

According to reports from Paris published in the Courrier des Etats-Unis, Dr. Brown-Sequard has formally announced to a French scientific body the discovery by himself of what appears to be an elixir of life as potent as that which Bulwer dallied with in "Zanoni" and Margrave used in a "Strange Story."

The discovery is of a medication which, when administered by hypodermic injection, restores the aged and decrepit to youthful vigor and sets lingering convalescents upon their legs again, as so many nostrums are alleged to do but do not.

We fail to grasp with clearness whether Dr. Brown-Sequard hopes to prolong life indefinitely or not, and probably his experiments have not yet enabled him to express a confident opinion on that subject. But if his elixir can make the old young again there seems to be no satisfactory reason—barring accident—why anybody who keeps his hands off the electric-light wires or doesn't run a newspaper, should cease to live.

At first sight the news of such a discovery seems altogether good. It will remove the cemetery factor from water-supply problems, settle the cremation question and exterminate the race of undertakers. But there are other aspects of the matter which are appalling. The pressure of population upon the means of subsistence is very great, though not so great as Mr. Mathews anticipated, and if the safety-valve of the death-rate is to be shut down this little world of ours is going to be uncomfortably crowded.

A more dreadful thought is that all the objectionable persons we know are sure to be the first users of the new elixir. Objectionable persons, are the very tardiest of all human beings in dying, and as a rule they obstinately refuse to give up the ghost until it is too late for their departure to relieve or comfort anybody. Armed with Dr. Brown-Sequard's elixir they would never consent to die at all.

No, life is distressingly short, and we often wish for a long lien upon it, but the price exacted even for prolonged existence, with youth and health for appurtenances, may be too high, and unless a considerable proportion of every man's acquaintances can be enjoined against the use of the new elixir the public will not regard Dr. Brown-Sequard as a benefactor.

The fearful spread of the opium habit can be guessed when it is stated that Mrs. E. Amelia Sabin, the divorced wife of ex-senator Dwight M. Sabin, of Minnesota, is a confirmed slave thereto and is confined in a private institution. She was a charming, a fascinating, a talented woman. Opium is the devil fish of modern society. It may wear many alluring and pleasing disguises. But once let it get its clutches on its victim, and it throws off its mask. It is then to be seen in all its naked deformity and horrible cruelty as it crumles all the physical, mental and moral life out of its shrieking slave and drags him down to the depths of degradation and an early death.

The celebrated Kong mountains of Africa are about to follow the mountains of the Moon, which have been expunged from the maps. These mountains were supposed to be stretched across Africa for ten degrees of longitude about two hundred miles north of the Gulf of Guinea. Captain Binger, who has now returned from nearly two years' exploration in the almost unknown regions north of the Gulf of Guinea, says there is no such range as the Kong mountains.

FRED DOUGLASS, the recently appointed minister to Hayti, is not only the most famous, but he is one of the wealthiest colored men in the United States. His wealth is estimated at \$300,000. There are a great many wealthy colored men in Washington. Most of them made their money in real estate speculations. They used the wages which they received to buy land in the northwest section of the city.

Their Business Booming. Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at J. W. Conroy's Drug Store as his giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup, and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can test it before buying by getting a trial bottle free, large size \$1. Every bottle warranted.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Secretary Noble has decided that the request of the Creek Indians to be paid \$400,000 from the \$2,000,000 deposited to their credit in the treasury cannot be allowed without the consent of congress, and the Indians have been so informed. The report that the Indians have been defrauded of \$468,000 is wrong. Of the \$2,280,000 which went to the Creeks for lands, congress provided that \$2,000,000 should go to the treasury to their credit and the remainder be paid to their representatives on the presentation of proper certifications from the Cherokee council. This was done; but, as the representatives claimed that the \$280,000 was expended here for lawyers, etc., in getting the bill through, the Indians have demanded an investigation, and a special agent has been sent to assist.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The Builders' Iron Foundry at Providence, R. I., has been awarded a contract for twelve mortars to be built by the naval ordnance bureau at a cost of \$3,725.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Detective Block, of this city, has recovered a silver menu card, weighing six ounces, that was used at the dinner given to ex-senator Sharon, at the Palace hotel, San Francisco, February 8, 1876, by the ex-senator's old friends of the Comstock lode. The card is supposed to have been stolen from one of the guests at the dinner, and is held at police head quarters for a claimant. It was placed in a pawn shop here for \$6.

LITTLE ROCK, July 27.—Jay Gould has brought suit in the United States court here to recover \$245,000 from the Little Rock, Mississippi River and Texas railroad. The money is secured by mortgage of the land belonging to the road named, which mortgage Gould wants foreclosed.

PARIS, July 27.—Rochefort announces the Boulangist committee will continue, at its own expense, the salaries of all officials dismissed by the government for adherence to Boulanger.

LONDON, July 27.—A large government majority on the royal grants committee is already assured.

PITTSBURG, July 27.—At the suggestion of Leach, surveyor of the port of Philadelphia, the Pittsburg appraisers have decided to admit English wool at 10 cents per pound instead of 30 or 60 cents, according to classification, as heretofore. This will make English wool cheaper than American, and raises fears that the local wool industry will be ruined.

LONDON, July 27.—Before the Parnell commission, Moloney an ex-official of the land league, denied knowledge of other documents belonging to the league except those belonging to solicitor Lewis. Parnell had not ordered the documents destroyed. He did not intend to leave the country.

LONDON, July 27.—The powers have reached an understanding to co-operate with the view of restoring order in Crete.

BUENOS AYRES, July 27.—The premium on gold has advanced 75 per cent.

You read Shakespeare. What do you get out of Shakespeare? All your brain is able to hold. It depends upon your brain. If you are great—if you have been cultivated—if the wings of your imagination have been spread—if you have had great, free and splendid thoughts—if you have had the courage to meet all that can come—you can get an immensity from Shakespeare. If you have lived nobly—if you have loved with every drop of your blood and every fibre of your being—if you have suffered—if you have enjoyed—then you can get an immensity from Shakespeare. But if you have lived a poor, little, mean, wretched, barren, weedy life, you get very little from that immortal man. So it is from every source of nature—what you get depends upon what you are.—Ingersoll.



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PLEASE SETTLE ACCOUNTS ON OR before August 10th, and present claims and bills against me up to that time. M. STUJINSKI.

Dyspepsia.

Makes many people miserable, and often leads to self-destruction. Distress after eating, sour stomach, sick headache, heartburn, loss of appetite, a faint, "all gone" feeling, bad taste, coated tongue, and irregularity of the bowels, are the more common symptoms.

Distress After Eating. I have been troubled with dyspepsia. I had but little appetite, and what I did eat distressed me, or did me little good. After eating I would experience a faintness, or tired, all-gone feeling, as though I had not eaten anything. My trouble, I think, was aggravated by my less shut up in a room with fresh paint. Last spring I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and it did me a immense amount of good. It gave me an appetite, and my food relished and satisfied the craving I had previously experienced." GEORGE A. PAGE, Watertown, Mass.

Sour Stomach. N. B. If you decide to take Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to buy any other.

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NEW TO-DAY. Dissolution Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE copartnership heretofore existing between H. O. Lamb and David Graham, under the firm name of H. O. Lamb and Co., is on this day dissolved by mutual consent.

ILWACO Railway and Navigation Co. Excursion! Steamer "GEN. CANBY" will leave her wharf at Astoria, on Sunday, July 28th, '89.

ILWACO Railway and Navigation Co. Excursion! Steamer "GEN. CANBY" will leave her wharf at Astoria, on Monday, July 29th, '89.

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