

AMERICAN SPHINX IS CHISELLED

AS America created a sphinx?
A great concrete statue cemented into the solid rock on the banks of the Rock river near Oregon, Ill., has been built by Lorado Taft, the sculptor, with every care that modern engineering can take to make it as permanent as the Pyramids and other famous landmarks of the ages. By his method of applying the concrete Mr. Taft bids fair to accomplish his purpose.

The statue, erected to commemorate the American Indian, represents Black Hawk, chief of the Sacs and Foxes, standing with folded arms, looking down the picturesque valley of the Rock river. The figure is of noble proportions, being fifty feet in height, and crowns the top of a bluff 250 feet above the swirling waters of the river.

The claim of the statue to fame rests in three things: First, any one who runs—even those who run in automobiles—may read its message. As those who are rushing by in autos and steam cars and motor boats stop or turn to look it inevitably recalls the former occupancy by the red men of the places they are now in.

Then the statue's great size places it on a scale with the Goddess of Liberty in New York harbor and the great statue of "The Pilgrim" on the New England coast.

Its third and greatest claim to fame is that it is built to be permanent, and it is believed that it will outlast the sphinx, the Pyramids and the stones erected by the Druids.

It is utilitarian concrete which it is hoped will make the statue of Black Hawk outlast the Sphinx in age by enduring after time has effaced that grim figure. The statue was three years in process of making and represents a new era in concrete construction as applied to the art of sculpture. While fountains and pergolas and temporary figures for exhibitions have been made of concrete in the past, nothing approaching in magnitude or purpose the present piece of work has ever before been attempted with this material. It was a labor of love with the sculptor, who bore all the expense himself.

Behind the building of the Black Hawk statue lies an interesting story. A few years ago Mr. Taft was watching some workmen build a concrete chimney at the Chicago Art Institute, and there came to him his great idea of the means for making an enduring statue. With the process in mind it was not long until an adequate subject presented itself.

For fifteen years Mr. Taft has had his summer home and studio at Eagle's Nest Camp, near Oregon, the summer seat of the Chicago art colony. Standing for the hundredth time at the highest point of the cliff he never failed to remember that it was from here that Black Hawk was finally driven out of Illinois. So he decided to bring back the famous Indian chief, and now in concrete Black Hawk again surveys his former domain, with an air of "immutable disdain," as one artist has put it.

Black Hawk and his tribes fought on the English side in the War of 1812. He saw sooner than other chiefs that the whites would take all the Indian's hunting grounds from him. He tried everything from war to treaties to check the whites' advance. As he grew old he became more attached to his home along the Rock river and fought against removal to the Iowa reservation by the government. He even tried living in peace with the whites, but he had achieved such a reputation that any depredations that any Indians committed were laid at his tepee door.

Finally he and his people were driven across the Mississippi by Uncle Sam's soldiers. After that, as an old man, he petitioned the government that he might come back and view his old domains on the Rock river. Many members of the tribe were brought with him, and suddenly there was panic among the whites. Whether it was intentional from the first or the part of the Indians or the result of suspicion, a war was precipitated. Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis both fought with the whites and Black Hawk was made a prisoner.

It is characteristic of Mr. Taft that when he went about what he hopes will be his most enduring work in a material way he started with as little fuss as if it were a small matter. Silently and surely the work advanced as befits in character the approach of an Indian. Even the sculptor smiles at his work as if it were a conceit of the moment instead of the project of a lifetime, and succeeds partly in hiding his pleasure in the work.

Mr. Taft did not study any one type



Statue of Black Hawk

of race of Indians in modeling the Black Hawk statue. It is a composite of the Fox and the Sacs, the Sioux and the Mohawks, and was intended to represent the general Indian personality. All the usual Indian trappings, such as the feathers and the buckskin, have been left off. There is even a suggestion of the old Roman in the face, which was necessary to make it suggest a spirit unconquered while still the conquered race.

The head and profile and folded arms appear in perfect detail as they are outlined against the sky and forest from many viewpoints around the country. On a clear day, when the leaves are off the trees, the statue is visible at a distance of twenty miles.

The exact site was selected after much experiment. First a rough twenty-foot model was made and set up, but it was found that the height and distances were so great that the figure had to be enlarged and placed on a more prominent part of the cliff. Finally a light fifty-foot structure was erected on a farm wagon and the wagon was drawn around until the proper location was established.

For the foundation fifteen feet of soil had to be removed before bedrock was struck. Here the top of a natural ledge of stone was reached. The ledge, thirty feet deep, is formed

of a succession of steps which have the appearance of being built artificially as they show on the river bluff.

Many engineering difficulties had to be overcome, inasmuch as a great concrete statue had never before been made. The statue contains about two tons of twisted steel reinforcing and approximately 240 cubic yards of concrete, twenty tons of which consists of pink granite screenings, giving it the appearance of a granite statue.

More than 65,000 gallons of water was pumped up from the river for maintaining two steam engines and for mixing the concrete. Four hundred and twenty barrels of cement were used in forming the mixture.

The first model was of plaster and only eight inches high, the next was two feet high and the third six feet. This last served as the working model and was enlarged by careful measurement to a frame of scantlings around an elevator shaft. When the whole figure had been framed in lumber wire netting was stretched over the timbers, and this in turn was covered with burlap for a surface. Later the burlap was painted with plaster of paris to stiffen it and then subjected to a coat of clay water to insure its release from the mold later on. Meanwhile the head was modeled in clay and cast by the usual process, the piece mold being saved for use again in casting the concrete. A three-inch mold was next made over the figure, about ten tons of plaster being used for this purpose, with many heavy timbers for support. The scaffolding was then taken out and a steel reinforcing tower eight and a half feet in diameter was built in its place. This tower ran the entire length of the body, ending in a dome just below the neck, and was designed to support the head and shoulders of solid concrete.

The final work of casting was done in the middle of winter, ten days being required for this work, with two crews of fourteen men each working in day and night shifts. When the mold was full heat was applied for two days, and then the statue of Black Hawk was left to the elements. With the removal of this mold the following spring there emerged a perfect monolith concrete statue.

This statue is, in more senses than one, the biggest thing that Mr. Taft has yet done. The statue is immensely simple, the heavy folds of the blanket surrounding the figure suggesting the man's body without following closely its outlines. The dignity, the stoicism and the bitterness of a vanquished leader are there.

An interesting feature of the unveiling ceremonies was addresses by Dr. Charles Eastman and Miss Laura M. Cornelius, or "Wynogonee," both full-blooded Indians and direct descendants of Black Hawk.

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"Ise a-goin' t' cook dem beans in de fireless cooker."

Mammy rose, a scared, hunted look on her wrinkled face. "Does yuh mean t' tell me yuh a-goin' t' bile dem beans without flah?"

Lucindy nodded. Mammy backed to the door and looked at the girl as at an apparition, then with defiance mingled with fear commanded: "Put on your bonnet! Yuh sure is hoodooed! Yuh ain't goin' t' live in no house where de devil does de cookin'!"—Judge.

ECZEMA BEGAN BY ITCHING

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Evidently Was.
"Are you fond of a joke?"
"Is this a proposal?"

Agreeing With Her.
"I was a fool when I married you!"
"Yes, and you married a fool!"

BUT SHE DID NOT VISIT HIM

Little Chance That Voice-Culture Student Attempted to Gratify Old Gentleman's Friend.

Patiently the old gentleman had been sitting through the ordeal of hearing the voice-culture student in the hall bedroom below practicing with a zeal which left no room for criticism, but with a talent by no means so kindly described.

Finally, he crept down the stairs and rapped at the door of the young woman's room.

"I can't come in," he said in response to an invitation, "but I simply came to tell you of a friend of mine who would, I know, be willing to pay almost any amount of money to hear you sing."

Overwhelmed with joy the young woman begged the kind old gentleman to write his friend's name and address on a piece of paper.

When he had gone upstairs she looked at the slip of paper which he had handed back to her inscribed and neatly folded. It read: "John W. Jones, Asylum for the Deaf."

Literary Betrothal.
Inscriptions in complimentary copies of learned works do not always serve the graceful purpose to which one was dedicated by the celebrated Professor Wilson of Edinburgh.

When the suitor for the hand of Professor Wilson's daughter had gained the young woman's approbation, she of course referred him to her father. Having stated his case, the young gentleman was asked to bid the young lady to come to her father. Her obedience was prompt.

Professor Wilson had before him for review a ponderous volume, on the fly-leaf of which was duly inscribed, "With the author's compliments."

He tore this fly-leaf out, pinned it to his daughter's dress, solemnly led her to the anxious lover—and went back to his work.—Youth's Companion.

Occasional Visitor.
A notable housekeeper of the past generation, before the days of screens, had just announced with decision that she never had any flies.

"But, Aunt Augusta," faltered the timid visitor, "it seems to me that I saw a few in the dining-room."

"Oh, those," replied her aunt, with a majestic wave of the hand, "were the neighbors' flies. They will come in occasionally. But I was saying, we never have any of our own."—Youth's Companion.

Compromise.
Senator Fletcher of Jacksonville, apropos of the recent peace conference in London, said:

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ment of housing or laying out suburbs, the result being rows of wretched slums between the great stone churches and other costly buildings. Now, however, a practical scheme for extending the philanthropy of Sir Moses Montefiore, toward which some \$50,000 was collected in England as a memorial, has been established. This has been expended in the erection of suitable buildings for the poor, five

suburban colonies having been established with from sixty to seventy houses each. Now a new project has been started in England of forming a new garden suburb outside Jerusalem, in which the houses can be let to the better class artisans who can afford a rent of \$40 or \$50 a year. The half-acre of ground and the house thereon is estimated to cost not \$1,000 in all.

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