

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

—Odessa, in Russia, has a new theater that cost \$600,000.

—The Public Museum at Nantes, France, has just acquired the casket in which was placed the heart of Anne of Brittany, Queen of France and Navarre. It is of solid gold.

—Corea recently broke down her ancient barriers so far as to send an envoy to Japan, but the government was so poor that it could not support him, and, soon coming to the end of its resources, he had to ask aid of the Japanese Government to avoid being put in desperate straits.

—According to Sir Walter Buller, a person may now live for weeks and months in New Zealand without seeing a single specimen of the birds originally existing in that colony. In the settled districts they have been replaced by birds of foreign origin, and ornithologists are apprehensive that the indigenous species will wholly disappear in the course of a few years.—N. Y. Ledger.

—The English army consists nominally of 211,474 officers and men, but it is said that only one army corps can actually be got in the field, and that only by frantic makeshifts. Of the 71,810 officers and men stationed in England it is alleged that 15,000 are boys under nineteen and that 10,000 more are under twenty.

—The native merchants of China are said to be inveterate swindlers. A foreign dealer in Tientsin recently contracted for fifteen hundred bales of camel's wool, guaranteed free of dirt and sand. When the first instalment had passed through the cleaning machine 35 per cent. of its gross weight was found to be sand and gravel, and besides that the wool had been yet to make the dirt stick in, and also make it heavier.

—In China all the roads except the imperial highways are tracks over private land. The owner does all he can to restrict them. When the soil washes down into the road—the road always deeper than the land—the owner digs out the road to get back his soil with interest. This makes the roads in the rainy season successions of deep puddles, and over all Northern China traffic is suspended for four or five months every year on account of the impassability of the roads.

—During a recent sitting of the Council-General of the Bouches-du-Rhone a committee appointed to examine the finances found that eight hundred francs a year was paid to the guardians of the tower." Investigation showed that the tower had been pressed since 1867, a total, therefore, of sixteen thousand francs having been paid for guarding nothing for twenty years. At St. Cloud an employe of the palace still received a salary for waxing the floor. The palace was bombarded into ruins in 1870.

—As brick and stone are now largely used in Japan for building purposes, government of that country desires to take such measures as will be most likely to prevent their destruction by earthquakes, and to this end the Japanese Minister of Education requested recommendations from various scientific bodies as to the best use of edifices to resist the shocks resulting from subterranean disturbances. In former times wood only was used as a material for the construction of houses in Japan.—N. Y. Ledger.

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MEDICAL PROGRESS.

Examples of the Knowledge Produced by the Work of the Last Fifty Years. England may without boasting claim that she has taken the lead not only in gaining knowledge of the conditions which are concerned in the production of particular diseases, but that she has also been first in modifying her laws and in creating a public health administration in response to this teaching.

Dr. Thorne took as an illustration of the benefits which had been conferred on the community by these changes the reduction in the death-rates from certain special diseases. Fifty years' experience of small-pox had provided data by which the extent of the usefulness of vaccination might be better defined. The Vaccination acts passed in Queen Victoria's reign had led to a vast saving of life, and especially of child life, and these had especially protected those who are unable to guard their own interests. "Fever" had been found to consist of at least two different diseases—typhus and enteric fever; the former largely due to the crowding of people in houses and of houses on a site where air and light were shut out; the latter mainly due to excremental pollution.

A ZIGZAG CONUNDRUM. The Australian Boomerang a Puzzle to Scientists. Scientists have in vain studied the boomerang to discover the secret of its curious flight. It is against all laws of gravitation that an object hurled into space should return to the same spot from which it was cast, as it is impossible to explain the eccentric action of a curved ball. The boomerang is all the more marvelous when we consider that the savages of Australia were first to use it and to apply the peculiar properties of its form.

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