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## HORRORS OF LEPROSY.

### Medical Science Baffled by the Dread Scourge.

**How the Disease Is Propagated in the Holy Land—The Strange Treatment of Lepers in the Fiji Islands.**

It is a rather remarkable thing that medical science is still in such a state of deplorable ignorance with regard to the disease of leprosy, says the St. Louis Globe-Demorat. In all other ailments the progress of the last twenty-five years has been such as to warrant the hope that the time will come when there is no complaint from which a human being suffers which cannot be diagnosed and treated with success. But in leprosy the progress, if any, is slow. In India to-day the leper is as common as he was many years ago. You meet him about the streets, you see him begging under the verandas of every house of the wealthy.

The lepers are isolated, cast out from even their own family, and it has been recorded that the government has had to interfere to prevent a father burying his own son alive in order to prevent a spread of the malady. In the Holy Land the lepers are to be met with roaming about and begging from every visitor, and indeed in several other parts of the world they are to be met with in equal numbers. The English government has sent out many commissions to India to inquire into the subject, but so far little has been accomplished. There is not as yet sufficient hospital accommodation, and so the lepers wander about in some of the out-of-the-way places, and the disease is propagated. In connection with the subject there is a curious thing as to a cure in the Fiji islands.

It is recorded, by a missionary who has himself heard the tale from one who actually experienced what he narrates. The cure is effected by the poisonous juice of the sinugaga and the process is this: The victim is taken into a house away from the center of the population. He is stripped of his clothes and his body rubbed with green leaves. Then a small fire is lighted and a few pieces of the sinugaga laid on it. When the smoke begins to ascend the man is bound hand and foot and lifted over the fire until his head reaches about fifteen inches above the ground. There he is allowed to writhe in his agony for sometimes hours, till it is thought he has been sufficiently smoked. Then the body is gashed and allowed to bleed freely. The man may live or die. For the time he is left lying on the rough pallet prepared for him. If he lives he gets better. That at least was the case with the man of whom the missionary wrote.

## A QUEER BRIDAL TOUR.

**It Was Made in the Car Beside the Gripman.**

It was pretty cold in the forward compartment of one of the Seventh and Ninth street cable cars last evening, says the Philadelphia Press. The short benches on each side of the gripman were empty save for one figure—that of a petite and pretty brunette, in a warm gray cape ulster with a big fur boa around her neck.

The conductor put his head through the door for a moment and came back chuckling.

"Love's a funny thing," he said, as he got back on the rear platform and rang up two fares. "There's Jim's wife in there with him. Jim's the gripman, you know. They've been married pretty near two weeks, and I'm blamed if she hasn't put in the best half of the time riding round with him in the car. They couldn't afford to take a trip off, you know, and so they're putting the honeymoon in this way.

"She's a little brick, though, I tell you," he went on, as he started the car after a pause to help on board a stout woman with seven packages; "and when I get married, if I ever do, I don't want no better. It gets pretty cold in there along in the evening, but, bless you, she don't mind it. This is his last trip, and she never fails to take it with him. Then when he knocks off they walk home together as happy as a pair o' doves."

It was quite dark in the gripman's compartment except for the glimmer from the store windows and the electric lights as the car shot past them. But it was light enough for them. The stalwart young gripman would bend down once in awhile to say a word or catch a glimpse of her face, and she seemed quite content to sit there and watch him as he jammed the grip handle up or pulled down on the brake.

"Yes, sir," said Jim, "we've been married two weeks to-morrow. Maybe you think it a funny way to spend the honeymoon, and so it is. But it's Mary's doing. I'd saved up enough to take a week or so off, but she wouldn't have it. She says: 'We'll just lay that away for a rainy day, and I'll come and ride on the car with you.' Don't you put my name in the papers, or maybe I'd get the bounce. The company might object, though I don't see why they should, for she pays her fare every time she gets on."

**Friendship Rewarded.**

In England a rich man died recently, and four hundred invitations were issued to his "intimate friends" to attend the funeral. Only twenty-nine came. Eight days afterward these twenty-nine, faithful till death, received a letter to call on the deceased's lawyer. They did so, and each received, according to the will, £320 if a lady, and £200 if a gentleman. The testator further directed that the names of those who received his bequests should be published in the journals to punish those who had not put themselves out of their way to attend his funeral.

## MINING PLUMBAGO.

**Primitive Methods Followed by the Natives of Ceylon.**

A Colombo journal gives an interesting description of the manner in which the natives of Ceylon mine for plumbago. A native usually drives a shaft until he is no longer able to contend with the flow of water in the mine. He then stops working and afterward drives galleries, and this he continues to do as long as his lamps will burn; but the moment they are extinguished by the gases collected in the gallery he ceases working in that part and continues upward, refilling the shafts he has dug with the debris from the mine.

In other cases, instead of sinking a shaft, a large open cutting is made, in which the vein is followed and galleries afterward run as occasion may require. There is no system for ventilating the mines, and the result is that after a blast much time is wasted before the mine is sufficiently cleared of foul gases to allow working to be resumed. The great object of the native proprietor is to keep his expenses as low as possible. As to the timber he is using he knows nothing of its strength, and is quite unable to work out the strain it will stand. He doubtless knows certain timber will resist damp and is stronger and tougher than other woods, but as the wood is generally green and full of sap it cannot resist the ravages of damp as it would do if it were properly seasoned.

The result is that the shafts and galleries are frequently insufficiently timbered. The windlass used is frequently not strong enough and has no ratchet wheel, so that serious accidents may occur in raising and lowering miners. The rope is the ordinary coir rope of the country, the strength of which varies very much, according to the make and the quality of the fiber used. Instead of ropes ladders are frequently used by the miners, and these are made of the roughest materials and frequently tied with jungle rope or ordinary coir yarn. There is no regulated distance between the rungs, and the ladder is placed perpendicularly to the bottom of the pit, and when it is remembered how highly lubricated the wood must get from the hands and feet of the natives who have been working plumbago, the great danger they run every time they mount and descend can be well conceived.

## THE AGE OF POLITICS.

**An Interesting Lecture by a Famous Professor of Vienna, Austria.**

"Public spirit in the nineteenth century," was a theme lately treated by Prof. Dr. Adolph Exner of the University of Vienna, Austria. He insisted on the necessity of particular promotion of the spirit of patriotism in the students. The spirit of modern society, he said, is exclusively and one-sidedly determined by natural science, which has caused a neglect of the development of political discernment. Nothing attracts the attention of the general public at present but subjects of natural science, even women profess being interested in these questions, and, on the other hand, to be indifferent to the facts and relations of the political world. This spirit of the exact sciences has even infected men of law and philosophy, who will reduce criminal law to psychology, will talk of the "physiology" of law, of love, of art, will lecture on the "physiological method" of law and write books of many volumes on the "structure and life of the body of society." It is an influence of this physical spirit that people contemn the past ages of the world, even going so far as to hold the middle ages and actually also the empire of ancient Rome in contempt.

A change must come and it is already preparing; the historic, political school of research has resumed its labors with courage and frankness. This reaction is also a necessary result of events. The new awakening of constitutional life, the immense creations of great statesmen in the service of popular ideas and the wonderful problems offering for solution on the basis of broader principles and which everybody knows cannot be solved by measuring and weighing or by logarithms and equations, all these circumstances have infused new energy into politics as a science and a popular interest. It will require all the wisdom and power of the political spirit to solve these difficulties and avoid fatal crises in the state organism attempting to assign to the fourth estate its just position in the social organization. It is the struggle with this problem which will make the twentieth century a political age, and nobody must hope to be able to fill his place in it unless he shall have acquired a sufficient political education.

**The Silo Going Out.**

Some years ago there was a sudden fashion for the conversion of green stuffs into what is called ensilage. In various parts of the country, and especially in some parts of Scotland, expensive silos were built into which the green grass was thrown to be preserved by fermentation. One hears less of ensilage now that six years ago. The truth is that the silo has gone out of fashion again. Scores of them are standing idle in Scotland, and the system has manifestly failed to acclimatize itself.

**Weight of the Brain.**

The average weight of the brain of man bears a definite relation to the climate in which he lives, a higher brain weight being found in cold than in warm countries. In proportion to their stature, the Lapps have the largest heads in Europe, the Norwegians next, then come the Swedes, Germans, French and Italians. In the Arab the head is found to be smaller than any of the above, while in the far north there exists a people called Chugatshes whose heads are remarkably large.

**A Queer Remedy.**

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### Application for a Patent

No. 974.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Eureka, Nevada, July 8, 1891.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Pioche Consolidated Mining and Reduction Company, by its authorized agent, Samuel T. Godbe, whose postoffice address is Pioche, Lincoln county, state of Nevada, has this day filed its application for one thousand four hundred and eighty-eight (1488) linear feet of the "Essential" mine or lode bearing silver, with surface ground two hundred (200) feet in width situated in Ely Mining District, County of Lincoln, State of Nevada, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office as lot No 44 in township No. 1, N range 67 E of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian; said lot No. 44 being described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a post marked Post No 1 U S Survey No 44, whence the mouth of the Horgan tunnel bears N 70 degrees 52 minutes, E 600 feet, and thence running. 1st course, S 39 degrees 45 minutes, W 281 feet to post No 2 U S Survey No 44; thence, 2nd course, N 84 degrees 38 minutes E 1488 feet to post No 3 U S Survey No 44, whence U S Mineral Monument bears S 65 degrees 11 minutes, W 559.2 feet and the section corner common to sections 20, 21, 28 and 29, Tp 1 N R 67 E, bears S 12 degrees 50 minutes, E 1900 8 feet; thence, 3rd course, N 39 degrees 45 minutes, E to post No 4 U S Survey No 44; thence S 84 degrees 38 minutes W to post No 1, at the place of beginning.

Containing 6 77 acres.

Courses expressed from the true meridian with a magnetic variation of 15 degrees and 55 minutes east.

The nearest known locations are the Sunshine, War Eagle and Abe Lincoln lode mining claims.

Any and all persons claiming adversely an portion of said Essential mine or surface ground are required to file their adverse claim with the Register of the United States Land Office at Eureka, in the State of Nevada, during the period of publication hereof, or they will be barred by virtue of the provision of the statute.

J. P. DUNKLE, Register.

It is hereby ordered that the foregoing notice of application for patent be published in the Pioche RECORD, a weekly newspaper published at Pioche, Lincoln county, Nevada, for the period of sixty days (ten consecutive weeks.

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### Application for a Patent

No. 984.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Eureka, Nevada, August 24, 1891.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Pioche Consolidated Mining and Reduction Company, by its authorized Agent, Samuel T. Godbe, whose post-office address is Pioche, Lincoln county, State of Nevada, has this day filed application for fifteen hundred (1500) feet of the Zero vein, lode or deposit bearing silver together with surface ground two hundred (200) feet in width for the convenient working thereof, situated in Ely Mining District, County of Lincoln and State of Nevada, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office, as Lot 50, Township No. 1 north of range No. 67 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian. The exterior boundaries of said lot No. 50 being as follows to-wit:

Beginning at a post marked No. 1, U. S Survey No. 50, on the southern side of the Paracker Lode claim, U. S. Survey No. 39, thence running 1st course north 71 degrees 07 minutes east, 520 feet to post No. 2, U. S Survey No. 50, at the northwest corner of U. S. Survey No. 49, Zero Lode claim, whence the corner common to sections 22, 23, 26 and 27 of Township 1 north of range 67 east bears south 83 degrees 58 minutes east, 2576 feet and Wheeler's Monument bears north 59 degrees and 20 minutes east, 2546 2-10 feet; thence 2nd course, south 31 degrees and 34 minutes east, 980 feet along the southwest side line of U. S. Survey No. 49, Zero Lode claim, to post No. 3, U. S Survey No 50; thence 3d course, south 19 degrees and 46 minutes west, 266 feet to post No. 4, U. S. Survey No. 50; thence 4th course north 31 degrees and 34 minutes west, 980 feet to post No. 5, U. S. survey No 50; thence 5th course, south 71 degrees 07 minutes west, 520 feet to post No. 6, U. S. Survey No. 50; thence 6th course, north, 19 degrees 46 minutes east, 149 4-10 feet to the center line, whence the discovery shaft bears north 71 degrees, 07 minutes east 520 feet; 266 feet to post No. 1, at the place of beginning. Containing 6 88-100 acres.

The courses are expressed from the true meridian, with a magnetic variation of 15 degrees, 55 minutes east. The nearest known claims are the Paracker lode claim, U. S. Survey No. 39 on the north, and the Zero lode claim, U. S. Survey No. 49 on the northeast.

Any and all persons claiming adversely any portion of said Zero Mine or surface ground, are required to file their adverse claims with the Register of the United States land office at Eureka, in the state of Nevada, during the sixty days period of publication hereof, or they will be barred by virtue of the provision of the Statute.

J. P. DUNKLE, Register.

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