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LITERARY TREASURES.

Many Famous Book Collections in American Libraries.

One of the world's best collections of books on Turkey and the Balkan states is in an American library. It is the famous Kiant collection now in Harvard university library, and is interestingly described in a bulletin issued by the United States bureau of education. It was acquired by Harvard in 1899 and has since been added to, until today the section on the Ottoman empire comprises about 4,000 volumes.

American libraries have a very large number of valuable special collections. What is probably the most important Dante collection in existence is at Cornell, and the same institution has a collection on the French revolution that experts say can hardly be surpassed even in France. The most remarkable set of Bibles in the world, comprising a large number of first editions and unique copies, is in the library of the General Theological seminary in New York. New York city also has one of the most nearly complete collections of books on Hebrew subjects, that in the Jewish Theological seminary, consisting of 33,000 volumes.

One of the finest libraries of Japanese material to be found anywhere is at Yale university. In works on mystic subjects it would be difficult to duplicate in Europe the great collection in the Masouie library at Cedar Rapids, Ia., or the similar collection of books and manuscripts on ritual and ceremonial in the Massachusetts grand lodge of Masons at Boston.

For a great collection of works on German socialism the expert need not look to Germany. He can find it in the United States. At the Wisconsin state historical library, at Madison, is the Schueter collection, containing many works not found even in the archives of the German social democracy in Berlin.

In music the Newberry public library of Chicago has a conspicuous collection, especially rich in works on the history and theory of music by Italian authors.

On the side of science, the Carnegie library of Pittsburgh contains about 40,000 volumes on the natural sciences and useful arts, and the Missouri Botanical Garden library at St. Louis is especially rich in monographs and florals.

These are but a few of the many collections of worldwide significance that are in American libraries.

THE SURPRISE IN HER ROOM.

A Peep Into the Boudoir of a Lady of Fashion in New York.

The ingenious fancies which produced the disappearing dinner table of King Ludwig of Bavaria and the elaborate clocks and secret panels of the French empire are by no means completely diverted in these days by the rigid demand for the practical.

A certain New York woman has a boudoir in her uptown house which affords a surprise for friends who are lucky enough to see it. The decorations of this room are worked out on a general color scheme of dull gold and green. The walls are covered with pale yellow silk, and the furniture and hangings are in various shades of gold or green.

At one end of the apartment is what looks to the uninitiated like a small alcove. A long French mirror hangs upon its wall. Yellow roses rise from a great vase in one corner. Two or three gilded chairs occupy the space, and the little compartment seems part and parcel of the room.

It is, however, an automatic elevator, and many a friend while conversing with the hostess has been amazed to see what is apparently one end of the apartment suddenly sink through the floor. The arrangement is such that when the elevator is signaled from below a carved leather panel slides across, closing the entrance to the room.—New York Tribune.

Mount Olympus at Present.

It was a beautiful day in February that we last entered the harbor of Salonika, the city whose name even has been less changed with the lapse of the centuries than have the names of most of the cities in Macedonia.

We had just steamed by glorious Mount Olympus, the most famous mountain of all antiquity, that rises 10,000 feet sheer from the blue waters of the Aegean.

There it stands today, majestic in its isolation, cloud capped and mysterious as ever. One cannot wonder that it was peopled with divinities, demons and spirits of all kinds, good and bad, by the simple folk of the elder time.—Christian Herald.

A Candid King.

That it is not always wise to flatter the great is proved by a story of candid King George of England. The king is very proud of his skill as a shot; but, like the rest of the world, he is sometimes "off color." On one occasion a man approached him and said, "I have been picking up your birds, your majesty." "That's all right," said the king. "How many have you?" "Thirteen," said the man. "You're a liar!" said the king, with disgust. "I've hit only eight."—New York Sun.

Carnegie's Pun.

In response to a compliment upon the high literary quality of the contents of the various Carnegie libraries Andrew Carnegie condescended to make a pun. "Why? yes," he said, "these libraries are literary through and through. One of them burned down the other day, and even the smoke issued in volumes."

DUSKY ROYAL EXILES.

African Rulers Thrust From Their Thrones by France.

The club of kings in exile does not exist yet, but its organization may soon become desirable if France continues to dispossess little African rulers as she has been doing. For president and vice president of the club Abdul Aziz and Mulai Hafid, former rulers of Morocco, are clearly indicated, for both are extremely wealthy. The former is negotiating at present for the sale of his personal possessions in Morocco, valued at several millions. Mulai Hafid, his successor, receives from the ministry of foreign affairs an annual indemnity of 375,000 francs.

After them the most popular sovereign in exile is Ranavaloa, ex-queen of Madagascar. When the monarchy was abolished in her island Ranavaloa was sent to Algiers, where she dwells in a picturesque Moorish palace, drawing an allowance of 250,000 francs a year.

Then comes Behanzin, Jr., son of the former king of Dahomey. He soon squandered the money he received on the death of his father, and his picturesque career has supplied Parisian vaudeville with many a funny sketch. He became successively a waiter, a peddler, a carriage man and now he is a liveried messenger for a Montmartre restaurant.

Salina Machimba, ex-queen of Mobelli, draws an annuity of 3,000 francs. She recently married a retired policeman and is spending idyllic years on a farm in the department of Cote d'Or.

Not far from Ranavaloa's palace in Algeria lives Han N'ghi, ex-king of Annam, whose title of nobility goes 4,000 years back. In 1887 he took up arms against France and was deported to Africa. He receives 80,000 francs a year.

The sultan of Grand Comora, personally wealthy, has submitted to exile, but has never accepted a penny from his victorious enemies. The ex-sultan of the Tuaregs, the highwaymen of the Sahara desert, is drawing 25,000 francs a year from the administration of the colonies.

Some less important kinglets whose capture was relatively easy are receiving more modest, sometimes ridiculously modest, indemnities for the loss of their possessions.—New York Sun.

FREED THREE BIG TURTLES.

A Japanese Tribute of Regret For the Late Emperor.

In connection with the funeral of the late emperor of Japan a strange ceremony was performed. A Japanese correspondent writes:

"Following the custom of carrying birds in large cages at Buddhist funerals, to be liberated over the graves, the Tokyo city and the Tokyo branch of the Red Cross society joined together in a ceremony of freeing three large tortoises as a mark of regret at the death of Emperor Meiji.

"The shell of the largest specimen was three feet five inches long, and upon the shell were engraved the characters: 'We humbly beg leave to show our deepest regret at the death of our Meiji Tenno. Let free in the sea off Ogasawara island on the day of the state funeral, Sept. 13, 1912. Hiroshi Abe, governor of Tokyo.'

"On the back of another tortoise was signed the name of the president of the Tokyo branch of the Red Cross society. At first it was planned to inscribe the characters on the back of the tortoises in gold, but, fearing that they might be captured again for the sake of the gold, the characters were done in black lacquer. On the evening of Sept. 13, just as the gun gave the signal for the starting of the imperial funeral, officials who had been waiting in a boat off Ogasawara island gave the tortoises their freedom.

"All three of the creatures appeared to be delighted to be once more at large in the ocean and put their heads out of the water, as much as to say 'Thank you,' and then disappeared from sight."—Chicago News.

The Dogs of War and the Bone.

Every one knows that the ultimate possession of Constantinople will be the bone over which the dogs will growl the most fiercely. The ownership of the present Turkish capital is supposed to be the keystone of Russian diplomacy, and Russia has the reputation for biding her time. When Napoleon was negotiating the treaty of Tilsit with Czar Alexander the Russian monarch was willing to make vast concessions in return for Constantinople, but he was dealing with an unsurpassed judge of values. Napoleon examined the map for a few minutes and then replied decisively: "Impossible! The mastery of the world goes with the possession of Constantinople."—Argonaut.

The Kaiser's Title.

The general council of Edinburgh university has made the usual error in nomenclature by referring to the kaiser, apropos of the honor recently conferred on the principal of the university by his imperial majesty, as the "emperor of Germany." This title was expressly denied at the time the empire was established in 1871. The proper form is "German emperor" ("Deutscher kaiser"), the only appellation officially used in Germany.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Germany's Sun Bath Fad.

The sun bath is said to be so popular at present in Germany that in several cities one can buy a ticket for a sun bath just as in America one buys a ticket for a bath in the surf. The sun bath ticket entitles the holder to a room for disrobing, a bathing suit and a "place in the sun."

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ATTACKED DEPUTY ON WAY TO PENITENTIARY.

London, Ont., Jan. 18.—Joseph Davies, sentenced by Judge MacBeth to ten years in Kingston Penitentiary, for robbery and assault of a Crumlin farmer, attacked Deputy Sheriff Waterworth while being removed to Kingston. It is reported that he had secreted a kitchen knife on his person, and while on the train attempted to stab his custodian. It is understood Sheriff Cameron will order an investigation.

NEWS

Live hogs are \$8.25.

Yesterday was Ash the first day of Lent.

Butter is down to 18c to 19c.

Our 25c. brooms are at 25c.

This valentine year, valentines at the Cent Store.

The death is announced of George Darwin, second author of "The Origin of Species."

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We congratulate Even, who joined her on Wednesday of last Miss Mabel Vessie, residents of Bentinck Rocky, and have been other from youth up started home making Even farm. We wish success.

The steamer Manito to the Dominion Co., was completely fire in the dock at O Saturday last. The fire is a mystery, and of the loss has not mated. The Manitou en built passenger steamer, built at Go

Mr Nathaniel Gore of Schools in Duffer than thirty years, di of January at his h He resigned his about a year ago, from Orangeville to he had been principic schools prior to ment as inspector alone survives.

Wm. Taylor, drug riston, a member board continuously five years, has been tire by reason of the old age. He has b ever since the first built in Harriston. man, an honor grad lin University, a work in Canada a teacher. He is over of age, an Anglican and a Conservative

The Presbyterian addressed on Mon next by Rev. Dr who will take for "William of Orange This is the second series of interesting Ireland, and will hearing. A musical also be rendered, ly invited.

The members of the Guild will present play, entitled "S Union Depot," in Thursday, the 13th scenes and events just such as are li in any large depot crous enough to r from Old Diogenes member the date, come to enjoy the season. Admission

Mr. Wm. Jackson died on Saturday illness extending months. He was a 83 years of age, a resident of Glenc years. Four sons, M.P.P., Midway, Fr and Samuel and A all in British Colu daughter on the l surviving members We have been ho our correspondents a fuller account, flete in the detail