The Brahmins are the sacred caste of India, and their sanctity is the basis of their supremacy. This is so powerful that to refuse a Brahmin food is to cal down punishment from the skies, and to beat one is to consign the beater to the natives, and the following story, condensed from "Tent Life in Tigerland," shows that the little teaven is

superstition: There are different kinds of Brahmins, and some of them lead a lazy, vagabondish life, relying upon the virtue of their caste to secure them food and lodging, at whatever house they may visit. One of these oleaginous peripatetic loafers came one day to the door of a grain-seller, reputed to be wealthy. With the imperiousness of a to the maiden's home with instructions high-caste Hindoo, the Brahmin demanded some refreshment. The grainseller had imbibed English ideas to such an extent that his mind was made up us be not disappointing." The Syrian not to be blackmailed by any able- Greeks chant this in Arabic, thus: bodied but lazy Brahmin.

Other villagers brought food to the Brahmin but he refused to accept their offerings, being determined to break the spirit of the grain-seller. One day passed, and neither had yielded.

On the second day the Brahmin, now very hungry, poured forth his curses | ents announce the amount of her dowry upon the grain-seller's head, muttering and the young man's relatives give an spells, and bringing forth all manner inventory of his worldly possessions. of objurgations. The grain-seller re- The wooer himself visits the girl on the mained obdurate. Then the Brahmin following day and is formally betrothed lacerated his arms, for he thought that by a priest, who simply hands to the when the man saw the blood of a Brah- girl a small present from her wooer. min dripping at his ioor, he would sub- Thenceforward, until the wedding takes mit through fright. The horror-strick- place, he may visit her every day, but en neighbors implored him to yield and he will have no chance to be alone avert the dire consequences that might with her. When he enters the house come upon the village. The grainseller was as deaf to their entreaties as until he leaves. That she dozes occato the clamor of the lazy beggar.

On the third day, as if to scare the fact that there are few amorous Greeks man by one horrible deed, the Brahmin | who do net manage to get a taste of went to the edge of the deep well in their sweethearts' lips long before they the courtyard, and amid the cries of are married to them. A few stolen the assembled villagers, jumped down they can hope to obtain during the into the gloomy depths. The women ante-nuptial period, for the girls are screamed and beat their breasts, the guarded most carefully, not because men tore their hair and garments. the parents distrust the suitors, but be-The grain-seller rushed to the well, cause they consider it their duty to probent over the brink, and begged the teet their daughters' honor as long as Brahmin, whose form he could see floating in the water, not to drown him-

that at last he had conquered, for his ceremony performed during the next rehands grasped the strong silken girdle ligious festival. When the wedding day which the grain-seller let down, and his own house at noon and spreads a suffered himself to be slowly drawn up. marriage feast before them. His be-When the spluttering Brahmin reached trothed gathers her friends likewise and the top of the well, his wrists were entertains them in her parents' home. served as a draw-rope.

Amid the lamentations of the shrieking crowd, the grain-seller hauled the bachelors," while those who enter the half drowned Brahmin to the nearest police station, and charged him with this soon be the lot of all young maidattempting to commit suicide. The ens." Brahmin was sent to prison, and from that day the pretensions of the members of the sacred caste were not heeded in that village. - Youth's Companion.

## Lower California to Go the Way of a long procession and march back to the

the United States. The general outline of the plan, it is

claimed, was for the Mexican Land and Colonization Company, composed of wealthy Englishmen, owning conces- ing before him he reads the ritual of sions on the peninsula, to place \$100,- the Greek church, and then, after plac-000 in the hands of a well-known San ing his hands on their heads first simply Diego capitalists to be used in advanc- and afterwards crosswise, he joins their ing the interests of the filibusterers, hands and pronounces them man and The large warehouse of an English wife. company in Ensenado was to be filled and gifts, and the bridegroom in return with arms, ammunition, and provisions offers them beakers of wine and for the use of the revolutionists. The other lavish hospitality. So during the officers of the English corporation night and long after dawn the feast is claim that the policy of the Mexican continued, and not until the sun is high officials in Lower California has been ruinous to the land interests of the time the last guest has departed, and company, which has been obliged to the only persons in the house are the expend thousands of dollars in protect- married couple, the bride's mother and ing its interest, and the salvation of the bridegroom's parents. The two the company, they assert, finally de mothers conduct the married couple to pends upon securing the annexation of their apartment, close the door on them, Lower California to the United States.

## The Pan Americans.

A TRIBUTE TO JACKSON AND LEE.

A delegation of the Pan-American At every step he meets a friend, who Congress reached here from Natural congratulates him warmly, and gets in Bridge in carriages. The party visited return a handful of sweetmeats. the grave of Stonewall Jackson and afterwards the mausoleum of Gen. Lee. At the grounds of Washington and Lee This is succeeded by feasts and soirces University, and of the Virginia Mili- in the houses of the wedding guests. At tary Institute, they witnessed the dress these entertainments, which last for sevparade. They were hospitably received eral days, the newly-married couple are by the authorities and citizens and were much impressed by their visit. One of these enjoyable days are over is a Greek the delegates said that he had reached one of the greatest desires of his visit, which was to pay his respects to the memory of two great Confederate Generals, whom he and his people greatly respected.

## The Commonwealth of Texas.

"Humbly invoking the blessing of Almighty God, the people of the State of Texas do ordain and establish this constitution.'

Such is the preamble of the organic act adopted by the constitutional convention convened at Austin, September 6, 1875, and ratified by the people of The Lone Star State" February 15 1876. This preamable is a complete refutation of the erroneous idea, born of comes an object of disgust. After a traditional prejudice and ignorance, that Texas is a lawless State.-Manufacturer's Record.

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## COURTSHIP IN GREECE

Queer Marriage Customs Among the Modern Hellenes.

Courting by Proxy-Most of the Private Arrangements Made by Old Women-Stolen Kisses and Hugs-Pleturesque Rites and Feasts .

When a young Greek determines to an eternity of woe. But western ideas | take a wife to himself he does not go aare unking progress in the minds of courting, but, according to a London Standard correspondent, he takes his oldest female relatives into his confidence, and they at once go hunting for a suitable mate for him. Marriageable is working in the lump of Oriental maidens are visited and silently appraised. They receive old dames courteously, answer all their questions and never venture to ask the nature of their errand. The visitors never mention the young man's name, and never drop a hint that they are wife hunting. From their demeanor one would suppose that they were simply paying a friendly visit. As soon as the visitors have made a choice the woodr dispatches them again to ask her hand in marriage. They go to her parents' house and, standing on the threshold, say: "We come to you your daughter in marriage seeking. To

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If the maiden's parents do not object

to the proposed match they invite the visitors to enter the house and partake of their hospitality. The evening is spent in feasting and making arrangements for the wedding. The girl's parher mother has her eye on him, and she is supposed to keep her eye on him sionally, however, is proved by the kisses, however, are all the luxuries they are under their roofs. Their guardianship does not last

long after a suitor declares himself. To get married is his object, and he easily The Brahmin must have thought persuades his betrothed to have the grasped by the grain-seller, and tied So in the two homes the day is spent in together with the girdle which had feasting and merrymaking. Friends flock from all directions, and those who enter the man's house say in greeting: "May good luck like this soon befall all

Not till midnight, however, does the ceremony itself begin. Then all the young man's friends light their torches and go with him to the house of his betrothed. The maiden and her friends await them, and without delay all form young man's house. Professional singers lead the way, filling the air with It is said that there is a scheme on music, and blazing torches cast their foot to bring Lower California into ruddy light on the glad faces of the revelers and the beautiful faces and attire of the stately Greek maidens.

When they reach the house they find a priest ready to perform the marriage ceremony. To the young couple stand-

The guests now offer congratulations in heaven has the bridegroom a chance to be alone with the bride. By that return to an adjoining room, and lying on couches remain there until the bride and groom come out to break their fast.

If they are satisfied that all is well the parents go off to sleep and the bridegroom fills his pocket with cakes and sweetmeats and goes for a promenade. A week later there is a regular "house

warming," to which all of the friends of honeymoon considered at an end.

An American Prima Donna. Miss Emma Eames, of Boston, who is the bright, particular star at the Grand

opera, Paris, says that all her real study was done in America. Miss Eames acknowledges great obligation to a Boston professor, who kept her 'digging away at ancient music-ever so old," and as for dramatic action and the use of the voice, she adds: "I acquired very little that was new to me over here." Miss Clara Louise Kellogg received all her musical education in this country, too. Miss Eames is said to be unaffected and unspoiled by her remarkable success.

The breath of a chronic catarrh patient is often so offensive that he betime ulceration sets in, the spongy bones are attacked and frequently entirely destroyed. A constant source discomfort is the dripping of the purulent secretions into the throat, someand on y cure.

### NOBLE SIX HUNDRED.

Personal Reminiscences of Colonel John Shakespeare.

A Survivor Gives Some New Points About the Famous Charge of the Light Brigade-How Brave Men Walked Into the Jaws of Death.

Colonel John Shakespeare, a retired officer of the British army, writes as fol-

lows to the London Standard: The charge of "The Light Brigade," called "The Six Hundred," took place October 25, 1854, and is still a household memory with us, though many years have slipped by, and I have been asked by many to place on record some occurrences other than mere galloping, cutting, thrusting and strong language, all of which are very similar on like occasions, and are often told in prose and verse. Short and to the point is best suited to what is required of me. So to begin my story:

Maude's horse artillery, with me second in command, opened fire at daylight and kept in action until its ammunition was exhausted, when it retired a few yards down hill and remained there for awhile, screened from the Russian shot and shell, with the hope of giving confidence to some wavering Turks. Maude was seriously wounded by a shell bursting in his horse, and there were also several casualties among officers. men, horses and gun-wheels. Some of our field batteries soon arrived and continued the cannonade.

In the course of an hour or so our two brigades of cavalry and horse artillery formed columns near the heights of the plateau of Sebastopol, when suddenly a line of cavalry, with supports in column, probably 5,000, poured down the grass slopes toward Balaklava, and were gloriously defeated by our heavy brigade of cavalry under General Scar-

In the pause that followed I deemed it desirable to learn what the Russians were doing, and as the horse I had ridden was wounded by a splinter of a shell, I mounted a baggage pony and rode up the grass slope to near the crest of the now-famed valley, where I tethered him to a tent peg, and crept on through the long grass until my telescope cautioned: Beware! The brushwood on the hills opposite was full of guns, and down the valley were troops by thousands. Captain Charteris, one of Lord Lucan's aides-de-camp, now rode by, but as he did not see me I hailed him with the information, when he replied: "The Light Brigade is ordered to attack." and while we were speaking hove in sight, advancing and deploying at the trot and canter. There was not time for warning, so I ran to my pony, and getting back to the guns as fast as he could carry me, brought them up at full speed and placed them over the ridge, where best able to aid the remains of the Six Hundred in their inevitable retreat.

At this time Lord Cardigan reined up and told me what had happened, at the same time pointing to a long rent in his cherry overalls made by a Cossack Lancer who had otherwise missed his aim. Others rode or ran up to the guns. Among the last was Captain Godfrey Morgan, Seventeenth Lancers, now Lord Tredegar, whose horse had been killed and his helmet lost. However, he came to me, sword in hand, and, speaking as cool as he would on parade, said: "Is not this an awful business, Shakespeare! go into action, when you may help fight | James hotel,

We must not forget the volley from the Ninety-third Highlanders, which emptied many Russians saddles near the entrance to the village of Balaklava: nor the attack on the Russian artillery in the brushwood by the French cavalry on white horses. I can see them now, so conspicuous were they on the hill. So keen is memory formed on the battlefield that even now I fancy I see Nolan and his horse lying dead, like many others whose names I did not know. Of my friend Charteris I have a re-

markable foreshadowing of fate to relate. On the previous evening he and I, while taking a quiet ride, saw signs of a fight on the morrow, when he spoke very gloomily of it being his last. My saying: "Well, we have been under fire together pretty often, and yet here we are again." did not cheer him. "No, it would be his last." A round shot killed him directly we parted on the ridge before named. As the spot was debatable ground my gunners buried him then and

## HUMOR OF THE SCOTS.

It Does Not Seem to Be of a Very Lively Character.

In order to disprove the frequent assertion that the Scotch are not humorous, says the New York Sun, the editor of a Scottish paper recently declared his columns open, and invited all the jokes of the people which his constituents would send to him. These are fair samples of what were handed in:

"Two boys having met a man in white 'spats,' one of them said he wore 'white penter's breeks below his ither anes.""

"This is but the forefront of the battle-'tis rare, what this boy said 'in a "A woman, having foresworn whisky in a glass, drank it out of a cup."

"A man took the hat worn by a scare-"Whisky having been ordered for an outward application, the patient drank

"A boy, being asked if he had 'passed the doctor'-in a medical examination -said: 'Yes, I passed him up at Coch-

rame's corner.' "A woman in a shop, wishing to ask for a dolman, asked for a donkey." "A horse falling down dead, a man asked: 'Did it ever do that before?' " "Heaven was defined as a place where

whisky is plentiful and policemen are

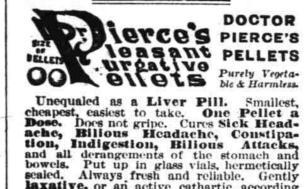
"Have you seen Tom since he left?" 'No; but I'm gaun tae write tae him tae speir his address?" Intellectually the Scotch are one of the very greatest people in the world,





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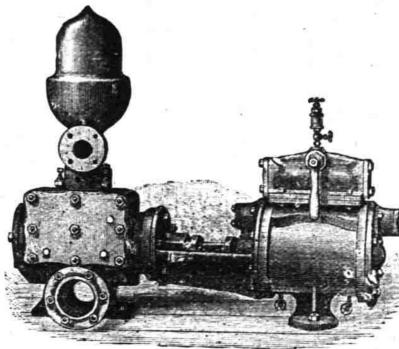
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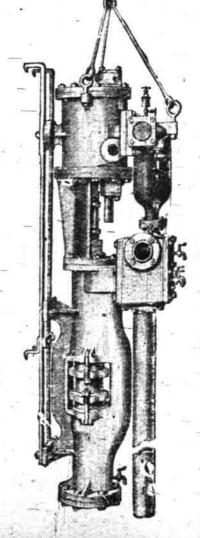
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