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Wells Buried Alive.
PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 31.—According to a letter received by George P. Wirtz, of this city, Carlton F. Wells, who left Oregon almost two years ago for the Arctic gold fields—where it is said he succeeded in accumulating \$20,000—was buried alive after his apparent death from heart disease, in Juneau, last May.

Just prior to Wells' apparent death he forwarded the greater part of his little fortune to his wife, who is now living in Trenton, N. J. A little more than a month ago the undertaker who buried Wells received a letter from his widow, asking that the body be exhumed and shipped East for permanent interment.

When the coffin was opened the body was found in a strangely cramped position, the face turned toward the side. A close examination showed beyond any doubt that Wells had awakened from a death-like trance after burial. The skeleton of the right hand clutched a gutta percha plate, bearing three false teeth, which, in his agony, Wells is believed to have torn from the roof of his mouth.

Near the place where his right jaw rested in the coffin was also found a plain gold ring, which Wells had worn on the fourth finger of his right hand.

In view of this terrible discovery the undertaker and the doctor who had attended Wells decided not to send the body East unless forced to do so by a legal process.

As we plodded our way to the editorial sanctum this morning we saw some industrious ladies sweeping their part of the earth and we wondered which, Mr. Bryan or Mr. McKinley was sweeping the rest of it.

Through the St. Louis Tornado.
 Here is an illustration of the way the wind handled things during the big St. Louis tornado. This bicycle,



owned in St. Louis, was struck by three barrels of syrup, a tierce of lard and one barrel of vinegar. Absolutely the only uninjured parts are the saddle and the Morgan & Wright quick repair tires, which were full of air when the machine was found. Even if these tires had been punctured, unless severely torn, any one of the holes could have been repaired by the quick-repair device in them, without trouble. Riders of these tires, when they have a puncture, need only be careful to pump as much air as possible into the tire before inserting the quick repair tool. The repair can be made in two minutes, at the roadside, without taking the tire off the rim.

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Everybody Was Pleased.
 "I see by the American papers," remarked the King of the Cannibal Islands to the newly arrived missionary, "that there is now a decided objection on the part of your Church authorities to sending out missionaries young men who use tobacco in any form."

"That is true," replied the missionary. "I use neither liquors nor tobacco, and the idea is spreading, as you say, that missionaries should abstain from both."

"It is a very good idea indeed," added the King. "I regard the movement with considerable satisfaction. It pleases me greatly."

"I suppose, then, you think with us that for a missionary to drink and smoke detracts from his influence?"

"I suppose it does, but I was thinking of that particularly. I was alluding to the fact that a person whose system is saturated with nicotine is utterly spoiled for roasting. The very beet you can do with him is to use him for smoked meat."

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A Knife in His Neck.

Monday about 1:30 a negro stepped into Beik Bros. and said to Mr. Snipes that he wanted to buy a pistol. The clerk told him that there were no pistols there; that they did not sell pistols. The negro insisted that he did. Mr. Snipes thought that he was going to have trouble with the negro, but he managed to get rid of him. The negro went from Beik's to the Bee Hive. He cursed a small boy for not waiting on him. The boy said he did wait on him. He called the boy a liar. Mr. Joe Covington, one of the clerks, was standing in the door. Hearing the negro's remarks to the boy he caught him and showed him out of the door. The negro resisted and before Mr. Covington knew what he was about, ripped out his knife and cut Mr. Covington in the neck. Mr. Covington did not know he was cut until some one told him there was blood on his collar. Constable McCord was passing. He arrested the negro—Will Crockett—but a crowd of negroes who had collected were about to take him away from the officer when Officer Black reached the spot, and he and Constable McCord marched the man up Trade to the police office. Crockett abused Mr. McCord all the way up street. A big mob followed and for some minutes there was suppressed excitement in the air. Crockett was taken before 'Equire Thos. Griffith who committed him to jail in default of \$100 bond.—Charlotte Observer.

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