

HOT FIGHTS WITH GRIZZLIES Ephraim in the rear. I presume he watched of 300 feet. Then he caught his legs and the pan. The old bear wasn't to be fooled, rescured his legs and bound him fast on a Inside the safe was placed £250, or \$1,250, especially to read to him every afternoon. her out of the tail of his eye, but his at- got into a shallow ravine to the right. He made a half circuit around the travols. Only one horse out of the six could and the free offer was made to the mechan- Many of those who know him are unaware went down that like a steam plow until he trap and after a day and a night a wolf be got near him, and it looked as if the ics of the world that if they opened the of his blindness. tention was central on the male in front. reached a bank of earth and rock thirty walked into it and was almost cut in two bear would have to be dragged forty miles safe, the money contained therein could be feet high. He could have got out of the jaws closed. Then we made a spring over a rough country by man power. It was taken for their success. The safe was never The breathing spell lasted about five min-

THEN THE TORNADO CAME.

## Three Mountain Lions.

A SECOND ROUTED BY A

One of Them Calmly Welcomes a Mill with

Lively Hustle to Catch a Third Bear Alive-Escape of the Animal and the Timely Diversion Made by a Railroad Train.

"As a corporal," said a man from the had charge of five privates who were cutting telegraph poles in the foothills on the western side of a Nevada mountain. The poles were for a military telegraph and we had an abundance of timber to select from. One day, while out after fresh meat for our camp, I suddenly found myself on the edge of an almost circular basin of about an acre in ex tent. This basin was fifty feet below my level, with a slope down into it almost on the bush-covered slope. opposite me. There was just one tree in the basin, with a thick carpet of grass on the of the earth so ready to fight at the drop ground, and I was wondering over the freak of the hat as the grizzly bear. He is king of nature when a half-grown mountain lion over everything and he realizes it and will sprang into view from the slope I have not be disputed. Just after a full meal he spoken of. He came out of the bushes with might not rush forward to attack a man every appearance of being rattled, and after unless challenged, but at the same time he a backward look and a snarl he galloped would not retreat. I have talked with Inacross the grass and sought shelter exactly dians in California, Nevada, Idaho and Monbeneath me, probably in a cave. I could tana who had hunted the grizzly for years have put a bullet into him easily enough, but and encountered him under all circum as it was summer his fur was no good.

"He was hardly out of sight when I heard a snorting and coughing and crashing over the slope, and half a minute fater a big grizzly tumbled into view. If in pursuit of the lion, he had taken things easy. He stood and looked around for a minute, and there was no doubt in my mind that he

located the lion's den both by sight and smell. He didn't head for it, however, but ambled along to the tree and began a circus had occupied it for five days and hunted performance. For ten minutes he raked the far and near, no signs of grizzly had been bark with his claws and tumbled around, and I was getting ready to fire a bullet into him as a scare when visitors appeared. From an overhauling. We had three mules and out of the den below me crept three lionsmale and female and the cub I had seen Perhaps they were mad over the way the freedom. How it happened that he was on cub had been driven home and perhaps old Ephraim had been daring them to come out the mules were togother on the west, I can't and settle matters. At any rate they were out and it needed only a look to prove they meant business. The grizzly welcomed them with a low growl and then stood still tude was so sulky and dejected that it had while the lions separated to attack him from three different sides at once. The old fellow knew he couldn't face but one and he simply gave the old male lion all his attention.

### Short and Furious.

hear had come down a gully beyond the "I knew that the lions would go in with a bush, having doubtless located our camp, and rush when they got ready and I used my his intention was to walk right in on us eyes for all they were worth. Each beast without any introduction. He didn't get advanced as you have seen a cat steal upon | sight of the burro till he turned the bush. "The sight came to us so suddenly that no a bird, and the cub lion took the grizzly's rear. The femals planned to come up on man could raise a hand. Bear and burro Ephraim's left side, pretty well back, and stood there for what seemed a full minute, made a direct advance. All four though ten second was probably the limit, animals kept up a low growling, and now and then dashed forward. and then one of the lions would spit like a us believed that he either bit There was no signal and yet the three bear or hit him with a hoof. cat. made their springs simultaneously. I think as the distance covered was about ten feet. Whether he did or not, it was probably the The thing was done so quickly that my eyes | sudden meeting and the awful bray that upwere beaten. were lying half crouched on the grass and 'woof!' and wheeled to the left, but in his were lying half crouched on the grass and the next there was a big ball of bear and lions rolling about on the grass. In the next there was a big ball of bear and down and rolled over. The burro ad-down and bear it away. We tried a second

"The struggle on the grass lasted about a vanced on him, braying at the top of his piece and a big wolf got it. Then we turned minute, and the growls and snarls and yelps voice and bounding up and down with legs to our bear trap. We had brought with us descended into the pit and tied his legs made by hair stand up. When the ball un- as stiff as iren and as the bear got on his the biggest, stoutest trap ever made by man together and fastened a hauling rope around rolled itself the cub was out of the fight. He feet again he hadn't the courage of a rablimped off on three legs, with his tail drag- bit. He dodged the rock and disappeared hold an elephant. This trap was set fair on the horses and hauling altogether we got limped off on three regs, while the regs, whil

him on the run.

the

grizzly

Fight of the Burro.

"We had camped on a level spot on

seen. The sixth morning was rainy and after

breakfast we sat about and gave our traps

one burro in the pack train. The mules

were hobbled out, but the burro had his

the east side of the camp by himself, while

say, but such was the situation. The burro

had eaten his fill and stood beside a bush

about 200 feet from the tents and his atti-

been remarked. Of a sudden we were

startled by a choking sort of noise from the

little beast and as we looked up he stood

almost nose to nose with a grizzly. The

All

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about.

avine to the right or left, but he charged e the grizzly ald not go the trio went round and round the tree straight ahead at the bank. We didn't think he could make it, but he did. He fighting in desperation. Now and then one of the lions was rolled over and over by a went up that bank like a cat going up a BURRO blow, only to come back again, and twice the big bear was fairly down and held for landslide in motion which brought down a that a heavy log should hold the bear pris- Soon after dark he began to file objections. a minute. It was the hottest kind of fight- dozen carloads of dirt. That was the last ing for several minutes, and then the lions | we saw of him and three bullets fired probably added to his scare. suddenly drew off. I had a fieldglass with me, and by its help I saw that a good deal "It wasn't the bravery of our burro which

utes and then the lions sprang in together.

of damage had been done. The bear seemed saved us from an attack, but his fear. He to have had one eye clawed out and to be did just the right thing at the right time, raked his full length, and the lions were but he deserved no credit. When the bear limping and covered with blood. I looked had disappeared we turned to find the burro west, chinning a New York Sun reporter, "I for the fight to go on, but after watching lying on the ground and as wet with sweat each other for a quarter of an hour the as if pails of water had been poured over combatants decided on making the affair a him. It was three hours before he could draw. The lioness began creeping slowly stagger around and he didn't get his appetite away and she was soon followed by the back for several days. We could trace the male, and though the grizzly held the battlebear back from the bush to where he had field he uttered no growls of defiance at the first looked down on our camp. He had retreating foe. He acted like a bear who was willing to let well enough alone, and soon after having the field to himself he lumbered across the grass and disappeared upon the burro as he turned the bush he would certainly have made things lively in "There is no other wild beast on the face camp.

#### Hunt for a Live Bear.

"The London Royal Zoo wanted a fullstances and none of them could say they had ever seen him rattled. On the contrary all were agreed that there was no such thing as scare in his composition. And yet five of us once saw old Ephraim so frightened that a prairie wolf could have kept mountain side in Montana and though we

> pedition had made a day's journey into the that he got mad and made a rush. With mountains. he roams over a large area of country and peared from sight. sometimes he sticks for months within a mile end of three days the lair of a grizzly was The west end of this rawine began at a cliff and the east debouched into another and coming and going. It was Joe, the halfreed, who discovered the runway and the get sight of the game. Old Ephriam finally came in from a promenade and Joe came to camp and reported: Well. I have found him, and he is the

biggest bear ever born in Idaho." "As I said, we had invented various plans

for capturing our bear when he should have been marked down. One of the cute dodges was to doctor a piece of meat with morphine A doctor had recommended this and mated the proportions and it was at the head One instant the three lions set bruin's nerves. He uttered a loud of our program. We dosed a haunch of venison and hung it up near the ravine, but

using a loop of horsehair lariat, but the bear, pit. The effects of the chloroform made our turned aside and avoided it and we caught captive stupidly good-natured all the aftera mangy wolf. We then constructed a dead- noon, and before we went into camp for the roof, but as he reached the top he set a fall at the mouth of the ravine, meaning night we had dragged him seven miles. oner until we could otherwise secure him. He growled, coughed, snorted and strained, but though we balted it with choice meat he but he could not break loose. He would was too sharp for us.

trap by bending down a stout spruce and about

## Fixing a Trap.

"When it became certain that Ephraim knew of our presence and was chuckling over our defeats, the half-breed suggested a very simple dodge. Half way down the ravine was a smaller one coming in at right and drink. angles. Fortunately for us the soil was coft

and deep, and one forenoon we dug a pit five feet wide, ten feet long and about ten feet deep. The mouth was covered with light poles and over the poles we spread bunchgrass and dirt. When our work was finished stood for a while to make up his mind about the sharpest eye could detect no trace. So far as we could judge the bear did most of termination to pick a fight. Had he not run his roaming by day. When the pit was ready we withdrew and did not go near he ravine again until the third day. Then we made a circuit along the mountainside to

reach the lateral without leaving a trail, and at 9 o'clock in the forenoon all of us were grown grizzly, and through agents in New well hidden except Joe. He sat out in the York offered a cash prize which started out open on a rock, just beyond the pit, and with dozen different parties on the trail. There a stick he kept up a pretty constant tapping were six of us in the Idaho party and every on the rock. The sound was one to exclie man in it knew something of the habits of the curicsity of any animal and was plainly the animal he hoped to capture. To kill to be heard at the bear's den. It was a full a grizzly bear, even by a pot shot, is some- how, however, before the grizzly came down thing to brag of, but to cajole him into a to see what the noise signified. At the trap is a feat which has not been ac- junction of the ravine, which was about complished half a dozen times since America fifty feet from our position, the old fellow was discovered. It is a well known saying sat down to size up the situation. All he of the Indians that you can outwit a fox, could see was a half-breed pounding at a fool a lion, trap a wildcat or poison a wolf, rick. He sniffed and growled, but didn't but when you pit yourself against the seem to be looking for trouble. Joe got grizzly you'll get left. We started out down from his perch and began to dance and realizing that the only way to capture old sing, but the bear didn't fre up. Then the Ephraim was to outwit him, and a score of man began throwing stones, and it was only conspiracies were cooked up before the ex- after bruin had been hit the third time

blood in his eyes and his testh showing like "The first move was to find our bear. The gravestones he came on, but as he struck grizzly is a puzzle to naturalists. Sometimes the pit he turned end-over-end and disap-

"We had our bear at last, but hardly had of his den. Sometimes he shows up only our shouts of exultation died away when we ifter dark, and again he will roam all day began to wonder if he hadn't got us as well. and sleep all night. As a rule he is always We hadn't figured on a bear in a pit. Had ncountered at unexpected times. When we he fallon on his back we might have nonsed had penetrated into the bear country we his legs, but he fell on his feet and gave made camp and began to prospect. At the us to understand that there was lots of trouble ahead. We designed to throw a liscovered about two miles away. It was noose over his head and choke him, but he in a shallow ravine about half a mile long. ducked and dodged like a prizefighter. When we had worked away all day he was still ahead of the game and we were very much larger ravine. The den was at the east end discouraged. It was finally decided to send and the bear had worn a regular path in a man over to Hamilton's for chloroform and sponges, and the messenger left next morning at daybreak. During the two days he den, and he hung about for three hours to was absent we cut long, slim stakes and drove them into the soil at the bottom of the pit, so as to contract the space, and we finally had the bear in close quarters. He didn't allow the work to go on without objections. He tore out many of the stakes

and chewed them to matchwood, and toward the last he got so mad that he had a sort of fit

### Putting Him to Sleep.

"The messenger returned with enough chloroform to put four buils to sleep. We tied the sponges to the ends of poles, and when all was ready we saturated them and attacked all together. Ephraim was game to the last, but he finally gave up, and Joe and it was generally agreed that it would his body. By means of skids and one of

over England and in Europe as a lockmaker. The Bank of England indorsed Chubbs and not only to enter the outer doors of the have kept everybody awake all night but

we had some of the chloroform left and we used it to quiet him down. It took a day and a half longer to get him down to the consent.

railroad station, and then we found we must turn to and make a cage to ship him in. By this time he was also suffering for food "We got six turns of a lasso around the

bear's body and to these we fastened two picks. He opened the front door in seven chains and secured the other ends to trees. Then we cut his lashings and got out of the way. The first thing he did was to lap up about two gallons of water, the next was to devour the freshly klifed carcass of a of the time he asked for, he had his hands calf. Then he drew a long breath and was ready for business. The cowboy who had bossed the tying-up job warranted the lasso and chains to hold a herd of steers, but unpower. Of a sudden the grizzly made a lunge and snapped one chain as if it had been a cotton string. Heave-strain-snap! went work to improve his locks. This he did by look out fur a cyclone." the other, ten seconds later, and he was free. We tumbled over ourselves to get cut of his way, and I believe Ephraim fully intended to make things red-hot for the crowd, but an incident occurred to scare him off. He was making for the railroad tool house on the roof of which three men had taken refuge, when a passenger train came rushing up, He hadn't seen anything of the sort

before, and the hiss of steam and the shrick of the whistle started him for the hills. He went off with forty feet of lariat for a belt don tabernacle. and a good length of chain dragging on each SEES WITH HIS NOSE AND FEET. side. but he had secured his liberty and could take his time about getting rid of the **Guideposts** Which Served to Pilot a ornaments."

# AN EVENTFUL YEAR.

Happenings of Great Number and of

The distance each way is from sixteen to "In looking over the events that have twenty blocks, according to his route, and happened during the years of my life," said to see him sauntering carclessly along one an old resident to a Washington Star rewould never suspect his infirmity. porter "I think the year 1851 produced the Talking yesterday with an inquisitive regreatest number and the happenings were porter, he declared that he saw with his of greater diversity of interest. Jenny nose and his feet and this was the way he Lind came to this country that year under explained it: "When a man bas his sight, her \$50,000 contract with Barnum and sang he said, "the smells of the street are all her songs with wonderful sweetness and mixed up, but when he's blind he learns equally wonderful profits to Mr. Barnum. to separate them. The smells of the shops John C. Heenan, the Benicia boy, whipped are almost as plain to me now as the signs Tom Sayers and turned the eyes of civilizaused to be over the doors. Some of them tion toward him. It was England against you would hardly suppose to exist. Take America, and, as all the world knows, Amera dry goods store, for instance, it smells of ica won, with bare knuckles, too, for the cloth, and cloth has a very peculiar odor. prizefighters of that era did not wear Iron and tin have smells of their own and gloves. The fight was under royal manage-I can tell a hardware store immediately. ment and there was more royalty at the I pass two book stalls nearly every day ringside than anywhere else on that day and I scent them yards off by the old in all the rest of England. The sloop Amerbooks. Then there are a great many indeica won the cup for the fastest sailing defeating the world, and the old ship and that. Of course, my feet are my prinstill exists and can hold its own even cipal guide and I've been over the against the modern boats with their exground so often that I have learned every tensive keels. Louis Kossuth visited little inequality by heart, but I couldn't get America in 1851 and gave a great impetus along with either nose or feet alone.

to national and international politics work together and where one fails the "The first world's fair, the Crystal Palace at London, was held in 1851, and, though it was a long time ago, it is not forgotten, and out is this: I've learned how to stop. People has not been surpassed by the world's fairs who can see hurl themselves forward like which have followed. It was at the Crystal locomotives. That's why the shock is al-Palace that the American mechanic showed ways so unexpectedly violent when you collide with another person. I put no extra are both moighty quick-tempered, we've nower whatever in my movements and if resolved not to shpake to was another at that he stood second to none in the world. Hobbs challenged Chubbs, and Hobbs, the American mechanic, carried off the first the toe of my boot touches some unknown ; prize as a lockmaker. Hobbs represented an obstacle I stop stock still instantly."

Interruption to a Poker Game When the Drummer Held Four Jacks "I was reading a newspaper on the veranda

Chubbs wa

Blind Man Around Town

used his locks exclusively. Hobbs examined of a Texas hotel one Sunday afternoon," said the workmanship of the locks and offered the dry goods drummer to the New York Sun man, "when I was asked if I didn't want Bank of England, but to open also the to take a hand in a poker game. Very wicked seven doors leading to the treasure safes to play poker on Sunday, I admit, but I inside of two hours if permission was given. went upstairs and made one of four at a This was too much for the Britishers table. For the first hour things went slow, to stand, and they gave the necessary it was 5 cents ante and 10 cents limit, and no one lost or won much. I think I was the

"Hobby was on hand two hours before the one who suggested a dollar ante, and on the time for opening the doors of the bank very first hand out I scooped in \$25. For a arrived, and announced himself ready to go time I was away ahead of the game, but then to work. All the tools he had he carried in I lost steadily. The cards got to running his yest pocket, consisting of about twenty against me, and it was seldom I got even pair of tens. I was \$50 out when a colored minutes and entered the bank triumphantly. man entered the room and sa'd:

He next approached the outer door of the "" 'Mighty suspishus lookin' cloud rollin' up treasure safe. In six minutes the door in de sou'wes', and everybody dun says we's opened, and before one hour had passed, half gwine to hab a cyclone."

" 'That's all right, Jim,' replied one of the in the treasure of the bank, much to the men, and we kept right on. My luck began amazement of the directors of the bank, to change after that. I got a straight and a and to the intense disgust of Chubbs, who, flush and a full house and raked in the pots, besides being a lockmaker, was a knight or but before I was even with my losses Jim fortunately he had never figured on bear duke or something similar as a side line, and returned to say:

"'Dat cloud's lookin' mighty ugly, gents, a man of influence and wealth. He took his defeat gamely, however, and soon set to an' Mars Taylor he 'lows dat we all better

taking Hobbs into his employ as an adviser. "He was told to go away with his zephyr. For the time, however, I think the Bank of and on the next deal I got four jacks. It England put American locks on their safes, was the best hand yet dealt, and I had to for everybody recognized the fact that shut my eyes to keep from turning pale. We Chubbs was no more a match for Hobbs than had \$20 on the board, and much to my sur-Sayers was for Heenan. We won great prise every man stayed in when I opened the races on the English turf that year and did pot for another \$5. After the draw I bet \$10. other things equally proud. An American and one after another raised it till we had artist painted the finest picture on exhibition \$300 in the pot. I had just got my mouth in the Crystal Palace, while Henry Ward open to make another raise when there was a roar and a scream, and off went the roof Beecher cut-preached Spurgeon in his Lon-

above us and down came the dust and plaster. The greenbacks went out of sight in a wink and we tumbled over each other to get down stairs. The hotel was unroofed, but not wrecked. It was all over while you could count ten. By and by the four of us got together again, and all began lamenting the interruption of the game.

'What did you hold?' I asked one.

'Four queens,' he replied.

'And you?'

- " 'Four aces.'
- " 'And you?'
- 'A straight flush.'

"As I told you, I had four jacks," smiled the drummer, "and I had \$250 down in my hind pocket. Every dollar of it would have gone on my fours, and I would have been scooped. How the others got their big hands didn't puzzle me for a minute. It was a put up job to soak me, and if that cyclone hadn't come booming along as it did I shouldn't have had enough money left to pay my hotel bill."

## Severe Test of Friendship.

That there may be such a thing as carry-ing insurance too far is indicated by the case of Mr. Mulcahy and Mr. Mulhooly, two Irish gentlemen. Though they were known to be great friends, they were one day scribable odors by which I know this place observed to pays each other without a greeting, says the London Tid-Bits. same

"Why, Mulcahy," a friend asked, in astonishment, "have you and Mulhooly quarreled ?"

They "That we have not!" said Mr. Mulcaby with earnestness.

other helps out. Between them they make "There seemed to be a coolness between very good eyes. The secret of my stepping you when you passed just now." "That's the insurance of our friendahin."

"I don't understand." "Whoy, thin, it's this way. Mulhooly and I are that devoted to wan another that we can't bear the idea of a guarrel, an' as we

One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures ob-"I con-

There is a blind man living in the heart of the old quarter who walks nearly every day to a little restaurant near Canal street, relates the New Orleans Times-Democrat. Diversified Interest.