

OPIMUM FIENDS IN CONVENTION

They Meet to Oppose a Bill Pending in the Massachusetts Legislature.

Fully 300 Chinese opium-smokers, representing New England, assembled themselves at 24 Oxford street Friday night for the purpose of finding ways to stop the Quinn bill, which is now pending before the General Assembly, says the Boston Herald.

"There is no man under God's creation that knows the hardships which smokers endure," said one of the delegates from Hartford.

"We are bound to smoke, anyhow, whether we have the right or take it for granted," said another smoker from Providence, R. I.

The most interesting remarks throughout the meeting were made by Li Sam, who came to the convention as a representative from New Bedford. He said: "People who do not smoke will never know a smoker's troubles."

THE FASHIONABLE CANINE.

The Blenheim Spaniel is an Expensive Little Midget Beloved by the Fair.

The dog considered most desirable as a pet for a woman is at present the Blenheim spaniel, a tiny, ten-pound midget, with long fluffy ears and paws fringed with white.

Philadelphia Trolley Parties.

The trolley parties are reviving and promise to put all former attempts in this line in the shade. There is noticeable absence of noise in those that have been perpetrated so far this summer.

Bleeding Gratis.

The following medical advertisement appears in an old Stamford newspaper: "Whereas, the majority of apothecaries in Boston have agreed to pull down the price of Bleeding to Sixpence, let these certify that Mr. Richard Clarke, Apothecary, will bleed anybody at his shop, gratis."

Six Centenaries in One Town.

There are in Early County, Georgia, according to a local newspaper, six men over 100 years old, the oldest being 103. They are said to be hale and strong, and to work in the fields regularly.

A MAN OF RESOURCES.

The Dentist Strained a Point to Serve a Good Customer.

The dentist didn't want to talk shop, he said, but he thought the story worth telling so he told it: "Not long ago," he said, "a Western railroad president came to New York and one night was invited to dine with some of his friends."

"How long will it take you to make them?" he asked. I told him four or five days. "Can't listen to anything like that," he replied.

"All my arguing with the old fellow did no good, so I set to work on his teeth. In the meantime, however, I told my assistant to hasten around to the old man's hotel and make a scientific search of the room."

"I returned the teeth and the railroad man was so overjoyed that he did not cancel the order, but told me to go ahead with the teeth. They might come in handy some time, he said. He even unbent so far as to admit that perhaps, after all, he had drunk a glass of wine too much the night before, and when I sent him my bill I received a check for double the amount from him."

THEATER TICKETS.

A Boston Barber Gives One Away with Each Shave.

"I see sometimes in the papers," said a theatrical man the other day, "about a theater in a Michigan town that only charges 5 cents for a seat in any part of the house. That's pretty cheap, but Boston goes it one better."

"Here's a sign I saw in a barber shop window over there the other day, 'A shave and a theater ticket for 15 cents.' I went in to see what it meant, and I found that the barber had a big stack of 'passes' on one of the handsomest theaters in the city which was giving away to his patrons. I made some further inquiries and found it was all right. The house in question, it is well known, hasn't been doing good business recently, and its audiences have been largely made up of 'deadheads.'

"The barber was just helping the manager fill his house."—New York Recorder.

The Value of Minutes.

A party of ladies and gentlemen were lately visiting a large carpet factory, and the manager took them over the different floors of the establishment. On ascending one of the staircases they came to a locked door, on which the following inscription was painted in white letters:

"Strangers not admitted under any circumstances."

The curiosity of the ladies was excited to a high pitch, and they inquired almost in one breath, "Whatever is to be seen inside?"

"That is one of our workrooms, in which 150 women are employed in embroidering carpets," answered the manager.

Darkest Time in the Revolution.

The close of the year 1780 was, in the southern states, the darkest time of our revolutionary struggle. Cornwallis had just destroyed the army of Gates at Camden, and his two formidable lieutenants, Tarleton, the light-horseman, and Ferguson, the skilled horseman, had destroyed or scattered the smaller bands who had been fighting for the patriot cause.

A Constitutional Defect.

"What has become of your club, Harry?" "Oh, it's broken up. We made a rule that no boy could be President twice, and after we'd all been President once we could not go on with it."—Harper's Round Table.

THE NEW DAILY SCHEME.

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Where There Are No Odors.

"In that country once known as the 'Great American Desert,' embracing a portion of Texas and Arizona, there are no odors," said R. P. Senter, of Dallas. "There luscious grapes and many other fruits grow, especially near the cross timber country, but there is no perfume. Wild flowers have no smell, and carcasses of dead animals, which in dry seasons are very plentiful, emit no odors."

"It was always supposed to be a treeless plain, upon which no plant could grow or breathe thing could live, but a large part of it is now successfully cultivated, and but for the rarity of the atmosphere, causing the peculiarity I have named, and the mirages, which are even more perfect than in the Desert of Sahara, no one would look upon it as a barren country now. Another singular feature commences to the desert land is that objects at a distance appear greatly magnified. A few scraggy mesquite bushes will look like a noble forest. Stakes driven into the ground will seem like telegraph poles."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Mr. Howells Did Not Accept the Bribes.

I found that there were stations which were considered particularly desirable by the fruiterers, and that the chief of these was in front of the old United States court house. A fruiterer out of place, whose family I visited for the charities, tried even to corrupt me, and promised me that if I would get him this studio (they Italianize "stand" to that effect, just as they translate "bar" into barra and so on), he would give me something outright. "E poi, ci sara sempre la mancia" ("And then there will always be the drink money"). I lost an occasion to lecture him upon the duties of the citizen; but I am not a ready speaker.—W. D. Howells, in the Century.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D.

If indications count for anything, the Hot Springs of South Dakota are destined to become the most popular resort between Chicago and the Pacific Coast. They are situated in the gentle and beautiful canon of Fall River, and are the center of a splendidly built little city of three thousand permanent inhabitants. The efficacy of their waters for rheumatism, dyspepsia, and, in fact, almost every chronic disorder of the system, is too well known to require statement. It is testified to by the annual arrival of thousands of invalids, and the departure of these same persons, after a few weeks, in much improved or wholly restored health. The Springs are surrounded by many objects of surpassing natural interest, as Wind Cave, equal in extent to the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, and far more wonderful in formation, filled with striking beauties and strange fantasies of structure. Not far away are the romantic Cascades, and near by are extinct craters of geysers—standing up like holes that had been built rather than excavated, and by their puzzling appearance meriting the name they have received, "The Devil's Chimneys." This is but a beginning of the list of attractions in the vicinity, to fairly see which would entrancingly occupy a month.

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