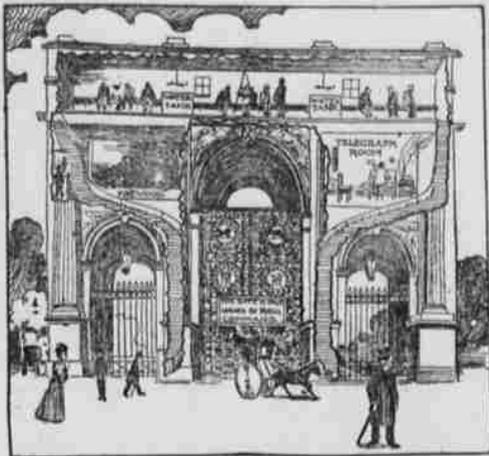


# INTERESTING ITEMS. STREET SCENES IN BERLIN

## TO REMOVE LONDON'S MARBLE ARCH



London's Marble Arch is to be razed to the ground before Jan 1. Most Londoners and most provincial people who come to London know the Marble Arch.

### British Iron and Steel.

The severity of American competition in iron and steel has led to the breaking of the British pool in those industries. In Great Britain, as in the United States, there was an agreement to maintain prices, that of steel rails being held at from \$7 to \$7.50 per ton. As soon as the manufacturers were allowed a free hand open competition ensued, a drop in the price of nearly \$1 a ton following. In Great Britain, as in the United States, many orders had been held up because of the unnatural prices, and these were released when prices reached a normal basis. As a result, the ironmaster declares that the manufacturers will be real gainers. There is a hint in this incident for the members of the American pool, who must know that many orders are being held in anticipation of lower prices. There is coming to be a well defined belief that the plan of the iron and steel men is to make successive reductions and take orders at each rate until they can get no more at that price, when they will make a still lower rate. This, however, will lead to the holding of more orders for the lower prices.

### Fear Causes Death.

The death of John B. Beart in Chicago the other day illustrates a point that has been dwelt upon for years by physicians and surgeons. Mr. Beart to August last had a struggle with a dog and was bitten in three places. The struggle itself was of a character to produce nervous exhaustion, to say nothing of the irritation by the dog. Upon examination it was shown that the dog was not afflicted with rabies. Mr. Beart recovered from the immediate effects of the struggle and returned to his work. But a week before his death he was taken ill and he grew steadily worse to the end. Those in attendance believe he died of fear of hydrophobia. There is an dispute as to the main facts in the case. The dog that attacked Mr. Beart did not have any disease. Mr. Beart had no symptoms of hydrophobia, but he lived for months in horror of the most dreaded disease, and this resulted in conditions that caused his death. If the dog that made the attack on Mr. Beart had been killed, as is usual in such cases, the case would undoubtedly have been established in the hydrophobia list. As the case stands, it gives strength to the theory that a great many of the so-called cases of rabies are produced solely by fear.

### The Rummage Sale.

The latest fad of society is the "rummage sale." It began in New England and is rapidly making its way all over the country. In a certain sense the "rummage sale" is a sort of house-cleaning on a large scale. The housekeeper takes an account of stock, with the result of finding numerous things which are too good to give away or throw away and yet are hardly good enough to keep. Such articles have usually found their way to the second-hand stores or the cart of the peddler, but as the owners get little or nothing for them the New England spirit of thrift has devised the "rummage sale," which, so long as it remains a fad, will insure profitable returns.

### To Sullivan's Men.

Joseph W. Beckler of Orange, N. J., will erect a monument in Athens, Pa. in commemoration of the soldiers and sailors of Bradford county. It will stand in the center of the old academy lawn, on the spot where Gen. Sullivan of revolutionary fame camped on his march against the Six Nations of New York in 1779. The pedestal is to be of pink Stony Creek granite. Surmounting the pedestal there will be a bronze group of heroic size, entitled "The Defense of the Flag." The entire structure will be 50 feet high.

General Juan Luis Buzon of Guatemala, who is now in San Francisco on a visit, was a lieutenant colonel on the staff of General John C. Fremont when the pathfinder made his second trip across the Rockies. He went to Guatemala in 1877 and has a conversation a line of road over the Chocoma Mountains, around the great volcano of Santa Maria, which is 14,000 feet high.

### To Discuss Sunday Cars.

It is rather remarkable that Edinburgh is still discussing the question whether it shall have Sunday street cars. This will be one of the burning side questions of the municipal election. There has recently been introduced into Edinburgh a splendid installation of cable cars, which is entirely shut down at present on Sunday, and many people do not see why it should not be utilized on Sundays as well as on week days, especially to get into the working classes to get out into the country to breathe the fresh air. One candidate, a lawyer, has come to grief in an amusing way over this question. When asked if he was in favor of running Sunday cars he answered in the negative, and followed it up by an expression of his veneration for the quietude of the "dear old Scottish Sabbath." A newspaper reporter, however, found out that the gentleman in question spent most of his Sundays at one of the golf links in the neighborhood of Edinburgh, which covered the defender of the Sabbath with confusion.—M. E. Gilbert in Chicago Record.

### Russia's Royal Palace.



Little Palace at Livadia where the ruler of the Russias has his private apartments.

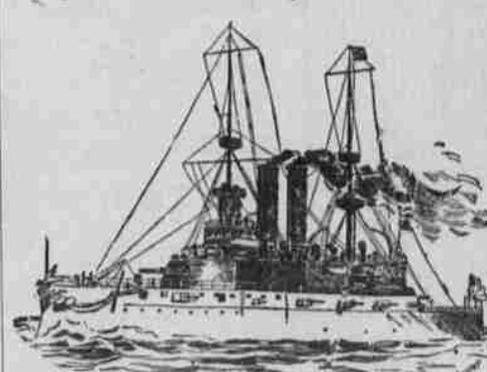
### Sunday Fishing Not Sinful.

Rev. I. N. Marx is rector of the Protestant Episcopal church at Lake Geneva, the Wisconsin summer and pleasure resort. He has delighted the hearts of summer resorters and sportsmen by declaring in a recent sermon that Sunday fishing is not sinful if the fisherman is too busy to follow his sport on week days and if there is "no neglect of duty or religious responsibility."

Rev. James Gray, formerly Presbyterian minister in Pretoria, has been appointed by Lord Roberts acting librarian of the library there. The reverend gentleman a few weeks before the outbreak of hostilities publicly denounced Krugerism from the pulpit, and had to be sent to Durban in consequence.

From December 21 to March 4 Theodore Roosevelt will play what is for him the unaccustomed role of a private citizen.

## The Battleship Illinois



The first-class battleship Illinois, which is rapidly nearing completion at the yard of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company in Newport News, is expected to go out on her builders' trial some time during the first week in December. At that time the splendid sloop will be practically complete, and, if necessary, could make a hostile ship while out on her trial. The four thirteen inch guns, which compose her formidable main battery, will be mounted in the turret fore and aft, seven six-inch guns will protrude from each side of the vessel, and even the smaller guns will be in place, while all armor will be riveted on. The Illinois was launched Oct. 4, 1898, and was christened by Miss Daisy Letter of Chicago.

Berlin has not the push and rear, nor the hurrying multitude filling sidewalks and roadway which distinguish London, New York and Paris. You miss the streets congested with traffic, the madly plunging horses, the jostle and jostle for the pedestrian restaurants enough to cross the roadway. And you enjoy the change. Berlin is anything but inactive, but it has a way of doing things that is so different from the rest of the world that it is its business life, though it is pushing for trade with high prices which overtake the church spire has no advocates in this metropolis.



BERLIN APPLE WOMAN.

and avoids everything savoring of boisterousness. Its roadways are for pedestrians as much as for vehicles and horsemen—quite the contrary to Paris, where pedestrians are tolerated on the sidewalks for driving, but are inevitably made to suffer in a contest growing out of the use of the highway. The laws of Berlin safeguard the man on foot and severe penalties are imposed against reckless driving. This guarantees safety and a peace of mind impossible in New York and Paris.

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### Acted for Ship Canal.

The executive committee of the Illinois Valley association met in Chicago last week, and appointed a sub-committee which will go to Washington this winter and urge upon Congress its project for the building of a fourteen-foot deep water ship canal between Chicago and St. Louis, and those present at the meeting was Congressman Walter Reeves, who led the committee that in his opinion Congress would be inclined to listen with more favor to a proposition to build a channel with an average depth of eight instead of fourteen feet. In this opinion Mr. Reeves had the backing of his colleague, Congressman Graf. The two congressmen were overruled, however, by the almost unanimous sense of the committee, which was strongly in favor of the deeper channel.

### Has Held the Title Longest.

The Prince of Wales, who has just celebrated his sixtieth birthday, has now held his title the longest in British history. Previously the title had belonged to George IV., who was Prince of Wales for 35 years. With a month of his birth the prince was created Duke of Cornwall and Rothesay, Earl of Carrick, Baron Renfrew, lord of the Isles, Prince of Wales and Earl of Chester, while in 1820 he was made Earl of Dublin. When he wishes to travel on the quiet the Prince goes as Lord Renfrew and sometimes as the Earl of Chester.

In the interest of reform Mrs. Frances Arden publishes every month in Russia a woman's rights calendar, insisting the laws passed relating to women and various women's societies.

## STREET SCENES IN BERLIN

The Germans have earned the reputation for good behavior in their amusements and in their customs and goings in Berlin this does not hold good for Saturday night. As the evening wears on the drinking places are crowded and towards midnight the business streets are filled with good-natured but hilarious crowds bent on long development. Grown men and women, as well as boys and girls, congregate in the merry-making. This kind of thing in singing, shouting, cheering and applauding. In addition, hand organs grind cheerful melodies, orchestras play dreamy waltzes and bands parade the streets, making sleep impossible. From 11 o'clock until 4 the next morning the din keeps up to the horror of those who vainly try for a night's repose. At daylight the sounds die away and beer drinking Berlin is too full for utterance. Even when Paris is outdoors by this bedtime. The police make no attempt to suppress the revelry, as the authorities think the men must have some fun, and so it goes unheeded. A bit of July night in American cities is a tame affair to the Saturday night of Berlin.

The smaller stores of Berlin, and they are nineteen-twentieths of the total, for the department stores are unknown, keep open from 12 to 2 on Sunday afternoon. The law restricts opening in these hours. Beer halls and restaurants, however, can keep their doors open as long as there is a demand for food and drink. Sunday is the biggest day for such establishments. All Berlin is out for a stroll Sunday afternoon and evening and the sidewalks are uncomfortably crowded.

Berlin is strong-minded and strong-limbed, also her dwellers would invoke the elevator to make easy getting up and down stairs in the five and six-story buildings where millions make their home. An American, who had been looking up quarters for his family, found the task a trying one. He spent the greater part of three days in climbing stairways before he found suitable apartments. He informed me that he doubted if Berlin had half a dozen homes with the elevator attachment.

Though Berlin was the first city to experiment with the electrical street car, her progress in this direction does not begin with American cities. German streets have this kind of traction, but all told they do not amount to as much as a city one-tenth of her population in the United States. On Frederick street, one of her busiest thoroughfares, cars are excluded and buses are the only means of cheap transportation.

The magnificent church is the cathedral, just away from Unter den Linden.

and opposite the emperor's palace. It is new and much of the money incurred in its building was supplied by the present emperor. While marble is



THE RAINY WEATHER GIRL.

The stone used and when the sun shines upon this noble temple the effect is strikingly beautiful. The river Spree winds its way close by and the splendid bridge which spans it is one of the finest in Europe.

### HER COUNTRY FIRST.

Belle Devereux Her Wedding to Captain

last she might have the honor of christening one of Uncle Sam's warships and not violate the tradition that none but unmarried women may christen naval vessels, Miss Ruth Lawrence, daughter of Supreme Court Justice Lawrence of New York, postponed for over a year the date of her wedding. Now, however, her nuptials will soon be celebrated, as on Wednesday at Weymouth, Mass., she broke a bottle of wine on the bow of the United States torpedo boat Lawrence as the vessel glided down the ways for her first plunge into the briny element. Miss Lawrence is well known in patriotic and literary work. She is reared in a New York chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. During the war with Spain she wrote patriotic songs which have been published in book form. She is popular in society and her forthcoming marriage is attracting considerable attention among the leaders of New York's social set. Miss Lawrence is a descendant of one of America's most honored naval heroes, whose famed expression, "Don't give up the ship," is one of the dearest possessions of the country's history.

### The Arctic Expedition.

It was expected that the Woodward would reach St. Johns by the middle of September, but as she started late and had some trouble with her machinery, some delay is to be looked for, says the Philadelphia Times. Will the report of her arrival is a descendant of one of America's most honored naval heroes, whose famed expression, "Don't give up the ship," is one of the dearest possessions of the country's history.

### Good Masters of Men.

Go into the house. If the proprietor is constrained and deferring, be of no importance how large his house, how beautiful his grounds—you come quickly to the end of all; but if the man is well possessed, happy and at home, his house is deep-founded, indefinitely large and interesting, the roof and dome inherent as the sky. Under the humblest roof, the commonest person in plain clothes sits there massive, shrewd, yet formidable like the Egyptian colossus.—Behaviour.

### Wales Wears the Kilt.

During the first years of his married life the prince of Wales spent a portion of each year at Birkhead, his home in Scotland, and in those days both the prince and princess made a point of annually visiting the great Scottish chieftain, a splendid welcome being accorded to them at Inverurie, which at that time was twenty-five miles from the nearest railway station. When in Scotland his royal highness is fond of wearing the kilt, and as he prefers to see those about him so clad.



A WORKING GIRL—A HERRYMANER.