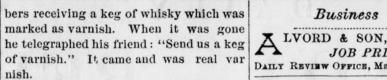
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Death's Spring Harvest.

Whether, according to Mother Shipton, the world comes to an end in 1881 or not, says the Tribune there seems to be a pretty fair chance that the people in it will. The latest foreign papers are full of bills of mortality. Typhoid fever is raging in St. Petersburg, small pox in Vienna and Paris, diphtheria in Berlin and throughout Prussia, the smallpox has gained fresh strength in London, typhoid and malarial fever were doing good service for their grisly master in the seaport towns of Great Britain, while the plague has appeared in its old hunting-ground, Bagdad.

Here, in New York, we know the cause of our prevalent disease; from the epidemic of inflamed eyes down to typhus, they are directly referrable to the filth in which we have been compelled to live. But we are not the only victims; in Philadelphia where the streets are quite as foul and the drainage (owing to defective traps and the level surface of the ground)much worse than in this city, the same epidemics are found, with the addition of almost universal lung and throat affections and neural diseases. The "neuralgic wave" which medical experts now assert passes over the country at certain seasons is always at high tide in Philadelphia. Diseases which belong ordinarily to summer or fall are begining to reap their harvest in spring. To add to the aggregation of horrors, Dr. Leidy, the physiologist and microcopist, has recently declared that the germs of almost every disease are to be found in the dust of the street, and are conveyed to the stymoch by means of the meat and vegetables from markets, and provisions. Let no man call himself happy over his spring lamb and mint sauce; they are only wolves in disguise; tpphus may hide its pallid face in an ice, or small pox lie perdu in a strawberry.

From all parts of the country we hear of the prevalence of diarrhœa, cholera-morbus and other zymotic diseases. It is not likely that these are referrable in every case to uncleaned streets and rascally commissioners. A much more probable cause is to be found in the fact that the ground was frozen to an unusual depth during the winter and that the spring rains and melted snow lay for a long time in stagnant ponds upon the surface; waste wells in towns and every other receptacle of filth have overflowed, and become breeding-places of death. Such a winter as we have had brings our national ignorane of sanitary science to light, and if it is followed by steaming intense heat such as we had last summer, we may expect to pay for that ignorance in a largely increased death-rate. Mr. John Burroughs, in his "Notes of a Walker" in a recent number of Scribner's Magazine, described the delight with which he heard a stray English skylark, which had evidently either escaped from a cage, or was a survivor of those which were liberated in Long Island several years ago. He suggested that there was "no reason why the lark should not thrive in this country as well as in Europe. Acting on this suggestion, Mr. Charles R. Rowe, of Cornwall, England, an enthusiastic admirer of Mr. Burroughs' writings, has sent him a number of English sky-larks, which arrived in NewYork on Saturday last, and have been forward-ed to Mr. Burroughs at Esopus-on-the large stock of Hudson, where they will be set free.



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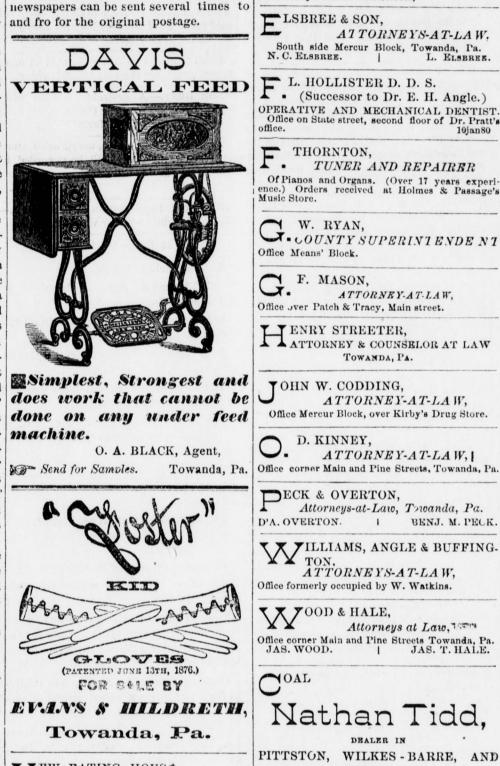
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