

MUSHROOMS.

It Would Be Worth While for Americans to Grow Them.

A pamphlet has been published by the United States Government for the purpose of instructing the people of this country regarding the edible qualities of mushrooms.

China did this a century or more ago, the Washington Star is informed. For ever so many years past the authorities of that nation have published annual treatises for gratuitous distribution describing the different herbs which are susceptible of use for food.

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Edible mushrooms of many varieties grow largely in the United States without cultivation. Few of them, however, are used, owing to the inability of most people to distinguish the available varieties from the poisonous ones.

The Japanese grow several species of edible fungi from logs of decaying wood in a manner peculiar to themselves. Among the northeastern tribes of Asia one species of fungus when pounded is utilized as snuff, while another, regarded in Europe as poisonous, is employed by these people as a substitute for opium.

In most European countries mushrooms brought to market are regularly inspected and sometimes taxed, the former precaution being taken to exclude poisonous varieties.

Saluting With the Nose.

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THE TERRIBLE "BLACK DEATH."

Black Death derives its name from the gangrenous scabs formed by the carbuncles that accompany the disease.

The length of the course of the disease varies. Many cases are on record of deaths within twenty-four hours.

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China's Sleigh of State.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Five shillings a week is the sum paid to the tolling women who are building roads in remote districts of Ireland this inclement weather.

It is reported that the accounts of the Paris exhibition of 1889 will show a surplus to the state's credit, and it is, besides, an agreeable contrast to the result of the exhibition of '78, when there was a large deficit.

While Germany loses only 110 persons per annum from smallpox, France loses 14,000. Dr. Brouardel attributes this astounding difference to the rigid way in which vaccination is enforced in Germany, and to the carelessness of his own countrymen in this matter.

In one column of a New York paper there appears a paragraph stating that 100,000 men are out of work in that city, and right below it is another giving the total salaries to be paid the New York baseball players as \$56,100 for the coming season.

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In England recently it was decided that there is no legal liability for wounding a person in a hunting field where the injury was not intentional or due to carelessness.

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No Sex in Writing.

A well known newspaper proprietor tells an experience of his own in illustration of his belief that, given a fair chance, women will offset to even better work than men as writers for newspapers.

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