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CHOLERA'S THREAT.

Dr. Geo. F. Schrady, one of New York's sanitary inspectors, corresponding to the San Francisco Examiner, sounds the keynote of warning in the following timely article: In attempting to make prophecies it is safer to discuss probabilities than to challenge fate by positive statements.

There are four main propositions to be taken into account in reference to the appearance and spread of cholera. First, there must be the seed, the infectious germ, the comma bacillus.

And, fourthly, there is what might be called the epidemic influence, which has peculiarities and laws of its own, the true significance of which is not yet entirely understood.

With the fresh start of cholera with warmer weather, and its almost inevitable spread in new localities throughout Europe and Asia, it will be next to impossible to guard against an invasion of this country through the many channels which commerce and travel may open for it.

The only lines of safety would be in the direction of preparing to meet it by every means that will tend to prevent the growth of the poison and check its spread by making the condition of its development as unfavorable as possible.

But by far the most important problem, next to general quarantine, which prevents itself, in view of the danger of cholera, is not personal cleanliness, but municipal cleanliness.

Every city in America ought to put itself through a "spring housecleaning" this year such as it never knew before. No consideration of politics or petty economy should have the slightest weight.

The Olympia senatorial muddle continues without any evidence of an end short of an adjournment of the legislature, which will be in another week.

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A Cordial Reception. Early one morning, recently, I called to see a gentleman who had not yet left his bed. I was met at the door by a woman whose sleeves were rolled up, who wore an ample apron upon which were various spots of flour and whose face was not entirely free from similar spots.

A Way of Cooking Rodents. The negro slaves of Jamaica used to regard rats as a dainty, their masters not providing them with any other meat. Their method of cooking the toothsome rodents was to impale each one on a long wooden skewer, after cleaning the animal and cutting off the tail, turning it briskly around over a fire until the hair was all burned off.

A Train of Elevator Cars. From an elevator point of view the new Masonic temple building in Chicago will be the most important in the world. It will have twenty-four cars built in a circular shaft having a 250 foot rise.

A Solid Silver Dinner Service. Probably the most magnificent complimentary present ever received by a European sovereign is the emperor of Austria's silver wedding gift to the czar.

Cotton Seed Oil Generates Fire. The recent losses by fire in the cargo of ships carrying cotton has shown that cotton seed oil, when held in the cotton on the outside of the bale, rapidly oxidizes and generates spontaneous combustion.

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