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STATE INFANT NURSERY

IS NEW ZEALAND'S LATEST SOCIALISTIC REFORM PROPOSAL.

Premier Seddon's Plan to Conserve the Natural Increase of the Colony—May Be Laughed At, He Says, But Every Life Saved Is Worth \$1,500—Statistics Show Many Infants Die From Preventable Causes.

State Socialism in New Zealand is to be carried still a further stage, if Mr. Seddon is able to give effect to his views next session, says a recent despatch. He intends that the State shall, in future, take steps to protect the lives of infants and administer to the needs of as many infants as possible by establishing a huge nursery department.

Mr. Seddon admits that his scheme may be laughed at, but his heart, he says, prompts him to lessen domestic affliction and save valuable human lives, each of which, upon a commercial basis, he declares to be worth \$1,500 to the State. The idea has apparently been suggested by statistics showing that the deaths of children under five years of age during the past ten years numbered 20,000, due largely to preventable causes.

Briefly, Mr. Seddon's scheme is this: (1) The registration and control of midwives, and provision for their attendance on the poor gratis; the establishment and support by the State of maternity hospitals; the establishment of State nurseries for the treatment of children of poor people; the management of the institution to be placed in the hands of trustees; the providing by the State of nurses to the sick poor in their homes; making provision for the training of such nurses in the general hospitals; the State paying the board and lodging of the probationers for two years; adoption of the lines laid down in the United Kingdom for the prevention of cruelty to children; the establishment of homes for the daily care of young children whose mothers have to go out to work; making it illegal to insure children of tender years for sums beyond that which would cover the cost of internment, viz. \$25, and making it illegal for any parent or guardian to commute (capitalize) the weekly or monthly amount payable for the maintenance of a child.

EMPEROR OF CHINA.

The Public Knows Less About Her Than About the Dowager Empress.

The countenance of the young Empress of China, the spouse of his Imperial Majesty Kuang Hsu and niece of the dowager empress, is not familiar to the public for the very good reason that prior to a short time ago her picture had never appeared in print. The portrait reproduced



THE YOUNG EMPRESS OF CHINA.

herewith is believed to be the only one of her ever taken. When the Dowager Empress, the real ruler of China, was scheming during the reign of the childless Emperor Tongchi to get the reins of power in her hands she obtained the recognition of the present Emperor as heir to the throne and then married him to her niece. Of the Empress herself, her life and personality, scarcely anything is known.

Sir William H. Hingston.

Sir William H. Hingston, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., is one of the best in the medical profession. He is also a



SIR WILLIAM H. HINGSTON.

member of the Senate of Canada. Sir William was born in Hinchinbrook, Que., June 29, 1829.

What Manchester Complains Of.

Citizens of Manchester, England, are complaining bitterly and writing to the papers because the conductors on the tram cars "squeeze" twenty persons into seats constructed for sixteen, and, worse still, "allow some people to stand up."

In convulsions place cold water to the head, loosen clothing, place in a hot bath for ten minutes from 82 degrees to 90 degrees.

A CHINESE FUNNY STORY.

Typical Example of the Humor of the Flowery Kingdom.

Here is a typical example of a Chinese funny story: A passenger boat full of people was on the point of pushing off from the shore when a man came running up in hot haste and asked to be taken on board. "There's no room. We can't take you," answered the boatman. But he was not to be put off so easily. "If you will let me come," he cried, "I will tell you a tale!" The passengers began to discuss the situation. "We have nothing to do," they said to each other, "and it's very tedious. If he were to tell us a story it would while away the time." Accordingly (regulations as to the number of passengers being by no means strict in the flowery land) the applicant was allowed to come on board. The passengers squeezed closer and the boatman made room for him, proving the truth of the German adage, "Many patient sheep go into a small fold."

After giving the newcomer a little breathing time he asked for the promised story without hesitation began: "Ch'ao Ch'ao once led 300,000 men (infantry and cavalry) to the south of the Yangtze." Ch'ao Ch'ao was a famous Chinese general who lived in the time of the Han dynasty about the beginning of the Christian era, and whose deeds of prowess are still related with great gusto among his fellow countrymen. "On their way," went on the story teller, "they had to cross a river by a bridge which consisted of a single plank. They crossed over one by one." Here the narrator began to make noises which were supposed to represent the tramping of the steeds. "Teh-teh-teh," This went on till his audience grew rather tired of it.

At last some one said, "Please go on with the story." "You must wait for them to cross the bridge," was the answer. "When 300,000 horses and men have to cross a one plank bridge it won't do to hurry them. They must be careful or they might fall into the water," and he calmly resumed his "teh-teh-teh." Again his audience pleaded for a continuation of the story, but he declined to be hurried. "They can't cross the bridge in a short time," he said. "They must go slowly and carefully." So he went on with his "teh-teh-teh," and how ever much he was urged, he would say nothing else. So the boat reached its destination, and the story was never finished because Ch'ao Ch'ao's army had not yet had time to cross the bridge.

British Parcel Post.

According to The London Daily Mail, an important and useful concession to the rural population of England is announced by the British postoffice. It will now be possible for those who live in places quite remote from post offices, to send parcels to the postmen for transmission through the mails. A rural postman, whether on foot or mounted on a bicycle or tricycle, is to accept parcels tendered to him, provided that he is not already fully loaded. The weight of the parcels handed by any one person does not exceed eleven pounds. If the sender's consignment is likely to exceed this limit, arrangements will be made for its collection if a day's notice is given. If the postman uses a horse and cart he will be allowed to accept any number of parcels, provided he can conveniently carry them in his vehicle. When these conditions do not apply the sender has yet another opportunity, for he has only to proceed to the nearest country letter box at the time appointed for emptying it, and the parcels may then be handed over to the driver of the mail cart, who, however, is not required to weigh the parcels or to check the postage. For the accommodation of farmers, market gardeners and those who are in the habit of regularly sending parcels, special arrangements have been made, and in cases where a sufficient number of parcels are regularly sent there will be, if desired, a direct collection from the premises every week day on certain specified days each week.

In the Days of the Samurai.

Some of the stories that come from Japan seem as strange and quaint as their paintings and their legends, and their geisha girls. Here is one, from a recent book on that country, that partakes both of the neat and the heroic. Every one admires an artistic piece of work, even a picture, if it is the result of the foiling of an assassin. Such was the device of a powerful samurai whose enemies were pressing him hard. It was in the stormy days of the shogunate. "He had been hunted day and night, but had successfully evaded his pursuers and was resting at a wayside inn. All was quiet and peaceful as he sat alone in a room drinking his tea and planning his way through the tangle that beset him, when, about a foot from where he sat and almost grazing the edge of the tray before him, a spearhead glided swiftly and silently up through the mat. Almost before it had ceased its upward bounds the samurai had the cooling teakettle in his hand and was pouring a thin stream of lukewarm water over the spearhead and down the shaft. Then he tranquilly resumed his tea, knowing that the enemy in the dark below, satisfied that he had felt the blood of his victim trickling down the shaft, would do no more."

Is there any wonder that the Japs got the better of the icon worshipping and thick witted Russians?

Indescribable.

"Oh, don't be so inflexible!" pleaded the fair suppliant. "Think of my helpless children! You are too hard upon me! Indeed you are! Ought I to be punished so cruelly for a hasty action, committed in a moment of anger and bitterly repented of immediately afterward? Where is your sense of justice? Reconsider your decision, I beg of you!"

But the cook, whom she had offended, was obdurate and refused to stay.

A man must become wise at his own expense.

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Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets also Drove Away Mr. Mongeot's Nervousness and Misery.

Has the hot weather made you nervous and irritable? Is your work a trouble? Are you too weary to find pleasure in your usual pursuits? If you are it is time to take heed to your stomach.

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The Cat Bathed.

Time was when I felt that the cat was an animal which civilization had no power to corrupt. The dog, I knew, does his best to be human, but the cat has always seemed to me above any such shallow pretense. I thought I could count on the cat, but now I find that even the cat can be perverted and humanized. I went to see a friend of mine the other day who has recently adopted a plain, valueless alley cat of no particular breed. She told me she was about to give the animal its daily bath.

I felt sorry for the creature, because I had seen cats bathed before. The bathtub was half full of warm water. The cat was lifted in its mistress's arms. The intelligent animal gave a mew of delight and hopped down into the water. It swam two or three times around the tub with every indication of enjoyment, and then looked up and moved to be taken out. The perverted creature seemed to enjoy even the rubbing which followed. After that, I have no faith in anything. I have no doubt that hens enjoy a daily plunge, and as for the gentleman who has always been represented as disliking holy water, I haven't the slightest doubt in the world that he drinks it three times a day.

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Distension and pain from indigestion are cured quickly by Nervilleine. When you get an attack of stomach trouble take a stiff dose of Nervilleine, which is perfectly harmless but marvellously quick in effecting a lasting cure. "I was once taken ill with stomach trouble," writes Edward Rowell, of Rochester. "I was in great pain and distress but half a teaspoonful of Nervilleine fixed me up in a few minutes. I can recommend Nervilleine for sick headache and cramps and consider it an invaluable household remedy." Try it yourself. Price 25c.

Shakespeare's Greatness.

"The more I read Shakespeare," said Keats, "the more I find in him all that I need." It has been said of Wagner that his greatness was due to the fact that he knew no Latin. Perhaps Shakespeare's "little Latin and small Greek" also saved him from a sterilizing bondage to dead classics. How, which is perfectly harmless but marvellously quick in effecting a lasting cure. "I was once taken ill with stomach trouble," writes Edward Rowell, of Rochester. "I was in great pain and distress but half a teaspoonful of Nervilleine fixed me up in a few minutes. I can recommend Nervilleine for sick headache and cramps and consider it an invaluable household remedy." Try it yourself. Price 25c.

The Largest Cities of Antiquity.

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Nine Points of the Law.

Success in law requires, first, a good deal of money; second, a good deal of patience; third, a good cause; fourth, a good lawyer; fifth, a good counsel; sixth, good witnesses; seventh, a good jury; eighth, a good judge, and ninth, good luck—Exchange.

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Curious Contest For a Bride in Tibet.

Among some of the wilder Tibetan tribes in the Koko-nor there is a curious marriage ceremonial function. This consists in placing the girl, on her wedding morn, in the upper part of a tree, while her male relatives remain on the lower limbs, or else in the back part of her father's tent or hut, while those of the bride remain on the entrance, in each case the latter being armed with lolo thorn sticks.

The groom, when their preparations have been completed, rides up and announces his intention of seizing the bride. This requires fortitude, for the relatives beat him numerically when he attempts to reach the woman. If he manages to elude his assailants and touch the toe of the woman she is his, he is welcomed into the family and complimented on his valor. Should he fail he suffers not only the loss of his honor, but the loss of his life, and other presents given during the negotiations. If the sale of a girl to one man, however, the father does not relinquish his claims upon her, but may sell her to other suitors who come afterward until she may have half a dozen husbands.

Which Eye Is Stronger?

Here is a little test for your eyes that will soon show you which of them is the stronger. Place an object about two inches in diameter on a level with your eyes and move back from it about ten feet. Then point to it and take sight along the top of your pointing finger until the object and the tip of your finger are exactly in a line with the eye from which you are sighting. Next open the other eye and see if the object seems to have moved from the straight line. If it has not moved to one side apparently, the eye with which you first looked is the stronger, as the addition of the other's vision does not change the focus. If the object seems to have moved, it proves that the other eye is the stronger, the difference being measured by the distance that the object appears to have moved.

Bumps on the Head.

The lump raised by a blow on the head is due to the resistance offered by the hard skull and its close connection with the movable elastic scalp by many circumscribed bands of connective tissue.

The result of a blow, when the scalp is not cut, is the bruising and laceration of many of the small blood vessels or capillaries. Blood or its fluid constituent, serum, is poured into the meshes of the surrounding connective tissue, which is delicate, spongy, distensible and cellular, and the well known bump or lump is quickly formed. This cannot push inward at all and naturally takes the line of least resistance. Similar lumps may be formed on the shin in exactly the same way, for the shin bone also is covered only by skin and subcutaneous connective tissue.

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The Guillotine.

The striking thing about the execution was the appalling quickness of it all. Action was so rapid from the instant the condemned appeared in the doorway of the prison to the moment the knife fell that it was almost impossible to distinguish the slight chain of incidents. He flung himself eagerly against the plank, was strapped to it, and in the flash of a glance the plank was pushed forward on the platform of the guillotine. An instant's vision of a recumbent figure, face downward. In the same moment a head, with two staring, wide open eyes, whirled almost defiantly, as it seemed, and with a slight zigzag movement, to the rightward, while simultaneously the pincioned body rolled, inert, convulsive into the capacious basket, also at the right hand side of the guillotine. The swiftness, the mechanical promptness of the business, fairly stupefied the spectator. It was impossible to realize that a human life had ended in less time than it would take to draw a full breath. The guillotine had done its work well. There was scarcely a sense of horror in the sight.—London Standard.

THE PROPER TREATMENT FOR A SPRAINED ANKLE.

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Some of Swift's Sarcastic.

Swift's "Rules and Directions For Servants" are quoted in What to Eat as an evidence that the servant of the seventeenth century did not differ materially from the modern American article. Among these rules are the following: "Scrape the bottom of your pots with a silver spoon, for fear of giving them a taste of copper." "Write your name and your sweetheart's with the smoke of a candle on the roof of the kitchen to show your learning." "Whoever comes to call on your master or mistress when they are abroad never burden your memory with the person's name, for, indeed, you have too many other things to remember." "When you cut bread for toast do not stand idly watching, but lay it on the coals and mind your other business."

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"I'll have to look it over," the clerk told Jones when the latter modestly asked the cost of putting the watch in good running order. "Leave it and come back tomorrow."

Jones did so, and caught his breath as the clerk remarked that it would cost exactly \$28.50 for repairs. Then he took his watch and fled. At noon on the same day he took his watch to a little shop on Nassau street. "It just needs a new mainspring and a cleaning," he was told. "That'll cost you \$2.50."

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An Early Answer.

Mistress—Why don't you put off your letter writing until after breakfast? Maid—Please, ma'am, when my cousin wrote to me he said he wanted me to write him an answer as early as possible.

Euphony.

"Why did you ever name your daughter Clytemnestra?" "Oh, I dunno, except that my wife seemed to think it would go well with Sniggs."

Telephone Shocks.

She—Is it possible to receive a shock through the telephone? He—Sure. But the shock usually depends upon who is at the other end of the line.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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FOR SALE CHEAP—Very desirable property on Queen Street, now occupied by Major Reid, as a grocery store and dwelling, one and one-half story house, south side of Wellington Street, adjoining Dr. Cornell's residence. I have also several choice building lots for sale. Terms easy. For full particulars apply to G. K. Atkinson, Insurance and Real Estate Agent, Fifth Street. 19.

FARM FOR SALE—North east town of lot 16, Front concession, Township of Har