

PARISIAN FRAUDS.

OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION OF ADULTERATION OF FOOD AND DRINK.

The Municipal Chemical Laboratory, and the Promptness of its Analyses—How an Official Certificate is Obtained—Convictions.

[Paris Cor. San Francisco Chronicle.]

M. Leon Say once remarked that there was in France a monde des fraudeurs, by which I think he meant to express the idea that there is over here a lot of people who avowedly live by fraud and are none the less recognized by their fellow citizens on that account, just as there are circles which society recognizes and honors under the names of monde diplomatique, monde artistique, etc.

Since Pliny's day things kept on growing worse and worse until finally they reached such a pass that it became necessary to provide means for the protection of the public who were being poisoned, so to speak, on a wholesale scale by all that they ate and drank.

There are two kinds of analyses—one a "qualitative," absolutely gratuitous; the other, a "quantitative," for which there is a fixed fee of \$2. In the first case the laboratory restricts its report to the quality of the substance; that is, to stating whether it is good or bad, and whether it is or is not injurious to the health.

The modus operandi for procuring one or the other of these official certificates is the same. All one has to do is to take the sample to be analyzed to the nearest commissionaire of police, who, after taking down the name and address of the person from whom the article was purchased and price paid for it, gives a numbered receipt, and the applicant is told to call in a fortnight for the report.

Some Ghastly Experiments. [Chicago News.] Some ghastly and, for all that appears, utterly useless experiments, have lately been made in Paris on the decapitated head of Gagny, the murderer, fifteen minutes after its separation from the trunk.

But the doctors at Troyes, where Gagny was executed, went still further. Electric currents were applied to the nerves of the face, those of the hands and other parts of the body, and twenty minutes after death the heart was made to beat.

Fertilized by Volcanic Ashes. [Scientific Journal.] The role of wind in fertilizing the ground is remarkably illustrated by the very fertile valley of Limagne, in Auvergne.

An Instantaneous Change. [New York Sun.] American ladies formerly carried their parasols gracefully and easily while driving, but when the illustrated London papers came over here with the pictures of the princess of Wales and her escort driving about the Irish cities and holding these parasols like flag staffs, an instantaneous change swept over New York and within a month all the women were carrying their parasols as the princess of Wales carried hers, held by both hands stiffly in front of their faces.

Starch. The consumption of starch for all purposes in the United States is about 100,000,000 pounds per annum, or an average of three pounds for each person.

Evidently Thought It Was a "Case."

[Jennie June's London Letter.]

The usual transfer from the ship to a tug was made in Southampton bay, and a landing effected with but little trouble and loss of time. On two previous occasions that I had entered England, the small impediments carried by ladies were not examined at all, but they are more particular now, and every bag, sachel and shawl strap was subjected to a rigorous examination for possible dynamite, rather than the contraband whisky and tobacco.

What was in it? No one could tell. The three men evidently thought it was a "case," but finally one cut the strings with an "England expects," etc., sort of an air, and every one looked curiously to see what the suspected repository contained.

The Black Stone in the Kaaba. [Blackwood's Magazine.] In the Kaaba, the most ancient and remarkable building of the great mosque at Mecca, is preserved a miraculous stone, with the print of Abraham's feet impressed upon it.

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After Landing Her Prize. [Uncle Bill's New York Letter.] What nonsense it is for novelists, or anybody else, to describe "the American girl" as though she were a distinct, invariable person.

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GRANT IN WASHINGTON.

The Cynosure of Curious Eyes—Sauntering Down the Avenue Alone. [Philadelphia Times.]

Gen. Grant was the most conspicuous public man who ever lived in Washington. He was known to every man, woman and child in the District before his name was before the people for the presidency.

While president he was the same sort of man. He loved good horses dearly, and sometimes drove a four-in-hand drag, but he usually walked or took a street car. In either case he was always the cynosure of many curious eyes.

He was known to walk from the capitol to the White House on a pleasant day, when the whole city was out without suffering a single interruption. Yet if he saw men raise their hats to him he never failed to return the salute.

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Chronic Ulcers and Catarrh.

Mrs. Christian Zelle, aged sixty-three years, of Carondelet, St. Louis, Missouri, had a chronic ulcer on her leg which had been running for forty-three years.

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