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#### HOW SAVAGES SWEAR.

CURIOUS FORMS OF CATH-TAKING.

Macmillian's Magazine gives an account of some curious forms of judicial oaths:

When a Galla or Abyssinian sits down over a pit covered with a hide, imprecating that he may fall into a pit if he breaks his word, or when in our police courts we make a Chinaman swear by taking an earthen saucer and breaking it on a rail in front of the witness box, signifying as the inter- The SCIENCE of LIFE; preter then puts it in words, "If you co not tell the truth, your soul will be cracted like the saucer," we have two full oaths, of which the penalty, magical or religious, is shown in pantomime before us,

savages of the Brazilian forest raises the hand over the head or thrust it into their hair, or they will touch the points of their weapons.

As to swearing by weapons, another graphic instance of its original meaning comes from Aracan, where the witness, swearing to speak the truth, takes in his hand 1 musket, a sword, a spear, a tiger's tusk, a crocodile's tooth, and a thunderbolt (that is, of course a stone celt) The oath by the weapon not only lasted on through classic ages, but remained so common ing comes from Aracan, where the classic ages, but remained so common in Christendom that it was expressly forbidden by a synod. Even in the seventeenth century to swear on a sword (like Hamlet's friend in the ghost scene) was still a legal oath at Holstein. As for holding up the hand to invoke the personal divine sky the success of this primitive gesture remains to this day among the chief acts in the solomn oaths of European nations.

One of the accounts from New Guinea is that the sweaver, holding up an arrow, calls on Heaven to punish him if he lies; but, by turning the arrow the other way the oath can be neutralized.

An Abyssinian chief, who had sworn an oath he disliked, has been seen to scrape it off his tongue and spit it out. There are still places in Germany where the false witness reekons to escape the spiritual consequences of perjury by ersoking one finger, to make it, I suppose, not a straight but a crooked oath; or he puts his left hand on his side to neutralize what the right hand is doing. Here is an idea of our 'over the left,' worthity bestowed."-Massachusetts Pioughman, June 3d, 1876.



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All the farmers were of the "well to do" sort, and some of them, who have turned their attention to fruits and market gardening, have grown rich. The soil is loam, varying from sandy to clayey, and surface gently undulating, intersected with small streams and occasional wet meadows. In which deposits of peat or muck are stored, suffi-cient to fertilize the who e upland surface, after it has been exhausted of its natural fertility. It is certainly note of the mail extensive fracts, in

It has been exhausted of its natural fertility. It is certainly one of the most extensive tracts, in an almost level position, and suitable condition for pleasant forming, that we know of this side of the Western Prairies. We found some of the old-est farms apparently just as profitably productive as when cleared of forest fifty or a hundred years ono.

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Little bits o' silver assayed and weighed, and dollars of the Mexican Republic, battered out of shape, and classed one, two and three, at different values according as an affected comprador pretends to have found more or less bronze in their compositionthis is the ridiculous "coinage" of the coast. In Hong Kong itself, when I took my letters to the post and gave

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Empire, without continuing to impose any charge whatever on the English tax-payer. The history of dollars would be a very curious one. The Chinese look doubtfully npon all that

do not bear the name of some well known Chinese firm stamped upon them, as we write names across the [11-3.] back of a bank-note, except they are of one kind: Mexican pillar dollars, the two pillars of which are described in their Chinese name, "Two-piecycanneltick" dollars, that is, two candle-

of dollars that I propose would have to record the fact that our expeditionary force to Abyssinia had to be supplied with Maria Theresa dollars, of which none were to be obtained

in the market, these bring the only coins received by the natives of that country. The Austrian Government had to be applied to by the British Government, and the coins had to be specially struck for us at the Vienna

Mint.—Macmillan's Magazine.

HISTORY OF THE FAN.-A curious

little volume has just appeared, giving the history of fans among all nations and at all periods. The author, M. Blondel, who has been able to examine many rare collections, states that it came from the East, where it is always accompanied by a flyflap and parasol. The former is made of a tail of Thibetan buffalo, white as snow, and of which the extremity in a tuft of Wholesale and Retail Dealers in hair, in the form of a plume. Fans of feathers, recently in fashion, date from the seventh century. They were DRYGOODS first used in China, where the Emperor Koa Tysong, having heard the cry of the pheasant, supposed to be an auspishaped like the tail of that bird. According to the author of the "Etudes Asiatiques," that article had more than one singular use; on it the rich deposited the alms which they gave to THE CHICAGO & NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY the poor, the great received on it the delieacies offered to them ; it was lowered before superiors as a mark of def erence; the nobles carried it to court, and it served to cool them from the heat of the day, and to amuse them while waiting in the ante-chamber; it was the instrument of punishment of the schoolmaster, and at the same time was given as a reward A fan placed on a plate of particular form announced to the criminal of a noble family his sentence, and it was at the moment he held out his hands to receive the fatal present that the executioner was to accomplish his work. Is the only route for Winona, Rochester, Owa-bonna, Mankalo, St. Peter, New Ulm, and all points in Southern and Central Minne ota, his A WONDERFUL CITY .- London covers within the fifteen miles' radius of Charing Cross nearly 700 square miles. It numbers within those boundaries 4.000,000 inhabitants. It comprises Is the only route for Elgin, Rockford, Freeport, 100,000 foreigners from every quarter and all points via Freeport. Its of the globe. It contains more Roman Catholies than Rome itself, more Jews than the the whole of Palestine, more Irishmen' than Dublin, more Scotchmen than Edinburg, more Welshmen than Cardiff, and more country-born persons than the counties of Devon, Warwickshire and Durham combined. It has a birth every five minutes, a death every eight minutes and seven accidents every day in its 7,000 miles of streets. It has on an average twenty-eight miles of new street opened and 9,000 new houses built in it every year. It has 1,000 ships and 6,000 sailors in its port every day. It has 118,000 habitual criminals on its running police register, increasing at an average of 30,000 per annum. It has as many beer shops and gin palaces as would, if placed side by slde, stretch would, if placed side by slde, stretch from Charing Cross to Portsmouth, a distance of seventy-three miles. It has as many paupers as would fill every house in Brighton. It has an every house in Brighton. It has an influence with all parts of the world, represented by the yearly delivery in represented by the yearly delivery in its postal districts of 238,000,000.— Appleton's American Cyclopædia, Re-vised Edition. A PATENT MUSTARD PLASTER.— Everybody must feel more at ease now since the advent of 3 patent mus-terd plaster. They are close composed. tard plaster. They are clean, compact den. W. H. STENNETT, and can be carried in the vest pocket January 28, 1876-19. and slapped on at any moment. This invention will work a revolution in so-ciety. It can't be helped. Now, for instance, the writer does not go to pic Cambria coun y and elsewhere that the under signed firm, of which he is a member, has opened instance, the writer does not go to pic nics. They are enjoyable, but he was afraid he would appear to be ostenta-tious if he went with a quart of mus-tard in one hand and a roll of muslin under his arm, and it would hardly do to go unprepared for an emergency. to go unprepared for an emergency. to go unprepared for an emergency. There is no trouble now. Everybody P.S-We will also keep on hand a fine stock of choice brands of Cigars. [5-16.-tf.] can go to pienies, calmbaks, and

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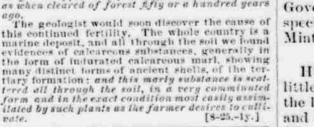
HABITS OF HERONS.

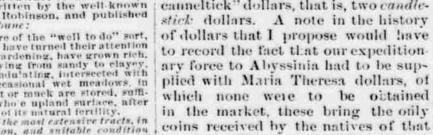
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An interesting article on the labor of the herons of South America, by W H. Hudson, appears in the proceeding of the Zoological Society of Lonks Some one has affirmed that a myster ous light emanates from the here bosom when it fishes in the dark 1 thinks that this may have some bar dation. He has satisfied himself p the "Ardea cocoi" possesses as keep vision by day as any birds except a raptorial kinds. The streams on a level pampas are so moddy that a si level pampas are so muddy that and two inches below the surface is into ble to the human eye; yet in the thick waters the herons lish by the and by day. "If the eye is adapt to see so well in the day, how can see so well at night, and under set unfavorable circumstances, without some such extraneous aid to vision a the attributed luminosity?" the attributed luminosity?"

A wonderful case of protection A wondernal case of protein mimicry in the case of the variegal heron is narrated by Mr. Haiso. When distorbed, it perches creet on reed, the head and neck creet with perceptible curve or inequality in front view, but the whole biri st exact counterpart of a straight the ing rush ; "the loose plumage arrange to fill inequalities, the wings pass into the hollow sides, made it impos-ble to see where the body ended as from neck or beak from heat me was, of course, a front view, million entire under-surface of the bid w thus displayed, all of a uniformal yellow like that of a faded rush" of forcing the head down till it tough the back, it flew back to its form position like a steel spring though the experiment was frequently upon ed. Its eyes appeared "all the imwild and unwinking, like these of creature in a fit." When he steps around to see its striped back of broad dark-colored sides, it mal always present its front to viz "His motions on the perchashe turn slowly or quickly around still topic the edge of the blade-like holy had me, corresponded so exactly white own that I almost doubted that Is moved at all - Edilor's Some Record, in Harper's Mandia.

RARE ANTIQUITIES .- At Kouing on the eastern coast of the island Cyprus, there has lately been been to light one of the invest collection ancient relies now extant. Then cles of this collection were forming ruins of a temple, buried at a diplic forty fect below the surface of





but as far as 1 know this has come down with us to mere schoolboy's shuffling.

Probably to this day there may be the oath on the bear's head. When an Ostavake is to be sworn a lear's head is brought into court and the man makes believe to bite at it, calling on the bear to devour him in like manner if he does not tell the truth.

Among the hill tribe of India a tiger's skin is sworn on in the same sense as the bears head among the Ostavaks. Rivers again, which to the savage and barlarian are intelligent and personal divinities, are sworn by, in strong belief that their waters will pulish him who takes their name in vain.

How THEY MAKE PINS .- A snappish, voracious little dwarf of a ma chine pulls in the wire, bites it off by inches incessantly, 140 bites a minute, and just as it seizes each bite a sauev little hammer with a concave face hits the end of the wire three tops and "upsets" it to a head while he grips it in a counterstack hole between his teeth and lays it sideways in a groove. where levers and springs, playing like lightning, points the pins, and whence they are dropped into a box. The pins are then polished, and two very intelligent machines reject every crooked pin. Another automaton assorts half a dozen lengths, and a perfeet genies of a machine hangs the pins by the heads and transfers them to slips of paper, and by one movement sticks them all through two corrugated ridges in the paper, when the work is finished. The uin machine is one of the nearest approaches to the dexterity of the human hand that has been invented. It is about the size of a sewing machine, which it closely resembles.

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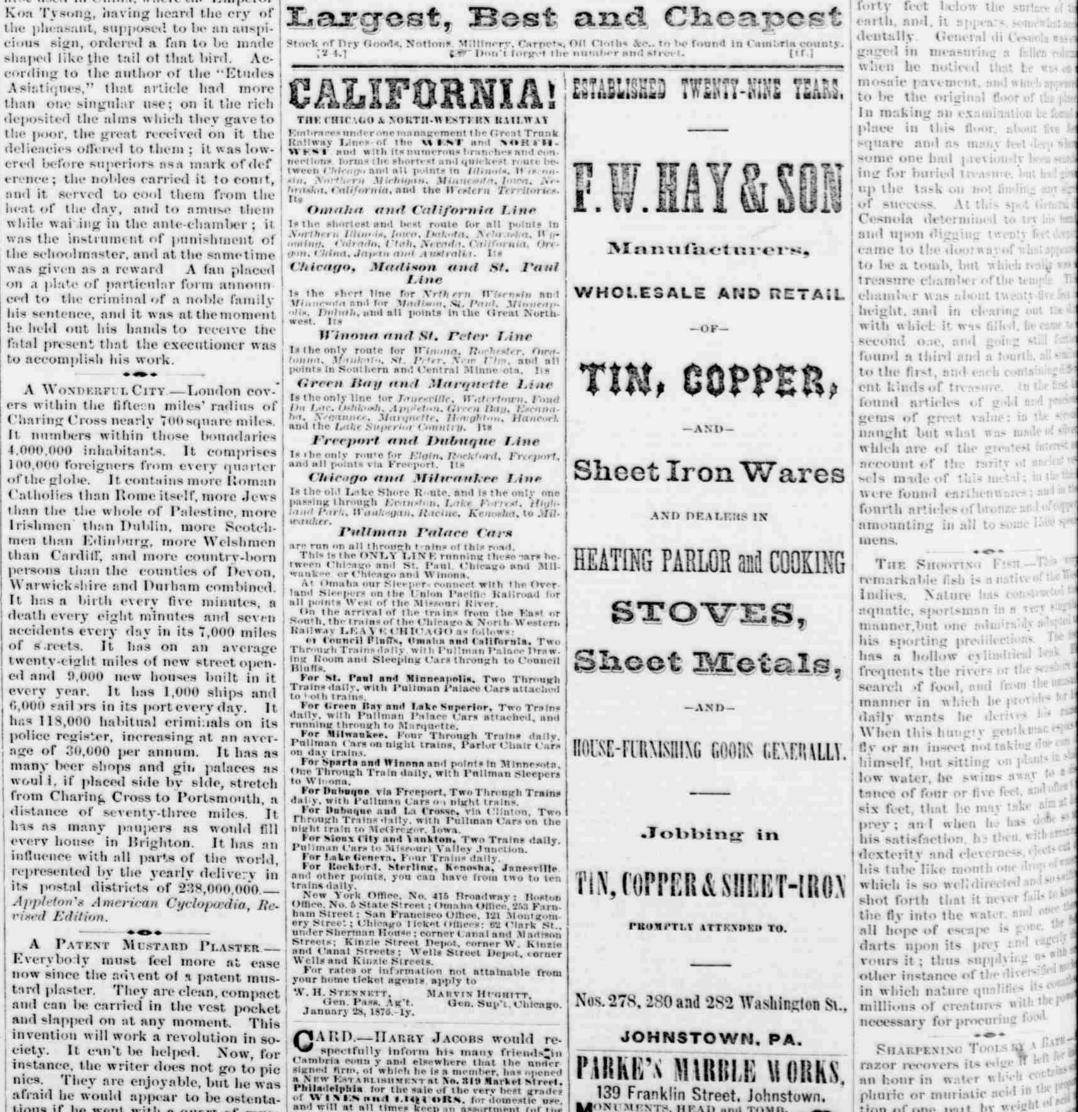
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