

THE LIBERTY BELL

Where Congress met and Freedom sang its starry banner to the breeze...

Inflammable Goods.

"My business here is to sell things," remarked a middle aged salesman to his friend...

Sparrows and Blackbirds.

Birds, notwithstanding their attractiveness in plumage and sweetness in song...

Descendants of Some Noted Men.

It is noteworthy what a number of men eminent in the era 1861-65 are now represented only in the female line of descent...

Phosphorescent Infection.

The curious discovery has been made that the phosphorescence frequently exhibited by many species of the crustacea is infectious...

College Girls After a Great Game.

The Smith college girls were differently affected by Yale's victory over Harvard at the annual football game...

A Custom Very Like American.

According to Colonel Rockhill, the devils are driven out of the towns in Corea on New Year's eve by firing off guns and crackers...

Why the Sky is Flat.

The apparent flattening of the vault of the heavens has been found to have an annual period, and to depend on clouds...

Semiannual Experience.

Wife (after house cleaning)—It takes a woman to bring order out of chaos. Husband (rushing wildly around after his belongings)—It takes a woman to make a chaos that looks like order...

A Moment of Candor.

Mrs. Speakermind (at a chrysanthemum show)—Why is there such a furor over such a commonplace flower as the chrysanthemum? Everybody Else—That's just what we came to find out.—New York Weekly.

RELIGION IN CHILI.

A COUNTRY IN WHICH RELIGIOUS FERVOR IS STRONG.

Dedicate Women Have Been Known to Crawl on Their Hands and Knees to Places of Worship—Poor and Rich Bow Together in Devotional Exercise.

No people in the world are more devout than those of Chili, and surely if self inflicted punishments, fasting, confessions and donations will take one to heaven, a vast throng (though mostly women) will go up from that little republic...

A few years ago no man dare ride through the streets of any Chilean city on Good Friday. Even the cars were not allowed to run; all business was stopped and no sound of wheel or hammer or human labor disturbed the religious silence...

The strangest and most impressive part of holy week came on the night of Good Friday, when a long line of female worshippers, led by the dignitaries of the church and joined by a very few men, crept to the cross on their knees...

So solemn was the scene that many Protestants and persons of no particular religious belief, who came merely to look, joined in the worship. It brought rich and poor, aristocratic and plebeian, on the same level—servants and ladies of high degree, both wrapped in mantles, side by side.

CELEBRATING HOLY WEEK.

Later, there was a weird torchlight procession, led by the chanting priests in black robes, followed by a concourse of people who bore in the midst upon their shoulders a company of life size images representing all the saints, each clothed in flowing velvet robes...

On Saturday morning, the last of holy week, special services were again held in all the churches, which were still gloomily draped in black. The priests entered in procession, and there was a great deal of extinguishing and lighting of candles, tinkling of bells and other ceremonies whose import we did not comprehend...

The cannon of the fort thundered the joyful tidings and the national ships-of-war re-echoed the sound. Closed doors flew open, vehicles once more thronged the streets and business was resumed with its accustomed noise...

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Nothing New.

In the immense parlor of a Fifth Avenue house vast as a desert, where heroic tapestries, gilded candelabra, furniture covered with antique damask, portraits of captains in white cravats, and of austere ladies with scarfs of flowers, evoke vanished epochs, the grandfather, whose hair is white as snow, declaimed, as is his custom every Sunday since the time when Polk was president...

A Family Tree.

A pretty custom which was at one time common in some parts of New England was the setting apart of a "family tree." This tree was not of a dry, genealogical kind, but was always one of the finest in the orchard, selected with a view to its apple bearing abilities and its beauty.

In one little village many of the orchards have trees of this description, and the older inhabitants can refresh their memories as to the number of children in the families which have occupied farms at different times, provided the period of occupancy was long enough to make the setting up of a "family tree" worth while.

The tree is now more than sixty years old, and its present owner shows it with great pride, and gives samples of its fruit to the children of the neighborhood with a free hand.—Youth's Companion.

Well Disciplined Ducks.

During our stay at Hankow we visited a duck farm. The process of keeping the ducks is very simple. A large wooden shed stands near the edge of the river, where the owner of the farm or an employee spends the night with his feathered friends. There must have been several thousands of ducks in the farm we visited.

As soon as sunset approaches, from all parts of the river they come, for they wander far among the rushes and islands during the day, and there is still more hurry and scurry to get into the shed than there was to get out at dawn. The reason is simple. Immovable by the door sits the Chinaman, a long cane in his hand, and who betide the last duck to enter, for down on its back comes the long bamboo with a pain inflicting thud. In this way punctuality is insured among the ducks.

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Musical Signaling.

It is a theory which seems to have been confirmed by practical experiment that a pure tone of voice, such as that used in singing, penetrates to a much greater distance than mere noise. This idea has given rise to a new system of marine signaling, to be used either at night or in foggy weather, and based entirely upon the action of successive musical tones.

A limited number of combinations of notes can be made to carry on all the conversation necessary between approaching vessels to avoid collision, or between lighthouses and dangerous points of the coast, in order to prevent wrecks.

Four notes, for example, serve to ask, "Which way are you heading?" and two others mean, "I am steering southeast." The system can be employed on a large scale by means of machinery, consisting of a keyboard, on which the operator would play, and "speaking apparatus." It is expected that by such apparatus communication may be established at a distance of two miles. The invention can be adapted to the Morse code of signals when it becomes necessary to spell out names and words.—Youth's Companion.

Cleaning Streets by Electricity.

An electric snow plow has been designed with a thirty horse power motor for propelling the car and independent reversible motors for running the brushes. It is intended for use on street railways.—New York Journal.

Knew About Servants.

Little girl to her nurse, who has told her the story of Adam and Eve's dismissal from the garden of Eden—I suppose they were both sent away without a character.—London Truth.

Women.

The common afflictions of women are sick-headaches, indigestion and nervous troubles. They arise largely from stomach disorders. As Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla is the only bowel regulating preparation, you can see why it is more effective than any other Sarsaparilla in these troubles. It is daily relieving hundreds. The action is mild, direct and effective. We have scores of letters from grateful women.

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A Severe Law.

The English people look more closely to the genuineness of these staples than we do. In fact, they have a law under which they make seizures and destroy adulterated products that are not what they are represented to be. Under this statute thousands of pounds of tea have been burned because of their wholesale adulteration.

Tea, by the way, is one of the most notoriously adulterated articles of commerce. Not alone are the bright, shiny green teas artificially colored, but thousands of pounds of substitutes for tea leaves are used to swell the bulk of cheap tea; ash, sloe, and willow leaves being those most commonly used. Again, sweepings from tea warehouses are colored and sold as tea. Even exhausted tea leaves gathered from the tea-houses are kept, dried, and made over and find their way into the cheap teas.

The English government attempts to stamp this out by legislation, but no tea is too poor for it, and the result is, that probably the poorest teas used by any nation are those consumed in America.

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