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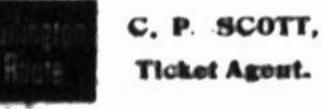
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Symbolism in Eggs. Among the curiosities recently acquired by the department of Egyptian and Assyrian antiquities in the British Museum is an ostrich egg pierced for suspension and covered with traces of a painted design, probably of a predynastic period. According to the experts of the department, this egg is certainly nearly six thousand years old, as the design was made not later than B. C. 4,000. The egg of the ostrich is said to have possessed some religious significance even in the predynastic period.-London Globe.

Anent Luscious Figs. After figs have been collected they are dipped in boiling brine, and then dried on trays for from two to four days, according to the weather. The dipping is supposed to bring the sugar to the surface and hasten the drying. After being iried the figs are placed in "sweat boxes," holding 2,000 pounds each, where they remain for two weeks. Then they are washed in cold salt water to remove all dirt, and are packed by women and girls in halfpound, one-pound and ten-pound boxes, in layers, being split primarily with a short-bladed knife.

An Oddity in Cushions. A new sofa pillow for a den is made of cream colored pongee, in the shape of a meal sack. The sack is tied with crimson satin ribbon, just as a meal asck would be, and the top is faced with red, so that it shows a pretty contrast with the cream colored pongee, as it spreads open. Cunningly peeping from the folds of this top is a brown velvet mouse so realistic in appearance as to be a source of much amusement. A design of wheat ears is embroidered upon the front of the pillow.

The World's Religions. Herr Zeller, head on the Bureau at International Statistics at Stuttgart, has published an interesting table of the religious of the world. He places the aggregate number of human beings on the earth's surface at 1,544,-516,000, of whom only about one-third, or 534,940,000, profess any form of Christianity. The adherents of Confucious number 300,000,000, of Brabma 173,290,000 and of Buddha 121,000, 000. The number of Jews in the world

Boclety of the Dillettanti. An interesting old organization which formerly existed in Londonthe Dillettanti society-originated with certain gentlemea who, having traveled in Italy, tried to encourage at home what they had enjoyed abroad. This coclety of lovers of the fine arts lasted 130 years, Walpole does not seem to have looked upon it with a very favorable eye, for he says: The nominal qualification was to have been to Italy, the real one was being drunk."

Too Stringent Justice.

In Flanders by accident a Flemish tiler fell from the top of a house upon a Spaniard and killed him, though he escaped himself. The next of the blood prosecuted his death with great violence and when he was offered pecuniary recompense nothing would serve him but retaliatory punishment. Thereupon the judge said that if he urged that sentence he should go to the top of the house and then fall down upon

Few Attend Prayer Meeting. A notable result of the recent census of church attendance in London is the discovery that prayer-meetings, which were once regarded as the vital breath of life of the church, have almost ceased to exist. In the populous borough of Cheisea, only thirty persons were found to be in attendance at prayer-meetings. Thirty persons out of seventy thousand. Week-night services have also fallen into disuse.

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