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A committee of persons connected with Paris newspapers, appointed to organize fetes in aid of sufferers by the floods in Spain, proposed to have a bull fight in the Hippodrome, but the Government thought that inhumanity should not be made to aid humanity.

On Nov. 3, the Prince and Princess of Wales opened a new medical school at Bartholomew Hospital. The London Standard says luncheon was afterward served in the great hall, and it was interesting to observe a strong likeness between the Prince of Wales and a portrait on the wall of Henry VIII, who granted the hospital its present charter.

The Cologne Gazette says that it is still doubted whether the Duke of Cumberland will renounce his rights to the throne of Hanover, and thereby take possession of the 16,000,000 thalers put aside in the cellars of the royal palace at Berlin. When the old Duke of Brunswick dies, the Duke of Cumberland will be among the richest of princes.

They intend making traveling more convenient on the Continent of Europe by adopting our system of railway carriages. Little Belgium is wide awake in matters of business, and is setting the first example. The International Company of Sleeping Cars has submitted a project to the Government of Brussels for organizing a great express train between Ostend, Cologne, Berlin, and the Russian frontier. The train will be exclusively composed of sleeping cars and saloon carriages.

M. Valentin, a Senator of France, died suddenly in Paris lately, aged 46. Exiled by Louis Napoleon in 1851, he became Professor of Military History at the Military Academy Royal, Woolwich, England, but in September, 1870, was appointed Prefect of Strasbourg, then besieged by Germany, and entered it by swimming across the river at night under fire. At the surrender he was imprisoned at Ehrenbreitstein.

An Arab who was quarrying stone at a place about four and a half miles from Gaza, in Palestine, recently unearthed a marble figure supposed to be a colossal god of the Philistines. The total height is fifteen feet. The hair hangs in long ringlets down upon the shoulders, and the beard is long, indicating a man of venerable age. There is no inscription on the figure or the pedestal, which is a huge block carved in one piece with the figure. The statue was found in a recumbent position, buried in sand on the top of a hill near the sea.

The tub in which Diogenes is reported to have lived is now said by German archaeologists to have been no tub at all. Tube are of comparatively modern origin. The Greeks knew nothing about them. Their washing was done in earthenware vessels. Diogenes' abode was one of the gigantic jars sometimes in use. When lying down he laid it lengthwise; when desiring to stand or sit in it, he placed it upright. The aborigines of Brazil buried their distinguished dead in earthen jars, and under the giant trees on the banks of the Parahiba these peculiar coffins are found, containing mummies of priests and warriors, with their ornaments or arms.

The citizens of Indiana will vote next April on a constitutional amendment changing the time of State elections from October to November. If adopted, this would leave Ohio the only October State.

Three kittens have died of diphtheria in Ogdensburg. They contracted the disease from children affected with it. The post-mortem examination showed plainly the diphtheritic membrane in the kittens' throats.

Queen Margherita of Italy is suffering from malarial fever at Monza, but continues to dabble in politics and State matters in her capacity as head of the Queen's party, which is a very powerful one at court.

Gen. James Harding, railroad commissioner of Missouri, is doing his work in a novel manner. He is now on a 200-mile walk over the railroads of northern Missouri, inspecting the condition of the roadbeds, rails, ties and bridges. The work, he claims, can't be properly done in a palace car or from a car platform.

Dr. Fowler, of New York, said last Sunday in a sermon on baptism that the man who does not go into the water deep enough to get his pocket-book under water has not been dipped enough to save him.

Mr. Gladstone writes that the next election will be the most important of the twelve in which he has taken part.

School savings banks have existed in France since 1832, and now there are about 200,000 pupil depositors in the country.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

The festival of Thanksgiving first obtained in this country among the Puritans and early settlers of New England, and is one of the customs which can be safely and properly adopted by any other portion of the country, or in fact any portion of the globe where the bounties, mercies and blessings, as well as the chastisements and afflictions of a Divine Master and Ruler are recognized. In all the New England States, since the settlement of the country, or at least since a form of government has been established, a day has been set apart by the Governors by public proclamation as a day for Public Thanksgiving and Praise. The day selected has been always late in the autumn when the harvesting is past, and before the rigors of winter have fairly begun. It has been a day when public worship has been held in the different churches, but which has been chiefly remarkable for the presence of those who usually attend on the Sabbath. The day has been mainly prized among the young as one to be devoted to pleasure and good living, and for many weeks previous thereto, it has been looked for in anticipation as a time for merriment and freed from restraint and labor.

The custom has been latterly adopted by all the States and finally it has become a national holiday by Congressional legislation. The time is now selected by the President, (although in the present instance the duty has devolved upon Mr. R. B. Hayes, of Ohio, and adopted by the Governors of the several States, so that the festival may be celebrated throughout the country on the same day.

It is wise and proper that a day should be devoted to Thanksgiving and Praise to the Giver of all Good, and it will be a pleasurable duty to all who acknowledge indebtedness to God for the untold blessing of life, and who look to Him for mercy and salvation, to return thankful and adorable praise for His beneficent goodness during the year just about to close. It has been a season eminently worthy of all praise and thankfulness. The revival of business, industries, and the general success which has resulted from the toil of the farmer, and the universal prosperity which obtains throughout every department of trade and commerce and in every portion of the country are abundant reasons for the most profound and reverential gratitude.

OUR CHINESE POPULATION.

The steamer City of Pekin, which sailed for San Francisco from Yokohama and Hong Kong on Saturday last, carried 901 Chinese passengers. It is claimed that this is the largest departure of Chinese by any one steamer ever before known. In this connection the following statistics relating to Chinese immigration will be of interest: From Nov. 1, 1876, to Nov. 1, 1879, there arrived in San Francisco from Hong Kong 6,128 Chinese. During the same period there were 8,746 departures against 6,128 arrivals, or an excess of 2,618 departures over the arrivals. It is estimated that there are 62,000 Chinese now on the Pacific coast. For a period of twenty years, from Dec. 30, 1858 to Dec. 20, 1878, the total arrivals of Chinese at San Francisco were 230,430. The departures and deaths for the same period aggregate 133,491, which leaves a total of 96,939 Chinese now in the United States. Allowing 2,000 for births, these figures will be increased to 98,939.

GREAT BRITAIN'S RAILWAY SYSTEM.

The enormous growth of the railway system of Great Britain since 1825, when Robert Stephenson made his report, has probably only been exceeded by the development of the same system in the United States. The money expended on the system between that date and the present, in capital, loans and debtenture stock, has been \$698,545,154, or about \$3,380,968,545. The total mileage is 17,333 miles, or a length in single line and mileage of more than 32,000 miles. There are 12,969 locomotives and 418,222 vehicles of different sorts. The trains last year traveled 232,376,114 miles and carried 565,000,000 of passengers, ever and above the holders of season and periodical tickets. The number of train miles run is 9,000 times the length of the equator. To supply the engine alone with water would tax the resources of the principal water works of London. The work done by the engines is equivalent to that done by 400,000 horses each working 3,000 hours per annum, and if the fuel could be used as economically as on the pumping engines of the Cornwall mines, the energy resulting would be equivalent to a million horse power. The men employed in connection with the system exceed 300,000, but it is estimated that the saving in time alone which the great multitude of passengers are able to make fully pays the wages of this army of annually, the 212,000,000 tons of freight annually carried representing the actual profit of the United Kingdom from the extensions of the enormous system, over and above its costs.

MOONSHINE.

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