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## Chinese paper give the particulars of an atrocious custom of the sac. rifice of widows in a district of the Fod chow prefecture. If a woman's Fod Chow prefectore. If a woman's husband dics his relatives insist upon her comnitting enicide so as to follow him into another world. Theee days before the appointed is given at whichall the man's re lations use erery hrgument to make her cotaply wit . Fe cuetom. Shonld her cotaply wit the coctom. Shonld conpelled to do, she is placed in a sedan chair and earried in proces. sion to the-sound of masical ja$\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { struments through the principal }\end{aligned}\right.$ streets to a platform previously prepared, about thirty feet in height, io a chair. The relatives and friends helow salute the victim and it is customary for the officials to pro ceed taither to make a salutation. When tivis voremony is orer a rope is sumended from a beam, the widow places it around her own neck, and one of her brothers pulls the end with all his strength and strangles her. This done she is boried and an application is made to the Dhaperor for some mark of honor to commemorate her sacri. fice, which is falsely reported as a voluntary one. Wence there is which can not boast of a virtuous widow, and the whole country is stadded with monuments erected in (their honor. About ten years ago a new prefect gave orders to abolish this custom, but the order was obeyed only in the immediate noigh. borhood of the city, and recent instances of the sicritice have called attention to its barbarity.-Chi- cago News.

## Wize Charms or Music.

 A very curious story is told ofSir Joha Hawkias, in sopport of the theory that msects as well as
animals are susceptible to the charms of masic. IIe begins by stating That a French captain bad assured him that, during a tedious imprisonment, ho had obtained permission io prac
tice upon his flate, and that after he tice upon his fiate, and that after hed
had phajed a few days, not ouly did mice come out of their holes to listen, but, the spiders descended trom their webs to form as strange
na adience an ever a man had. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ I did uot ceaze donbing the thath of it was confermed by a mun of proinity and merit, who slayed upon that upon one occasion, be went un to his chamber to refresh bimseif natil supper time with playing, and he had not played more than quarter of an hons, when he saw several spiders descend from the ceiling and come and range them-
selves ahout the table, where they remained onti! he ceased to play, upsu which they retursed to their
webs." A water in a had a pet epider which, he asserved Woud always come oot of a hole in
the wall when lie whitled, and eeveral anechates are told which antest the fact that spiders are
infizened by the samd of masic or singing, athough it is not possible to ascertain whetber these sensations are pleasarable or the reverse. A writer on the sutject suggests trance condition by music.
The ingenaity, the skill, the wealth and the intelligence we have given us above onr fellows is given
of God for a wise parpose. If we nse these splendid mears to the furtherance of His kinedon in the
earth, we shall find His gifis to us. earth, we shall find Eis gifts to us yet more abuadant and giorious. We:
are His stewards, and if we nee ITh talents for Dima, He is ready
to open yet more the sccrets of

## ife - Golden Censor

Gen. Bonlanger seems to bave the is himonlf and his cause. The Bar

Fobaibition in Two Pagaes.
Right here is one of the strongest
bjections to prohibitory legislation bjections to prohibitory legislation constitutional amendment. It is a perversion of the functions of a
constitution, and it takes away from the people the right to change their the prople the right to change their
laws when they change their minds laws when they change their minds
as to what the lavr should be. It deprives the maiorty of the right make its will felt in the statutes. Constitutions are very properly stability is essential to security in the fondations of government. But Sor that very reason constitntions should include nothing bot the necessary provisions of fundamental people with each other. what the laws eball be from time to time, but as to the manoer in which the laws shall be made and the limitations that shall be set upon the law-making power. When they go beyond that they cease to be clarters of liberty and becoms ingtro ments of tyranny.
The regulation and restraint of the liquor traffic is peculiarly mat ber which cannot be wiscly settled by any rule of thumb. It requires care. It is a problem the factors of which vary with time, place and cir cumstance, and the attempt of the rohibitionists to take its solution nut of the hnadz of the people by fastening prohibitory amendments upous sate constitutions is the con-
scions effort of a de , otic will to wike nochangeabie iaw out of tha Which at best is only the decree Six States popular judgment. down proposals of prohibition constitutional ampendment them being some in which the majority of voterse etrongly favor pro hibition by statute, a fact from which it is fair to infer that even among Prohibitionists there is an awaken ing sense of respect for the nature
and fanetions of constitational law. In fanetions of constitutional law. In Ehode Island tise sentiment in behalf of repeal rests upon the experience of the last three years hown the people of that State that prohibition does not prevent the sele of liquor, but increases its evils; that it puts the business into the hands of criminale, deqrives the lawfal authorities of the right to regulate it Tu any way and roiss the State of source. They have tried pronhio
The tion and are tired of it.-New Yor World

Many unthinking people are apt o compare ther local paper with its to quantity of reading matter and sobscription price, greatly to the local paper's disadvantage. Thes are apt to regard as an imposition charge $\$ 2.00$ per annum for his sis or seven column folio, when for half hat amount they can get a grea ing the tweive page weekly, containworld general news of the whole mokiug such a is as much sense in is in compating the price of a there of hai's with the price of a cask of field distinctively its own and this field, is one which the metropolitan vaper has neither the ability or th ituclination to fill.-Bunkie Blade.
A poor corn crop means poverty
of soil and poor cultivation, or both combined. Land can not be too rich ther grain. It can not be too horougily tilled. Knowing this the poo: cora crop is all through the eaveless, shiftless farmer. Some ing after can be done to renedy the defect.
William hawsor, vice president of the Total thatinence society of
Ergland, was recently arrested for

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Home Jounnal: The grape crop his gear is an abundant one.
Maurepas Gazette : Weather hot; oo much rain; crops doing well. Bunkie Blade: We are haviag laces is scalded and much of it is places.
M. C. Review: If the first of July be rainy weather, it will rain more
or less for three weeks together Fruits of most all kinds are abundant in market.
Farmerville Gazette: Crop prospects are good. Destructive forest fres, sweeping over an area of about one hundred equare miles, raged in
Montena last week. Montena last week.
Vernon News: A fhower every ay during the past week. Our and some to spare. The amount of and some to spare. The amount of
rainfall sibee our last was 1.73 ioches.
Shreveport Times: We received full grown cotton boll on the 3d, the coodition of the crop, the prospects are encouraging to the gentlemen interested.
Teche Pilot: Wo have been bless dith several fine rains which were a godsend to many poor people who went out of water. The crops and gardens have improved wonder folly since the rain. Delightful "Teather again this weck.
"Too mnch rain" is the universal ory hercabonts, and yet it was not long ago that cverybody was pray-
ing for rain. How hard to please ig for rain. How hard to please we mortala be. Many of our rice planters have discarded their pumps fames.-Thibodeaux Sentinel
St. Martin Messenger: The corn St. Martin Messenger: The corn
crop which was considered dainaged to the extent of 33 per cent. by the dronth, bas by the recent rains taken a new vigor and growth and will and full, whop. The ears are large planter.
St. Landry Democrat: Crop reors from various sections in onr are are tattering. The late rains pet, and unless antoward and unesected circomstances occur, the crops forpassed. urpassed.
Sugar Bowl: The crops has greaty improved since the rains set in, in places, by an excess of some, Cotton continues excess of water. but unless the rains cease soon, forms and bolls will shed. No worms and bolls will
heard of yet.
St. Mary Banner: The erops are fair yicld. Too mach rain, howerer, prevents the fields from being worked, and the crops of weeds and grass will prohably equal that of any-
hing else. The fields are wet sud lhing else. The fields are wet and
mushy and need three weeks dry vather
Town Talk :. Mr. James informs us that his first crop of hay this year was not good on account of the
drouth. In a few weeks he will cat his second crop and figures on presshis second crop and figures on press-
ing 100 tons of hay. He thinks the rmers in his neighborhood will his year ther ever cathered
Welsh Crcecent: The local rains still continue. Many of our farmers and some rice fields have sofficient water to insure a crop, while many have uot fared so well. In some sections the rainfall has not heen
one half what is needed. Ripe neaches are becoming pleatiful. The crop is very large this season.
Plaquemine Protector: Labor is carce in this parish. Rice planters re offering \$1 per day and board that pricc. The cane crop in this parish has turned out much better hat was expected. The recent ice crop at Poiute Michel is as romising as uscal.

