

NAPOLEON'S TRIBUTE TO WASHINGTON



WASHINGTON is dead. This great man struggled against tyranny. He has achieved the liberty of his country. His memory will be cherished forever by the French people...

An Unfamiliar Washington

THE Father of Our Country was subject to the ills and infirmities with which many of us mortals have to contend. He had poor teeth, and a portrait bust in the chancel end of Christ (Old North) church, Boston, shows him without any teeth.



face and dignity of expression that most of his better known portraits suggest.

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Washington's dentist was John Greenwood of New York. Soon after the inauguration in that city in 1789 Greenwood furnished the president's mouth with a complete set of artificial teeth.

WHAT THEY THOUGHT ABOUT WASHINGTON.

Few men who have earned for themselves a celebrated name in the history of the world exhibit such a harmony, such a concordant symmetry of all the qualities calculated to render himself and others happy, as Washington, and it has been very appropriately observed that, like the masterpieces of ancient art, he must be the more admired in the aggregate the more closely he is examined in detail.

Thou hast a name whose characters of light shall ne'er depart; 'Tis stamped upon the dustiest brain and warms the coldest heart, A frenzy fit for any land where freedom's fit to be won: 'Land of the west! it stands alone - it is thy Washington.'

The talents and great actions of General Washington have secured to him in the eyes of all Europe the truly sublime title of the "Liberator of America." - Count d'Estaing (France).

Washington's Unselfishness.

When I was first honored with a call into the service of my country my duty required that I should renounce every pecuniary compensation. From this resolution I have in no instance departed, and I must decline as inapplicable to myself any share in the personal emoluments which may be indispensably included in a permanent provision for the executive department and must accordingly pray that the pecuniary estimates for the station in which I am placed may during my continuance in it be limited to such actual expenditures as the public good may be thought to require. - First Inaugural.

THEY WON PRIZES FROM WASHINGTON.

The Washington headquarters house, containing many relics of the Revolution, is now the chief feature of interest at Valley Forge. One of the relics is a powderhorn the history of which serves to indicate the pitiful poverty of the army. During the winter the camp butcher saved the horns of the cattle he slaughtered. Many of the men needed powderhorns. When he had thirty horns in his collection there were so many horny patriots that a small civil war arose in camp over the distribution of the prizes. General Washington said: "I shall write on this paper a certain number between 1,500 and 2,000. The thirty men guessing nearest to the number shall receive horns."

THE CURIOUS AXOLOTL.

It's a Regular Jaykyl and Hyde Sort of Reptile. Persons of only ordinary powers of observation know that tadpoles become frogs. This process of transformation is one of the most interesting of the many curious things that go on about us every day. The case of the tadpole and frog is mentioned that the reader may more easily understand a reptile that is found in southern California and Mexico.

There are several varieties of salamander reptiles in North America, all of them perfectly harmless. One in particular lives in the desert regions of the southwest. The Mexicans call it the axolotl. It is perhaps the most curious of all reptiles. It is a light gray or pure white translucent reptile about seven inches in length. It lives in lakes and ponds, breathes through gills just back of the front legs, has a long tail and caudal fins above and below that extend its entire length and four stout legs, with which it creeps about the bottom of the pond.

The most remarkable thing about it all is that when the water supply is not exhausted he lives his entire life as an axolotl and never tries to become a spotted salamander. By experimentation an axolotl has been made to undergo almost complete transformation and then has been turned back into an axolotl again. - Youth's Companion.

Pocket Hunters.

There is no more interesting character in California than that class of prospector known as the "pocket hunter." In certain sections of the mountains the rich gold deposits are contained in small scattered pockets near the surface. The pocket miners often discover many rich deposits by tracing the particles of gold in the soil to their sources. As soon as the pocket is gouged out and colors of gold are no longer shown in the tract is abandoned. In one pocket in the Trinity county as much as \$45,000 was yielded in a few feet. - Argonaut.

Governor Issues Requisitions

Helena, Feb. 11.—Requisitions were issued today by Governor Stewart for men wanted in Montana on criminal charges who are in different sections of the country. One was given to Sheriff I. A. Neibaur of Blaine county who will go to Blueston, Ind., for LeRoy Brickley and Wally Z. Preskie, the former is charged with issuing a bad check and the latter passing it. Another requisition was for W. R. Brody, who is under arrest at Norfolk, Va., and who is wanted in Missoula county on a charge of child desertion. The third requisition was for C. C. Balley, under arrest at Jamestown N. D., and who is wanted in Custer county on the charge of accepting the earnings of a fallen woman.

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