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WHALES IN THE HUDSON.

They Gave the Dutch Colonists

Scare In the Winter of 1646.

wijk had a very hard winter of it in-

deed. On the 25th of November the

North giver was closed and remained

frozen for four months. A very high

freshet followed, which destroyed number of houses in the vicinity, near-

ly carried away the fort and inflicted

This, however, was not an unusual

thing to the colonists, who in Holland

winters. Much worse was the appear-

ance of a sea monster that they had

"At the same time as the freshet,"

says Antonie de Hooges, secretary of

Rensselaerswijk, "there appeared be-

fore us a certain fish of considerable

size, snow white in color, round in the

body and blowing water out of his

head. What it portended God the Lord

only knew. At the same instant this

fish appeared we had the first thunder

and lightning this year." The public

astonishment had scarcely subsided

when another monster was seen, esti-

mated at forty feet in length, of a

brown color, having fins in his back

and ejecting water in like manner high

This fish "which had first ascended

the river (the North river) stranded on

his return to sea on an island some

forty miles from the mouth of the

river, near which place four others

This island goes since by the name of

Walvisch or Whale island.-Gazette de

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

Those Who Are and Are Not Eligible

to the House of Commons.

The British parliament consists of

the king (or queen regnant), the lords

spiritual and temporal and the com-

mons. The crown virtually appoints

the lords spiritual, and the peerages of

the lords temporal have been created

by the crown, but the members of the

Every male British subject of full

age and sound mind is eligible unless be is a peer, a member of the clergy of

tne Roman Catholic church, the Church

a judicial officer, a holder of an office

under the crown which has been cre-

ated since 1705 or a pensioner from the

A member of the house of commons

holds office until the dissolution of par

and dissolves it and commands the

in addition to the general elections

held after the dissolution of a parlia-

Mazzini Loved Lendon's Fogs.

strongest appeal for the foreigner?

Mazziul loved above all things else the

eye loses itself in a reddish, bell shap-

ed vault, which always gives me,

don't know why, an idea of the phos-

phorescent light of the inferno. The

whole city seems under a kind of spell

and reminds me of the witches' scene

in 'Macbeth' or the Brocksberg or the

Witch of Endor. The passersby look

like ghosts. One feels almost a ghost

And years after he had left London

for Italy he writes to a friend, "I think

very often under these radiant skies of

the London fogs and always regretful-

Wanted Information.

At Bellevue bospital many of the or-

known as "self committers." That is,

they have had themselves committed to

the public institutions while out of em-

One of these was put in charge of a

"All right, sorr," was the reply.
"Where will I get the ice?"—New York

Remember, Clancy," said the doc-

contagious case for the first time.

tor, "this case must be isolated."

ly."-London Spectator.

"When you look up," he wrote, "tne

What feature of London has the

house of commons are elected.

in the nir."

grounded this year."

never seen in their native country.

considerable damage in the colony.

In 1646 the colony of Rensselaers

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HE WAS A MIGHTY KING.

If the Record on the Tomb of Sardanapalus Be True.

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We are also told that on this tomb was a statue of the king snapping his fingers, while this inscription was written beneath: "Sardanapalus, son of Anakyndaraxes, built Anchiale and Tarsus in one day. Eat, drink and play, for everything else is not worth

this" (a snap of your fingers). Whether this statue and its description are purely mythical or not, the tradition was probably current in Paul's time, as his own words indicate: "If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Epbesus, what advantageth it me if the dead rise not: Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." What greater contrast coul there be than between the strenuous. manly, undaunted apostle and the vo luptuous, blase king who was said to have founded the city where, hundreds of years later, St. Paul was born?-Christian Herald.

BEST OF ALL JOURNALISTS. of England or the Church of Scotland.

St. Mark Has Been Called the Reporter Among the Apostles.

The greatest journalist the world ever knew lived 1,500 years or more before the invention of type, according to Rev Dr. Frank N. Palmer, who awarded the | liament by proclamation under the palm to St. Mark and wondered at the great seal. The king summons parling marvels that he might have accom- ment to meet and prescribes the time plished if he had lived in the days of and place of its meeting, prorogues printing presses. St. Matthew put his chronicles in writ for the election of members to

twenty-eight chapters; St. Luke used the house of commons. The present twenty-four to tell his story; St. John statute law exacts the meeting of parused twenty-one, but St. Mark covered liament once in three years, but the all the details more vividly in sixteen annual voting of supplies has super and, true to the spirit of action that seded obsolete statutes. animates his kind, put a miracle in et ery chapter

St. Mark, Dr. Palmer said, was the ment, there are byelections, occurring reporter among the apostles. His view when a sent has become vacant by the point, his language and his marvelous death of a member, by his succession ability to give action and climax, clash to the peerage or by his acceptance of and color in a sentence should be a office under the crown.-New York glowing example to the newspaper Times.

writers of this day. Each of the other apostles speaks of skies that opened. Mark says they were rent asunder. He is the only one among his brethren who stopped duti fully to describe the color of a given London fors. scene. In the writings of his fellows it is fold that the people went to the Ser. mon on the Mount. Mark writes vivid ly that the people ran.

In writing for the Romans he used colorful aliusions and the references to wild beasts to touch their intelligence in sympathetic fashion at every stroke -Philadelphia Bulletin.

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