Horses of the Sierras That Wear Strange Footgear.

They Are Compelled to Pull Heavy Loads Across the Mountains-A Traveler's Interesting Description of

"Well, I can't say that I've seen horses skate, but I've seen them do the next thing to it-use snowshoes and do their work with them on just as well as if they didn't have them on, or nearly so," said a gentieman from California the other evening to a New York Herald

"This is the way it was: About the middle of April a year ago, I had business up in Plumas county, California, and went by stage running from Oroviile to Quincy, the central point in Plumas county. We left Oroville at seven in the morning in a four-horse 'jerky,' a sort of stage wagon specially built for rough mountain work. For the first six hours the road was as dry as a board, but after the noon change of teams we struck patches of snow which soon merged into solid and deep snow going. Tom, our driver, had called my attention to the new team as it was being hitched up, saying: 'Them's our snow horses. We'll soon have to leave the wheel and take the "sledders" when we get further up the

"Though I had ridden behind and upon many kinds of horses in the west, yet I had never been introduced to the snow' breed before, and I looked at them very closely.

"They were all four white or gray, whether from age or natural disposition I couldn't tell, but I was much impressed by their tremendous self-consciousness, their extremely slow motions, the deliberate way in which they stepped, straddling their legs as far apart as possible, and their reluctance to raise more than one hoof off the ground at a time. Every one of the lot was old enough to vote, and at a rough estimate twenty dollars a head would have been about fifteen dollars over their value. At the end of the trip ! thought twenty dollars apiece was fully nine hundred and eighty dollars less than they were really worth.

" 'Don't think much of 'em, do you?' asked the driver of me as he started them up with a click. 'No,' he continued, 'they're not much to look at, them four old hide packers, but the company wouldn't trade that lot for the best eight flyers in the crackest livery stable in Sacramento. But for those invaluable critters the mails wouldn't get through six months in the year on this route. They're snow horses, they are. and when they strike the snow higher up they'll put their snow moceasins on and show you valley people how they earn their outs.

"That old gray quartette plodded and worked its way along very wearily to us until we got into the deeper snow and drew up to a large sleigh standing

" Change cars, called out the driver, 'and gents will please shift their own traps or they'll get left.' Unhitching his team from the 'jerky,' Tom lined up his horses in pairs in front of th sleigh and then took out of it a coupl of gunny sacks, from which he produced sixteen pieces of wood having th appearance of flat dishes, which he saiwere the snowshoes used by the four horses. I examined the 'shoes' with much curiosity.

"The 'shoe' was made of a stout, sea soned, one-inch plank of tough hickory wood, fourteen inches square, strengthened on one side by a covering of oil cloth and two one-inch wide strips of hickory wood screwed on to the main plate. So situated that when adjust ed a horse's foot would be right in the center of the shoe were three hole clear through the wood and oilclot! underneath. One of the hoies wa large enough to let the heavy and very high toe calk of the horse's shoe pathrough, while the two other holes: readily permitted the two hind calles the shoe to enter and come out as dithe toe calk. Then a wrought iron band, separated in the center, swung on a book and eye on either side of the horse's hoof after he had been fitte with the snowshoe, by passing the earlies through, was brought together in front of the hoof an inch below the coronet, and then tightly joined by a scree and nut passed through holes bored it the projecting ends of the band. Ev erything fitted as snug as possible, an when the screw was tightened up namount of scraping or kicking coulloosen it from a horse's foot. The snor team understood the business perfect! and took it as a matter of course tha. they should be thus decorated.

little more about it even than Tom did Indeed, one old plug held up his off hinfoot and knocked Tom on the arm with his shoe as a hint to have the nuscrewed a little tighter on the iron band. Though I never before saw horses so queerly shod and apparently anchored with these strange gearing. the animals seemed to consider it quits the proper thing to have the shoes on. "The passengers having by this time piled all their traps into the sleigh we made another start for Quincy, but at a snail's pace as far as speed was concerned. After we got under way we found the snow getting deeper every yard, until in places, judging by the trees, it must have been at least fiftee: feet deep. I became quite interester in the sagacity of the four horses and their singular eleverness in handling themselves on their unusual footing. found out why they were so slow in moving and why they straddled so wide. Their slowness was to prevent sinking too deep in the snow from the heavy treading and the straddling to keep them from skinning their legs or cutting a tendon with the edges of the

"They actually seemed to know

"A month later, on my return, when the roads were clear of snow, it only took twelve hours to make the trip from Quincy to Oroville, though in coming up nearly thirty-six hours were re-

False Reports. There is no ground for the published report that visitors to the world's fair are to be made the victims of exorbitant charges. Competition will be so extensive and sharp as to prevent it One who climbs to the top of the exposition buildings and surveys the territory lying to the north, west and south of Jackson park can easily believe this statement. There, and indeed in all parts of the city, the amount of building which is going on is simply astonishing. Hundreds of structures to meet world's fair demands are being creeted. Some of the new hotels are large enough to accommodate several thousand guests each. By the time the fair opens Chicago will have living accommodations for not less than three hundred thousand strangers. Connected with the exposition management is a bureau of public comfort, through the agency of which many thousands of visitors can be directed to hotels, apartments, boarding houses, furnished rooms, etc., where they will be comfortably cared for at moderate prices. Eating facilitief, both outside the fair grounds and in the numerous restaurants in the exposition buildings, will be so extensive that no one need fear that he will not be able to get all he needs to eat, and at reasonable charges.

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Some of the hunters come so far that Correspondence there's four for Mealth, werest. Address in confidence, Livia E. Pink. Ham Manical Co., Lynn, John & Sielland they have to make "jerky" of the turkey meat in order to get it home. A fellow wants turkey pretty hard when e will travel one hundred miles for it From Pole to Pole and then take it in the shape of safted and sun-dreed strips and slavels, and ATER'S SARSAPARILLA has demonstrated its power of cure for all diseases of the bleed. usually fried in a gravy of bacon grease The Harpooner's Story.

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on bacon and beams and never atter a

complaint. But on the other day it is

changed on Thanksgiving day, there is

troutee in camp, grantleing and prefan-

ity, and a tendency to talk bluery about

the home in "the states," says the San

Away down in the southeastern sec-

tion of the territory there is a creek

Franc. co Examiner.

tiers Calle in the Sinn dater.

A Thanksgiving hunt in the valley of the little river is worth a trip, if maything in that line can compensate for a twenty or fifty-mile trip over bare. rocks with the thermometer at one hundred and ten degrees. There are no end of turkeys in the valley. As you walk up the creek great flocks of them, both the big black fellows and the smaller beence turkeys, swarm up the banks into the brush like quali. One of them will earry away as much lead as a deer, and there are all sorts of stories about turkeys getting away with one wing and one leg broken. The artist at the business shoots off the turkey's head. A man who would use a shotgun under the circumstance would "ground-sluice" quail, if he would not fish for trout with giant powder. Half a dozen birds make a tremendoes bag, about as much as a pack male can carry out of the valley, for they grow to a marvelous size. Oldtimers say that gobblers weighing thirty pound have been taken out of the Pricto canyon.

THE FALL OF SEBASTOPOL. amid Flarmes and Fearful Evolusions the

Ensdans Departed. I went bank to my uneasy couch, about two o'clock, but I was speedily roused by an awful explosion, write-William Howard Russell in Scribner's hastened to my lookout post again The flames were spreading all over the sity. It was an ocean of fire. At a a m. the camps, from sea to valley, were aroused by an awful shock-the destruction of some great magazine behind the Redan. In quick pacession one, wo, three, four explosions followed At 4:45 a. m. the magazines of the Fingstaff Bastion and Garden batteries exploded. The very earth trembled at ach outburst, but at 5:39 a. m. when the whole of the huge stone fortresses the Quarautine and Alexander, were harled into the nir almost simultane ously with appalling roars, and the sky was all reddened by the incessant flashes of the bursting shells, the holdest held their breath and guzed in awe-

struck wonder. It was broad day. The Russian fleet was gone, the last of their men of war was at the bottom only the steamers were active, towing boats and moving from place to place on mysterious er rands. Thirty-five magnities in al were blown up, and through all the night of the 8th and the incruing of September 2 the Russians were march ig out of the south side. We could se he bridge covered with them still. A 35 m. m. the last body of infantry reseed the bridge and roomted the op osite bank. Vis. the south side was oft to the possession of the allies a ast! Sebasiopol, the city, the docks

and the arsenal were ours. In half an hour more the end of the oridge itself was floated away by some nvisible agency from the south side and in less than an hour the severaortions of it were collected at the furher side of the readstead. Meantime he fires, fed by small explosions, pread till the town seemed like one reat formace vomiting out columns of relyety black smoke to heaven. Soon fter seven o'clock columns of smoke egan to ascend from Fort Paul. In a minute or two more flames were seen breaking out in Fort Nicholas. 'The irst exploded with a stapendous road afor in the day; the mines under the atter slid not take fire. The retreat of Gortschakoff was ef-

HOW A STEER TOOK REVENGE. Getting Help, It Proceeded to Punish t

fected with masterly skill.

Cow Which Had Burt It. A cow and a steer-the latter two to three years old-were the only ocenpants of the barnyard where an occurrence described by the Popular Science Monthly took place. A baiting of hay was put to them, the cow taking posession. The steer wished to share it, but the cow, like some higher unimals, was selfish, and was bent on taking the whole of it, and as often as he would naneuver around from side to side to get a bite she would drive him off at he point of her horns. The steer was o persistent that at last the old cow's satience gave way, and, making a determined and vicious charge on him, ounished him severely, though he was her own offspring. The steer felt, bady hurt, not only in body but evidently n mind as well, and immediately startd out of the yard and off down the ane toward the pasture, where were he rest of the stock, bellowing venscance at every step in a language which vas ummistakable to the bystander and which the mother well understood, as she ceased eating and listened inently to the threatening of what was a come. When these died sway in the distance she resumed her ration, but with evident apprehension. In due ime the steer was seen returning oringing with him a companion larger and stronger than himself. As they apenge could be again heard, which grew louder as they came nearer. The sow took in the situation at once and was now terror-stricken. As her assailauts rushed into the yard she dodged hem and rushed out at life-and-death speed and away toward the rest of the tock in the field, with her pursuers close in her tracks.

.Fishing of the Locks. At a recent "fishing of the locks" at Delaware City, the eastern terminus of the canal, nearly 20,000 herring were enught, and it was estimated that between 75,000 and 80,000 passed through the locks that day. On the same day it was estimated that the net in the locks at St. George's contained at one time 60,000 herring. The weight was so great that only 15,000 could be brought ashore.

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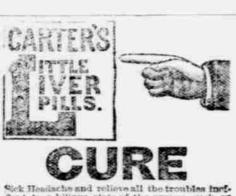
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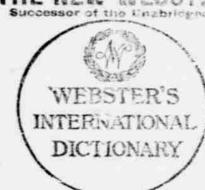
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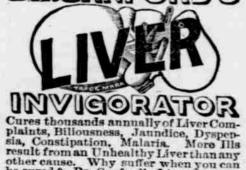
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PERSIA IN A BAD WAY. The Shah Now Under the Control of

Priestly Oligarchy.

The internal affairs of Persia seem to be proceeding steadily from bad to worse. A correspondent of the London Times, who declares that he has the highest authority for his statements, writes: The priestly easte, which has always enjoyed greater authority in Persia than in Mussulman countries of the Sunni persuasion, although humbled by the present ruling dynasty, has exploited to the utmost the prevailing discontent for the furtherance of its own ends and the revival of its own prestige. Mahdist doctrines-i. e., the belief in the speedy advent to the twelfth Imam, who is to sweep the unbelievers off the face of the earth-have always had a strong hold upon Shiite Mohammedans. During the last Muharrem festivals the priesthood announced in many mosques that a mahdi and ravior unto Persia had risen at Samara, near Bagdad, in the person of Mollah Hajji Mirza Hassan Shirazi, and that he was predestined to rule over the land. This ominous announcement was rendered still more significant by the omission of the khutbeh, the prayer for the shah, which throughout Islam is the most ancient and sacred privilege of royalty. These incidents acquire all the more gravity that the shah feels himself helpless to cope with the impending crisis. Treachery is rampant within the palace itself, and the shah's third son, Prince Naib-es-Sultaneh, who is at the same time minister of war, is known to be in secret sympathy with the malcontent leaders. It is no exaggeration to say that the shah rules in little more than name, and, as it were, on suffer ance. The power, both in the capital and the provinces, almost throughout his empire, has passed out of his hands into those of the priestly oligarchy, who are the masters of the situation. The grand vizier himself-Emin-es-Sultan-has been compelled to enter into secret negotiations with the most influential of these holy agitators, Mollan Mirza Hassan Ashtiany, in the hope, it is alleged, of persuading him that the deposition of the shah would involve the occupation and possible partition of the last great shah kingdom by the very Europeans whose present s so loathful to every right-thinking

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growing rougher, and there are a great

many "accidents" and injuries, and,

taking all the teams in and around

Philadelphia, it would be astonishing if

the extent of the injuries received in

ootball were known. There is one doe-

tor in Philadelphia who has on his list

thirty cases of injury at football, and

they are nearly all cases requiring sur-

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round numbers 200,000 square feet on

the main floor and galleries of the elec-

tricity building. The offices of the de-

partment chief are in the gallery at the

south end and the two bays in the north

end of the gallery will be devoted to

restaurants. The remainder of the 360,

900 square feet of flooring in the build-

ing will be taken up by aisles. The

work of installing exhibits will begin

immediately. Some exhibits are already

on the ground and others are arriving

It is expected that during the week

the installation of their displays.

fifty exhibitors will arrive to look after

Of foreign countries France and Ger-

many will give the greatest electrical

displays, France having been assigned

22,730 square feet on the main floor, and

Germany 19,382 square feet on the main

floor and galleries. France will occupy

the entire northwestern "bay," a part

of section P, just south of the bay, and

the greater part of section K, which lies

east of section P. Germany's exhibit

will occupy 13,384 square feet on the

ground floor east of the French display

England will have 7,330 square feet

n the western part of the building ad-

joining the French territory, and to-

gether with Canada will occupy 5,998

feet in the galleries. Just north of the

center of the building an area of 4,471

square feet has been allotted to Thomas

A. Edison, and in the center of the

building is a circular plat 30 feet in di-

ameter which will be occupied by the

Phenix Glass company of New York.

The southern half of the ground floor

has been allotted to large electric firms

of this country, the Bell telephone com-

pany, Brush company, Westinghouse

company, Detroit Electrical works, and

others, each having a large space as-

signed to it. In the galleries will be

shown phonographs, scientific instru-

ments and specialties. Here also will

be the exhibit of insulation and wire

people and small exhibits of foreign

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German and English Army Officers Affect This Bit of Feminine Folly, The idea of men wearing corsets is not a new one. German army officers wear them as a matter of course. Eng. ligh officers of crack regiments which

sport a tight-fitting uniform, wear either corsets or have their comes which boned to fit snugly. I am not how ever, alluding to these pardonals, instances where it is bardly possible to avoid some such aid to imposing grand tenu, says a London correspondent of the Clothier and Furnisher, but to the fact that corset wearing among fashionable young men, and some naught, wicked old ones, is not only become daily more popular, but that a war known Bond street house is multiply a fortune by its artificial attenuation of figures whose owners disdain the rebust and well-fed appearance of well-dimed Britons. The man's cornet a is made is better described as a corslet; it is much onger in proportion than that ad and by femininity, and fits well down to the hips and under the shoulders. Well the present mode of wearing the frichcoat open there is not so much chainto display the skill of the corntertor advantage, but the fin de siede Johnny" likes to display a taper want enswathed in a well-fitting walnesset. The advantage is much more marked in evening dress, where the "cound band has almost entirely superseded wantcoats, the former living a temlency to assume a patriarchal aspect when stretched over a capacious abdomon The late duke of Clarence was noted to the tight-lacing be indulged in Lacing is said to have a beneficial effect upon men who are inclined to amone excesses at table, as, after the manner of the tightened belt of the western gentleman, "down on his luck," it puts a certain eneck on capacity.

RAIN AT LAST. The Terrible Destructiveness of an Aus-

tention Prought. The author of "Round the Company in Australia" had put up for the wight with the manager of a stock farm it was a time of drought, and the evening passed amid stories of frightful soffer ing and losses. The manager thought it would be hardly possible to hold out a week longer. "Shady Jack's well is done," he said, "and the Prepalation". tank is empty." His wife tried to enconrage him "Hope for the best," she said.

"My outh?" answered the manuser, 'but the best things never come off. "Yes, Dick," responded his wife, "but the worst things never come off." Night after night this man had walked the room, alternating is tween prayers and curses, as each day's record was another thousand sheep deal, unother empty well, until at last he had come to the grim courage of despate "I shouldn't care so much." he sold to the traveler, "but then my wife, an wirls in there!"

He drew his sleeve across his eyes. and bowed his head on the table. For ten minutes he sat there so. Then the visitor saw him raise his head, star spring to his feet, and listen with strained attention. What was that Something pinged on the corrugated

roof overhead "Rain! rain! rain!" he shouted, as be rushed outside, and fell on his lases with his hands stretched out toward the clouded sky. "Thank God! Thank God! Wife

Girls! Mary! Rain!" Even so. The flood-gates of the sky were opened, and before morning the visitor was helping to put up a dyle on one side of the house. The march of destruction was stayed.

EPILEPSY AMONG COMPOSERS.

Many Notable Musicians Have Been sole Ject to Strange Nervous Affections Handel, although he lived to old age was epileptie. Epilepsy has proved a the New York Evening Sun. Hoffman Pergolese, Paganini, were epilepties Malibran relates that when she heard a symphony of Beethoven's she fell into convulsions and had to be carried from the place. Mozart was subject to such nervous tremers that in carving meat he used to cut his fingers. Berlioz said that music threw him into nervous states, accompanied by violent pulpits tions of the heart that sometimes ended un complete unconsciousness. Rossuni had unaccountable terrors about traveling by rail, and at the sight of cars fell down in a faint. When questioned about it he said: "If I were not that sort of a man I could not have Weather the 'Barber of Seville.' " Domizetti was subject to the most violent rages, and once, after having terribly beaten his wife, sat down and wrote one of his man beautiful melodies. Beetheven was sale ject to such mental aberrations that be would leave his cont and but in the woods and wander about without them Thus he was once arrested as a transand put in jail. Gluck's loss of balance was accompanied by intoxication. Hoff man lived in exhaustive cestacies. Vot Bulow's eccentricities are to-day well known. Sir Arthur Sullivan even, ac

the midst of a fete, seating himself at the piano. ONE OF HIS OWN KIND.

cording to his neighbors, is occasionally

seized with the whim of lighting his

house from garret to cellar and, as if in

Some of the Tricks That Arc Worked in

"I was talking the other day to a noted erook and confidence man who had just completed his fourth from in the pen," said Otto von Boeckman to a party of commercial pilgrins in the Lindell corridors, says the St. Lond Globe-Democrat. "He has decided that the path of the transgressor is to rocky, and will try what honesty sandfor him. Speaking of his past explait. he said that it was a mistake to might that all the 'suckers' were to be found in the country. 'If,' said he, 'comid-no' men had to depend altogether on the man from up the creek they would east be starved out. We only work the comtry cousin when our old rackets become threadbare and we are unable to invest new ones. But even with the old passes that have been exposed a dozen times by the daily press, and with which every bootblack is familiar, we calcu about as many city men as country Jays. We prefer city to country game, because the former is not so apt to squeal when scalded. The adventures of the confe dence man not infrequently have a ladicrous side. Some years ago I was in New York and made the acquaintanof a good deacon from Illinois who had been commissioned to buy an organ for his church. He had twelve hundred dollars of church money and considerable of his own. I fixed up a religious drawing for his benefit and got every cent he had with him. He could not at once make the defalcation good, had to fess up, and came near being sent to the penitentiary for embezzlement. Not infrequently one confidence man lays for another. I was playing the elegant gentleman through the south one winter and living off my winnings from judges and colonels when a slick youngster got into the game. He professed to be a Louisiana planter and had money to throw at the birds. One evening his servant, a coal black negro, called him out stating that some one desired to speak to him. He suggested that Sambo play his hand until he returned and we consented. In half an hour that negro, who was one of the slickest gamblers in the country, cleaned me up for seven thousand dollars, my jewelry and

overcoat"