Horseshoes for Luck.

The principal gateway at Allahabad is thickly studded with horseshoes of every size and make. There are hundreds of them nailed all over the great gates, doubtless the offering of many a wayfarer who has long since finished his earthly pilgrimage. We could not find out what was the exact idea connected with this custom—probably the same notion of luck as we attach to finding a horseshoe, especially one with the old nails still in their place. We afterward noticed that the sacred gates of Somnath, preserved in the fort at Agra, are similarly adorned. It reminds us of that curious old manorial rite still kept up at Oakham, in Rutlandshire, where every peer of the realm is bound the first time he enters the town to present a horseshoe to be nailed on the old portal, which is well-nigh covered with these lordly tributes.

It is said that in case any contumacious peer should refuse to pay this tax the authorities have a right to stop his carriage and levy their blackmail by unshoeing one of his horses. To avert so serious an annoyance the tribute shoe is generally ready, some being of enormous size and inscribed with the name of the donor. Whether these Eastern horseshoes were taxes or offerings I cannot tell, but it is certainly very curious to observe how widespread is the superstitious reverence attached to this particular form. It has been suggested, and apparently for some reason, that in ancient pagan times it may have been a recognized symbol in serpent worship, and hence may have arisen its common use as a charm against all manner of evil. The resemblance is obvious, more especially to that species of harmless snake which is rounded at both ends, so that head and tail are apparently just alike. The creature moves backward or forward at pleasure; hence the old belief that it actually had two heads and was indestructible, as even when cut into two parts it was supposed that the divided bands would seek one another and reunite. It stands to reason that in a snake-worshiping community such a creature would be held in high reverence. Even in Scotland various ancient snake-like bracelets and ornaments have been found which seem to favor this theory, and at a very early period both snakes and horseshoes seem to have been engraved as symbols on sacred stones. We hear of the latter having been sculptured, not only on the threshold of old London houses, but even on that of ancient churches in various parts of Britain. And in the present day we all know the idea of luck connected with finding one, and how constantly they are nailed up against houses, stables, and ships as a charm against witchcraft. In Scotland, all parts of England, and Wales, and especially in Cornwall (where not only on vans and omnibuses, but sometimes even on the grim gates of the old jails), we may find this curious trace of ancient superstition. Whatever may have been its origin, it certainly is remarkable that it should survive both in Britain and Hindostan.—*The Gentleman's Magazine.*

A Judge Meets a Friendly Stranger

Judge Potter, while at Los Angeles, Cal., recently, was walking in the street, when an impressive looking stranger stopped him and said: "Judge, how are you? How is Burleigh? I received a letter from him the other day. How's Stark and Gus?" "Burleigh and Stark are well—but who is Gus?" asked our distinguished townsman. "Gus Cooke," was the reply. "My named is Howard. I married at Fort Plain. My wife's name was Rice, and she hailed from Fort Ann. I have been spending the winter at New Orleans for Mrs. Howard's health. We just arrived here and will remain a few days." Judge Potter at first thought the man honest, and he said to him that he was going to the ticket office to inquire about the Yosemite Valley route. The stranger said that was where he was bound and the two walked along together. The stranger pointed out a city lot which he thought of buying as an investment, and asked advice on it. He then took a lottery ticket from his pocket and said he bought it of a Sister of Charity at New Orleans, also remarking that he urged the woman to keep it and the $5 he paid her besides, and if it drew a prize to present it to the hospital in his name. The woman refused, as she said it was contrary to law. By this time Howard stopped and said: "Here is the agency for the lottery. Let's go in and see whether I have been lucky." The office and attendants were impressive, and the stranger threw down his ticket and asked if it had drawn anything. The agent looked at it, and then in a moment said: "Yes, sir, it has drawn $101. Here is $100; we never return fractional parts of $5; we will give you other tickets. Here is a one-dollar chance to try your luck again," pointing to an apparatus seen in gambling-places. The man urged Judge Potter to try his luck with him, but the judge had smelt a rodent of mammoth proportions and he declined, but, at the request of Howard, he placed his finger on a certain figure, and a moment later the proprietor cried out: "You have drawn $2,000, handing two one-thousand dollar packages to Howard, who put one in his own pocket and passed the other to Judge Potter with the remark: "Judge, this is yours." The money was declined. By this time Judge Potter, having seen all he wished, said: "Gentlemen, I am a judge in New York state. If you are ever brought before me for playing this game there you will be sure to receive all the law allows such rascals. Good day!" And he was off. The rascals were arrested the same day for carrying on the bunko business, and if California judges are like Judge Potter they will wish they hadn't done it.—*Whitehall Times.*

He Did It.

When the panic was at its worst, and excited men were asking of each other what bank would be the next to go, the Wall Street *News* says, he walked calmly down Nassau street rubbing his hands and chuckling:

"Ah! wasn't I lucky; wasn't I just lucky!"

"You must have been short when this thing set in," observed an acquaintance.

"No, sir; hadn't a dollar in stocks."

"Then what luck do you refer to? Did you just escape buying before the drop?"

"Not an escape. No, sir; I am congratulating myself that I was cleaned out of $70,000 in a salted silver mine six months ago, and have nothing to lose now. I just hit it rich, and no mistake. Please pat me on the back and call me good boy."

The proprietor of the White Sulphur Springs at Saratoga owns a dog which he has trained to go into the water and [illegible]

Automata.

In mechanical curiosities there have been many wonderful exhibits in the present day. The piping bullfinch in the great exhibition of 1862 drew crowds to it; but we remember during the sale of Week's mechanical collection, half a century ago, a similar graceful little warbler, and we saw two other mechanical songsters which the French troops brought back as part of the spoils from the emperor's summer palace at Pekin. We regret that we missed the machine for making Latin verses, which was exhibited in our day at the Egyptian hall—a real blessing to school-boys; nor have we seen the squalling baby which a modern man of science constructed—surely a bringing of coals to Newcastle; but we remember well, about the year 1833, seeing a very wonderful collection of automata which had been originally designed as presents to the emperor of China. There was a young lady, life-size, that played tunes upon a spinet; another that wrote lines with the beauty of copperplate, while surpassing all in ingenuity was the figure of a magician with a tiny wand in his hand. It was mounted upon a small movable frame, which could be wheeled about at the pleasure of a spectator, so that there was no place for a confederate to conceal himself. On putting into an orifice in the frame any one of the numerous metallic cards which lay about with questions inscribed on them, the figure, after making you a bow, struck with his rod a little door, which opened, and there was the answer printed on another card. The reply given was always strictly appropriate to the question, and was not of a mere general character, like the answers on conversation-cards. Then, when we asked, "Mr. Conjuror, are you not troubled with the inquiries of your numerous visitors?" the answer was: "I should be ungrateful to say so." Our next question was of an entirely different kind. It was, we being young: "What is the sweetest passion in nature?" The conjuror bowed, knocked at the gate, and lo! appeared Cupid with his bow and arrow! Sir David Brewster, who noticed this toy in his volume on "Natural Magic," conjectures that the cards, though seemingly alike to the eye, differed in weight, and passed through the orifice we have named until they fell into the proper groove, and touched a spring which moved forward the answer. The machinery employed must have, at all events, been of the most delicate order. Still these things were but the trifles of mechanical skill. What wonders have we since seen of pieces of machinery which, you might almost say, thought. With much interest we looked in the great exhibition of 1852 on the jacquard loom, and, ten years later, on the marvel of marvels, Babbage's calculating machine.—*Leisure Hours.*

A Spanish Breakfast.

The day opened for us, not earlier than 9 o'clock, with a characteristic Spanish breakfast—an unctuous, abundant meal that would have made the governor of Barataria smack his thick lips, but seemed rather oppressive to our less robust appetite. A leg of mutton, cunningly stuffed with cloves of garlic in every fold and cranny, and a thick *sopa*, or soup, of the consistency of porridge, and yielding, on rough analysis with a spoon, eggs, breadcrumbs, minced meat and flour, made up the solid body of that breakfast. Refreshing liquids were conspicuously absent, so were butter and cow's milk, for the herds were up mountaineering for the summer season on the highland pastures around the Maladetta, and milk, beyond the niggardly supply from the town goats, was not to be had even for distinguished strangers. We had wines of two kinds, one sweet, the other fennel-flavored, and both abominable, and chocolate, of course, was not wanting, very rich and aromatic, no doubt, but no more entitled to rank as a liquid or a stimulant than molasses. The meal on that morning, as on every succeeding one, and as the dinner every evening, was wound up with cheese and a plate of sugar almonds, doing duty for the *postres* or after dishes of Spanish gastronomy. Antonio always directed personally the operations of the serving-woman during meals, and the superb air with which he would order on the lump of leathery Spanish cheese and the handful of sweetmeats, with an imperious—"Los postres, Theresa!"—was generally too much for our gravity. Dinner was made up in much the same way as breakfast, and the only striking variation in the first day's *menu* we had in the course of our week's stay in Venasque was an occasional *olla*—Irish stew, with the potatoes left out—a dish of stewed *izzard* or Pyrenean chamois, and two trout as large as a gudgeon, which an enterprising Spanish youth had discovered in the Essera. Garlic apart, however, the food was good and clean, and never-failing attention of Antonio and his household made us all confess that the garlic and wine, with human kindness, were better than the proverbial stalled ox without it. We got rid of the garlic for all that. It was a delicate thing to manage without wounding national sentiments, but we carried our point smoothly enough by setting down our distaste for the vegetable to a defect in our insular education.—*Tinsley's Magazine.*

The High Collar Craze.

"Yes, sir, this high collar craze is assuming rather high proportions," remarked a dealer in gents' furnishing goods to a reporter yesterday. "You see the present style of 1884 is higher than it has ever been before, and the young men seem all collar."

"Where will it end?"

"Well, I declare I don't know. I am looking for an addition by 1890, which will entirely envelop the chin and give a barber no end of trouble when he wants to shave a customer. Then, as one extreme will lead to others, there may be an uprising by 1895, when young men who can not raise a mustache will be glad to add another inch and take in an upper lip and a pug nose.

"This is a great country, sir, and progress is our motto. I look for still another bull movement in collars when we reach the new century, 1900, and we may expect a collar which will take in an entire head and face, with air holes for nose, mouth and eyes. It will be warm and nice in Winter, and will be particularly popular with homely young men.

"If I were John C. Eno or Ferdinand Ward I think I should order such a collar and wear it in public."—*Boston Globe.*

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PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, a joint resolution was adopted by the legislature of the State of Nebraska, at the eighteenth session thereof, and approved February 28, A. D. 1883, proposing an amendment to section four (4) of article three (3) of the constitution of said state, and that said section as amended shall read as follows, to-wit:

"Section 4—The term of office of members of the legislature shall be two years, and they shall receive as full compensation for their services during said term, and ten cents for every mile they shall travel in going to and returning from the place of meeting of the legislature on the most usual route. Provided, however, that neither members of the legislature nor employes shall receive any pay or perquisites other than actual traveling and mileage, during any session, except special sessions, which shall be not less than sixty days. After the expiration of forty days of the session no bills nor joint resolutions of the nature of bills shall be introduced, unless the governor shall, by special message, call the attention of the legislature to the necessity of passing a law on the subject matter embraced in the message, and the introduction of bills shall be restricted thereto."

The ballots at the election at which said amendment shall be submitted shall be in the following form: "For proposed Amendment to the Constitution relating to Legislative Department." "Against proposed Amendment to the Constitution relating to Legislative Department."

WHEREAS, a joint resolution was adopted by the legislature of the State of Nebraska, at the eighteenth session thereof, and approved February 28, A. D. 1883, proposing an amendment to section one (1) of article five (5) of the constitution of said state, and that said section as amended shall read as follows, to-wit:

"Section 1. The Executive Department shall consist of a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Attorney General, Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings, and Board of Railway Commissioners. The officers named in this section shall each hold his office for the term of two years from the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January next after his election, and if his successor is elected and qualified. Provided, however, that the first election shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 1886, and each succeeding election shall be held on the same day thereof every two years thereafter. Provided, further, that no person shall be eligible to any office in this state, except that of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings, and Attorney General, shall reside at the seat of government during their terms of office, and keep the public records, books and papers there, and the officers herein named shall perform such duties as may be required by law."

The ballots at the election at which said amendment shall be submitted shall be in the following form: "For proposed Amendment to Section One (1) of Article Five (5) of the Constitution, entitled 'Executive Department.'" "Against proposed Amendment to Section One (1) of Article (5) of the Constitution, entitled, 'Executive Department.'"

Therefore, I, James W. Dawes, Governor of the state of Nebraska, do hereby give notice, in accordance with section one (1) Article Twelve (12) of the Constitution, and the provisions of an act entitled, "An Act to provide the manner of proposing Amendments to the Constitution and amending the same to the Electors of this state," approved February 14th, A. D. 1875, that said proposed amendments will be submitted to the qualified voters of this state for ratification or rejection at the general election to be held on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1884.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska.

[L.S.] Done at Lincoln, this ninth day of July, A. D. 1884, the eighteenth year of the State, and of the Independence of the United States, the One Hundred and Ninth.

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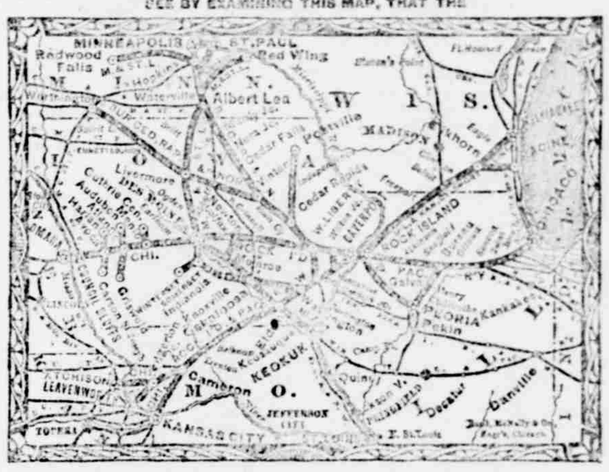

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