A FEARFUL ORDEAL.

In a Den With Two Deadly Snakes.

Occupying a seat in the reading room of a down town hotel one day last week there might have been observed a seemingly aged gentleman whose head was gray and whose cheeks were shrivelled. A pallor as of death was on his face, and frequently the muscles of his features would twitch convulsively. His name was Richard J. Allen, and he registered himself as hailing from Toronto, Canada.

Five years ago Richard Allen, or Dick Allen, as he was familiarly known by his associates, owned or at least claimed and occupied a stock range of considerable area in southern Arizona, the Mexican boundary line being distant but a few miles. He owned a large number of beef cattle, and was considered well-to do.

Among the rough population of the border Allen was a power. He was most generously gifted by nature, having a well-knit, athletic frame and a mind well stored with knowledge. But it was Allen's nerve which secured for him recognition and affluence amid the cactus flecked plains of Arizona and New-Mexico -a nerve which knew no flinching, even in the face of death. The greasers and Indians soon learned to dread the tall stockman, for in more than one encounter they had come off badly worsted, and more than one unmarked grave on the Mexican frontier bears silent witness to Allen's unerring aim, for he never hesitated to kill when he thought himself justified. Very little is venomous life forever. Then it was that all to do but go swimming in the surf, talk further quantity (reckoned as quarters) of considered justification among the class with Allen's great nerve gave way. He yelled the native gibberish, which he has learned, 2,356,883 quarters or a grand total of which Allen was associated. So greatly was and shrieked and cursed and tore in mad or loll under a palm tree, Sometimes he 5,102,744 quarters. Of this quantity, the he feared and respected by his wild compan- delirium; and when neighbors, attracted by has his wives fan him while he lazily smokions and neighbors that nothing bearing his his cries, rescued him an hour later he was es the kaseba leaf, which grows plentifully were native, the whole of the remainder daring of the cowboys and outlaws seldom and the snakes were torn to shreds, tempted death by a too prolonged argument with him.

be related that at one time in 1884 he was given warning to keep away from a certain small settlement, some ten miles from his a gang of notorious cut-throats there. Allen smiled grimly as he read the warning, then strapped on his revolver and set forth for the hostile hamlet. He tied his horse in the rear of a saloon and started to enter when a pistol shot was heard and a bullet whistled over his head. Allen turned. Not more than twenty feet away stood "Dan," alhalf breed Indian, with a revolver in his hand. As Allen turned three more balls passed in close proximity to his head. He knew the Indian had one shot left. With a scornful smile he said: "Fire again, you ---, and fire low-

The Indian did so, and the next instant his spirit had left the arid plains of Arizona forever. Then Allen strode into the saloon, where at least a dozon of his enemies were gathered, and demanded to know who sent him the warning. No one answered, and, after roundly cursing the gang for their cowardice, he left and went home. For two months he battled hard with death, for the last bullet fired by the Indian had lodged in his right breast, almost piercing the

lung. It was some three months after this occurrence that Allen met with a mishap that hurled him from the heights of a sturdy manhood to an existence but little removed from death. It was in the summer of 1885 All day long Allen had been hard at work branding a lot of yearling steers, at a point some twenty miles from his dugout, and at night he was completely worn out. It was a wearisome gallop from the branding place to his cheerless habitation, for the air was sultry and the baked ground gave forth an intense heat. It was nearly ll o'clock when the stockman reached his destination, and glad was he when his pony was safely stabled for the night and he at liberty to retire. He was about to creep into bed when his quick ear detected a slight noise in the direction of his stable, and he knew at once that prowlers were about. Seizing his revolver he started for the stable on his hands and knees, for he intended to kill and not to alarm, having no garment on other than his undershirt. The noise at the stable continued, and Allen moved rapidly toward the sound. So intent was he on investigating the noise that he failed to notice where his path led him, and suddenly, without warning, he felt something beneath him give way, and he was precipitated to the bottom of a "played-out" well, a distance of some twenty-five feet. The well had been dry for years and the mouth had been closed with a few rotten boards, which, giving way underneath Allen's great weight, had caused the catastrophe.

For a moment Al'en was stunned. The skin on his body had been abraded in a dozen places and every bone ached with the force of the fall. The stockman was almost over whelmed with rage, for in this accident he saw himself rendered helpless, and knew the thieves, if any there were, would not leave as much behind as a lariat and might, should others, except in a brutal or dishonest way, looking this way and that for a spot to dethey discover his position, kill him. With a muttered curse of despair he turned to look learned how to conceal, his own temper, wheel about, and right below me at the far for his revolver, determined to fight to the In fact the bully or any other pretender last, should an attack be made upon him. rarely ever attains permanently a position As he turned he saw gleaming and flashing in life which belongs to real merit. He is in the murky darkness a pair of small, beady oftener seen in subordinate positions, and is a grin. eyes, and poor Allen's heart almost stood recognized by his propensity to give instead still, for a warning hiss and rattle told him of take directions; to complain when in some he had in the well as a companion a rattlesnake. The reptile rattled angrily and moved to criticise when he can not shirk, and to his head from side to side in an uncertain impose in various other ways upon those bring matters to a crisis, seeming rather to way, and then behind Allen there came an answering sound, and he knew he had two reptiles to cope with instead of one.

joined its mate, the two meanwhile keeping up an incessant rattle. Their slumbers had | character; but having them, he is possessed been rudely disturbed and they seemed of two of the primary elements that make it from the holster. Indeed, I was too baddetermined to resent it if possible.

Allen stood as if petrified. He knew a movement on his part meant an attack, and this attack to him must result in death. bitten by the snakes and his fancy depicted a frenzied being with veins filled with burning poison, wildly grappling with the scaly, venomous reptiles, and striving with the desperation of the awful fever to mount the hard sides of the well and die on the plain self reliant man keeps his temper under was a roar and a howl. I seemed to rise in and I am also requested to call the attention fired two shots, one taking effect in Hill's above beneath God's smiling stars. The provocation because he feels confidence in to the air, and I opened my eyes to find my- to the delay which often takes place in bringsweat poured from the poor man's body in himself. The coward grows excited and streams. The snakes gave forth that musky | loud mouthed to conceal his real feelings. odor peculiar to them, and this, taken with the closeness and warmth of the air, produced a sensation as of suffocation.

thing crawled over his bare teet and circled delirium, and numbness of the hands and to like the warmin of Allen's body and long enduring, fetid, and fearfully offensive. gan to ascend his limbs to his body and soon | in the operations of war.

the terrible eyes were looking into those of Allen and they seemed to purn through to his brain. Up ever his face the creature moved its head and then encountered Allen's crisp and curly hair. With an angry rattle the snake drew back his head, and Allen, knowing it would strike, raised his hands as arrived at San Francisco on the steamer quick as lightning and gripped the creature Australia a day or two ago from the Caroby the throat. With the other hand he line Islands, brings a queer story of the grasped the rattles and then he slowly, sudden rise of a sailor to distinction in the surely, strangled the creature to death, largest island of an archipelago seventy-five though the fearful effluvium which it emitted miles west of Haweis, where Mr. Wright almost caused him to faint. For half an has a trading store, hour he held the snake firmly; he saw the "The sailor," said Mr. Wright, "is Carl malignant light in its eyes grow dim and Benjamin, and he has no less than nineteen finally disappear, and then he knew one wives and fifty odd copper-colored children. enemy at least was dead. But he dared He was wrecked in the schooner Bombazine not drop the dead snake, for the other had off the Ladrone Islands nine years ago, and become uneasy at the disappearance of its floated at sea on a raft a couple of weeks mate and seemed on the point of startling before he struck land. If you will look at out in search. The fierce, glaring eyes a map of the Pacific you will find lying midmoved from side to side, the rattle was way between the Tropic of Cancer and the seldom still, and Allen never for a moment equator, 600 miles west of the Marshall took his eyes from those hostile orbs.

with a feverish thirst, his nerves at inhabited.' That is all there is to point out a terrible tension and his eyes strained their significance. It is on the biggest of and almost bursting. Then the sky these, called by the sailor Benjamin Island, above him began to light up and a after himself, that he he has taken up his a little ray of sunlight danced on the western home. It is about ten by twenty miles in wall of his underground prison. In a few extent. 'Well inhabited, means that there moments the well was quite light and then is quite a sprinkling of dark-skinned natives Allen and his enemy saw each other at the there, as well as many more who move to but Allen was too active. He stepped to They eat bread fruit, bananas, cocoanuts, one side and let the snake go by him and and fish. They don't work at all. Benjabrand was ever molested, and the most frothing at the mouth, bleeding at the nose, there, and which, after one becomes used

For weeks he lay in his cabin on the outer edge of death, but his sturdy constitution however. He carried three or four books As an illustration of his iron nerve, it may stood by him and he recovered, though he with him on his raft, the last thing you was but a wreck of his former self. His would have expected, and he has contrived neighbors "rounded-up" what little stock to teach the natives English. Benjamin is he had left-for the thieving residents of the an American of German or Jewish descent, ranch, he having incurred the displeasure of frontier were quick to take advantage of his and is a lover of books. The first thing he helplessness-and Allen left for New-Eng- did was to select an intelligent native and land to recover, if possible, his former teach him the alphabet. The fellow learnhealth. But the shock was too severe and ed rapidly, and soon began to teach it to Allen will never be a man again. At the others, and a number of them can now speak age of thirty-six he is as infirm as a man of | English, while the rising generation immediseventy, and his life is devoid of pleasure. ately around are gradually picking up a He cannot remain long in one place, for his knowledge of the language. Benjamin is nerves demand a constant change of scene, looked upon as a sage. The chiefs, of whom and he is a homeless helpless wanderer. there are tour, come to him for points, and Soon death will come to his relief and then, of their own accord they have made him perhaps, Allen will learn why this dreadful their ruler, the chiefs being a sort of plague was visited upon him. - [Altra-Cali- | Cabinet.

Overdressed French Children.

The good taste generally displayed in her dress by a well-bred Frenchwoman is beyond dispute. Besides the chic with which she is universally credited, she has an eye for combinations that are striking while remaining harmonious, and the wears her apparel with a grace and elegance peculiarly her own. She fixe a flower or an aigrette in her own hair in a manner to baeffle the art of any Paris coiffeur. She never wears boots large or ill-fitting, like so many Eaglish women; while her hand, no matter its shape, looks perfect when gloved. There is good taste as well as art in all this. So much for the average Frenchwoman with culture and means at command. The case is otherwise when we come to French children, who, in a general way, are overdressed and converted into little men and women almost before they are out of their swaddling-clothes. Simplicity, that charm par excellence of childhood, has little to do with French children. The little girl of four or five years old in Paris wears stays and tonrnure and feathers, and often rings and bracelet, while earings are not unfrequently fixed in her ears when she is in her nurse's arms. As may be expected, a precocious taste for dress develops in the child thus often as much anadept in the arts of the toilet as her mother. This exuberance of detail and want of simplicity in children's dress is not only detrimental to the character of the doll-like wearers, but robs their appearance of much of its native grace and beauty. In this respect English children contrast favorably with their little French neighbors. The higher we look in French society the more we see English ideas prevailing in the treatment of children. When the Countess de Paris was living in France her nursery was like an English one, while herchildren were often dressed with a simplicity bordering on severity.

Force of Character.

There are two essential elements of force of character seldom possessed by pretenders I was about ready to start when I heard a -self-control and a spirit of fairness. No man can be really strong who has not learned to control himself. He can not master until he has first mastered, not merely scend. A second "woof!" caused me to exigency more is required of him than usual; If I got down at all it must be by the road I around him.

Nor can his influence be of a lasting kind unless he is disposed to be fair and honest The snake behind soon crossed the well and in dealing with antagonists. He may have these qualities and yet be without force of up the leader or ruler of men. Contrary to general belief, then, the man of real force | object ten feet away. I saw that my only is never a bully, is never passionate, though | chance was by the roadway, but there sat he may be, and generally is aggressive, and the bear. I waited for the upper one to And such a death! He imagined himself may, as occasion requires, give exhibitions make a move, and after about ten minutes about baptisms, and the latter had to do of temper, that is, nevertheless, kept in he curled up and rolled off the shelf. I jumpperfect control. Force of character brings | ed for the sled the same instant, gave a vigwith it self-reliance and an imperturbable orous kick behind, and down that steep follows: "I am requested to give notice lyn, William Anderson shot and killed manner. Just as the really courageous man path I went with the velocity of a cannon that the new hymn book will be used for George Hill. The murder was most atroremains cool in the presence of danger, the ball. The sled struck something—there the first time in this church on Sunday next, cious and without provocation. Anderson

In a moment, still hissing angrily, one of chemical art is that of cyanide of kakodyl. the snakes began to move, and Allen saw its A very few grains of this vapor in the air hut. glistening eyes at his feet. The clammy of a room is sufficient to cause giddiness, around his naked legs. The creature seemed feet. The smell of this deadly poison is stopped for a moment. Then it slowly be- It has recently been proposed to utilise it

A SAILOR KING.

Carl Benjamin, Washed Ashore on a Pacific Island, Becomes a Chief.

SAN FRANCISCO .. - George Wright who

group, thirteen dots. On some maps For hours he stood thus, consumed they are marked 'Thirteen islands, well to it, is liked better than tobacco.

"Benjamin is doing some good work there,

Benjamin has picked out the handsomest women for wives, and they esteem it quite an honor. The King lives in the biggest bamboo house in the village of Ki, a straggling aggregation of native houses on a coral reef. His children are of all ages, and are a sprightly, lively lot. Nobody bothers much with clothes in the South Pacific, still Benjamin wears a little something, and is gradually prevailing on the natives to do so too. He keeps telling them that their is no civilization without some clothes. Benjamin is about 30 years old. He was formerly from Newburyport, Mass., but says that he no longer has any desire to return to America. He is the only white man, with one exception, for hundreds of miles around. He has taken to wearing a string of shells aound his neck like the natives, and he sometimes imitates them and puts dots of blue paint, got from a native shrub, on his face. This is only on state occasions, however, when there is to be a discussion of important questions with his chiefs. The permanent population of his island is about 600 or 700. The island is indented with beautiful bays, and is dotted with trees and shrubs of a tropical growth which are for most of the year covered with fragrant flowers. Benjamin Island is about 600 miles west of Marshall group."

Hand Sled.

Three of us had a camp on the western slope of the Bitter Root Mountains, Idaho, and one afternoon I took the hand sled and went up the trail to bring down a deer Kennedy had shot. There was plenty of snow on the ground, with a crust hard enough to bear up a horse, and I had no trouble in reaching the spot where the carcass hung. The last 100 feet of the way was a passage not over ten feet. wide, between high walls, and the pitch was about the same as an ordinary house roof.

As there was no danger from the Indians, and as I expected to have my hands full with the slad, I did not take my rifle. We hadn't sighted a bear for four weeks, and I worked away getting the deer fast on the rude but stout sled without the slightest uneasiness. "woof!' above me, and I looked up to see a big grizzly standing on a sort of shelf about seventy-five feet up the mountain. He was end of the roadway was Ephraim No. 2. He sat in the middle of the road, and I'm a prevaricator if his countenance didn't wear

The bears had put up a job on me. On my right was a cliff, on my left a precipice. came up. They were in no great hurry to enjoy the situation, and the lower bear sort o' winked at me, and probably observed : "Say, old tellow, does your mother know of your whereabouts?"

My revolver was of no more use against a grizzly than a popgun, and I did not take ly rattled to have made a line shot at an

as if hit with a brick house. The other had | two shillings."

left handfuls of his hair clear through the scrub, but had finally checked his tumble, and sneaked off.

WIT AND WISDOM.

"Mr. Naydian's Family Circle," (J. Theo. Robinson, Montreal) -a purposeless account of the bickerings of a pretentions and vulgar Candian family.

"Silken Threads" (J. Theo. Robinson, Montreal) -a capital detective story which, flagged floors, neither is it built of brick, nor without possessing great literary finish, keeps is it dug out of the side of a hill. But up the interest of the reader from first to

Bryce, Toronto,) a story of no particular interest, which describes the disappointment if not the coolest dairy, in the Kaipara. of a sensitive lady, as she gradually realizes the fact that her second husband, who was endeavor to show, for the benefit of any of her first love, is not the genius she once imagined him.

"A Bad Man's Sweetheart," by Edmond E. Sheppard-A well written interesting story, of somewhat melodramatic type. The scene is laid in Toronto. There is some very effective description of character, and there is more than one bad man among the characters. One of the worst of them is a prominent lawyer.

A calculation is made that of every eight leaves which a Londoner eats seven are same instant. The snake coiled an i sprang, and fro, in the archipelago with boats. made of foreign wheat-two being Russian -and only one of home grown grain. During last year London received a total of then, with a small club, crushed out the min has got to be King. He has nothing at 2 745 861 quarters of wheat, and of flour a largest since 1883, only 660,000 quarters coming to Britain from abroad.

Miss Harriet Hosmer, the sculptor, now has lived abroad the best part of more than thirty years. But she is American, as essentially so as if she had never crossed the high curve of the eyebrows which is observable in the foreheads of most artists, and especially in that of Michael Angelo and Leonardo da Vinci. Her eyes are a sparkling with cloth attached, will keep the canvas blue, her nose is tiny and concave, her mouth saturated for fifty hours, without attention, is small, vivacious, refined and humorous. Her shapely little hands are alive with ener-

Prince Krapotkine, according to the Star | the quantity lost by evaporation. of London, is gentle in manner and appearance; and half an hour's conversation is sufficient to reveal to even a dull eye the depths scarcely any expenditure. As a proof of of honest adherence to opinions which lie un- the efficiency of the plan, the following derneath. He is rather small and a very will show: thin and delicate-looking man. He has a

fierce and deadly revolt. worth for a' he had nea pride, nor nowt, was | shade was narly 98 degrees; while the unfora man who was quite one to hissel'. He tunates in the sun were suffering 154 was not a man as folks could crack wi' nor | degrees. not a man as could crack wi' tolks. But there was another thing as kep' folks off, he had a ter'ble girt deep voice, and ya might see his faace again for long enuff. I've knoan folks, village lads, and lassies, coming over by old road above which runs from Grasmere to Rydal, flayt a' most to death there by Wishing gaate, to hear the girt voice a greanin', and mutterin', and thunderin' of a still evening, and he had a way of standin' quite still by the rock there in t'path like a wild beast coming from the rock and children were scared fit to be dead a'most.'

the town appear to have no hope of being the open ground. able to elect a ticket taken from their own to be an interesting one.

sick babies and children gasping out their | Gentleman. lives in the stifling heat and dying for want of pure, fresh air. There was one dainty garret chamber in her pretty country home, and when her business in the city was completed she took one mother and her baby with her for a two weeks' vitit. "I cannot save all," she said: "I may save one." When the two weeks had passed and the color had deepened in the child's cheeks and lips she sent for another in her place, and so they came and went until the frosts fell. The neighbors followed her example. The next summer hundreds of children were entertained; the next, thousands. Another lady who lived in the city heard of it, and, as she had no money to give to help this gracious charity, she said, "I can at least tell some one else of it," so she wrote an account of it and sent it to a New York newspaper. A third woman read it in the paper and sent \$1,000 to the editor, and so the fresh-air charity was established, which now has its branches in many cities in the United States and is taking root in Eng land and on the Continent.

Cheap Enough for Babies.

In a country church the curate had to give out two notices, the first of which was with a new hymn book. Owing to an accident he inverted the order and gave out as self turning a big bowlder into the trail. I ing children to be baptized; they should be couldn't swing the sled far enough, and went | brought on the earliest day 'possible. This down through the short scrub, made a jump is particularly pressed on mothers who have of twenty feet over a tree top, hit the trail young babies." "And for the information The most injurious odor producible by at an elbow, and might have been going yet of those who have none," added the rector, was overtaken and arrested by Postmaster if I had not smashed into a rock near our in gentle, kindly tones, and who being deaf Miller. Talk of lynching was indulged in, had not heard what had been previously but Sheriff Mack brought the prisoner to My friends had seen me make part of the said; "for the information of those who this place and he was taken to the prison at journey, and were on hand to pick up the have none, I may state that if wished they Ellensburg. Anderson and Hill were Canapieces. They got their guns and went up can be obtained on application in the vestry dians and came to Roslyn from Madoc, near the trail to look for the bears. They found immediately after service to day. Limp Bellevile, Ont. Roslyn is quiet to-day, one by the big bowlder, and he was as dead ones one shilling each; with stiff backs the saloons having been closed all day by

AGRICULTURAL.

HOW TO KEEP A DAIRY COOL.

A correspondent of "Hoard's Dairyman sends the following borrowed plan of keeping a diary cool, and then suggests that while it may do well for a butter dairy, it would probably make the room too damp for cheese. Here is the article :

"I must give you to understand that my dairy is not a grand stone structure, with though simply made of timber, of the board and batten type of construction, and attach-"Lady Car," by Mrs. Oliphant (William ed to the back part of my house. I will venture to say that it is one of the coolest.

"Having made this assertion, I shall now your readers who may like to try the plan, how it is that I dare to do so. At each end of my dairy I have a large opening or window. covered with perforated zinc, to keep out flies and other insects, and at the same time to insure a thorough draught. On the outside of these openings are stretched pieces of canvas nailed to tapering strips of wood, placed one on each side of the window. Above each window is fixed a kerosene tin can cut open on one side to allow of its being filled with water. In this greceptacle I introduce one end of a piece of cloth, the other end hanging over the outside of the can, and touching the canvas blind, to which it is sewed, in order to prevent it blowing about with the wind. Along the bottom of each canvas blind is a trough of tin forming a gutter, and under the lowest part of this gutter stands a bucket. The apparatus being thus completed, the tin cans are filled with water, which being gradually absorbed and drawn up the cloth by the force known as capillary attraction, drops down on the outside, and keeps the canvas blind saturated with moisture.

"The evaporation from the film of water water. She is small in feature, with that thus spread over the canvas covers, produces cold, and the air chilled by this means, enters the dairy through the perforated zinc.

"A kerosene tin can filled with water, and then all that is necessary is to pour the water which has run into the buckets beneath the gutters, back, adding, of course,

"In this way any one can secure a perfectly cool dairy with very little trouble and

"From the meteorologic tables published long beard, the head is completely bald, and from the observatory, I find that the hottest his sufferings in prison have evidently weak. day of the year before last was the 5th of ened his frame. He has very fine eyes-eoft, November. On that day the temperature frank, almost tender; and as they beam in the sun was 1543 degrees, and in the kindly and appealingly upon you through shade 971 degrees. From the state of the glasses, one is helped to a comprehension of atmosphere as to dryness on that day said the awful sufferings of the Russian people dairy window would have been 23 degrees when a soul so visibly gentle was turned to lower than the shade temperature, and those adopting this inexpensive and simple means This is a quere description of Wordsworth of cooling, would have a temperature of which a quaint old Lakeman gives: "Wrds. some 74 degrees, while that outside in the

MICE IN HOT BEDS.

Several years ago I planted a hot-bed with peppers, tomatoes, cabbage and a few pieces of inverted sod with melons, cucumbers and lima beans. They all came up nicely and were doing finely when one morning I went out to the bed after it had been kept closed two days on account of the weather, and to my surprise, the plants were scratched out and the seeds all gone. Mice holes were to under Rydal, and folks could hear sounds be seen, and I knew what had done the mischief. I replanted the bed and got two or three sauce dishes, filled them with corn Petticoat government has been such a suc- meal sprinkled with arsenic, and placed the cess in Oskaloosa, Kansas, in which town dishes in each end of the hot bed. The the Mayor and the members of the Council mice ate the meal and died before they got during the past year have all been married out of the bed, and I had no further trouble dealt with, so that the fillette of fifteen, is Running Down a Grizzly with a women, that with the exception of two with them. Since then I put the dishes fillmembers the entire ticket is to be renomin- ed with the poisoned meal in the bed when ated at the approaching municipal election. I plant the seed and have never been troubl-One of the two ladies who are not asking a ed with either mice or rats. I plant melons, second term is annoyed over some difficulty | cucumbers and beans on inverted pieces of about a sidewalk, and the other will shortly sod and place them in the hot-bed because I be incapacitated by reason of an interesting can have them two or three weeks earlier event of a domestic character. The men of than if I waited until I could plant them in

> I think if G. W. B. will adopt my sex, but they have nominated and intend plan, he will have no further trouble with supporting six of the best-looking unmarried mice in his hot-beds. My object in using ladies of the community. The contest ought meal instead of cheese or bread is, that where the bed is left open, there is danger A delicate lady passed through some of of cats or dogs getting the poison if on either the crowded streets of New York one sultry | bread or cheese, There is no danger with August morning and was appalled to see the | the meal .- [Rosa Autumn, in Country

NOTES

The editor of an agricultural paper, on a recent visit to a farm, saw two or three dogs comfortably sleeping in a warm kennel, and a few rods away some calves shivering, on the south side of an unsheltered harvester. He suggested that it might be a good plan to set the dogs on the calves just to exercise and warm the latter, but the farmer thought that it would be rough on the dogs such a cold day!

It has been found that a ton of hav absorbs in its growth thirty pounds of nitrogen, worth \$4 80; forty pounds of potash, \$2; and fourteen pounds of phosphoric acid, worth \$1.12. Therefore each ton of hay. shipped from the farm takes with it \$7.92 worth of these three elements, which must be replaced or the land will be weakened by just this sum. It does not pay to sell hay at \$8 per ton. Better feed where grown, and sell in the form of beef, pork, butter or milk.

A CRUEL MURDER.

George Hill, Late of Madoc, Killed in the Far West.

CLEALUM, Oregon, April 17.—The other evening in the Miners' Arms saloon, at Rosarm and the other in the right eye. Anderson then placed the muzzle of his Winchester in Hill's mouth and discharged it, literally blowing the wounded man's head to pieces. Anderson ran out of the saloon, but order of the town marshal.