

Cromwell and Quinine.

We owe to Sir Clements Markham the introduction of quinine yielding trees to British India and the consequent cheapening of the drug from a guinea to a halfpenny an ounce in Calcutta, but the medicinal properties of cinchona bark had long been known. They were discovered by the Jesuits, after whom it was called Jesuits' bark. Concerning that, Sir Clements used to relate an odd coincidence. Oliver Cromwell died of tertian ague, and quinine might have saved him. In the very newspaper in which his death was announced, the Mercurius Politicus, there was an advertisement of Jesuits' bark for sale. But the name of Jesuit was abhorrent to the Puritans, and hence Cromwell's medical advisers would have nothing to do with it.—London Chronicle.

"Valley of Dried Bones."

The island of Jamaica possesses a "valley of dried bones." It is near the Cunacuma gap, in the Maroon country. This valley, though in the heart of the "wet country," is bare of leaf and life. The limestone rock is hot. Giant trees, which seem to have been blighted suddenly, stand up gaunt and dead. Although vegetation seems to have been dense here in former years, nothing will grow now. During the hot season the temperature is almost unbearable. It is visited by seismic disturbances, which cause the dead trees and hot stones to rattle like dry bones.

Too Old to Be Fooled.

A man entered a grocery store and ordered some eggs.

"That man always buys fresh eggs," whispered a small egg, peeping out from the depths of the basket.

"Huh," scoffed the big egg on top. "yuh can't tell me that. I wasn't laid yesterday."—Judge.

Death Watches in England.

Prisoners under sentence of death are never left alone for a moment. In England two warders are in attendance both day and night to prevent the possibility of suicide or escape. Three clear Sundays of life are allowed to the murderer after his sentence. Usually he is hanged upon the Tuesday after the third Sunday. Some visitors are allowed, but not even the most intimate relatives may kiss, embrace or even take the hand of the prisoner. During the awful three weeks of waiting the condemned man may choose any food within reason, may smoke and may read what he likes. Just before execution he may have a drink of brandy. A man about to be hanged is the only person who can hear his own burial service read.—London Express.

Misdeals.

Sillicus—Love is a game in which Cupid deals the cards. Cynicus—Then why does he so often deal from the bottom of the deck?—Philadelphia Record.

The great theater for virtue is conscience.—Cicero.

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