

THE POST.

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The Effect of Light on Small Pox.

The Journal of the Telegraph says Among the many investigations now being made of the chemical action of light, there are none more interesting or more important than those which are directed to the observation of its effects on the health. It has been observed by Dr. Weber that the sensibility of the skin is very much increased in those parts of the body which are always exposed to the light, and this difference has been measured by that eminent physician. This remarkable fact is especially observable on persons suffering from small pox, the severity of the skin disease being very augmented if the patient be not confined in a dark room. Dr. Waters has recently published a paper on this subject, in which he states that if the room be darkened so that not a single ray can enter it, the effect is to arrest the disease at the popular or vesicular stage; it never becomes purulent, and the skin between the vesicles is never inflamed or swollen; liquor sanguinis is not changed into pus, nearly all the pain and itching are absent, and the small pits, if not entirely removed, greatly diminished. Another advantage, important in a therapeutical point of view, is the assistance given to medicine, the absence of light increasing the excretory powers of the skin.

How the Japanese Look.

The Japanese are of medium stature, and have scarcely any resemblance to the Chinese, either in face, form or complexion. The only European race which they sometimes suggest in their appearance, is the Portuguese. There is more difference in the relative height of the sexes than in Europe. According to the observation made by Fr. Mondino, at Bevens, the medium stature of the men is five feet, one or two inches, and of the women, four feet one to three inches. Men of six feet, however, are not uncommon. They have straight, thick, jet-black hair; the men have beards, but the custom of shaving is universal. The color of their skin varies, according to the classes of society. From the dark, coppery-brown of the May-lays to the dead-white or tawny of South-Europe. The prevailing tint is a dark olive, which has no affinity to the yellow of the Chinese. Unlike the Europeans, their faces and hands are generally lighter colored than their bodies. Children youths and girls often have a fresh, rosy color, with a red on their cheeks like that of the fairer races. The women sometimes appear perfectly white; in fact a uniform, dead-white complexion is considered a sign of aristocratic blood. In two particulars, however, they are all unlike the Europeans—in the peculiar slant of the eyes and an ungraceful narrowness and flatness of the breast.

How Long it Takes to Starve to Death.

Bradley Grant, a rich farmer who lived near Binghamton, New York, recently committed suicide by starving himself to death. The time required was just six weeks. During all this interval he had not taken three ounces of any kind of food. On January 19, the first day of his long death fast, he ate part of an egg, beaten up with a little milk. Of this he only supped two table-spoonsful. His next meal was taken fifteen days afterwards, and consisted of but half a cup of tea and a piece of toast about the size of a man's three fingers. Then he went without food for twenty days. His last meal consisted of one ounce of toast, which he was induced to swallow on the 15th ult. A few days before he died two teaspoonfuls of brandy and water were forced down his throat. This sums up all the food that passed into his stomach during the six weeks. He was well off in this world's goods, and no cause is assigned for the act. He left a wife and infant child. He was reduced to a perfect skeleton before succumbing to his terrible self-imposed privation.

A Terrible Earthquake.

On January 16th an earthquake destroyed the city of Soemacha, in Russia. According to the official report 118 persons were killed and forty four wounded, but all the inhabitants were left without shelter. Soemacha is, or rather was, a city of 25,000 inhabitants, and lies on the road between Tiflis and Baku, at the foot of the Caucasian mountains, about seventy-five miles distant from the latter city. Soemacha is 2,316 feet above the Caspian and 2,360 above the Black sea, and was formerly the seat of government of the province, which, however, on account of the frequent earthquakes in that region, was transferred, about ten years ago, to Baku, on the Caspian sea. The inhabitant of Sche-

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