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Abolish mosquito bars. They make mosquitoes irregular about their meals.

Introduce the German language into our schools of fish.

Pocket handkerchiefs for crocodiles to wipe away their tears.

A school in accounts for adders, who also multiply rapidly.

Encourage the cultivation of plum trees for the comfort of that fastidious epicure, the curculio, who can feed upon nothing else.

Badges for hawks, so we can tell one from a hernshaw.

A new Juggernaut, it is said, has been set moving in society, and thousands annually fall beneath its wheels. It is a new stimulant known as hydrate of chloral—a salt of a burning, pungent taste, having as its basis chloroform, into which it is supposed to be changed in the blood. In small doses it is stimulant and antispasmodic; in larger, narcotic; and in excess it produces death as instantaneously as a flash of lightning. Physicians have been variously divided in the opinion of its ultimate results, some recognizing the fearful consequences of its use, others enthusiastically recommending it for ocean travelers as an antidote for sea sickness. In England it has taken the place of opium, and chloral-eating is now as decided a vice as opium-eating, hashcesh eating and absinthe drinking. The difference between opium and chloral is that, under the same circumstances, opium is more imaginative, and paints things as they do not really exist; chloral merely increases the power of enjoying the real. A strange, dreamy sense of perfect ease, comfort and happiness takes the place of sorrows and cares; all affection and love are likewise banished, and the eater becomes practically a living, breathing vegetable. An opium-eater has been known to live to a goodly old age. No chlorist can survive three years. The stimulant is imported mostly from Germany, and a high authority asserts in the London Lancet that there is positively no antidote for the poison.—*Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.*

Early Gunpowder Manufacture.

Waltham Abbey Mills are probably the oldest in Great Britain. They must have been established about the middle of the sixteenth century, for we know that before that time nearly all the powder used in England was imported from the Continent. But in 1561 we heard of John Thomworth, of Waltham, buying as agent for Queen Elizabeth, saltpeter, sulphur and staves for making barrels. In the following century the parish register shows entries of deaths resulting from explosions at the mills; and Fuller, who was rector of Waltham, alludes in one of his works to the dangers of the manufacture, remarking that the mills were blown up five times during the seven years of his residence in the parish. The only wonder is, that explosions were not far more frequent in the old factories, where the elaborate precautions now adopted were utterly unknown. Powder was allowed to accumulate in heaps on the floor, spirits of wine was used instead of water to moisten the ingredients, under the impression that it made better and stronger powder, and the drying process was effected by heating the powder on metal plates over a fire without any means of regulating the temperature. Finally, all the workrooms were close together, and often under a single roof, so that, if the powder in one room exploded, that in the rest would follow, like a boy's strain of crackers.

A Passage from the Koran.

Mohammed thus describes the last day in "The Folding Up," a section of the Koran:

When the sun shall be folded up,
And when the stars shall fall,
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And when the she-camels with young shall be neglected,
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And when the seas shall boil,
And when souls shall be joined again to their bodies,
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And when the leaves of the book shall be unrolled,
And when the heavens shall be stripped away like a skin,
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A Chinese Problem.

The New York Times editorially hints that the time will come when the United States will be overrun with a tidal-wave of Mongolian immigration, and suggests that in a few years the superstition of the Chinese about the necessity of being carried back to their native land to be buried will pass away. It is true that two Chinamen have thus far become naturalized, and have assumed the duties and burdens of American citizenship, but there are 50,000 of that race in the country who still cling to their traditions and allegiance to their native land. It is plain that the immigration question must come up on the Pacific coast, and the opposition of the whites in that region would seem to place a great obstacle in the way of a general influx of celestials. Only a few days ago a meeting of many of the wealthy men of San Francisco entered a protest against the employment of Chinese labor in that city, as they deem it injurious to their interests, and they set forth the great injury to property which was incurred by the purchase of building lots by Chinese. There is certainly a Chinese problem before the country, but it would be better to dispose of the negro and Indian enigmas before we attempt the gigantic task of solving the celestial puzzle. We can only handle one at a time.

Kissing in China.

It is a singular fact that the custom of kissing is altogether unknown in China. The Chinese, indeed, have no word expressing love as we understand the passion. An American navy officer, voyaging Chinaward, narrates an amusing experience of the ignorance of the Chinese maidens of the science of kissing. Wishing to complete a conquest he had made of a young mei jin (beautiful lady) he invited her—using the English words—to give him a kiss. Finding her comprehension of his request somewhat obscure, he suited the action to the word and took a delicious kiss. The girl ran away into another room, thoroughly alarmed, exclaiming, "Terrible man-eater, I shall be devoured." But in a moment, finding herself uninjured by the salute, she returned to his side, saying, "I would learn more of your strange rite. Ke-e-es me." He knew it wasn't "right," but he kept on instructing her in the rite of "ke-e-es me" until she knew how to do it like a native Yankee girl; and after all that, she suggested a second course by remarking, "Ke-e-es me some more seen jine Meelee-kee!" (Anglice—American), and the lesson went on until her mamma's voice rudely awakened them from their delicious dream.

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