

A MODERN SAMSON.

BREAKING STEEL CABLES AS IF THEY WERE COTTON THREADS.

Though He Spells His Name Differently His Feats of Strength Are Almost as Wonderful as Those of the Man of Olden Times.

When James Wilson, the expansionist, was described in these columns a few weeks ago it was believed by the medical fraternity and by all who saw Mr. Wilson in his wonderful performances that no other man on the face of the earth possessed such strength.

The reporter obtained an interview with Mr. Sampson in a private room in an unknown town for a fortnight, seeking a parallel for Wilson, and yesterday found him.

Charles G. Sampson was born on the 16th of April, 1859, in Baden, Germany, and is, therefore, almost 30 years of age. He came to America only a short time since, after having traveled all over Europe exhibiting his strength.

Choosing a piece of steel chain about three feet long, Mr. Sampson forced open one of the links and formed a ring of the chain, just large enough to fit over the biceps muscle of the arm.

Taking up a roll of the small steel wire cable previously referred to, Mr. Sampson made a belt of it, containing 125 lengths of the cable, which he wrapped around his chest.

"I had a large ring made from inch iron. The ring was 8 feet in diameter, 4 stood in the middle of it and fourteen strong men had hold of the ring. They tried to push me or move me out of a certain limit marked on the floor, but could not. I can and will withstand the combined strength of any eight men you have in this city not bearing Sullivan, Mitchell, or any one else."

In 1878 Mr. Sampson started on a tour of the continent and was seen by many royal patrons of many spots. He has received fifty-one decorations and medals for his prowess, of which forty-eight are from royal honors.

How to Efface Tattoo Marks. Europeans who have been foolish enough, either in youth or age, to tattoo themselves like Fiji Islanders, Patagonians, or any other race of picturesque savages, may be interested to hear that Dr. Varioz, of Paris, has discovered a simple but effective method of removing red or blue pictorial devices from the human skin.

Coughing Clara—Comely, charming Clara Clendenning, carelessly catching cold; creeping chills came. Clara coughed continually; cruel, cruel cough, that would have killed her had she not used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, costing 25 cents.

POSTOFFICE CLERKS.

PARIS' POSTAL SERVANTS BECOME SOMEWHAT UNRULY.

Exasperating Incivility in the French Post-office—The Traditions Must Be Respected. A Pathway Not strewn with Roses. Smallness of Remuneration.

The postoffice clerks in Paris have actually threatened to strike. Their agitation has subsided, but their threat remains on record, and it is one that contains much matter for reflection.

It is known of no place so calculated to ruin a sweet temper as a French postoffice. If you have not to fail in a queue in order to get a stamp you will have to wait before a hole like that of a fowl's house while the clerk on the other side is lazily and with an expression of indifference that is enough to exasperate a wandering angel, adding up columns of figures or making entries in a book.

Strangers to these ways often express in energetic language their surprise at the ingenuity thus shown in wasting time. If, however, the work of the postoffice were simplified, a reduction of staff would be unavoidable. Now all such reductions are quite opposed to the traditions of French governments.

The smallness of his remuneration is not the only grievance of the postoffice clerk; he has another, and this is certainly a just reason for agitating. His advancement depends much less upon his industry and ability than upon the influence which he is able to bring to bear upon deputies and senators.

And yet it must be. The great city must continually absorb the very best blood, brain and brawn of the country; and as the woodsman selects from a thousand sticks the one which suits him to fashion into a thing of ornament or use, and puts the nine hundred and ninety-nine into the fire, so the great city will honor only in each regiment of these volunteer recruits who have cut all the rest in making money and glory for that one.

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American Locomotives in Japan. After close competition with English and French manufacturers, a Pittsburg firm has received an order from the Japanese government for two mogul 42-inch locomotives, to be used on the Paranal railroad in the island of Yesso.

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But They Will Do It.

How a Democrat, sincerely desiring that his party be in power, can consistently go on a Republican bond, thus knocking some Democrat out of the office perhaps, we can't see; and it is a problem of equal difficulty for us to solve how any loyal Democrat can consistently accept a special fee to aid in preventing the seating of a Democratic official.

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