



BLONDES ARE WEAKLINGS.

More Physical Vigor Usually Belongs to Dark-haired.

Some remarkable conclusions upon the disease-resisting qualities of light and dark haired people have been arrived at by Dr. F. C. Shrub-sall, assistant medical officer at the Brompton Hospital for Consumption. These conclusions are based upon figures Dr. Shrub-sall has gathered with the object of discovering how far the population of London is influenced by city life.

In the British Medical Journal he states that his observations have included 1,378 hospital patients and 846 visitors, as well as several thousand children.

Generally speaking he finds that brunettes are stronger than blondes. His figures show that:

With each successive generation of city life the fair element sends an undue proportion of its members to the hospitals.

Child patients are markedly fairer than the children in the districts around the hospitals.

In the earlier years of child-life blondes are about as numerous as brunettes, but Dr. Shrub-sall shows that disease during childhood falls unduly heavily on the blondes.

Throughout life, blonde people are more prone to fall victims to disease than brunettes, and this leads Dr. Shrub-sall to a further conclusion:

"That diminution of stature and increase of brunette traits are almost certainly progressive with increased heredity of an urban environment.

The conclusion is based upon the principle of the survival of the fittest. The unhealthy conditions of city life—long hours, hurried meals, and insufficient ventilation—while stunting the growth of all, tell more severely upon blondes, with the result that there is a predominance of the brunette type.

"There's nothing in the world that quite satisfies Bingle." "Yes, there is." "What is it." "Bingle."

A FELLOW FEELING.

Why She Felt Lenient Towards the Drunkard.

A great deal depends on the point of view. A good temperance woman was led, in a very peculiar way, to revise her somewhat harsh judgment of the poor devil who cannot resist his cups and she is now the more charitable. She writes:—

"For many years I was a great sufferer from asthma. Finally my health got so poor that I found I could not lie down, but walked the floor whilst others slept. I got so nervous I could not rest anywhere.

"Specialists told me I must give up the use of coffee—the main thing that I always thought gave me some relief. I consulted our family physician, and he, being a coffee fiend himself told me to pay no attention to their advice. Coffee had such a charm for me that in passing a restaurant and getting a whiff of the fragrance I could not resist a cup. I felt very lenient towards the drunkard who could not pass the saloon. Friends often urged me to try Postum, but I turned a deaf ear, saying 'That may do for people to whom coffee is harmful, but not for me—coffee and I will never part.'

"At last, however, I bought a package of Postum, although I was sure I could not drink it. I prepared it as directed, and served it for breakfast. Well, bitter as I was against it, I must say that never before had I tasted a more delicious cup of coffee! From that day to this (more than 2 years) I have never had a desire for the old coffee. My health soon returned; the asthma disappeared, I began to sleep well and in a short time I gained 20 pounds in weight.

"One day I handed my physician the tablets he had prescribed for me, telling him I had no use for them. He stayed for dinner. When I passed him his coffee cup he remarked 'I am glad to see you were sensible enough not to let yourself be persuaded that coffee was harmful. This is the best cup of coffee I ever drank,' he continued; 'the trouble is so few people know how to make good coffee.' When he got his second cup I told him he was drinking Postum. He was incredulous, but I convinced him, and now he uses nothing but Postum in his home and has greatly improved in health." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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LIFE ON THE RAIL IS A HARD ONE

C. P. R. ENGINEER'S EXPERIENCE WITH DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

They Brought Back His Strength When He Could Neither Rest nor Sleep.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 13—(Special)—Mr. Ben Rafferty, the well-known C. P. R. engineer, whose home is at 175 Maple Street, is one Winnipeg man who swears by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"Long hours on the engine and the mental strain broke down my constitution," Mr. Rafferty says. "My back gave out entirely. Terrible sharp, cutting pains followed one another, till I felt I was being sliced away piecemeal. I would come in tired to death from a run. My sole desire would be to get rest and sleep, and they were the very things I could not get. Finally I had to lay off work.

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BREAD PEDDLERS IN CHINA.

They Frequently Dispose of Their Wares by Raffle.

Among the many curious sights in China, none presents a stranger aspect than the bread peddlers and their methods of disposing of their wares, says a writer in the Living Church. They carry their stock in trade about with them, either in oval boxes strapped to their backs, or in two boxes depending from a yoke across the shoulders, or on trays held by a strap hung from the neck and carried in front of them, after the manner in which the pie man of Simple Simon fame is invariably pictured by all orthodox illustrators of Mother Goose.

In the city of Tientsin these street vendors offer three different kinds of bread for sale. Two of these are twisted in oval shape, and the third is a thin, crisp cake sprinkled with seeds of sesame, that magic word which at once recalls to our minds the wonderful tale of Ali Baba and the forty thieves. How little we ever dreamed, when we listened, spellbound, in our childhood days to the thrilling account of Ali Baba's adventures, that we should ever behold, far less taste, the fateful sesame, the name of which proved so illusive to our hero at the crucial moment when he was confronted by the rock of difficulty. But the peddler's bread is not more curious than his method of selling it, for it is frequently disposed of by raffle, for which purpose he carries three dice, held in a little dish.

In Peking, the capital of the Celestial Empire, the bread peddlers generally come from the province, mostly from Shantung. They are called po-po sellers. Their street cry, "Yaochin-mantoo?"

"Can I sell you a pound of bread?" is often heard until late in the evening. Their bread is made of wheat flour and baked in hot vapors, distinguished from another kind which is baked in hot pans. They also sell several varieties of po-po, baked goods, a special favorite with the Chinese being an oval oil cake made of the very best flour, usually eaten with pork, sausage or liver.

The Mohammedans in China have a reputation for good bread, and evidently wish to be known as pure food advocates, for in order to enable customers to distinguish their wares from those of other vendors they ornament their carts or boxes with the Moslem emblem. This consists of a vase containing a branch of the olive tree, on the top of which is perched the Mohammedan cap. On each side of this design is inscribed the motto, "Pure and true Islam." These Mohammedan peddlers also sell a kind of pate filled with a mixture of meat, vegetables, oil and sage. Another of their products, which is called "la shouning, ya chakuei," is a large roasted cake or dumpling baked in oil. Many of these Chinese confections are much more appetizing than one would imagine from the description, but, like many foreign dishes, the taste for them must be acquired by cultivation before they can be thoroughly appreciated.

The average Chinaman eats very little bread prepared according to

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our American formulas, consequently the bakery and confectionery shops are few and far between. Like all other stores in China, they are open in front, with no partition to protect them from the heat or cold or the dust of the streets. Wooden shutters are used to close them up at night. One finds practically the same wares at the bakers' as the bread peddlers offer for sale. Among them is one special kind of cake having the figure of a hare imprinted on it, which is eaten by the Chinese in honor of the birthday of the moon. As soon as the festivities celebrating this anniversary are over the cakes are withdrawn from sale and are not again displayed until the next moon birthday, which corresponds in season to our Easter.

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