

Not Used to Reporters.

A veteran was talking the other day about his first experience with a repeating rifle.

"I was out on the picket line," he tells us, "and a lot of Yankees kept shooting at us from the shelter of a pine thicket."

"Finally, we made a break for the thicket, and then we had it. Every fellow would pick out his man, and then load and shoot, taking advantage of the shelter."

"My Yankee got the first shot, and missed me. As I was only seventy-five or a hundred yards away I thought I would reach him before he could load again."

"I carried that old gun of his back and it was a great curiosity to our boys. They never did believe that it could shoot sixteen times, and I couldn't prove it because he had only one load left, and we couldn't get any ammunition to fit the gun."

Probable Abdication of the Queen.

LONDON, March 31.—It is now stated on the highest official authority, as well as being a matter of common gossip in Parliament and at the clubs, that the Queen is seriously considering the step of abdicating the British throne.

He Grinned at Henniff.

Policeman Henniff, active and watchful of the public welfare, saw a cabman whipping a horse.

"What are you doing there?" the policeman called.

"Don't you see what I am doing?" "Yes, I do."

"Then why do you ask me?" "You impudent rascal, I'll run you in."

The policeman got in the cab and ordered the fellow to drive to the Harrison street station.

"Your honor, I saw this man whipping his horse and I arrested him."

"And your honor," the cabman broke in, "I whipped him because he kicked me. There's not a man in this town that's been kinder to a horse than I've been to this one, and under the circumstances I had a right to whip him."

"That may be," the judge answered, "but I am compelled to fine you, even though the amount be merely nominal. I will therefore assess you five cents against the city."

They Both Advertised.

"Did you notice my advertisement?" he politely said to a produce dealer on Michigan avenue.

"No, sir."

"It is to the effect that the house that sold me six pounds of oleo, for real butter had better settle at once and save cost."

Diversified Farming.

The one crop system followed up, will breed disease, no matter what the crop may be. A rotation of crops will, in a measure, if not wholly, prevent its development.

Two brothers by the name of Clark, living in the Western part of this county, have a magnificent black stallion that is so unmanageable that he has been kept nailed up in his stable for three years, and fed and watered through a hole in the wall.

The tornado that swept across the city of Louisville, leaving death and destruction behind, the mighty floods that are overflowing the Mississippi delta, after sweeping away the barriers that man has vainly interposed, are reminders to us of this busy age that God reigns, and that without his care and protection man is as nothing.

Below we give the United States Postal Laws relating to the newspapers and subscribers:

1. Subscribers who do not give express notices to the contrary are considered as wishing to continue their subscription.

2. If the subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodical the publisher may continue sending them until all arrears are paid.

3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed they are held responsible until they have settled their bill and ordered them discontinued.

4. If subscribers move to another place and fail to inform the publisher, the papers are sent to the former direction they are held responsible.

A PRAYER ANSWERED.

An Elder Who Did Not Expect Aid Properly Received.

Elder John Stephens held a pastorate in the Free Baptist church at Gardiner forty-two years ago. Nature, says the Lewiston (Me.) Journal, had dealt generously with Elder John.

His big heart was incensed in an iron frame of manly proportions. Remarkable alike for sincere piety and genuine humor, the good man so tempered his teachings as to make them acceptable to saint and sinner.

Riding one day along the road to West Gardiner, he overtook an ox-team that was stuck in the mud. The discouraged cattle had refused to pull, and the driver, who had sworn till the air was blue, was preparing to reel off another string of oaths when the parson stopped his horse and said: "Try prayer, my friend. Try prayer."

"Try it yourself," retorted the vexed teamster.

"I'll do it," said Elder John, and dropped on his knees in the wagon. For awhile he prayed around his subject as if afraid to touch it.

Gradually, however, his faith strengthened, and in a voice which bade fair to arouse the mightiest of the living he insisted on the cattle on a thousand hills to move the hearts and legs of those stubborn oxen.

The prayer was unconsciously long, and no sooner had it ended than the impatient driver prepared to start his team.

"Stop," said Elder John, descending from his wagon: "as I have done the praying I feel that I ought to do the driving. You hold my horse and give me the good lead."

The man consented to the arrangement, and with a grin waited to see the parson worsted. At that moment another ox team was seen approaching from another direction.

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NINE YOUNG WOMEN.

What They Have Done or Are Doing Out of the Ordinary.

Matilda Moore, of Greenfield Springs, Col., has killed three mountain lions, can ride as well as any cowboy and is an accomplished pianist.

Her father took her West four years ago from Boston to assist her. She is now healthy and happy.

Titlie McCready, of Mississippi, determined nine years ago never to marry a man who either smokes, drinks, swears, chews or uses slang.

She is not married yet and thinks of making a compromise if she gets a chance.

Edith Sanderson, of Boston, is the daughter of a wealthy commission man. She is highly educated and has traveled in Europe and is an accomplished linguist and musician.

She can cook an eight-course dinner without aid and can keep house better than her maiden aunt, who has done nothing else for forty years.

Mario Bullock, of London, was engaged to a young man. He came to see one night under the influence of liquor.

He promised to reform after marriage, but he refused to do so. She dismissed him and is now the wife of a prosperous attorney.

Jane Detheridge, of Kingston, Jamaica, has refused thirty-seven offers of marriage. Jane has \$1,000,000 and is an orphan.

She does not think she can afford a husband who cares only for her money.

Martha Tullidge, of Dakota, is nineteen years old. This year she plowed, sowed and reaped forty acres of land, and has sold 600 bushels of wheat. All this was done without male assistance.

Katharine Macy has 175 pairs of woolen socks which she knitted with her own hands in the last ten years.

When she has 300 she will sell them for the benefit of an orphan asylum.

Agnes Hayward was married Christmas Day. She fell from the Mississippi river and was rescued by a young man with a blonde mustache, who took the liberty of doing so although he had not the pleasure of her acquaintance.

He has \$10,000 and she hasn't 10 cents of her own.

Carolina Banks, of Sacramento, saved her three young brothers from death while the paternal mansion was on fire. It is feared she will lose her eyesight.

Another severe joke.

How he convinced Mr. Elaine that it would not do to make a removal.



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