

SUPERSTITIONS OF TO-DAY.

Some of the Popular Beliefs of the Present Day.

How to Avoid Death, Love's Quarrels, and Celibacy—Good and Bad Luck and How Brought On.

Men who swear there is neither God nor future will yet betray a strange weakness toward some pet superstition that they will openly laugh at, but secretly believe. We all have them—not only ignorant people, but the best of us. Few people would have the hardihood to sit down at a table with thirteen as the total number. Few people will count the hicks in a funeral procession. Few girls will read the marriage service entirely through in the face of the awful and mysterious superstition that this indulgence destroys hope of marriage. We don't call the fortune-teller the priest of Apollo, the wart charmer a witch. There is a change of name—the fact lingers. We are still superstitious.

All the generations that have passed have accumulated and handed down to us a vast number of superstitions. Each country has furnished its share, and probably the most of them date from the time when the human race was still in its Asiatic cradle.

Birth, marriage and death are the three most important events in every life. Hence the anxious of these three events have been most eagerly sought and most carefully remembered. Death, being the most dreadful, comes in for the largest share. One of the best ways given us of avoiding it when mortal sickness is upon us is to allow the report to be circulated that you are already dead. The chances are strongly in favor of getting well. Especially is this so if friends begin to arrange for the funeral. A sure sign of early death is for a person to scatter the leaves of a red rose upon the ground. It is extremely hazardous to an infant's life to pare its nails before it is a year old. They should be bitten off, or the granddams will not answer for the consequences.

So numerous are the dangerous superstitions about marriage that one could scarcely avoid breaking some of them. In this observation the philosopher may find the solution of the question, "Why is marriage a failure?" For instance, the bride must not try on her wedding gown, or ill-luck will follow. She must not look in the glass after she is fully dressed and ready for the ceremony. She must not enter her new home by stepping over the threshold, but must be carried over it by one of her relatives. A piece of the bride's cake must be broken over her head as she is safely on the other side. It is very unlucky for her to be in a happy state on her wedding day. She must be as dolorous as possible, violent fits of weeping being especially beneficial.

It is a good idea for the bridesmaids to throw away as many pins as possible on the wedding day, as this will hasten marriage. The bride should throw away her slipper in leaving the wedding feast, and she who catches it will be the first married. The month of May is generally considered to be the most unfortunate for marriages. The lucky months are January, April, August, October and November. January is especially lucky.

Lovers should carefully avoid passing a sharp or pointed instrument from one to the other. Such things tend to cause quarrels. The wedding should be put off by all means if a cat sneezes on the eve of the wedding day. It should never take place if the cat is black. To sweep dust over a girl's feet or legs will be certain to make an old maid of her.

Should the younger sister of a family marry first, the older sisters will be condemned to lasting celibacy unless they dance at her wedding in their stocking feet.

The wedding ring of the mother is an infallible cure for eruptions on the skin of the child. The ring must be rubbed three times around each eye. Cure is certain.

The virtue of the dew that glistens and sparkles in every leaf and flower of a May morning has been recognized from the earliest times. If a young girl wishes to obtain and preserve a glowing complexion she should venture out of a May morning and wash her face in this dew. It also has peculiar power in infant cases of weak back. A child thus afflicted can be cured by drawing it three times through the wet grass on the first, second and third mornings of May. It will cure swollen neck. The treatment here is, however, more difficult. If the sufferer is a male he must wash his neck in the dew that-gems the grave of the last deceased unmarried woman who died; if a woman, then the grass on the grave of the last young unmarried man must be sought.

To spit in the hand before undertaking anything, whether in love, war or business, will not fail to bring luck. If you are out fishing, do not stop over your rod, or you will catch no more fish than did Simple Simon in his mother's pail.

Of births, it may be said in general that a crying child will grow up to be a great and useful man. This axiom is not very clearly settled, however, and is often given the other way. Some see far back in the ages discovered the following:

- Born on Monday, Fair in the face.
- Born on Tuesday, Full of God's grace.
- Born on Wednesday, Sour and sad.
- Born on Thursday, Merry and glad.
- Born on Friday, Worthily given.
- Born on Saturday, Work for your living.
- Born on Sunday, You will never know want.

To recall a person after you have left the house is bad luck. To go back for something forgotten is also bad luck, unless you sit down before going out again.

STAR OF THE WEST.

Washington Territory and Its Great Resources.

Room for Millions More—Precious Metals, Lumber and Coal—Fertile Lands.

Washington, the new state, the far removed northwest corner of the nation, is to-day attracting more attention than any other territory in the Union. Her advantages have been heralded abroad; her resources have become of too much magnitude to be kept secret; tales of her wonderful richness have reached the ears of the mortgage-bound, drought-stricken, tax-oppressed eastern farmers. They eagerly grasp these stories of riches, and are with one accord turning their faces toward the great northwest.

Of late years the eastern farmer has been harassed on every hand by uncertain crops, crop-destroying insects, CYCLONES AND TORNADOES in the summer season, and the dreaded blizzards in winter, destroying life and property, fatal stock epidemics, burdensome taxes and a thousand other things that are calculated to discourage him. Blank ruin is staring thousands of them in the face, and they are selling off their stock and what property they may have free from incumbrances to seek refuge in the northwestern states and territories. Some may say, "We do not want a class of people to come who have no means." There you are mistaken. We want no drones, and as a rule that class is generally without means; but we want industrious men, farmers, men with families, men who are willing to work, means or no means. In this

FAVORED LAND OF OURS The industrious can soon provide themselves with means. Let them come to the land of plenty. We have here over 300,000 happy, industrious people, and room for several millions more, with whom we are willing to divide advantages that the eastern farmer never dreamed of. Here the terrible cyclone is unknown; the hot winds that sweep across the plains states, destroying everything before its blighting breath, is something unheard of; a failure of crops is not recorded in the memory of the oldest inhabitant; the best and purest of water springs from every ravine; the hills are covered with the very best of lumber-producing timber; her valleys of rich, productive soil are ready to produce in incredible quantities at the hand of the husbandman. Every variety of fish and game is found on her rivers and lakes. Her bays and harbors are unsurpassed in the world.

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Notice to Creditors. I have been sick for the last 15 years with a complication of diseases. Rheumatism and kidney troubles were very bad, but heart disease was the worst of all. Many times I thought I would not survive it. The sharp, agonizing pain in my heart would take my breath and make me dizzy. I had to catch at things to keep from falling. In fact, I was an utter wreck. I tried doctors in Terra Haute, Indiana, Bloomington, Ottumwa, Chariton and Burlington—allopathic, homoeopathic, and every other kind of doctors. They used batteries, baths, and all manner and kinds of nasty tasting drugs, but I received no benefit at all. I gave it up in disgust. Every doctor told me another tale as to what he thought was the matter with me, but that did not cure me. Going to Seattle, I heard of nothing but the new Histogenetic System and of Dr. J. Eugene Jordan, its author. Having tried all the old, I concluded to try the new, and after a few weeks' use of the above medicine I completely recovered. This was last October, and I have been able to attend to my duties ever since. I make this statement from gratitude to Dr. Jordan and the Histogenetic system, and also from a spirit of sympathy for kindred humanity. JOSEPH PENNINGTON, Slaughter, Washington.

My boy, ten years old, was broken down with rheumatism. His limbs were all distorted out of shape from the baneful effect; he suffered great agony, and could not turn in bed. The worst of all his heart was greatly effected from it and it almost stopped his breath. We gave him up, also did our neighbors. As a last resort I went to Dr. J. Eugene Jordan, whose medicine performed apparently impossible cures in our neighbors. After giving my boy these medicines for three weeks he entirely recovered, his limbs all straightened out again, and he is perfectly well in every way. That was ten months ago. As for myself I had an injury to my finger which turned into caries of the bone. Several doctors were employed, but the result was that the bone kept on eating away. At last they concluded that in order to save the hand the finger had to be amputated. I brought myself to Dr. Jordan, obtained his medicine, and in two weeks' time it cured the bone disease and I retained my finger. How much suffering and expense we might have saved had we known of the Histogenetic Medicine and Dr. J. Eugene Jordan. N. KRALAVINE.

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CAUTION.—The Histogenetic medicines are sold in U. S. one agency in each town. The label around the bottle bears the following inscription: "Dr. J. Eugene Jordan's Histogenetic Medicine." Every other device is a fraud. C. L. Gano, sole agent for Dr. Jordan's Histogenetic Medicine. Mr. Gano has been appointed in place of Mr. G. W. Carey, whose connection with Dr. Jordan and the Histogenetic Medicines have ceased. Medicine depot at May's dry goods store.

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