# DESERET EVENING NEWS: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1904.

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Where Centers the Russo-

Japanese Dispute.

SEOUL, SEAT OF EXCITEMENT.

"Grafting" One Adjunct of Civilization Which Appears to be Indige-

nous in Corea.

COREA AND ITS



# WRESTLERS MEET TOMORROW, NIGHT

Ex-Middleweight Champion F. S. Lewis Arrived Last Night From Oregon.

READY FOR THE MAT.

Driggs and Pillings Will Wrestle for Amateur Championship as a Preliminary to the Big Match.

Everything is now ready for the big wrestling contest which is scheduled for the Grand theater tomorrow night, and indications are that the attendance will he very heavy. Tickets were placed on sale at the theater box office yesterday morning, and will be on sale until the match begins.

Frank S. Lewis, ex-middleweight champlon of the world, who is to meet the Ascot Park Events. Ascot Park Events. Los Angeles, Feb. 2.—The first 2-year-old race at half a mile for the year 1904 was one of the features of Ascot today. Griffin's Woodclaim at even money won handhy from Peggy Mina with Captain Osa third The time. 49 seconds, is very fast for the track Poorlands proved tht he is one of the most consistent jumpers here by winning the f ree hurdle handicap at a mile and a quarter with 169 pounds up in 2:18. Summary: First race, six furionds—Carnival won, Floa second, Turtle third. Time—:16. Second race, four furiongs for 2-year-olds, selling—Woodclaim won, Peggy Mine second, Captain Osa third. Time— iffe. local champion, Charley Ross, arrived here last evening from Baker Clty, Or. This match was made through the "News" about three weeks ago when "News" about three weeks ago when the sporting editor of this paper received a challenge from Lowis to meet either Ross or Thompson. The former at once incepted the challenge. Articles of agreement were drawn up and signed by each principal. They call for a catch-as-eatch-can contest. Police Gazette rules to govern, he hold barred, and two falls eat of three win the match. Since Lowis signed the agreement, he has met and deleated the Australian champion, Wad-kins taking two straight falls. Lewis is reasidered one of the best men in the country when it comes to the art of wrestling. He is a thick set, sturdlip built powerful man, and will have an ad-vantage of probably more than 15 pounds over Ross. He is familiar with all the tricks known to the game and should make a hard fight against any man in Third race, hurdle handicap, mile and a second, Gal CM YWRFPPUUPJPJP guarter-Poorlands won, Martin Brady second, Galba third, Time-2:18, setting second, Galba third. Time-2:18. Fourth race, Slauson course ,selling-Madame Bishop won, Hlbary second, Geneimness third. Time-1:21/2 Firth race, handicap, mlle-Paul Wha-ley won, Glennevis second, C. B. Camp-bell third. Time-1:4. Sixth race, mile and seventy yards, selling-Ultruda won, Pilot second, Schwarzwald third. Time-1:46½. hard fight against any man in try. He declares that he is in of condition and fully exepcts The latter's ability is well known here, is has defeated every man who has car-do take a chance with him. Ross is that may be called a "sure man." He may not be as fant as some profession-in wresters, hut he can do quick work then necessary. He is a "stayer" and as a splendid defense against men who any he stronger thin he is. He has o fear as to the the outcome of to-eatrow nights struggle although he will-mgly dufits that Lewis is the hardest and he has taegled for many years, loss has always mude good here in his addeep matches. ability is well known here. WHITNEY'S TURF INTERESTS. Considerable Speculation as to What Will be Done. may be stronger than he is. He has no fear as to the the outcome of to morrow nights struggle although he will-lingly admits that Lewis is the hardest game he has tacgled for many years. Ross has always mude good here in his handleap matches. It will be remembered what he did to darvin when the latter understook to thay three falls in thirty minutes. Ross

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ook the first fall and Garvin had to took the hrst fail and Garvin had to quit. As a preliminary to the main event, there will be a "blood match" between Driggs and Hilings for th eamateur championship of the state. This contest will undoubtedly prove highly interest-ing to the fans as both men are in fine fettle and each is determined to carry off the honor.

RACES AT INGLESIDE.

### Favorites and Second Choices Carried Off Most Events.

Off Most Events. San Francisco, Feb. 3.—Favorites and second choices took most of the races at ingleside today, the only surprise being Rollick, who scored at olds of 12 to 1. One of the features was the third, over the Futurity course. The Jonnings filly, Gold Money, was a 1 to 2 favorite and won in a gallop from Money Muss, the pacemaker. Hagerdon, the second choice, finished third. In the last' race Martinmas and Nigrette had a struggle through the stretch, the first hamed get-ting the decision by half a length. Out of respect to the memory of the late Wil-liam C Whitney the flags were at half-mast at the track. Results: "First race seven furlongs, selling—Mr. Dingle won, isabellita second, Little Sis-ter third, Time—1:28. Second race, mile, purse—Grafter won, Major Tenny second, Esherin third. Time -1:41. "Third race, Futurity course, purse—

Third race, Futurity course, purse-Gold Money won, Money Muss second, Hagerdon third Time-1:10%. Fourth race mile selling-Stuyve won, Halnault second, Illiluoun third. Time-

1:40. Fifth race, six furlongs selling-Rollick won, Bard Burns second, Judge Voorhees third. Time-1:14. Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth, sell-ing-Martinmas won, Nigrette second, His Eminence third. Time-:471

void, unless a transfer of the same was made at the last moment. If, not, it is said that 98 per cent of the eatries made by Mr. Whitney will be thrown out, thereby greatly depreciating the value of the many thoroughbreds heavily engaged. As to the disposition of the stable, nobdy in authority will talk. Special Correspondence. Seoul, Corea, Jan. 17 .- The seat of excitement in the far east seems now Yanger Beat Frazier.

to be Seoul rather than Tokyo or Port Arthur.As the probable meeting ground of the land forces of Japan and Russia in the event of war Corea has been attracting attention for some time, but now the Coreans are taking a hand in the game themselves and are trying

by popular demonstrations against foreigners and by other means to add to the disturbance. United States Minis. ter Allen, forseeing the growth of ill feeling toward outsiders, asked some weeks ago for marines to protect the American legation. These were sent him from Manila to the number o 100. Recently another detachment of 64 men and a machine gun were landed at Chemuipo by the gunboat Vicksburg, which remains in that port alongside a German man-of-war. Mr. Allen has asked for a still larger guard, but as yet the authorities in Washington have been unable to see the need of it. Nearly all the powers have sent marines to Seoul. All except those of Russia came here from Chemulpo over the 26 miles long imperial rail-road, but the Russians had to walk, as Japan now controls the railway and refused to issue tickets to the czar's sea

soldiers. So far no overt act of hostllity to-ward foreigners has been committed. and the proverbial meekness of the Coreans indicates that the talk of a

popular rising is nothing but talk. Still, Minister Allen doesn't believe in tak-ing chances. One of his precautions is the furnishing of an armed escort to every American woman and child who has to go into the streets. The legationers in Seoul have

quarter to themselves, as in most other The heard of public works held a meetcapitals, but live in houses formerly occupied by Corean nobles scattered throughout the city. While the resiing yesterday afternoon and considered the status of the contracts for sidewalk dences of the diplomats are of mud,



masters and to amuse them are their principal duties in life. In addition to his many wives the emperor has a fine assortment of dancing women, many of assortment of dancing women, many of whom are wives of his retainers. These dancing women are perhaps the best looking women of Corea, where femi-nine beauty is not abundant, though the men are generally tall, straight and handsome. Corean dancing is not un-graceful and resembles that of the Language. The feat are scarcely moved Japanese. The feet are scarcely moved at all, the body swaying to the music. The dress of the nobles at court is very costly, and their silken robes are beau-tifully embroidered and decked with gents. The hat is the most curious part of the uniform, a transparent "topper made of gauze with wings on it and always worn except while the owner is sleeping. The recognized religion of Corea is Buddhism of a rather debased form

The priests are men of importance and of reputed piety. They dress in black, gray or dark slate, but almost invariaby wear black trousers thus making a decided contrast to the ordinary citi-zen, whose dress is white or brown. In the ports many religions fourish. In the ports many religions fourish. In fact, the toleration is remarkable. Devil worship has crept into the religion of the majority until it has greatly cor-rupted it, and shrines of innumerable gods are omnipresent.

Corea is rich in minerals, which, with the fertile fields between the lofty mountains and the fisheries of the coast, will give the country a position in the commercial world as soon as it is opened up. The Japanese are building a railroad from Fusan, on the southeast coast, to Scoul, while the forcan government has surveyed road from Seoul to Wiju, on the Yalu river, which will be a continuation of the Japanese railway. When completed the system will traverse the entire empire from north to south. The Japanese road was projected and partially fin-ished by a private company, but with the rising of the war cloud the Japanese the rising of the war floud the superhease government assumed control and is rushing work rapidly in order to have as much of the read as possible ready for the use of troops if war is declared. Fusan is almost directly across the strait of Corea from Nagasaki, whence the Japanese transports may sall, and is also opposite Saseho, the home port of the Japanese fleet.

In addition to the Fusan-Seoul road there is the short road from Chemulpe to Seoul, already mentioned, which in o clash the Russians are likely to make use of, as it is but a short sail from Port Arthur. In the event of war part of the Russian army will probably cross the Yalu at Wiju and march on Soul short the line of the molecular Scoul along the line of the projected railroad. Large bodies of Russian infantry are already on the border awalt. ing the word to advance.

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Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 3.-Benny Yan-ger of Chicago bested Jack Frazier of Portland, Me., tonight in the fifth round of what was to have been a twenty-round go. The ponge was thrown up by Fra-zier's seconds in the fifth round. Frazier made a creditable showing. Yanger's generalship had weight in winning the fight from the start.

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# BASKETBALL CONTEST.

Douglas Soldiers.

The basketball game played at Ogden ast night betwen the Weber Stake acad-

Position. Fort Douglas.



tion, resulted in another defeat for Uncle Sam's warriors, the score being 39 to 7. The line up was as follows; W. S. A. 

> SALT LAKE TURF EXCHANGE, Kenvon Hotel. California and Eastern Races.

Referee, Nelson; umpire, Busch,

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# REGULATED BASKET BALL.

An important meeting was held recently in New York to discuss the basket ball situation and see if something could not be done to put the game on a firm basis in so far as amateurs are concerned.

The A. A. U. basket ball chairman. Dr. Gulick, held a conference with Harry Fisher of Columbia college, who is president of the Intercollegiate association. Others at the conference were J. E. Sullivan, secretary of the Amateur Athletic union, and G. T. Hepbron, secretary of the A. A. U. basket ball committee. Fisher said that it was the desire of the colleges to keep the sport clean, and the colleges would agree to play when they competed outside only teams that are registered with the A. A. U. or members of it. This in no way interferes with their playing teams that represent educational institutions.

Fisher further stated that he would at once write to all colleges of the Intercollegiate association and request them to play only registered teams.

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MAY BUCKLEY'S STORY. Miss May Buckley, late leading lady of James O'Neill's "The Honor of the Humble' company and now holding a

similar position in the same actor's "The Manxman" company, tells a very good story of a recent occurrence. Miss Buckley stopped with a friend living in village near

a large city in which the company recently played. Hardwood floors and stairways had just been put in, and that day they had been oiled. During the

night the family thought a burglar was below stairs. The man of the house, armed with a revolver. went to the head of the newly oiled E steps and, in

order to give the burglar warning, yelled at the top of his voice, "I'm com-

He pitched down to ing. I'm com-the foot of the flight. I'm heels of his Romeo

slippers slid on the oiled floor, and in a moment he had pitched down to the foot of the flight. But that was not all. He had no sooner picked himself up than he made a mad dash for upstairs, and the burglar was let alone.

It turned out the next morning that the dog had accidentally been locked in and was merely scratching at the l

not to say luxurious. The representa-tives of the powers do not live in barbarism by any means. The only kick Mr. Allen has ever registered with the state department in regard to his home here was due to the lowness of its cellings. Mr. Allen is over six feet tall and complained that he could not stand erect in his rooms with his silk hat on his head. This complaint caused con-siderable frivolous comment in Washington, and one undersecretary wrote to know why the minister wore his hat in the house anyway. The answer was simple. It is the custom of the coun-try. The official suggestion that the minister adopt the foz as his court headgear was treated with scorn by

Mr. Allen, and he continues to stoop when indoors. The upper class of Coreans live in airly good style in their earthen pal-ces, but the huts of the common people are squalid to the last degr Fresh air and water are especially ab-horrent to the plebelans. Next to these two things they consider work their worst enemy. Warfare is quite out of worst enemy. Warrare is quite out of their line, and while part of the Co-rean army is armed and disciplined on European lines it is on the whole a comic opera force and is likely to take to the words if shalls should be take to the woods if shells should burst in

its vicinity. Civilization has penetrated the official circles to some extent, and the emperor considers himself highly enlightened He is, however, a poor excuse for a rul-er, and since the murder of his high minded and progressive first queen sev-eral years ago he has had little to say eral years ago ne has had fittle to say about the government of his empire. The emperor's uncle, Tai Won Kun, a jovial old bandit who could have given Prince Tuan points, has been the power behind the throne. It is even believed that it was he who instigated the assassination of the queen, though the lower who is the set of the credit for the Japanese go: most of the credit for this dastardly act.

"Grafting" is one adjunct of civiliza-tion which appears to be indigenous in Corea. All the court officials are adepts in this, and the emperor when he wants money instead of levying taxes sends out his henchmen to seize everything in sight. The court of Yi Hiung is picturesque

and embraces a harem of great size. Women are not regarded as of much dining room door. He was the burgian account in Corea. To work for their



The recent treaty between China and the United States by which Dainy, Mukden and Antung were opened has done much to hasten the march of matters in the far east. It is announced on semiofficial authority that Russia will not permit the consuls of the United States or of any other country to enter those points, inasmuch as China has no right to dispose of any privileges in Mauchuria. But the United States has, through its president, appointed and through its senate confirmed the gentlemen who will act for it in Manchuria. They are Fleming D. Cheshire of New York, consul general at Mukden; Edwin V. Morgan of New York, consul at Daluy, and James

> Those who live in the southern and southeastern part of town will find Fred. G. Paimer has notified the board that he is ready to proceed with the side-walk cotaracts which he holds, but is anxious to know whether the work shall be done under the contracts for such work let last year or whether it comes under the centracts for 1804. The matter was referred by the board to the city attorney for optidon. The it convenient to order their coal here, because we have yards in their vicinity and can deliver to the city attorney for opidion. The board also asked for an opidion as to whether the hoard will receive the sal-aries provided in the old ordinances or will be paid the new salaries during the promptly. Lots of "that good coal" in town now, ime the members serve until the new oard qualifies. Bamberger, CONVENTION IN OGDEN. 161 Meign St. Sunday School Workers Will Gather Successor to Pleasant There March 19 and 20. Valley Coal Co. The second of a proposed series of listrict Sunday school conventions, What Time Is It? We Repair Clocks and Watches. Phone us (No. 65) for the correct time, and if your clock is not running correctly or at all, let us call for and repair it.

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W. Davidson of Minnesota, consul at Antung.

outside, their interiors are comfortable, | pleted by the contractors for the reason that a sufficient amount of the special tax was not collected in time to commence on the work. A resolution was passed by the council last full providing that no work be done on such contracts until 15 per cent of the tax is collected.

