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THE PHYSICIAN IN TURKEY

Changing Customs in Harem Make His Work Much Easier.

Constantinople Letter to the London Globe.

The attitude of the harem to medical practitioners has changed much of recent years. Twenty or 30 years ago no Turkish woman would ever have submitted to a physical examination by a doctor. All he could have persuaded her to do would have been to show him her tongue through a rent in the yashmak, or let him touch her pulse from behind a heavy curtain and in the presence, of course, of an argus-eyed eunuch, or old female slave.

Any attempt to apply a stethoscope to the chest would have been spurned as an impertinent presumption of Western "barbarism." No matter how severe the illness, the medical man could not go beyond certain strict limits of Islamic usage and traditional custom. Even in case of imminent danger of life these scanty limits were never allowed to be overstepped, and the belief in the incantations of a priest and the house remedies of old, ignorant and superstitious women, held unlimited sway and was always greater than the faith in the efficacy of medical skill and science.

This is now changing, and changing rapidly. There are, of course, still many exceptions where antiquated views and conceptions are fanatically adhered to and practiced, but these become rarer with each advancing year. Many Turkish women will now, when ill, voluntarily call on a medical practitioner.

HIS POETIC DREAM REALIZED.

Mr. Trowbridge to See "Darius Green and His Flying Machine."

Boston Globe.

It is just 40 years since J. T. Trowbridge wrote that humorously prophetic poem "Darius Green and His Flying Machine—a poem which convulsed the world with laughter at the time and which was for years one of the favorite selections with which readers entertained lyceum audiences and which schoolboys relished on graduation day.

And how everybody laughed when Darius gave his reasons why he believed men should fly. It was all so absurd and ridiculous. Nobody but a fool Yankee boy would ever dream of such a thing. Yes; the audience usually roared at these lines. You remember them, of course. If not, here they are:

"The birds can fly,
An' why can't I?
Must we give in,
Says he with a grin,
"T' the blabberin' Phoebe
An' smarten' wab?
Jest fold our hands an' see the swaller
An' blackbird an' catbird, beat us holter
Does the leetle, chatterin', sassy wren,
No bigger'n my thumb, know more than
men?
Jest show me that;
Er prove 't the bat
Hez got more brains than's in my hat,
An' I'll back down, an' not till then."
He argued further: "Ner I can't see
What's th' use o' wings to a humble bee,
Fer to git a livin' with, more'n to eat!
Ain't my business
Importanter'n his'n is?"

The author of that poem is now 83 years old, and he is going to be one of the guests at the opening of the Harvard-Boston aero meet next Saturday, when he will see the fulfillment of his poetic prophecy.

WHO IS THE SUCCESSFUL FARMER?

Extract from an address to this year's graduating class of Ohio University, by Dr. Washington Gladden.

I may fairly assume that those among you who are to be farmers have been studying agriculture in the university, and that you have got some inkling of the need of mixing brains with husbandry. You surely do not need to be told of the manifold problems that wait for solution, in the reclamation of waste lands, in the improvement of the soil and its products, in the reforestation of the hills, in the "making the wilderness to bring forth and bud that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater," in socializing the countryside that the people dwelling there shall find the stimulation and the solace of good companionship and the opportunity of a rewarding culture.

If these aspects of your work as farmers loom large before your thoughts, if it is by these that your enthusiasm is aroused and your energies are directed, I am sure that you are in a fair way to become highly educated men. And this, I assume, is what you want to be. The main thing that you want to get out of this calling of yours for yourselves is a large, fruitful, noble manhood.

You expect, and you have a right to expect, that you will get a comfortable living out of your work, enough to eat and to wear; that you will have an attractive and beautiful home; and there is not much reason to fear that the man who puts brains and enthusiasm into the business of farming will not get as much as that out of it, or something more. But this something more is not your first concern. Your main question is not how large gains you can make, but how you can most fully and worthily express and realize your life in this calling you have chosen.

You have a neighbor, perhaps, who went into this business for the money there was in it and who has come to the end of his working life with a big balance in the bank, with a safe full of productive securities, with three or four automobiles and all the outward signs of abundance. But how has he done it? He has skinned 1,000 or 2,000 acres of good land, leaving it perceptibly poorer than when it came under his hand; he has neglected all opportunities of self-improvement; he has pushed his interests with no regard to the welfare of his neighbors; he has sown broadcast as every selfish man always does, the seed of dissension and suspicion and ill will. Of course, in the process his own personality has steadily withered and dwindled. Most men, looking at the balance in the bank and the contents of the safe, call him a successful farmer. Do you? If all men were such as the society would cease to exist and the earth would be uninhabitable.

He furnishes you, nevertheless, an excellent object lesson of the kind of man you do not want to be. I trust that the sight of him may inspire you with the ambition to live in such a way that when your working days are over some one who knows you well may be able to say of you, "He is not a plutocrat; he is not leaving to his children any accumulation of stocks and bonds by means of which they will be able to live in idleness on the labor of future generations. But look at his farm. See the fertile meadows where once were swamps; see the new forest clothing the once-barren hillsides; see the growing crops and fine farm buildings; see the splendid herd and flock that enrich the pastures; look at the records that tell of the fruits and grains he has developed, of the pests he has stamped out; his own farm will sustain four times as much life today as when he began to till it and every farmer in the land is his debtor.

"And see what he has made of himself. He is the brightest man in the country; these studies and experiments of his have been quickening his intellect and leading his mind out into many fruitful fields of knowledge and culture and all these gains he has been free to share with all his neighbors; if you want to know what kind of a man he is, ask them. He is the heart and soul of all neighborhood life; he has done more than any other man to promote good will and friendship in the countryside and to make it a pleasant place for men and women and boys and girls to live."

If something like that can be said about you when the end comes, then it will be clear that the foundations laid here in the university have been well built upon; that today's commencement was the bright beginning of a glorious career; that you have made yourself an example of a thoroughly educated man.

THE DOGS OF CONSTANTINOPLE

YOUTH'S COMPANION.

The ownerless, vagrant dogs of Constantinople—the scavengers of the city—are, in spite of their reputation, the kindest, gentlest members of the dog family, and the most intelligent. Such is the opinion of Mr. Alfred Bigelow Paine, who, in "The Ship-Dwellers," describes at some length the traits and habits of these animals. They do not wander about alone, but have divided themselves into groups or squads, and their territory into districts, with borders exactly defined; there is a captain to each of these companies.

The captain is a sultan with the power of life and death over his subjects. When puppies come along he designates the few—the very few—that are to live, and one mother nurses several of the reduced litter. When a dog gets too old to be useful in the strenuous round he is systematically put out of the way by starvation.

The minister's wife told me that she had tried to feed one of these dying dogs, but even when the food was placed in front of him he would only look pleadingly at the captain and refuse to touch it. She brought him inside, at last, where he was no longer under that deadly surveillance. He ate then, but lived only a little while. Perhaps it was too late; perhaps the decree was not to be disobeyed, even there.

As a rule, it is unwise to show kindness or the least attention to these dogs. The slightest word or notice unlocks such a storehouse of gratitude and heart-hunger in those poor creatures that one can never venture near that neighborhood again without being fairly overwhelmed with devotion. Speak a word to one of them, and he will desert his companions and follow you.

The minister's wife told how once a male member of her household had shown some mark of attention to one of the dogs of their neighborhood group. A day or two later she set out for a walk, carrying her parasol, holding it downward. Suddenly she felt it taken from her hand. Looking down, she saw a dog walking by her side, carrying it. It was the favored animal, trying to make return to any one who came out of that heavenly house.

HEARS FROM THE DEAD.

Dr. Wiggin Convicted of Return of Professor James.

Boston, Sept. 4.—That Prof. William James, the Harvard psychologist, who died a week ago last Friday, has accomplished his expressed desire to communicate, from beyond the grave, if he found it possible, is the amazing statement made by Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Wiggin, of Brookline, pastor of Uolty Church, and a spiritualist with whom Professor James had discussed this engrossing question.

Whatever skeptics may think of the occurrence, Dr. Wiggin is convinced of the return of Professor James' spirit and the transfer of a communication to Dr. Wiggin's subconsciousness.

Professor James died at Chocoma, N. H., on August 26, but Dr. Wiggin, who has been attending a convention of spiritualists at Madison, Maine, did not learn the news until last Sunday. He immediately set about getting into touch with the spirit of the professor, and declares that during an hour's summoning of his control the spirit manifested itself.

Dr. Wiggin thus tells of the incidents leading up to the return of Professor James' spirit.

"My control came to me after a time and I experienced a strong intimation of a presence in the room. My conscious mind could not translate from the subconscious mind the identity of the presence.

"The subconscious had apprehended the message of the presence from my control but there was a break in communication between the subconscious mind and the conscious. Yet, I feel positive that the presence that remained there and that I have felt every night since is that of Professor James.

"When I established communication with the spirit of Dr. Hodgson it began in the same way, for I had known him on this side, and later his spirit and my control communicated many times and at length.

"As the spirit of Professor James remains near my control the control will get stronger, and I feel that within a week or so the messages will become more and more plain until I will receive messages which I feel sure will bear out Professor James' wish to prove the will to communicate. I cannot make these communications known until the control is strong, but then I believe they will go far toward establishing the fact even in the minds of some of the materialists."

FIGURES ON COTTON CROP.

Cotton Plant Last Season Produced the Greatest Revenue in the History of Country.

New Orleans, Sept. 6.—That the value of the cotton which the South marketed during the commercial season recently closed far surpassed that of any previous year in the history of the country, in spite of a short crop, was the feature of the annual report issued today by Col. Henry G. Hester, secretary and statistician of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange.

The money value of the commercial crop during the season 1909-1910 is placed at \$778,894,000, showing that while the quantity of cotton marketed was 3,216,000 bales less than the previous season, it brought \$95,100,000 more. This does not include the value of cotton seed which, if added, would show the actual wealth producing capacity of the Southern lands for the commercial year just closed to have been \$902,894,000, a gain over 1908-1909 of \$127,100,000.

According to complete reports from both Northern and Southern milling centers, the South for the third consecutive season, manufactured more cotton than the North and increased the total which it held last season.

The report places the actual cotton growth at 10,389,000 bales.

The report of the crop in North Carolina is given as 676 in thousands of bales as against 747 last year.

Concerning the cotton consumption by Southern mills the report says:

"The spindles in the South number 11,682,369, including old, idle and not complete. Three years ago consumption in the cotton States was ahead of the rest of the United States 220,000 bales; last year the excess was narrowed to 60,000 and this year it has again increased to 170,000. This refers to American cotton."

Col. Hester puts the world's consumption of America cotton at 11,774,000 bales, a decrease under last year of 1,388,000 and under the year before of 338,000 bales.

In the South Col. Hester makes the consumption 213,570 under last year and 148,026 over the year before last. Twenty-six new mills are now building in the Southern States with a total of 360,352 spindles, and the spindles in the active mills have been increased by 644,686.

This, he says, is not to the phenomenal showing recorded the year before the panic, but is still an indication of progress by the South, in the direction of manufacturing her own cotton.

Of the total of 838 mills, 776 have been in operation; 39 were idle and 26 in course of construction.

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