

THE LAND OF PIGTAILS.

China not so Fair as Fancy Paints Her.

A Country Where the Inhabitants Think They Have a Sun of Their Own, Spilt at Foreigners, and do Everything Backward—Civil Servant but no Civility.

The Chinaman abroad is a different being from the Chinaman at home. Here he permits himself to hold an opinion of foreigners, and he permits his boys to express it with mud and pieces of tiles.

The Chinese at home are of all people the most uninteresting, their country the grimmest and most grotesque, and their religion as dull and stupid as their stony and ferocious gods.

The Chinese do everything backward. Their compass points to the south instead of the north. The men wear shirts and the women trousers; while the men wear their hair long, the women coil theirs in a knot.

They are so backward, they even do the most ordinary things in a way that is just the reverse of what we do. They wash their feet first, and they shake their own heads instead of the head of one whom they would greet.

The labor question is in its crudest stage and it is absolutely impossible to make head against the secret societies. If a lady in any of the Straits Settlements discharge her cook she will find it quite impossible to engage another.

The restaurants are arranged in the same manner as those in Paris. The customer eats his food on the sidewalk, and at the same time gives a demonstration of the elasticity of the human stomach.

The physicians are admirable for their outspokenness. They prescribe for a patient by permitting him to draw one out of a bundle of straws which indicates the disease and the prescription required for its cure.

The mixture of old and new is grotesque. The civil service is based entirely on examination and education is the only passport to office.

A CHATHAM MIRACLE.

Dr. Carl Verrinder's Vicissitudes of Torture and Health.

He Survives Them All, and Recounts His Wonderful Deliverance from Poverty and Death, and His Restoration to Prosperity and Vigor of Mind and Body—Good Words for the A. O. U. W. Chatham Planet.

In a Raleigh St. residence there lives with wife and one child—a little ten year old daughter—a most joyous household.

"Climbing the trees, the village boys fill the air with the songs of their age; each of the trees has its owner.

For every sailor awaits the chance that his burial place may be not in some peaceful God's acre at home, but in distant lands, or, worst of all, in the turbulent deeps of the great open.

When the maritime Jack dies he is buried without much undue ceremony. A brief prayer, a shot hammock, the lee rail and all is over.

When the closing prayer is said, the last blessing given, the tackle is unrigged, the coffin is stripped of its flags and slung in straps, and slowly, reverently, is hoisted above the rail and clear of the ship until it is poised over the billows.

In a little while the cheery whistles trill out a call to duty, the half-masted ensign climbs to the dasher block, the ship is brought to her course, and dazedly the men take up the wearying routine of the lives so lately broken.

Oh, give me but that fragrant rock, On which to build my simple cot, And I'll not ask for palaces,

When over the distant line of hills The rosy morning peeps its head, And stars that through the night have watched

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Dr. Carl Verrinder, Director.

To sit, as did a Planet reporter a few days ago, in a very atmosphere of sweet harmony, created by Dr. Verrinder's magic-like touch was an experience that might well be envied, and one calculated to inspire the most sentimental reveries.

There are stories abroad, said the newspaper man, regarding some extraordinary deliverance from death, which you have met with recently, doctor. Would you object to stating what foundation there is for them, and, if any, furnish me with the true facts for publication?

I have not, he replied, been given to seeking newspaper notoriety, and at fifty-five years of age it is not likely I shall be, and yet, said the professor after thinking a moment and consulting Mrs. Verrinder, I think I can give you the circumstances of a very remarkable case.

I secured an organ and choir and soon had a large choir for my order as I thought to better my fortune. I took up my residence in London, first filling an engagement with a Methodist church and afterward accepting the position of organist in St. Peter's Cathedral.

I felt it my duty to look after my art with much earnestness and labor, and I received a stroke of paralysis. Perhaps, here the speaker rose and stretching himself to his full height, thus displaying his well-built and well-nourished frame.

The top round of the ladder is an imaginary; no one one ever reached it yet. A man is called a confirmed liar who nothing that he says is confirmed.

Those who never retract their opinions lose themselves more than they love truth. History fails to record that any Indian has ever been killed by lightning.

The primal duties shine aloft, like stars; the charities that soothe and heal and bless are scattered at the feet of man, like flowers.

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A Promise He Was Sure To Keep.

Jimmy—Dinna greet, Bobby, maybe yer father'dna mean it when he said that he wud thrash ye.

No False Pride. "Ain't you ashamed ter be seen in do Tabernacle in sich raggedy pants?" said Whangdoodle Baxter to Jim Webster.

There is no use in fooling with neuralgia. It is a disease that gives way only to the most powerful remedies. No remedy yet discovered has given the grand and sure invariability attend the employment of Pills of the Nervine.

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