

NATIONAL MUSEUM BECOMING REALITY

Will Cost Three and a Half Millions.

THE PEOPLE'S UNIVERSITY

Monster Structure Will Cover Nine and One-half Acres of Floor Space.

The white granite blocks of a national museum will soon rise above a tall fence along the north side of the Smithsonian grounds, in Washington. The great pile will be the largest building in Washington, excepting only the Capitol, and if stood on end the completed structure would lack only four feet of towering as high as the Washington Monument.

The nation's 6,000,000 of curiosities—now largely in storage—will be assembled within this enormous structure and placed within view of all pilgrims to Washington.

This vast curio cabinet will be the free university of the masses, who will see therein the stages through which things have been evolved by nature and by man. This new national museum will stand directly in front of the great brown castle occupied by the Smithsonian Institution, and its center will be upon the same axis.

Its Size and Cost.

The architects are just completing the details of its exterior walls and adornments, although the foundations have already been laid. The total cost of the structure will be \$3,500,000; it will have nine and a half acres of floor space; will be 551 feet long, 318 feet wide, 77 feet high, and will have four stories, including a basement.

The main wall will be of white granite and the basement walls of pink granite and the band about the low upper story of granite still whiter than the walls of the principal stories.

The exterior will in a general way suggest the great exposition buildings erected at St. Louis and Chicago. From the center of the south or main front will rise a white metallic dome.

The main and second stories of the great rectangle will contain the nation's exhibition collections. The interior will be arranged primarily in the shape of a broad T with three wide wings diverging at right angles from the large rotunda under the dome.

Two narrower L-shaped ranges added to the sides will convert the T into a rectangle and the two squares of park inclosed will be open courts carpeted with green grass and blooming flowers.

Choosing Offices.

In its new quarters the National Museum will continue to be the museum of the Smithsonian Institution, and as vacancies occur its officers will be appointed by Prof. S. P. Langley, secretary of the institution, who has the same directive authority over the National Zoological Park, the Bureau of American Ethnology, and the Astrophysical Observatory.

The money for the maintenance of the National Museum will continue to be appropriated by Congress, while the operations of the Smithsonian Institution will still be carried on by the Smithsonian fund.

The new and old museums will be under the direct administrative charge of Dr. Richard Rathbun, assistant secretary of the Smithsonian.

ALPHABETICAL SYSTEM OF LISTING WARSHIPS

American Navy Adopts English Method Instead of Listing According to Size.

The English system of listing warships has been adopted by the American navy. The service has grown so large that the old method of listing naval vessels according to their size has been abandoned. The innovation has just been made operative.

The last issue of "List and Station," the official record of all data bearing on the navy, shows all ships arranged in alphabetical order. This has for years been the British system.

Under the new order of things the battleship Alabama heads the list of American war vessels. Last year the battleship Maine headed the list, she being the largest and newest in commission. If this rule had been followed now, the Ohio would have held the place of honor.

The "List and Station" shows that during the past year five ships of largest size, the Ohio, Colorado, Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia, were added to the navy.

KNICKERBOCKERS CLUE TO BURGLAR'S CRIME

Children's Suit of Billiard Table Cloth Solves the Mystery of a Robbery.

PARIS, Aug. 26.—M. Bonnetete, a cafe proprietor, whose billiard room was recently raided by burglars, stumbled upon the culprits in a remarkable way. He was at the Botanic Gardens, and saw two children playing with three billiard balls. One of the two was arrayed in a costume made of the billiard table cloth of the characteristic green. The other wore green knickerbockers with a mended rent he recognized.

The mother, when questioned, said she had bought them from a waiter named Montagne. This man, who was in Bonnetete's employ, has been arrested.

MERCIFUL PROVIDENCE.

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EMPEROR WILLIAM OF GERMANY ABOARD THE ROYAL YACHT HOHENZOLLERN CONDUCTING MORNING SERVICE



FOUNDED THIRTY TOWNS IN WEST

After Death, He Gets One Cemetery Lot.

ENTERTAINED GREAT MEN

Long Search for Graves of His Little Ones Finally Crowned With Partial Success.

ABILENE, Kan., Aug. 26.—The city council has sent to the family of Tim Hersey, the founder of this town, a deed to a lot in the cemetery here, with the assurance that it will be kept tidy at the city's expense.

Probably there will be erected on it a monument to old Tim himself—for he died up in Washington State the other day.

He was the West's most persistent town builder. He founded thirty cities and towns, but named none after himself, and finally died 1,000 miles from any of them.

This was one of his creations. He came across the plains in 1867 and built a log cabin on the banks of Mud creek, where now stands a \$35,000 mansion. He was the first white man on the township, and buffalo used to feed between him and civilization by the thousand.

Visited by Great Men. His log cabin was the stopping place for those who crossed the plains in the early days. Bayard Taylor spent two days there when on his Western tour. Horace Greeley was a guest, and General Grant and General Sheridan more than once while inspecting the frontier forts made this their headquarters.

Tim Hersey was known throughout the Western frontier. But others came and a town was started.

"Too thick for me," said Hersey one day, and with his family—all that was left of it, for three little girls had died here—he went up to the mouth of the Solomon.

He founded the town of Solomon; then farther up came Cayler, Beloit, Downs and a score of similar places, now thriving communities. His wife named Solomon and Abilene—both out of the Bible. The other towns named themselves.

Bought Tombstones. And then one day a queer thing happened, one of those things that would not be possible save in a new country. Hersey went back to Illinois to visit his old home, and there purchased three marble tombstones, each with proper lettering and a little cross on top. He wanted to decorate the graves of the three children who died during Hersey's residence in this city.

He shipped them here, and later came himself, intending to put the stones in place. But much had happened since he left. The wife and wondrous cowboy days had passed away. The cattle trail orgies were ended and the better civilization of the new era had begun.

The cemetery that was once a wind-blown, grass-covered hill had been laid out in streets and lots, and the driveways graded. Hersey could not find the graves of his children. He tramped over the hill day after day, always in vain.

Gone Twenty Years. Sadly he went on west, and for twenty years little was heard of him. Then, last fall, he wrote to the mayor this request. He wanted the three marble headstones left here, but never properly placed. He asked to have the masonry done to him, at least the portions containing the lettering.

The town was stirred by the incident and by its sympathy with the city's founder, then an old man. After much search two of the stones were found, one of them being used as a doorstep. The other is lost.

Something else was found; the graves. An oldtimer remembered that an old-time sexton had told him when here on a visit that over the hill in a little hollow were some graves of children. A search was made, and beneath the mat of blue stem prairie grass was found a natural stone marker on which could be deciphered with difficulty the letters, "S. H." One of the children was named Sarah.

So the city officials notified Hersey and ordered the lot cleared and put in shape for him. A deed was made out and sent to the town's founder—but a few days ago came the news that he had passed away suddenly.

Recluse With Fortune Never Slept in Bed

Mysterious Hermit of Perrysville, Pa., Spent Dying Hours in a Hayloft—Letters Found Tell of Money Left by His Father.

ENTERTAINED GREAT MEN

PITTSBURG, Aug. 26.—Jacob Davenport, aged sixty, Perrysville's mysterious recluse, who had not slept in a bed for thirty years, is dead. A letter was found in his clothes telling him that a fortune of \$8,753 and interest was awaiting him at New York city.

Davenport maintained his antipathy upon sleeping outdoors. He was found in a hayloft in the rear of the Whitehouse Inn, Perrysville avenue.

Deputy Coroner G. J. Schlad held an inquest at Perrysville, and it was decided that death was due to pneumonia, superinduced by exposure. For thirty years Davenport worked as a farm hand in that section, always insisting upon sleeping outdoors.

The other night he asked the proprietor of the inn, R. H. Roddy, for lodgings for the evening. Roddy offered him a bed, but Davenport insisted upon sleeping in the hayloft, and though it was seen he was sick, he could not be induced to sleep indoors. Louis Matheson, a farm hand, found Davenport dying early the next morning.

Davenport was carried into the inn and for the first time in over a quarter of a century, as far as anyone in the neighborhood knows, he was placed in a bed. For years he had spoken mysteriously of a fortune that was awaiting him, but people regarded his statements lightly, as they thought he was "queer." Davenport said he had rich relatives in Switzerland.

Deputy Coroner Schlad found a paper wallet on the man, stamped with the name of the Real Estate Savings and Trust Company, Federal street, Allegheny. A letter from the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, signed by W. F. Bickel, cashier, and dated April 13, spoke of an investment.

The other letter was dated New York city, April 27, is marked "Copy," and reads: "Dear Sir, J. Davenport—I beg to notify you that the money, \$8,753, and interest, is due you on July 2, 1905. The money is left by your father. Your sister would like to have that you get married. Take a good, orderly girl, if poor or rich."

The letter closes with an unintelligible sentence, and the whole letter appears to have been written by some one not very familiar with English. It is signed Jacob Muller, banker. What Davenport did with the money, if he received it, is not disclosed in his effects.

INSPECTORS ANXIOUS TO HEAR FROM BARRY

No Clue to Whereabouts of Alleged Fake Broker Who Jumped the City.

The Postoffice inspectors are still looking for A. J. Barry. They are very anxious to get him because, as they allege, he gave them the slip early in the spring.

Barry was arrested in this city by the Postoffice inspector of the Philadelphia division, on the 23d of April, on the charge of operating a get-rich-quick scheme. He was taken before United States Commissioner Taylor and was released on \$1,000 bond, which was furnished by a colored man. A preliminary hearing was set down for the 8th of May, but when the case was called, Barry did not show up, and he has not been heard of since.

According to the Postoffice authorities Barry has quite a record. In 1904 it is alleged that he operated as a "fake broker" in New York, under the name of Morton & Co., with offices at 59 Broadway, but he was stopped, it is said, by the police. As Edward T. Hunter & Co., of Philadelphia, and also of 899 Broad street, Newark, N. J., he advertised through the newspapers to give 100 per cent profit and guaranteed the principal, the 100 per cent profit to be earned in thirty days, through a system of puts and calls that could not lose.

The accused did quite a business before the Postoffice inspectors got after him. When they got on his track he came to this city last April and rented offices in the Jenifer building, where he advertised under the name of A. J. Warner & Co. But he had been here not more than a few days when the inspectors from the Philadelphia division swooped down on him and placed him under arrest. It was not until the 20th of May, however, that the Postoffice Department issued a fraud order against him. And by the way, this was the first fraud order issued by the department against anyone doing business in this city in almost a year. And in this instance the party cannot be said to belong to Washington.

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PAULIST PRIEST WAS IN "FIGHTING FIFTH"

Father Elliott Made Splendid Record in Several Battles During Civil War, and Was Twice a Prisoner. Formerly a Lawyer.

The Rev. Walter Elliott, who is connected with the Apostolic Mission of the Catholic University of America, is one of the most distinguished Paulists in America. He is a well-known writer on ecclesiastical subjects, but before he was a priest or a writer he was a "first-class fighting man," having been a member of the Fifth Ohio, the famous "Fighting Fifth," during the War of the Rebellion.

Rev. Mr. Elliott was born in Detroit, in 1842, and his father, Judge Robert Thomas Elliott, was born near the Rock of Cashel, Tipperary, Ireland, in 1794. Graduate of Notre Dame.

Walter Elliott was graduated from Notre Dame College. He returned to Detroit to become a partner with his brother-in-law in a law office. He was then a strapping youth, six feet three, and of great breadth of frame. "Tiring of office routine he joined the rush gold-seekers to Pike's Peak, where he roughed it with the others. He afterward returned to Cincinnati and joined another brother in a law office. When Sumner was fired on he enlisted as a private in the Fifth Ohio, refusing a commission.

Two of his brothers also went to war, leaving one brother to look after the mother and sisters. Capt. William E. Elliott was killed at Gettysburg and the other brother, Maj. Robert T. Elliott, was mortally wounded at Tollopotomoc creek, Va., and died of his wounds. Walter Elliott, now the priest, was at the battles of Blue Gap, Bloomery Furnace, Winchester, Fort Republic, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Lookout Mountain, Rocky Face Ridge, Resaca, Allatoona, and Dallas, to say nothing of innumerable skirmishes and daring raids, in which he was twice taken prisoner.

He was three months in Libby, was exchanged, rejoined his regiment, and later was again a prisoner in Andersonville for a short time. At the close of the war he returned to the practice of law, refusing a commission to remain in the army.

First of the Faith. At a banquet given by the bar to the Rev. Father Hecker, the founder of the Paulist community, Walter Elliott immediately determined to enter the order, and was the first Roman Catholic, born in the faith, to join the community, as his fellow-Paulists were all converts. He was on this coast thirty years ago as one of five missionaries, and for twenty years he traveled on missions to non-Catholics all over the country, and was reluctantly drawn from his

work to remain at the side of Father Hecker during the latter's closing days. He is now connected with the Catholic University of America. He is author of the "Life of Father Hecker," which was the cause of the Pope's letter to Cardinal Gibbons regarding certain ideas expressed in the book; but it developed that the French translation was to blame for the mild condemnation of the Pope.

It is said that many of the ideas were misconstrued or misunderstood, and that there is no American priest more devoted to the Roman Catholic Church than Father Elliott.

HIDES IN AN OIL RIG; SEEKS PEARLS IN RIVER. Aged Man Found Living as Hermit Near Marion—Exhibits Fine Collection.

MARION, Ind., Aug. 26.—An aged man, giving his name as John Swanson, has been found living as a hermit in an abandoned oil rig in a woods near the river bank, about three miles northwest of Marion.

The man refused to say where he came from, but said domestic trouble had caused him to seek a life of seclusion. He said he had been living in the oil derrick for about a year and had succeeded in evading everyone until the oil operators chanced to call at an unguarded moment. He said he had never built a fire at night for fear of attracting attention.

He is engaged in pearl hunting along the river and exhibited a large collection of much value. He said he had been sending them to a New York dealer and had a shipment ready to forward. Members of his family, he said, were searching for him, but he did not desire that they find him.

BORED THERE. "Didn't you used to board with us up to Mrs. Gaddy's?" asked the thin-necked man. "Yes," replied Brightman, curtly. "Why don't you board there still?" "Because I was."—Philadelphia Press.

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