

pawnbrokers in London, with whom from thirty to forty millions of pledges are deposited annually. It is estimated by an able writer in the *Quarterly Review* for January, 1883, that each of three hundred thousand families in London is constrained by dire necessity to resort to the pawnbroker one hundred times in the course of every year.

London consumes forty thousand tons of coal every winter's day in its domestic fireplaces alone; it consumes thirteen million dollars' worth of gas every year; and the water-supply is over one hundred million of gallons a day. One hundred and thirty thousand tons of fish are required by London every year; it consumes six hundred thousand quarts of milk every day, or two hundred and nineteen million quarts a year, at an expense of four and a half million pounds per annum; and to distribute this milk in small quantities over the enormous area of the metropolis five thousand persons are required (without counting managers, clerks, shopmen, and shopwomen), assisted by more than fifteen hundred horses and mules. It has been estimated that if the fronts of the beer-shops and gin-palaces in London were placed in a row they would stretch from Charing Cross to Chichester,—a distance of sixty-two miles; and, again, it was estimated twenty-five years ago that if all the ale, beer, and porter drunk during a year in London were put in barrels, and these barrels were piled up in Hyde Park, they would form a thousand columns, not less than a mile in perpendicular height.

Thirty-four hundred persons were maimed and otherwise injured, and two hundred and fifty-two persons were run over and killed in the streets in 1881,—being three times as many killed, and ten times as many wounded, as it cost to storm Arabi's position at Tel-el-Kebir, and a greater number, omitting the employés of the roads, than the annual total of the killed and injured on all the railways of England. Twenty-two thousand felonies are committed, on an average, every year in London; and the acts of house-breaking and burglaries amount to fourteen hundred and thirty-one. One hundred and seventy-seven persons mysteriously disappeared in 1881; seven hundred attempted suicides; 27,228 were apprehended for drunkenness and disorderly conduct; and three thousand persons were arrested for beggary, and having no visible means of support.

The Cook tourist who "does" other cities in two or three days, finds himself appalled by the stupendous magnitude of London. Adequately to see Paris, Berlin, Vienna, or any other great Con-