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FREAKS OF WEATHER

FOGS, WINDS AND STORMS OF VARIOUS PECULIARITIES.

The "Williwaw" that spends itself upon Tierra del Fuego--The "Fohn" Wind of Switzerland and the "Föhn" of Siberia.

In mountainous countries, such as Scotland, a fog usually forms at the top of a hill and works downward. The cold mountain top, cooling a warm current of wet air, renders its moisture visible, and this cold fog, being of lower temperature than the air below and therefore heavier, drops gradually to the valley. Colorado, however, can show an exception to this general rule. There in winter the frost on the low ground is so intense that a fog often forms in the valleys and works slowly up the mountain side. This is known by the Indian name of "pogout."

Peru has hundreds of square miles along its coast of rainless country. In this tract rain is never known to fall from one century's end to another. Yet the region is not entirely barren of vegetation. Some parts of it, indeed, are comparatively fertile. This is due to the extraordinary fogs known as "garusa." They prevail every night from May to October after a summer that is sultry and extend up to a level of 1,200 feet above the sea. Above 1,200 feet rain falls.

The "calina" of Spain is a fog we may be grateful that we do not have. It is a dry, yellow mist which sometimes hides the sun for days at a time over vast tracts of country and makes the sky look as though covered with leaden gauze.

Another peculiar freak of weather we must be thankful to escape is the "williwaw." This form of storm is confined to that frigid island Tierra del Fuego. The coast is indicated with deep floods crowned with high mountains. Down from their gorges drops the "williwaw." A low, hoarse muttering is heard in the distance. Suddenly, without the least preliminary puff, a fearful blast of wind rages upon the sea. The water is not raised into waves, but driven into fine dust. Fortunately the shock lasts but ten or twelve seconds, and calm follows at once, for no vessel could stand such a wind for even half a minute. During the coming and going of a "williwaw" the barometer may be watched to drop a tenth of an inch or more and rise again at once.

Similar in name if not in nature is the "willy willy" with which Kalgoolie gold diggers are acquainted, to the east. "But devil," some people call them. Half a dozen may be seen dancing harmlessly along over the desert when suddenly one will dive into the city and fill all the shop windows in Hannan street with dust and sand, blinding every passerby. The "willy willy" is a thief of the worst kind. It will steal the washing from a line or the roof from a shed. In some parts of the country wire ropes are anchored over the roofs of huts to save them from the attacks of these odd little whirlwinds.

Most people have heard of the "fohn" wind of Switzerland, that warm, dry gale which comes over the mountains and in spring will melt two feet of snow in a day. Its cause is most peculiar. The "fohn" comes from the east. As it strikes the Alps it is wet, like most gales which have crossed the sea, but the south face of the mountains receives its rain, and as it crosses the summits it is dry. The moving air current is also compressed and therefore dynamically heated. As it falls into the northern valleys in a cataract of air it gains heat at the rate of half a degree for every 100 feet of descent. It usually blows for two or three days, causing great suffering by its dry heat and oppression. While it lasts the temperature is about thirty degrees above the average. The "chilnook" of British Columbia and the western side of the United States is very similar to the "fohn."

England has adopted the American word "blizzard" for a gale with snow. But the blizzard, however must yield to the ferocious "buran" of the central steppes of Asia and the "purga" of northern Siberia. To be caught in gales such as these means death in a very few minutes, however warmly clad, for the very air becomes unbreathable, so filled is it with spikes of ice drift.

"Khamstin" is the hot wind from the desert which blows out of the Sahara upon Egypt. The word means fifty, from the idea that it lasts for fifty days. The "khamstin" is terribly hot and dry and sometimes brings pestilence with it.

Red snow we have all heard of. It is caused by a microscopic infusorial growth and only occurs in snow that has lain unmelting for a long time. In Spitzbergen recently green snow has been noted dated by similar organisms. "Gold dust" snow has often been seen, but only in spring. At one time it was a mystery how the surface of new fallen snow came to be strewn with a shining yellow deposit. Now it is known to be due to the pollen of pine trees.--Pearson's Weekly.

Chicken Pox and Smallpox.

The eruption of chicken pox has an imperfect resemblance to that of smallpox, but can never be mistaken for it by the experienced eye. In smallpox the eruption of papules first appears on the forehead, the "papules" always become "blisters," and the latter always develop into pustules--that is, sooner or later their contents get changed into pus. Then the center of the pustules undergoes a peculiar stinking that in some measure resembles the depression in a cushion or padded chair where the "buttons" are seen. In chicken pox there is no such uniformity of sequence, and the depressions are absent.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Beware of cheap imitations.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

St. Petersburg's authorities now disinfest small goats.

The coffee chewing habit is spreading in New York.

The average family in the United States has 4.7 persons.

The number of cattle in Argentina is estimated at 25,000,000.

The great Canadian Soo electric power plant is owned by New Yorkers.

Of the 12,000,000 inhabitants of Mexico 10,000,000 are of pure Indian type.

There is \$300,000,000 worth of English money invested in submarine cables.

It is anticipated that the world's supply of gold will be doubled in the next ten years.

Nearly one-third of our immigrants are now from southern Italy, the worst class in Europe.

Owing to the drought 1,500 sheep were sold lately at a penny each at Orange, N. S. W.

About 40,000 Chinese emigrate to Vladivostok every spring and return to Chefoo in the autumn.

The Blaby-Arco (German) wireless telegraph system can be used only over distances comparatively short.

By 150 votes to 81 the Italian chamber has passed the bill for the municipalization of the public services.

Eight thousand nine hundred women in London have been convicted of drunkenness more than ten times.

Brazil and Venezuela are the only South American countries in which negroes are found in large numbers.

Formaldehyde gas, the fashionable disinfectant, is generated during the imperfect combustion of wood alcohol.

A minister for the administration of navigation and commercial ports has been added by the Russian government.

The standing timber of Canada equals that of the continent of Europe and is nearly double that of the United States.

Dr. Loeb says electricity is the underlying cause of vital action, but he has not as yet made a fair demonstration of it.

Forty pounds has been offered as a prize by a Vienna confectionery company for the best translation of the English word "cake."

The inspector general shows that in London the losses from unsuccessful companies during the last ten years have exceeded \$2,000,000,000.

Another step in the commercial annexation of Canada is the taking by New Yorkers of 5,000 shares, at \$250 each, in the Royal bank of the Dominion.

Egypt has two humorous periodicals. Of the total number of 120 periodicals appearing in that country eighty-seven are printed in Arabic, the others in English and French.

An infallible cure for seasickness is said to be found in examining one's features attentively in a mirror. The idea is that by this means the eye rests on an unchanging surface, and the sense of motion gradually becomes less.

Speaking of the epidemic of arsenical poisoning which occurred in England in 1901, Professor Deleplase said in a recent lecture that with Hahnemann's test it is now possible to detect less than one part of arsenous acid in 10,000,000 parts of beer.

In an entire year only one person was killed on the railways of Great Britain. In three months 845 persons have been killed and 11,102 injured on American lines. The reason for this is plain. It is a much more serious matter to kill a person on an English railroad than it is in America.

Four great coal regions are about to be exploited in South Africa. The most southerly field lies between Ladysmith and the northern boundary of Natal. These regions will in the near future supply a large part of the world's demand for coal. Natal exported 204,000 tons in 1901.

The agricultural department is now developing in the south a system of "one man farms." These are small areas of land in the pine woods, upon which a system of farming is being developed of such a nature as to appeal directly to the class of farmers who must necessarily handle such land.

A resident at Guelma, in Algeria, has taken out a patent for the manufacture of casks out of cork. An interior coating isolates the contents from contact with the cork. A barrel of eleven gallons weighed thirty pounds instead of eighty pounds, which is the weight of a wooden cask of the same capacity.

A cormorant's nest, composed of seaweed roughly bound by some wire rigging and containing five eggs, was found some time ago on the forehead of the British man-of-war Sybille, which was wrecked on the southwest coast of Africa. The nest has been presented to the Royal United Service Institution in London.

A tame woe which has just been killed by its owner at Susquehanna, Pa., had a remarkably ingenious plan for catching fowls. Trained up as a domestic pet, it would go outside the house, scatter the food that was given it near the poultry run and then lie down and feign sleep. The unsuspecting hens swarmed to peck up the food, and whenever one came within reach of the woe's paw it was grabbed and devoured.

Lyddite, free from all technical description, is merely a form of picric acid melted down and allowed to solidify. It was discovered in 1871 and for a century and a quarter served a peaceful but very useful purpose as a dye for silk and woolen materials without its explosive powers being dreamed of. A few years ago a warehouse fire occurred in Manchester, and the flames spread to a shed in which picric acid was stored. There was a terrible explosion, and an investigation took place, with the result that lyddite was born.

Attmore's Condensed Mince Meat 10c per lb. at J. H. Parker Jr.

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RALEIGH.

To Determine About Exhibition at St. Louis.

Confederate Veteran Dead. Convicts in Penitentiary. Freedom From Fire Losses. Increase in Tobacco Acreage.

RALEIGH, March 30.--March has been nearly all of it, an April, but yesterday it took a turn and became February. Rain and wind, a cutting wind from the northeast, made the day most unpleasant, and today almost its equal.

At the Soldiers Home today Joseph N. Orell died, aged 61. He served in Co. G, 22d Regt. N. C. troops, and Charles C. Blackwell was his first captain. He was from Henderson.

It is asserted very positively, that the acreage in tobacco in this section will be doubled this season. There will be perhaps as much cotton planted as there was last year. Labor is scarce and uncertain, this is particularly the case at cotton-picking season. Tobacco is a far easier crop handled, demands less labor, and is always out of the way before bad weather comes, so that the family of the grown can lend valuable aid in breaking after it.

There are now 173 pupils in the institution for the white blind and 170 in that for negro deaf-mutes and blind. All the convicts save 11 are represented in the institution for the white blind. Superintendent Ray says he thinks there are 100 to 125 blind who have never been at this institution and perhaps 25 to 50 who have attended it once but did not return. No improvements of the buildings will be made this year or next year, the Legislature having been forced to cut off the special appropriation of \$10,000 for each of the years 1903-4 for that purpose.

There are now only 133 convicts in the penitentiary. The total number of State convicts is 350. Of these 200 are on the "Caledonia" State farm on the Roanoke river. It is expected that the new plant for making brick in the prison will be in operation by the end of April.

Insurance people say that while January was a bad month for fire losses, there has been less loss during February and March in the State.

There will probably be a meeting here tomorrow in regard to North Carolina's participation in the World's Fair at St. Louis. Ten thousand dollars must be raised in order to get that amount from the State. The legislative act so promises. Now the question is how to get the \$10,000.

HORSES AND HORSEMEN.

Almerion, 2:18 1/4, will be raced this year by Matt Laird, Mansfield, O.

A. P. Benner, South Bethlehem, Pa., will race his stable on the grand circuit tracks this year.

Clipper, 2:06, was recently driven a quarter to road cart on the Pleasanton (Cal.) track in 30 seconds.

Roy Miller of Idle Hour stock farm, Macon, Ga., has purchased two trotting colts by Brattan Boy.

The famous "snake horse," Anacanda, is now in training for the opening season of the grand circuit.

Billy Buck in Ed Geers' stable can trot to his record of 2:16 1/4 and walk the last quarter, so it's said.

Crescent wears more racing paraphernalia--boots, suspenders, etc.--than any other holder of the world's trotting record.

The Soo Driving club of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., is about to build a \$20,000 driving club, which when completed will be modern in all particulars.

L. P. Bissell, Suffolk, Conn., recently purchased of the Forest City farm, Cleveland, the trotting mare Kolo, by Patron, dam Watersprite, by Belmont, and the three-year-old gelding Blatit, by Patron, dam Kerulina, by Connaught.

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GRAND LODGE MEETING.

Annual Session at Wilmington in June. Some History.

RALEIGH, March 28.--The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows meet in annual session at Wilmington May 13th. It was in that city that the first session of the Grand Lodge was held in 1843. No member of the order is now living who attended the opening session of the Grand Lodge but there is a member of the order living who at that time was a charter member of Weldon Lodge number one.

Grand Treasurer Jones of Wilmington was first in the Grand Lodge in 1848. In 1851 he was elected Grand Treasurer and has held that position ever since with the exception of a year or two when he was Grand Master. For some 6 or 8 years he was paid the very unusual compliment of being at the same time both Treasurer and Grand Representative.

State Guard Uniforms and Rifles.

Raleigh, March 28.--Khaki uniforms have been sent to all the companies of the National Guard of the State, except four. The troops like the khaki very much. A new issue of blue shirts has been made to nearly all the companies and saddles have been sent to the field and staff officers.

The Krag magazine rifles are ready for issue to the State, and it is said the issue will be made as soon as an army officer comes here to inspect the rifles now in use.

Revenue and Machinery Act.

Raleigh, March 28.--The revenue and machinery act was issued today. Among the other copies sent out were those from the State Treasurer to the various sheriffs with an accompanying note requesting the sheriffs to make a memorandum on blank pages inserted in the act of any suggestion which they may consider to be of value. The act is not quite so long as that of two years ago, and some of the sections having been dropped.

Next Teachers Assembly

Raleigh, March 28.--The session of the Teachers Assembly at Wrightsville, June 9-14 promises to be one of the most valuable and interesting the teachers have yet held. The attendance is growing and the sessions are made of real value. A program has been prepared which will be passed upon by the executive committee.

MAKING FORTUNES

The Money of the Market Not For the Man With a Theory.

Fortunates have been made in the Chicago board of trade not by men who entered the market with a preconceived theory as to its course, which they attempted to make good through thick and thin, but rather by those who took things as they came, watching the drift, shaping their way from day to day, like prudent merchants, according to the current.

This is confusing to the novice, for the novice almost always comes in with a preconceived theory. Some time ago a young man with a large hope, a moderate fortune and considerable social prestige was shown the enormous possibilities in December pork. It looked absolutely conclusive, but he called upon a great trader with whom he had a personal acquaintance. Yes; the packer thought very well of pork--was buying it. In fact, thus doubly assured the young man bought. The market went his way, and he bought more. Then the market turned. The young man reviewed his convincing statistics, remembered the words of the packer and stood stubbornly upon his line. When he was getting near to the end of his margins, he was horrified to learn that his friend the packer had shifted to the other side of the market two weeks before. He visited him, recalled their conversation and explained the situation. The packer stared. "Do you mean you've been holding 2,500 barrels of pork all this time?" he demanded. "Yes," said the young man, "and I have it yet. Now, what can I do with it?" "I don't know," said the packer, "unless you can eat it."--Will Payne in Century.

Brental Treatment of a Wife.

Husband--Don't you think that you are rather unreasonable to expect me to take you to a ball, stay awake until 4 o'clock and then get up at 8 to go to my work?

Wife--I may be a little unreasonable, but it's perfectly brutal of you to mention it.--New York Weekly.

Scour It.

We have just received our spring line of clothing serges, cashmeres, flannels and wool crash, also a line of pants, swell patterns, also all the new things in Pat Leas shoes and Oxfords.

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Crazy in Moderation.

Wife--If I were to die, Phil, what would you do?

Phil--I'd be most crazy.

Wife--Would you marry again?

Phil--No; I wouldn't be that crazy.--Kansas City Independent.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

IN LEGISLATURE.

Makes Friends and Secures Prominent Attention. Miss Harrison's Argument. Mr. Self's Speech.

No more important legislation was framed, so the Christian Scientists think at the present assembly than that which in defining the meaning of medicine and surgery gave them a proviso, thus placing them under the protection of the law thereby relieving the people who wish their services free to choose them without any chance of interference or condemnation by their critics. It was notice able throughout that no attempt was made to show that fatalities under Christian Science were more numerous than under other methods, but the frank admission of Dr. Lewis, the promoter of the bill against them, that seventeen out of twenty-four would get well anyway--four under intelligent treatment, but three would of necessity die, at once disarmed all criticism against them. In making a complete list of deaths under their care during the eight years Christian Science has been practiced in this State, not even a half dozen could be found, whereas thousands of cases have been healed, including many given up by the physicians as incurable. So it seemed wise that a class of citizens so prepared to help humanity should be protected and not condemned by law makers. Their representatives were intelligent, cultured, consecrated Christians.

From their first appearance at the hearing before the Joint Committee on Health it was seen that Christian Science was neither a fad or a fancy, and although it was a new subject to the majority of those concerned it was soon recognized as too vital a part of life of representative North Carolinians to attempt to deprive the State of its uplifting benefits, or limit the freedom of those engaged in its holy work.

It was proven that concerning contagion every precaution was taken, every Scientist being law-abiding in reporting such cases, while under their care.

The hearing on February 17th before the Joint Committee on Public Health was a notable gathering. Scientists were present from Buncombe to Craven. Out of the twenty-three present seven were men. The Senate Chamber was filled to overflowing with interested spectators. The lawyers, Mr. C. M. Busbee, Judge T. B. Womack, of Raleigh and Mr. W. W. Clark, of New Bern, made most effective speeches from the legal standpoint, declaring the bill unconstitutional and Miss Mary Hatch Harrison, C. S. D., of New Bern, N. C., spoke by request of the Committee from the Christian Science standpoint. Dr. R. H. Lewis spoke for the State Board of Health, refusing to consider amendments offered by the Scientists, demanding that the bill be passed as written.

Thursday, February 19th, the bill was favorably reported by the Joint Committee on Public Health. This was not a surprise. Still as it had already passed the House and was in the Senate before it was recognized to be such a drastic measure. It was fortunate that it could be put before the Assembly to get its judgment on it. The spirited but kindly discussion lasted an hour, and by one o'clock the greatest victory won in the House was declared for the Christian Scientists of this State when the following proviso was adopted with all unanimous vote less than a dozen voting against the bill as amended by their request through General Davidson.

"Provided that this act shall not apply to any person who ministers to, or cures the sick by prayer to the Almighty God without the use of drugs or any material means."

As the Scientists went over to the Senate the following note was sent to the leader of the movement. "Your prayers have won. The bill has gone to the Judiciary Committee of which I am chairman." At 3:30 p. m. the committee met, and it was said to the credit of Dr. R. H. Lewis, who saw the victory on the floor of the House, and who admitted "he could not longer fight both God and the women," that before this committee he advised that the bill be passed with amendment protecting the Scientists.

So the bill passed its final reading in the Senate soon after 4 o'clock without a dissenting vote by any one present.

Mr. Self met the objections raised by the doctors, (for the laymen said but little) with the word reading and convincing by argument therefrom their right to pray and to be paid for it. This vigorous appeal to those present to know if the word was believed was met by yes, yes, and his questions on the statements of Jesus meant to decide when stating the laborer was worthy of his hire by no, no.

Thus the most triumphant victory was won, although it was stated that at least twenty in the House were ready to speak for them, and the Senate, even more strongly fortified against the enemy. So the Christian Scientists feel grateful to the noble men of the General Assembly who guarded the right as well as the rights of all entrusted them.

The speeches made by Miss Harrison at the hearing, and by Mr. Self on the floor of the House, give the main points presented by the Christian Scientists and their friends.

Spoken by Mary Hatch Harrison at hearing before Joint Committee on Health, North Carolina Assembly: "The Science of God must be a perfect Science, in perfect Science. The Chris-

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