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CURRENT TOPICS

What Tenryson calls "the ape and the treer in us is eaged only, and leaps out when the cage has been unbarred in war of broken open in revolution. The wards children; lyet, when the Russian and has become a soldier and has and food he can commit such atroas those recorded in Father Go-"That Stary of My Life." On that at al Sunday in St. Petersburg, Jan. then, when nearly a thousand unand and upoffending processionists "the coptain of the Preobra-

the blittle life. 3. Otherwise, it is a cowardly, pernicious

The Holy kill Jews in England?" asked indeed! Do they beat and the scorner. thous of course not. Some the men in our country are the them to make them feel that they are The are often our eleverest po- are and our bravest soldiers. I lie for see them being beaten!

ath is, as Miss Meakin discover, cide.

the parers give us to undern bas ness man," says, Miss diation of Odessa (500,000) were in almost every street hidded, 'two kinds of the Karaim or Keiraile lews; hands of those who left Paiesting than of Christ, and the Jews hose who left afterthe Karate Jews, who are in heighbors for their honesty. kindliness of disposi-We contol get on will the

Meakin ind a surprise visit to and was received by the Russian! with his ushal simple faint cor-

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re it, and she had to retill it, find it the good fairies, to reword hand from gold into diamond. in king low i was too beautiful and was trous ated to the sky.

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office officers' prayers not even drinks in the American sense—but wing Minent, of course. No reveerestres western country, the Revised Version is however, to the Greath a switch to reconstruction of the control of the contr Shiber, a Russian peasant, in a cent ized Version Rissian district. The German sent (marginal religions) town for a long rope, it is stretched across the field, haring, cach end to a horse. As the Stretched to a horse, the field, haring, as moved forward the rope stretched the stretched th treen them was drawn over the young have a corn and so disturbed the his drawn from the they migrated in a to the field of the Russian peasant. Russian peasant, with the effective sent for the priest to exorcise the cockehalers by spinkling the field with hole water

WICKED USE OF SATTRE LAST OF THUGS IN INDIA our brethren of the pickaxe had dug the tracking of Lungtungpen," a tale of the harrying of a dacquit stronghold by in the jungle grass. IN THE JUNGLE GRASS.

war on broken open in revolution. The history pension pension be go, is naturally a Virtue and Worth Are Maimed By Cowardly Ridicule.

Whoseover shall say to his brother ed. But examples like these are without "Raca" spall be in danger of the counnumber, familiar to-us all. cil; and whosoever shall say "Thou fool" shall be in danger of hell fire.—Matt. v.

reflex of his soldiers, eight of vast press, the multiplied facilities of and because it is cowardly and cruent found and to be discharged, speech, and the ever-increasing forms dangerous. It is so often aimed at the and methods of art for the conveyance helpless and unfortunate, whose conditions are constructed and display of ideas together with the lion or necularities they cannot help. The poor children, many of and display of ideas, together with the tion or pecularities they claus to appropriate thousands of educational institutions and which should make them rather murderers, says the Los Angeles Times. One corporal cal modely display of our maginations of companions of our maginations. One corporal cal modely displayed the convergence helpess and unfortunate, whose conditions of India were no vertex suggers and which should make them rather murderers, says the Los Angeles Times. They were religious devetees and artists objects of compassion. be street. One corporal cal modern delivery and transportation Manswell, and, pointing to systems, have all joined to increase died, and whose presence in the world

Otherwise, it is a cowardly, pernicious and fatal weapon. Virtue and worth may be mained or Joyces, from whom Miss slain as easily as vice and meanness and was buying some picture. Adversity and misery are all too often the pitiable victims of the unsucakably cruel attacks of the safirist.

unspeakably cruel attacks of the satirist What worse calamity could be brought

ABSURD OR CONTEMPTIBLE

kill and, beat them here, or outcast or that they are mentally dislowest class of Russi- crdered, materially ruined or spiritually

A sensational but unfounded story in nd because he is a nibilist, and the newspapers worked the professional the brause he is a usurer, tuin of a young hero of one of our wars and in a brook she pought at a faultless life. The idle, mischevious "Where or there was whisperings of a ship's company made to was an enemy of Russia. In he overheard by a sergeant as he goes the rounds of the decks at night serve to drive him insone. Persistent ridicule

Sociely, trade and politics turn out victims of this order continually, and their misfortunes proclaim again that Ridicule is an edged tool, satire a that "njan's inhumanity to man makes in captain of the treobra deadly weapon, and scorn may become countless thousands mourn." Even one such victim should sufficiently admon-

by or state of the heaps of slain rightly to correct, heal and to save, but the wicked use of satire. We should another of the heaps of slain rightly to correct, heal and to save, but the wicked use of satire. We should avoid it because it is cowardly and cruel and because it is so dangerous—so very

on a branch of a tree, asked per- enormously the power of satire to help entitles him to place, consideration, fellowship and the helpful word and hand. Let us follow the maxim,

"LIVE AND LET LIVE." Let us learn to "enjoy the imperfect in a life that can never be perfect," and du Pantheon as a flerce but beautifut more earnestly to pursue the "golden woman, riding on a tiger, or as a hidrule" and strive after the grace to love our neighbor as ourself. To think to plyes in his place will serve to Guide us in the way of kindness toward our fellow being in all situations.

put on Him, to cover the bloody stripes on His scourged back; a crown of thorns as set on His head, a weed is gather d indical; all classes—doctors, last? Day after day we see the results from the yard and placed in flis hand with guilland by the properties of the properties king. Last they smite and cuff the bles-sed sufferer and command Him to prophesy-to name the offender. Not one brave voice raised in protest, nor one hand raised to defend Him who was the most peerless man of his day, the most superb hero they had ever seen, and who was soon to defend them and all the race with His life.

Less give us to under, on the part of his pernicious comrade; ing stand before the shamed eyes of all the caterination worked the mental wreck of a men as God's rebuke to human ridicule.

C. Q. WRIGHT,

INTERNATIONAL LESSON, MARCH 25.

Lesson XII. Temperance Lesson. Goldden Text, Prov. 23, 32,

LESSON WORD STUDIES. Note. The text of the Revised Version used as a basis for these Word

The Book of Proverbs.-The book he quotes from Mmc.

His a compilation of wise sayings gathis a whom him the liberary ered from different sources, and falls deslikes he coulded to ther, nethrally into a number of separate parts of houseout; he parts clearly distinguished from each The ichty separation Zela other, and partially marked off by spe-To have the greatest writer have been supported as consisting of the subject in this sentence. to be being touched a re-the proverts of Solomon, while the por-main his heart. He poured son included in 22, 17 to 24, 34 is design he district the ballied. He 25.29, however, are introduced by the year faient. Which to be words. These also are proverts of Solve far. To Miss Meason, which the men of Hezdelah king onen, which the men of Hezdelah king onen. sand: "The last for of studah collected." Chapter 30 is enhad hever read Em- contains exhortations to Lemuel king of heard of Channing, Massa; chapter 31, 10-31 contains an a declining birth rate marks the grow-

theorean! These are the alphabetical poem standing by itselfs and superneunty, with apparently note connection what precedes, in the know and to fail the truly great?

In 1 Kings 4. 32 we are told concerned ing Solomon that "he spake three thousand proverbs." Many of these have indicated to us as we have indicated to us as been preserved to us, as we have indinot sure which—legend cated above, in our canonical book of Proverbs; several subdivisions of which bear the little "Proverbs of Solomon." thence water in a Our Temperance Lesson for to-day is

Verse 29. | Who hath woe?-The word translated | "woe" in our Bibles in the the figure of the first state of the figure whom is there cause for exclaiming in

distress?.. by as the Great to whom alas? the word translated sorrow being again simply an interjection. though not the same interjection as in the preceding sentence. Contentions-Quarrelsomeness such as of Sevastopol a results from indulgence in strong drink, here France interred and which consequently leads to pug-

The mid you, but I never take effect of excessive indulgence in strong illen except the £20 a drink, though probably the rendering as the from your govern-the equal general at preferable.

The struck Miss Mea
30. Seek out—The very here used is

The reserve parties this verse in the Cambridge Bible, points the most advanced parallel out the touch of irong in the use of this word in this connection. that out from England, and Mixed wine-Not a mixture of different g for into their heads that kinds of wine, nor yet wine mixed with

mixed with spices of different kinds to make it more pungent.
31. Goeth down smoothly—Or, as our bring Russia, which is Bible "translates the same phrase and medieval, into line "moveth itself aright." The rendering of the "moveth itself aright." The rendering of the moveth itself aright.

wn sweetly lightly"). Marginal render authorized Version The thought is that of the drunkard is That is, as one utterly foolcause of having been robbed

THE S. S. LESSON ships were more simple and chursy than the control of Odessa (500,000) were THE S. S. LESSON ships were more simple and chursy than those used in modern times; usually but one large must supporting a large square one large mast supporting a large square sail fastened to a yard of great length was used. The drunkard is as foothardy as one who would lie down to sleep on the top of such a mast.

35. Shall thou say-The fact that these words ard printed in italies in both the and Revized Versions indiates that they are supplied by the translators and do not occur in the original lebrew. In translating from any one anguage o another it is often necessary upply words to give the plainly meaning of the idiom of the nlendêd' language rom which one is making the Such supplying of words is not guesswork, but a necessity; Not hur Or, pained. The senses of the drunkerd are so dulled that he becomes undonscious of cold or mistrept

Seek it yet again-The aniccedent the pronoun "it" is left to be supplied in thought by the reader. Wine or strong drink is referred to, and the evit in

NEEDN'T WORRY.

When Births Decline, Says an Expert . So Do Deaths; Things Even Up. The birth rate gives impartial evidence of the social condition of a country, and ing well being of its people, says the Mineleenth Century. The birth rate does not indicate with even approximate accuracy the growth of population. The birth rate declines with the death rate. However great the birth rate of an old

settled country may be, the natural increase of population—that is, the differ-lence between births and deaths—does not, one a len years average, exceed lif-teen per 1,000 of population.

It is very remarkable that the birth rate all over Europe culminated in 1876.

and, except in Russia, has declined more or less continuously ever since. In twelve of the fifteen countries of Europe (Russia not included) the birth rate cul-minated in the year 1876, and also to within a fraction in the other three: In that eyear the birth rate varied (per 1.000 of the population) from 26.2 in France to 46.3 in Hungary, while the natural increase of population—the dif-

ference between the births and deathsvaried only from 3.6 in France to 15.4 in n Hungary, which had the England. highest birth rate (46.3), the natural increase was only 9.3, showing how unsafe it is to estimate the growth of population by the pirths alone.

The close interdependence of the birth

describing the locality of the expression thus translated is not certain. The word rendered "redness" of the locality of the expression thus translated is not certain. The word rendered "redness" is large of the locality of the expression thus translated is not certain. The word rendered "redness" may also be translated darkness, or dark flashing. Any of these translations would make good sense and be in harmony with the facts, that is, with the actual effect of excessive indulgence in strong the locality of the birth rate is very clearly shown by comparing the birth rate and the death rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate was highest and again when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths when it was lowest. In 1876 the birth rate is very clearly shown by deaths w

In 1903 the average births had fallen o 29.8, and the deaths to 18.4, making the average increase of population 11.4 per 1,000. Thus while the birth rate fell in this aimless war. And, used of diligent search for wisdom per 1,000. Thus while the birth rule fell is per 1

MINIATURE GERMAN LINE. Germany possesses a miniature rail-way to which no parallel is found in any country Its peculiarity is that its

trains have no drivers. It is used for carrying salt from the salt mines at Stassfurt. The trains consist of thirty tnucks, each carrying half a ton of salt. The engines are electric of 2 horse-pow-

on the locomotive, switches on the curlook.

GOVERNMENT TOBACCO.

Tebacco is a Government monopoly in fialy, France, Austria and Japan. creth perverse things.

that lieth down in the midst
That is, as one utterly foolstringent. All the tobacco leaf grown in the country has to be delivered to the powers of reason and judgment Government at a fixed rate, and is then one drink.

To sold to the manufacturers at another he that lieth upon the lop of a rate, and of course, an enhanced one.

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MEN WHO REDUCED MURDER TO A FINE ART.

Religious Devotees That Divided Spoils of Their Crime With

It was a happy inspiration that led to the adoption of the word "thug" as o synonym for a ferocious criminal. very sound is suggestive of silent and sudden murder. It echoes the thug of the slung-shot. This, of course, is a mere coincidence; the word is not Eng-lish, in spite of its sound. It is Hindustance, and came to this country by way of England. There it has no newspaper currency, but retains its historical meaning, a caste of Indian stranglers.

In becoming popular the term has suffered some degradation, for the thugs

They were religious devotees and artisls in crime. De Quincey would have given them a high rank among the practitioners of "Murder Considered as a Fine The Thugs, indeed, were under vows

to Kali. Devi, the black browed consert of Siva the Destroyer. She is that terrible personage who appears in the Hincause she required a bloodless sacrifice Behold I show you a terrible picture: Jesus mocked as a crazy king by brutal Roman soldiers; a filthy east-off robe is their victims and divided their victims by suffocation. Thus, not being cannibuls, could not live by mere murder. So they robbed their victims and divided their victims are divided their victims. their victims and divided the spoils be-

tween themselves and

ruler to increase his revenue and the victims were travelling merchanis who would not be missed:

During the many centuries of war and anarchy in India Thuggee flourished mightily. Under Aurungzebe, to whom as a Moslem Kali was an abhorred idol. it suffered a check. Hindu fanaticism supported it. The Nawab of Surat had captured a band of Thugs and was about lo release them for a ransom offered by certain Banians who hoped to acquire religious merit' by the act. The Emperor ordered the Thugs to be strung up by the left hands in the jungle and left there to die. The Banians, prototypes of the sentimentalists who present notorious modern criminals with boquets, banqueled the stranglers before the ex-

These terrors of the Indian highway are now extinct, like the sabre toothed iger. About sixty years, ago many hunrids were executed and the remainder fransported or put to work at tent making and other peaceful trades, in

In a cool corridor that overlooked the surlir garden a venerable old man was weaving the pattern of as Persian carpet.

Tall and creet, with snow, moustache

A MUSEUM SPECIMEN,
than treated as a criminal. He had become an expert in weaving, and when the looms were idle was by no means unwilling to talk of his experiences as a Thug. He had been borne in the caste, and devoled early to the service of Kali. His father led him to a secret place in the jungle and there initiated him, by the wird rite of the corps and the dagger, into the freemasonry of the brother
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the crait. Being a precocious yourn, as he said, he was selected to play the part of "talker," or confidence man. He was ostensibly a traveller on the Delhi road, where the Indian Midland Rail-road, where the Indian Midland Rail-road, where the lindian with the lindian ways then lindian was then lindian was then lindian ways then lindian lindian was then lindian lind Decean city. Of his exploits as talker enough to stun him and the thugs made for the band of Tulsi Ram, a notorious their escape.

Thug executed long ago for his grimes,

The French gendurmeric trace this

"Tulsi Ram was the right arm of Kali,

"Nasur was journeying to Delhi with A twinkle in the old man's eye be-trayed his relish of the irony of the situ-

Mulwa and the toll they take. And I, suppling my tongue with the oil of persuasion, harped on his fears and drew him on to take a safer way—where Tulst and his band were waiting and where warfare is well illustrated in Kipling's never leave, how can thee come again?"

"Oh yes, I shall," said the visitor. "I have enjoyed my visit very much and shall certainly come again. "But," said the Quaker, "if thee will never leave, how can thee come again?"

"Nasur's heart was glad within him when he rode aside from Mulwa, and when he role aside from Mulwa, and when he met Tulsi Ram merry was his greeting. Quiet merchanis all, they seemed—my brothers—and Nasur's men chatted with them, as traveliers will, of the price of grain. And as they con-versed together they made a jest about the Thugs. So my brethren gathered round Nasur Khan and his men, two to

a traveller, and, when all were listening

open mouthed to a story of Hatim Tai's

an owl hooled twice from the jungle. That was the signul." The old man illustrated with wrist and knuckle the act of tightening the rumai, or handkerchief, round the neck of the victim. He told how the travellers were buried while warm in the graves that had been prepared for them. For himself it was his destiny to be a Thug "It is our custom," he said. ter's son takes to the potter's wheel; the coppersmith's to the tinkling hammer, Strangely enough the veteran became himself a sacrifice to the goddess of his vows. For Kali Devi is also the patroness of that scourge of India, cholera morbus, and next hot weather the old Thug passed away during an epidemic. Kali had stretched out one of her hunired hands and called her devotee away. From this confession it seems that

winning the confidence of their victims was the mainsfay of the Thug business. was the mainstay of the Thug business. Theirs was not the bold, overt "Your money or your life" attack of the banded together as caste brothers; the Thugs hunted men to offer their to the deity of destruction, and because she required a bloodless specifies. London, as the bunco man does to day in Western America. Confidence operations are as old as graft itself.

The work of suppressing Thuggee was done by Col. Sleeman, one of those marlyrs to exile and official duty that the cover 5,000,000 square miles with a lay-Indian civil service needs and trains, or one-mile thick. In the district where he replaced black— Letter-boxes with mail and brigandage by law and order. the town of Sleemanahad-Sleeman's city-stands for his monument. The Moslems were admitted as members of the robber caste, and rose to be leaders.
Then Kali worship became a mere prePatagorian llamas live for years with-

A STRONG EXECUTIVE.

One is not surprised to hear of Eurocean criminals adopting methods more immediately followed by a miniature or less like those of the Thugs, Obber can trust his pal, two heads and lwo pairs of hands are better than one.
A skillful grasp on the throat by one man stifles the cry for help and safe-guards the operations of his partner. "coat," and the area dealt with is some-avail in court, they much state thing like 120 acres avail in court, they mush stop thort of strangulation or risk a charge of mur-

strict confinement.

It was the writer's privilege a few years back to visit one of the last of these world famous stranglers. He had been captured young, and sentenced to imprisonment for life in a central Indian of last of mental confusion—he could give the police no clew. The drug became popular with the scientific criminals who and may pro vent consumption. The drug became popular with the scientific criminals who police no ciew. The drug became popular with the scientific criminals who operated on English railroad lines, where strain on the longs in flute-playing is shall not for a mount be troubled with contract the scientific contract of sufficient to the contract of shall not for a mount be troubled with

way now runs, for his brother, who Monsieur's pockets. The latter was then dealt in silks and cotton goods in a dropped on the pavement with force

clever and bloodless operation to the and I was the right arm of Tulsi Ram. the criminal quarter of Paris some sixty the was I who deepyed Nasur Khan, the years since. About that time the Thugs rich jeweller, with coaxing words, as of India were being brought to trial, and men take carp from a pond by tickling the revelations, that followed excited the revelations. great interest in Europe. It is very likely that the professor borrowed his line came before him as a poor trader, beg-ging for permission to join his train for had incarnated itself in the Frenchman the sake of protection against thieves. In order to propagate the mystery of A twinkle in the old man's eye be. Thuggee in the virgin soil of France. The Thugs of India, it was said, began

"Nasur was as hard as the stones he Some form of brigandage, indeed, seems dealt in," he continued, "and the price endemic in Asialic countries that are not he demanded for his protection was ruled by the strong hand. Burmah is a high. Then I told him that the Rajah of wase in point, and so are the Philippines. Mulwa had news of the approach of his caravan, and Nasur's heart became as water, for he feared the horsemen of Mulwa and the toll they take. And I, working my tangle with the off of the business of the street of the street of the british occupation the troops were actively employed in small detachments in the street of th

is policed by native constabulary.

BITS OF KNOWLEDGE.

liems of Interest From the Four Quarters of the Globe. Unmarried women in Brazil wear carlet for mourning. Holland's colonies are sixty times as

ig as the mother country. The Bank of England contains silver ingots which have lain in its vaults since The Bengal Canal, 900 miles in length,

is the longest artificial watercourse in About 3,500,000 people are on the sea. either as passengers or seamen, every day in the year, The coach in which the Lord Mayor

of London rides on State occasions has been in use since the year 1757. About 600,000 trees are annually planted by Swedish school children under the guidance of their teachers. The state of education in Russia may Gesture language still exists in parts

of Australasia. Some tribes possess so excellent a code that is is almost as efficient as a spoken language.

Nearly one-half of the women engaged in occupations in London are domestic servants, of whom there is one to every wenty persons in the population. Herat, in Afghanistan, is the by which

has been most often destroyed. Fifly-six times have its wells been laid in six times have its wells been laid in die forth waving fans and umbrellas to ruins, and iffty-seven times have they the accompanyment of samisens, where If the whole ocean were dried up, the water passing away as vapor, the amount of salt which remained would

Letter-boxes with electric bells are being creeted in Paris in consequence ...! which covers the slit in the box is movement and panling, his garactet long task of rounding up the Thug bands was made easier by disaffection within their ranks. The powerful religious band was broken when unbelieving makes mounds to sometimes as much as Moslems were admitted as members of 150 feet in circumfaceages in which it 150 feet in circumference, in which it

Then Kali worship became a mere pretext for robbery and murder, and Thug-text for robbery and murder, and Thug-gee fell before the repressive measures of cows bred near Losere. In France gee fell before the repressive measures of cows bred near Losere, in France nd noted for the richness of their milk take it very rarely.
In Lapland when the door of a warm

moisture falling in flakes. Painting the Forth Bridge is no light thing like 120 acres.

The biggest engines in the world are the express locomotives which run lie-tween New York and Chicago in twenty The garrotters who infested London hours. The engines weigh 173½ tons, in the 69s choked, but did not kill the and final 700 tons at the fastest speed. late returning citizens. When chloro-form came into use in surgery, the land the speed of transmission is at the

gentle, yet sufficient to force hir into my obscure sorrows; let us speak of pleasyer cell without over-pressure.

Worlding anguagants in Thirkson of the said things." It is submissive. Thes in weaving the pattern of as Persian carpet. Tall and erect, with snowy moustache and high caste features, he might have bassed in uniform for a British colonel bronzed by years of service. He showed not a single one of the criterions of the type criminal, as described by Lombons, so he was called, had been so long a prisoner that he was rather cared for as a curiosity,

Sometimes a subject died under chloro-form, by misadventure, but that might weedling engagements in Turkestan medical practitioner.

Wedding engagements in Turkestan the parties of the parties person of a sum of the parties person. In Paris, however, the tricks of Indian Thuggee have been closely followed. Look over the files of the Parisian parpers of recent years, you will find accounts of men found dead in lonely places with leather cords around their necks and empty pockets. They had re-from shoking in church, but it was take is the result boill of national character.

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In Paris, however, the tricks of Indian Thuggee have been closely followed. Look over the files persons have another daughter to give as a substitute, to smoke. The law forbidding to smoke the form shoking in church, but it was take is the result boill of national character.

Africa, is the "sneeze-wood" tree, which atmosphere of self-control. Samurai is so-called because one cannot cut it condemned to hara-kari-wrote, or rather

Some time ago there lived a gentle-man of indolent habits who spent his at the present day.
This atmosphere of sen-come in his own a time present day.

Just outside Tokio I happened to neet a band of convicts, walking, depectedly their uniforms of dusty pink and attended to the small. gems from Mysore and a caravan laden of treatment from these published cases. wearing out his welcome in his own with silks in bales and rich brocades [4]. But old Nadhoo of the jail would have before him as a near trader before him as a near trader. neighborhood he thought he would vis in their uniforms of dusty pink and at-it an old Quaker friend some twenty tended by a strong escort. The small miles distant.

On his arrival he was cordially te-On his arrival ne was cordially tended by the Quaker, who, thinking the visitor had taken much pains to dome that at the gang in an eminently Braish so far to see him, treated him with manner at the same line shouling anary great deal of attention and politeness prily, "Dorobo! Dorobo!" Robbers! rob-As the visitor showed no signs of having the Quaker became uneasy, but fore it with patience until the eighth day, when he said to him:-"My friend, I am afraid thee will never

STREET SCENES IN JAPAN

THE UNIVERSAL SMILE IN THE STREETS OF TORIO.

It Is the Result Both of National Character and of National

Any one who stands for a moment at London street corner will have opportunity of remarking the varying expressions upon the faces of the passers-by, says a writer in the Pali Mall Gazette. The aspect of settled melanoholy, the frown of preoccupation, the indication of nervous irritability, wanting; nor yet is the scowl of ill-temper, the pitiful look of bewilderment, and the entirely vacuous stare. The other day, while thus idly watching the progress of a living stream, my attendion was drawn to a way farer who was smiling. I saw the smile first; indeed, I caught it while it was still some way up be judged from the fact that there is me in the hot, hurrying throng did I observe the faultless top-hat, frock coat, patent leather book, etc., of the smiler. This attire, worn apon a hot day of summer, not being generally conducive to smiles; I had a momentary thrill of surprise; then I saw that the gentleman was a Japanese

In the streets of Tolsio nine of of ten of the passersby smile. This may seem only natural in a land of paper lanterns, kites and dolls, where the populace, consisting chiefly of geishas and babies, todthe chrysanthemum and cherry som grow and blow together in and out of season. In this musical comedy para-dise, which so many still persist in beheveing to be the real Japan, smiling may be the inevitable thing; but what of THE 'RICKSHAW MAN,

dripping with sweat? What of the halfslarved strolling acrobats, the blind manstrels, the water-carriers, the cartiers of manure, and the woman who sits in her doorway making fans? For a laindred is picked up fainting in the streets, smiles while consciousness remains. apologetically for causing trouble; the room is opened during the winter it is also those who stand reverently to If a snowstorm in the room, the condensed reprimanded by his master, the student unsuccessful in his fexaminations, the paliently.

It will be understood that the Japan-

ese smile can, hardly be characterized as the merry smile is not to be found in Japan; happily, it il common with its

ger, into the freemasonry of the brother-hood. He learned their signs, how to interpret the omen of the owl, the patter of the craft. Being a precedious youth, as he said, he was selected to play the last own back.

Ostensibly picked up from the pavement. If Monsieur did not take alarm the robber's partner, who had crept behind his order than accommodated in St. Dan's Cathedral, but then temporary rate alleries, etc., were creefed. On feet, was not secretly was not secretly was not low seats. At an ordinary service about 4.

On people that the was enforced by law. Obedience was not enough, cheerful obedience was expected. On feet, were creefed. On feet, with a smile, loyalty was not loy seats. At an ordinary service about 4. 000 people will make the cathedral look counted for less than nothing; they were made punishable by the law. So there One of the natural curiosities of South was gradually created up extraordinary with a saw without speciality of the fine dust has exactly the effect of snuff. No lineed or worm will touch it, it is very hitter to the taste, and when placed in water it cinks. went calmly through the etiquette of a carefully, prepared little feast, coming with no ungrateful haste, but still very

English child by my side had not acquired the manners of her foster coun-

THE HORROR AND SHAME. not seldom brought upon meeby one's

young relations, possessed me entirely, and I never wished more sincerely for the ground to open and swallow me. As "Oh yes. I shall," said the visitor. "I for the malefactors, these to a man turned round to see the child - and shall certainly come again." Upon another occasion I found myself.

with the same companion, toiling up the steep way to a certain temple court. Before us were painfully climbing a man and a woman—country people and past-middle age. They had come a long way. for the ends of their robes were lifted and tucked into their girdles, and straw sandals were bound upon their feet. It was a hot day of symmer, and they toiled on in silence. A The back of the woman, presented to es, wore an air of most enduring patience; it was fiumble, from the set of the poor blue kimono on the thin shoulders to the black satin obi affected by her class. My child was stumping up the hill; with the aid of an enormous umbrella; this she unexpectedly raised, and deliberately policed the pious wayfarer; upon her poor obithers was left the impression of a dusty ferrule. The woman turned round in mediately; she was plain-looking and worn, and, withal, severely marked by smallpox. Her teeth were blacked, in token of everlasting fidelity to her present husband, but her countenance was illumined, transfigured by the Japanese smile. She spoke to the man beside her, touching him on the sleeve; he, too, lurged; smiling. She said: "Kawai no o kodomo, wa." (Sweet is the honorable)

The rest cure becomes a habit with some people.

. The enemies we forgive are generally those that are bigger than we are.

