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CENTURY'S HORROR IN CHINA.

FULLY 5,000,000 PEOPLE LOOK INTO THE EYES OF DEATH.

Famine in Six Districts Involves 45,000 Square Miles and 20,000,000 of Men, Women and Children.

Hunger is at once the most acute and the most brutalizing of bodily ills. It makes men animals in ferocity; it clouds all moral sense; it makes food the chief end of man, woman and child—food, no matter what as to quality, source or supply; it has overthrown dynasties and wrecked civilizations; it knows no law social or political; if, as Napoleon said, "an army travels on its stomach," then, certainly, a people without food must retrograde into savagery and become a danger to the peace and prosperity of the world.

In that region of Northeastern China known as Kianpeh, of which Shanghai is the commercial capital and principal port, six provinces are now affected by the famine the floods of last September brought about. In these provinces are 20,000,000 people of whom 15,000,000 are affected by the all-prevailing destitution while fully 5,000,000 are absolutely without food (save such scanty rations as foreign and native relief doles out), without resources, without hope.

There are more people starving to death in China to-day—more by at least a million—than there were alive in America, north of the Rio Grande, when the Declaration of Independence was signed—and this includes the aboriginal Indians in the count. More people will die in China of starvation, exposure and famine-bred disease within the next four or five months than were killed in battle, or died from wounds or disease in the Napoleonic wars, the great Civil War in the United States, the Boer war in South Africa and the late Russo-Japanese conflict.

More people died from lack of food in the province of Anhui in the first week of February, 1907, than were engaged in active operations on the American side in the Hispano-American war in 1898.

Famine conditions in China grow more acute, more terrible, more mortal as the days go on and the sphere of destitution is daily enlarged. The famine commenced in September and has swelled in proportions and deepened in horror for six months.

The native government has done much by appropriation, by providing work, by contributions from officials, by reduction of taxes and by local distribution to mitigate the terrors of the time. Foreign relief has been prompt and efficiently applied. Foreign residents in China have subscribed, so far as accounts are at hand, more than $180,000 to the relief fund. America has sent over $200,000, of which $151,000 is credited to The Christian Herald Chinese Relief Fund.

All the native, all the foreign relief however, is as nothing to the need. At best such relief can only mitigate a fraction of the suffering, save from death a portion of the starving. It is truly worth while to make that fraction, that portion, as large as they call upon our consciences and purses is loud and agonizing.

Generous Americans do not need an appeal to their fears nor to their interests. It is sufficient to reach their human sympathies. None the less, is it fair to remember that a dollar contributed now may avert the necessity of spending many dollars, later, to save lives and property of Americans from hunger-crazed rioters.

Carrying Them Out.

Knowall—"I sent you some suggestions telling you how to make your paper more interesting. Have you carried out any of my ideas?"

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PREACHER USES BARE FISTS.

Thrashes Cowboys Who Seek to Make Him Drink.

Hayes, S. Dak., Special.

Rev. John McVey, a missionary, who is working amount the settlers in the Bad river country, soundly whipped two burly cowboys, George Carney and Fred Temple, because they tried to compel him to take a drink of whiskey. The minister is a college man from the East, and used to be a football player boxer, and all round athlete.

He was on his way to ranch to hold a religious meeting, when the two cowboys, whe had sworn to prevent the meeting, waylaid him; handed him a bottle, and told him to drink. He declined, whereupon they sought to force the liquor down his throat. In five minutes, with his bare fists, McVey knocked out both men and took from one of them a revolver which he had drawn in the scrap.

Carney got up and shook hands with the missionary. Temple was ugly and threatened to shoot McVey on sight. Carney, however, made his partner apologize to the missionary, shake hands with him and promise to "treat him right" in the future. Then the three men mounted their cayuses and rode on together to the ranch, where the meeting was to be held.

At the meeting Temple got up and told how McVey had knocked out Carney and himself.

Public Drink and Profanity.

North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The last Legislature did itself credit by many acts which look to the advancement of public morals, but none more than the one providing for the punishment of those who offend by public drinking. We already had a statute against profanity in public places. Those who drink in public are the ones who are in the habit of defying all decent taste by profane and vulgar conversation regardless of the presence of refined Christian men and women. Let this law be rigidly enforced. There has been improvement in recent years, yet on trains especially those frequented by whiskey bummers, one is often shocked with the filthy conversation, profanity and drinking. One of the strongest indictments of the liquor business is the well-known fact that these things are invariably associated with it. When the crusade against the liquor evil has been pushed to its complete success, it will appear that these twin vices of public drinking and profanity have gone with it in large measure. The fact is that a great family of evils cluster about the whiskey evil and the most effective way of destroying these is to destroy the mother of them all.

The South Carolina Immigrants.

The Progressive Farmer last week gives us some information as to how the immigrants landed at Charleston from the Wittekind, last November, are faring. Mr. James A. Hoyt, of Columbia, writing to the Progressive Farmer, says that "many of the immigrants have drifted to other States and to cities where their kinsmen and countrymen live, but the most of them are in the State where they landed. Many of them have gone on the farms and are doing well. Around Columbia some of them have purchased tracts of land in the sandhill country, which has for so many years lain untouched almost, and they are making the sandhills blossom as they have never blossomed before. One of the German immigrants, Count Wegel, who came over with Commissioner Watson as a cabin passenger on the Wittekind, drives into town almost daily from his farm and his team is such a turnout as any prosperous farmer might envy. Count Wegel is an experienced truck farmer, and there are plenty more just as good where he came from."

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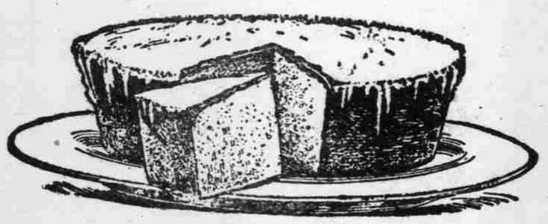

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Famine Scenes in China.

DISPENSING RICE AT SOUCHON, AS SEEN FROM CITY WALL.

ON THE WAY TO A FAMINE CAMP.

Young Lady A Suicide.

MORGANTON, April 11.—The community was very much shocked to hear this morning that Miss Jessie Balls', a member of the faculty of the School for the Deaf, had disappeared yesterday afternoon and, after being searched for during the night by the principal of the school and male teachers, no trace of her could be found. Searching parties composed of the citizens then started in every direction and about 11 o'clock this moning her body was found about one half mile from the school on a wooded hillside near the Southern railway. A bottle labeled carbolic acid was found by her side. Her face was terribly burned from the acid. The greatest mystery envelops this death, there being not the slightest clue to any reason for suicide. Miss Ball tought her classes as usual yesterday and said she would not attend the teachers' meeting in the afternoon, as she was not well and started off for a walk.

She had destroyed all letters, taken off her rings and watch and left her trunk unlocked, something unusual for the teachers to do when leaving the building. She had been rather despondent for several weeks and complained of not feeling well, having lost 25 pounds in weight. It was hoped that some note might be found, but so far there is nothing to throw any light upon her tragic death. Miss Ball has been a teacher in the oral department of the school for the deaf since 1904 and was from Detroit, Mich.

A preacher came at a newspaper man in this way: "You editors do not tell the truth. If you did you could not live; your paper would be a failure." The editor replied: "You are right, and the minister who will at all times and under all circumstances tell the whole truth about these members alive or dead will not occupy his pulpit more than one Sunday and then he will find it necessary to leave town in a hurry. The press and pulpit go hand in hand with whitewash brushes and pleasant words, magnifying little virtues into big ones. The pulpit the pen and the grave-stone are the great saint-making triumvirate." And the great minister turned away looking very thoughtful, while the editor turned to his work, and told of the unsurpassing beauty of the bride, while in fact she was as homely as a mud-fence.

Sometime ago an Augusta man went before the Georgia Railroad Commission with a lot of railroad spikes, together with a bag of rotten wood. The spikes, he said, he pulled up with his naked hands from rotten crossties along the line of the Georgia Central Railroad. The rotten wood represented the crossties he had kicked up with his shoes. The commission took up the matter and there was a big investigation which has just been concluded. The Augusta man lost his case, for the road was declared safe.

Thought without action is an evil, and so is action without thought.

Healthy Woman Proves a Living Typhoid Factory.

A puzzling case under observation in the reception hospital in New York city. The patient is a woman, a cook apparently in perfect health, but who is detained because she is suspected of communicating typhoid to about twenty-five persons within the past six years.

According to Doctor Walter Benzel the Sanitary superintendent of Manhattan Hospital, the woman is is literally a living typhoid factory.

She herself was stricken with the disease about six years age. It ran the usual course and she recovered. Now it is found that, in all the time she was declared cured of typhoid, she has kept on nurturing and developing typhoid germs. Though herself immune, the germs which she has been developing have been a constant source of danger and contagion to all with whom she has come in contance.

"The Lord only knows what we can do with the woman," said Doctor Benzel. "We will keep her under observation and will certainly employ every means known to sience to locate and destroy the culture ground of germs which persists in lingering in her anatomy."

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The Charlotte Observer says that white criminals, compared with colored, are on the increase in Mecklenburg county. Numbers are being sent to the chain gang and last week 12 were in the jail. It is stated that this is something new in Mecklenburg.

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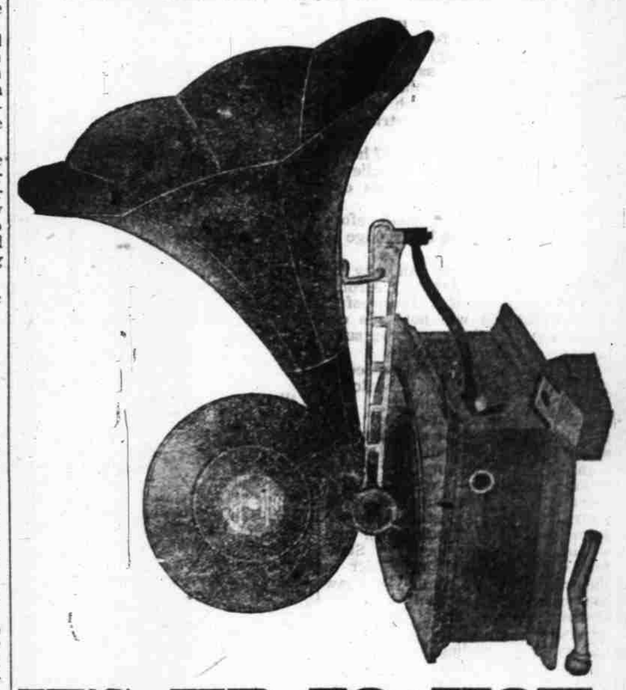

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