

Curling.

A correspondent writing to the Scottish-American Journal about curling remarks:

Although Scotland can claim the honor of being parent of curling, and can boast of many notable players, yet I question very much if she could, at this day, be able to stand a "brush" with Canada, taking a hundred or more rinks aside. It is in the Dominion where you can see real, good, scientific playing. And why not? We have all the elements necessary for it. Every year we can depend upon having from three to four months' practice, without let or hindrance, night and day, in our covered rinks, and practice makes perfection. I have seen, at the game of points, for the Governor's prize, with stones, 23 made; and I believe better than that was done with irons by Mr. Barbours, of Quebec. Such play as that never was made in Scotland; but they have not the same chance. Some years they have no ice, and when they do have it, it is only for a short time, and on the open loch, or pond; but here every club has its covered rinks, and the ice is as true as it is possible to make it.

Coffee and Alcohol in Brazil.

According to the statement of the Vice-Director of the Rio Janeiro faculty of medicine, it appears that in Brazil, where great quantities of coffee are used and where all the inhabitants take it many times a day, alcoholism is completely unknown; it is further stated that the immigrants arriving in that country, though beset with the passion for alcohol, contract little by little the habits of the Brazilians, acquiring their fondness for drinking coffee and their aversion for liquors; and as the children of these immigrants brought up with coffee from their early years never contract the fatal habits known to their parents, it would seem that the number of drunkards in the country is in inverse ratio to the amount of coffee consumed. A South American correspondent of the Medical Times confirms the above statements, asserting that the number of cafes in the large cities of Brazil—where multitudes of persons from the highest down to the lowest classes go in to take a cup of that delicious beverage which none but Brazilians know how to make properly—is enormous, while drinking saloons or bars are very few, and their patrons fewer still. If the above is correct, our temperance advocates might take a useful hint. Less oratory and more coffee would give better success to their efforts. The opening of a cheap coffee house alongside of every gin mill might have the effect to dry up the liquor business.

Saved by an Albatross.

A singular story, says the Sydney Telegraph, has been related to us by the master of the barque 'Gladstone' which arrived from London last Saturday. On the 22nd of last month, while the vessel was in latitude 42 degrees south and longitude 90 degrees east, a seaman fell overboard from the starboard gangway. The barque was scudding along with a rough sea and moderate wind, but on the alarm of "man overboard" being given she was rounded to, and the starboard life-boat was lowered, manned by the chief officer and four men. A search for the unfortunate man was made, but owing to the roughness of the sea he could not be discovered; but the boat, steered to the spot where he was last seen. Here they found him floating, but exhausted, clinging for dear life to the legs and wings of a huge albatross. The bird had swooped down on the man while the latter was struggling with the waves and attempted to peck him with the powerful beak. Twice the bird attacked its prey unsuccessfully, being beaten off by the desperate sailor, battling with two enemies—the water and the albatross,—both greedy and insatiable. For the third time the huge white form of the bird hovered over the seaman, preparatory to a final swoop. The bird, eager for its meal, fanned its victims with its wide-spread wings. Suddenly a thought occurred to him that the huge form so close to his face might become his involuntary rescuer. Quick as thought he reached up and seized the bird, which he proceeded to struggle with all his might. The huge creature struggled with wings and paddles to free itself. In the contest the sailor was beaten black and blue, and cruelly lacerated, but he held his own, and slowly the bird quivered and died. The carcass floated lightly on the waves, its feathers forming a comfortable support for the exhausted man, who had so narrowly escaped a lingering death. But another danger awaited him. He was not much of a swimmer, and the excitement of the extraordinary conflict began to tell upon him. He was faint and grew giddy. But, with one arm around the albatross's body, under the wing, and one hand clutching the bird's feet, the sailor awaited his chance of rescue. Presently he heard his comrades shout from the boat, and in a few minutes more was safe on board the barque, though a good deal shaken and exhausted.

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