

A California Cave.

The author of "Sinned the Sailor's Adventures" must resign his laurels. One W. H. Stokes has been exploring a recently discovered cave near Pine Grove, Amador County, and writes to the "Sister Clerk Independent" an account of his investigations. Mr. Stokes vouches for the exact truth of his narrative in every particular, and we doubt not that the reader will readily credit it from the following specimen description of one of the chambers the party entered. After journeying for a mile and a quarter through the underground passages, Stokes and his party found themselves in a "long but rather narrow chamber, the walls of which are not limestone, but a yellowish brown and black iron ore."

"Upon entering this chamber we noticed a most peculiar disturbance of the magnet, the needle constantly vibrating from side to side, and frequently whirling around for a minute at a time, with a velocity which rendered it invisible. We also experienced a singular sensation—a sort of chill, appearing to emanate at the back of the neck and extending to the very tips of our fingers and toes. As we advanced in this chamber we found these singular sensations to increase in intensity until it became almost unbearable. We ventured on still further, however, though it became evident that we could not long remain in this mysterious place. I omitted to mention that the walls and floor of this chamber, especially particular rocks therein, were highly magnetic, and became more so the further we advanced toward the north.

"One of the party who carried a hatchet had it suddenly wrested from him by a magnetic rock near which he passed, and the combined strength of four of us was insufficient to detach it. A pocket knife, which accidentally dropped to the floor, had to remain there, none of the party having sufficient strength in his fingers to pick it up. Mason, who had put on for the occasion a pair of miner's boots, the soles of which were filled with nails, could walk with difficulty, and happening to step upon a portion of the floor unusually magnetic, found himself suddenly affixed thereto, and unable to move. He was compelled to withdraw his feet from his boots and leave them there, tearing up his coat and wrapping the pieces around his feet to protect them from being cut by rocks. We had remained in this chamber about ten minutes, when suddenly the shivering sensation began to increase, the feeling being as if a cold and piercing wind was blowing upon us, and becoming each moment intensely cold. We hastily retreated, and soon reached, more dead than alive, the large chamber containing the hot spring. We then retraced our steps along the twine, and in a couple of hours emerged from the cave."

Fighting With the Feet.

In the Northern countries of England, and especially in Lancashire, kicking is a favorite mode of fighting, and as the poorer classes in that region wear wooden clogs, these contests sometimes result fatally. The custom is one against which strenuous measures have been adopted by the authorities, but with little result. The matter is to be brought before Parliament by petition. Flogging is regarded as the only possible effective punishment, and Parliament will be requested to confer upon magistrates the power of condemning to the lash for the offence. A police magistrate at Oldham, Lancashire, says on the subject:

"The practice of violently assaulting parties in the streets at night by severe kicking has become so common of late in this locality that I venture to remark that in all cases of extremely violent assault the law would have to be rigidly enforced, and if it were found to be insufficient, additional power would have to be sought from Parliament to order heavier punishment. My experience teaches me that the moral feelings of the perpetrators of these crimes are so thoroughly barbarous and oblivious to everything that is kind, moral, and just, their habits of life so thoroughly degraded, their homes such sinks of iniquity, that simple imprisonment is no punishment to them. They do not feel it to be a degradation, and the only way to reach their feelings is to mete out to these ruffians as much corporal punishment as they mete to their victims. You are aware that the lash had a salutary effect upon gamblers. The conduct of these kickers is equally vicious and dangerous, and public opinion is strongly in favor of its being applied as a means of punishment for crimes of this description.

Our Cellars.

All the refuse of a house is stored in its cellar, therefore look to your cellars occasionally. Old boxes, bins and barrels, which have contained vegetable matter, meat, fish, etc., need thorough overhauling. It is not that standing in a dark corner they look empty; there may be enough poison left sticking on the sides and bottom to affect the health of the household. This work of clearing is often left to the women and boys of the family. A man had much better leave his work a day, to make a thorough examination and purification of the cellar, than to be unduly anxious about getting in his crops in extra season. After all the garbage is carried out, let the ceilings and walls be brushed with an old brown; if this is done once a month, the atmosphere will be all the sweeter. Use plenty of lime, and, in dry weather, keep the doors and windows open a part of every day. Old tin and wooden ware should not be allowed to stand year after year upon the cellar shelves. If it is not fit to be used, throw it away. The cellar should be kept as tidy as the rest of the house.

The bells of St. Michael's Church, Charleston, S. C., have an eventful history. They were brought from England in 1764, and have crossed the ocean five times. They were seized by the British in 1782, and sent back to England; they were sold in London, and returned to Charleston. At the close of the war they were sent back to the foundry where they were made; to be re-cast, and on their return made their fifth voyage.

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John J. Debeock, of the City Court, New Haven, died suddenly in that court room, from the effect of a paralytic stroke, on Thursday, June 18th, in the 65th year of his age.

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