RATS, CATS AND SNAKES.

SOME OF THE SUPERSTITIONS BELIEVED BY THE COREANS.

Deference Paid to Reptiles—Tabby Not Held in High Esteem—Rodents Exceedingly Troublesome—The Legend of the Farmer and the Snake.

Corean houses are usually more than supplied with rats. They gambol about on the paper ceilings, if the room is supplied with a ceiling, if not they burrow in the mass of mud and mortar between the rafters and the tiles. In case the room is furnished with a ceiling the rats become very disagreeable indeed, for the thick paper is like a drumhead, and being made up of several layers held together by rice paste, the rats pull up strips of this paper and eat it. The noise is like that of an amateur brass band, and never fails to arouse a foreigner from the soundest slumber, be he ever so used to it, while upon the new comer the effect is quite exaggerated. By a species of drum practice upon this drumhead ceiling the rats may be so frightened that they will stay away for the rest of the night.

The natives do not like rats, and endeavor in various ways to get rid of them, as, for instance, by placing a written character on the ceiling, or many characters at times, under the popular supposition that rats, like people, so respect the written characters that they will not desecrate it by walking over it. Some rats, however, are said to be like some people, and the charm does not always work satisfactorily.

FREEDOM FOR SNAKES.

Snakes are allowed free liberty in and upon a Corean house. They usually live in burrows in the mud under the tiles. These burrows are doubtless used by the rats during the winter time, and they are noticeably absent during the summer, after the proper occupants have thawed out. The snakes doubtless make it lively for the rats, but their principal food is the eggs and young of the swallows, which live under the eaves. One can always tell when the snake is visible by the excited chattering of the birds. Hundreds of them congregate about where he may be sunning himself on the hot tiles, and jabber away at him with all their might. Others fly away and enlist the services of the impudent magpies, who come screaming in their shrill tones and give Mr. Snake a sharp dig in some unprotected part. The snake usually gets the worst of the encounter and runs to cover.

The people will not kill the snakes; they have a superstition based on fear. They trace it back to a story concerning a man who killed a poisonous snake and afterward was killed, together with his whole family, by the mate of the dead reptile. The house snakes are some three feet in length, fat, lazy and practically harmless.

One cannot help but note the absence of cats in Corea, and as the rats become more and more troublesome an occasional feline serenade becomes an appreciated favor. Cats are sometimes kept, but they are seldom seen, while dogs are everywhere and weasels are not a rarity. The latter are always wild and confine their raids mostly to chickens.

The cat is considered an uncanny animal and never occupies the place it does in a European household. The superstition concerning the cat is also traced back to a story, and is as harmful to the descendants of the hero (or heroine) of the story as it was beneficial in the case of the snake.

A LEGENDARY TALE.

It is reported that once upon a time a farmer working in the field felt a sense of vacuity which frequent tightening of his belt would not relieve. He went on till he could wait no longer, and from wondering why his spouse had not brought him his customary meal he worked himself up into a rage at her negligence. He decided to go and investigate the matter, and on the way he took the precaution of selecting a good club for any necessary use such as clubs may be put to. Searching his house, he espied his wife lying on a mat with her baby in her arms, apparently both asleep. "Ah ha!" he cried, "this is the way you loiter around while I work in the field till my belly has vanished. I'll teach you a thing or two." With which he struck her a sound blow, which only resulted in jolting the babe from the breast and disclosing a drop of blood where milk should have been.

The enraged farmer was startled. He forgot his anger as he saw that his little family lay dead before him. He went to examining the apartment and under a chest he found a lot of blood and the half of a snake, with a cat still eating at the living head and upper portion of the body. The snake's head still jumped about and the fangs darted out, keeping the cat busy to keep out of the way. But the jumping head had struck the sleeping mother and the deadly fangs had pierced her flesh, sending the poisoned blood into the nursing infant, killing them both. Since that time cats are not kept in the country, but are but seldom seen in the cities. When seen they appear wild and run as if afraid of their lives.—"R. N. A." in San Francisco Chronicle.

The Women of Barbadoes.

The women dress ill in Barbadoes, for they imitate English ladies; but no dress can conceal the grace of their forms when they are young. It struck Pere Labat two centuries ago, and time and their supposed sufferings as slaves have made no difference. They work harder than the men, and are used as beasts of burden to fetch and carry, but they carry their loads on their heads, and thus from childhood have to stand upright with the neck straight and firm. They do not spoil their shapes with stays, or their walk with high heeled shoes. They plant their feet firmly on the ground. Every movement is elastic and rounded, and the grace of body gives, or seems to give, grace also to the eyes and expression. Poor things! it cannot compensate for their color, which, now when they are free, is harder to bear than when they were slaves. Their prettiness, such as it is, is short lived. They grow old early, and an old negress is always hideous.—J. A. Froude.

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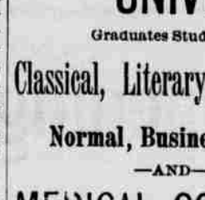

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L. F. CONN,
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Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that A. A. Bush, president, and W. Breyman, secretary of the Salem Flouring Mills Company, on behalf of the Salem Flouring Mills Co, a corporation doing business and owning property in the city of Salem, have this day filed their petition praying an order of the common council vacating all of Front street between Trade and Mill streets in said city, and that Thursday, October 24th, 1889 at 7:30 o'clock, p. m., at said council chamber, has been fixed by the council as the time and place for considering said petition and taking action thereon.

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