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MEAT EATERS.

They Are Freer from Disease Than Persons Living on Mixed Diet.

Many races of men live entirely on animal food, and these are the most hardy, and, from all that I have been able to gather on the subject, says a writer in the Gentleman's Magazine, the most free from diseases of all kinds. Sir Francis Head says of the Pampas Indians: "They are all horsemen, or, rather, pass their lives on horseback. In spite of the climate which is burning hot in summer and freezing in winter, these brave men, who have never yet been subdued, are entirely naked and have not even a covering for their head. They live together in tribes, each of which is governed by a cacique, but they have no fixed place of residence. Where the pasture is good there are they to be found until it is consumed by their horses, and they then instantly move to a more verdant spot. They have neither bread, fruit nor vegetables, but they subsist entirely on the flesh of their mares." Describing the effect on himself of this diet, Sir Francis says: "After I had been riding three or four months and had lived on beef and water I found myself in a condition which I can only describe by saying that I felt no exertion could kill me, although I constantly arrived so completely exhausted that I could not speak; yet a few hours' sleep upon my saddle on the ground always so completely restored me that for a week I could daily be upon my horse before sunrise and ride till two or three hours after sunset, and have really tired ten or twelve horses a day. This will explain the immense distances which people in South America are said to ride, which I am confident could only be done on beef and water." The Gouachos of the Argentine Republic live entirely on roast beef and salt, scarcely ever tasting farinaceous or other vegetable food, and their sole beverage is mate or Paraguay tea, taken without sugar.

CLOVE VICTIMS.

Over-Indulgence in the Condiment Is Often Fatal.

A physical wreck from eating cloves. Odd as it may seem to the non-professional person, this condition is not at all uncommon in those who carry this foolish habit to excess.

Comparatively harmless as is the use of cloves in the beginning, says the New York Journal, the system soon feels a craving for the stimulating effect produced by them, and slowly and insidiously the habit grows until they become as much an absolute necessity to the victim as does brandy to the dipsomaniac or opium to the morphine fiend.

It is in their supposed harmlessness that the danger of acquiring the clove habit lies. Schoolgirls, whose taste has been perverted by over-indulgence in sweets, turn naturally to the spice canister in search of a change for the organs of taste with the almost invariable result that they finally discard the candies for the pungent little bud.

The habit once acquired, the unconscious victim begins to find that what was once a pastime has now become a necessity, and instead of being satisfied with a small quantity, as at first, two or three ounces a day are found necessary to satisfy the system's craving. Then follows a gradual but certain breaking down of the constitution, beginning at the nerve centers, which finally brings the victim to a pitiable condition.

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THE BACTERIA FAD.

Science Gone Mad in the Hands of Enthusiasts.

These doctors are a wearisome lot, observes the Milwaukee Sentinel. If the world were foolish enough to attempt to follow all their suggestions and to avoid all that hygienic cranks declare to be dangerous, living would be impossible except under conditions that would make living intolerable. The latest fad, next to the dispositior of surgeons to extirpate all the important organs of the body, is to find bacteria everywhere, and to warn people against doing, for fear of bacteria, what it is necessary to do in order to get along at all. A Buffalo doctor has found nothing better to occupy his time or no better way to advertise himself than to examine under the microscope the straps in the street cars by which unhappy wretches maintain an upright position when the cars are crowded. He finds these straps "fairly reeking with bacteria." This is a strange use of the word reek. We might as well speak of the atmosphere as reeking with birds. Reeking means steaming or smoking. Bacteria have just as much right to be everywhere as birds and butterflies have to fly in the air, and they are for the most part as harmless. The idea the doctors seek to convey is that where there is microscopic life there is danger to health. If there is a space on earth where microscopic life does not exist, man can not exist on that spot. The air we breathe, the water we drink, is full of harmless animalculae, and would not be life-sustaining otherwise.

We are warned against sneezing, except into a bacterium receiver, for fear of letting loose into the air destructive bacteria to attack the nasal membranes of other folks. We are warned against receiving money—hard money or paper money—without first putting it through a disinfecting process. We are told to go through the world with a strainer over the nose and the mouth, with carbolized gloves, and so on. In short, if we are to stand any show of living to a reasonable age we are to shut ourselves up in gauze saturated with disinfecting preparations, drink distilled water, abstain from every thing we like, and have no other concern in the world than the care of health.

There are certain reasonable sanitary rules based on a few facts of observation that are worthy of serious attention. They are not attended to ordinarily, because hygienic cranks urge so many ridiculous and impossible rules and so constantly shock the common sense of mankind. To ask a rational being to refrain from grasping a friend's hand for fear of bacteria, to deny himself the pleasure of osculation, and all that, is too much. If these doctors persist in pointing out microscopic life wherever they find it the thing is to recognize the fact that microscopic life is edible and wholesome—raw, fried, stewed, baked or in any other form. We are made up—all of us and in every part of us—of microscopic organisms. A man is simply a collection of such organisms, every minute particle of his being having an independent life. There is nothing to be frightened at. Bacteria have been in the world a good while, and enough people have managed to live to make it a pretty active world.

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WOMEN AND C[illegible] IN CALIFORNIA.

[illegible] Army Secures [illegible] Desert.

In the dim light of the early morning in certain parts of the Humboldt, Pernegat, Mas[illegible] and other valleys may be seen a queer tawny army marshaled in some places by dozens and in others by scores. The army is called together by a reveille, and soon thereafter the strange music, which breaks the stillness of the desert, swells into a chorus, participated in by all the members of the tawny troop. It is the gathering of the coyotes, and they are out, their appetites sharpened by the crisp air, to gain their regular breakfast of jerked jack-rabbit meat. There is a sniffing among the sage and greasewood by the avant-couriers of the sharp-toothed brigade. Meantime all the others have been deployed in such a manner that when a fleet-footed jack has been raised from his lair he is passed on and on. The coyotes usually arrange themselves in the form of a long ellipse. Thus the jack, however large and strong he may be, and whether fleet as the wind, is sure to at last weary himself. He cannot get out, for a wily coyote at every turn checks him and keeps him in the ellipse and in the lead of his pursuer. When the coyote in pursuit tires, another, fresh as the air of the morning, takes up the chase. Thus an untiring Nemesis is always after him, and in due time the tired, panting rabbit falls a prey to the yellow troop. At the death they all rush in, their jaws working like fast-flying shear blades. The rabbit is cut in pieces, snapped up and eaten, and then another weird reveille is sounded, another jack is started up, and thus they go for two or three hours sometimes, until the hunger of all is appeased.

This hunting in troops, as is pointed out by Col. Joseph Grandelmyer, the sagebrush pioneer, enables each of the brigade of coyotes to get a good meal. If but one of the coyotes were to start after the rapid-flying jack he would become quickly winded without affecting the jack whatever, but with relays of coyotes, and one always to take up the chase when the other is tired, victory soon perches on their banner. Grandelmyer insists that the coyote army is most scientifically generaled. The commander in chief, a veteran of the chase, usually sits on some slight eminence, his lieutenants and aids being in full view to repeat his orders.

"Never was there a better drilled army than this of the coyotes," said he to a San Francisco Examiner man. "What they don't know about maneuvering, ambuscades and the tactics of the field generally it will take a long time to find out. I have studied them much. It is one of the most interesting sights of the desert to see the marshaling of the coyotes at the sounding of the weird reveille and watch their capture of the rabbits."

OUT OF A JOB.

English Aristocrats Who Are Looking for Work.

The following advertisement lately appeared in an English newspaper, says the Financial World:

"Directors wanted of good social standing for a new company now in course of formation; qualification will be found for selected applicants, and remuneration will be on a liberal scale."

To this there were one hundred and forty-one replies received: One earl, one viscount, four barons, seven baronets, one knight, thirteen honorables, six members of parliament, four generals, one admiral, nine colonels, four majors, fourteen army captains, three minor naval officers and seventy-three without rank or title. There were some very amusing letters accompanying the applications. The earl said: "I need not point out that, should you entertain my proposal, an important leverage in procuring a good subscription of public capital will be gained by my title, which is an old one, and likely to prove an attraction to investors. I may also state that if appointed I should always make it a point of driving to the general meetings in my brougham and pair, with servants in full livery. This, I have been told by friends sitting on company boards, is a great factor in inspiring shareholders with confidence."

One of the barons wanted to know "if the fees were paid in advance, irrespective of any profits made by the company." One of the members of parliament wrote that he had no doubt that, if he were appointed, it would result in heavy purchases of shares in his constituency, where he was very popular. "And," he added, "it would be well if the bona fides of your scheme were assured, at any rate, on the surface." The last part of the sentence would seem to rather give the virtuous legislator away, as he evidently did not care whether the scheme was good or not.

The Eldora food Woman.

Warner Snoad, president of the Women's Progressive society, London, writes to the Pall Mall Gazette that in Iceland men and women are in most respects equals, governed in municipal affairs, but not yet in those of the state, by representatives elected by men and women together. The future citizens are taught by their mothers, and in the whole island not a single illiterate is to be found, every child being able to read, write and cipher by the time it has reached the age of seven. And those voting mothers who educate their own children have produced a nation in which there are no prisons, no police, no thieves, no enormously rich, no miserably poor; just a plain, temperate, chaste, educated and intelligent people.

A Monkey's Revenge.

The following anecdote clearly illustrates the reasoning power of the monkey tribe: One was kept tied to a stake in the suburbs of Havana, in a place where he was repeatedly robbed of his food by crows. One day he laid still on the ground, pretending to be dead. The crows were allowed to steal to their hearts content until the artful simian was sure they were in reach. Instantly he seized one by the leg, and [illegible] calls for help, little [illegible] every feather from the unfortunate bird and then flung it towards its screaming companions.

Columbus as an Artist.

The specimens of Christopher Columbus' own attempts at illustrating his voyages are peculiarly interesting, though no high praise can be given them. They are alleged to have been inclosed by Columbus in a letter written by him to Don Raffaele Sanxis, treasurer of the king of Spain. One sketch which he calls "Oceanica Classis," is evidently a picture of his own ship, no other vessel of the fleet being visible. His ideas of drawing were very defective, but they served the purpose he intended.

OLDEST MAN LIVING.

He Is Said to Reside in the City of Mexico.

Information comes from the City of Mexico to the effect that probably the oldest person on earth is to be found in the outskirts of this city. Jesus Campeche lives in a hut with his great-great-grandson, who is a full-grown man.

Campeche, says the St. Louis Republic, came originally from Spain, where he says he was born in 1738, which would make him now one hundred and fifty-four years old. He has the appearance of being about ninety years old and is fairly active for an old man. He shows papers to bear out his assertion as to his age and birth, and the man with whom he is living says there is no doubt as to the relationship he bears to the old man. Campeche says that he has never known a day's sickness in his life.

He says he remembers coming to this country when he was but twenty-five years old as a soldier, and that was before the war of the revolution in the United States. The old man's memory is good, and he tells of things which took place in the last century as if they had occurred last year, instead of over one hundred years ago. In fact, he remembers things seventy-five and a hundred years ago better than he does those of recent occurrence.

The papers which he carries to prove his assertions are the copies of a church register in Validolid, Spain, showing his date of birth and that of his baptism. The papers are undoubtedly genuine, as far as the dates are concerned, and the only thing to be determined is whether they are rightfully his or not. His memory of incidents in the last century would indicate that he is either telling the truth as to his participation therein or he has a most wonderful mind to have stored up the tales in such a manner as to have deceived all who listen to him. The priest of the church which he attends is an old man of eighty-six, and says he was an acolyte in the church when he was a boy, and Campeche was an old man at that time.

SAVED BY A SWOON.

An Escaped Lion Sniffs at an Unconscious Woman, But Does Her No Harm.

The circus gave Tecumseh, Ala., excitement enough on a recent Sunday to last it for a year, says the Atlanta Constitution. Forepaugh's show traveled on four trains. As it is against the Georgia laws to run through this state on Sunday it was decided to stop at Tecumseh and feed the animals and rest. At all the stations there were large crowds, and at Tecumseh there were several hundred when the last train approached. As it was slowing down one of the ferocious lions managed to tear off the door of his cage. Hector, which was the brute's name, thrust his head out right in the faces of a group of negroes who were standing on the platform. They could not have been worse scared if the evil one had dropped down among them. Hector made a leap, with open mouth, into the crowd. Such a scattering and such yelling were never seen or heard in Alabama. Some of the negroes fell down in abject fright, but the most of them struck off for home on a hard run. A dozen tried to climb telegraph poles. One man sprang down a well. Hector lit on his feet, but rolled over and over. When he got up there was hardly a man, woman or child within fifty yards. One woman, though, who had fainted was lying near the lion. With one bound he was on her, his ugly teeth showing and his tongue rolling out. The people who were looking on were horrified. The tamer was a long way off and there was no one near with a pistol or rifle. To attempt to rescue her would be almost certain death. To the astonishment of everyone the beast, instead of mangling the woman, simply sniffed the body, turned it over with his paws, and after eyeing it suspiciously walked off leisurely. He thought that the woman was dead. Hector was recaptured and recaged without trouble.

WRAPPED WITH SNAKES.

Adventure of a Farmer Who Descended Into an Old Well.

Alexander Krolsky, a farmer near Derby Hill, Conn., recently had an experience with snakes that has rendered him temporarily insane, and the physicians are not sure that he will ever regain his reason. Krolsky went down into a well on his farm for the purpose of cleaning it out. He had been down but a few minutes when he shouted to his cousin, who had lowered him, to draw him up. The man began pulling up the rope. When he had helped Krolsky nearly to the top he looked down and saw several black and brown water snakes were around Krolsky's arm and body.

The sight of the serpents scared the man, and, dropping the rope, he ran howling away. Krolsky's shrieks were heard by laborers a short distance away, and they ran to the well. Krolsky was battling desperately with the snakes. He was quickly helped out. From his body five immense snakes were torn and killed. His mind is now deranged. The old well in which he encountered the reptiles is apparently full of them. A lantern lowered into it revealed a countless number of serpent heads protruding from the wall.

Empty Boom Towns.

There are twenty well-built towns in Kansas without a single inhabitant to waken the echoes of their deserted streets. Saratoga has a thirty-thousand-dollar opera house, a large brick hotel, a twenty-thousand-dollar schoolhouse and a number of fine business houses, and yet there is nobody to even claim a place to sleep. At Fargo a twenty-thousand-dollar schoolhouse stands on the side of the hill, a monument to the bond-voting craze. A herder and his family are the sole population of what was once an incorporated city. This is a sad commentary on unhealthy booms. Those Kansas towns, like Wichita, advertised themselves as phenomenal boom cities. For awhile "everything was lovely and the goose hung high," but at last dry rot took hold on the boom towns and killed them.

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Allyn, T. J., Ione, Or.—Horses GG on left shoulder; cattle same on left hip, under bit on right ear, and upper bit on the left; range, Morrow county.

Armstrong, J. C., Alpine, Or.—T with bar under it on left shoulder of horses; cattle same on left hip.

Allison, O. D., Eight Mile, Or.—Cattle brand, O D on left hip and horses same brand on right shoulder. Range, Eight Mile.

Adkins, J. J., Heppner, Or.—Horses, JA connected on left flank; cattle, same on left hip.

Bartholomew, A. G., Alpine, Or.—Horses branded 7 E on either shoulder. Range in Morrow county.

Bleakman, Geo., Hardman, Or.—Horses, a fine on left shoulder; cattle same on right shoulder.

Bannister, J. W., Hardman, Or.—Cattle branded B on left hip and thigh; split in each ear.

Brenner, Peter, Gooseberry, Oregon—Horses branded P B on left shoulder. Cattle same on right side.

Burke, M St C, Long Creek, Or—On cattle, MAY connected on left hip, crop off left ear, under half crop off right. Horses, same brand on left shoulder. Range in Grant and Morrow county.

Breeman, Jerry, Lena, Or.—Horses branded 7 on right shoulder; cattle R on the left side. Left ear half crop, and right ear upper slope.

Barton, Wm., Heppner, Or.—Horses, J B on right thigh; cattle, same on right hip; split in each ear.

Brown, Isa, Lexington, Or. Horses IB on the right stifle; cattle same on right hip; range, Morrow county.

Brown, J. C., Heppner, Or.—Horses, circle C with dot in center on left hip; cattle, same.

Brown, W. J., Lena, Oregon, Horses W bar over it, on the left shoulder. Cattle same on left hip.

Boyer, W. G., Heppner, Or.—Horses, bar brand or [illegible] hip cattle, same with split in each ear.

Borg, P. O., Heppner, Or.—Horses, P B on left shoulder; cattle, same on left hip.

Brownlee, W. J., Fox, Or—Cattle, JH connected on left side; crop on left ear and two splits and middle piece cut out on right ear; on horses same brand on the left thigh. Range in Fox valley, Grant county.

Chasser, Warren, Wagner, Or.—Horses branded O on right stifle; cattle ☰ (three bars) on right ribs, crop and split in each ear. Range in Grant and Morrow counties.

Cain, E., Caleb, Or.—Y D on horses on left stifle; C with quarter circle over it, on left shoulder and on left stifle on all colts under 5 years; on left shoulder only on all horses over 5 years. All range in Grant county.

Clark, Wm. L., Lena, Or.—Horses WHC connected, on left shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Range Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Cate, Chas. R., Vinson or Lena, Or. Horses H C on right shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Range Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Cecil, Wm., Douglas, Or.; horses J C on lef shoulder; cattle same on left hip, waddles on each jaw and two bits in the right ear.

Curl, T. H., John Day, Or.—Double cross on each hip on cattle, swallow fork and under bit in right ear, split in left ear. Range in Grant county. On sheep, inverted A and spear point on shoulder. Ear marked ewes, crop on left ear punched upper bit in right. Wethers, crop in right and under half crop in left ear. All range in Grant county.

Cook, A. J., Lena, Or.—Horses, 90 on right shoulder. Cattle, same on right hip; ear mark square crop off left and split in right.

Currin, R. Y., Currinsville, Or. -Horses, ☒ on left stifle.

Cox Ed. S., Hardman, Or.—Cattle, C with in center; horses, CE on left hip.

Cochran, R. E., Monument, Grant Co, Or.—Horses branded circle with bar beneath, on left shoulder; cattle same brand on both hips, mark under slope both ears and dewlap.

Chapin, H., Hardman, Or.—Horses branded ⊃ on right hip. Cattle branded the same.

Dickens, Eldo—Horses branded with three tines fork on left stifle. Cattle same on left side.

Douglass, W. M., Gallowa, Or.—Cattle, R D on right side, swallow-fork in each ear; horses, R D on left hip.

Douglas, O. T., Douglas, Or—Horses TD on the right stifle; cattle same on right hip.

Ely, J. B. & Sons, Douglas, Or.—Horses branded ELY on left shoulder, cattle same on left hip, hole in right ear.

Elliott, Wash., Heppner, Or. Diamond on right shoulder.

Emery, C. S., Hardman, Or.—Horses branded ⊃ (reversed C with tail) on left shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Range in Morrow county.

Fleck, Jackson, Heppner, Or.—Horses, 78 connected on right shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Ear mark, hole in right and crop off left.

Florence, L. A., Heppner, Or.—Cattle, LF on right hip; horses F with bar under on right shoulder.

Florence, S. P. Heppner, Or.—Horses, F on right shoulder; cattle, F on right hip or thigh.

French, George, Heppner, Or.—Cattle branded WF, with bar over it, on left side; crop off left ear. Horses, same brand on left hip.

Gay, Henry, Heppner, Or.—GAY on left shoulder.

Gilman-French, Land and Live Stock Co., Fossil, Or.—Horses, anchor S on left shoulder; vent, same on left stifle. Cattle, same on both hips; ear marks, crop off right ear and underbit in left. Range in Gilliam, Grant, Crook and Morrow counties.

Gentry, Elmer, Echo, Or.—Horses branded H S, with a quarter circle over it, on left stifle. Range in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Hayes, Geo., Lena, Or, Brand JH connected with quarter circle over it, on left shoulder.

Hiatt, A. R., Ridge, Or.—Cattle, round-top A with quarter circle under it on the right hip. Range in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Hinton & Jenks, Hamilton, Or.—Cattle, two bars on either hip; crop in right ear and split in left. Horses, J on right thigh. Range in Grant county.

Hagues, Samuel, Wagner, Or.—J F (T F I connected) on right shoulder on horses; on cattle, on right hip and on left side, swallow fork in right ear and slit in left. Range in Haystack district, Morrow county.

Hale, Milton, Wagner, Or.—Horses branded O (circle with parallel bars) on left shoulder. Cattle same on left hip also large circle on left side.

Hall, Edwin, John Day, Or.—Cattle E H on right hip; horses same on right shoulder. Range in Grant county.

Howard, J L, alloway, Or.—Horses, [illegible] with bar above it) on right shoulder; cattle same on left side. Range in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Hughes, Mat, Heppner, Or.—Horses, circled heart on the left shoulder. Range Morrow Co.

Hunsaker, B. A., Wagner, Or.—Horses, 9 on left shoulder; cattle, 9 on left hip.

Hardisty, Albert, Nye, Oregon—Horses, A H connected, on left shoulder; Cattle on the left hip, crop off left ear.

Humphreys, J. M. Hardman, Or.—Horses, H on left flank.

Hayes, J. M., Heppner, Or.—Horses, wineglass on left shoulder cattle, same on right hip.

Huston, Luther, Eight Mile, Or.—Horses H on the left shoulder and heart on the left stifle. Cattle same on left hip. Range in Morrow county.

Ivy, Alfred, Long Creek, Or—Cattle, I D on right hip, crop off left ear and bit in right. Horses same brand on left shoulder. Range n Grant county.

Jones, Harry, Heppner, Or.—Horses branded H J on the left shoulder; cattle branded J on right hip, also underbit in left ear. Range in Morrow county.

Junkin, S. M., Heppner, Or.—Horses, horseshoe J on left shoulder. Cattle, the same. Range on Eight Mile.

Johnson, Felix Lena, Or.—Horses, circle T on left stifle; cattle, same on right hip, under half crop in right and split in left ear.

Jenkins, D. W., Mt. Vernon, Or.—J on horses on left shoulder; on cattle, J on left hip and two smooth crops on both ears. Range in Fox and Bear valleys.

Kenny, Mike, Heppner, Or.—Horses branded KNY on left hip cattle same and crop off left ear; under slope on the right.

Kirk, J. T., Heppner, Or.—Horses 69 on left shoulder; cattle, 69 on left hip.

Kirk, J C, Heppner, Or.—Horses, 17 on either flank; cattle 17 on right side.

Kirk, Jesse, Heppner, Or.; horse 11 on left shoulder; cattle same on right side, underbit on right ear.

Kumberland, W. G., Mount Vernon, Or.—I L on catt