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ORIENTAL LIMITED HELD UP.

Overpowers Mail Clerks and Robs Mail Cars and Makes Good His Escape.

Spokane, Wash., March 15.—A bandit boarded the mail car on the Oriental Limited, on the Great Northern railroad, at Bonner's Ferry, before daylight this morning, bound the two mail clerks, robbed the mail car and delivered way station mail for 100 miles. Then he dropped off the train and escaped.

The robbery was not discovered until the train reached Spokane, five hours after the bandit boarded the train.

The train carried the through mail and much of it was registered. The amount stolen will not be known until the registered mail has been checked up. When the train arrived at Spokane at 9:30 o'clock today the mail car was closed. Employees at the station opened the car and found one of the mail clerks lying bound on the mail sacks. The other clerk was locked in a closet. They said that a bandit boarded the car at Bonner's Ferry a division point 100 m. east of Spokane. The bandit entered the car as the train left Bonner's Ferry, subdued the clerks with revolvers bound them and went through the registered mail. At regular stops the robber threw off the mail sack for each point and took the outgoing sack, but at smaller places, where the train does not stop he did not throw off the mail. He jumped off the train at Oregon Railroad and Navigation junction, two miles east of Spokane.

Postoffice Robbed.

Charlotte Observer.
Asheville, March 18.—The post-office at Arden, this county, was entered and robbed of several pieces of mail last night. The railway station and express office were also robbed. The loss is not great. Postmaster Rickman, of Arden, some time ago adopted the habit of taking home with him every night his stock of postage stamps and cash and thus the thief or thieves failed to make any rich haul. Many of the letters in the office were opened and the envelopes and contents left scattered about on the floor. It is not thought that much, if any, money was secured from these letters.

William H. Kimpton, of Montreat, went to the wall this afternoon, failing for \$3,000. He was a merchant of that place, coming to North Carolina, it is understood, from the North. The assets consist of \$2,500 stock in trade and a \$4 watch.

News has been received here that Mrs. Florence Edwards, wife of the station master at Putnam, in Madison county, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting herself through the head. It is said that no cause can be assigned for the rash act: that just prior to the act of self-destruction Mrs. Edwards was with her husband and children and apparently in the best of spirits. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and two children went to Putnam from Blue Ridge, Ga., about a year ago.

The Wilkes Patriot says:—The damage suit of R. A. Deal against G. W. Samuel, et al, has been ordered to be removed to the Federal Court at Greensboro for trial. This suit grew out of a fight that occurred here about three years ago, the facts of which are more or less familiar to our readers.

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Success with Melons and Tomatoes

Editor Home and Farm.

I noticed some one in issue of February 15 gave his plan for raising watermelons and tomatoes, and I will give my experience in that line.

I select a well-drained piece of land (sandy soil preferred) and break thoroughly and put in good condition by harrowing. Take a one-horse plow and mark the land ten feet each way, then with a two-horse turn plow go twice to each row throwing out a large open trench; next take a long scoter, or better still, a regular subsoil plow and go twice in bottom of the furrow which should break the subsoil to a depth of sixteen or eighteen inches. Next take a long broad shovel plow and open the furrow as deep as possible; then driving between the rows put in a continuous line of stable manure about the size of a man's arm—which will require two good two-horse loads per acre. Next take two-horse turn plow and go twice through each row making a good ridge on the manure. Then where the small furrow crosses make the hill by taking out all clods and trash and working it down to about the level of the land. Take eight to twelve seeds and scatter over the hill, and press each one into the soil with the forefinger to the second joint and brush a little fine dirt over them. By this plan I never fail to get a full stand at first which is important. When the plants are putting on the third leaf work round the hill lightly with hoe and be sure the plants are dry, as working them when damp will cause them to scald. At first plowing subsoil the turn plow furrows on each side which will give about three feet of well broken soil around the plants.

Then work each week if possible, getting further from the row each plowing. I am careful to never move a melon vine after it begins to run as they are very tender. When vines get too long to use the plow, use the hoe on all spaces that remain uncovered till melons begin to ripen. I only leave one vine to a hill ten feet each way and they will cover every inch of the land. Also remove all badly shaped forms leaving only those of uniform shape and only three to five melons to a vine. At second working I set two tomato plants between hills about three feet from the melon hill. Since following this plan I have never failed to make fine melons and fine tomatoes, wet or dry. One season I had hundreds weighing from 40 to 60 pounds each and the dust was not wet in the field from the time the seed was planted till melons were all gathered. I will add that I never plant more than one variety in a patch and never plant the same land in melons two years in succession. E. C. HUNSUCKER, Dalton, Ga.

Heavy Rains in North West.

Portland, Ore., March 16.—Not in many years have so many points in the Pacific northwest, all at the same time, faced such serious damage from flood.

From last Friday until now heavy rains have fallen over the whole of the northwest and every riverlet is a lake.

Bridges have been washed out or dynamited, railroad tracks are under water, and when traffic is not delayed by these, huge landslides block the way. Prospects are that conditions will be worse.

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Smiles are the World's Right.

Woman's Magazine.

What's the use of stifling all the laughs and smiles and good thoughts that are inside you? Heaven knows there are in the world tears enough that can't be helped! Whenever you feel like laughing, go ahead and laugh, says the April New Idea, editorially, when you feel like singing, go ahead and sing out good and loud. It will break the clouds of the worry-disturbed atmosphere; it will shake away the miserable little troubles that come hanging around, bothering one and interrupting and making fusses all the time.

Don't let trouble down you. Put on your steel armor of good thoughts. Get out your broomstick of optimism and when Trouble comes along hit him one big, beautiful swoop. Then run away so he can't catch you. Don't laugh—this isn't a joke,—it's "for real."

Some people have a fool idea that to keep young and happy is to be regardless of the serious matters of life. But the real serious matter in life is to be courageous. Force yourself to say the pleasant, bright things that come to your mind.

Hard! Of course it is! But is it a good fight, this one against allowing one's self to be submerged in personal griefs, and out of it you come a conqueror if you will.

But there is always a remedy for a heavy heart. It may be in good, hard, all-absorbing work—it often is.

It may be in helping others by sympathy or in whatever way help is most needed, in forgetting self entirely, and in remembering and relieving the needs of others as far as possible, or in thinking out what the future holds until your heart grows light and the world seems full of sunshine.

Bedding Sweet Potatoes.

A reader in North Carolina has asked for the best method of bedding sweet potatoes where no hotbed is used, and I think I can give him a successful one, or it has proved so at least. Select smooth, medium-sized potatoes and then as soon as danger of ground freezing is over prepare your bed. I do this by scraping away about two or three inches of the earth. Then take strawy, half-rotten manure and make a layer six inches thick, tramping it down firmly. Now pour over it a lot of boiling water to make it good and moist. Cover this over then with a good, rich soil to the depth of one inch. Then lay your potatoes upon that, pressing them firmly into the dirt, and not so close to each other that they will touch. Cover the potatoes with rich soil to the depth of about an inch and a half. If the weather is warm, it will not be but about a week until the slips will begin to come forth. When the weather is warm, it is a good idea to water the plants every morning. Soap suds are excellent to make the plants grow fast. This method is a tried and true one, my father having used it for over twenty years. A. M. LATHAM, Buffalo Springs, Tex.

Col. Connolly says "you can lead an ass to water, but you can't make him think." The Colonel evidently has some of our bird-minded politicians in view.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Why not give prohibition a free field in Alabama and Georgia for a couple of years and see how it gets on? If it succeeds, then other States might try it.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

A Wild West Hold-Up in Heart of New York.

Raleigh Evening Times.

New York, March 18.—Six men, flourishing revolvers, burst in upon the saloon of Thomas Murray at Ninth avenue and Forty-fifth street early today and, quiet as if they were in a Western mining camp, instead of the heart of New York, ordered the bartender and customers to hold up their hands. "shot up" the place, went through the customers, took \$60 from the cash register, and then, helping themselves to bottles of whiskey and boxes of cigars, backed out and escaped on a nothbound Ninth avenue car.

While three men kept the bartender and customers covered with their revolvers, the leader of the band "went through" everybody and then emptied the drawer of the cash register behind the bar. Then he selected such whiskey as was to his taste, passed several bottles to his companions, did the same with several boxes of cigars and then all backed out and were off on the first passing car.

* Patrolmen Goff and Love, of the west 47th street station had heard the two shots. They examined the bullets imbedded in the back of the mirror and the wall and evolved as a clue that the robbers had carried 32 calibre revolvers. Everybody in the saloon had been so dazed that they could only furnish contradictory descriptions of the six men.

Sorely Affected Family.

Special to The State.

Aiken, March 11.—One of the saddest deaths that has occurred in Aiken county was that of Melvin Bell, 20 years old, which occurred on Monday of pneumonia. Mr. Bell had been ill only a few days. He was the son of Mr. J. P. Bell, of Windsor, in this county.

He was the fourth in that family that has died in the past four weeks. On March 12 Marney Bell, his brother, died of pneumonia; a few days later Mrs. J. P. Bell, his mother, died of the same disease; on Monday of last week Frank Bell, another brother, died of the same disease. This makes the third brother and the mother of same family to die of pneumonia within four weeks. None of them were sick for more than five days. A few months ago Frank Bell's wife died.



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