END THE VULTURES WAITED.

The Deadly Work of the Bull's Horns at the Bear's Teeth and Claws-Interested Speciators on the Earth and in the Air.

"I belonged to the engineer corps that sarveyed the route for the Canadian Pacific Railroad," said my friend, Big Fraser, ', and one day, while seeking a little recreation, I was a witness of a scene in wild life which I have no doubt there are plenty of people would travel far to see if it could only be reproduced, but which I wouldn't be a spectator of again for a good many gold dollars.

I left our camp one day in July to try my luck at trout fishing in the head waters of a small stream five miles from camp. The weather had been hot and dry for some time, and when I got over to the river I found the head waters were not much better than dry land, all the moisture I could find being puddles here and there in the bed. The only water likely to be found in that quarter with fish in it was the river, and that was twenty miles away, so I concluded that the best thing for me to do would be to march right back to camp. There was a heavy thicket along the north bank of the stream, some distance above where I came out on the dry trying to avoid the fatal horns of his bed, and a few trees standing maybe a hun- adversary, and the bull ripping, thrusting, dred yards back from the bank. As I turn- and tearing the grizzly with irresistible them was a young bull, and a more splendid his head, and made a third terrific charge, specimen of an animal I never saw. He but, blinded by the streams of blood that and the rest of the catt'e were eyeing me poured down his face, he missed his mark, with suspicious curiosity, I didn't like the stumbled, and rolled headlong on the appearance of the bull, for he had a way of ground. In spite of his frightful injuries lowering his head, throwing dirt with his and great exhaustion, the bear turned fore feet, and uttering an ominous sort of quickly and sprang upon his prostrate bellow that seemed threatening. I turned enemy. He seemed to have been suddenly and walked away, moving toward the trees. invigorated by this turn of the battle in his I looked back over my shoulder, and saw favor. With merciless sweeps of his huge the bull coming along after me. I increased | claws he tore the flesh in great masses from my fastest and the bull was doing his best the bear thus obtained over the bull seemed behind me. I can't say exactly how it was to be understood by the herd, and the done, but it wasn't many seconds before I bellowing increased, dirt was thrown about found myself in one of these trees, out of in clouds, and one big cow drew near the reach of the bull, who was immediately struggling animals, and I believed for a under the tree, pawing the dirt and acting moment that she intended to go to the aid very mad. I shall always believe that I was hoisted into that tree by the bull, al- her aspect and actions; but she simply though I had no evidence to show for it.

tree for a few minutes, and then turned and the eagles and the wolves grew impatient walked toward the thicket, on the creek o the delay in the battle's ending. The side of which there was a water hole. The former would now and then swoop down, as other cattle went quietly to grazing where I if to hurry up the finish, uttering harsh had first seen them.

thicket to get a drink at the water nole, but he never got the drink. I saw him push snarling in apparent disapointment. his way into the thicket, and the next instant I could see that he had got into trouble of some kind, and that troudle proved to be a grizzly bear. A fierce struggle followed in the thicket. The tops of the bushes swayed to and fro, and I could hear the heavy crash of wood as the two powerful animals writhed in fierce embrace. cloud of dust relled up from the spot. was not distant over 100 yards from, the tree in which I had taken refuge. Scarcely courage and greater powers of endurance. two minutes elapsed before the bull broke The unfortunate result of the bull's last through the bushes. His head was covered with blood, and great flakes of flesh hung from his fore shoulders. But instead of showing any signs of defeat he seemed literally to glow with defiant rage. Instinct had simply prompted him in his retreat to seek an open space. He was lithe and wiry, yet wonderfully massive about the shoulders, combinding the rarest qualities of strength and symmetry. For moment he stood glaring at the bushes he had retreated from, his 'nostrils distended, and his whole form fixed and rigid. But scarcely had I time to note all this when the bear, a huge, repulsive looking brute, broke through the opening. He was the most formidable specimen of his kind had ever seen, and my sympahtlies were at once with the bull, in spite of his belligerent attitude toward me a few minutes be fore, but I had my serious doubts about the final result of the combat that began at

"That combat was a trial of brute force that no words of mine are adequate to describe. When the bear made his appearance out of the thicket the bull did not wait for his contestant's cnarge, but, lowering his great nead to the ground, he rushed madly upon the bear. The latter seemed to appreciate the abilities of the bull, and summoned all the wariness of his nature to his aid. He waited until the bull rushed almost upon him andthen sprang aside with marvellous quickness, seized his assailant's horns in his powerful grasp, and pressed his head down against the ground by his great strength and the weight of his enormous body, biting at the bulls nose and tearing the flesh from his neck and shoulders with his long sharp claws. This position was maintained for at least five minutes, the bull struggling desperately to free his head, but being unable to accomplish it, while the bear put forth every The charge was equally disastrous to the muscle to press the bull's body to the ground. The blood poured from the bull's nostrils in great streams, but the bear had as yet received no apparent injury. " Presently both animals paused in

THEIR DESPERATE STRUGGLE,

as each was blown and rapidly approach at his fee again. The grizzly's roar now ing exhaustion. The bear did not relax the seemed to be one of terror. With a last embrace, hurled the bear from off his head, ed and contracted. He drew his immense and backed away probably ten paces. The paws up once or twice in convulsive clutches, bear lifted his huge form on his haunches, raised his huge head, gave one agonizing and stood ready for the next assault. The groan, and herd of cattle had by this time gathered in from the plain and surrounded the combat- The victorous bull raised his bloody, the ground but maintaining a terrified neu- deep bellow, and, shaking his head tri-

interest. in spite of the bear's terrific blows with was soon dead.

his paws, and the grizzly went down n the dust before his crased antagonist, and vain, bear them, the gagles and ly tried to nerend remove. The bull thrust | screeching, marling, and fighting on the A TERRIFIC BATTLE FOR WHOSE the bear of the bear, cau ght him in carcass. The bull had not been deed five and with one perious sweet of his head down in their mysterious way upon hi tore the grizzly open until his entrails pro- body. When I climbed out of the tree to traded. Then the grizzly rose to his feet, leave the scene of that terrific combat the and with a roar that made my blood run herd of cattle had disappeared on the plain cold closed with his terrible enemy, and fer and two great skeletons were all that along time the two fought, their cries and markedthe field of senfit. the cries of the surrounding cattle being frightful to listen to.

"While the fight was going on two great eagles appeared from some mysterious aerie and sailed and circled above the scene of feet; corner him, and he will jump over the conflict, leisurely and grandually drop- your head; question sim upon a subject of ping nearer to the earth. Almost simultan- which he is ignorant, and his answer, though eously with the appearence of the eagles I it is not a reply, will enable him to retreat saw the heads of half a dezen hungry wolves with his flag flying. An Irishman, who emerge from the bushes where the fight had wished for a position as letter-carrier in one begun. I knew that the battle must soon of our large cities, went before the Civil end, and that the eagles and the wolves had scented the contest from afar, and knew by wearing a careless air, as one about to go their infallible instinct that it must result | through a mere formality. in choice prey for them. The presence of these hungry birds and beasts of prey add ed to the terror of the bloody conflict.

"THE TERRIBLE FIGHT CONTINUED The ground was torn up and covered with blood for many feet around. Both animals were grievously wounded. It was plain that neither could hold out much longer. Maimed and gory, they fought with the certainty of death, the bear rolling over and over in the dust, vainly ed to retrace my steps I saw a small herd ferocity. At last, as if determined to end of wild cattle standing off to my right. Among the conflict, the bull drew back, lowered my speed, and so did he, until I was running the bull's up-turned side. The advantage of the herd's prostrate leader, so fierce were circled around the bear and the bull, bet-"The bull pawed and grumbled under the lowing and pawing. In the mean time both cries, and some waiting wolf would steal I suppose the bull started toward the from his covert and make a closer and more courageous reconnoisance, snapping and

"The bull and the bear rolled over and over in the terrible death struggle. Nothing was now to be seen but a heaving, gory mass dimly perceptible through the dust. As to weight, the two fierce and determined brutes must have been about equally matched. The bear had the advantage of greater agility and the expert and telling use of two terrible weapons, his teeth and his claws, while the bull represented more inflexible charge on the grizzly indicated that the latter's qualities would in a few minutes more settle the fight against the bull, and I was in momentary expectation of seeing father. such a termination, when, to my astonishment, I saw the bear relax his efforts, roll over from the body of his prostrate foe, and drag himself feebly away from the spot. His appearance was sickening to me, so frightfully had he been ripped and torn by the bull's horns. The grizzly had no sooner abandoned his attack on the bull than the latter was on his feet, bearing himself as erect and fierce as ever. If the bear's appearance was sickening, the bull's was doubly so. He was covered with blood from his forehead to his rump, and his flesh and skin actually hung in strips and tatters from his head and sides. Giving his head a shake that scattered blood in a shower about him, and gave him a moment's sight of the reeking bear in front of him, he' low ered his head for the fourth time, and again made one of his terrific charges. When tho back fence?" dying bear had dragged himself away from the bull, the eagles actually swooped down upon him, and the wolves sprang from the thicket into the opening and prepared to pounce upon him. The bull scattered the impatient birds and animals as he swept on his final charge against the grizzly, and then hastily departed, shricking and snarling. The cattle again added their bellowing to that of the bull's, and acted as if they understood the favorable turn the fight had taken. As the bull hurled himself against the grizzly, the latter braced himself for a last desperate struggle. He struck out wildly with his paws, and the bull fell back with the force of the grizzly's blows, representing a ghastly spectacle. His tongue hung from his mouth a mangled mass of shreds. His face was stripped bare of flesh to the bone, and his eyes were torn from their sockets. bear, he being ripped completely open. and he sank to the ground writhing in his agony. The indomitable courage of the bull here prevailed. Blinded and crippled through as he was, he made but a slight pause after his fourth assault, and then dashed wildly judging character. You have a passion for hold he had obtained on his contestant. As frantic effort he sought to make his escape, yet during the fight neither animal had ut- scrambling and staggering through the tered a sound, except their loud and labor- dust. But it was useless. His great ed breathing. The cessation in the struggle atrength was gone. The bull plunged his had probably been of ten minutes' duration, horns again and again into the huge form when suddenly the bull made one desperate of the dying brute as he lay stretched helplunge, broke the motionless, but terrible les the dust. The bear's muscles quiver-

FELL BACK DEAD. ants, moaning and bellowing and pawing up horridly disfigured crest, gave voice to a trality. From my position in the tree I umphantly, turned and walked away. watched the exciting scene with breathless His progress was slow and painful, and he stopped and turned at short intervals and "The bull did not remain at rest a mo- listened, as if to know whether his foe ment after backing away for a new charge, would renew the battle. He walked nearly but, rendered furious by his wounds he a hundred yards, with his herd gathering you had that stock? This coat smells musty." gathered all his energies, and with an uneand bellowing about him. Presently his Mr. Einstein—"Jacourus earthly cry rushed with impetuous force head drooped from its proud position. He joost schmell dot goat." and ferocity upon the bear. The latter spread his legs apart as if to brace kimself Jacob-"Mein fader, I no schmell noattempted to use the tactics thathad served against the weakness that was stealing dings." him so well at the first onslaught, but the upon him. Suddenly he fell as if he had second charge of the bull was irresistible, been shot, a mangled, bleeding mass and goat. He knows, does mein soun. You

Pat's Answer-

Trip an Irishman, and he will fall on his Service Board for examination. He appeared,

"What is the distance, Mr. Mahoney, between Toronto and Constantinople?" asked the Chairman.

"Wat's the distance between Toronto and that haithen city?" said Pat, "Well, sor, is. that's to be my route, I withdraw my application."

One of Pat's countrymen, having served in the Halifax navy-yard in a subordinate position, asked to be promoted, hirting that he would not object to going to sea, if he could be assured of a good berth on a man-of-war. He, too, was invited to appear before the Examining Board.

"Mr. Mulhone," asked the Chairman, "if you were in the China Sea, and the ship under full sail was going ten knots an hour, C: and a man should fall overboard, what would SIVE you do?"

Promptly came the answer, without the shadow of perplexity appearing on Mulhones face "If I was in the China Seas, under the circumstances ye name, and a man should fall overboard I think I'd write to his friends that he was drowned."

Robbing a Gold Mine.

At Nevada City 1,800 pounds of ore were sold a short time ago for \$8,000. It was identified as the product of the Eberhard mine, near White Pines, and there was a great deal of curiosity to learn how it had been carried out of the mine. The story was obtained in some way, and this is it: A Cornish miner employed in the Eberhard had his dinner-bucket made with a false bottom, into which he put a specimen every day, carrying it away safely to a cabin which he shared with another Cornishman, who worked on the night shift. As his partner was absent when he was present, he had no trouble in secreting the ore, placing it each night under the floor of the cabin and keeping its presence and whereabouts a secret. One morning he informed his partner that he was going to quit the Eberhard and leave the country. The partner must have been suspicious, for he only waited for the ore thief to get out of sight when he tore up the cabin floor, and, borrowing a horse and wagon, loaded up the 1,800 pounds of stuff, and driving to Nevada City sold it. He then disappeared, and the original thief never got a cent for his share of the plunder.

Not That Kind of a Baby.

It was at the baptismal font, and the clergyman had the baby in his arms. "What is the name?" he asked the god-

"Josephine Newton." "Joseph E. Newton, I baptize thee in the name-"

"Not Joseph E.-Josephine," interrupted the mother in great alarm. "Its not that kind of a baby.

A Mild Sentence.

Magistrate (to policeman)-" What's the charge against this man?" Policeman .- " He asked me if it was hot enough for me."

Magistrate.—"Six months."

The Tender Passion. Mrs. Yerger-" Matilda, who was that man you were talking to last night at the

Matilda Snowball—" Has yer nebber felt de inflooence ob de tender pashun dat yer axes me sich queshuns?"

He Knew What to Expect. "So you are to be married?" questioned

a cynical young man. "Yes, very soon."

"Of course you think her an angel?" "Oh, no; I have four sisters!"

An Intelligent Bird.

Old Maid—"Is this parrot for sale?" Bird-Dealer-"Yes, mum." "Can he talk?"

"Not yet, but he understands everything you say to him."

An Expert in Character.

"Excuse me, sir," he said, "but you are something of a reading man, are you not?" "Oh, yes, sir. I often read half the night

"I thought so. I am seldom mistaken in iterature, I puppose? "Not exactly. I'm a proof reader."

A Noble Moke.

"I shall give the vacant Thistle to Lord X.," said Lord Melbourne once, mentioning a certain noble lord celebrated for his stupid-"If you do," replied Lord Palmerston, " he will eat it!

What She Married For.

Second husband, to wife: "Are you as f ond of me as you were of your first husband, dear?" Wife: "Yes, indeed; and, if you were to die, John; I would be just as fond of my third. I'm not a woman to marry for anything but love."

Not Musty.

Customer-" Mr. Einstein, how long have Mr. Einstein-"Jacob, mein soun, you

youd not doubt dem nose."

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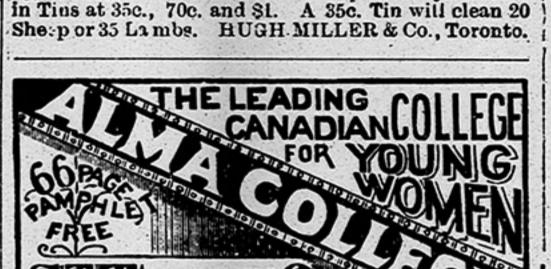
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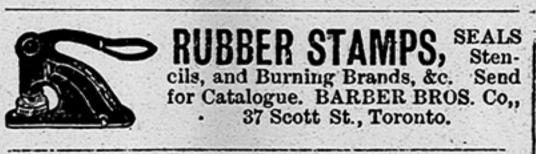
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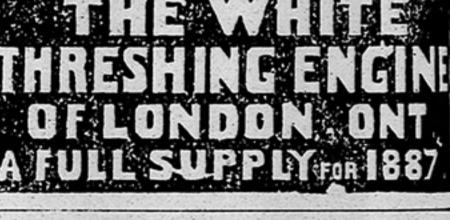
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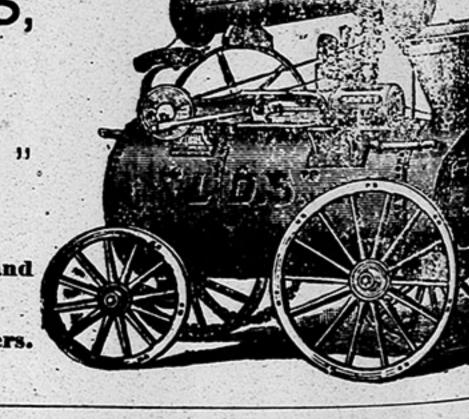
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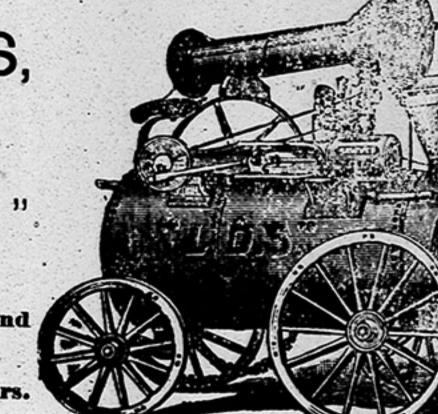
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