

OUR TRICKS OF TRADE.

THE CHEMIST THE MAGICIAN OF THE PRESENT DAY.

Competition the Life of Trade, but Not Always Beneficial to the Public—The Business of Adulteration Systematically Carried On—The Results.

In this era of universal enlightenment the training of the successful tradesman is much broader than that of his predecessor of fifty years ago. The latter considered himself fully educated when he was able to distinguish the quality of the different grades of the various articles in which he dealt, and as very few methods of sophistication and adulteration were known, his task was comparatively easy.

The chemist is really the magician, who today is sought by one party to develop a new adulteration, and by another to detect it. He is the man who is called upon to succeed in adulterating. His laboratory becomes the confessional for the merchant who is in doubt as to whether his goods are as good as he claims.

The following incident, related by a distinguished chemist, may be interesting, as showing how systematically this business of adulteration is carried on. A gentleman mentioned was recently consulted by a firm of oil dealers, who were naturally anxious to learn how it was that their competitor was selling a product so much better than their own.

Physicians, however, can tell a different story. In the adulteration of food, they find a different matter. It is not the adulteration of food, but the adulteration of the human body. The adulteration of the human body is a different matter altogether.

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There are three rules for walking. The first is to walk with a steady gait. The second is to walk with a light step. The third is to walk with a firm foot.

The fundamental principle of fair walking is that one foot must be on the ground at all times. This is the only rule that can be demonstrated by trial.

A VIGILANCE OF THIS TRUE MIGHT POINTS IN A RUN.

Should any great stress be laid on the knees and the feet, the feet strike the ground, and remain rigid until after they leave it. This is absolutely necessary in fast walking, although a man can walk fairly well with his knees bent, but nothing can be more awkward or unnatural. This rule necessitates a third, which is that the heel of the forward foot strikes the ground simultaneously at the toe of the rear foot leaves it. This gives rise to the popular expression, "heel and toe walking." Any one who observes these rules will walk fairly.—D. J. McGrath in Boston Globe.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN AFRICA.

The Ladies of the Akoma Tribe Bring Their Husbands to Trial.

Mr. Paul, who lived for some time in the Cameron region, West Africa, tells of a highly successful woman's rights movement in a village in the Akoma tribe, illustrating the fact that when women unanimously assert their rights in savage lands, as well as elsewhere, they are a great power in the community. In that benighted region women are not supposed to have any rights. When a girl is 13 or 14 years old she is married to a man who has property enough to pay the price her father asks for her, and thereafter she works like a slave for her husband and his family.

It happened that there were some strong minded women among the Akoma people, who were not as respectful of the rights of men as the rest of the tribe. They were determined to reform. Reform was evidently not to be secured by any amount of feminine prayer, and the women decided to take action.

The tribe is a small one. Nearly all the adult females it entailed under the banner of women's rights. One day there was an enormous commotion in that little town, which was the result of a woman who had been taken to court by her husband.

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In Greece today it is the universal custom to speak of "going to Europe" just as Americans do with the stormy Atlantic. The Greek people are now going to Europe. They are going to Europe.

There is at present a scarcity of fancy human hair in the market. As I said, the scarcest hair is pure white, and its value is constantly increasing. It is in great demand. It is in great demand.

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METHODS OF COURTING.

THE SAVAGE LOVER GENERALLY SHOWS A LACK OF TENDERNESS.

Courts Among the Esquimaux—How the Australian Captives Are Bred—A Custom in Holland.

Among the ancient Assyrians all marriageable young girls were assembled at one place, and the public cried put them up for sale one after another. The money which was received for those who were handsome, and consequently sold, was bestowed as a wedding portion on those who were plain. When the most beautiful had been disposed of the more ordinary looking ones were offered for a certain sum, and allotted to those willing to take them.

In ancient Greece the lover was seldom favored with an opportunity of telling his passion to his mistress, and he used to publish it by inscribing his name on the walls, on the bark of the trees in the public walks, and upon the leaves of books. He would decorate the door of her house with garlands, and make libations of wine before it, in the manner that was practiced in the Temple of Cupid.

According to Dr. Hayes, courtship among the Esquimaux has not much tenderness about it. The match is made by the parents of the couple. The lover must go out and capture. Police rather evidence of his courage and strength.

The Australian lover is still more lacking in tenderness. If the statesman is useful in war, the country he knows was not a country where cavalry could be used. Sheridan was a first rate mounted soldier, and he had no idea of the use of a sword.

The extent to which manual exercises may be introduced into public schools will be determined by the nature of the exercises. The exercises should be such as to be of benefit to the body.

Back Rooms Are Preferred. "How much of your income do you have to pay for office rent?" was asked of a well-to-do lawyer the other day. His reply was "I have to pay for a back room in a cheap street law building."

The Car Chopping Wood. The yacking party of the car and his family has been quite an idyl. The imperial party pitched on an island, and the car and his family pitched on an island.

The Italian's Egly Weapon. A knife, commonly carried and frequently used by criminal Italians, is what Professor Cavonius, the Neapolitan fencing master, calls the "molletta." The molletta bears some resemblance to a razor, though considerably longer.

Unborn stone monuments are among the most interesting relics of prehistoric man found in France and other portions of Europe. They are found in various parts of the world.

SOME STRANGE DISHES.

HOW UNUSUAL MATERIALS ARE PREPARED FOR THE TABLE.

The Poor of Naples Delight in Sea Urchins—Hedgehog Cooked in a Roman Tavern—Snails of Agreeable Flavor—Snails a Delicacy in France.

On the whole, popular cookery has a strong likeness to popular poetry—it is full of good ideas imperfectly worked out. Who could have dreamed that the most ordinary material would be so highly appreciated.

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