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INTERESTING PEOPLE

WHO INHABIT TROPICAL ISLANDS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC.

Natives of the Gilbert Islands—Many Specimens of Manly and Womanly Beauty—A Curious Crowd—At Home in the Water—A Shark.

A gentleman who has visited many of the way corners of the world says the following account of a group of south sea islands that are rarely visited by white men:

There is a race of people living almost everywhere in the tropics, from the equator to the Antarctic, and in the most remote parts of America and Asia, who, though they dwell in the tropics and are not far distant from lands which are types of the luxuriantness of vegetation, the abundance of moisture and the variety of scenery associated generally with the equatorial regions of the world, still have no words in their primitive language for such natural features as a river, stream, lake, pond, spring or other body of fresh water; nor for a mountain, hill, valley, plain, meadow or field, for a meadow, pasture, field or grass-plot of any kind; for any four-footed animal, save perhaps, a species of rat; for any bird, for any tree, for any flower, for any fruit, and for any minerals, metals, simply because none of these physical features belong to their land.

This singular race is now called the "Gilbert Islands," formerly known as the "Beechey Group," and is situated in the "Radeck chain" of Coral Atolls. They lie between 170 degs. and 177 degs. W. and 2 degs. S. and 20 mins. N. of the equator. The islands are all of the same size, and are separated by a line of fire, within which prevails the highest average temperature of any spot in the world, not that it seems to be very hot, but that the temperature varies but little night or day, winter or summer.

The group is made up of some fifteen islands, each of which is a low, narrow, rimmed island, running north and south. Each island is made of coral, built, probably, on volcanic peaks, which are either the remains of a mountain, or the highest point of areas of slowly rising land. Whichever hypothesis is correct, the islands are all of the same size, and are separated by a line of fire, within which prevails the highest average temperature of any spot in the world, not that it seems to be very hot, but that the temperature varies but little night or day, winter or summer.

The Gilbert Islanders, while probably not so intelligent as the Malays, are not their equals physically or mentally. Still they are a fine looking people, and among them may be found many specimens of the most manly and womanly beauty. It is difficult to notice their physical characteristics, as the ordinary "clothing" of the men is a short mat wrapped around the waist, and the women a piece of black fringed belt about the hips just below the waist. Sometimes the women—the children, however, are dressed in a child carelessly thrown over the back, riding astride of one hip, but this is only done when the howling youngsters refuse to be carried in their mothers' arms, and the mother is obliged to take them to the beach to see the white strangers.

The young girls often coquettishly screen their heads and necks—from the sun, with broad, white, fringed cloths, or palm leaf. One article of dress they much affect are pretty little mats of a woman's bonnet, of the "cool scudde" pattern. These mats are made of hair, where they would look ridiculous, being only big enough for a small doll, but are fastened to their heads by black, glossy hair, which is very abundant, and of which they are very vain.

This rather scant costume is completed by suspending about the neck a flat, circular, white, fringed cloth, which is not strictly an essential part of their dress, but is worn by them for giving us several of their "for grass and other dishes. You will not, however, have the head-dresses of to-morrow, and, as a rule, the men who wear them are not big dandies in the habit of wearing a big dinner is he who declines the invitation."

How They Marry in India. At Trichur, in the East Indies, a town inhabited chiefly by Nairs, the leading class of the coast, divorce seems to be as simple as marriage is easy. The Nair lady is a very independent person. Some one offers a cloth; that is the proposal. If she accepts it, that is the marriage. If she gets tired of her husband she gets rid of him, and takes up with another. Franchetti, who has written a book on the subject, says that he has seen a Nair lady who had been married to a Nair lady in whose house he had remained for some time. What she had in mind may be held from a moral point of view of these marriage relations, they result in many marriages, and for the most part come to a happy and beautiful termination. —Penny Mail Gazette.

IN NEW GUINEA.

CHARACTER AND CUSTOMS OF VIC-TORIAS' CANNIBAL SUBJECTS.

Work of Three English Missionaries. Houses in High Trees—Cannibalism As a Token of Affection—The Sage Industry—Birds of Paradise.

And now what is the character of this land which, after so many abortive attempts, has been so long and so laboriously explored? Along the coast of a considerable part of it missionaries have been established for some seven or eight years now, and three English missionaries act as teachers and preachers. And, when the missionaries were first sent to New Guinea, they were not only ignorant of the character of the natives, but they were also ignorant of the character of the land.

Thus a tolerably accurate knowledge has been gained of the habits of such of the natives as inhabit the southern coast line. The houses are built on high trees, and are made of bamboo and other materials. The houses are built on high trees, and are made of bamboo and other materials. The houses are built on high trees, and are made of bamboo and other materials.

It is commonly said, and no doubt is often the case, that savages are their vanquished enemies, and that they inherit from them their noblest qualities; but it appears to be peculiar to the New Guinea natives to extend their kindred as far as they can, and to be very kind to their enemies. They are very kind to their enemies, and they are very kind to their enemies.

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To Ventilate a Room. The best way to ventilate a room that I know of is to put a board, long enough to fit exactly in the window frame, and about six inches high, under the lower sash. If you remember the construction of window sashes you will know that the consequent raising of the lower one will leave spaces between the glass and the sash through which fresh air can obtain a gradual entrance into the room.

Europe's Armies and Navies. The men in actual service at the present time in the armies and navies of Europe is in excess of 4,000,000, and it undoubtedly exceeds the product of one year's harvest or peasant labor to sustain one soldier. The present aggregate annual direct war expenditure of the world is probably in excess of \$1,000,000,000.

A Freak of Nature. A singular freak of nature, originally discovered in western Australia, is likely to remain unexplained. It consists of a line of pebbles adhering together in one form of a Latin cross—seven in the shaft, and one on each side of the second pair. A suggestion is that a fragment of sea-weed in the shell of the oyster formed the frame on which the cross was built.

FOURTEEN CENTS A DAY.

LOW COST OF THE FREEDOM OF ENGLAND'S METROPOLIS.

Cheap Lodgings in the City of London. Scenes in the Kitchen of a Four Penny Lodging House—Receipts for Tea Soup, Luxuries—Stealing.

I have often been asked to give some estimate of the cost of a tour through England. Those who have written books of travel have generally had plenty of money and they have given no thought in their works to readers of limited means who have a great desire for the culture that travel is supposed to bring, but who shrink from launching out because of the expense.

Gen. Sheridan is a conspicuous figure anywhere. He would attract attention in any company. It is not surprising that he is a favorite of the socialists, and that he is a favorite of the socialists, and that he is a favorite of the socialists.

At the first dinner that I ordered at Delmonico's, in New York, they brought me so much of each dish that I did not wonder at the awful price charged. It is the custom for two persons to go there together, and each pays for his own share of the bill.

Merchandise in Japan. The boys seen in nearly all the places of public resort, who are dressed in the most fashionable and expensive of the latest fashions, are usually much earlier than in our country, so that when majority is at the place, the boys are already there.

A Little Too Smart. I heard the other day of a clerk in a dry goods store who was smart and quick, and who was very popular with the customers. He had a high opinion of himself, and frequently made himself disagreeable by remarking to his associates that the concern could do nothing for him without him.

Bell Telephone Stock. Bell telephone stock, with a par value of \$100 a share, is selling at \$290. It pays 10 per cent. dividends and is supposed to earn about 30 per cent. The largest block of the stock is held by the inventor and his wife.

At a late meeting of the New Jersey State Agricultural Society Mr. E. A. Wilkes, in reference to the matter, and a portrait of the general, and a portrait of the general, and a portrait of the general.

THE PRISON GRAVEYARD.

Sluggish Burying Ground for Convicts.

On the side of a steep hill whose peak is many hundred feet high, and whose base is at the granite walls of Sing Sing, are two graveyards divided by a winding path.

The big prison has stood on its present site for more than fifty years, and although the number of convicts there has increased in proportion with the growth of the population, the average number of deaths within its walls has not increased. Humanity and science have cut down the death rate. In an average ten persons a year die in the prison, and nearly all of those who have died have been buried in the prison graveyard and left there unattended.

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THE CRIMINAL LAW.

How about the criminal law—does it not need a more eloquent counsel better than that of the law?

The criminal law has lost its importance to the practitioner. Very few men of ability now follow it, and the few who do are not retained, unless, perhaps, for some client for whom they have civil business and whom they desire to oblige. There are but few cases of conviction, and the few that are brought to trial are not of a man of ability, and the few that are brought to trial are not of a man of ability.

Another important improvement scheme of great importance, and involving some masterly engineering methods and plans, has for some time been in contemplation by the State government, and in view of its political and commercial bearings on the interests of that country, its accomplishment, in due course of time, is no longer a matter of doubt.

There is always one sure sign by which you may know a well bred man, says a cosmopolitan who is just now in Philadelphia. "And, pray, what is that sign?" he was asked.

It is his laugh. The butcher and the baker and the candlestick maker, not to speak of the tailor, may do a good deal for man. But only through refinement can he make him laugh like a gentleman.

It will not be included. The New York Democrats propose to celebrate the birthday of Samuel J. Tilden next month, and it is to be hoped that the proceedings will include the reading of that distinguished statesman's recommendation in favor of reducing the duties by building fortifications, instead of depending on the protective tariff system.

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