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SNUFF INFORMATION.

Reasons Given for the Enormous Use of Snuff in the United States.

It seems surprising to learn the fact that twenty years ago four million pounds of snuff per annum were consumed in this country. Much more astonishing is the circumstance that during the fiscal year ended July 1, 1892, ten million pounds of snuff were used in the United States. Yet how rarely is it that one sees a pinch of snuff taken! The mystery was explained recently by the New York agent for a great snuff manufacturing concern, says the Cincinnati Commercial. He said:

"Nearly all Italian and German music teachers use snuff. Likewise the Roman Catholic clergy. The priests say that they get into the habit during long sessions in the confessional, where they must sit for hours together, and take snuff in order to occupy themselves and keep awake, avoiding sneezing. The true snuff-taker does not sneeze. Old-fashioned Germans, who came to this country a long time ago, almost invariably take snuff. In beer saloons where people of their race congregate, you will commonly see on the counter a box of snuff for general use. It is of black snuff that I have spoken thus far—highly scented with rose, bergamot and pungent flowers.

"But the snuff that is chiefly used and manufactured in this country is of the yellow or brown kind. Some of it is salted and some plain, but very little of it is scented. It is used to an immense extent in the south by negroes, and poor whites, for 'dipping.' The snuff-dipper moistens a little stick, in water or alcohol, dips it in the snuff, makes a little ball, and puts it between the lips and the teeth. The habit is an unpleasant one, but is practiced in the south by women as commonly as by men. In fact the consumption of snuff in this country is chiefly by dipping, and the bulk of the tobacco manufactured in this shape is consumed below Mason and Dixon's line. Yellow snuff is used largely by the Canadian-French girls, who compose a majority of the employes in the cotton mills all over the United States, particularly in New England.

"Snuff should be made from the leaf stalks of the tobacco plant only, though much inferior material is mixed with the cheaper kind. Havana and Sumatra tobaccos are preferred. The flavorings employed are kept strictly secret. Much care has to be taken in the processes of compounding, inasmuch as no class of tobacco consumers are so fastidious as snuff-takers. The Scotch are great users of snuff. It was a Scotchman who once asked a big-rosed stranger if he took snuff, and receiving a negative reply remarked: 'Wuat a pity; you have such a grand accommodation!'"

SPIRIT PHOTOGRAPHS.

A Stampede Caused by the Visit of a Fortune Teller.

"Next" called the chairman of the Free-and-Easy club that was holding an impromptu session on the sidewalk at the Southern, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, and "Andsome 'Arry," as H. H. Blair is called by his cronies, came to the scratch. "Last month a female fortune teller struck our town, and I concluded to have a little fun with the credulous. I subsidized her and she promised that the Delphic oracle should answer at my dictation. I stood in with the photographer, and from his show cases and negatives we

taken up spirit photographs of about all the marriageable people in the place. Then my priestess advertised 'portrait of your future wife or husband, twenty-five cents.' But she didn't procure them 'while you wait.' She would get the name of the applicant, report to me, and I would supply her with the picture. The thing quickly became a 'fad' with the young fools, and they all bit. I took pains to mix all the engaged couples and to give the youngest dudes the ancient paintings that had been on the matrimonial market without takers for a third of a century. Of course, they kicked worse than all the bulls of Bashan, but fate was inexorable, and the high priestess protested that there would be no mistake. The old maid swooped down upon her predestined lord and carried him to the altar willy-nilly, and two of the leading society swells swapped sweethearts within a week of the wedding day. That settled all doubts of the oracle's foreknowledge and there was the very mischief to pay. The dudes stampeded, young ladies cut their best friends cold and soon-to-be benedictis sent challenges to their supposed successful rivals. But just as the fun was becoming fast and furious a smart chap, whose sweetheart had been elected to become another man's bride, bought up my Sibyl and she gave the whole snap away. Dodrat a woman, anyhow! They won't stay bought."

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