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CORSER BROKE A STATE RECORD

Made the Half Mile in One Minute on Driving Park Track.

He Won the One Mile Event and Defeated Gregory, Coleman, White and Others -- It Was a Very Exciting Finish -- Summaries of the Different Events -- An Avoca Wheelman Injured -- Notes of the Meet.

The Green Ridge Wheelmen's third annual race meet, which occured at the Driving Park Saturday afternon was a great sucess from a racing standpoint. The spectators were treated to very spirited finishes of the fight-it-outto-the tape order throughout the whole afternoon.

The attendance was about nineteer hundred, which was much less than the Green Ridge boys hoped for, It certainly was no fault of the managers as the best amateur riders obtainable were on the track. In fact no better field of amateurs were ever brought together "Tis true that the in Pennsylvania. time was not as fast as it would have been if tandem pacing had been used in the competitive events as advertised, but Chairman Gideon of the League of American Wheelmen national racing board telegraphed the Green Ridge Wheelmen that the racing board had decided not to permit any more tandem pacing in competitive events, which fact accounted for the non-appearance of the tandem as a general pace-maker. Corser's slashing of the state record was one of the features of the meet.

KRICK THE STAR.

Charles W. Krick of Sinking Springs Pa., was the star of the occasion, win ning as he did the three big events, viz; the one mile open, two mile lap race and two mile handicap, thereby capturing diamonds to the value of \$105 His work in the handicap was of the hair-raising variety, bringing the entire audience to their feet. Krick rode from the scratch against a field of thirty-five riders, the limit men starting from the 225 yard mark. For one mile the stocky little fellow made no gain on the crowd of flying cyclists, stretched out as they were, for about a quarter of a mile, and very few of the spectators had the least idea of his catching up with them, but on the first lap of the last mile he lowered his head and started after them like an engine.

The muscles of his ambs stood out like whip cords. The audience fairly went wild as he flew away slowly but surely closing up the big gap be tween himself and the end of the bunch. As they crossed the tape for the be ginning of the last lap he rode with the rear of the bunch passing four men. He continued cutting his field down by twos and threes in this manner until on reaching the home stretch be had passed them all but Gstalder, Stutzman, and Dickenson, For a second it looked as though he was In a pocket but in an instant he shot out from the middle of the banch winning two lengths, the last four riders finishing in the order named. It was great ride and that Krick's wonderful effort was appreciated by the audience was evident from the rounds of applause that greeted him when he dismounted his wheel to go to his quarters.

MADE A GOOD SHOWING. The Scranton riders made a good

showing, when their ill-luck is taken in consideration, Keller, Cox and Greg-

ory all receiving bad falls. Gregory's fall in the two mile lap race lost him all chances in all the following events, his wheel being so badly damaged that he had to ride a borrowed machine the rest of the day. Nevertheless, he lande third money in the one mile handicar Ben Keller, also of this city, won thir the one mile open, besides winning the Lackawanna county champlonship No race on the programme was looke forward with so much interest, no caused more excitement than the on mile for the championship of Lacka wanna county. There were ten starter in this event. The favorites being Cole man, Gregory, Keller and White, ba when they lined up with Gregory on strange wheel, the wise ones immedi ately counted him out. A limit of 2.4 was placed on this race. The ride t the home stretch was an uneventfu one. Coleman, White and Keller swinging around the upper turn together, and then started one of the hottest home sprints ever seen on the Driving Park track. White and Keller gained on Coleman very slowly until both Green Ridge riders began to jump their wheels for the tape. Keller getting their wheels for the tape, Keller getting hits-Bonner 2, Lezotte, Sacrifice hit-the best of it, and winning by a wheel. Bonner, First base on balls-By Caliban White finishing second a length ahead 2 by Coakley 5, Stolen base-Beard, First of Coleman, who up to that second held the championship. Keller's rooters Barre 2. Struck out—By Callhan 1, by were wild with enthusiasm at the great Conkley 2. Double plays—Beard to Lynch

their heart's content. CORSER BROKE THE RECORD. The famous Black and White Barnes tandem team rode a half mile exhibition in i.01, after which they paced John B. Corser, of Allentown, for the state half mile record, which was 1.01 2-5, held by Douglas, of Philadelphia. Corser succceded in the attempt, encircling the whole track in exactly one minute. His performance is considered an exceed-ingly good one, in fact as good as a fifty-eight second half mile on a good track. The track was so rough on the pole that he was compelled to ride twenty feet out on the turns.

J. Myles Gibbons, of this city, gave an exhibition of fancy and trick riding, which was one of the best ever seen in this city. Following is the summary:

One mile novice-C. A. White, Scranton, One mile novice—C. A. White, Scranton, 1; Harry Strong, Scranton, 2; Lewis E. Osborn, Binghamton, 3. Time, 2.33.
One-half mile open—First heat—C. W. Krick; Sinking Springs, Fa., 1; T. Van Alstyre, Binghamton, 2; L. L. Arner, Alentown, 3. Time, 1.18 4-5. Second heat—George Thorn, Binghamton, 1; Ray Crouse, Allentown, 2; F. P. Gstalder, Williamsport, 3; R. V. White, Scranton, page iamsport, 3; R. V. White, Scranton, qualified for setting pace, Time, 1,10 3-5. Third heat—J. B. Corser, Allentown, 1; E. W. Murray, Syracuse, 2; A. F. Diffenderfer, Binghamton, 3; B. F. Keller, Scranton, ser mee. Time, 1.10 2-5.

ONE MILE OPEN.

Final one-half mile open-E. W. Murray, 1; F. P. Gstalder, 2; George Thorn, 3. ray, 1; F. P. Gstalder, 2; George Time, 1.14 1-5.

One mile open—First heat—C. W. Krick, Sinking Springs, 1; R. L. Arner, Allen-2:1. Second heattown, 2; N. J. Dauben-speck, Allentown, 3; Earl Boyce, Bing-hamton, set pace, Time, 2.19 2-5. Second heat—E. S. Youse, Reading, 1; R. W.

Crouse, Alientown, 2; Earl Kirch, Binghamton, 3; R. A. Gregory, Scranton, set pace, Time, 2,24. Third heat—E. W. Murray, Syracuse, 1; Charles Coleman Scranton, 2; A. F. Diffenderfer, Binghamton, 3; E. L. Van Valkenberry, Pittston, set pacer, Time, 224 2-5. Final heat—C. W. Krick, Sinking Springs, Pa., 1; R. W. Crouse, Allentown, 2; B. F. Keller, Scran-

ton, 3. Time, 2.38.

Two-mile hap race—C. W. Krick, Sinking Springs, 1; A. F. Diffenderfer, Binghamton, 2; F. P. Gstalder, Allentown, 3; KELLER THE COUNTY CHAMPION N. P. Dickinson, Palmyra, N. Y., 4. Time

One mile Lackawanna county champion ship-B. F. Keller, Scranton, 1; R. V. White, Scranton, 3; Charles Coleman. Scranton, 3, Time, 2.40. One mile handicap-William McMichael, Berwick, 1; E. S. Youse, Reading, 2; Ratph Gregory, Scranton, 2, Time, 2.15, One-half mile race, boys under 16 years Bannon, I of age-William McMichael, Berwick, 1; Garry, cf Earl Kinch, Binghamton, 2; Stanley Rinchelmer, Wilkes-Barre, 3, Time,

Two-mile handleap-C, W, Krinck, Sinking Springs, 1; F. P. Gstalder, Williams-port, 2; S. K. Statzman, Reading, 3; W. E.

RACE MEET NOTES

The officers were: Referee C M Price Scranton, Pa. Judges, Frank Deitrick, Wilkes-Barre; B. P. Connolly, Scranton; D. B. Atherion, Scranton, Timers, C. W. touser, Olyphant; H. B. Briggs, Carbonlale: Howard Davis, Scranton, Clerk of

ut together with six stitches.
The Mezlahones used by the announcer were furnished by the Barnes and Stearns

Bicycle companies through the efforts of their local agents, Bittenbender & Co., f Spruce street.

The music was furnished by the Lawrence band. It was first class,

EASTERN LEAGUE.

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ts percentage by Saturday's and yesterday's games was Providence. trays won Saturday and din't play yesterday, while the other three Saturday victors were defeated in the Sunday games. Scranton is the only club whose percentage was perceptibly lowered in the two days' play.

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Springfield	8 #	49	

To-Day's Eastern League Games. S-ranton at Syraense. Wilkes-Barre at Rochester. Springfield at Buffalo.

WILKES-BARRE ROCHESTER.

Each Captures One the Two Sunday

Games. Bochester, Aug. 9.—Wilkes-Barre played two games here today shutting out the Brownies in the first. The second was a pitchers' battle in which Herndon out twirled Luckey and was a good exhibition the hot sun having gone behind the clouds and the players took advantage of the fact. Attendance, 3,500. The scores: Eirst game-ROCHESTER.

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ride of their favorite and cheered to to Dowse, Calinan to Lynch to Dowse Bonner to McMahon to Ecarle, Passed ball-Boyd, Left on bases-Rochester 2, Wilkes-Barre a Tone-1.45, Umpire-Swartwood. Second game-

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Buffalo-Springfield. Buffalo, Aug. 9-The Springfields showed bad judgment today, or at least Manager Burns is responsible for allowing the team to leave the field in the fourth inning dur-ing a thunder storm, for they failed to appear when the sky cleared and the um-swer in The Tribune pire gave the game to Buffalo by a score an Watkins manager.

of 9 to 0. The score at the time stood 12 to 7 in favor of Buffalo.

Chicago-St. Louis. Chicago, Aug. 9.—The Browns put up a miserable fielding game today which was in marked contrast to the wark of the

SATURDAY GAMES.

Syrucuse Was Too Strong for Scranton at the Finish.

Syracuse, Aug. 8.—Syracuse won one of he most sensational games of the season today. In the first two innings Mason was in the box for Syracuse and was pounded for seven runs. Delaney succeedat him and not a hit was made by Scran ton during the balance of the game. In the third Syracuse made three runs and the seventh amidst the wildest excitement four were scored and the game won. Er-rors wer numerous on both sides. Score:

SYRACUSE. Bannon, If Shearon, rf Minahan, 3b 3 arey, 1b Zahner, e Raymond, 88 4 Dickerson, Palmyra, N. Y., 4.4. Time, 4.41. Mason, p Delaney, p Totals SCRANTON. A.B. R. H. Keister, 2b 5

Meaney, cf O'Brien, rf dale: Howard Davis, Scranton. Clerk of course. F. W. Ogdon, Binghamton. Assistant clerk, Charles Miner, Binghamton. Clerk of McGuire, ss. 4 0 metallic course. Scorer, A. M. Fine, Scranton. Scorer, A. M. Fine, Scranton. Andrew Zigmont, of Avoca, fell from his wheel in the one mile handlean and sustained apainful cut near his left temple by being struck by the pedal of Diffenderic's wheel. Dr. Berlinghoff drew the cut together with six stitches. Eagan, If 3 Syracuse 0 0 3 0 0

Earned runs-Syracuse 2, Scranton 2. First base on balls-Off Mason 1, off De-Lan-y 2, off Brown 1. Three-base hit-Eagan. Two-base hit-Bowerman, Eagen, Zahner. Passed balls-Zahner 1. Bower-man 1. Umpire-Doescher. Time-Two hours. Attendance 500.

Rochester-Wilkes-Barre.

Rochester-Wilkes-Barre.

Rochester, Aug. S.—Through McFarland's steadiness and brilliant fielding for the Brownies, Wilkes-Barre lost here today. Luckey started to pitch for the Blackbirds, but after Bottenus hit for three bases, he gave Johnson and Daly bases on balls. He was very wild and was taken out of the box with the bases full. Betts fiinished the game. The home team secured five runs in the first inning on errors, and hits. It did not score again un rors, and hits. It did not score again until the ninth when clean hitting netted three runs. The visitors score but once, in the seventh, on three singles. Betts pitched a good game. The feature was the catch of Molvey after a run of 150 feet. Attendance 800. Score:

Hits-Rochester E, Wilkes-Barre D. Erors-Rochester I; Wilkes-Barre Bat-teries-McFarland and Boyd; Luckey, Betts sand Wente, Umpire-Swartwood.

Springfield-Buffalo.

Buffalo Aug. 8.—The Bisons lost to day's game by theiri nability to hit Sey mour. Buffalos only scores were mad on errors and by great sprinting on the part of Ritchie who scored from first or

Urquirart and H. Smith; Seymour and

Providence-Toronto.

Toronto, Aug. 8.-Providence put up a fine game in the field and also batted well. Freetman'es home run saved Toronto from a whitewash as Hodson kept the locals guessing. Score: Providence 0 6 0 0 0 2 1 1-11

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-Providence 1, Toronto 2, Batteries-Hod-son and Coogan; Dineen, Horton and Sugden. Umpire-Hornung.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

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Baltimore88	61	27	
Cleveland	57	32	
Pittsburg90	50	40	
Chicago96	56	40	
Boston	48	41	
Brooklyn	41	48	
Philadelphia	40	49	
New York96	17	58	
Washington	35	542	
St. Louis91	220	100	
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VESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Cincinnati-Louisville. Cincinnati, Aug. 9.—Clarke, Louisville's left fielder, lost his temper in the eighth liming today over a third base decision and struck impire Lally. Seceral blows were exchanged before the players sep arated them. Both men were arrested and taken to the station house. Rhines um-pired the last inning. Hill pitched a good

Louisville000003001-4 8 6
Batteries-Ehret and Peitz; Hill and
Dexter. Umpires-Lally and Rhines.

SATURDAY'S GAMES. Cleveland-Pittsburg, 7; Cleveland, 5.

At Cleveland-Pittsburg, 7; Cleveland, 5. At Washington-Baltimore 21; Washing-At New York—New York, 5; Brooklyn, 1.
At Chicago-Chicago, 4; St Louis, 3,
At New York—New York, 5; Brooklyn, 1.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 5; Louis-

At Philadelphia-Philadelphia, 6; nos-

AMATEUR BALL NOTES.

The Sliders and the Cherry Street Stars

The Scranton Reserves challenge the Olyphant Browns to g game of baall at Olyphant Tuesday or Wednesday of this week. Answer through The Tribune. A. R. Hughes, manager; T. B. Reese, captain. The South Side club played an interesting game with the West Side Athletic team on the brickyard grounds yester-day afternoon. Fallon twirled for the former and was an enigma to the visitors The Athletics were defeated by the scor-

A fair sized crowd of base ball enthusi asts assembled on Coyne's ground, Mi-nooka, yesterday afternoon to witness the game betwen the Minookas and the West Side Harmonies, O'Netl was put pitch for the home team and the visitors pitch for the home team and the visitors were unable to solve his delivery. P. Loftus handled the sphere for the Harmonies, and although his support was ragged and listless, he did fairly well. The feature of the game was O'Neil's fine twirling and Crane's clever work at Second. The score was, Minouka 10, Harmonies I.

The Taylor Reds challenge the Moosi-Populars to a game on Taylor grounds for Wednesdty afternoon, Aug. 12. An-swer in The Tribune if satisfactory. Ev-

IN THE ABYSS.

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SYNOPSIS.

Elstead, a young naval officer, is going to explore the bed of the ocean in a hol-low steel sphere, twenty feel in diameter. The shell is very thick, has two glass port-holes—one for entrance—and the in-terior is elaborately padded. It is fitted terior is chalorately padded. It is intro-with electric lights and contains an ap-paratus for renewing the oxygen of the air. The sphere is to sink by attached leaden weights which hang from it by a cord six hundred feet in length. By this arisangemnt violent contact with the bot-tom is prevented. There is a mechanical tom is prevented. There is a mechanical device by which, when the sinkers strike the bottom, the cord will wind up, pulling the sphere down, and then at the end of half or how. ing the sphere down, and then at allow it of half an hour, cut the cord and allow it of half an hour, cut the cord and allow it to rise to the surface. At noon Elstean is dropped over the stern of his vessel, which moves off to a safe distance in or-

der not to be struck by the shell when it comes up.
In half an hour the shell has not reappeared. Hours pass and the explorer is given up. At midnight the lookout descries the sphere affoat. Elstead is rescued limp and unconscious. When able, he tells on the way down, the friction of the water produced great heat and he was afraid the port-hole glass would crack. He saw fish bathed in phosphorescent light swim-ming about. Then the sphere stopped the mechanism began to work and he was pulled to the bottom, five miles below the surface. Scarcely had he time to notice the strange fish and plants on the ocean bed, when he saw, dimly, a large moving figure suggestive of a walk-ing man, coming towards him. He had discovered a new world.

PART III. It was a strange vertebrated animal Its dark purple head was dimly suggestive of a chameleon, but it had such a high forehead and such a braincase as no reptile ever displayed before; the vertical pitch of its face gave it a most extraordinary resemblance to a human being. Two large and protruding eyes projected from sockets in chameleon fashion, and it had a broad reptilian mouth, with horny lips beneath its little nostrils. In the position of the ears were two huge gill covers, and out of these floated a branching tree of coralline filaments almost like the tree-like



HE SAW TWO PAIR OF STALKED EYES.

gills that very young rays and sharks of altar that stood in the center of the possess. But the humanity of the face place, was not the most extraordinary thing about the creature; it was a bleed, its he could see those strange people of almost globular body was poised on a the abyss plainly once more. To his tripod of two frog-like legs and a long astonishment he perceived that they shaft of bone tipped with copper. The were prostrating themselves before him. color of the creature was variegated, its all save one dressed as it seemed in a head, hands and legs were purple, but its skin, which hung loosely upon it even as clothes might do, was a phosphorescent gray. And it stood there, blinded by the light.

At last this unknown creature of the waves blinked its eyes open, and, shading them with its disengaged hand, opened its mouth and gave vent to a shouting noise, articulate almost as chanting gave place to a thuit of exspeech might be, that penetrated even ultant shouts, and Elstead, being anxthe steel case and padded jacket of the sphere. It then moved sideways out of the glare into the mystery of shadow eyes. But for a time he was too blind that bordered it on either side, and El- to make out what they were doing, and stead felt rather than saw, that it was when at last he could distinguish them coming towards him. Fancying the they were kneeling again. And then light had attracted it, he turned the they continued worshiping him, without switch that cut off the current. In an rest or intermission, for the space of other moment something soft dabbed three hours. upon the steel and the globe swayed.

Then the shouting was repeated, and It seemed to him that a distant echo people, these people of perpetual night, answered it. The dabbing recurred and who have never seen sun or moon or the globe swayed and ground against stars, green vegetation, nor any living the spindle over which the wire was air-breathing creatures, who rolled. He stood in the blackness and nothing of fire nor any light but the peered out into the everlasting night phosphorescent light of living things of the abyss. And presently, he saw, very faint and remote, other phospho-startling to find that scientific men of rescent quasi-human forms hurrying owards him. Hardly knowing what find nothing incredible in it. They tell he did, he felt about in his swaying me they see no reason why intemgent prison for the stud of the exterior electric light and came by accident against his own small glow lamp in its padded recess. The sphere twisted and then threw him down; he heard houts like shouts of surprise, and when he tose to his feet he saw two pairs of stalked eyes peering into the lower window and refleting his light.

In another moment hands were dab bing vigorously at his steel casing, and there was a sound, horrible enough in his position, of the metal protection of the clockwork being vigorously hammered. That, indeed, sent his heart into his mouth, for if these strange creatures succeeded in stopping that, his release would never occur. Scarce ly had he thought as much when he felt the sphere sway violently and the floor of it press hard against his feet. He turned off the small glow lamp that played a game at Petersburg Saturday the feature of which was the pitching of Harrington, of the Silders, who struck out ten men. He also hit the ball hard, haying a home run and three-base hit. Score: disappeared, and a couple of fish chasdisappeared, and a couple of fish chas

> strange denizens of the deep sea had broken the wire rope and that he had escaped. He drove up faster and faster, and then stopped with a jerk that sent him flying aginst the padded roof of his prison. For half a minute perhaps he was too astonished to think. Then he felt that the sphere was spinning slowly and rocking, and it eemed to him that it was also being drawn through the water. By crouching close to the window he managed to make his weight effective and roll that part of the sphere downward, but he could seen nothing save the pale ray of his light striking down inef-

eyes to grow accustomed to the profound obscurity. In this he was wise. After some minutes the velvety blackness became a translucent blackness, and then far away, and as faint as the zodiacal light of an English summer evening, he saw shapes moving below. He judged these creatures had detached his cable and

fectively into the darkness. It occurred

were towing him along the sea bottom And then he saw something faint and remote across the undulations of the submarine plain, a broad horizon of pale luminosity that extended this way and that way as far as the range of his little window permitted him to see. To this he was being towed, as a balloon might be towed by men out of the open country into a town. He approached it very slowly, and very slow ly the dim irradiation was gathered together into more definite shapes.

It was nearly five o'clock before came over this luminous area and by that time he could make out an ar rangement suggestive of streets and houses grouped about a vast roofless erection that was grotesquely sugges tive of a ruined abbey. It was spread out like a map below him. The houses were all rootless inclosures of walls and their substance being, as he afterwards saw, of phosphorescent bones, gave the place an appearance as if it were built of drowned moonshine. Among the inner caves of the place waving trees of orinoids stretched their tentacles, and tall slender glassy sponges shot like shining minarets and lilies of filmy light out of the general glow of the city. In the open spaces of the place he could see a stirring movement as of crowds of people, but he was too many fathoms above them to distinguish the individuals in those crowds.

Then slowly they pulled him down and as they did so the details of the place crept slowly upon his apprehension. He saw that the courses of th cloudy buildings were marked out with headed lines of round objects, and then he perceived that at several points below him in broad open spaces were forms like the encrusted shapes of ships, Slowly and surely he was drawn down, and the forms below him became brighter, clearer and more distinct. He was being pulled down, he perceived, towards the large building In the center of the town, and he could catch a glimpse ever and again of the multitudinous forms that were lugging at his cord. He was astonished to see that the rigging of one of the ships which formed such a prominent feature of the place, was crowded with a host of gesticulating figures regarding him, and then the walls of the great building rose about him silently and hid the city from his eyes.

And such walls they were! of waterlogged wood, and twisted wire rope and iron spars, and copper, and the bones and skulls of dead men. The skulls ran in zag-zag lines and spirals and fantastic curves over the building; and in and out of their eye sockets, and over the whole surface of the place lurked and played a multitude of silvery little fishes. Suddenly his ears were filled with a low shouting and a noise like the violent blowing of horns, and this gave place to a fantastic chant. Down the sphere sank, past the huge pointed windows through which he saw vaguely a great number of these strange ghostlike people regarding him, and at his he came to rest, as it seemed, on a kind

a luminous diadem, who stood with his as though he led the chanting of th worshippers. A curious impulse made Elstead turn on his small glow lamp again, so that he became visible to those creatures of the abyss, albeit the glare made them disappear forthwith into the night. At this sudden sight of him, the ious to watch them, turned his light off again and vanished from before their

Most circumstantial was Elstead's account of this astounding city and its Startling as is his story, it is yet more such eminence as Adams and Jenkins water-breathing vertebrated creatures inured to a low temperature and enormous pressure, and of such a heavy structure that neither alive nor dead would they float, might not live upon the bottom of the deep sea and quite



SLOWLY AND SURELY HE WAS DRAWN DOWN.

unsuspected by us,descendants like our selves of the great Theriomorpha of the New Red Sandstone age. We should be known to them, however, as strange meteoric creatures wont to fall catas trophically dead out of the mysterious blackness of their watery sky. And not only we ourselves, but our ships our metals, our appliances, would come raining down out of the night. Some times sinking things would smite down and crush them, as if it were the judgment of some unseen power above, and sometimes would come things of the ut most rarity of utility or shapes of inspiring suggestion. One can under to him that he would see more if he stand, perhaps, something of their be turned the lamp off and allowed his haviour at the descent of a living mar if one thinks what barbaric might do, to whom an enhaloed shining creature came suddenly out of the sky At one time or another Elstead prob ably told the officers of the Ptarmigan every detail of his strange twelve hours in the abyss. That he also in but he never did, and so, unhappily

we have to piece together the discrep ast fragments of his story from the reminiscences of Commander Simmons. Weybridge, Steevens, Lindley and the others. We see the things darkly in fragmentary glimpses; the huge, ghost y building, the bowing, chanting people with their dusk chameleon-like head and faintly luminous clothing, and Elstead with his light turned on again valuey trying to convey to their minds that the cord by which the sphere was held was to be severed. Minute after minute slipped away, and Elstead, looking at his watch, was horrified to find that he had oxygen only for two hours more. But the chant in his honor kept on as remorselessly as if it was the marching song of his approach ing death.

The manner of his release he does

not understand, but to judge by the end

of cord that hung from the sphere it

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against the edge of the altar. Abrupt

ly the sphere rolled over and he swep

up, out of their world, as an ethereal

creature clothed in a vacuum would

sweep through our own atmosphere,

back to its native ether again. He must have torn out of their sight as a hydrogen bubble hastens upwards from our air. A strange ascension it must have seemed to them! The sphere rushed up with even great er velocity than when weighted with the lead sinkers it had rushed down. It became exceedingly hot. It drove up with the windows uppermost, and he remembers the torrent of bubbles frothing against the glass. Every moment he expected this to fly. Then suddenly something like a huge wheel seemed to be released in his head, and the padded compartment began spinning about him and he fainted. His next recollection was of his cabin, and of the doctor's

voice. But this is the substance of the extraordinary story that Elstead related in fragments to the officers of the Ptar migan. He promised to write it all down at a later date. His mind was chiefly occupied with the improvement of his apparatus, which was effected at Rio. It remains only to tell that on February 2, 1896, he made his second descent into the ocean abyss, with the improvements his first experience suggested. What happened we shall probably never know. He never returned. The Ptarmigan beat about over the point of his submersion, seeking him in vain, for thirteen days. Then she returned to Rio and the news was telegraphed to his friends. Eo the matter remains for the present. But it is hardly probable that no further attempt will be made to verify his strange story of these hitherto unsuspected cities of the

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