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FACTS ABOUT THE PLAGUE

INFORMATION ABOUT THE BUBONIC DISORDER. San Francisco's Fight Against the Disease Among the Chinese.

Some interesting information on the bubonic plague, a case of which reached New York the other day, is given by Toronto's Medical Officer, Dr. Sheard.

WHERE DANGER LIES.

It may be communicated by the importation of goods from infected countries... The symptoms of the disease are headache, fever, swollen lymphatic glands, and diarrhoea follow.

NOT IN THE AIR.

Dr. Sheard does not think the plague is communicated by the air... The disease, however, crops up after much longer intervals.

INDIA'S EXPERIENCE.

In Calcutta at the end of 1896, cases of fever with glandular swellings were reported to the municipal authorities, but although the plague bacillus was demonstrated in five out of eleven cases brought to the notice of the authorities the existence of the plague was denied by a commission appointed to examine the evidence.

HARD ON THE LECTURER.

A Lyons surgeon, lecturing on the horrors of the plague, said that he forbade his wife and daughters to wear corsets. Suddenly a lady fainted in the audience.

Dentist - "Been suffering from toothache, I see."

"Yes, haven't slept a wink for three nights." "Dentist - Is it a back one?" "She - No; it's my husband's tooth."

Somali husbands always carry

with them during the first fortnight of their honeymoon, to keep their wives in order.

ADDITIONAL REMEDY OR BLINDFOLD ON THE BRINK OF PRECIPICES. CHAPTER XVII. I was strong in brave resolves when I knocked at the door of the house.

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Half an hour passed away, and we had not exchanged half a dozen words; but that was not at all uncommon.

Oh, how my heart bounded into my throat at those words, and was quickly hurried back, quivering and trembling.

Then I took her in my arms, kissed her, and wished her good-night. Her eyes were closed, and she had closed the door, as though loathing to quit the spot.

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"Suppose you do not tell her for a little time?" I said, hesitatingly. "Oh, but that would not be right; and I am sure it would vex her very much if she knew that I concealed anything from her."

Immediately afterward Mrs. Wilson returned, looking very cross. "I never did know such a grossing creature as that servant next door!" she always talking to men too.

What made your linens coarse? Common soap! Sunlight Soap saves linen.

SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES EXPENSE. Ceylon Tea is the finest Tea the world produces, and is sold only in lead packets.

Ask for the Octagon Brand.

"Then I presume you will return me that paper?"

"Certainly not; we shall retain it, and hand it over to Mr. Carston when we see him."

"There was a whispered conference for a minute among the typewriters. Then Mr. Fogle said, 'Stacy!'"

"Not at all. The paper you have in your hand will be sufficient introduction. Good-morning!"

AS SAILOR BOLD.

A Young Girl Sails Three Voyages as a Messman.

A singular story of the sea was told at the Bristol police court. A girl of fifteen, who first gave her name as Elizabeth Gordon, but afterward admitted that she was Esther McEwan, was charged with wandering abroad without visible means of subsistence.

"I used to go a great deal in my poor, dear husband's time," replied the old lady. "He was a regular trader, and never was new piece brought out, or a new performer appeared, but he was there. But the actors are not what they used to be."

"So it was arranged that we should go to Drury Lane Theatre Monday night. Clara was quite delighted at the thought, and talked of nothing else."

"The Bench ordered a remand until the next day. McEwan, it is stated, had accomplished one of her voyages upon the Gem, which vessel she joined at a port in Scotland."

Further inquiries into the case have brought to light a remarkable story. It is stated that the girl, who had been living with a married sister at Wishart, near Glasgow, and while there she sometimes worked as a boy, but the reasons for this are not clear.

On the Saturday morning following, the church clock was striking twelve, Mr. Montgomery looked in and cleaned up with unusual care. He had been seen ascending the gilded staircase that led to the offices of Messrs. Fogle & Quick, Gray's Inn.

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"Have you your written authority to represent him?" "I have your written authority to represent him," mumbled Mr. Montgomery, with a look of uneasiness.

"This they accomplish simply by the greater accuracy in their work. The man with a needle and thread takes in cloth on either side of the seam regardless. In one stitch he may take in just the right amount, in the next stitch he may exceed that limit by a sixteenth or an eighth of an inch, or more, and the way in which that manner of sewing uses up thread is astonishing."

"But the specific advantages of the short thread over the long one are many and great. There is less liability of a short thread breaking. The thread is less likely to catch on a fold or bunch of the cloth."

"We do not take gentlemen's honor as evidence," dryly replied Mr. Fogle. "But why does not Stacy come here himself? Where is he now?"

"He cannot come himself. Your second question, I profoundly regret to say, I cannot answer. I have promised my friend Carston not to do so."

"There she is, talking now to some strange, queer-looking man; and I am sure she is talking about me, for I saw him point to this house, and then he said something, and she laughed; she had better not laugh at my house; I won't put up with her impudences any more."

FARM-FIELD AND GARDEN. SUGAR CURED HAMS. At a recent meeting of the farmers' institute the subject discussed was the best method of curing and packing hams.

DAIRY AND STOCK. It is the poorest kind of policy to try to keep forty cows on a twenty-acre farm.

One thing which will follow the high price of beef will be a decided falling into careless raising of the part of our eastern farmers. It always works that way. Then beef will flatten down and we will hurry into something else. But a steady state is partially served the purpose of disinfection; it should soon follow other agents which are employed when more thorough work must be done.

TO MARKET ON STILTS. An interesting and picturesque custom in Southwestern France is that of going to market on stilts. Groups of young men and women mounted on high stilts may be seen daily crossing the marshy plains known as 'The Landes.' 'The Landes' are cut up into small ditches, pools, and hummocks, and stilters are, in consequence, almost necessary to those who desire to traverse them.

HAD LITTLE FAITH. HOW A DOUBTFUL MAN WAS CONVINCED AND RESTORED. A Story that Illustrates the Advantage of Reading and Being Guided by Newspaper Advertisements.

Lower Windsor, N. B., Dec. 29.—I received the postmaster's card to believe that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the right medicine for Kidney Trouble. This is the declaration of Mr. T. J. Belyea, a postmaster of this place, who for a long time was the victim of a very severe case of this painful disease.

Mr. Belyea reads the newspapers and gets his tried factors, oils and liniments and all kinds of external remedies as well as doctors' treatments, with no good results, he began reading the testimonials of Mr. J. A. Richardson, D.D., of the right medicine for Kidney Trouble after reading some testimonials I concluded to try them for a short time, but I must admit that having tried so many things and failed to obtain a cure, I had but little faith that Dodd's Kidney Pills or anything else could ever help me.

In considering the enemies of apple trees it is well to count mice. They often injure young trees by gnawing the bark off near the ground. They are very dangerous, and their numbers are large. The surest and best way to prevent their depredations is to wrap the bodies of the trees with some liquid preparation, for unlike rabbits, mice are omnivorous, and crease and gnaw the bark of trees. The bark of trees must be protected from serious injury by throwing earth up against the gnawed places. The moist ground keeps the wood from drying out and new bark forms rapidly.

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