

An Ancient Custom. From Republican Traveler, Arkansas City, Kan.

Pilgrimages to some shrine of St. Vitus to cure the disease known as St. Vitus' dance are no longer made. The modern way of treating this affliction is within reach of every household, as is shown by the experience of Karl A. Wagner, the eleven-year-old son of George Wagner, of 515 9th St., Arkansas City, Kan. The father tells the story as follows:

"Over a year ago," he says, "Karl was taken with St. Vitus' dance and continued to grow worse during five months he was under a physician's care. His tongue became paralyzed and we could not understand a word he said. He became very thin, lost the use of his right leg and seemed doomed to become a hopeless invalid. We had about given up hope when Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People were recommended to my wife by a lady whose daughter had been cured of a similar affliction by the pills.

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Prayers for Columbus. Prof. Park of Andover figures rather amusingly in the reminiscences of the late Prof. Schaff, just published. In 1842 Schaff, being a privat-docent at Berlin, introduced Park to his German friends, among the rest to Kahnis. He relates that, under the continuous pelting of Park's questions, Kahnis finally exclaimed in despair: "God forgive Christopher Columbus for discovering America!"

Encouraging.—Myrtle—Oh, dear! I wish I could think of some new way to say no. I've had to refuse so many men lately that I am positively becoming weary of the old way of declining. Allice—I wouldn't worry about that, dear. The fellows probably enjoy the joke just as much as if you said something original each time.—Chicago News.

Crete's Woeful Condition. Crete has lost through political disturbances of recent years olive trees to the value of \$10,000,000. It will take forty years to restore the orchards to full-bearing condition, and in the meantime 800,000 Mohammedans and 300,000 Christians will have to starve.

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IN SPAIN'S PHILIPPINES.

HER RULE A CURSE TO FERTILE ISLANDS.

The Lot of the Native is Not a Happy One—Extortion and Cruelty Practiced by the Spaniards—Characteristics of the Islands and Their Inhabitants.

The Philippines lie wholly within the tropics, reaching at the south to within four and a half degrees of the equator, writes Dean C. Worcester, of the University of Michigan in the New York Independent. Big and little, they number some six hundred, varying in size from Luzon, with its 40,000 square miles, to tiny islets hardly worthy of the name. Destructive eruptions have occurred within recent times, while earthquakes are frequent and often of great violence.

The climate is intensely hot, and in many of the islands very unhealthy for Europeans. There are four months of rain, four of sun, with intense heat, and two months of variable weather at each change of the seasons.

The tropical scenery in the forests of this archipelago is of unsurpassed splendor, the heat and moisture combining to produce vegetation of a magnificence which beggars description. Gigantic trees, towering to a height of 200 or 300 feet, are festooned with graceful rattans, beautiful ferns, and exquisite orchids, while underneath splendid tree ferns rear their lovely heads thirty or forty feet into air.

The population of the islands is estimated at from eight to ten millions. Excluding foreigners for the moment, we find the natives divided into something like two hundred tribes, each with its peculiar dialect and customs. With the single exception of the Negritos, these tribes are of Malay extraction. The Negritos are a race of dwarfish blacks, confined at present to a few of the loftiest mountain ranges. They are commonly believed to be the aborigines of the islands. They are a puny, sickly race, and are rapidly becoming extinct.

The tribes of Malay origin vary in their development from a state of absolute savagery to civilization.

Extreme poverty is the rule among the civilized natives, and its cause is found in the heavy burden of taxation imposed upon them by their Spanish masters. Every person over eighteen years of age is required to procure annually a credula personal, or document of identification, the charge for which varies from \$1.50 to \$25, according to the means of the applicant. Should these sums seem insignificant it must be remembered that the average native has little or no opportunity to work for hire; that if he does succeed in securing employment his wages are often not more than five cents per day and that he is usually unable to dispose of his farm products for cash, being compelled to exchange them for other commodities. In addition to this personal tax there is a tax on coconut trees, a tax on beasts of burden, a tax on killing animals for food, a tax for keeping a shop, a tax on mills or oil presses, a tax on weights and measures, a tax on cock fighting, and so on to the end of the chapter.

Every turn the poor native finds himself face to face with the dire necessity of paying tribute; and he frequently spends his life in an ineffectual effort to meet the obligations thus imposed.

Delinquent taxpayers are treated with the utmost severity. The first step is usually to strip them to the waist, tie them to a bench or post, and beat them unmercifully. Women are subjected to this treatment. Should none of these methods prove effective deportation follows, with confiscation of property and the leaving of women and children to shift for themselves.

I once saw forty-four men deported from Siquijor because they owed taxes varying in amount from two to forty dollars. I was informed that they would be allowed to return to their families, if they could find them, after working out the amount of their several debts. The wages allowed them were to be six cents per day. Board was to be furnished them at a cost of five cents per day, and they were to clothe and shelter themselves! In other words, their sentence amounted to deportation for life.

Should a native manage to get abroad and secure some little education, he is likely to be invited on board a gunboat some evening and not heard from thereafter, the reason for his disappearance being that he knew too much.

The Governor-General is surrounded by a numerous corps of officials to aid him in the performance of his duties, while the islands are divided into provinces, over each of which presides a Governor and a horde of minor officials. The whole Administration is rotten from skin to core. With few exceptions, these officials have come from Spain with the deliberate and frankly expressed intention of improving their pecuniary status. A few years ago it used to be said that the Governor of a province who failed to become wealthy in two years was a fool.

Hostility toward foreigners is intense. The extensive export and import trade of the islands is in the hands of foreign houses, to the great disgust of the Spaniards, who never weary in their attempts to frame legislation for the ruin of these money-making interlopers.

All in all, it can hardly be said that the lot of a Philippine native is a happy one. He constantly chafes under his burden, while the half castes, with their greater sensitiveness and superior intelligence, are perpetually boiling with more or less well-concealed fury. Were arms and ammunition to be had, Spain's rule in these islands would be speedily terminated. As it is, the natives, stirred up and

led by the half-castes, have repeatedly risen against the Government.

Naturally the Philippine native is a peaceable, easy-going fellow. Under a decent form of government he would give little trouble. No one familiar with existing conditions can doubt that Spanish rule has been a curse to these islands, and it would be a happy day for them should some civilized power take possession of them. Their largest cities are well-nigh defenseless and could be readily captured unless defended by a powerful naval force.

Flower-Viewing in Japan. Miss Ida Tigner Hodnett writes of "The Little Japanese at Home" in St. Nicholas. Miss Hodnett says:

It is one of the national customs to go out on excursions, in parties of two or three families, to view the flowering trees and plants in their season. The Japanese love all flowers, but prefer those to which they look upon the flowers of trees. They visit the plum blossoms in February or early March; the cherry, especially beloved, in April; the lotus, in July; azaleas, during the summer; chrysanthemums, in the autumn, and camelias, in December. In the pleasure grounds connected with every temple there are always magnificent collections of flowers. An expedition especially to see the flowers is called a hanami, or flower view. The bank of the Sumida River, which crosses the city of Tokio, is covered with cherry trees. These give a pleasant shade, and the spot is a favorite promenade for the citizens all the year round, but in time of "cherry bloom" the crowds that throng the avenue are larger than ever. It is crowded on moonlight nights, and also when the snow lies freshly fallen.

Being fully alive to the beauty of their country, wherever there is a point from which a picturesque view may be obtained the Japanese will build a pavilion, or a tea house, or some similar place of repose, from which the eyes may feast on the lovely landscape. In the family picnics or excursions, which are frequent, some place of beautiful situation from which there is a good view either of land or sea is always selected.

These expeditions are not discontinued even when the cold of winter comes. Snow scenes are greatly enjoyed, and when the freshly fallen snow is lying on the ground numerous parties are seen at points commanding a fine view. The children are never excluded, but accompany their elders on all such occasions.

Profit in Whiskers. A peculiar but profitable industry among the natives of Alaska is the preparation and sale of walrus whiskers for toothpicks.

Nature has armed the animal with whiskers that extend three or four inches from its snout, and the apparent use of which is to enable it to detect an iceberg before actual contact has taken place.

These whiskers are quite stiff, and this quality increases with age. After a walrus has been killed the natives, with the aid of rude pinners, proceed to pull out each separate hair.

After a thorough drying these hairs are arranged in neat packages and exported to China, where Chinamen of the upper class use them in their toilet.

A Strange Accident. A strange accident is reported from Logan County, Miss. Lizzie Bowers, wife of a farmer near Lewisburg, went out to ring the bell for the farm hands to come to dinner, and the clapper from the bell fell out and struck her on the head. Her skull was fractured and she fell to the ground insensible, where she lay until the men came to the house. She has suffered a great deal, but will probably recover.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A London Idea of American Manners. In an article describing the ladies' billiard saloon of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, in New York, the London Globe enlightens its readers with the following veracious observation: "If a man should be so bold as to remove his coat, an attendant instantly hands him a lounge jacket. All present shut their eyes, and do not open them again until the ringing of a bell announces that the shirt sleeves have been covered."

Of Course He Got Her. The Old Gentleman—"I would rather see my daughter in her coffin than married to you!" The Young Fellow—"Oh, come, now, you can't mean that. I know coffins are cheap at present, but she tells me she'll be satisfied with a very modest wedding outfit, and I'm willing to pay for the gas that's burned during the ceremony."—Chicago News.

An Old Papyrus. The old saying that nothing is ever lost is unexpectedly verified by the recent finding in a tomb at Luxor, Egypt, where it had lain concealed for 1800 years, of a papyrus containing twenty poems by Bacchylides, a great Greek poet, whose writings had wholly disappeared.

A Post Question. Willy Peck—"Say, Popper, Tommy Strongwill's father asked me a funny question the other day." Mr. Henry Peck—"Did he, my son? What was it?" Willy Peck—"He asked me what your name was before you were married."—Puck.

Society News in India. We learn from an Indian paper that Mr. and Mrs. Thambayagampillai are now on a visit to Kovilkudiyiruppu. Mr. Thambayagampillai is the son of Judge G. S. Ariyanayagampillai and son-in-law of Mr. A. Jambulingam and delliar.—Westminster Gazette.

Russian Gold Production.

Russia holds the third place among gold-producing countries. Gold is only found in large quantity in the Ural mountains and east and west Siberia; the very limited output of washed gold in Finland is not of any importance. It is only natural that the Russian government should do all in its power to advance the gold-mining industry. Its plan is to train up a staff of mining engineers, and to let these experts visit North America, south Africa and Australia. It is also proposed to attempt a second extraction of gold from some of the vast quantities of residue, etc., in the various mining districts.—Philadelphia Record.

Mistress—Do you call this sponge cake? Why, it's as hard as it can be. New Cook—Yes, mum; that's the way a sponge is before it's wet. Soak it in your tea, mum.—Boston Traveler.

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SINGULAR STATEMENT.

From Mrs. Rank to Mrs. Pinkham.

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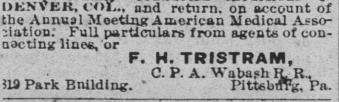
"Some years ago I had womb trouble and doctored for a long time, not seeing any improvement. At times I would feel well enough, and other times was miserable. So it went on until last October, I felt something terrible creeping over me, I knew not what, but kept getting worse. I can hardly explain my feelings at that time. I was so depressed in spirits that I did not wish to live, although I had everything to live for. Had hysteria, was very nervous; could not sleep and was not safe to be left alone.

"Indeed, I thought I would lose my mind. No one knows what I endured. I continued this way until the last of February, when I saw in a paper a testimonial of a lady whose case was similar to mine, and who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I determined to try it, and felt better after the first dose. I continued taking it, and to-day am a well woman, and can say from my heart, 'Thank God for such a medicine.'"

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