

SOMETHING ABOUT THE JAPANESE

The Japanese may in many senses be compared to the people of Great Britain. To begin with, they number 40,000,000, they live in an inland country about the same area as Great Britain, and they are becoming dependent upon foreign countries for a large proportion of their food.

IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS

W. Pritchard Morgan and His Awful Revolution.

"Inside the next ten years this country will see the most awful revolution that has astounded the world of late. This is my firm conviction, based upon more than one visit to the United States."

An excursion train was derailed near Westhampton, England, and nine persons killed, and twenty-five injured.

Hood's Pills

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Professor Lowell's Dante Examination.

Professor Lowell still had a few courses in Spanish and Italian. I remember going up to his house in June, 1876, to be examined in Dante.

Skirt Trimming.

Many of the models for summer gowns, says a New York fashion writer, have flat bands of velvet sewed on the skirt or lace insertions set in about four inches apart, some of these showing a color contrasting with that of the dress set beneath each row of insertion.

The word despot originally meant master or lord. At a later period it became an honorary title, bestowed by the Greek emperors on certain governors of provinces.

STRONGER THAN IT LOOKED.

The Pull of a Mustard Plaster Is Not in the Thickness of It.

Wilkins complained of not feeling very well. His landlady asked for the symptoms. "Oh," she returned, "put on a mustard plaster and you'll be all right in the morning."

He took her advice. He went into a near by drug store and asked for a mustard plaster. The clerk took one out and began to wrap it up.

The clerk explained that it was a mustard plaster; that the old plaster of the mine pie pattern had gone out of style. "This is just as good?" queried the doubter.

There was a brilliant parallelism, 4 by 7 inches, just under the third button of Wilkins' vest, and as the air touched it Wilkins winced.

"You'll have to be very careful or you'll have a bad blister there," said the clerk. "Blister! Say, I can stand it. Tell me the truth. How deep is that hole?"

"Nonsense. Go out and get a big, soft linen handkerchief and I'll fix you up."

Wilkins paid 35 cents for the handkerchief and 25 cents for a cool, mussy paste, which the clerk smeared on one side of it.

Incidentally he says that a mustard plaster isn't such a cheap remedy after all.—Chicago Record.

The Dangers From Escaping Gas.

So many people suffer from headaches, extreme lassitude and disinclination to make any mental effort, a condition which amounts to positive inertness, that medical men have been investigating the why and wherefore of this state of things in order, if possible, to find a reason, and, following that, a remedy for this annoying and discouraging condition.

Among other facts brought to light, it appears that many headaches and much discomfort are traceable largely to the poisonous effects of gas of various sorts.

Ordinary illuminating gas has, as is well known, the properties that produce asphyxiation, and even though the victims may survive the accident of inhaling a large amount of gas, the headache, nausea and prostration following such an experience are distressing in the extreme.

It is often the case that people who live in houses lighted by gas suffer serious consequences without being aware of it.

They do not inhale enough to attract their attention, but the poisonous vapor slowly but surely undermines their health and produces headaches, congestion and a long train of unsuspected evils.

Especially is this the case where what is known as water gas is used. This gas is made by heating hard coal to a white heat, then passing steam over it.

The immediate cause of death from carbonic oxide is that it destroys the red blood corpuscles in the animal body.

These red corpuscles convey oxygen to every portion of the system. The carbonic oxide destroys the oxygen, and in consequence there is a sort of suffocation of the blood, which results in death in a very short time.

There are many instances of death from gas poisoning in houses illuminated by other means. In several cases it took a long time for the authorities to discover that the gas escaped through defective pipes and made its way through the earth into the dwelling and slowly sapped the vitality of the unsuspecting occupants.—New York Ledger.

Midnight Photography.

Midnight photography is becoming quite fashionable. Of course the results are chiefly blotches in black and white, comprising illuminated windows and the gas and electric lamps, but the picture is impressionistic, which is the same thing as artistic nowadays.—Typographical Journal.

Charlotte Corday's skull is believed to be in possession of Prince Roland Bonaparte. It was probably procured from Sanson, the executioner, and was originally sold with documents establishing its authenticity.

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PASSING OF THE LEECH.

Medicine Has Turned the Cold Shoulder on an Old Friend That Is Still Effective.

A young man with a black eye was led into a Brooklyn drug store in Fulton street the other night by some friends to see what could be done to make the eye presentable. The druggist said that he could not paint the eye, which the young man insisted was the only proper course, but a leech could be applied.

There was some argument to the effect that leeches were old fashioned, but the young man consented to an operation. The druggist brought out a jar six inches in height and fished around inside with one hand. He brought out a crawling, black object that he immediately transferred to a little pasteboard box, in one side of which he had cut a small hole, near the edge in the cover.

Holding the hole up to the young man's eye, the druggist shook the box a little and the leech's head was soon at work reducing the size of the dark patch under the eye. Meanwhile the company got some instruction about leeches.

"The medicative leech is not so much in demand as is ought to be," said the druggist, "and the main difficulty in this country is to get leeches that will not cause blood poisoning."

"You needn't be afraid of any impurities, such as some have complained of when using American leeches. Some are raised in Florida, but they are not held to be very good. The danger of having leeches raised in warm countries is that the bite is dangerous, giving rise to blood poisoning. That's what is said of American leeches, but I never had any experience with them."

"How much?" said the man after the leech had let go. "Twenty-five cents," said the druggist.—New York Sun.

LOST TREASURES.

What Is Found Under the Seats After an Operatic Performance.

When the curtain has made its final fall after an operatic performance at the Metropolitan and the bejeweled audience has dispersed, a queer scene is enacted. A company enters and spreads itself out in boxes and orchestra stalls, overhauling chairs, searching floors, prying under cushions, peering into corners, as though hunting for the strange demon who compels even the brightest of operatic stars to occasionally sing flats where sharps are written.

But the members of the company of seekers are in search of something more prosaic than demons. They are looking for the almost endless variety of articles that a grand opera audience nightly leaves behind. Any one connected with the house can join in the search, and every one whose duties permit invariably does so, for there is some valuable gleaming to be done at the Metropolitan after the enraptured and entranced audience has departed.

For one year the property is kept in the opera house safe, labeled with the name of the finder, and duly entered in a book kept for the purpose. If unclaimed at the end of the year, the article is presented to the finder by the management as a reward for his honesty.

Among the queerest articles at the Metropolitan which await a claimant are a false tooth with a heavy gold plate attached, two silk hats, whose owners must have been strangely entranced with the music to go home bareheaded; an elegant lace mantilla, which must have cost at least \$150; a gold bracelet, the broken clasp of which shows the reason for its loss; a diamond ring, gold chains of various patterns, apparently torn off in the scramble for the door, opera glasses by the dozen, black, blue and fancy colored garters by the score (some with handsome gold clasps, engraved with monograms that it has been found impossible to identify); canes and umbrellas by the hundred, overshoes, carriage shoes, gloves and pocketbooks, lined and unlined.

One of these pocketbooks, picked up by a gleaner, was found to contain \$300 in greenbacks. It was handed in with the rest of the findings to the manager. Its careless owner, a Japanese connected with the consulate, claimed it the following day. The honest finder went unrewarded. But they are accustomed to that sort of treatment at the Metropolitan.—New York Press.

The Sand Laden Missouri.

Mr. Frank H. Spearman writes in St. Nicholas of the freaks of the Missouri river, his article being entitled "A Shifting Boundary." Mr. Spearman says:

You must know that the real business of the Missouri is to carry the mountain waters east and south into the gulf of Mexico. But in bounding from side to side of its valley through the tedious centuries it has twisted and turned so many times that no doubt its head is confused. Carrying the quantity of mud it does, you would hardly expect it to be clear headed. There is actually so much sand in the water that the fish all have sore eyes; some are totally blind, the saddest looking creatures you ever caught. A really fastidious trout or bass dropped into the Missouri would hang himself in despair on a fishhook.

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NAVEL ORANGES.

Explanation of Their Origin That Doesn't Quite Explain.

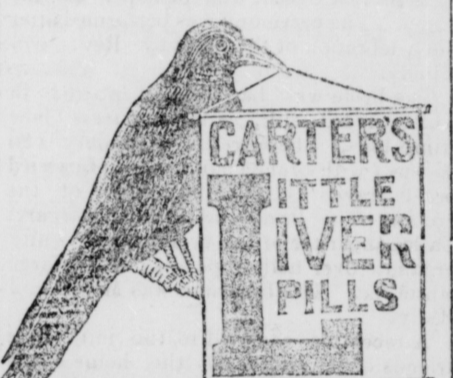
They wanted to know about navel oranges in the store, and the inquisitive man asked of the market man the same question that the little boy asked his mamma. In vain the little boy awaited the maternal response, but not so of the inquisitive mind, for the market man revolved the quid of thought in his brain, eyed chicken and turkey and juicy slices of beef, lifted an orange and fondled it and said: "I can tell you all about it. They come this way: You see they import the seedless navel orange trees from Australia. They don't do well in this country, so they cut down the California orange trees when young and ingraft slips of the Australian tree into them, and they grow up big and strong and perfect into the juicy, applause compelling, mouth watering California navel. That's how the navel comes."

A silence fell, and the inquisitive man said: "Once a nigger asked the deacon about how they made man in the creation, and the deacon asked the dominie, and the dominie said, 'Dey wes a brack man and er brack woman on de earf long fore dey wes ever any livin, movin thing, an de brack man he took de brack woman and put her in de sacred spring and leaned her up agin de fence ter dry, and de brack woman took er brack man and dipped him in de sacred waters an she leaned him!'"

"'Hol on,' said the nigger. 'Dis yeah wes fore de Lord knowed anything about it, er dey wes any earf or anything.'"

"'Yes.'"

"'Well, I asts to know where dey git dat fence?' and I want to know where they get that Australian seedless navel orange tree."—Lewiston Journal.



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