An Epidemic of Poisoning.

The two most popular French poisoners of the seventeenth century were two French women, Lavoisin and Lavigoreux. They had a grim sense of humor. They called their poison by facetious names. Sometimes it was "succession powder," because by its aid an heir could quickly enter on an estate; sometimes it was called "peace powder," because it induced harmony between jarring couples. They were both arrested, tried, convicted, and burned alive in the Place de Greve in 1680, and from information given by them, over fifty French widows who had disposed of their consorts, and nearly forty sons and daughters who had murdered their parents, were convicted and executed. Most of those who were punished were of the middle and lower classes. The wealthy and noble escaped. Over 8,000 poison cases were tried by the courts in four years. After the execution of the two hags who furnished the powders, nearly 3,000 men and women were punished by whipping, branding, imprisonment or exile, and thus ended the most noted French epidemic of poisoning.—Globe-Democrat.

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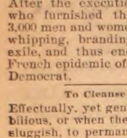
RICE paper is made from a filthy plant called tung-tsua which is found in China, Corea, and Japan.

Shooting Pains



All over my body and swelling of my limbs have caused me great suffering. In the spring I was completely worn out and ate hardly enough to keep me alive. I have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and the swelling has subsided, the shooting pains are gone, I have good appetite, and am better every way.—Mrs. A. G. OMAN, 34 Newman Street, South Boston. Get Hood's.

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Prince Vadhana, Siamese Minister to France, Acquaints the French Minister of Foreign Affairs that Siam Accedes to the Terms—This Ends the Difficulty.

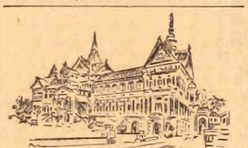
There Will Be No War.

The war clouds in the East have lifted. The government of Siam, disappointed at not receiving the support of Great Britain on which it reckoned, has surrendered unconditionally and granted every demand in France's ultimatum. Late advices from Bangkok state in effect that the Siamese Government, learning that France regards its reply to the ultimatum as a refusal to grant the French demands and being most desirous of maintaining peace, has telegraphed instructions to the Siamese minister at Paris to inform M. Develle, the French foreign minister, that Siam accepts the ultimatum in its entirety. The dispatch adds that the Siamese Government hopes that the blockade will cease, that diplomatic negotiations will be resumed and that an early settlement of the troubles will be effected.

A London dispatch says that Lord Rosebery's statements on Thursday foreshadowed Siam's surrender. After his speech it was felt that Siam had no other alternative. The only question

A SIAMESE MILITARY POST IN THE DISPUTED TERRITORY.

was the possession of the provinces on the northeastern side of the Mekong, and it is currently reported that Lord Dufferin has secured a settlement by consenting to Siam handing these provinces to France on the distinct understanding that France shall immediately restore them to Siam and that the buffer state between France and English territories whereon England insisted shall be preserved. The feeling in the bellicose Paris press was against any arrangement with England, but the French government is doubtless delighted at being able to emerge from a serious situation without complications with Great Britain and with a full pound of flesh from little Siam.



ROYAL PALACE AT BANGKOK.

France's Ultimatum.

The substance of the ultimatum was as follows:

1. A recognition of the rights of Anam and Cambodia on the left, or eastern, bank of the Mekong River as far north as the twenty-third parallel of latitude.

2. The evacuation within a month of the forts held by the Siamese on the east bank of the river.

3. Full satisfaction for various Siamese aggressions against French ships and French sailors on the Menam River.

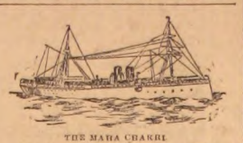
4. The punishment of the culprits and provision for the pecuniary indemnity of the victims.

5. An indemnity of 2,000,000 francs for various damages sustained by French subjects.

6. The immediate deposit of 3,000,000 francs to guarantee the payment of the fourth and fifth claims or the assessment of the taxes in certain districts, in lieu of the deposit of 3,000,000 francs.

This ultimatum was sent on July 19, and forty-eight hours were allowed for Siam to make answer to the French demands. On July 21 M. Pavie, the French minister at Bangkok, presented the ultimatum to Prince Devawongso, the Siamese minister. On July 23 Siam replied, stating that the King was at a loss to understand what the rights of Anam and Cambodia were on the left bank of the Mekong River. The King expressed his willingness to abandon all the territories over which the existence of these rights could be proved and called attention to the fact that five months previously he had proposed to submit all the contested territorial questions to international arbitration. In the interests of peace, however, the King offered to surrender the territory as far north as the eighteenth degree of latitude, but no further, and proposed that the islands in the Mekong River be used in common by Siam and France. All the other points of the ultimatum were conceded.

This answer was not satisfactory to France and subsequently M. Pavie withdrew from Bangkok on a gunboat, and the French warships in the Menam River went to Koh-Si-Chang, an island near the head of the Gulf of Siam, where they joined the French fleet under the command of Admiral Humann. France then determined to blockade the Siamese coast. There was serious doubt as to the time the blockade was to be made effective. The French government informed the British Government that the blockade would begin July 31, but the British Minister at Bangkok later informed the British Foreign Office that it had commenced on July 26. Lord Rosebery, the British Foreign Minister, asked the French Government for a prompt explanation of this conflict in dates, but the answer has not yet been made public. With the acceptance of the ultimatum by the Siamese Government the war cloud in the East, of course, passes over.



THE MAHA CHAKRI
(The Siamese King's cruiser-yacht.)

SWINDLED THE BANKS.

Northern Pacific Elevator Company Employes Get $1,500,000 by Fraud.

A huge conspiracy has been unearthed whereby seventy-three banks and banking institutions in New England were victimized. The story is to the effect that certain employes of the Northern Pacific Elevator Company of Minnesota issued $1,500,000 worth of forged duplicate certificates for grain on storage in the "country" elevators owned by the concern, where the inspection is not so strict as at the terminal elevators. These forged certificates were deposited with eastern banks as collateral. About $800,000 was secured in New England and the balance in New York. Some of the eastern holders of the paper became suspicious and, on an investigation being made, the true state of affairs came to light.

Money to Move Crops.

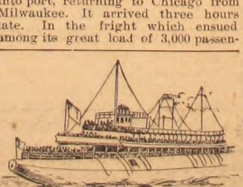
The question of how to move the wheat crop of Minnesota and the Dakotas for 1893 is becoming one of great seriousness. Owing to the financial stringency, the borrowing power of the grain men has become very limited. The country banks will not lend, and the money to be had is but a mere fraction of what has heretofore been used in moving the crops. Various plans have been suggested whereby the effects of the stringency may be obviated as much as possible. Any plan that will result in the moving of the crops, even though it be done very slowly, must be acceptable. Such a plan has been proposed and is being adopted in some parts of Southern Minnesota. The plan, according to a St. Paul dispatch, is that the grain men issue their checks for grain purchased of the farmers, payable fifteen days after date, which would allow time for the collection of drafts against consignments, but will only enter such drafts for collection. Even with this arrangement the crop must move very slowly and farmers who are obliged to sell may find themselves much inconvenienced.

CITY OF BANGKOK, TOWER OF THE GREAT PAGODA ON THE RIGHT.

LOST IN A FOG.

The Whaleback Steamer Christopher Columbus Loses Her Bearings.

Lost in the thick fog which hung over Lake Michigan the other night, the whaleback steamship Christopher Columbus was obliged to sound its way into port, returning to Chicago from Milwaukee. It arrived three hours late. In the fright which ensued among its great load of 3,000 passengers an unknown man fell into the lake. Rumor quickly spread among the frightened thousands that the boat was running dangerously near shore. With each contradiction a more serious rumor would run over the boat, until accidents from frequent stampedes to different places on the boat were narrowly averted.



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He Got His Pipe Back.

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"I was employed last year in the French bureau, and one day after dinner accidentally left my pipe on the table of one of my colleagues in the Belgian office. Our place was almost empty when I returned, and there was only one messenger in the room. I asked him to go over the way and get my pipe. The small Mercury in buttons was obstinate, and scornfully replied to my request by saying: 'I can't go hunting after pipes; I am wanted here.' I did not press the point, but wanted my pipe badly and could not go after it myself. I got over the difficulty in this way: I went to my table, called up Dover, and asked them to put me in communication with Calais. As soon as this was done I asked Calais to make through connection with Paris; Paris was then asked to put me in communication with Brussels; through Brussels I got communication with Ostende, and then Ostende put me in communication with London. A second later my colleague in the opposite office was surprised to hear clicking over his wire via Dover, Calais, Paris, Brussels, and Ostende this message: 'I have left my pipe on your table; please send it by one of your boys. The only one I have here refuses to go.'

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A Fine Point in Law.

The ideas of the colored man in the South are somewhat confused on some subjects. An old Texas negro applied to a lawyer to bring suit against Uncle Moses for ten dollars borrowed money.

"You must have a witness who saw you loan him the money."

"Boss," replied the colored agriculturist, after a minute's pause, "ef I brings two witnesses what seed me loan him de ten dollars, kin I make him pay me back twenty dollars?"

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The Rhinoceros.

The rhinoceros is a beast of legendary and mythical associations, as well as of stern reality. In the mythology of the old world he figures very conspicuously, being worshiped as a god by the early Javanese tribes, and lauded as the builder of the earth and heavens by several East African people. The old Jewish Talmud declares that his skin is folded as a result of having been exposed forty days and forty nights in the waters of the flood. The waters of the great deluge were hot, according to Tabari, where we read: "After that Noah sent forth the dove. The dove departed, and without tarrying put her feet in the water. The waters of the flood were hot, and they scalded and pickled the legs of the dove. It was hot and briny, and feathers would not grow on her legs any more, and the skin peeled off. Now, doves which have red and featherless legs are of the sort which Noah sent out."

This is only cited for authority to prove why the skin of the rhinoceros lies in folds and ridges. Certainly if the waters were hot enough to pickle and scald a dove's legs at the moment of contact they would make the skin of a rhinoceros too large for him in the course of forty days.

"But," you say, "why was he exposed in the waters of the great deluge while all the other beasts were safely housed in the ark?"

Simply because he was too large to be put aboard the great lifeship. The bulk of the old rabbinic writers agree that the rhinoceros floated along with the ark, and they disagree as to how the floating operation was performed.—St. Louis Republic.

How to Become a Scotchman.

Capt. Chisholm, of Glassburn, late of the Black Watch, relates an incident which has an amusing bearing on the Anglicizing of the Highland regiments. Many years ago, while the Forty-second was stationed at Malta, during the time that the officers and men were, without exception, all Scotchmen, many of them being Gaelic-speaking Highlanders, and consequently extremely jealous of the intrusion of anyone other than a Scotchman, a young English ensign was appointed to the regiment, an innovation which was greatly resented by the officers, more especially by the younger ones. However, the ensign turned out to be a very jolly fellow, so a general desire was expressed that the difficulty occasioned by his not being born a Scotchman should be overcome, and overcome it was in a very novel manner. The Englishman was compelled to swallow a Scotch thistle, prickles and all, and then wash it down with a glass of Scotch whisky. After this had been done all shook hands with him as a Scotchman and a brother.—London Public Opinion.

A Money-Making Horse.

An old firm, well known to Boston housekeepers, furnishes the following account current with its faithful horse:

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