

DEATH LURKS IN A SPARK

A Flash Leaves Human Fragments to Tell the Tale.

THE LIFE OF A POWDER MAKER

Likely to Be Long If Not Sooner Eliminated—How Powder is Made—The Cause and Frequency of Disastrous Explosions.

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It is upon by all the admirable electric clocks in the Dupont powder mills, four miles out of Wilmington, Dela. The boss's whistle sounds shrilly as he passes up the Hagley yards on his way to dinner.

The Dupont works comprise about 100 buildings widely scattered for safety, and divided into three main yards, each about half a mile long and each surrounded by formidable walls and fences with heavy barred gates.

From the rolling mills the powder is transported, sometimes in wheelbarrows, sometimes in little cars, to the press room, which is a separate building, in most cases about twenty-five yards distant and built a little back from the creek on the other side of the water, which in fresh barrow loads of powder, two bucketsful to a load, shovel out the finished powder from the iron pans into empty buckets, always using shovels made of wood.

How Powdermen Smoke. Scarcely are they outside the yards when the men produce pipes, matches and cigars from most men's pockets. It is a habit of smoking with a relish born of deprivation.

How Gunpowder is Made. Ever since the opening of the century, when the Dupont mills were first started, the capacity of each generation of Duponts introducing improved methods of mixing more efficient machinery and more powerful explosives.

The entire daily output of the works is not started through the various mills in one lot, but is divided into several portions, not more than ten tons at a time, and is sent from the mixing rooms at once, as the twelve rolling mills cannot handle a greater amount than that.

Dangerous Part of the Work. Of all the various processes which the powder goes through, the most dangerous, and perhaps the most important is the rolling. In the rolling mills many brave fellows have lost their lives or have been seriously wounded.

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THE RICH STAKES FOR HILLY

Cincinnati Jockey Club Guarantees \$40,000 for Fourteen Sweepstakes.

FOR THE SPRING MEET ON THE NEW TRACK

Offers that Will Entice Horse Owners to Stay After Latona is Closed—General Gossip of the Western Stables and Tracks.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 9.—Secretary W. R. Letcher of the Cincinnati Jockey club announces the following fourteen stake events for the Oakley spring meeting, 1895, which will close on January 1, 1895. Two thousand dollars is guaranteed by the club in each of the following:

Running stakes, selling, sweepstakes, 2-year-olds, six furlongs; Crystal stakes, 2-year-olds, five furlongs; Hated stakes, selling, sweepstakes, 3-year-olds, (foals of 1892) seven furlongs; Losanville stakes, sweepstakes, 3-year-olds, (foals of 1892) non-winning, 2-year-olds, six furlongs.

Some Local Notes of Interest—Gossip of Stable and Track. OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 4.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: I notice in an article on Alix from the San Francisco Chronicle recently that Mr. Alix was a horse raiser.

CUTTING THE POWDER. The powder being sent to this submitted to this enormous pressure and solidified, as it were, is now put through a second process, which is to literally cut the powder into fine particles.

HEALTHY EMPLOYMENT. Apart from the danger of explosions, which, however, are less frequent than is generally supposed, the work in the powder mills is a healthy and pleasant one.

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WALL STREET INDIFFERENT

Stock Brokers Coldly Contemplate the Difficulties of the Treasury Department.

TENTATIVELY ENDORSE CAR ISLE'S PLAN

Ultimate Reformation Must Be Done Along Those Lines, but Congress Will Do Nothing and Gold Exportation Will Continue Uninterruptedly.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Henry Clews, head of the banking house of Henry Clews & Co., writes of the situation in Wall street: "Wall street has passed through another week of the excitement incident to the abnormal monetary condition of the treasury without any visible effect upon the spirit of its investment or speculation.

Illinois Foot Ball Association. The Illinois Intercollegiate Foot Ball association was formed last night, the members being the teams from Jacksonville, Normal, Eureka and Knox colleges.

Pugs Must Leave Denver. DENVER, Dec. 8.—Chief of Police Armstrong recently made a list of all pug dogs in Denver. The pug dog is a breed of dog that is native to China.

Joe Patchen Defeated Hyland T. DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 8.—Joe Patchen asserted to be six seconds slow Joe Patchen yesterday won from Hyland T in a straight heat, making time as follows: 2:25, 2:16, 2:09, 2:02, 1:57, 1:50, 1:43, 1:36, 1:29, 1:22, 1:15, 1:08, 1:01, 59, 52, 45, 38, 31, 24, 17, 10, 3, 0.

Monroe Salisbury, the celebrated Pleasanton turfman, is making about fast tracks a few days. "I think Terre Haute is about the fastest track in the world," he says.

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and head with Pearline, and see how refreshing and comforting it is. A Pearline shampoo, even if you don't take it very often, will keep the scalp beautifully clean and healthy.



Use your Pearline in the bath. You'll feel invigorated after it. It's very much like a Turkish or a Russian bath—except that it costs almost nothing, and that you take it at home, without any trouble or fuss.

Beware Peddlers and some unscrupulous grocers will tell you, "This is as good as 'X'." FALSE—Pearline is never peddled; if your grocer sends you an imitation, be honest—send it back.

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WM. LOUDON, Commission Merchant Grain and Provisions. Private wires to Chicago and New York. Board of Trade.

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For delivered prices on Corn or Feed of any description in car lots. Write or telegraph.

W. H. BOOTH & CO., Kansas City, Mo. Weights and grades guaranteed.

an musical director was much commended. He had his choir sing the singing class has been brought up to its present high standard of proficiency.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair, East Winds becoming Northerly for Nebraska Today. WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—For Nebraska: Fair; east winds, becoming northerly.

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