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A mound of earth, surmounted by a piece of stick and a bit of cloth for a flag, is this deity's shrine, and to it "poojah" is made and a little sacrifice offered of ghee, or grain. It needs no consecration, this simple shrine, and wherever the sweeper may be, if sickness comes or a gift is desired, the little shrine may be set up, with its queer bit of rag and stick, and the worshipper's prayer is made.

The sweeper will have nothing to do with the transmigration of souls. Once a sweeper always a sweeper, and even the ideal sweeper, Pir Jhota, with his broom of gold and basket of silver, "cleans new the fourth heaven, the house of God, and sweeps the apartments of the highest." The good sweeper goes to heaven, however, after death, but in the heaven of a sweeper there is nothing to do but bathe and sit at ease.

The bad sweeper, on the other hand, goes to hell, where he is tormented by fire and wounds till the deity is pleased to vouchsafe relief. Between these two extremes is a kind of purgatory where the sweeper who is not good enough for the one place and not bad enough for the other undergoes a sort of probation which either kills or cures him.

Of Balmik, the great leader of one sect of sweepers and now himself, like Pir Jhota, a sweeper in the courts of heaven, the accounts differ so widely that it is difficult to identify him. It seems clear, however, that with the profession of sweeper he combined the recreation of poetry, and there is some amount of evidence in favor of his having been the author of the "Ramuana."

He is alternately represented as a low caste hunter of the Karnal Nardak and as a Bhil highwayman who was converted by a saint whom he was about to rob. There is a legend, too, that he laid down his life for the sweepers of Benares and induced the people of that city to admit sweepers into their presence, as they had never done before.

As for Lalberg, the other great leader, he takes us back at once to the days of Homeric myth. He was born from the coat of Balmik and suckled by a hare, in proof whereof Chuhras to this day abstain from eating hares. On the other hand, Lelberg was also born of a pitcher, through the power of Abdul Kader Kilani, and when the Prophet Elias was turned into a sweeper for spitting on the saints in heaven it was Lalberg who relieved him.—Times of India.

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A Sioux Indian Custom.

Among the Sioux Indians a common custom exists. When one family borrows a kettle from another, it is expected when the kettle is returned a small portion of the food that has been cooked in it will be left in the bottom. Should this custom be disregarded by any one, that person would never be able to borrow again, as the owner must always know what has been cooked in her kettle. A white woman on one occasion returned a scoured kettle, intending to teach a lesson in cleanliness, but her act became the talk of the camp as a fresh example of the meanness of the whites.

A Piece For His Dog.

Rossini lived before the day of special pleas for the dog, but he was sufficiently in advance of his time to recognize the equality if not the superiority of his own favorite beast. The Gentleman's Magazine says that the late Sir Arthur Sullivan made Rossini's acquaintance in Paris. One morning, when Sullivan called to see him, he found the composer trying over a piece of music.

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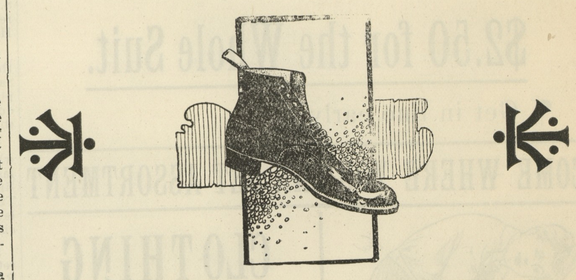

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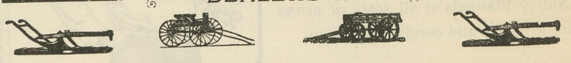

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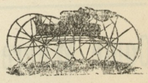

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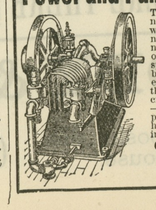

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