

GOLDEN DOME OF LIBRARY.

Workmen Covered 10,000 Square Feet With Gold Leaf.

One of the most beautiful features of the new library building is its golden dome, which may be seen shining and glittering in the sunlight from a distance of twenty miles on a clear day.

Gold is worth at the mints about \$20 an ounce, says the Book Lover, by explanation. Purchased by the government in the form of gold leaf, it came to \$27 an ounce.

CRUEL SLUR ON PHILADELPHIA.

How John W. Gates Disturbed the City's Quiet.

John W. Gates of windy Chicago and hustling New York was asked by a Philadelphian why he did not run over to that city often.

"Afraid to," was the reply. "Why?" asked the Philadelphian. "You people are always poking fun at our city for being so quiet and peaceable."

"That's just it," replied Gates. "I was there once. First thing I knew I heard a policeman say: 'Hi, there, I'll run you in if you don't stop that noise.' I looked around to see what was the matter, and saw the policeman making for me, brandishing his club."

"Don't you do that again," he said threateningly.

"What?" I asked. "Don't you know," he said angrily, "that you were jangling your watch-chain and waking all the people on the block out of their afternoon naps?"

Only a Sojourner.

Capt. Groome of the Philadelphia City Troop once rode from Galveston, Tex., to New York city on the Mallory Line steamer Denver, under the experienced and skillful but gruff and brusque Capt. Sam Risk.

"Oh, Captain! Isn't this an awful fog? Is it always as bad as this out here?" "How should I know?" snorted the old skipper. "I don't live here."

Shattered Illusions.

They had recently been married and his young wife's biscuits were resting on the breakfast table.

No, indeed, gentle reader, he made no unkind remarks about getting a crowbar, a nut cracker or a stick of dynamite to help him to eat them.

"I suppose those are not like what your mother used to make?" she asked.

"Well, I should say not," he exclaimed, eating with a hearty good will. "I suppose you know my father died of dyspepsia."

Would Never Do.

Midas, king of Phrygia, requested of the gods that everything he touched might be turned to gold.

"This will never do," exclaimed the angry monarch. "I can make twice as much out of it by joining the beef trust."

Whereupon he begged the gods to take their favor back and again began making money in earnest.

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RETAIL TRADE KEEPS ACTIVE

Grain Prices Take Sudden Drop When the July Speculative Element is Wiped Out—Rains Appear to Have Benefited the Crops.

"Aside from heavy rains in Texas, the week's crop news is encouraging. Manufacturing plants are well occupied as a rule, iron and steel leading, followed by textiles and footwear.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade gives the foregoing summary of the week's business. Continuing the review says:

Prosperity in Iron.

"With business in sight for at least a year, the leading departments of the iron and steel industry may properly be considered prosperous. Notwithstanding the rapid increase in producing capacity, consumptive demand has grown still faster, and the recent official report of a new high record of pig iron production at 8,808,574 tons for the first half of 1902 is accompanied by the statement that unsold stocks at the end of that period were only 29,861 tons, compared with 372,560 tons a year previously.

"In textile manufacturing the feature was the opening of next year with a general advance of 2 1/2 to 10 per cent. Cotton goods tend in favor of the purchasers owing to the prospects of a large cotton crop and the light export movement.

Hides and Grain.

"Shoe shops are active on spring samples, and buyers are numerous in the Boston market. A very striking advance in leather has followed the upward movement of hides, stimulated by heavy purchases, a single sale of 100,000 sides of hemlock sole being reported.

"Grain prices declined sharply as the month of speculative manipulation drew to a close and legitimate trading resumed a more normal volume. Cotton held fairly steady, more because of the large short interest than the floods in Texas. Thus far it is probable that rains have done more good than harm. Demands for consumption continue liberal. Meats have also shown a tendency to seek slightly lower quotations, but light receipts and higher quality do not promise any extensive relief in the immediate future."

NORTH DAKOTA DEMOCRATS

Nominate Candidate and Condemn the Railroad Merger.

North Dakota Democrats assembled at Fargo and put a full ticket in nomination. There was considerable confusion owing to the fact that no slate had been arranged, and the party was very much at sea regarding its course.

The following are the nominees of the convention: For congress, V. R. Lovell and L. A. Ueland; governor, J. E. Cronan; lieutenant-governor, S. K. McGinnis; secretary of state, John Quorum; auditor, John F. Morrison; treasurer, James McDonald; attorney-general, M. J. Barrett; superintendent of public instruction, V. Stefanson; commissioner of agriculture, O. H. Will; commissioner of insurance, F. A. Willson; railroad commissioners, Charles Peterson, P. L. Pritchard and Oliver Knudson; supreme court, left vacant, and Republican nominee, J. M. Cochrane, Grand Forks, endorsed.

Seed Distribution.

Washington Special: The distribution of vegetable and flower seeds by the Agricultural Department for next year will begin Sept. 1. This is three months in advance of the usual time. The change is made to insure complete distribution. Each member of the senate and the house will receive 12,000 packages of vegetable seeds.

Former Sailor Drowns.

Calumet, Mich., Special: Julius Besko, a fireman on the cruiser Harvard during the Spanish-American war, was taken with cramps and drowned in Lake Superior. He was swimming to entertain a crowd of young people.

Glass Factory Resumes Work. Kokomo, Ind., Dispatch: After a month's close down the nine plants of the Pittsburg Plate Glass company started again. The 8,000 employes get an increase of 5 per cent in wages and \$30,000 bonus for good work.

PEOPLE AND EVENTS

GETS PENSION LONG WITHHELD

Illinois Veteran Gets Welcome Relief in His Old Age.

Milford L. Streeter of Aurora, Ill., has just been granted a pension of \$72 a month and back payments of \$9,195, the largest amount of pension money ever paid to a private soldier



of the United States army. This acknowledgment of Mr. Streeter's claim comes as a great relief to him. For fourteen years he has been totally blind and incapacitated from his work on account of his feeble condition, which resulted from his confinement in Andersonville prison. His efforts to obtain his pension were attended by many disappointments. The delay by the government in acting upon his claim was caused by lack of sufficient evidence. Mr. Streeter joined the Thirty-Sixth Illinois when a clerk at Morris, Ill., in 1862. He was made prisoner June 22, 1864, when on picket duty at Kenesaw Mountain, Georgia.

Their Isle of Safety.

Men and women were hurrying from business and teamsters were hustling along toward the ferry, so that Fulton street was an unsafe place for little girls unused to turmoil, but three mites, the children of janitors of business buildings, found an "isle of safety" where they could play to their heart's content, says the New York Times.

They had books and paper dolls and other small playthings and their merriment was noticeable for some passers-by who had eyes and ears for children's pleasures. They sat on the stone coping of a side wall of a basement stairway. For protection behind was a sign and a rail in front prevented them from falling downstairs.

They chattered and laughed and sung snatches of songs, all unconscious of the noise and bustle on the sidewalk at one side. They were startled into silence only when a passer-by remarked: "You're having a great time, aren't you?"

NIKISCH HONORED IN GERMANY.

Famous Musician Is Well Known in America.

Arthur Nikisch, formerly conductor of the Boston Symphony orchestra,



has been elected principal of the Leipzig Conservatory of Music, which is probably the German musical institution best known to Americans. He succeeds Reincke, the composer.

Mr. Nikisch went to Boston in January, 1889, and remained with the Symphony orchestra through four seasons. He resigned in 1893 and returned to Germany. Mr. Nikisch is a Hungarian by birth, having been born in Szent Miklos, Hungary, Oct. 12, 1855. While here he showed rare talents as a musical director.

Traffic in Human Skulls.

Human skulls are a strange article of commerce. Yet such is the demand which has arisen among curiosity dealers in Europe for the skulls of New Guinea native ancestors, which have ornamented the poles of native dwellings in New Guinea, that the Australian government has inhibited the trade, says the London Express. Large prices were offered the blacks for the strange relics, and it was feared that the temptation was becoming so strong that as the supply of genuine ancestors ran low, illegal methods of procuring spurious ones would be adopted.

Earned His Bride.

One of the most difficult tasks that ever fell to the lot of a lover was completed two years ago by Mr. McQuarry, of San Francisco. His suit was repeatedly rejected by the lady of his choice, until one day, thinking to put an end to his attentions thereby, she told him that if he would go round the world without a cent in his pocket she would marry him. McQuarry courageously took her at her word, and setting out, actually accomplished the feat in a certain period named, a task which received its just reward.

WHAT HIS WIFE THOUGHT.

Truly No Man is a Hero in His Own Household.

The speech of Senator Pettus of Alabama, in which he paid his respects to "orators," will be long remembered in the Senate. That portion of his speech was plainly impromptu, but arriving at the psychological moment it convulsed the entire Senate and the galleries. Senator Dewey walked wildly about the Chamber swinging his arms over his head, while the President pro tempore, Mr. Frye, laid down his gavel, threw himself back in his chair, while the tears streamed down his cheeks.

Senator Pettus was warmly congratulated by his colleagues of both parties. When one of these, on the next day, shook his hand, and declared the speech "epochmaking," Senator Pettus gravely replied:

"Well, I don't know about that; it depends on the point of view. When I got home last night I found my wife reading the afternoon paper. She glanced up and said: 'I see you have been over there in the Senate making an old fool of yourself.'" New York Times.

Physicians Puzzled.

St. Aubert, Mo., Aug. 4th.—Mr. E. R. Langendorfer of this place suffered very severely with a peculiar case of Kidney Trouble which completely baffled the skill of the local physicians and instead of getting any better he was gradually growing worse. He says: "A friend advised me to take Dodd's Kidney Pills and after I had used two boxes I was entirely cured and have not since had the slightest symptoms of the return of my trouble."

"I had tried all the surrounding physicians but they did me no good and instead of getting better I grew worse till I used Dodd's Kidney Pills. 'I can sincerely say to everyone suffering with Kidney Trouble that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure them for they cured me satisfactorily and completely when all the doctors had failed.'"

Not many months ago \$1,000 was willed to a conductor of The Chicago & Alton Railway for being attentive and courteous. A somewhat similar circumstance has reoccurred. Mr. H. J. Titus, a steward on one of the "Alton's" dining cars, recently had for a guest a gentleman to whom he unconsciously gave such polite attention as to attract his patron's notice. Upon arrival of the train in Chicago, this passenger, who was a high official of the Mobile & Ohio Railway, repaired to the general offices of The Chicago & Alton Railway, and being assured of Mr. Titus' ability, promptly appointed the latter Superintendent of dining cars in the United States, his age being but twenty-four.

A Deception.

Columbus was sixty days out at sea when one of his rivals impounded the king.

"Your majesty," he cried, "I can disprove his globular theories. How about the Harlem flat? You can't get round in that."

Chagrined beyond measure at being so deceived, Ferdinand instantly dispatched a torpedo boat destroyer to bring the unhappy navigator back in chains.

To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 10c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

Was Willing to Go.

Landlord—See here, Mr. Dauber, my patience is exhausted. You'll have to pay your rent or get out.

Artist—All right. Would you mind lending me a dollar or two for moving expenses?

Italian Astronomer Honored. Signor Schiaparelli, the Milan astronomer, has been elected an associate of the French Academy of Science in the room of the late Baron Nordenskiold.

Enables the Blind to Write. W. J. Ryan, a blind man in Milwaukee, has invented a writing frame with wire lines, to enable blind persons to write with evenness and symmetry.

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Awarding of Regular Prizes.—The \$5,000 Capital Prize and 1,000 other Regular Prizes will be Awarded in the order of their Value to the 1,001 Persons making the 1,001 closest estimates of the total number of votes which will be cast for all candidates for governor in New York State, November 4, 1902.

These are the figures for the last five elections and will aid you in making your estimates: 1891, 1,165,085; 1894, 1,275,671; 1896, 1,434,046; 1898, 1,359,190; 1900, 1,556,520. What will the figures be this year?

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