

SEDALIA CAPITAL
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A SERIOUS RUNAWAY.

A Sedalia Party Have a Narrow Escape From Serious Injury.

A party consisting of George Dalby, of Kansas City; John Armstrong, an M. K. & T. postal clerk, and L. W. Bryant, of the J. D. Hall Dry Goods company, were congratulating themselves Monday on their very narrow escape from death or serious accident last Sunday evening.

While they were returning from a trip to the country in a surrey the harness broke just as they were descending a hill, permitting the buggy to run up against the horse. The animal, becoming scared, began kicking and soon demolished the dashboard and bottom of the buggy and kicking Mr. Dalby on the hip, almost dislocating it, and Mr. Bryant on the leg.

Mr. Armstrong was not as lucky as his companions, he having fallen down into the running gears and was dragged quite a distance, during which time he was kicked three times—once in the groin and once on the wrist, almost dislocating it, and once on the right leg. His condition is such that he will be laid up for several days.

AN ICE TRAIN.

S. T. Neal, of Otterville, Mo., Is the Inventor.

S. T. Neal, of Otterville, who is a clerk in the treasury department at Washington, D. C., has submitted to Secretary Alger an invention which he thinks will render travel to the icy lands of the Klondike as easy and rapid as railway travel in the United States.

Mr. Neal has had his plans for the "ice train" for several years, but not until last Saturday did he think it just the thing to solve the Alaskan travel problem.

Mr. Neal's engine is queerly constructed and made to be propelled by steam, and has two large wheels near the front like a wagon, except that they are made of steel and the spokes are pronged. The back of the engine is on runners, as will be the coaches. The prongs catch in the ice and send the engine along.

He figures the cost of his "ice train" would be about a fourth that of a railroad train.