

GATHERING OPIUM.

How the Petals and Juice of the Poppy Plant Are Procured.

Opium growing is a sort of garden cultivation, the poppy plants being grown in little squares or beds intersected by tiny water channels for irrigation wherever this is possible. The growth of the plants is carefully tended, and at length the time comes when they burst out into flower, and the fields look like a sheet of silver as the white petals of the flowers glisten in the morning dew.

These beautiful petals are the first produce of the crop, for the women and children of the cultivators' families come forth and pick them off one by one and carefully dry them, so that they may serve afterward as the covering of the manufactured cakes of opium. Then the poppies, with their bare capsule heads, remain standing in the open field until it is considered that they are ripe for lancing. The cultivators then come forth in the evening, and with an implement not unlike the knives of a cupping instrument they scarify the capsule on its sides with deep incisions, so that the juice may exude.

In the early morning the cultivators reappear with a scraping knife and their earthenware pots, and they scrape off the exuded juice and collect it in their pots. And this is crude opium.—Blackwood's Magazine.

A BALKY MULE.

Remedies Were Applied, and He Moved Just a Little Bit.

"Yessuh," said the negro through the borrowed telephone. He stood on one foot in the drug store and talked in his natural voice, which made the bottles jingle on the shelves. The numerous people in the store heard all he said as a natural consequence, but could not hear the conversation at the other end. They deduced, however, from the negro's remarks that he was talking with his boss and that he was a teamster by profession.

"Yessuh," he said, "I tried dat." "Yessuh. De man-an wif de plug hat he tried dat." "No, suh. De man-an ain't much huh. His nose hit's busted." "Yessuh. I done dat." "No, suh. De mule boy he ain't huh none a-tall; jes' jolted." "Yessuh. De schoolteacheh. Hit to his close up shoe." "Fire? Yessuh. Not much; no, suh. He moved a little bit, yessuh." "Yessuh. One o' de wheels was burnt a little." "Two o' de wheels—yessuh. Well, suh, de wagin hit' burned up. No, suh. Dey ain' uffin' let." "De muel? Yessuh." "He's dab yit—yessuh."—Galveston News.

Olden Time "Raiment."

In early Bible days richly embroidered raiment was enumerated with the gold, silver and other valuable property of a rich man. In that primitive age Dame Fashion was not the fickle goddess she is at present, and the "raiment" so frequently mentioned in the Holy Scriptures descended from father to son as a valuable part of the inheritance. Raiment was often sent, with gold and gems, as a present to dignitaries. It took not months, but years, to ornament some of these garments, and the gold thread so lavishly used in embroidering them was real gold. Moses describes the process of making the gold thread that was used in ornamenting the tabernacle. The habit of making presents of rare needlework is still common among eastern nations that changed their customs so slowly.

Weeping Trees.

The phenomenon of "weeping trees"—that is, of trees shedding drops of liquid—is ascribed by Dr. Sharp in the Cambridge Natural History to the influence of plant bugs. The familiar frog hopper which produces the so called cuckoo spit on so many of our plants belongs to this family of insects. A note in the London Field calls attention to some interesting observations on this subject made by Dr. Annandale and contributed by him to the records of the Indian museum. Dr. Annandale while collecting insects in western Bengal felt what he thought was rain from a clear sky through the foliage of the trees. On investigation he found that it fell from the leaves and was due to a species of plant bug present in enormous numbers.

An Impostor.

"Mebbe you'd like to put a piece about me in yer paper," quavered the old man, hobbling up to the city editor's desk. "What have you done?" demanded the arbiter of publicity's destiny. "Nothin' much, but I was a hundred years old yesterday." "A hundred, eh? But can you walk without a stick and read fine print without glasses?" "No." "You are an impostor!" The old man broke down and confessed he was only ninety-seven.—Cleveland Leader.

His Luck.

Tom—I wish that I had Alfred's good luck. Dick—So he's generally lucky? Tom—Lucky! If he walked out of the window in his sleep at dead of night there would be another man going by below carrying a feather bed.

The Harder Task.

"My ambition is to write a history of the world. There is no task more difficult, I imagine." "Oh, I don't know. My ambition is to concoct a new anecdote."—Washington Herald.

DENTED HIS DIGNITY.

The Cook's Familiarity With the Captain Was Ill-Timed.

Enos Stisbee and Ethan Knight came from the same little town on the coast of Maine. As boys they had grown up together, and now as men they were sailing together on the same schooner. Ethan was captain, and Enos was the cook. Their positions might well have been reversed, for Ethan was better with the skillet than Enos, and Enos probably knew as much about navigation as his friend. Still, they maintained their respective places, and neither thought of a shift.

Usually on board the Maria there was little formality between the captain and the crew. In port, however, and on certain occasions it was thought necessary to maintain the dignity of office.

One day a naval officer came on board on some business. Captain Knight received him in his best manner, thanking his stars that he happened to have his good coat on when the officer arrived unexpectedly.

In the midst of their interview in the captain's cabin Enos, apron tied behind, as was his wont when not very busy, poked his head in at the door.

"Ethan," he said, "where's the saucepan?"

Captain Knight frowned, and the officer looked at once surprised and indignant.

"Your conduct is amazing, sir," the captain said in his most dignified manner. "Your saucepan must be where you left it."

"You had it last," protested Enos. "You said you could fry."

But the captain had slammed the door.—Youth's Companion.

INVADING A MOSQUE.

Roughshod Methods of Sightseers in Turkey.

Albert Bigelow Paine says in describing a visit to a Constantinople mosque:

"Some kind of ceremony was in progress when we arrived; but, as usual in such places, we did not mind. We went right in just the same, and our guides, too, and we talked and pointed and did what we could to break up the services. Old turbaned sons of the prophet were kneeling and bowing and praying here and there and were a good deal in the way. Sometimes we fell over them, but we were charitably disposed and did not kick them—at least I didn't, and I don't think any of the party did. We might kick a dog—kick at him, I mean—if we tripped over one, but we do not kick a Moslem—not a live one. We only take his picture, and step on him and mull him up and make a few notes and go.

"I have been wondering what would happen to a party of tourists—Moslems, for instance—who broke into an American church during services, with guides to point and explain, and stared at the people who were saying their prayers and stalked over them as if they were wax figures. An American congregation would be annoyed by a mob like that and would remove it and put it in the calaboose. But, then, such things wouldn't happen in America. We have cowed our foreign visitors. Besides, there is nothing in an American church that a foreigner would care to see."—Outing.

Going Astray at Sea.

The difficulty of keeping a modern steamship on a straight course is no slight one. The helmsman steers by the compass, and, while a single degree of deviation appears very small on the compass card, it would if continued carry a fast steamship four miles out of her course in a single day's run. Yet the compass gives the course more accurately than the ship can be steered. Owing to the deflecting power of the waves and the rolling of the ship, which if she is of the twin screw type causes first one of her propellers and then the other to exert greater effect, the course is continually shifted a little this way and that despite the helm. The only safety is in correcting the compass course by frequent observations of the sun, moon and stars.—New York Tribune.

Leaves It to Her Judgment.

"Am I the first girl you ever kissed?" asks the fair young thing from the refuge of his shoulder. "Well," he replies, "after the way my arm just naturally slipped around your waist as you unconsciously leaned toward me and my fingers tilted your chin as you unconsciously lifted your head and I bent forward where your lips were waiting and didn't get the kiss either on your nose or your chin, but where it belonged—after all that, and with the knowledge of the subject which you have displayed, I shall say nothing, except that I leave the question to your own judgment."—Life.

Saving His Mate.

On one occasion at a crowded performance at the Royal theater in Sydney, N. S. W., a number of years ago a couple of sailors who had been drinking were seated in the gallery. One lost his balance and fell into the stalls. The other immediately cried, "Man overboard!" and dived after his companion. With the proverbial luck of drunken sailors the first escaped with a broken leg and the second without a scratch.

A Robbery That Paid.

Scott—I always thought it was rough on Adam to rob him of his rib. Mott—Yes; but, on the other hand, it was the making of Eve.—Exchange.

We are never so happy or so unhappy as we suppose.—Rochester Herald.

Notice to Contractors.

I will receive sealed proposals for the erection of an addition to my hotel in Reynoldsville, Pa. Parties wishing to figure may get a set of plans and specifications at the office of D. H. Young, Reynoldsville, Pa., after May 14th by making a deposit of \$5.00, which sum will be refunded them on return of the plans and specifications in good condition. THOMAS GREEN.

Notice to Contractors.

I will receive sealed proposals for the erection of a brick business block on Main street, Reynoldsville, Pa., until 12 o'clock noon, May 23. Parties wishing to figure may get a set of plans and specifications at the office of D. H. Young after May 17th by making a deposit of \$5.00, which sum will be refunded them on the return of the plans and specifications in good condition. JOHN CONSER.

Methodist Church.

Services for Sunday, May 15th, 1910; 11.00 a. m., sermon by Rev. J. Bell Neff, D. D. 7.30 p. m., theme, "Looking Up and Lifting Up."

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends who were so kind and helpful during our sad bereavement. MRS. JOHNS AND CHILDREN.

Hanging to a Gas Pipe

Will not stretch lace curtains but the new stretchers at Hall's will. They run in price from 90c to \$1.25 a pair.

No corns grow in a pair of Walk Over's on the baron shape. Price \$4.50. Adam's.

Black suede pumps for women; black suede two eyelet ties for women. Price \$3.50. Adam's Boot Shop.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The stockholders of the Jefferson and Clearfield Coal and Iron Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal office at Reynoldsville, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, are hereby notified that a meeting will be held at 10 o'clock a. m., on the twelfth day of July, A. D. 1910, at the general office of said company, to take action on the approval or disapproval of the proposed increase of the indebtedness of said corporation, in pursuance of the following resolutions, which were adopted by a majority of the entire Board of Directors of the Jefferson and Clearfield Coal and Iron Company, to-wit:

"RESOLVED, That the indebtedness of the Jefferson and Clearfield Coal and Iron Company be increased from Two Million, One Hundred and Forty-one Thousand (\$2,141,000) Dollars to Four Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand (\$4,641,000) Dollars."

"RESOLVED, That a meeting of the stockholders be called to convene at the general office of this company on the 12th day of July, A. D. 1910, to take action on the approval or disapproval of the proposed increase of the indebtedness of this company, and that the secretary be and is hereby directed to give notice thereof, as required by law."

Attest: LEWIS ISRLIN, Secretary. May 10, 1910.

Silk Mill Stockholders Meeting.

A meeting of Reynoldsville stockholders in the American Silk Co. has been called by the stockholders' committee for 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, May 13th, in the Business Men's Association room in I. O. O. F. building to hear the report of C. W. Flynn, special representative of local stockholders at the meeting held in New York City May 3rd.

A picked up baseball team representing the Scholastic team of this place went to Clarion Monday and played the State Normal term. The score was 7-1 in favor of the Clarion boys.

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DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between George C. Hunter and Joseph R. Milliren, doing business under the firm name of Hunter & Milliren, meat market, Reynoldsville, Pa., has been dissolved by mutual consent, George C. Hunter retiring. The business will hereafter be conducted by Joseph R. Milliren. All outstanding accounts are due and payable to Hunter & Milliren and must be paid within thirty days. Any bills against the old firm should be presented promptly. GEO. C. HUNTER, JOSEPH R. MILLIREN.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of the late Mrs. Sarah Welsh, of Reynoldsville.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Mrs. Sarah Welsh, late of Reynoldsville borough, county of Jefferson and state of Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. U. J. KERN, Executor.

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CHILDREN'S MUSLIN UNDERGARMENTS—We have a few odds and ends in broken sizes and children's muslin skirts, drawers and babies' short coats at One-Half Price.

WIDE EMBROIDERY INSERTIONS—A few to clean up at 33½ per ct. off.

LACE CURTAINS AND PORTIERRES—A few odd curtains to close at clearing prices—1-3 to 1-2 off. Two or three pairs of rope portierres at 33½ off.

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