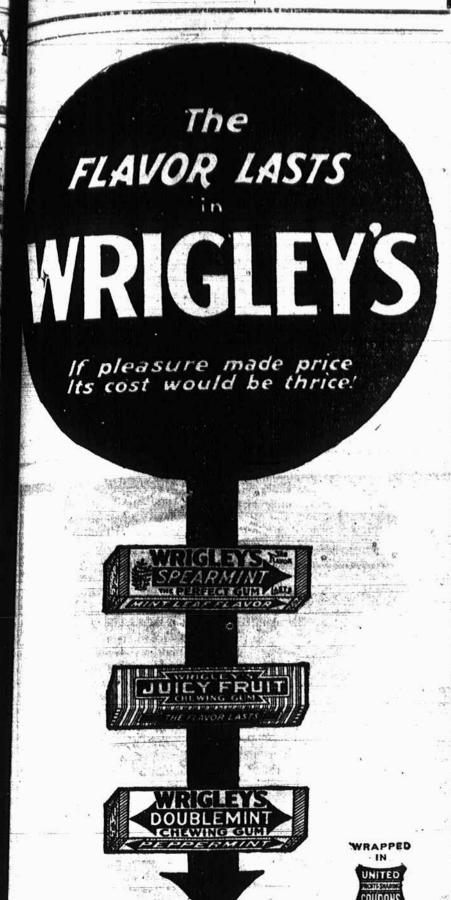
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THE TEMPERING OF BRONZE CHINA'S "BATTLE-AX" COINS

Knowledge of How to Do It Perished With Hiram Abif, Man of Tyre, According to Tradition.

When King Solomon had reached a certain stage in the building of the te aple of Jerusalem he wanted the help of metal workers, for his people knew little of that art. Therefore he sent to his neighbor, Hiram, king of Tyre, traditional descendant of Tubal Cain, the pioneer of workers in brass and iron. Brass in those days was not brass, as it is understood now, but properly bronze, observes the New York Sun. So King Hiram sent his master of craft, Hiram Abif.

The Bible relates that "he was i vidow's son of the tribe of Naphtall. and his father was a man of Tyre, a worker in brass, and he was filled with wisdom and understanding and cunning to work all works in brass."

Masonry holds Hiram Abif as its founder and Masonic tradition has it that this master metal worker was murdered by jealous artisans in Solomon's service.

It seems that Solomon wanted HIram Abif to teach one of his men how to fashion and to mix that wonderful bronze so that he, too, should have a master of the craft in his own kingdom. News of this came to the ears of a lesser artisan, who also had aspirations. Therefore when the temple was finished and the night before the man of Tyre was to return to his native city he was waylaid and murdered after refusing to divulge the secret of his cunning.

From that day on, the tradition is. no more of that wonderful material was made, but existing bronze implements were melted up and worked over from time to time that weapons might be fashioned for the fighting

SLOW WITHOUT ADVERTISING

Merchant May Eventually Establish Reputation Among Small Circle, but It Takes Years and Years.

Without advertising, a merchant can eventually build a reputation for his store among those who chance to come into it, and among their friends, so that they will have confidence in him and in his clerks or salespeople, so that they will buy goods more readily, having greater confidence. But that takes years and years.

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The simple result is that each salesperson sells more goods in a given number of hours and his or her salary is distributed over a greater number of sales, so that the cost of selling the goods is actually reduced,-Exchange.

Couldn't Blame Him. There is a Cleveland park boy who

has been trying to get a good mark in geography, inasmuch as the teacher at the John Eaton school has been giving him only "fair" in that particular branch of his scholastic work. So the lad has been going over and over the book, learning the lessons by heart. In this particular text book the author seems to have had the word "accessible" on the brain; for in every lesson something is found to be accessible. Either the farms or the rivers or the bays or the mines seem to be accessi ble to something or other. In the latest lesson the "forests are accessible."

The boy's father, also going over the lessons, asked his son if he knew what It meant to say that forests were accessible, and the boy didn't waver an instant. He came back strong:

"Why, certainly. Anything that can be easily cut by axes is accessible."-Washington Star.

Shuddering.

Shuddering is done by clenching the jaw's and running a quiver down the spine. It is important to be able to shudder well at a time when there is so much news of a shuddering nature. A few moments spent each day in the simpler exercises of shuddering will soon make you proficient. Compose your features and sit quietly for a while. Then think of something horrible. You may not be able to shudder at first, but in time you will find you can shudder at any length on slight provocation. It is always embarrassing to be unable to shudder well when you are giving a sympathetic ear to a friend's account of his operation .- Detroit Journal.

The Son's Opinion.

The late Mr. Henniker Heaton's use of questions in the house of commons did not commend itself to all his family. One of his sons, a small midshipman, did not fail to express his views on the matter. One day, when the latter was home on leave, his father said

to him: "I am always very glad to get your letters, but I notice you never tell me anything of interest about the navy,"

"No, thank you," replied the small midshipman; "too many of our fellows have had their careers simply ruined by their fathers asking questions in parliament!"

Expert Knowledge He-Do you know which is the most fficient arm of the service? She-Of course, I do. It's the one they put the stripes on.

Small Models of Various Utensils Used as Medium of Exchange in 2255 B. C.

Haskell Oriental museum at University of Chicago has recently been presented with a remarkable collection of coins by Jacob Speicher of Shanghai, China. Chinese coins, medals and amulets to the number of 844, arranged in historical sequence, are supplemented by coins of Annam and Korea, with a few from the old regime of Japan. Altogether, 1,068 specimens are included. The donor was engaged in their collection some twelve years in China. After being on exhibition for three or four years at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, they are now permanently located in Chicago.

Our adjective "pecuniary" still bears witness to the cattle which served early Rome as measures of value. In China likewise, but far earlier, actual commodities had constituted the first medium of exchange. The Chinese, however, seem to have preferred metal objects, especially battle axes and knives. As government credit became established, it was found more convenient to coin small models of these utensils. The exhibit begins, then, with "battle-ax" coins, some of which date back traditionally to the period 2255-1122 B. C. Even With the adoption of a later date this would probably give China first place in the study of numismatics.

"Knife" coins form an interesting group. Their round handles, with holes in the center, two of which are distinguished by a square perforation, are supposed to have furnished the pattern for the round cash with square holes so regularly used later. Other peculiar shapes are "bridge" and the pebblelike pellets called by the Chinese numismatists "ant" coins. All these oldest, most brittle copper specimens are mounted in handsome trays of camphor wood. The largest object in Mr. Spelcher's collection is a magnificent medal with dragon decoration, bestowed as a reward for loyalty by the ruler, Wu Tsung (1525 A. D.) .-Boston Transcript.

Characters of "Macbeth."

The names of some of the leading characters in the play of "Macbeth" were borne by real persons who figured in Scotch history, but the characters themselves and the events of the play are imaginary. Macbeth was a Scottish king and Macduff was a Scottish nebleman of the middle ages. History states that Macbeth slew Duncan in 1039 because he had usurped the throne to which Macbeth had the better claim. But the circumstances of the slaying were entirely different from those described by Shakespeare with large poetic license. Banquo has a Scotch sound, but no person of that name figures in Scotch history and Shakespeare seems to have created him mainly in order to name a ghost. In the play he is killed by order of Macbeth and in one of the most powerful scenes of the play his ghost appears at a banquet, visible only to Macbeth, and terrifying him while unseen by the other banqueters.

Shrine of Health-Seekers.

The age of miracles is over, but the little French town of Lourdes is not aware of the fact. This is today the leading shrine of Europe, and hundreds of thousands of pilgrims annually visit it, many of them in search of a cure for incurable ills. There have been many surprising instances of healing performed by the waters of Lourdes, and scores of physicians come every year to watch and investigate the cures. Everything is done with a scientific thoroughness that is characteristic of the French, whose passion for clear thinking is such that they will investigate even what some of them consider supernatural phenomena with the microscope. Invalids coming to Lourdes are registered at a bureau, and examined by eminent physicians before and after they have visited the shrine.

Insomnia Only a Habit.

One of the reasons why insomnia is so much dreaded is that it is wrongly conceived by many of the laity to be a disease. There is no such disease and in its simple form, where there is no positive disease in the background, it is merely a bad cell habit, kept alive by some fault in the manner of living, some breach of brain discipline, or some disturbance in the functions of the body that results in insistent messages being sent to the brain centers during sleep or while we are trying to sleep. Trying to sleep is a pathetic and futile task, and much better results usually can be obtained by not trying to sleep.—World's Work.

No Excuse for Being Late. "I see a Chicago woman is the in-

ventor of a dressing table with detachable legs, the whole affair folding so that it can be carried like a suitcase." "No use for her being late at the opera now. She can take along the dressing table and finish when she gets

Correcting an Abuse.

Mrs. Homebody-Pve noticed that a pound of your bulk coffee doesn't anywhere near fill one of our pound cans. The Grocer-You'll not find that rouble again, madam. I'm just getting in some new-sized pound cans.

Diplomacy. Hokus-Well, I admit I made a mis-

Pokus-You made two. Hokus-What was the second? Pekus-Owning up to the first .-Judge.



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