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THE Behring sea question bids fair to be settled in a reasonable way. The English government has given instructions to its squadron in the North Pacific not to interfere with the United States revenue cutters, and the result will be that upon careful investigation and mutual discussion some well-understood arrangement will be arrived at.

THE petition of railroad brakemen to the interstate commerce commission for the adoption of automatic couplings for freight cars will receive the sympathy of the whole country. The accidents which occur under the present system are appalling in number. The change will be expensive, and the companies will probably object strenuously, but it will have to come.

SUSAN B. ANTHONY has written to Mayor Grace, of New York, suggesting that one of the permanent buildings of the World's Fair be set aside to women, for an exhibit of their work. "While the men of the country," she says, "shall rear temples in honor of Columbus, it will surely be most fitting for the women to celebrate the virtues of Queen Isabella."

BROOKLYN is having a flea-pod and certain sections of New York are not entirely free from the presence of one of the most voracious and ubiquitous of the many kinds of vermin that characterize the East and Southern Europe. It might be worth while to make an investigation into their origin, and perhaps congress would provide that all steerage passengers from Italy, Russia, etc., shall be subjected to some scientific process of fumigation adapted to the wants of this particular animal.

THERE has been so far a decrease of immigration this year of 72,135 persons, the total number of arrivals being 222,050 against 294,191 during the corresponding period of last year. The improved crops of late years in many parts of Europe and the better prospects of peace have combined to make the people better contented with their lot, and less anxious to escape the evils of possible starvation and military service. It is not probable that there will be any increase in the fall months that will compensate for this decline, and the rush for the year is over by the 1st of September.

"It was God's plan from the beginning that fermented liquors should be used as a beverage." So writes a clergyman to us. God's plan? How does this man know? Why not God's plan that we should use distilled liquors, also? We are reminded of a little story that Henry Ward Beecher used to tell, at the expense of his brother Edward. Edward, it will be remembered, wrote a book called "The Conflict of Ages," in which he sought to explain by a curious theory some of the mysteries of depravity. When the father of the Beechers, Dr. Lyman, read the book, he remarked: "Since God had succeeded in keeping his secret so long, what a pity that Edward should tell it." Now here another of God's secrets is blurted out, that about fermented liquors. Why will these good people be so reckless?

THE Russian petroleum wells at Baku, on the Caspian, have of late years been considered the chief rival of American oil. They seem to be inexhaustible, but just as extensive preparations for better refining were being made, they are failing and can hardly meet even the local demands. This will be a serious loss to the Russian government as well as the people, for all the steamships on the Caspian and engines on the Central Asiatic railways depended upon them for their fuel. And now comes the statement that our own resources are constantly diminishing. The number of productive wells in Pennsylvania is less than it has ever been, and the amount of production in 1888 was just two-thirds what it was in 1887. How much of this is due the manipulation of the Standard Oil Trust we can hardly say, but it seems very probable that the empire of petroleum is yielding, to that of electricity.

THE Gaelic, on her last trip, brought twenty-eight "wives" and "daughters" of Chinese "merchants." The Consulate vouches for three of these; the other twenty-five are notoriously slaves, brought here for immoral purpose. There is not the slightest legal authority for the admission of these women to the country. They have not the certificates which the Act of 1884 declares the sole evidence of their right to enter. They can be admitted, if at all, only on evidence which is explicitly excluded by every law on the subject, from the Page Act of 1882 to the Scott Act of 1888. And yet they will probably be technically landed when the courts get around to them, and they are already actually landed on bail, and will be allowed to ply their vocation for some months in Chinatown, whether they are finally remanded or not. It is said that the better class of Chinese merchants are becoming indignant at a traffic that brings disgrace on the whole Asiatic colony, and are taking steps to suppress it. The Consulate has already done some good work in that direction, and if the merchants assist we may be able to get some professional husbands behind the bars.

MISS MARY B. DENNIS is the originator and leader of the famous "Walking Science Class" for children at Chautauqua. In the afternoon this happy little class people all the glens, as with trowels, collecting-jars and butterfly-nets, it plays "follow the leader" over hill, through brush and through briar. Teachers from the most distant part of the country, hearing of the Walking Science Club, have asked assistance in conducting similar clubs, and to-day there are twenty-five of these clubs, seven states being interested. The age of these correspondence pupils varies from eight to fifty years. The average age of the '89 Walking Science Class at Chautauqua is twelve; the average daily attendance twenty-five. Botany, mineralogy and geology are taught in the class, which this season is making a special study of leaves.

A Terrible Weapon. A series of experiments have just taken place in England in connection with the 36-pounder quick-firing gun. The experiments were to determine (1) the velocity of the armor-piercing shell at different ranges which would enable it to penetrate armor plating; (2) to determine at what angle to the line of fire one armor plate will keep out the 36-pounder armor-piercing shell; (3) to determine the thickness of plate which will keep out a common steel shell fired direct with a full charge of powder. The results were that at 2,600 yards the armor-piercing shell, with a velocity of 1,076 ft. per second, penetrated a plate of mild steel 3 in. thick. At 1,000 yards range, with 1,537 ft. velocity, it penetrated a 4 in. plate of hard steel, and a 5 in. hard steel plate was penetrated at 500 yards range with 1,748 ft. velocity. In the second experiment it was found that the shell penetrated a 3 in. mild steel plate at an angle of 35 deg., or 55 deg. to the normal. Against a hard steel plate of the same thickness the shell broke up at an angle of 30 deg. At a 4 in. hard steel plate the shell glanced off at an angle of 30 deg., while at 45 deg. the plate broke up, and also a 5 in. plate when fired at from the same angle. In the third trial it was found that a 36-pounder cannon shell, fired direct with a full charge, was able to penetrate a 3 in. mild steel plate, but failed against a 4 in. plate.

A Century in France. France in 1879 and in 1889 is curiously contrasted in some figures recently given to the French Statistical society. A century ago land was worth \$100 per hectare (two and one-half acres), against \$300 at the present day. The population of the whole country has grown from 27,000,000 to 38,000,000, while that of Paris has increased from 600,000 to 2,310,000. Cab fares were cheaper a hundred years ago, and a good place at the theatre only cost one franc, but bread was three times as dear as now. -Chicago Times.

CAUSE OF THE GROWL. Prince Bismarck, whether at Wilhelmstrasse, Vienna or Frankfurt-am-Main, is a very plain man, and as a matter of course his appearance. His servants and attendants are said to be "plain and neat," that those of a provincial gentleman, leaving his native city." The Prince has his own way of getting rid of visitors who outstay their welcome. An Ambassador once asked him how he managed to end an interview. "Perfectly easy," answered Bismarck. "My wife knows pretty accurately when people prolong their visit beyond the proper time, and then she sends me a message that I am wanted." He had barely finished speaking when a footman knocked at the door and informed him that the Princess wished to speak to him. The diplomat, blushing and confused, beat a hasty retreat, without stopping for the ordinary formalities of leave-taking.

What are you growling at, sir? At the amount you are eating, sir! Have you no regard for the feelings of a dyspeptic, sir? No sir! Go and take a course of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla and you won't have the dyspepsia, sir? John Argall, of 628 Golden Gate avenue, writes: "You may also use my name as an additional authority that Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla will cure dyspepsia and liver and kidney complaint. It has done it for me." James Wells, Oakland, Cal., writes: "I suffered acutely from dyspepsia for years, scarcely taking a meal without the distracting pains of indigestion. Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla relieved me of it entirely."

CHINESE LADIES' FEET.

A Pedal Extremely Two Inches in Length the Foot of a Chinaman. At five years of age the rich Chinaman's daughter has her feet so firmly bound that, in the native phrase, the whole is killed. The foot before the instant, exp. aims a writer in the New York Ledger, is pressed into a line with the leg, to add to the height of the little sufferer, while two of the toes are bent under the sole, that its breadth may be only of the least dimensions. The agony of such a process it would be hard to estimate; but it is said to last about six weeks when, I suppose, the wailing of all the parts, and the cessation of many of their functions, have rendered the whole insensible to pain.

This insensibility to pain is, perhaps, confined to the outer parts, for the chief person belonging to the temple on the Island of Honam stated that his sister suffered much anguish in the sole of the foot, or rather, in its lower and more central parts. To some inquiries as to whether this practice of destroying the foot was not attended with similar evils in after-life, he said: no; and as he was a man of intelligence, his verdict may be relied upon. Among the multitudes who come for health and cure to the hospitals, no one has yet been met with whose ailments could be imputed to this source. This is a curious fact, and such as might well lead us to desire a more intimate acquaintance with the anatomy of this morbid organ, that we might see how nature, under the pressure of so great a calamity, has contrived to maintain the intercourse of the arterial and nervous system, and keep the limb from being materially injured by it.

The development of the muscles which form the calf of the leg being checked, the limb consequently tapers from its socket down to the foot, without any ridges or inflexions. This is regarded as the perfection of beauty by the Chinese, who say that the knee of the female is not protuberant, like the knee of the male, and is so well covered that she can remain kneeling a long time without inconvenience. It is perhaps less throughout its length than when the foot is allowed to retain its natural size, but whether this is from want of exercise, which ever acts as a stimulus to muscular deformity, or from the lack of nutriment through functional disturbance, I can not take upon me to say; but I suspect the former is the real cause; otherwise the matter would grow from bad to worse, till the whole was destroyed by atrophy.

A foot two inches in length is the idol of a Chinaman, on which he lavishes the most precious epithets which nature and language can supply. But its beauties are altogether ideal; for when stripped of its gay investments, it is a piteous mass of lifeless integument, which resembles the skin of a washerwoman's hand after it has undergone long maceration in soap and water. The sight of it is not only to excite our compassion, but our commendation; and the faithful hand crushed into a heap of deformity. The thought of seeing a Chinawoman's foot might awaken a smile; but I think I might defy the most merry-hearted to laugh when the loosened bandages disclosed the sad reality to his eyes. But fancy has played her part so well that this piece of ruined nature, which is seldom seen by men, is treated as the prime essential of all feminine beauty.

"The foot of a Chinese woman," said I to a Chinese acquaintance, "is very handsome, so that it is a great pity to spoil it." He smiled with much satisfaction at the compliment, but would only allow that it interfered with the gait. "They can not walk so well," was the amount of his concession in my favor. He was so blessed as not to know the reason, when her mistress proceeded to unwind the bandages, blushed and turned her face to the wall.

THE VERDICT UNANIMOUS. W. D. Sull, Druggist, Bippus, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." Abraham Hare, Druggist, Belleville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidneys or Blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at Daniel J. Fry's drugstore.

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