

DOGS BLOW THE BELLOWS.

Blacksmith in New York Adopts Novel Labor-Saving Device — Intelligent Animals at Work.

On an uptown street on the East side of the city, says the New York Mail and Express, hundreds of people daily pause at a blacksmith's shop to watch three large and intelligent Newfoundland dogs, which are employed by the brawny smith to work the bellows of the forge of his shop. In one corner of the shop is a wooden wheel about eight feet in diameter and wide enough for a dog to stand in. When the wheel is at rest the dog stands in much the same position as the horse in a child's rocker, with his head always turned toward the forge awaiting orders. When told to "go ahead" the beast on duty at once starts on a brisk trot, which makes the wheel turn around rapidly and by means of a crank and lever the power is conveyed to the bellows.

The dogs work willingly and with such intelligence that people are never weary of watching the efforts of the animals to keep the smithy fires bright. Each dog works in the wheel for one hour and then rests for two. They cost their owner about two dollars a week each to feed, and he estimates that they save him \$12 a week, as otherwise it would require the services of two men or a small engine to do their work.

TEMPLE IN JAPAN.

Some Are Sacred to the Spirits of Dead Children—Visited Mostly by Bereaved Mothers.

There are many peculiar temples throughout Japan, those sacred to the spirits of dead children being, perhaps, as odd as any. These temples are mostly visited by sad mothers. One of these at Kioto, says an exchange, contains hundreds of small wooden Buddhas, arranged on shelves, sloping back, row upon row, and covered with the baby clothes of infants who have died under a year old. At Osaka is another of these children's temples. Here, too, are hung everywhere children's clothes offered by the mothers.

A priest sitting on a mat gives the bereaved mother, for a fee, a shaving of wood with the name of the dead child written on it. This she takes to another shrine, where is a pool of water issuing from the mouth of a colossal stone tortoise. The pool is full of these shavings. They are cast into it just where the water pours in from the tortoise's mouth, and happy the woman whose chip gets well soaked at once. It is believed that this will insure the child an easy passage to Heaven, as the water carries the names to Buddha, who at once calls for them as he reads them.

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