

世界最上等ノ品ナリ
モルス斑製洗石鹼ハ

LITERAL TRANSLATION

"We, of the Great Central Flowery Kingdom,
its children, use only Eclipse called Soap in our
laundries."

SAM LEE,
LEE HUNG,
LUNG KANG,

CHUNG FOO,
SAM SING,
CHU CHING,

JOHN LEE, and more fifty, we sign.

Toronto of Canada, Month the Twelve, day 2nd,
25,300 Year (1897).

NOTE. Those of our readers who desire to
compare our translation with the original should
observe that the latter is read downwards, begin-
ning at the upper right hand corner, with the signs
for "We of the Great Central Flowery Kingdom,"
etc.

In investigating the dust of
railway carriages in Germany,
under the direction of the Im-
perial Board of Health, it was
found that in fourth-class cars
there were more than twelve
thousand germs per meter; in
first-class cars, one-fifth of this
number.

One-third of the people who go
mad are said to recover their
senses.

Taking Dr. Elkins' measure-
ment of its distance, the star
Arcturus exceeds the sun in ac-
tual brightness 5,000 times.

Artificial legs and arms were
in use in Egypt as early as 700
B.C. They were made by the
priests, who were the physicians
of that early time.

At Plougastel, a small town in
Brittany, all the weddings of
the year are celebrated on one
day. In February last thirty-
four couples were married sim-
ultaneously.

The total amount expended
for school text-books in the
Dominion is \$800,000 annu-
ally, or about ten cents for each
inhabitant, and the net profit to
publishers is about 10 per cent.

A remarkably large honey
locust tree is growing at Mullica
Hill, N.J. This tree is eight
feet four inches in circumfer-
ence, two feet from the ground;
and seven feet two inches at
four feet from the ground.

Sneezing is averted by press-
ing the upper lip near the nose.

French law requires that a
body shall be buried within
forty-eight hours after death,
unless it is embalmed.

Jew's-harps are made chiefly
in Italy, the seat of the industry
since the sixteenth century.

In the grape-district of France,
night watchmen are posted who
ring frost bells to arouse the
vineyard hands when a frost is
threatened.

A Swiss scientist has been test-
ing the presence of bacteria in
the mountain air, and finds that
not a single microbe exists above
an altitude of 2,000 feet.