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German Miners Superstitious. Probably the most superstitious class of men in the world, barring the sailors, are miners—those who delve in the bowels of the earth for coal or minerals. In Germany the mines are believed to be the abiding places of queer little old men not over two feet high, who ape in dress the ordinary miners. They vary in character; some are good, some are bad. In Wales the miners are haunted by goblin miners, known as knockers. They make strange noises, and the tapping of their picks can be heard in ore bodies not yet reached by the human workmen. The dreaded Ladder Dwarf is a malignant hunchback of frightful appearance, who kicks out the rungs of ladders in mines just before an accident occurs. Superstition extends even to the vegetables sometimes found growing in mines, such growths having talismanic virtues. In Sardinia an ancient lead mine has been completely abandoned on account of a prevailing dread among the miners of a small and venomous spider inhabiting it.—Chicago Chronicle.

Indiana Crop Reports. Reports on the Indian wheat crop are beginning to come in. From the central provinces we learn that the area of wheat is only 1,898,022 acres, as compared with 2,714,454 acres for 1896, and a ten years' average area exceeding 4,000,000 acres. The estimated out-turn is 324,475 tons, against 368,338 for 1896, and 784,802 as the ten-years' average.

Sunshine in Spain. Spain has more sunshine than any other country in Europe. The yearly average in Spain is 3,000 hours; that of Italy, 2,300; Germany, 1,700; England, 1,400.

Airships in Germany. The airship craze is said to be nearly as strong in Germany as in this country. Prof. Hoffman, an imperial councillor, has invented a machine constructed on the principle of a dragon, with steam propellers, which he is confident will work all right.

American Pecans. Eight million bushels of pecans are estimated as an average year's crop in the United States.

Sentence of Priests. At Prague, in Bohemia, nine priests have been sentenced to 15 days' imprisonment and to pay heavy fines for having acted illegally during the last elections. Several priests were arrested on the spot, while those who took to flight were pursued by socialists, who stormed buildings in which they took refuge.

Found the Bones. Egypt's pyramid builders were cannibals, according to Mr. Flinders Petrie's assertion. He has found bones, picked clean and separately wrapped up, in many tombs.

As he finished his... he laid his hands upon the... in an unobtrusive... "I suppose this is a..."

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STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Cash in Your Checks. All county warrants registered prior to July 7, 1893, will be paid at my office. Interest ceases after Oct. 27th, 1897.

AMERICAN TEA CULTURE

Highest Grades of the Plant Are Cultivated in the United States. Most people will be surprised to learn that tea growing is a successful industry in this country, and that the highest prices are being paid for the American product of this popular beverage. Secretary Wilson, of the department of agriculture, lately requested William Saunders, the veteran horticulturist of his department, to visit the tea farm of Charles W. Shepard at Summerville, S. C., and report upon what he should see there. Seventeen years ago Mr. Saunders prepared an article on "Tea Culture as a Probable American Industry," which was mainly intended to answer requests coming from all parts of the country as to the status of tea culture in the United States. For 20 years previous tea plants had been annually distributed in varied quantities, the only purpose at that time being to encourage the culture of tea plants for domestic purposes in a limited way. The cost of labor and deficiency of rainfall were the main obstacles in the way of making tea culture successful commercially.

The tea farm visited by Mr. Saunders is gently undulating and the soil is mainly a sandy loam, and he found that farm to be under perfect cultivation. The labor question had been settled by Dr. Shepard by building a schoolhouse on the farm, inviting the people of the surrounding country to send their children there for instruction, and in the intervals of the school term he employs the scholars, under pay, to pick tea. Dr. Shepard has procured tea plants from all quarters of the globe, has experimented extensively with them and has been so greatly encouraged that he declared that were he 20 years younger he would plant 50 acres as rapidly as he could procure the plants. His experiments with the tea plant have been so thorough and successful that some arrangement should be made whereby he could impart his knowledge to others, and for this purpose he advises the establishment of a school where the veteran tea grower could instruct young men so that they might undertake the work of developing the tea industry in this country. The tea from Dr. Shepard's farm sells for one dollar per pound, is of a high quality, and it is believed that his success establishes the fact that tea can be grown in this country so as to be commercially successful.—Washington Star.

COURIERS BACK NUMBERS.

No Longer Any Need to Go Through Europe with Them. Up to times within the memory of living men, almost no one of means traveled through Europe without a courier. Before railroads were built and before good guide books were printed, he was almost indispensable. His tribe survives, writes Herbert Luce in Going Abroad, but in greatly diminished numbers. To the self-reliant traveler he is of no use whatever. Indeed, he is frequently a positive incumbrance, and worse. To my mind, one of the great pleasures of travel is in learning to travel by myself. There is satisfaction, pleasure and education in planning routes, deciphering time tables, making bargains, learning by observation the lay of the land.

The time may have been when a courier could save a traveler more than his cost. Most certainly that is not the case now. On the contrary, as he gets a percentage on every purchase his party makes (which, of course, comes out of the purchaser in increased price), and as it is often for his interest to advise the more costly route, the more costly hotel, or the more costly excursion, he eats up much more than his wages, while saving positively nothing. Bean declares that in a two-weeks' trip in southern Spain, which he made side by side with a couple having a courier, he invariably reached the hotel first, got better rooms, saw all the sights to as good advantage; yet the courier was of his kind an expert. The fact is that travel has become so general, tourist companies, railroads and landlords have so well studied its needs, books are so plentiful, that you couldn't very well get off the track or have a mishap if you tried.

A Postmaster Who Licked on Stamps When Requested.

The post office at Grass Valley was at the back end of a "general" store, and the postmaster, who was also the proprietor of the store, says the Detroit Free Press, was weighing me out some tobacco, when a solid, middle-aged woman came and slammed a two-cent piece down on the counter and exclaimed: "Stamp—two-center!" The postmaster handed her one, but she waved it away and pitched a letter at his head and said: "Lick 'er on." He promptly and humbly obeyed, and as the woman walked away, I asked:

"Don't people out this way lick on their own postage stamps?" "Yes, most of 'em, but that woman is rather particular, and I don't want to take chances again." "Chances on what?" "Well she came in here about six months ago for the first time, and bought a stamp and commanded me to lick. I laid back on my dignity and refused, and she turned around and kicked the head out of a bar'l of N. O. molasses and I lost about \$11 by the operation. As my salary as postmaster is only \$23 a year I can't take no more chances."

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NOTICE-SALE OF CITY LOTS.

Notice is hereby given that by authority of ordinance No. 292, which passed the Common Council of Dalles City April 10th, 1897, entitled, "An ordinance to provide for the sale of certain lots belonging to Dalles City," I will, on Saturday, the 15th day of May, 1897, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, all the following lots and parts of lots in Gates addition to Dalles City, Wasco county, Oregon, to-wit: Lots 9 and 10 jointly, in block 14; lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, jointly in block 15; lots 7, 8, 9, and 10, jointly in block 21, known as butte; lots 10, 11 and 12, in block 27; lot 9 in block 34; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 35; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block 36; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block 42; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10 and 11, in block 43; lots 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 11 and 12, in block 41, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, in block 46.

The reasonable value of said lots, for less than which they will not be sold, has been fixed and determined by the Common Council of Dalles City as follows, to-wit:

Lots 9 and 10, in block 14, \$150; lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, jointly in block 15, \$200; lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, jointly in block 21, \$200; lot 10, in block 27, \$225; lot 11, in block 27, \$225; lot 12, in block 27, \$300; lot 9, in block 34, \$100; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11, in block 35, each respectively \$100; lots 6 and 7, in block 35, each respectively \$125; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10 and 11, in block 36, each respectively \$100; lot 12, in block 36, \$125; lots 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 37, each respectively \$100; lots 6, 7 and 12, in block 37, each respectively \$125; lots 2, 3, 10 and 11, in block 41, each respectively \$100; lots 1, 7 and 12, in block 41, each respectively \$125; lots 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 42, each respectively \$100; lot 1, 6 and 12, in block 42, each respectively \$125; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10 and 11, in block 43, each respectively \$100; lot 1, in block 43, \$125; lots 2, 3, 4 and 5, in block 46, each respectively \$100; lot 1 and 6, in block 46, each respectively \$125.

Each of these lots will be sold upon the lot respectively, and none of them will be sold for a less sum than the value thereof, as above stated. One-fourth of the price bid on any of said lots shall be paid in cash at the time of sale, and the remainder in three equal payments on or before, one, two and three years from the date of said sale, with interest on such deferred payments at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, payable annually, provided that the payment may be made in full at any time at the option of the purchaser. The said sale will begin on the 15th day of May, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, and will continue from time to time until all of said lots shall be sold. Dated this 13th day of April, 1897. ROGER B. SINNOTT, Recorder of Dalles City.

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