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WASHINGTON MONUMENT.

Queer Facts About the Great White Shaft.

distance at which the Washington Monument is visible has a ways been a matter of debatable interest with interest with Washington people, saye the Star of that city. Not a train approaches the city, nor a boat speeds up or down the Potomac, but carries a group of people anxious to see at just what point they can last see the white marble against the sky as they depart or first find it as they come.

Probably the greatest distance a which the monument is seen is from the summit of the Blue Ridge, at Snicker's Gap, about forty-three miles in air line. The elevation there is two thousand feet above the Potomac. The mountaineers years ago, with their keen eyes trained to long and sharp sight in the mountains, detected the white spot gleaming on the horizon, and they can always quickly determine its place on the horizon line. But to city folks the location of the white shaft is not an easy matter. Thousands of Washington people every summer invade that region as summer boarders to subsist on fresh milk and fried bloken, and incidentally in their excorsions up on the mountain to get a sight of the monument. On clear days It is distinctly visible, especially to those who are familiar with its precise location. It is more easily seen at sun-set than at any other hour, as the sharp reflection of the sun's rays brings out the white surface of the marble. The point from which the monument was first seen from the Blue Ridge is the mount in farm of Mr. Louis P. Shoemaker of this city, and the place is called "Mon-

There are hundreds of ladies in Washington who wear upon their hats the plumage of birds which have lost their lives by flying against the tall mass of marble in the dimness of twilight or daybreak. Every morning one of the watchman who spends the night in the monument finds about its base quite a number of dead birds. This mercality includes nearly all the birds knewn in this region. Strange to say, few English sparrows lose their lives by flying against the monument, but the beautiful golden finches, cedar birds, startings, tangers, grosbeaks, and many others of bright plumage and great rarity, have been found. The watchman takes these birds up town to a taxidermist, who stuffs and mounts the rare specimens, and they are sold for a good round price to collectors, and the skins of those less rare are prepared for the milliner.

Another queer thing to know about the monument is that its height and width vary. It is taller in summer than in winter, and in the latter season its width on the south side is about an inch greater than on the north, east or west side. This is due to expansion under the heat of the sun's rays. This phenomenon was determined by Capt. Greene during the erection of the shaft, Plumb lines were hung at each corner of the marble wall, and the plumb "bobs," or plummets, were suspended in pots of glycerine or molasses. Across the top of each pot was laid a finely graduated steel bar, and three times a day an army engineer "took off" the registration thus made of the expansion of the walls. It was held that the plummets moved precisely with the points at which the plumb lines were attached to the top of the sheet, and the glycerine held them firmly without vibration or oscillation, so that the officer could note any change of position. All these registrations, have to say. Here's a pencil and a twice a day every day of the year, were piece of paper." recorded in a book during the seven years that were occupied it finishing

A MIDNIGHT ADVENTURE.

Supposed Burglar in a Neighbor's House

Makes Trouble for a Man. After Slims had scanned his morning paper closely as if looking for something of great personal interest, he threw it aside with a sigh of relief and turned to his partner. "Great exciteturned to his partner. "Great excitement up in our neighborhood last "Did Wanson, who lives next door to me, went away early in the summer and left the key of the house with ly did feel paralyzed. me in order that I might look after it. ok a ride on my wheel last evening, and was so tired when I got back that I dropped off to sleep early. After midnight a few punches in the side awakened me to find my wife sitting up in bed, pale-faced and talking to me in a whisper. 'There are burglars in Wanson's place,' she insisted with chattering teeth. 'I saw a light moving about there, and heard voices." tried to have her lie down and give her imagination a rest, but she routed me out by sheer persistence. enough there was a light, and I had soon donned the necessary amount of

"I routed out some of the neighbors and people passing along the street joined us. One of them, who had stayed out not wisely, but too long, wanted to break through a window and round up the robbers. I had a private parol service called, but it expressed a delicacy about entering, because Wanson was not one of its subscribers. While I was creeping along the side of the house to see if any of the cellar gratings were removed, the pugnacious rounder was coming the other way in search of an opening by which he might get to the invaders. When we collided he let go at me with a scantling he had picked up, but it was a glancing blow. You can see where it removed a piece of scalp. I yelled for help the women screamed and the officer rushed to seize my assallant, who was still bent on rendering me harmless. As we struggled into the light and were recognized, Mrs. Wanson appeared in an old-fashioned night cap at the upper window and shouted: 'How do you do, Mr. Sims? We just reached home to-night. How are your folks?' Everybody else laughed, but I routed Wanson out, surrendered the key and curtly told him to hire a private watchman or else agree to telegraph when he was going to steal in during the night."-Detroit Free Press.

A Gift Cigar. "Were the sanitary police in your souse this afternoon?"

"What was the matter?" Was smoking the clear you gave me.

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A Perfect Fraud.

A beggar accosted a gentleman and

'ands mister, an' can't work, fer I can't

"I'm deaf," replied the gentleman.

"You'd better write down what you

"Deaf, is 'e?" thought the beggar.

"I've got a wife an' six children

starvin' at home, mister. I've been

out o' wurk fer six months, an' ham

He handed the paper to the gentle-

"I thought you said you were par-

alyzed in both hands and couldn't

stammered the beggar, who now real-

Yes, just to find out if you were an

'Well, of all the bloomin' frauds, yer

And he shuffled off, sniffing the air

GUARANTEED

to outlast a year's wear.

imposter, which you are, as I suspect-

the biggest exclaimed the beggar. "The

hidea of yer sayin' yer was deaf an'

with righteous indignation.-Tit-Bits.

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never wear through the ends.

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tryin' to impose on a pore feller.'

in a dreffel state of destertushun."

man, who read it, and said:

ed," replied the gentleman.

grasp anything with 'em.

spare me a trifle, mister?"

So he wrote down:

piece of paper.'

"I am paralyzed in both me

faced goods, with velvet

"satisfaction kind."

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Why She Darned His Socks.

A well-known statesman, who has represented his district in Illinois for a number of years, had the support of his wife in a manner which won for him the reputation of being a plain and simple man of the people, whom flattery could not divert from his patriarchal customs.

A school friend of the wife, who had not seen her since girlhood, visited her "Then he didn't 'ear about the pa- at her country home one summer.

ed the visitor.

"In what way?" "With fancy work, I guess. I know you used to have a great aversion to ceived such a shock that I couldn't enplain sewing; but you must be very illigent now to have your work-basket

ight here in the parlor.' Would you like to know what I am loing?"

"Certainly." grasp anything; and yet you can "You shall see." The Congressman's "Did-didn't yer say yer was deaf,"

wife took from her basket a half-knft sock of old-fashioned blue yarn. "You don't mean to say that your husband wears things like that?

"Oh, no: he would't think of such s thing. I have a whole lot that I will be glad to give to anybody who will wear them.

"Do you do this for pleasure or char-

"No: for business, and I never occupy myself in this way unless it is absolutely necessary. But I have to keep the work handy, and when the old-fashioned rural voters of my husband's with that attention-I get it out and longed to Doris!" knit away for dear life. It is a good deal of bother, but it's worth a good many votes every two years."

A Life for Every Billard Ball.

pall in the world a human life has been lost. The ivory for their manufacture comes from the densest jun- ber satchel, find her box of rouge and gles of Central Africa. As described hide it; then, as she could get no damp atmosphere reeks with a hun- must appear without it, and it might dred deadly diseases. In the dark and be the means of causing her to give up tangled vegetation also hide fierce, wild its use!" animals, poisonous snakes and loath- "Well, but that--" some insects, whose bites are as fatal as those of the most fearsome serpents. In addition, there is the com- then I remembered the little bag hangmon chance of meeting with the venge- ing from her belt, and I knew it was ful natives, who do not hesitate to make there. I had just gotten her things put way with all intruders, and the always back when one of the maids fetched present danger of being lost in the me my satchel and took hers away." wilderness of tangled forest, pathless "Oh, well, she will never know that mountains and unpassable morasses. Thus nature conjures to shield the big you hunted-" but almost helpless elephant, and they only can engage in the trade of sup- ry then, for I was late, and what do plying the material for ivory billiard you think? Those lovely short curls own hands.

A Bargain. Husband-But why did you buy two

hallstands? Wife-They were such a bargain, dear. They had been marked down from \$5 to \$4.98. Don't you see I save twice as much by purchasing two as if saying they must have slipped out of I had only bought one? You didn't my satchel as the maid carried it to know your little wifey had such a head me. Did you think there was a girl for business, did you?

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kindly remember us when the prosperous year of 1898 comes around.

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FURNITURE

A small advertisement in one of the

rio collectors and relic hunters of this

vertising for himself by drawing a

number of prominent persons to his store. The ad. stated in an unostenta-

tious way that the merchant had a

number of articles of furniture, such

next day a number of prospective pur-

chasers went to look at the furniture

made valuable through association and

one of the first callers was a lady who

scure establishment in a stylishly ap-

pointed rig drawn by a spanking team

"Just look around and see if any-

The lady looked around her at the

rather common-place looking stuff and

the White House advertised by you

ing to show you. Just look about you and I will price it to you."

"And, madam, that is what I am try-

"But surely all this stuff is not out

"It is not in it at any rate, and con-

A look of disgust swept over the

lady's face ,and with a haughty ati

she swept out of the place. And there

Fidelity.

"You have such a faithful wife, to,"

"I know it," tearfully replied the

things that will never desert me-Mrs.

"She stays right by you, no mat-

and my appetite for liquor."

"There are two

said the intimate friend, reproachful-

were others.-Washington Post.

ter how low down you get.

penitent Jagway.

sequently must be out of it," was the

of bays. The proprietor met her with

he could do for her.

thing strikes your fancy."

of the White House?"

quiet rejoinder.

yesterday.

drove up to the door of the rather ob-

CONNECTICUT'S

Mean Advantage Doris Took When the Satchols Were Exchanged. "How did you enjoy the Suburban Club ball?" asked the girl in the picture hat.

prices at which they are marked.

"Not at all," replied the girl in the mpire jacket; "It was perfectly hor-"Why, I heard that the decorations,

THE CURLS WERE MISSING.

sic and supper were perfectly love ly and-" "O, yes, they were nice enough. But my faith in human nature had just re-

joy anything. You know Doris and went out in the afternoon together; we were to stop at Mrs. Brownsmith's, and go to the ball under her chaperonage, you know."

"Why, I didn't know that you needed a chaperon, dear."

"I don't. I-I have always known how to behave properly in society without any advice. Of course if I was like-

"Of course; that was what I meant," sald the girl in the picture hat, hastily. "Well, were Doris' cheeks as pink as ever at the ball?"

"Pinker. We took our evening gowns out with us and, oddly enough, our satchels were just alike. In taking them up to our rooms they were district come to call upon him-and exchanged, and as soon as I opened you have no idea how many honor us the one sent up to me I knew it be-

"Oh, pshaw, you need only ring for servant and get your own."

"I know. But I'determined then and there to do Doris a real, unselfish service. I hate to see her with those un-It is said that for every ivery billiard natural pink cheeks, so I decided, while I had a chance, to go through her satchel, find her box of rouge and by a correspondent there, the hot and more out there in the country, she

"I couldn't find it anywhere, and

"No. I had to dress in a great hurpalls who take their lives into their that I twist in my back hair, and which everybody admires so much were missing, though I knew I had packed them myself!"

"My goodness, you don't think that Doris had--"

"I don't think; I know it. She re turned them to me the next morning. living who would do such a mean EDITOR M'CULLAGH OUTWITTED. How the St. Louis Globe-Democrat Was daily papers a short time ago attracted Ridiculous. a great deal of attention from the cu-

When David D. Francis, now Secretary of the Interior, was a candidate city, and the shrewd merchant who infor Governor of Missouri, his friends serted it secured a great deal of adsucceeded in using the "Globe-Democrat" to further his chances of election. Editor McCullagh had turned on 'Our Dave," as the Secretary is known in St. Louis, with his short paragraphs with telling effect, and Francis' friends got together and concocted a scheme to offset the editorial work of the paper. They wrote out a display advertisement and at a late hour of the Saturday morning immediately preceding the election of 1888 took it to the counting room of the "Globe-Democrat." The clerk on duty gave the copy a casual looking over and without a word accepted it. It occupied a full page and at length and in glowing terms set forth the "great said. business capacity and eminent qualifications of Mr. Francis to occupy the Gubernational chair of Missouri," says St. Louis correspondent of the Chi-

cago "Record." That advertisement caused the bigzest row ever witnessed in a newspaper office in St. Louis. When Editor McCullagh found what had been done he raged and stormed for a week. The tast mall had distributed the paper all over Missourl before McCullagh had his attention called to it. He left his quarters at the Southern Hotel on a trot. Reaching the corner of Fourth and Pine streets he found the streets and the office of the "Globe-Democrat" lammed with people, who were clamoring to stop their subscriptions. Mc sullagh had filled a column on the editorial page with "squibs" strongly opposing Francis, and advocating the Republican nominee, but the big display of Francis' friends was the first thing seen on opening the paper.

Mr. McCullagh at once issued an extra, in which he deprecated the oversight by which the advertisement had found its way into the paper, but it was some time before the "Globe-Democrat" office recovered its equilib-

THEY ALL ASKED THAT.



Claude (earnestly)-Ata I the first man you ever loved? Mande-Why, Certainly! How very

strange men are: they all ask me to a

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