UNCANNY IMMIGRANTS.

FOREIGNERS WHO COME HERE LONG AFTER THEY ARE DEAD.

The Ghastly Industry of Importing Men's Bones for Use in Secret Societies—Skeletons Are Strung Together Cheaper Abroad.

Very few men would care to die in the knowledge that their skeletons, instead of decently crumbling into dust, would eventually be parading about in a world which their owners had quitted forever. Occasionally a man gives up the ghost, and at the same time gives up his bones, for professional or commercial uses, but such a man is invariably an abnormal creature, whom no one loved while living or mourned when dead.

Through poverty and crime many skeletons are available, but it is seldom that one is articulated in this country except by a clever surgeon, and then only for his own use. It is a fact not generally known that all skeletons used in secret societies and in other ways in the United States are imported from Europe.

This uncanny traffic over the sea is not due to any scarcity of skeletons here, but to an absence of the peculiar skill and labor necessary to the proper stringing of the bones together. No doubt the industry could be successfully introduced here were it protected by the tariff, but skeletons being on the free list there is no encouragement to enter into competition with the cheaper labor of Europe.

A mistaken impression prevails in the popular mind that nearly all strictly secret societies use human skeletons in their ceremonies, the fact being that only a limited number among such organizations use them. For this reason no stock of this sort is kept on hand, and articulated skeletons are imported on the receipt of orders.

COST OF A SKELETON.

The number of firms who import human skeletons in New York is small—probably not more than three—and such importation forms but an insignificant branch of a general business either in medical supplies or society paraphernalia. It is seldom, too, that the members of a lodge or council, aside from its officers, know by what firm its skeleton is supplied.

This fact is to be accounted for by the reluctance of the importers to figure publicly in such transactions. They prefer to conduct them quietly and unostentatiously. A layman, unless an intimate friend, can seldom get a merchant to acknowledge plainly that he deals in skeletons. He will evade the question, or, if cornered, compromise on the statement that he once dealt in them, but no longer does.

The average cost of the skeleton of a foreigner, properly articulated and prepared for use, is about $50, although they may run as high as $75, where more elaborate material is used. The same work, if turned out on this side of the water, would probably cost double the amount.

Imported skeletons are always good specimens, and most of them come from France and Germany, where skilled labor of this sort is most readily found and cultivated. They come as a rule in ordinary black caskets, to one end of which the skull is hung, so that the bones may swing freely, and they pass the customs inspectors without exciting comment.

A curious case of mistaken public expectation will be recalled, where a skeleton imported to order for a secret society at Medham, Mass., was duly shipped to the association, but owing to some error in the directions on the box was refused by the person to whom the express company delivered it. The box was thereupon opened at the express office, and the discovery of its contents created a sensation until the shipper came forward and explained.

In some cases, however, where a lodge does not care to import a skeleton, a domestic imitation, poorly and imperfectly articulated, can be obtained, and is easily manufactured. Being symbolic it, of course, serves the purpose in a measure, but with a majority of men cannot scarcely be expected to carry the same impression as the genuine article.—New York News.

Tired of Shining.

"Don't you want to go to the better world, Tommy?" asked a Sunday school teacher of the new scholar. "No, ma'am," promptly replied the frank little fellow. "Why not, Tommy?" "Oh, when I get there I want to go where a feller can rest." "Well, my boy, you can rest there." "Well, in that song we sings it said we'd all shine there." "Certainly, don't you want to shine there?" "No, ma'am, I don't want to shine there. I get enough shinin' now. I'm a shoeblack, ma'am."—Detroit Free Press.

Knocking Out a Waiter.

Erastus Gurley was in town and, as usual, proceeded to make his presence felt. He arrived about 10 a. m., and for a change dropped into a cafe for dinner. The obsequious waiter had just flicked a bit of lint from Mr. Gurley's coat collar when Mr. Gurley opened out on him.

"Yes," he said, glancing at the menu, "you may bring me some eggs blushing like Aurora."

"Beg pardon, sir," explained the waiter, "it's not on the bill."

"Isn't, eh? What's this—oeufs a l'Aurore?"

"Oh, yes," replied the young man, blushing and shifting somewhat uneasily.

"And I feel just like having some breeches in the royal fashion, with velvet sauce."

The waiter turned red, white and blue.

"Got you again," chuckled Mr. Gurley. "Well, I suppose you call it culottes a la royale, sauce veloute."

"Oh, that! Yes, sir; yes, sir," and the waiter briskly rattled the cutlery around Mr. Gurley's plate as though he would fain drown Mr. Gurley's voice.

"Be sure you bring a stew of good Christians."

"Now you are joking," mildly expostulated the waiter, with a sickly smile.

"Not a bit of it, man. See here on your bill—compote de bains directions."

"O—ah—ugh," gulped the waiter.

"And don't forget the fountains of love."

"The—ah—I beg pardon."

"Right here on your menu—puits d'amour."

"Well, well," and the accompanying grin was ghastly.

"And a mouthful of ladies."

"Eh?"

"Bouche de dames— Quick, help—a glass of water—dash it in his face!"

But Mr. Gurley was too late. The waiter was in a dead swoon, almost in a cataleptic fit, from which he never recovered until along in the afternoon. As Mr. Gurley went out he inquired of the cashier if the waiters there understood French.

"Only by ear," answered the lightning change artiste, "which ear I couldn't inform you."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Tea and Coffee as Narcotics.

Tea and coffee rank among the worst narcotics used by civilized peoples. Alcohol may be placed at the head of the list, tobacco next, tea and coffee next and then opium. I do not mean to say that in an individual instance the use of tea and coffee is usually to be regarded as worse than the use of opium, but that the aggregate of evil arising from the use of these narcotics is very greatly on the side of tea and coffee.

Both of them contain an alkaloid known as theine or caffeine. The substances are identical in each and the two names arise from the fact that two different chemists were making analyses at about the same time, the one on tea and the other on coffee, and each gave a name to his own discovery. It is a curious coincidence that the same substance should be found in the seed of the coffee tree and in the leaves of the tea plant, the one growing in Arabia and the other in China.—Dr. J. H. Kellogg's Lecture.

Dr. Depew's Rapid Penmanship.

I remember an instance when I was at Dr. Depew's house at 7 o'clock one evening. He was to deliver one of his most important addresses that evening at 8 o'clock. He had not written a line of it. He talked leisurely with me as if there was not a thought on his mind. At 7:10 o'clock he went into his library; at 7:50 o'clock he was reading over his manuscript entirely in his own writing. In ten minutes more he was wheeling through the streets to the hall, and at 8:10 o'clock he was on his feet talking, glancing at his manuscript only three times during the entire address of forty-five minutes' duration.—Buffalo Courier.

Some firms in America spend annually great sums on pictures outside cigarette packets. One firm paid out $400,000 to the lithographers last year for artistic work. Another spent $450,000, while other firms reported payments of $375,000, $350,000 and $300,000 for the same purpose.

The newspapers are now trying to find the man who spent the most days in rebel prisons during the late war. So far as heard from yet Mr. E. W. Ware, of Bangor, is ahead, he having suffered 600 days in Charleston, Columbia, Charlotte, Raleigh, Goldsboro and Greensboro prisons.

One of the largest forests in the world stands on ice. It is situated between Ural and the Orhotsk sea. A well was recently dug in this region, when it was found that at a depth of 116 meters the ground was still frozen.

Mary Queen of Scots' marriage contract with Francis II of France is to be sold by auction shortly in London. It is a quaint old manuscript of nine [illegible] parchment.

The Boys Go Armed.

It is but a short time ago that a professor in one of the leading colleges of San Francisco slapped the face of a rich banker who had published a long and bitter attack upon his (the professor's) venerable father, a divine of great eminence and fame. The professor was at once shot down, although he was entirely unarmed, and had informed his adversary of the fact. Yet the jury declared that it was a case of justifiable homicide, and the accused left the court without a stain on his character.

Even the children, aping their elders, carry pistols and knives with the utmost nonchalance, and a few weeks ago, when the principal of one of the public schools had occasion to administer some much needed corporal punishment to a lad of 12, the young rascal drew a huge revolver on the head master, and the services of the chief of police had to be called in for the purpose of disarming him.

At the request of the terrified principal the police subjected all the pupils present to a personal search and examination, with the result that thirty-five revolvers of all sizes, from the "Colt navy revolver" to the "22 caliber popgun," besides a dozen knives of murderous appearance, were seized and confiscated.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

What Dudes Can Do.

Young John Jacob Astor, the greatest match in America, is down here, and is going around under the chaperonage of that social Wellington, Mrs. Paran Stevens. He is generally reported to be a nice boy, with that strong vein of good sense that characterizes most of his family. But these young gentlemen, brought up on Pinard's suppers and Klunder's flowers, have a good deal of American grit in them after all. One night last week a small sloop went ashore on the rocks at the foot of the cliff. Although the wind was blowing half a gale, and dinners were in progress at several of the cliff cottages, a flock of young fellows in evening dress appeared and worked like Trojans getting people ashore. That seems to be the way with the gilded youth everywhere. Under the varnish of affectation and imitation comes the real stuff—manliness and courage.—Newport Cor. Boston Transcript.

A Bit of Midsummer Madness.

It has been charged upon the sister republics south of us that they are unduly given to the bloody delights of civil and internal warfare. This seems to be the characteristic of all the American nationalities without exception, with the great republic at the head of the list. A passion for internecine war has become the common heritage of all the American republics. It was once thought that this vice was confined to the tropics, but the bloody infection has seized upon the people from the frozen promontory of Cape Horn to the white belt of the Canadian snows, and civil war will soon become as characteristic of the people of our north temperate zone as of those who live under the vertical sun of the equator. The United States is not likely to shine as an arbitrator and pacificator of the internal or international troubles of its weaker neighbor republics.—New Orleans Picayune.

The mayor of Newport, Mont., declared some new baths open. He then withdrew, and throwing aside his robes of office reappeared before the large gathering of ladies and gentlemen in a bathing suit. Plunging into the water he swam the full length of the bath, and his example was followed by several town councilors and policemen.

A family by the name of Moore, living six miles west of Columbus, Ind., has a peculiar and distinguishing family mark running through three generations. At a reunion held recently it was learned that out of twenty-seven persons, who represented the three generations, nine teen had six toes on each foot.

Charles Fisher, the veteran actor, has retired from the stage, and has gone down to his birthplace in Suffolk, England, to end his days. He is 75 years of age. He played in "As You Like It" for the last time in London, his part being that of the aged Adam.

Do not wear a white lawn full dress tie with every day apparel unless you are a professional man, as, for instance, a college professor or clergyman, and do not mind being thought pedantic. If you do you take the chance of being thought "out" of ordinary neckwear.

One reason of Senator Plumb's great popularity in his state is that he answers every letter he receives. His mail is larger than that of any other senator, and he employs three typewriters to attend to it.

The largest catch of codfish received at Gloucester, Mass., this season has just been brought in by the schooner Wyman. It weighs 90,000 pounds.

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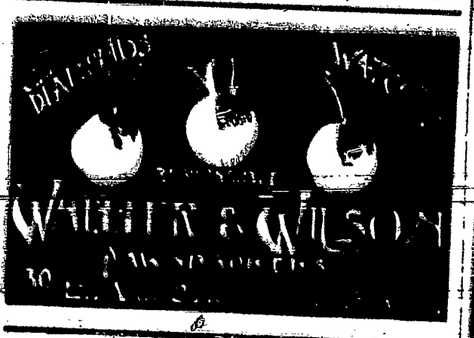

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Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $1,050, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 30th day of April, 1873, executed by Charles R. Stanford, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to John M. Swinerton, of the same place, duly assigned to the subscriber and recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 5th day of May, 1874, at 9-45 o'clock a. m., in Liber 171, at page 208. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage, and of the statute in such cases made and provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lots No. 42, 43, 44 and 45 of the Jennings plat, each 60 links wide fronting Union street, and 150 links deep, according to a map filed in said County Clerk's office, in Book 3, page 36, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said City, the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
LEWIS ALLYN,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Assignee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $770, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 15th day of Dec., 1873, executed by Alfred Young, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to John M. Swinerton, of the same place, and recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 16th day of December, 1873, at 11 o'clock a. m., in Liber 180, page 249. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage, and of the statute in such cases made and provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lots No. 191 and 184 of the Jennings plat, being each 60x150 links as described on a map filed in said County Clerk's office, in Book 3 of Maps, page 36, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said city, on the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
JOHN M. SWINERTON,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $550, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 29th day of April, 1873, executed by Mary A. Guile, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to John M. Swinerton, of the same place, and duly assigned to the subscriber, and recorded in said County Clerk's office, in Liber 172, page 43, the 28th day of April, 1873, at 9-15 o'clock a. m. In pursuance of a power of sale contained in said mortgage and of the statute in such cases provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lots No. 401 and 418, of the Jennings plat, 60x150 links each, fronting Swinerton street, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said city, on the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
ADELIA R. HOPKINS,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Assignee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $300, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 15th day of January, 1874, executed by Mary Jane Clark, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to Lewis Allyn, of the same place, recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 21st day of Aug., 1874, at 9-10 o'clock a. m., in Liber 188, at page [illegible]. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage and of the statute in such cases provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lot No. 314 of the Jennings plat, being 60 links wide on Nichols street, 150 links deep equal width, as laid on a map in said County Clerk's office, in Book 3, page 36, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said City, the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
LEWIS ALLYN,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $2,000, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 1st day of December, 1874, executed by Julia Rice, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to Lewis Allyn, of the same place, and recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 15th day of February, 1875, at 9 o'clock p. m., in Liber 188, page 41. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage and of the statute in such cases provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lots No. 9, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of the Lentz plat, being 171 feet wide on Bay street in all, and 200 links deep more or less, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said city, the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
LEWIS ALLYN,
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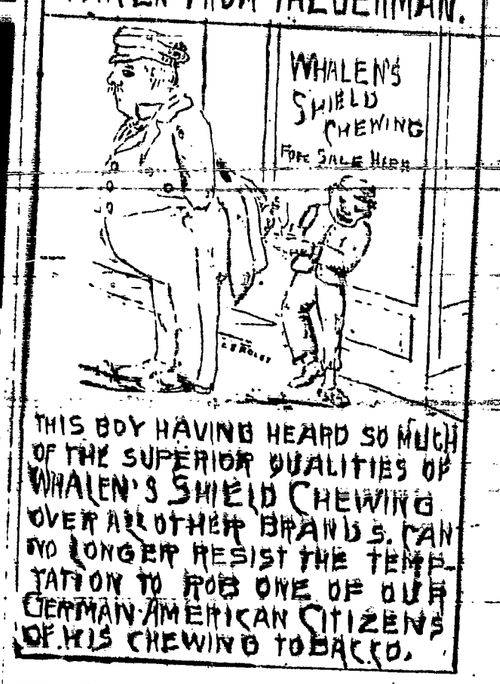

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Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $1,850, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 19th day of April, 1874, executed by Alfred Young, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to Lewis Allyn, of the same place, and recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 19th day of April, 1874, at 9-10 o'clock a. m., in Liber 181, at page 175. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage, and of the statute in such cases made and provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as a strip of land in the east side of Jennings plat, bounded north by Jennings street, east by the east line of Jennings plat, south by Clifford street, west by the east end of the lots east of Swinerton street, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said city, the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
LEWIS ALLYN,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $350, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 28th day of April, 1873, executed by William Gyatt, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to John M. Swinerton, of the same place, and recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 30th day of April, 1873, at 11-30 o'clock a. m., in Liber 171, page 381. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage, and of the statute in such cases made and provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lot No. 209 of the Jennings plat, being each 60 links wide on East side of Nichols street, and equal width 150 links deep, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said city, on the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
JOHN M. SWINERTON,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $400, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 9th day of January, 1874, executed by Sarah Kelly, of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to Lewis Allyn, of the same place, and recorded in said County Clerk's office, in Liber 180, page 280, the 9th day of January, 1874, at 4 o'clock p. m. In pursuance of a power of sale contained in said mortgage and of the statute in such cases provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lots No. 32 and 33 of the Jennings plat, each 60 links wide on Nichols street, equal width 150 links deep, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said City, on the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
LEWIS ALLYN,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT has been made in the payment of $400, purchase money, due at the date hereof, on a mortgage bearing date the 3rd day of May, 1871, executed by John Milnes of the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, and State of New York, to John M. Swinerton of the same place, duly assigned to the subscriber and recorded in said County Clerk's office, the 5th day of May, 1871, at [illegible] o'clock a. m., in Liber [illegible], page [illegible]. In pursuance of a power of sale in said mortgage and of the statute in such cases provided, the premises covered by said mortgage, located in said City, and known as Lots No. [illegible] and [illegible] of the Jennings plat, each 60 links wide on Union street, equal width 150 links deep, will be sold at public auction at house No. 45 Elm street, in said City, on the 15th day of September, 1890, at 9 o'clock a. m.
LEWIS ALLYN,
Dated the 21st day of June, 1890. Mortgagee.