

CHINESE AND JAPANESE.

Love Laughs at the Enmity of Nations, Just as It Did in the Chivalric Days of Old.

Marriage is the only lottery that a Chinatown bachelor does not make a rule of playing. This is not because he does not care to establish a household of his own...

But Lee Yuen, a Watsonville merchant, has married, and the announcement of the marriage has caused a flutter of surprise to pervade Chinatown.

Little Miss Kawamura, black-eyed and ivory-skinned, was a resident of the Methodist mission in the heart of Chinatown, and Lee often passed that way.

There is no more lost between the Chinese and Japanese nations, each regarding the other with lofty and in-born disdain...

California has a law against mixed marriages, but Chinese and Japanese are all classed as "yellow."

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"CHEWING MILK."

It is neither a Pastime nor a Fashion, But a Remedy for Various Diseases.

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Palace Car for Dogs. In England a sort of special palace car has been built for dogs.

By Imperial Command. All classes in China dress by imperial command, and when the Peking Gazette announces that the emperor has put on his winter hat...

Hebrews in Italy. It is estimated that the population of Italy includes about 50,000 Hebrews.

A LEGAL PROBLEM.

Difficulties of Brooklyn Widow, Who Desires to Adopt Intended Husband of Dead Daughter.

Mrs. Mary Augustus Mott, a Brooklyn widow, with a fortune of \$500,000, has petitioned the supreme court to legally sanction her adoption of Charles H. Crane.

A romance lies behind the legal proceedings. Mr. Crane was engaged to marry Mrs. Mott's only daughter.

It had been arranged that after the wedding Mr. Crane and his bride were to live with her mother.

After her daughter's death Mrs. Mott urged Mr. Crane to make her home his home, and he has lived at her house.

The wording of the petition for adoption filed with the Brooklyn supreme court by Mrs. Mott's attorney is peculiar, in view of the fact that Mr. Crane is a grown man...

BABY BAPTIZED WITH BEER.

A Wisconsin Man and Father Advocates a Novel Preventive of Intemperance.

Baptism with beer as a preventive of intemperance is advocated in a curious document on file in the office of the registrar of deeds in Manitowoc, Wis.

"In accordance with the laws of the state of Wisconsin, and upon a request of the midwife, Mrs. M., I make the following statement:

"On the 21st day of July, 9 o'clock p. m., in the year of our Lord, 1885, my wife, Victoria, born —, has under the assistance of said Mrs. —, a male child born, whose weight was about the same as what the weight of a full-grown old-country hair is.

TO BUILD TOKIO TRAMWAY.

Band of Fifty American Laborers and Mechanics to Lay Tracks for Surface Road in Japanese City.

New Yorkers who visit Japan a few weeks from now will see a familiar sight—a band of 50 American laborers and mechanics ripping up the principal streets of Tokio and laying tracks for a surface road.

The Tokio Tramway company has contracted for this much already, the amount involved being \$40,000.

The cars are to be completed in eight months' time. At the company's shops in Providence 2,000 men have been set to work on the contract.

FOR HEALTH OF PEOPLE.

King Oscar Orders Von Post's Prize Pamphlet on Tuberculosis Circulated in Factories.

R. A. von Post's prize pamphlet on the prevention and cure of tuberculosis, of which 200,000 copies have already been distributed by the Swedish government to school boards, district officials, physicians, etc.

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DISCOVERS A NEW PROCESS.

A Swiss Scientist Produces Oxygen from the Air by a Secret Method of His Own Invention.

At a dinner given by Henry B. McDowell at the Players' Club, New York, to Raoul Pictet, a Swiss scientist, oxygen was produced from air by a secret process.

For the experiment a simple apparatus, consisting mainly of copper tubes, was used. Atmospheric air was taken in at one end and at the other oxygen was shown by the production of a calcium light from the ignition of the gas.

M. Pictet asserts that with a 500-horse power plant he can produce daily 500,000 cubic feet of oxygen, 1,000,000 cubic feet of nitrogen and 1,000,000 cubic feet of carbonic acid gas.

GIFT FROM ELLEN TERRY.

Presents Bas-Relief of Herself to the Section for the Blind in the Library of Congress.

Miss Ellen Terry has sent to Miss Griffin, librarian for the blind in the library of congress, a beautiful bas-relief of herself cut in Parisian marble from one of her most famous portraits.

This tribute will be better understood when it is known she visited the pavilion where the blind read and play, and where an entertainment is given by the philanthropic women and men of the city every afternoon.

Miss Terry was so touched by their emotion she sent word to have them brought behind the scenes to talk with her and Sir Henry Irving.

DEATHS EXCEED BIRTHS.

During the Last Ten Years Cuba Had 40,509 Births and 101,932 Deaths.

Maj. John G. Davis, surgeon of United States volunteers and chief sanitary officer of Havana, Cuba, has forwarded to the war department some statistics in regard to births, deaths, marriages and immigration.

AFRAID OF A CAMERA.

Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, Runs Away When the Attempt is Made to Take His Picture.

Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, who is not the handsomest man in the world, and who is the counterpart of a backwoods farmer, has a natural aversion for a camera.

WED BY DEAD MAN'S VOICE.

The Marriage Service Was Recited in a Photograph by the Bride's Father.

Although the father of Miss Edith L. Smith, of New York, who was married at Binghamton, N. Y., the other day to Frank T. Mercereau, has been dead for several weeks it was his voice that pronounced the marriage ceremony.

The bride and bridegroom answered the questions that came like a spirit voice from the machine and the spectators were strangely affected.

The English fashion of hyphenating aristocratic names increases the cable tolls on war messages almost as much as the other fashion of including the aristocratic titles, while, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, neither fashion adds materially to the interest or importance of the news.

AN OBLIGING LANDLORD.

An Alabama Dogfight Keeps Ferrets to Clear Out the Rats When They Annoy Guests.

"Recently I had an experience with rats that I will not soon forget," said D. B. Purks, of Frederickburg, Pa.

"It happened in this way: I was traveling through Alabama, and landed in a small town, worn out after a day's overland travel in a broken-down buggy, and sought the only tavern the town boasted.

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SHARPSHOOTERS' MARKS.

How the Philippine Insurgents Found the Range by Certain Objects in the Field.

The killing of Gen. Lawton by the bullet of some unknown Filipino sharpshooter recalls an interesting little story which was told in the corridor of the Grunewald by one of the officers of the Tennessee regiment when it passed through the city recently on its way home from service in the far east.

"In the first advance which we made north of Manila," he said, "we discovered that the native sharpshooters were exceedingly fond of locating range-marks on ground they thought we would be apt to traverse.

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ORIGINAL FLAT DWELLER.

"Aunt Louisa" Eldridge, a New York Woman Who Has Occupied the Same Apartment for 33 Years.

"Aunt Louisa" Eldridge has established a record. Among the flat dwellers of Manhattan she is grand progress, and some day when the dwellers have a reunion she is in line for further honors.

Verechagin.

Among the contestants for the Nobel prize, amounting to more than \$50,000, for the person who within the last three years has done the most to help preserve peace in the world is the Russian battle painter, Verechagin.

Largest of All Balloons.

The largest balloon ever constructed and capable of lifting over six tons will ascend from Berlin shortly to make meteorological observations.

OUR FRUITS ABROAD.

Prof. Smith Finds Some Reasons Why They Do Not Sell Readily.

Shippers in Some Cases to Blame—Poor Fruit at Bottom of Packages Will Condemn Whole Consignment—Fear of San Jose Scale.

Prof. John H. Smith, state entomologist of New Jersey, has just returned from abroad where he went to investigate the restrictions against American fruits.

With regard to the fruits Prof. Smith ascertained that it would be practically impossible for American fruits to be shipped into France except by treaty management.

Efforts to exclude American fruits have been abandoned in Holland, the professor found, but in Belgium very few American fruits are received.

Prof. Smith believes that if American fruit shippers will treat their customers fairly there will be no trouble about the sale of American fruits in foreign countries.

Foreign officials are particularly about the San Jose scale. If a single scale is found on one apple in a barrel the entire shipment would be excluded.

Commissioner Peck Obligated to Check This Propensity in the Guards of United States Section.

Commissioner Peck was obliged to forbid American guards at the Paris exposition firing with the typewriters and other fair employees.

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DEVILS PLAN TO PURIFY STREAMS AND Scheme Brings Him a Fortune.

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Afflicted Filipinos Will Be Collected on One of the Islands of the Group.

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CRYING OF THE BABIES.

This and Other Reasons Furnish Grounds for Complaint to Washington Police.

Washington has the reputation of harboring more cranks than any other city in the union. Complaints by them to the police department bear out this unenviable reputation fully.

The writers of these letters object to boys playing in the streets, to boys swimming in the river, and the use by children of small wagons.

The meek and lowly seissors-grinders and organ-grinders would have to earn their livelihood in other ways if these persons could have their way.

These are enforced strictly, but notwithstanding this a great deal of time of the police department is wasted in replying to complaints.

KIDNAPED GIRL RETURNS.

Reaches Her Home After Spending Twenty-Nine Years with Gypsies.

Twenty-six years ago Laura Hancock, then a girl ten years old, was kidnaped from Johnsville, near Mount Gilead, O. Every effort was made to find the child, but without avail.

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