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COSTERMONGER CARTS.

Oddities on Wheels Seen in the Streets of London.

Conveyances for the Various Articles of Merchandise Used in the Daily Life of the City—How They Are Constructed.

All who pass along the thoroughfares of the metropolis, bestowing more than a cursory glance upon the many phases of its busy street life, must be struck with astonishment to observe the various modes of conveyance used by those who resort to the public thoroughfares for a livelihood. From the more provident costermonger's pony and donkey cart to the rusty old iron tray slung around the neck by the vendor of blacking, and down to the ragged little boy with his tuffet matches in the last remains of a willow hand basket or a cigar box—the shape and variety of the means resorted to by the costermongers and other street sellers for carrying about their goods are almost as manifold as the articles they vend.

The pony—or donkey—carts (and the latter is by far the more usual beast of draught) of the prosperous costermongers are of three kinds: The first is of an oblong shape, with a rail behind, upon which is placed a tray filled with bundles of greens, turnips, celery, etc., while other commodities are laid in the bed of the cart.

Another kind is the common square cart without springs, which is so constructed that the sides, as well as the front and back, will lie down and form shelves whereon the stock may be arranged to advantage.

The third sort of pony cart is one of home manufacture, consisting of the framework of a body without sides, or front, or hind part. Sometimes a costermonger's barrow is fastened with cord to rough poles to the handles. All these several kinds of carts are used for the conveyance of other fruit, vegetables or fish; but besides these there is the salt vendor's cart, with and without the salt barrel, and a square piece of tin stuck into a bib of salt, on which is painted "Salt 2lb. a penny." Then there is the poultry cart, with the wild ducks and rabbits slung at its sides, and with two uprights and a cross stick, upon which are suspended birds, etc., slung across in couples.

The above conveyances are all of small dimensions, the barrow being generally about five feet long and three wide, while the carts are mostly about four feet square.

Every kind of harness is used; some are well blacked and greased and glittering with brass, others are almost as gray with dust as the donkey itself. Some of the animals are gaily caparisoned in an old carriage harness, which fits like a man's coat on a boy's back, while the plated silver ornaments are pink, with the copper showing through; others have rude traces and belly bands, and wear a few indulgent old cotton handkerchiefs for pads.

The next conveyance (which, indeed, is the most general) is the costermonger's handbarrow. These are very light in their make, with springs terminating at the axle. Some have side rails for the arrangement of their goods, while others have only the framework. The shape of these barrows is oblong, and sloped from the hind part toward the front; the bottom of the bed is not boarded but consists of narrow strips of wood nailed across and across.

When the coster is hawking his fish or vending his green stuff, he provides himself with a wooden tray, which is placed upon his barrow. Those who cannot afford to buy get some pieces of board and fasten them together, thus answering their purpose as well. Pineapple and pineapple rock barrows are not infrequently seen with small bright-colored flags at the four corners, fluttering in the wind.

Then there are the cat-and-dog's meat barrows. These, however, are merely common wheelbarrows, with a board in front and a ledge or shelf, formed by a piece of board nailed across the top of the barrow, to answer the purpose of a cutting board. Lastly, there is the household barrow, piled up with household goods, bath bricks and lamps of whitening—Spare Moments.

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Tippie—Then, I understood what he meant when he said that outside of one gigantic piece of folly, he had led a pretty blameless life.—N. Y. World.

Somewhat Abbreviated.
Gus De Smith—What costume did Miss Katgirl wear at the masquerade ball?
Tom Vanderclopp—She appeared as a mushroom, and her costume didn't occupy as mushroom on the floor as some others.—Texas Sifter.

The Last Is the Worst.
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