

RARE GEMS IN SHOW

Masterpieces of Artists on Exhibition in London.

NECKLACE IS WORTH \$125,000

Collection of Opals Without Parallel and Many Original Ascot Gold Cups—Throngs of Country Visitors and Foreigners Leisurely Inspect the Valuable Display.

London, June 20.—Sad is the case of the man who expects to extract the full enjoyment of the myriad wonders and delights of the White City in the brief space of a holiday afternoon.

Its marvels cannot be appreciated or discovered, or even suspected, in one day. It is not a mere one-day show of the familiar Chinese lantern promenade type, and that is the discovery which thousands of Londoners paying their first visit of curiosity to the White City are now daily making. They are realizing that a real exhibition not only caters to their readiness to be amused, but appeals also to their half-forgotten capacity for being interested.

Throngs of country visitors and foreigners are finding delights which many Londoners have not yet dreamed of. They are "doing" the great collections in a leisurely, systematic way, and are being rewarded by the manifold delight in the interiors of the spacious buildings, which even that first dazzling view of the Court of Honor and the domes and towers and sculptured exteriors of the City of White Palaces did not surpass. For those who have learned to devote sufficient time to it, the palace of the British Applied Arts section, for instance, is filled with sensations never to be forgotten.

Masterpieces of Art.

This is the section in which are shown the masterpieces of the artists who work in the most precious and costly of known materials, priceless gems and precious metals. They are not models and drawings or imitations in base materials of rare originals which are shown in the stands and showcases of the most famous British jewelers which crowd this section. These are the veritable unique originals themselves, the richest and the most recesses of the earth have ever yielded, cut and polished and carved and mounted to the display of their fullest beauty of light and color.

Wonders also but at the exhibition would it be possible to see such a necklace of pearls as is displayed in Messrs. Garrard's wonderful collection? A simple, single row of gleaming beads strung together on a thin, silken cord and fastening with an unpretentious little diamond clasp. There are forty beads in the row, perfectly graduated in size, and all gleaming with the same pure, soft light. They are the choicest, most perfect pearls. They weigh 758 grains. Their value is \$125,000.

Ascot Gold Cups.

In the same exhibit are a dozen original Ascot gold cups, lent to the makers by the King and other winners of the famous trophy. Every one has heard of the gold cup, and most people have seen one or another of them. But few know the beauty of their design and ornamentation. Each year has its own design.

And of the throngs of visitors to the White City, how many have ever dreamed of the possibility of the existence of such a collection of opals as is shown, for example, by W. G. Wood, of Brook street? There is a necklace of thirty reddish opal beads worth \$10,000; there is a maple leaf carved out of one piece of Australian opal as big as a girl's hand and weighing 300 carats.

Among the exhibits of the Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Company is a single pigeon-blood Burma ruby weighing a little over 1 1/4 carats. Fifty thousand dollars is the cost of the tiny thing. Beside it is a gorgeous piece surrounding a huge pearl, whose value is \$15,000. A glittering pendant of sapphire and diamond with a huge drop-shaped diamond is priced at \$25,000. A few of the magnificent gold cases made for city presentation are shown, fine examples of British art.

The entire section is a revelation of beauty and interest and undreamed-of opulence, of which, however, those who scamper through get but the slightest idea.

NELSON SIGNALS WRONG.

Shown that His Famous Message Has Been Erroneously Given.

London, June 20.—Dr. Macnamara made an interesting announcement in the House of Commons yesterday that the admiralty intended to change the flags now used on board the Victoria to represent Lord Nelson's famous Trafalgar Day signal.

It will be remembered that a few weeks back the admiralty librarian made the remarkable discovery that Nelson is being grossly libeled. His celebrated signal, "England expects that every man will do his duty," has been rendered by a combination of flags to mean "Advance, America!"

Biographers, historians, marine painters, and the decorators of the Nelson column in Trafalgar Square have fallen into the error, which, as was shown in the Express on May 18, was caused by the ignorance of an admiralty code issued in 1804. It was generally supposed that Nelson used the code issued in 1804. The code used in 1804, which was actually in use at Trafalgar, was only discovered last month by the admiralty librarian.

Dr. Macnamara stated yesterday that the signal book which had been unearthed had made it clear, in the opinion of the board, that the flags used down to 1855 correctly reproduced Lord Nelson's signal.

"The alteration made at that time," he added, "appeared to have been unwarranted; hence the reversion to the older and correct flags."

SCHOOLGIRL AS BURGLAR.

Eludes Vigilance of Store Employees and Secretes Herself in Building.

Berlin, June 20.—A schoolgirl of fifteen years of age has been arrested at Frankfurt-on-Main on a remarkable charge. She eluded the vigilance of the store employees at a large dry goods store, and was locked in the building. During the night she changed her dress for a new costume and hat, and when the stores were opened in the morning tried to escape unnoticed.

But she was stopped at the door, and then, bursting into tears, confessed what she had done. She declared that it was only a joke.

She was made to go back and change her borrowed garments for her own clothes, and was then taken to the police station.

Cathedral Roof of Silver.

London, June 20.—The roof of the nave of Salisbury Cathedral, which is now being repaired, is covered with sheet lead containing a large quantity of silver. In order to prevent it being exchanged for the work as required to melt it on the cathedral premises.



Making Ready to Start

Madame E. Y. Boulangier in the French Balloon Basket

A General View of the Rivals at Hurlingham

THIRTY BALLOONS IN EXCITING CONTEST IN IMPOSING AERIAL PAGEANT.

No fewer than thirty balloons, representing England, France, Germany, and Belgium, successfully ascended from Hurlingham last week in the great international race organized by the Aero Club. The point decided upon for the finish was Burchett's Green Inn, near Maidenhead, and about thirty miles west of London. C. F. Pellock, in the Valkyrie, and Griffith Brewer, in the Lotus,

both of whom landed within a mile of the goal, being declared the winners. There were aboard the airships ninety-three persons, of whom a large number were women, an indication of the fact that these aerial flights possess much attraction for the fair sex. An immense crowd witnessed the contest, and the wildest enthusiasm prevailed.

The event will be memorable in the history of aerial navigation for the skill displayed by the aeronauts. Contending with a weak and uncertain wind, they maneuvered their balloons through baffling air currents with extraordinary dexterity—one moment ascending to great heights in search of the wind they desired, the next swooping down again earthward as a lower movement in the atmosphere appeared more likely to suit their purpose. The result of the contest was a notable triumph for England.

YOUTH SLAYS HIS GIRL-LOVE

Then Mingles with Crowd Around Body and Tolls Death Knell.

Milan, June 20.—Light has been shed upon the recent murder of the young girl, Carolina Piovano, aged fourteen, in the San Vito forest, near Turin, through the confession of a lad of fifteen named Domenico Villa.

MANY CRIMES DUE TO HEAT

Murders and Assaults Follow Climbing of Mercury in France.

Paris, June 20.—The excessive heat which is being experienced in Paris has been responsible for an extraordinary number of crimes during the last three days. Yesterday thirteen serious crimes were reported in Paris alone, and the list is by no means complete.

WOMEN WILL CLASH

Society Leaders Form Anti-Suffragist League.

London, June 20.—"War to the knife," that is the campaign motto of the anti-suffragist women, who, with Julia, Marchioness of Tweeddale, the Countess of Jersey, Lady Dorothy Nevill, and Mrs. Humphry Ward at their head, have formed the National Women's Anti-Suffrage Association.

CONFESSES TO MOTHER, BUT DECLARES THAT GIRL FELL IN RUNNING AWAY FROM HIM.

On visiting Villa's home the police had their suspicions further aroused by the fact that the boy had been hurriedly sent away by his parents to the care of relatives living in the mountains at Valsalva. There the detectives discovered the youth, who at first brazenly denied the slightest acquaintance with the victim.

COUNTESS ENGAGED TO TUTOR

Granddaughter of the Famous Iron Chancellor Involved in Romance.

Berlin, June 20.—Details have just leaked out of the romantic secret engagement of Countess Hertha von Bismarck, the eldest living grandchild of the famous iron chancellor, to a young theologian of humble origin, who was just about to enter the evangelical priesthood. The news of the engagement is so far known only in the inner circles of German society.

LIONS KEEP VIGIL.

Advent of Dry Season in Rhodesia Makes Brutes Unusually Daring.

Cape Town, June 20.—The advent of the dry season has made the lions very daring, and during the past few days they have come in closer to the town of Livingstone, Rhodesia, than ever since it has been a township.

SHOCKED BY STATUES.

Londoners Think Building Decorations Are a Bit Bold.

London, June 20.—The old question of the propriety of the "nude in art" is again agitating London, and all because of the pieces of statuary that are to adorn the new building of the British medical association in the Strand.

400 PERSONS ARE KILLED.

Reports of Storm's Work in Portugal Come in Slowly.

Madrid, June 20.—Two hundred and fifty people killed in the Mogadouro district of Portugal and 150 sailors and fishermen drowned on the Portuguese and Spanish coasts, is believed to be the death toll of a fierce tornado that ravaged the coasts and part of the inland of those countries.

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MISS GERALDINE LE SAGE.

Miss Lee Sage is an American who has just won in England the Lewis Walker dramatic scholarship. She went to England last year in time to spend the season in Dublin, where she was presented by the wife of the French consul general. During the last six months she has met with considerable success as a teller of American stories.

Municipal Family.

Paris, June 20.—In the little town of Venauzon, a man named Guigo has been elected mayor, his brother clerk, and his six sons municipal councilors.

World's Largest Hotel.

Berlin, June 20.—The largest hotel in the world is being built at Berlin. It will accommodate 2,000 visitors, and will have sixty-six billiard-rooms.

Historic Mansion Destroyed.

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ATTACKED BY SPOOKS

Villagers Are Assailed in the Depth of Forest.

POPULACE GREATLY EXCITED

Series of Mysterious Incidents in Little English Hamlet, but Hunts for Ghostly Visitors Result in Failure—Constable Has Adventure and Has Helmet Knocked Off.

London, June 20.—The generally quiet and sedate little town of Leighton is unusually excited over a series of mysterious incidents that have happened in the neighborhood. The facts are bewildering and inexplicable, and the subject is the main theme of conversation in the streets and shops.

People passing through that part of Epping forest known as Warren Hill late in the evening have been the victims of strange assaults, but the closest investigation has failed to disclose the assailant. Many fruitless efforts have been made to solve the mystery, but the whole affair is so remarkable that many people in the district attribute it to the supernatural.

The first unusual happening was about ten nights ago. Three gentlemen were walking toward Loughton a few minutes before 11 o'clock, when one of them was struck in the face, apparently by a stone or a clod of earth. He received a severe bruise, and he had his friends make a most diligent search for their assailant, but without finding any one.

Constable's Adventure.

A few nights later another gentleman was passing the same place at about 10:30, when he received a violent blow between the shoulders. As he was unaccompanied, he did not stop to investigate, but left the place as hurriedly as possible and complained to the police. The next evening the inspector sent a constable to investigate the matter, and to arrest the offender, whether man or spirit, if he could find him.

The policeman had behind a bush and awaited events, but the ghostly assailant evidently had little respect for the law. The man's vigil was rudely interrupted by a blow in the face, the force of which is indicated by a scar which still remains. He stepped aside, only to have his helmet nearly knocked off his head. Inspection subsequently showed the helmet to have several long claw-like scratches down the side. The man rushed among the bushes, but no sign of his assailant could be found.

Another Victim.

Another victim was Miss Lillian Dowse, a girl of eighteen, who lives about half-way between Epping forest and Loughton. She was returning home last Tuesday night when she was attacked. She states that she was suddenly caught by the hair, and a laborer who was passing ran to her assistance. Miss Dowse received several cuts on the face, but again no trace of the offender could be found.

A party of about a dozen young men determined a few nights ago to capture the ghostly hooligan in the forest. For half an hour nothing happened, and then with the same silent swiftness that had characterized the previous assaults the attack came. In a flash one of the band received a severe blow in the face. His companions searched the neighborhood, but without success.

Hat Knocked Off.

James Frampton, a laborer in the Chingford district, was returning home on Saturday night, when he was attacked at a little distance from the spot where Miss Dowse states she was assaulted.

"It was about 10:30," he stated. "I had been in to Loughton, and was returning to Chingford. I had heard about the strange happenings in the forest, and was keeping a pretty keen lookout.

All of a sudden something struck my hat at the back and knocked it off. I swung around, but could see nothing. A minute later something heavily grazed my left shoulder. I called out, but for a minute I heard nothing. Then I distinctly heard what sounded like a low chuckle from the bushes, a little distance on the right. I shouted again, but heard nothing more."

Frampton's hat was dented at the back as though it had been struck by some blunt instrument.

Many people declare that it is the silly work of practical jokers. Others say that the stories of assaults are greatly exaggerated, and that the supposed missiles are really nothing more than large bats which have flown against people's faces in the dark and caused scratches.

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