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THE CHINESE IN NEW YORK.

Allan Forman Writes Instructively of Their Ways and Their Projects. [Special Correspondence.]

New York, March 21. The Chinese population in New York is gradually branching out into new lines of industry and speculation, and from being mainly employed as laundrymen they are gradually working their way into various other trades and businesses.

There are a number of first class Chinese grocery and fancy goods stores in the Chinese quarter, as well as a half dozen restaurants. It is not generally known, but there is considerable capital behind these unpretentious shops. Yut Sing, the genial grocer, for example, is worth at least \$500,000. Wong He Chong, the importer, is a two millionaire. Tom Lee, Quong Hung Long and Tuck Hi have each over \$100,000 and Wo Kee, of Mott street, is said to be worth \$350,000. But they are cautious investors and prefer the slow and safe system of moderate investments and small profits rather than the more brilliant and risky financial methods of their Caucasian brothers. They are a great people for stock companies or syndicates. Their restaurants are largely run on the stock company plan, a number of capitalists being interested in each of the larger ones. An example of this syndicate system of speculation occurred last May, when there was a wonderful catch of mackerel off the coast and 14,000,000 of the fish were thrown upon the New York market in one day. The market was glutted; over 1,000,000 were not used, but were thrown into the river by the fishermen. Prices dropped from ten cents to one and a half cents a pound, and then to five mackerel for a cent. With the drop in prices a syndicate was formed by a number of the wealthy residents of Chinatown, and about four millions of the fish were purchased. For a week Mott street reeked with the smell of smoked mackerel, dried mackerel, pickled mackerel and soured mackerel. Everybody was at work curing the fish, and in less than sixty days the cured fish were sold at a clear profit of something over \$150,000, and the original investment, including hire of the men who cured and packed the fish, could not have been over \$14,000.

For some time Wong Chin Foo, the enterprising young Mongol who ran the Chinese American, has been agitating the subject of a Chinese theatre. The Chinese population in New York and vicinity is large enough to make it a paying investment, and Wong calculated upon receiving a substantial support from novelty loving New Yorkers. The schemes of the ex-journalist did not, however, find favor in the eyes of the conservative capitalists. So they coolly appropriated his idea and are quietly organizing a syndicate of their own. They propose to lease for a long term one of the smaller theatres in the lower end of the Bowery or possibly a large dime museum. They will thoroughly overhaul it and fit it up to present the highest class of Chinese plays with a first class stock company. The main difficulty is importing the company, not only because of the expense of getting them over, passages and salaries, which are no small item, but also on account of the stringency of the laws relating to Chinese immigration. Another expensive feature is the costumes. A Chinese theatre has practically no scenery, but the costumes are magnificent. In the Chinese theatre in San Francisco the costumes are kept in large chests at the back of the stage and the actors take them out and put them away in full view of the audience. The richest silks, most expensive and elaborate embroideries in gold and silver thread, and swords and armor of the finest lacquer incrustated with gold and gems are required by the critical Chinese audience. The orchestra sits on the stage and to American ears Chinese music is a wild, weird thing. Expert jugglers and tumblers are also always included in a Celestial theatrical company. These people draw good salaries, so it can be easily estimated that starting a Chinese theatre is a matter of no little expense. The Chinaman, though, is sure if he is slow, and once the idea has taken root in his mind, as this has under the pigtails of the Vanderbilts of Mott street, he will stick to it until it is accomplished.

The Japanese village, which had such a run in New York, coupled with the fact that it has become quite a fad with a certain class of Bohemian New Yorkers to dine at the Chinese restaurants, has planted another idea in the brains of the cautious Celestial millionaires. There is considerable talk among them of starting a Chinese restaurant to cater for Caucasian patronage somewhere on upper Broadway, probably between Twenty-third and Thirty-third streets. This scheme has been but lately broached, and I fancy that it happened to be one of the first Americans to get wind of it. Until they know you the Chinese are the most reticent people in the world. They even feign a lack of knowledge of English. They are courteous, obliging, gentlemanly, but they obstinately refuse to understand what you say to them. When, however, they become convinced that you are "ho pang yo," which is the Chinese equivalent for a mighty good fellow, they become communicative and chatty enough. This restaurant they propose to fit up in Chinese style, and furnish Chinese food cooked in the highest style of art. Their bill of fare is not half so unattractive to the Caucasian palate as is generally supposed. Of course it is conceded that they can beat the world in the preparation of rice and tea. But in addition to this their macaroni, or "meu," as it is called, is fully equal to Neapolitan spaghetti. They excel the French cooks in making chicken bouillon, and a number of dishes which have no analogies on our bill of fare are very toothsome. "Show-chop-sew," for example, is a stew made of tripe, chickens' livers and gizzards, beans and celery. "Chop-sew" is a delicious method of preparing roast pork, while they have pastries and cakes and confections in infinite variety. I have taken many friends through the Chinese quarter, both here and in San Francisco, and I have yet to find one who could not make a good dinner out of the ordinary Chinese bill of fare.

Yet the popular prejudice is so strong that I was by no means enthusiastic over the scheme of my Chinese friends. Notwithstanding the love of novelty in the average New Yorker, he is very careful of what he puts into his stomach, and I fancy that visions of kittens and rats would keep the Chinese restaurant from being largely patronized. I can only say that I have eaten many meals in Chinese restaurants and have never knowingly eaten anything of the kind. If I have unconsciously partaken of a succulent pusa or smacked my lips over an unusually delicate rodent, mistaking it for something else, I can only say that it was good, and I am satisfied. ALLAN FORMAN.

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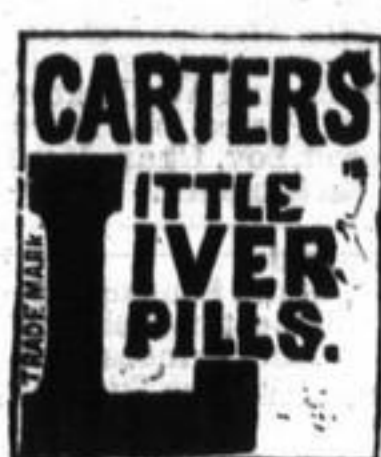


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