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CHINESE SMUGGLERS.

The customs officers of San Francisco have to deal with some of the most audacious smugglers in the world. The Chinese are a race of smugglers, and there is no people on earth more fertile in expedients to evade the revenue laws.

Before the influx of Chinese laborers was stopped, says the San Francisco Chronicle, a Mimog, looking as if he had been acquainted with only poverty and toil, would sometimes try to sneak ashore with a dirty old blouse stuffed full of handkerchiefs, scarfs or Indian neckerchiefs.

Sometimes a demure Chinese maiden would step ashore with the thick coils of her hair, and a whole cover of some years ago, with their shreds stuffed in this fashion.

They have brought opium skillfully stuffed in barrels, and in their blankets and in oranges. One day, about six years ago, a Chinese dressed as a cook walked late into the customs office.

Chinese have been detected with boxes of the drug deftly bound up in their bundles or tied under their arms. Every bit of baggage and every article they take ashore is hidden place.

Several years ago the officials were informed that a hole had been hollowed out under the stern of one of the Chinese steamers as a receptacle for smuggled opium.

It would seem that the Chinese are not content with their present means of smuggling opium, but are constantly devising new methods.

UNDIMYVED.

His Was Proposed For Snakes and Did not Once Fly Away. Lisa Blackburn was in his day one of the most successful and notorious moonshiners of southwestern Virginia.

After one of these periods of abstinence Lisa found occasion to smuggle 10 gallons of whisky. Lisa had a great conviction that in spite of his generous gauging of the barrel a shortage might be noticed when he delivered the goods.

TO SELL BY WEIGHT.

Mr. Wood instructed the officers of the weight and measure department and the necessary steps to carry out the compromised arrangements arrived at.

A RUFFIAN'S END.

Accidentally Killed by the Husband of an Unlucky Woman. It appears that Hill, accompanied by his brother-in-law, James McMaster, went to the house of William J. Hicks to make what seemed to be a friendly visit.

Kept as a Boy.

Howard's father, a physician, and one day when the doctor was out Howard and a little playmate were "playing doctor" in the rear doctor's office.

Advantages of Matrimony.

Friend—Do you lose anything in the marital bond? Dependent—Not a cent. "Well, well, if you knew the thing was going up, why didn't you say so?"

Case of Necessity.

Concessionaire (frantically, at telephone)—Is that Kobbs or Glinko? Concessionaire—For heaven's sake hurry up that keg of molasses and two gallons of vinegar I ordered for you.

Weather Probabilities.

Overcast, Tuesday, Oct. 31, 11 p.m.—An area of high pressure has extended over the Northwest, accompanied by decidedly cold weather.

His Fatal Curiosity.

MONTREAL, Oct. 28.—Abraham Rudman, a plumber 20 years of age, was working in the drug store of T. Chive, took a drink of cold beer out of curiosity.

THE DINNER HOUR.

Don't quit the peppy show kind of nibble seldom now. How is such a fellow through when that horns begins to blow.

THE SULTAN OF JOHORE.

He looked like a murderer. A Washington physician told the following peculiar experience to a Star reporter.

Germany's Black Bread.

There is no doubt that the Germans are the most prolific people on earth and that the most prolific, and I believe it is owing to their eating black bread.

The Dog—He didn't catch you that time.

The Dog—He didn't catch you that time. The Trout—I guess not. There are no flies on me—Life.

Pushed For Money.

The call had come. The voice of fate had spoken. The master must leave the dark, unfathomable cavern of fate and go forth into the world and the inhabitants thereof.

He Was Suspicious.

"Niver again," said Mr. Dolan, "not even if I get to be as rich as the Vanderbilts, will I take me clothes till a Chinese laundry."

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