

GOLD IN SHEEPS' HEADS.

Precious Metal Found in Teeth of Those from Australia.

Somewhere in the vast grazing plains of Australia or New Zealand farmers are feeding the flocks of sheep on pasture so auriferous that the very animals show traces of the outcrop of gold in their teeth, says a London correspondent of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

That, at least, seems to be the inference to be derived from evidence which comes, not from the Antipodes in the news of a fresh "strike" of gold, but from that vast center of teeming population in the East End of London, known as Bethnal Green. In Bethnal Green sheep's heads are a luxury, even though they invariably are frozen imports from Australia and New Zealand.

To a medical man, R. G. Style, practicing in the Roman road, Bethnal Green, is due the credit of making the discovery. A few days ago he was in the house of a friend, a member of the local council, when he picked up the jawbone of a sheep which had been picked clean by the councilor's dog. It was only an idle act, to tease the dog, but the doctor noticed a dull gleam of bronze color on the teeth.

"Why, that looks like gold," he said, after examining the teeth closely. They glistened dully with a coating of metallic substance which shone above the blackening caused by the saliva. The councilor, who had enjoyed the sheep's head for supper the previous night, was equally skeptical. But the doctor removed the teeth, which had been loosened by the dog, took them to his surgery and tested the deposit or coating with aquafortis. That gave the result as pure gold.

Next the teeth were taken to a jeweler, who scraped off the metal and submitted it to all tests known. The substance was then guaranteed to be pure, fine gold.

The place of origin of the sheep's head was easily traced—to a continent, at any rate. It was purchased of a local butcher, who bought it with many others in Smithfield market. They had come in a frozen state from Australia or New Zealand. Even in Smithfield it is difficult to trace the exact country of origin, for the heads come over separately from the frozen carcasses and are collected from vast areas.

Other sheep's heads were purchased at random from Bethnal Green purveyors, and some of them exhibited traces of gold deposit on the teeth in just the same way. They had all arrived from the Antipodes. English and Scottish sheep's heads were obtained, but there was no trace of any auriferous deposit.

Remedy Against Old Age.

Curdled milk of a special kind, prepared only on a Bulgarian recipe, is now supposed to be a remedy against growing old. M. Xavier Dybovski has made a communication on the subject to the Academy of Medicine. The substance is called yaghurt, and can now be obtained in tins in Paris. It is supposed to be death to all the inimical bacteria in the intestines, while those friendly microbes to which Prof. Metchnikoff plus his faith positively adore it. Hence the property of yaghurt, to prolong human life to what is its normal span—a century or so. The substance looks very like ordinary cream cheese gone bad, and tastes similarly. The solid portion is mixed with a white, thin liquid, which is exceedingly sour. People who wish to live to a hundred breakfast off yaghurt exclusively.

It Depended.

"Tommy, if I were to give Willie \$1 to divide with you, how much would you get?"

"I dunno, but I think I could lick half of it out of him."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

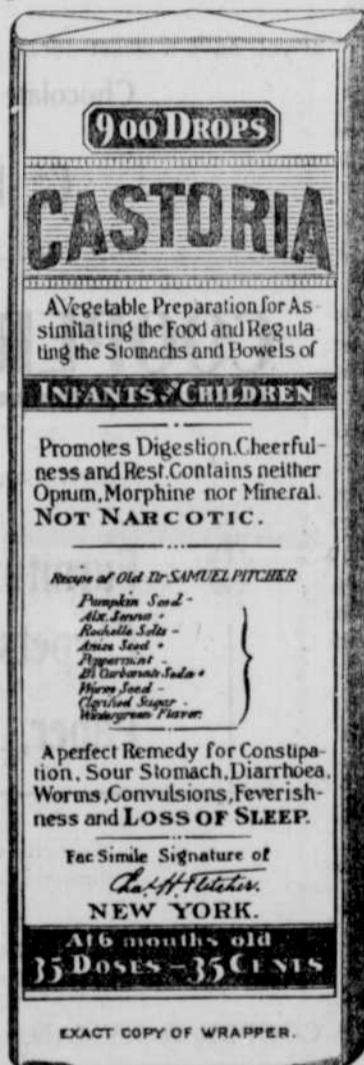
Ebony in the West.

It is now thought that ebony will grow in California, and some trees are to be taken there from Mexico and an attempt made to grow them.

Save the Babies.

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twentytwo per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirtyseven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

We do not hesitate to say that a timely use of Castoria would save a majority of these precious lives. Neither do we hesitate to say that many of these infantile deaths are occasioned by the use of narcotic preparations. Drops, tinctures and soothing syrups sold for children's complaints contain more or less opium, or morphine. They are, in considerable quantities, deadly poisons. In any quantity they stupefy, retard circulation and lead to congestions, sickness, death. Castoria operates exactly the reverse, but you must see that it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. Castoria causes the blood to circulate properly, opens the pores of the skin and allays fever.



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"I was just going to request you to muzzle your baby," rejoined the neighbor. "His nightly howling annoys my dog."—New Yorker.

For coughs and colds there is no better medicine than Piso's Cure for Consumption. Price 25 cents.

Lost a Good Opportunity.

"Yes, they accused me of adulterating my canned fruit. They named a certain formula that is designated for adulterating and asked me if I didn't use it."

"What did you say?"
"I said I didn't, and then they wouldn't let me copy it. You see, it's a good deal better formula than the one I'm using now."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Malicious Satisfaction.

"Do you ever have mosquitoes here?" said the relative from the city.

"Yes," answered Farmer Cornstossel.

"And malaria?"

"Some."

"How's the weather?"

"Hotter'n blazes most of the time."

"You don't seem to worry much."

"Not a bit. We've got a family here that's three weeks behind in their board an' we're gettin' even with 'em, even if they never pay."—Washington Star.

Oregon Blood Purifier is rightly named, because it purifies the blood and tones up the body.

The Difference.

Little Rodney—Papa, what is the difference between climate and weather?

Mr. Wayout (of Dismalhurst-on-the-Blink)—Climate, my son, is what a locality has when you are buying a home there, and weather is what it has afterward.—Pack.

Two Views.

Western Farmer—The corn crop is ruined. Why, sir, the hot winds just burned it right up.

Western Real Estate Man—The great and glorious West is the place to live. Why, sir, this summer we just feasted on hot roast corn right out in the fields.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

In After Years.

"Women are certainly changeable creatures," said the weary-looking man.

"What's the explanation?" asked the friend of the family.

"During our honeymoon," answered the weary party, "my wife declared she could not live a day without me."

"Well?" queried the family friend.

"Only last week," continued the other, "she tried to get me to insure my life for \$10,000 in her favor."

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