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quaint cuts from books of other days, including amusing illustrations from children's story books, fables, chap-books, etc., etc. A selection of pictorial initial letters and curious designs and ornaments from original wooden blocks belonging to The Leadenhall Press.

Etymology[edit] The term lingchi first appeared in a line in Chapter 28 of the classical philosophical text Xunzi. The line originally described the difficulty in travelling in a horse-drawn carriage on mountainous terrain. The flesh was then cut from the body in multiple slices in a process that was not specified in detail in Chinese law, and therefore most likely varied. The punishment worked on three levels: Lingchi therefore contravenes the demands of filial piety. In addition, to be cut to pieces meant that the body of the victim would not be "whole" in spiritual life after death. This method of execution became a fixture in the image of China among some Westerners. If the crime was less serious or the executioner merciful, the first cut would be to the throat causing death; subsequent cuts served solely to dismember the corpse. The condemned individual is not likely to have remained conscious and aware if even alive after one or two severe wounds, so the entire process could not have included more than a "few dozen" wounds. In the Yuan dynasty , cuts were inflicted [14] but by the Ming dynasty there were records of 3, incisions. Moreover, these photographs show a striking contrast between the stream of blood that soaks the left flank of the victim and the lack of blood on the right side, possibly showing that the first or the second cut has reached the heart. Western perceptions[edit] The Western perception of lingchi has often differed considerably from the actual practice, and some misconceptions persist to the present. The distinction between the sensationalised Western myth and the Chinese reality was noted by Westerners as early as The mutilation is ghastly and excites our horror as an example of barbarian cruelty; but it is not cruel, and need not excite our horror, since the mutilation is done, not before death, but after. Successive rather minor cuts chopped off ears, nose, tongue, fingers, toes and genitals before proceeding to cuts that removed large portions of flesh from more sizable parts, e. The entire process was said to last three days, and to total 3, cuts. The heavily carved bodies of the deceased were then put on a parade for a show in the public. The History of the World, to , writes "the traditional punishment of death by slicing The abolition was immediately enforced, and definite: History[edit] Execution of Joseph Marchand in Vietnam, Lingchi existed under the earliest emperors,[citation needed] although similar but less cruel tortures were often prescribed instead. Under the reign of Qin Er Shi , the second emperor of the Qin dynasty , multiple tortures were used to punish officials. The method was prescribed in the Liao dynasty law codes, [43] and was sometimes used. Another early proposal for abolishing lingchi was submitted by Lu You â€” in a memorandum to the imperial court of the Southern Song dynasty. This anti-lingchi trend coincided with a more general attitude opposed to "cruel and unusual" punishments such as the exposure of the head that the Tang dynasty had not included in the canonic table of the Five Punishments , which defined the legal ways of punishing crime. Hence the abolitionist trend is deeply ingrained in the Chinese legal tradition, rather than being purely derived from Western influences. Under later emperors, lingchi was reserved for only the most heinous acts, such as treason, [46] [47] a charge often dubious or false, as exemplified by the deaths of Liu Jin , a Ming dynasty eunuch, and Yuan Chonghuan , a Ming dynasty general. In , lingchi was inflicted on a group of palace women who had attempted to assassinate the Jiajing Emperor , along with his favourite concubine, Consort Duan. The bodies of the women were then displayed in public. As Western countries moved to abolish similar punishments, some Westerners began to focus attention on the methods of execution used in China. As early as , the time when Britain itself moved to abolish its own cruel method of hanging, drawing, and quartering , Thomas Francis Wade , then serving with the British diplomatic mission in China, unsuccessfully urged the abolition of lingchi. Norman was a widely travelled writer and photographer whose collection is now owned by the University of Cambridge. He gives the following graphic account of a lingchi execution but does not claim to have witnessed such an execution himself. Finally the condemned is stabbed to the heart and the head is cut off. Morrison wrote his description based on an account related by a claimed eyewitness: The executioner, standing before him, with a sharp sword makes two quick incisions above the

eyebrows, and draws down the portion of skin over each eye, then he makes two more quick incisions across the breast, and in the next moment he pierces the heart, and death is instantaneous. Then he cuts the body in pieces; and the degradation consists in the fragmentary shape in which the prisoner has to appear in heaven. Stories of various atrocities are related, including accounts of lingchi. There is no mention of opium, and these cases appear to be government propaganda. The Times , 9 December , a journalist reported from the city of Guangzhou Canton that the Communists were targeting Christian priests and that "It was announced that Father Wong was to be publicly executed by the slicing process. Roerich was not an eyewitness to this event, having already returned to India by the date of the execution. George Ryley Scott , History of Torture claims that many were executed this way by the Chinese Communist insurgents; he cites claims made by the Nanking government in It is perhaps uncertain whether these claims were anti-communist propaganda. Scott also uses the term "the slicing process" and differentiates between the different types of execution in different parts of the country. There is no mention of opium. It gives no indication of whether the slicing was done post-mortem. Scott claims it was common for the relatives of the condemned to bribe the executioner to kill the condemned before the slicing procedure began. The proclamation is reported to state: Unsourced material may be challenged and removed. August Accounts of lingchi or the extant photographs have inspired or referenced in numerous artistic, literary, and cinematic media. Some of these descriptions may have influenced modern public perceptions of the historic practice. One reviewer wrote that though Sontag includes no photographs in her book "a volume about photography" "she does tantalisingly describe a photograph that obsessed the philosopher Georges Bataille , in which a Chinese criminal, while being chopped up and slowly flayed by executioners, rolls his eyes heavenwards in transcendent bliss. He included five pictures in his The Tears of Eros ; translated into English and published by City Lights in

2: One Thousand Cuts Deep – Musings of a Melancholic Mage

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Two bundles a penny, primroses, two bundles a penny! Do you want any matches? Round and sound, fivepence a pound, Duke cherries! Hot spiced gingerbread, smoking hot! Fresh gathered peas, young Hastings! A new love song, only a halfpenny apiece! Turnips and carrots, oh! In connection with the last cry, here is Dr. Towards the end of the last century, Finsbury Square—then an open field—was a favourite place for shoeblacks, who intercepted the city merchants and their clerks in their daily walks to and from their residences in the villages of Islington and Hoxton. At that time tight breeches and shoes were worn ; and the shoeblack was careful not to smear the buckles or soil the fine white stockings of his patrons. In a print of this period the cry is "Japan your shoes, your honour? What with the envious complaints of the small shopkeepers whom he undersells, and the supercilious rebuffs of the policeman who keeps him dodging about and always "on the move," Bill has a hard time of it indeed. Yet he is distinctly a benefactor to the poorer portion of humanity. He changes his cry with the stock on his barrow. On other days it may be apples, or oranges, fish, vegetables, photographs, or even tortoises ; the latter being popularly supposed to earn a free, if uncomfortable, passage to this country in homeward-bound ships as wedges to keep the cargo from shifting in the hold. It is not often that goods intended for the thriving shopkeeper find their way to the barrow of the costermonger. Some time ago amber-tipped cherry or briar-wood pipes were freely offered and as freely bought in the streets at a penny each. Suddenly the supply stopped ; for the unfortunate wholesale dealer in Houndsditch, who might have known better, had mistaken "dozen" for "gross" in his advice ; and at 6s. It seems that not only did the importer imagine that the amber mouthpieces were imitation, but Bill Sykes also thought he was "doing" the public when he announced them as real. In the present race of street criers there are tricksters in a small way ; as, for instance, the well known character who picks up a living by selling a bulky-looking volume of songs. Street criers are honest enough, however, in the main. Petty thieves of the area-sneak type use well-known cries as a blind while pursuing their real calling,—match-selling often serving as an opportunity for pilfering. Blacker sheep than these there are ; but fortunately one does not often come across them. Walking one foggy afternoon towards dusk along the Bayswater Road, I was accosted by a shivering and coatless vagabond who offered a tract. Wishing to shake off so unsavoury a companion, I attempted to cross the road, but a few yards from the kerb he barred further progress. Raising a fist to match, he more than once shot it out unpleasantly near, exhibiting every time he did so an eruption of biceps perfectly appalling in its magnitude. That tract is at home somewhere. The principal supply, however, is imported from the Continent at prices against which English labour cannot compete. Soon forgotten, each novelty has its day, and is cried in a different manner. Until the law stepped in and put a stop to the sale, the greatest favourite on public holidays was the flexible metal tube containing scented water, which was squirted into the faces of passers-by with strict impartiality and sometimes with blinding effect. If this old Act is still on the Statute-book, it is none the less a dead letter. Our streets are now paraded by companies of boys or half-grown men who delight in punishing us by means of that blatant and horribly noisy instrument of dissonant, unchangeable chords, the German concertina. Professional street music of all kinds requires more stringent regulation ; and that produced by perambulating amateurs might with advantage be well-nigh prohibited altogether. The ringing of Church bells in the grey of the morning, and the early habits of the chanticleer, are often among the disadvantages of a closely populated neighbourhood. Nor are these street noises the only nuisances of the kind. But we are wandering, and wandering into a dismal bye-way. Returning to our subject, it is impossible to be melancholy in the presence of the facetious salesman of the streets, with his unflinching native wit. A jovial rogue whose beat extends to numerous courts "Stinking Fish! Were it not that insufficient clothing and an empty stomach are hardly conducive thereto, the winter cry so generally heard after a fall of snow, "Sweep yer door away, mum? A search in our collection of books and ballads for London Cries, humorous in themselves, discovers but two,— "Jaw-work, up and under jaw-work, a whole pot for a

halfpenny, hazel-nuts! He was a Jew who sold a nameless toy—a dried pea loose in a pill box, which was fastened to a horse-hair, and on being violently twirled, emitted a vibratory hum that could be heard for some distance. Among the many living City characters is the man—from his burr evidently a Northumbrian—who sells boot laces. His cry is, "Boot laces—AND the boot laces. Jack, once out of the hands of his music-master, is voiceless. The numerous street sellers of pipe and cigar lights must have a hard time of it. Following the lucifer match, with its attendant choking sulphurous fumes, came the evil-smelling, thick, red-tipped, brown paper slip charged with saltpetre, so that it should smoulder without flaming. These slips, in shape something like a row of papered pins, were divided half through and torn off as required. Like the brimstone match which preceded, and the Vesuvian which followed, these lights which were sold in the shops at a penny a box, but in the streets at two and sometimes three boxes for the same sum utterly spoilt the flavour of a cigar ; hence the superiority of the now dominant wax vestas. The matches of a still earlier period were long slips of dry wood smeared at either end with brimstone. The buyers of the so-called penny ices sold in the London streets during the summer months are charged only a halfpenny ; and the numerous vendors, usually Italians, need no cry ; for the street gamins and errand boys buzz around their barrows like flies about a sugar barrel. For obvious reasons, spoons are not lent. The soft and half-frozen delicacy is consumed by the combined aid of tongue and fingers. Hokey Pokey is of a firmer make and probably stiffer material than the penny ice of the Italians, which it rivals in public favour ; and it is built up of variously flavoured layers. Besides being variously flavoured, Hokey Pokey is dreadfully sweet, dreadfully cold, and hard as a brick. It is whispered that the not unwholesome Swede turnip, crushed into pulp, has been known to form its base, in lieu of more expensive supplies from the cow, whose complex elaboration of cream from turnips is thus unceremoniously abridged. Another summer cry recalls to memory a species of house decoration, which we may hope is rapidly becoming a thing of the past. Something more ornate, and not always in better taste, is now the fashion ; the trade therefore has found its way from the streets to the shops, and the old cry, "Ornaments for yer fire stoves," is likely to be seldomer heard.

3: Lingchi - Wikipedia

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Melancholic Mage Leave a comment And a thousand deeper still. Self-Harm is one of those subjects where both the aware and the inflicted scurry away from the subject in discomfort. Even when faced with its angry red stare, the surrounding taboo to even mention it is a tough skin to shed. This is going to be a difficult subject to breach: For any who still find those ribbons too heavy: Yes, I class myself as a self-afflicter. Imagine everyone has a bottle. Every time something stressful happens, this bottle fills up with liquid. It could be something small, like running late to meet someone. That adds a few drops. It could be something much bigger, like losing a friend or family member. That adds quite a lot of liquid. Either way, the bottle fills, and everyone has one. I like to think of it as a kind of emotional tolerance. The more it fills up, the more stressful and perhaps irate the person gets. So how do you empty this bottle? By doing things that help you relax. Reading a book or watching a movie will lose some of that liquid. Binge watching a series on Netflix, while unhealthy in large doses, will drain quite a lot. So does going out for a drink, playing games, taking a run. So what does this have to do with Self-Harm? Most people who Self-Harm from my experience have bottles that can never truly be emptied. It sits like a dead-weight, disrupting surface area and making less room for that person to take in stress. This weight also creates pressure, like shaking up a bottle of pop or soda. You can unscrew the cap to let some of it out, but that carbonated, toxic liquid is always there to be reshaken. In the end, balancing pressure release and draining the bottle is an utterly exhausting process which is only heading for meltdown. In the end, it drains the person instead until either the bottle explodes, or they do something drastic to release all of that built-up pressure. From my own experience, I find the body and mind can only process so much pain at once. When my insides are rife with torment, carving lines into my arm makes my body take some of that pain away to instead be processed through skin rather than soul. It is by no means an answer. Releasing pressure this way comes at a cost. Hiding your scars is an arduous and shameful task. Why stretching for that one out of reach item causes you to wince, or why when someone pulls your arm you hiss in pain. That alone can cause an internal cut, and it can be a thousand cuts deeper than the ones you drew upon yourself. It only drives you to self-mutilate even more. Advent Children, and without going into too much detail, is Cloud dealing with a slow on-set disease. Adamant to face it alone, he avoids his friends and hides his condition. Avoiding help is also a method of Self-Harm. In a confusing turn, people who Self-Harm rarely do it because they want to. Why get help when you believe Self-Harm is your own form of treatment? The stigma surrounding Self-Harm is still a difficult one to overcome, but if more people reached out for aid and looked out for signs in order to help others, it helps spread awareness. If you do see someone who you believe is Self-Harming, or happen across their scars by accident, be mindful of their feelings. Empathy goes such a long way.

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