

AN ART CONGRESS.

Exhibition of the International Society in London.

London, January 9. There was a useful hint at the International Society's interesting dinner at the New Gallery, Whistler's idea of art congresses, with the best work of the time displayed to the highest advantage...

ate and fanciful, and Mr. Strling Lee's "Lydia" is one of the best works in marble. Black and white work has always been a brilliant feature of these international shows.

VAGRANCY IN PARIS.

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These international congresses enable art workers to find out what is going on in other countries and to broaden their style. Coarse realism like Zuloaga's "Vieux Marcheur" with its rickish old man in pursuit of two fast women...

And on the fête days of Christmas and New Year's, however severe the cold may be, the refuges of Paris are practically deserted. Beggars and vagrants have special privileges for these days, and they make the most of them.

There are 150 beds in the long dormitory of the George Sand Asile. They are occupied by women of all nationalities. There was yesterday a young girl sitting near the stove in the "parlor" who spoke and understood only English...

The managers of the George Sand Asile can hand any deserving case on to some one or other charity. But, unfortunately, there is so little cohesion among the different institutions that a good deal of money is squandered. It was recently discovered that one able bodied young woman was receiving from different charities an income of 300 francs a month.

If the refuge has more applicants for beds than it can accommodate, it gives a "billot de logement," or lodging ticket, which entitles the holder to three nights' lodging in some little hotel near at hand. The hotelkeeper presents these tickets to the refuge, and is paid 1 franc 50 centimes on each.

OUR COAST DEFENCES.

Would They Be Sufficient in Time of War?

To the Editor of the Tribune. Sir: I have had some time to spend, approximately, \$400,000,000 on the Philippines, but most of the money has gone into roads, harbor works, sanitation, etc., and hardly any into fortifications.

Of late years it has always been held as an axiom that no foreign power could ever invade our shores, and this is doubtless true with regard to the Atlantic seaboard. I fear me, however, that such is not the case out there where the population is less, and where it might prove possible for some Japanese or other power to gain a foothold...

Two or three points in the proposed bill are most objectionable. A clause desiring to go home and return here after a certain period without the inspector at the port from which he started...

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A Beefsteak Dinner

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THE SPIRIT OF THE FEAST FROM START TO FINISH. Wholesale Depot, 127 Hudson St., N. Y.

up and down, in front of a comparatively small building that is being erected, while on the next corner immediately above a much larger structure is going up, leaving a level walk past its front over the excavation, thus showing not only a disregard for public rights, but also showing that the other two obstructions are needless nuisances...

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OBITUARY.

CHARLES T. COOK. Charles T. Cook, president of the jewelry firm of Tiffany & Co., and for nearly forty years actively associated in its general management, died yesterday at his home, No. 2 West 48th street, after a long illness.

Mr. Cook contracted a cold which developed into grip, which was the direct cause of his death. He was an officer of the Legion of Honor, and was one of the highest officers in the company Mr. Cook remained the friend of the other employes, with whom he had worked side by side, and the fact that he had risen above them officially made him none the less accessible.

THADDEUS L. VANDERSLICE. Philadelphia, Jan. 25.—Thaddeus L. Vanderslice, a well known attorney of this city, died suddenly to-day from heart disease. Mr. Vanderslice had a large corporation practice, and at one time was mentioned for a seat on the bench of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

GENERAL HENRY H. ADAMS. Pittsburg, N. Y., Jan. 25.—General Henry H. Adams (retired), late colonel of the 5th United States Infantry, died here to-day after a brief illness. He was sixty-one years old. General Adams was born in Ohio, served in the Civil War as a private, and after the war was appointed second lieutenant in the regular army, from which he rose by steady promotion to the rank of colonel. He was retired in 1885 with the rank of brigadier general.

DR. ARNOT SPENCE. Dr. Arnot Spence died from kidney trouble yesterday after a short illness at his home, at No. 79 West 71st street. He was forty-three years old. He was born in New York and was graduated from the Bellevue Hospital Medical College in 1883. For three years Dr. Spence was an interne in St. Francis' Hospital, and later was transferred to St. Joseph's Hospital, where for many years he was a visiting physician. He was a surgeon of the 3d Regiment, National Guard, with the rank of major, and a diagnosing physician for the Board of Health. He was a member of the Academy of Medicine, of the County Medical Society and of the Medical-Surgical Society.

MAJOR DANIEL MADDEN. (By Telegraph to the Tribune.) Boston, Jan. 25.—Major Daniel Madden, U. S. A., retired, is dead at the home of his sister, in Dorchester, at the age of nearly seventy-four years. He was retired from the army twenty-one years ago, after thirty-six years of service. He was a member of Lafayette Post, G. A. R. of New York, and came here at the last encampment, finally deciding to settle with his sister, Mrs. John J. Ward, whom he had not seen for forty years. He was in his army career as private in the 2d Dragoons, in 1862, was made first lieutenant in the 11th Cavalry at Beverly Ford, Va., and captain when General Lee surrendered. He was retired in 1888 with the rank of major.

MRS. FRANCES WOOD HOLMES. Montclair, N. J., Jan. 25.—(Special.) Mrs. Frances Wood Holmes, wife of Edward H. Holmes, cashier of the Bank of Montclair, died at her home, No. 79 Park street, this morning. Mrs. Holmes had been an invalid for several years. She was born in Pennsylvania, the family afterward moving to

AN APPEAL FOR CHARITY.

The Charity Organization Society appeals for \$50 to add in the support of a German widow and her two little girls, twelve and ten years old. For years she has maintained herself and children by her work and her husband's earnings, but owing to the loss of one eye and the constantly falling sight of the other, she is in need of aid, and there are no relatives who can help.

Money in Mushrooms. When you have something that somebody else wants and is able and willing to pay well for, naturally make a big profit. This is just the condition of the mushroom trade to-day. The regular demand for fresh mushrooms is far in excess of the supply, and this demand comes from Hotels, Restaurants, Clubs, High Class Fruit Stores, etc., which can afford to pay fancy prices. To any one who has a few acres of land, or a few acres of woods, we can increase to his present income without laboring with any other work, mushrooms growing often exceptionally, the time and capital required being so limited and the profits so large.

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