BETZVILLE TALES FAMOUS EXPLORER COUNTRY WHOSE SOIL SPELLS

Rev. Ebenezer Spillgath and Moses Sketch of Roald Amundsen Who

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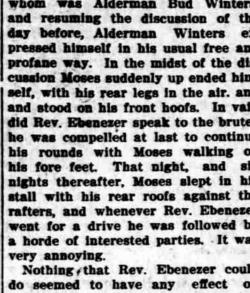
ville is in serious trouble with his whom was Alderman Bud Winters. too forward in the good work of smit- pressed himself in his usual free and

that as the Egyptians-so to speak- very annoying. had spoiled his meeting, he would Nothing that Rev. Ebenezer could wreak vengeance on them and speil do seemed to have any effect on the Egyptians. As the circus had Moses, and the sight of the minister moved on to Billingsville that night, of the gospel driving a horse that was Rev. Ebenezer harnessed up his a permanent circus caused considermare Rebecca, and drove over, and able scandal in these part. Aunt on the way over he made up his mind Rhinocolura Betz, who is one of the how he would spoil the Egyptians. best contributors in the congregation, Rev. Mr. Spillgath is noted in this gave notice that she was going to county as one of the most progressive withdraw, and other leading society and slick horse traders on earth, and folks followed her example. spoiled.

Rev. Ebenezer Spillgath of Betz- | zens, all much interested, among congregation at present, and it all and resuming the discussion of the goes to show that one should not be day before, Alderman Winters exing the wicked. It is all right to smite profane way. In the midst of the disthe wicked, for that is all the wicked cussion Moses suddenly up ended himare good for, but any one desiring to | self, with his rear legs in the air. and smite should be careful not to pick and stood on his front hoofs. In vain out a wicked that will smite back.

When Purdon's Three-Ring Circus he was compelled at last to continue and Unmentionably Great Menagerie his rounds with Moses walking on was in town about a month ago, it his fore feet. That night, and six happened to be here on Thursday, and nights thereafter, Moses slept in his Rev. Ebenezer was greatly angered stall with his rear roofs against the to find that when he opened prayer rafters, and whenever Rev. Ebenezer meeting that night he had the meeting went for a drive he was followed by entirely to himself, and he decided a horde of interested parties. It was

he decided he would spoil the Egyp- It was then that Rev. Ebenezer, tions in a horse trade. He was not driven to desperation, sent for Alderaware, at that time, he says, that the man Bud Winters. He had tried Egyptians were just spoiling to be everything in his own vocabulary unavailingly, but the moment Alderman When Rev. Ebenezer returned to Winters opened his luxurious store of





wegian vessels.

ploration when in 1897 he went as ing the best he can, in ten, fifteen, or first officer with the Belgica on Ger- :wenty years." arctic ambitions of his own. He formed

nt Wilhelmshafen under Borgen in the tainly taught us a lot. meteorological station. His mental "On the other hand, we are running

his expedition. The Amundsen expedition, says the purposes of discovery into the arduous field of the Arctic. Its cost was \$30,000, a large part of this Amundsen's own money. Frithjof Nansen. the Norwegian polar explorer, a close who settled in Central Saskatchewan friend and faithful helper of Amund. some years ago, has the following to sen's, helped raise another large part. say about the country:-Amundsen was finally able to put off

end of America, reaching the mouth effects unloaded in these parts and of the Mackinac river about Septem. built the first shanty between Sasber 3, 1905. She went by way of katoon and Lumsden. We brought and Rae strait. Twice she wintered worth \$40,000. We 'proved up' one the magnetic pole. He took constant planted three acres of trees. Two self watching the movements of the that we sold our land at \$45 per acre.

dream of the early navigator, brought rival." leading the subscription list.

daughter taking her singing lesson in all three provinces grain can be

"No. no. Mrs. Smithers. I was told parallel and in the years to come your it was your daughter singing when I vacant land will be taken at a rate asked what bird you had there trill- of which you have at present no con-

Rome to Have Unique Library. A complete library of Italian and ada is to raise more live stock. When foreign newspapers from the earliest you are doing what you ought to do Bud Winters. Nothing worth chroni- ed to over \$9,500,000,000. Then came times is to be instituted in Rome, and in this regard, the land which is now

FARMS THOUSANDS ARE

WHAT PRESIDENT TAFT AND OTHERS THINK OF CANADA.

Another Fat Year for the Canadian

100,000 more. Is it any wonder then

more or less proved himself one of the Our Canadian neighbors to the north most competent arctic explorers who are again rejoicing over an abundant construction in every direction, and have ever gone north. He is the first parvest, and reports from reliable at each siding the grain elevator is and the only man so far to accomplish jources go to show that the total yield to be found. Manitoba being the the long-attempted feat of taking a of 1909 will be far above that of any first settled province, has now an eleship from the Atlantic to the Pacific other year. by the Northwest passage. He has It is estimated that \$100,000,000 made at a point within a short dis- will this year go into the pockets of Alberta about 7,000,000, while the catance of the magnetic pole the only he Western farmers from wheat pacity of elevators at Fort William set of complete polar magnetic obser- tione, another \$60,000,000 from oats and Port Arthur, on the Great Lakes, vations ever taken. These achieve- and barley, while returns from other is upwards of 20,000,000 more. ments, on which rests his fame, were rops and from stock will add \$40,

Thousands of American farmers of only \$30,000, in a tiny whaling have settled in the above mentioned provinces during the past year; men sloop, the Gjoa, of but 70 feet length who know the West and its possibiliover all and 47 tons burden. ies, and who also know perhaps bet-Norway, and in his childhood moved er than any other people, the best with his parents to Christiania. His nethods for profitable farming. President Taft said recently in peaking of Canada:

West are happy?

"We have been going ahead so raphe was 19 years old, he gave up the dly in our own country that our heads intended career and went to sea. For lave been somewhat swelled with the dea that we are carrying on our shoullers all the progress there is in the world. We have not been conscious country and a young nation that is 160 acres each. Of this enormous tergreat national future. They have at the present time less than 11.000,-7,000,000 people, but the country is 000 acres; what the results will be still hardly scratched." Jas. J. Hill speaking before the

Canadian Club of Winnipeg a few days cultivating the fertile prairie lands, igo said:

"I go back for 53 years, when I ame West from Canada. At that time Canada had no North-West. A young poy or man who desired to carve his own way had to cross the line, and oday it may surprise you—one out of every five children born in Canada ives in the United States. Now you are playing the return match, and the North-West is getting people from the United States very rapidly. We prought 100 land-seekers, mainly from lowa and Southern Minnesota, last right out of St. Paul, going to the North-West. Now, these people have | Brate or Onio City of Tolano.] sa all the way from five, ten to twenty a number of years he cruised in the housand dollars each, and they will north as a whaler and sealer on Nor- nake as much progress on the land in me year as any one man coming from

lach's Belgian polar expedition. From It is evident from the welcome what he learned of the work and ad- given American settlers in Canada venture of exploring on this trip and hat the Canadian people appreciate from the second Norwegian polar ex- hem. Writing from Southern Alberta pedition of 1898 he became filled with recently an American farmer says: "We are giving them some new the project not of attaining the geo deas about being good farmers, and graphic pole sought by so many, but hey are giving us some new ideas of trying the long-neglected North- about being good citizens. They have west passage and approaching and a law against taking liquor into the studying while on his way the little- Indian Reservation. One of our felknown magnetic pole. Ross in his ows was caught on a reservation with expedition of 1831 had made observa- a bottle on him, and it cost him \$50. tions locating the magnetic pole and One of the Canadian Mounted Police studying its phenomena, but for some 'ound him, and let me tell you, they sixty years his work had lain uncom- ind everyone who tries to go up

against the laws of the country. It took Amundsen several years to On Saturday night, every bar-room prepare himself for his trip. His first is closed, at exactly 7 o'clock. Why? care was to study the subject of mag- Because it is the law, and it's the netism with that extreme and patient same with every other law. There thoroughness that characterized him. sn't a bad man in the whole district, He begrudged no time. For two years and a woman can come home from he studied, first in Hamburg under lown to the farm at midnight if she Neumayer, authority on magnetism; wants to, alone. That's Canada's idea in Berlin under Schmidt, and finally low to run a frontier; they have cer-

preparation over, he spent two years their farms for them better than any more in raising funds and outfitting other class of farmers. I guess I can say this without boasting, and the Caandians appreciate us. We turn modestly appointed that ever went for out to celebrate Dominion Day; they country; they know how to govern; we know how to work."

Another farmer, from . Minnesota,

"My wife and I have done well enough from Christiania in the little 47-ton since we came from the States: we can live anyway. We came in the spring of The Gjoa sailed around the north 1901 with the first carload of settlers' Baffins bay, Lancaster sound, Barrow with our car of settlers' effects the strait, Peel sound, James Ross strait sum of \$1800 in cash, to-day we are in the ice. For a period of many of the finest farms in Western Canada months during this voyage Amundsen and bought 320 acres at \$3 per acre. maintained an observatory on King We took good crops off the land for Williams Land, at latitude 68 degrees four year;, at the end of which we 30 minutes, longitude 90 degrees west, had \$8000 worth of improvements in within 90 miles, as he calculated, of the way of buildings, etc., and had observations during the period, him- years ago we got such a good offer needle for four hours every day. From the above you will see that we The northwest trip, fulfilling the bave not done badly since our ar-

Amundsen great renown. His latest | Prof. Thomas Shaw of St. Paul. Minplan for an expedition to drift around nesota, with a number of other well to the polar sea has received strong known editors of American farm jour-Haakon and Queen Maud of Norway and in an interview at Winnipeg said in part:-

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the West I should say that it is only the West I should say that it is only well begun. I have estimated that in Lung Tsubles. Benchitis and Asthma. Free the land has way? Was that howling your dog been broken, in Saskatchewan onethirtieth and in Alberta, one-hundred "No, Mrs. Queerit, that was my and seventy-fifth. I am satisfied that grown successfully up to the sixtleth ing more beautifully than I knew your ception. We have enough people in the United States alone, who want homes, to take up this land.

"What you must do in Western Canfrom \$50 to \$100 pre acre. It is as good land as that which is selling for Many a bachelor has had a narrow more than \$100 per acre in the corn

"I would rather raise cattle in Westthe United States. You can get your food cheaper and the climate is bet-ter for the purpose. We have a better market, but your market will improve faster than your farmers will produce the supplies. Winter wheat can be grown in one-half of the country through which I have passed, and alfalfa and one of the varieties of clover in three-fourths of it. The farmers do not believe this, but it is

true." Keeping pace with wheat produc-tion, the growth of railways has been quite as wonderful, and the whole Country from Winnipeg to the Rocky Mountains will soon be a net-work of trunk and branch lines. Three great transcontinental lines are pushing vator capacity of upwards of 25,000,000 bushels, Saskatchewan 20,000,00, and

Within the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta there are flour and catmeal mills with a combined capacity of 25,000 barrels per day, and situated along some famous water powers in New Ontario, there are larger mills than will be found anywhere in the Prairie Provinces. Last year the wheat crop totaled over 100,000,000 bushels. This year the crop will yield 30,000,000 more. A recent summary shows that on the 1st of January, 1909, the surveyed lands of the three western provinces, totaled 134,000,000 acres, of which about 32,-000,000 have been given as subsidies to railways, 11,000,000 disposed of in other ways and 38,000,00 given by the Canadian Government as free homethat there is on the north a young steads, being 236,000 homesteads of ooking forward, as it well may, to a ritory, there is probably under crop when wide awake settlers have taken advantage of Canada's offer and are

> one can scarcely imagine. Pathos Out of Place in Schools. In an address at a teacher's institute Miss Martha Sherwood said that sad and pathetic stories should have no place in the public schools. She declared the pupils' great need is humorous stories and the kind that make children roll on the ground with laughter. "Anything to make them laugh, and laugh loudly," she said. "It makes them grow, puts sunshine into their lives and develops contented men and women."

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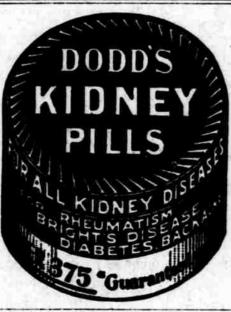
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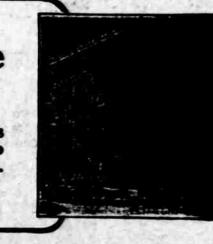


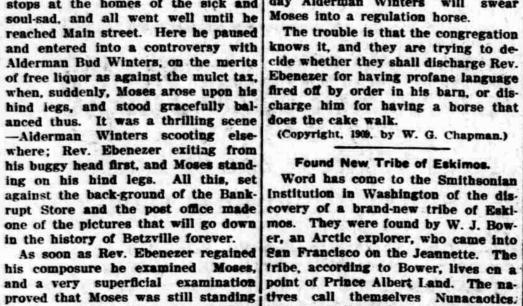
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on his rear legs. Nothing that Rev. They are tall and look like the North Ebenezer could do would bring the American Indians. The explorer was horse to any other posture. The horse cordially welcomed, and he got many seemed to want to stand that way, rich furs from them. From the town and so it stood that way. If Rev. of the Nunacaotics Bower proceeded Ebenezer ever became angry he came farther north, where he discovered near it then, but a whip seemed to do immense copper deposits. On this not a bit of good, and when, with his trip Bower lost one eye through the patience quite exhausted, Rev. Eben- bite of a spider. After the eyeball ezer entered his buggy and whipped had been removed by the crude surup. Moses went his way on his hind gery of an Eskimo the schooner used legs. Many said it was as good as a by the party was wrecked and the circus.

That night Moses slept in his stall Point Barrow, where they were taken from Signor Yelerino." on his hind legs, while Rev. Ebenezer on board the Jeannette. lay awake wondering what had caused the beast to act in this strange way. By daylight be decided that some horse and went his way.

streets he met a large body of citi- 1872, \$103,000,000.

Many Said It Was as Good as a Circus. Betzville Friday evening he no longer | cuss words the effect on Moses was drove Rebecca, but a white horse, and instantaneous. For each variety of he were a smile that informed one oath Moses performed a different act. and all that he felt he had success- and the only difficulty seemed to be fully spoiled the Egyptians and that that Alderman Winters did not have he had spoiled them good and hard. in stock the particular kind of swear Many were the congratulations he re- that would make Moses act like a ceived from Uncle Ashdod Clute and regular horse. The nearest he came other prominent citizens of Betzville, to it was when he said, "Blankety and he announced that it was his in- blankety, your blank hide!" At this tention to call the horse, hitherto bear- Moses did a cake walk on four legs, ing the sinful name of Skeezicks, by and Rev. Ebenezer had to be satisthe more appropriate name of Moses. fied with that. It was better than The next morning Rev. Ebenezer having a horse walk on its hands. But Rev. Ebenezer is a man of bulldog harnessed Moses and started on one tenacity, and he is having Bud Wilof his accustomed tours of mercy and business, since his salary compels him liams come up to the barn every night to peddle watermelons between his and swear at Moses. He hopes some

Peter Newell

stops at the homes of the sick and day Alderman Winters will swear Moses into a regulation horse. The trouble is that the congregation knows it, and they are trying to de-

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Found New Tribe of Eskimos. Word has come to the Smithsonian er, an Arctic explorer, who came into adventurers had to walk 130 miles to

Output of Precious Metals. It is impossible to give an absoluteword said in the presence of the horse ly accurate statment of the gold and must have been a signal for the act, silver output of earth's mines. The and he proceeded to the barn and re- European stock of precious metals peated to the horse, as nearly as pos- before 1850, including the flow of sible, what he had said to Alderman wealth from Mexico and Peru, amountcling happened, and with a sad heart the almost fabulous wealth of Cali- more than 200,000 collections have al- selling for \$20 per acre will be worth Rev. Ebenezer harnessed the upright fornia and Australia. The greatest ready been secured. output of gold in California was in At the corner of Main and Cross 1853, \$65,000,000, and in Australia in

Found Northwest Passage.

Norwegian Friend of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, Only Man to Take Ship from Atlantic to Pacific.

Pittsburg, Pa.-Roald Amundsen, now about thirty-seven years old and with a record behind him of but a single independent expedition, has accomplished in the years 1903-05, under conditions making them the hat the farmers of the Canadian more remarkable. Amundsen's successful expedition was made at a cost

Amundsen was born at Sarpsburg. parents destined him for medicine. For one year he was a medical student, but at his mother's death, when



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