble. It is eight months now since I stopped using Cuticura Remedies, the best on God's earth. I am working at the present day after five years of suffering. The cost of Cuticura Ointment and Soap was only \$6, but the doctors' bills were more like \$600. John M. Lloyd, 718 S. Arch Ave., Alliance, Ohio, June 27, 1905."

Iodine a Cure for Snake Bite.

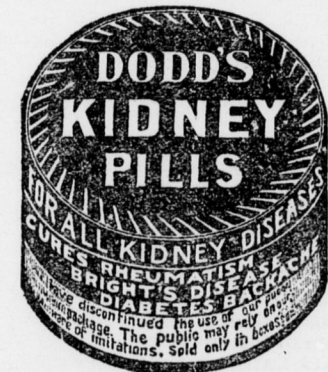
For a sure cure for snake bite, take about seven drops of iodine, scarify and bathe the wound also with iodine. This remedy was first used by a medical officer in British service in India. It has cured both man and a number of animals; it never fails; it is really wonderful in its effects.

One instance I will relate. A young man working for me in the harvest field was bitten by a very large rattlesnake on one of his large toes. I gave him about seven drops of tincture of iodine on a little sugar, and to make doubly sure repeated the dose an hour later. His foot swelled, but next morning he was all right. I have had animals whose bodies have swelled considerably, but all have recovered from the bite.—Topeka Capital.

"Cruising for Salvage."

One man in New York says he makes a good living by what he calls cruising for salvage. He goes about in an automobile and follows novices trying to operate recently purchased machines. If the machines break down or stop he comes up in time to offer his services as a tug or to offer about half the value of the machine if the owner is so disgusted that he wishes to sell.

There is a time in every man's life when he realizes what a chump he once was.



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