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FASHION AS A REFORMER.

Foot-Binding Is No Longer Considered Stylish in China.

Fashion is responsible for many evils, but now and then it does the world a good turn. It is doing so now in China, for what persuasion and reasoning could only in a small measure accomplish in the direction of the suppression of foot-binding, fashion is effecting much more quickly. The governor of Hunan, until lately the most bitterly anti-foreign of all the provinces of China, has issued a proclamation discouraging the cruel custom throughout his province.

Anti-foot-binding societies are multiplying rapidly in the province. One society numbers thousands of members, who pay two taels—a little less than a dollar and three-quarters—entrance money, and one Mexican dollar—about half an American dollar—as an annual subscription afterward. The fact that the majority of those entering the society are paying members shows that the movement is among the better classes, and that foot-binding is becoming unfashionable.

The proceeds of the members' fees are devoted to a good purpose, no other than the providing of dowries for poor girls who could not otherwise find respectable husbands because they have natural-sized feet.

A very decided indication of the growing unfashionableness of foot-binding is furnished by a conversation overheard on board a river steamer in China, and printed by the Sunday at Home.

Several well-to-do young men of China were discussing the question of what sort of a wife one of their number, who was contemplating matrimony, ought to try to secure. Among other advantages he was advised to look for a wife with natural feet, as bound feet were already reckoned unfashionable.

The tracts written against the cruelty of foot-binding are in great demand. Even non-Christians write against the evil, but they are frank enough to confess that it was the Christian ladies who led the way to the reform, and they circulate the missionary tracts along with their own.

HABIT WAS EASILY ACQUIRED.

New York Judge Who Confused His Official with His Marital State.

Judge James Fitzgerald, of the New York Supreme Court, is an excellent example of what preseverance and singleness of purpose will accomplish. The Judge, who is about 40 years old, supported not only himself, but helped his family while serving as cashboy in a store, and at night he attended Cooper Union. Later he read law at night and managed to be admitted to the bar at the same age that most young men begin practice. The Judge has had more than fair sailing, though, since he became a lawyer. He is a powerful man physically, ruddy and as active as a lynx. To his native Irish wit is added a power of speech that nearly approaches eloquence. He soon took a prominent part in politics and was for years a member of the legislature.

Several years ago he was appointed an additional assistant district attorney at the comfortable salary of $7,500 a year. Before taking office he married and went on a prolonged wedding trip. When he returned a month's pay was due him and he went to the office for it. During his honeymoon he had traveled over a good part of this country, and as his funds were low he went direct from the train to the office.

"Here is your money, counselor," said the pay clerk, deferentially, after his kind.

"All right," replied Fitzgerald, after pocketing the roll of bills.

"Sign the pay roll, please," continued the clerk.

"Of course," responded the bridegroom, and, absent-mindedly, he wrote as follows:

"James Fitzgerald and wife."

And the entry is on the city books to this day.—Saturday Evening Post.

Insects that Get Drunk.

Yes, bumble bes, flies, butterflies, and beetles are habitual drunkards, if the statements of a certain Dr. Weir are to be believed. He found that in some of the Southern States these insects alighted on certain plants (Kosmos diversifolius and Kosmos bipannatus) drink heartily from the calixes of the blossoms, fall prostrate to the ground and after awhile rise into the air and fly around like mad, just as drunken men would do if they could fly.

Dr. Weir then collected the pollen of these plants, half a teaspoonful, to see whether it would affect a man in the same way. He swallowed this, and after fifteen minutes found that his pulse beat faster and there was a slight rise in the temperature of his body. Then he gathered the blossoms, distilled them in water, and administered a hypodermic injection in his left arm. Almost immediately the pulse was accelerated and after a half hour he felt decidedly dizzy. By this observation of the insects Dr. Weir was led to the discovery of an aetherizing oil in these plants, affecting man and insect alike. —Philadelphia Inquirer.

Not His Fault.

Lady (indignantly)—That parrot we bought of you hadn't been in the house a day before it began to swear dreadfully!

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The municipality of Pasadena, Cal., owns a 62 acre grove of English walnuts. Last year it yielded nearly 100,000 pounds of nuts.

The Only Way.

Mrs. Bowers—I shall select a necktie for you when I am in town today, John.

Mr. Bowers—Before you select it will you have the clerk blindfold you?

Mrs. Bowers—Blindfold me? Are you crazy?

Mr. Bowers—No! By being blindfolded there is a chance that you may strike one that I could wear!—Puck.

An ascetic is living outside the Delhi gate at Lahore, India, who, it is said, has not parted his lips for the past 50 years, nor has demanded anything ever from any person to satisfy the irresistible demands of the stomach. People flock to see him in large numbers.

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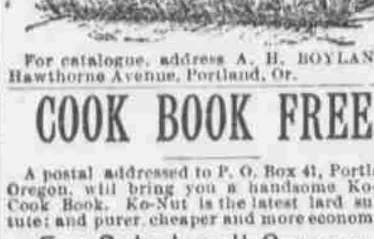

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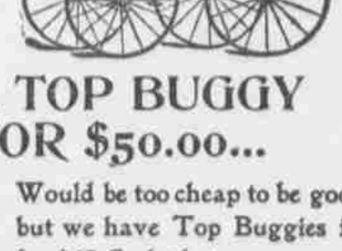

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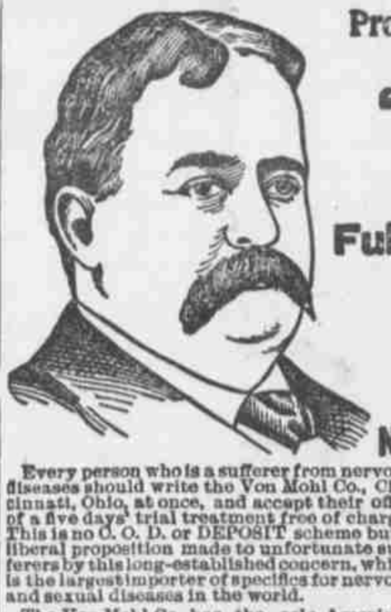

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