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PERSONAL MENTION

J. H. Johnston is visiting in the city today.

T. G. Condon of Antelope is in the city today.

Geo. N. Maddock of Goldendale is in this city on business.

Frank Woodcock is in from his home at Wauke today. He reports that farmers are all busy in that vicinity.

W. F. Weck, formerly a resident of Bellevue, Iowa, who is an old schoolmate of Henry Maier and Dr. Hollister, is in the city today visiting these two gentlemen and recalling incidents of their boyhood days.

Thirteenth Traditions of the British Government Curiously Revealed.

A paragraph in the "Life of Gen. Sir Hope Grant," who did great service for England as a military commander in India and in China, throws a curious side-light upon some of the thirteenth traditions of the British government.

After Gen. Grant's return from China to England, he received at the hand of the queen at Buckingham palace the Grand Cross of the Bath. He was proud of the decoration, but his biographer adds that such honors are not without expense to the receiver.

He finds among Sir Hope's papers a bill vouchered for by "Albert Woods, Lancaster Herald," calling upon Sir Hope Grant to send back the insignia of his former lower order, K. C. B.—Knight Commander of the Bath—for the use of her majesty's government!

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MADE OF GLASS.

Many Odd Articles Now Fashioned from This Material.

Wearing Apparel, Coffins, Fish Bait and House Furnishings Among the Number—Glass Houses a Future Possibility.

There is an inventor who is known at the patent office in Washington as the Glass Man. His name is C. W. McLean, of New Berne, N. C., and during the last few years he has obtained patents for a surprising number of devices in glass.

Among these is a glass coffin, which is guaranteed proof against decay and rats. So long as no deliberate attempt is made to smash it, it ought to last forever. Another contrivance is a staircase made wholly of glass—steps, landings and newel posts being all of that material. Yet another is a glass barrel.

Perhaps the most remarkable invention of the Glass Man is a billiard table of glass. The day may yet arrive when people will live in glass houses. A patent has been secured by other inventors for glass bricks of a peculiar pattern. The material of which they are composed being a first-rate non-conductor, these bricks will keep the cold out of a dwelling built of them, while admitting the light. It is claimed that they will exclude noise, being hollow. Furthermore, the inmates of a glass house need not be afraid of being under too close observation by neighbors, inasmuch as it is not requisite that the bricks shall be transparent. They may be opaque ground glass, or of any color that may be suitable for decorative effect.

Thus before many years have passed it will be considered the height of luxury, perhaps, to occupy a dwelling of glass. Glass bricks, of course, are expensive. People who live in glass houses will be able to afford to wear clothes of glass. Nearly 20 years ago there was shown at the Centennial exposition in Philadelphia a bonnet composed entirely of glass. It was a love of a bonnet. The flowers on it were glass, and so were the ribbons, which looked like the finest satin. The patentee of this process describes it as suitable for the manufacture of neckties, shawls, table covers, etc.

In fabrics of this kind a very fine quality of glass is used. It is spun in threads of exceeding delicacy, and of these several colors may be produced at the same time. They are woven in a loom of ordinary pattern. Anybody may observe that a thin sheet of glass is somewhat elastic. The threads employed in weaving are of such fineness as to be perfectly pliable and not at all brittle. With a gown of glass would naturally go a pair of glass slippers. Not like Cinderella's, Oh, no! Cinderella did not wear glass slippers. Her slippers in the original French story were of "vair," which means fur. Vair and "verre," meaning glass, are pronounced exactly alike. Hence the corruption.

A Pittsburgh man named Smith has invented a process for making glass slippers in molds. They would not do very well for dancing. There is no reason why a glass gown should not be woven of iridescent glass, and its wearer would look like an animated rainbow on a ballroom floor—one dazzling shimmer of ever-changing hues. Until recently the manufacture of iridescent glass was set down in the list of the lost arts. But in 1878 it was rediscovered, and now it is a common commercial article. It is made by exposing the melted glass to the vapors of salts of sodium. At the Metropolitan museum of art are exhibited great numbers of bottles, plates and other articles of glass which were made and used long before Christ was born. They were dug up in Cyprus and elsewhere. Many of them have a beautiful iridescence, but it is the result of decay. Glass will rot like anything else, and decay has split the structure of this ancient glass into laminae or flakes, which interrupt the light so as to produce brilliant red, green, purple and other rainbow colors. The window-blinds of the glass house of the future will be of glass, of course. That is another patent, and the inventor suggests that such blinds may be made of whatever colors are desired. Baby in the nursery perhaps will play with glass building blocks, and at a suitable age he will receive a Christmas gift of a pair of roller skates with glass rollers. Both of these ideas have been patented.

A CURE FOR IDIOCY. It remains to be seen how successful it will be. A cure for idocy is one of the latest achievements of surgical science, which has taken so many giant strides of late years that it may be almost termed one of the wonders of the century. Experiments were made on the skulls of two children, who had been idiotic from birth, and the latest accounts are that they are not only surviving the shock of the operation, but are giving promise of a recovery of the mental faculties. It would be more correct to say, says the Washington Star, that they are gaining those faculties, for the idiot from birth has no development until the obstruction on the brain is removed. This is exactly the process in the present trials. Holes are drilled in the skull of the child, at the top of the head where the "fontanelle" or "soft spot" is usually located. In the case now under observation, these spots had become hardened at birth, and thus the expansion and development of the brain had been arrested. The opera-

tion was, therefore, to make a new or artificial fontanelle. Great care had to be exercised, of course, to avoid injuring the brain, and there lay the main difficulty of the operation. The scalp is drawn anew over the apertures in the skull thus made, and the little brain is left to cure itself. The children thus operated on are two years old. It is, of course, a question just when the patients should be subjected to the experiment, and the age of two years has been chosen as the starting point. It has been considered probable that at this age the child, if it should recover its health and gain intelligence, will be scarcely behind other children of its own age a dozen years later. By that time assisted nature would have caught up with itself, as it were. There may be some question in the minds of ultra-sensitive people as to whether it is right for surgeons to experiment in this way upon helpless children by performing operations that may cause death. Yet there will probably be no general outcry against such an effort. In some sense death is preferable to life-long idocy. Few parents would be likely to object to the experiment upon their own unfortunate offspring if conducted with the care which should attend all such dangerous proceedings.

QUICKEST HANGING ON RECORD

Legal Execution Performed Inside of Four Minutes to Accommodate Reporters.

Capt. J. B. Patten, warden of the Indiana state prison at Jeffersonville, has the record for superintending the quickest legal hanging ever accomplished in this or any other country, says the St. Louis Republic. The laws of Indiana prescribe that the death sentence must be executed between midnight and the dawn of the day set by the court. A man named Stope had butchered a whole family in Davis county, of that state, and had been condemned to death. The case was a celebrated one, and newspaper men from Indianapolis and Louisville went down to Jeffersonville in a perfect phalanx to witness and report the famous criminal's exit from this vale of tears. They arrived in the early evening, expecting to return to their homes on a train leaving Jeffersonville about one o'clock, by which time they expected the execution to be over. To their intense disappointment and chagrin they discovered that the last train they could take departed from the prison town at twelve o'clock at night.

Having determined this they set about arranging matters so they could see the hanging and yet catch the train. They telegraphed the circumstances ahead to the conductor, asking him to hold the train until after the execution. He consented to hold it five minutes only. They were filled with despair! Who ever heard of a hanging, including prayers, speech-making, etc., in five brief minutes? But, nevertheless, they commenced to work on Warden Patten. The result was that everything was at once gotten ready for sending the murderer to eternity. Promptly at the stroke of midnight the parson finished his prayer; in five more seconds the noose was around the condemned man's neck, the black cap drawn, the trap sprung and in two minutes and twenty-two seconds the attending physician pronounced the murderer a corpse. Carriages waiting outside the inclosure bore the reporters to the train in another minute, and with nearly seventy seconds to spare the train pulled out.

SOME THIMBLERIGGING.

How Small Shareholders Are Often Swindled.

Six thimbles and two peas in the hands of a ring of skilled professionals do not leave much chance for outsiders, however smart and wideawake they may think themselves. Not only do the insiders have the concoction of the various companies and the fixing of their original capitalization, which practically determines their future value, but, says the National Review, they have the entire management of them. They can decide which of the half-dozen is to pay the big dividends and which are to draw blanks. They have all the initiative, do all the manipulating, and can arrange every new scheme to suit themselves. They might even strip a company of its assets and reduce it to an empty husk before the shareholders could interfere to prevent them. The proprietary or parent company is in that respect most at their mercy. Say that it starts with so many claims to develop—a thousand it may be—and that it divides them up among four or five working companies.

The usual course is to receive in payment of the claims an agreed number of the sub-company's shares. These pass into the treasury of the parent company, but there is no obligation on the directors to keep them longer than they please, and no guarantee to the shareholders that they will be kept. They may be sold, pawned, exchanged, or put in trust at the pleasure of the directors, who have invariably proxies enough to give them complete control.

There was rejoicing in the village at the killing of a pig. Being dead, it was cut up; a neighbor's cat stole secretly into the larder, and annexed a piece of pork, which she brought in triumph to her mistress. Next day the clergyman of the parish visited the old woman, who recounted to him the remarkable sagacity of the beast. "It was quite beautiful, sir," she said piously, "to see the way the sweet creature brought me the piece of pork, it brought to my mind what we read in the Bible about Elijah and the ravens."—The Realm.

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Administratrix' Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Wasco County, made on the 8th day of January, 1898, in the matter of the estate of Dr. W. E. Rinehart, deceased, I will sell at public auction, at the court house door in Dalles City, in said county and state, on the 25th day of February, 1898, at 1 o'clock p. m., to the highest bidder, all the real estate belonging to said estate and described as follows, to-wit: Lots A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K and L in Block 65 in the Fort Dalles Military Reservation Addition to Dalles City, in said county and state. The west half of the southeast quarter and the east half of the southwest quarter of section 21 in township 2 north, range 11 east, in Wasco County, Oregon. Terms of sale—One-half in cash at time of sale and one-half in six months, secured by mortgage on the premises. Dalles City, Oregon, Jan. 27, 1898. EMILY B. RINEHART, Administratrix.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE, THE DALLES, OR., February 9, 1898. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to commute and make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Tuesday, March 22, 1898, viz: Oliver Sowers, of The Dalles, H. E. No. 507, for the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 24, T. 2 N., R. 12 E., W. 4 M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: William Kuffner, Perry VanCamp, Harry Learned, H. H. Learned, all of The Dalles, Oregon. JAB. F. MOORE, Register.

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