

IS "GEORGIAN COURT."

Name Picked by George Gould for His Country Estate.

Plans a Building to Cover More Than an Acre in Which All Sorts of Sports Can Be Indulged In.

"Georgian Court"—that is the name George Gould decided on for his estate at Lakewood. But that is the smallest part of the plan he has in mind.

"Spare no expense," is the order. Mr. Gould long has had a fine home and ample grounds at Lakewood. He spends his winters there, going down after Christmas.

"I want," was Mr. Gould's first order, "a big arena where the children and I can ride when it's nasty outside—something as big as Madison Square Garden and laid with tan bark."

But with the working out of the scheme came other plans. The building will cover more than an acre. It will have two stories and an attic. The great private riding ring will take most of the ground story.

On the ground story there will be a court for indoor tennis and a gymnasium, equipped with the latest apparatus.

All the spare space on the second floor will be made into bachelor quarters—ten or twelve suites, with a bathroom for each.

When the great building is completed it will be the only one of its kind in America, and will cost several hundred thousand dollars.

NEW MAIL SERVICE.

Government Provides for the Sending of Letters to Porto Rico Five Times a Month.

The postal contract with the New York and Porto Rico Steamship company, supplemental to existing arrangements with the "Red D" line, has been formally signed by the government.

Mails will leave New York on January 6, 20 and 31, by the New York and Porto Rico Steamship company, and on January 14 and 26 by the "Red D" line. The arrangements are for five regular sailings a month from New York to Porto Rico, and regular additional sailings in connection therewith around the island at least once a week, calling at all the principal harbors and ports.

FOR SALVATION ARMY WORK.

Mrs. Henry M. Fuller, of New York City, Gives Realty Valued at \$200,000.

At a recent meeting of the Salvation army in Carnegie hall, New York, commander Booth Tucker made a fervent appeal to the congregation for money to carry on the poor and lowly. In response to this appeal a plainly dressed woman seated near the center of the assemblage, passed up what she would contribute really valued at about \$20,000.

She said the gift might be credited to "A good friend." It has come out that the giver is Mrs. Caroline Frances Fuller, of Bayonne, N. J., the aged widow of the late Henry M. Fuller, of this city. She has published a volume of religious poems and reflections, entitled "Precious Gems from the Casket of Aunty Fuller's Jewels."

GENEROUS FATHER-IN-LAW.

Lord Curzon, New Viceroy of India, Presented with Robes of State by L. Z. Letter, of Chicago.

It is announced that Mr. L. Z. Letter, of Chicago, the father-in-law of Lord Curzon, of Keddleston, the new viceroy of India, paid for the Indian outfit of Lord and Lady Curzon, who started for India under the happiest auspices and after a splendid send-off from their friends.

Lady Curzon enters upon her duties as vicereine with a trousseau of unprecedented magnificence, while Mr. Letter presented Lord Curzon with three official durbar (conference) cloaks of the finest velvet and gold, in pale blue, ruby and white, each with the star of India in gold and diamonds.

Two New Industries at Niagara.

Two more new industries have appeared in the midst of the power colony at Niagara, these being an electrically operated carpet mill, to be built at Echota, and a factory for the manufacture of electrical machinery.

Detroit's Celebration.

Detroit is going to have an exposition to celebrate the founding of the city by Pere Marquette 100 years ago.

OLD POSTER MISSION.

Little Volume Comes to Secretary Gage That Recalls His Early Activities at Chicago.

An interesting little volume which Secretary Gage presented to one of his Sunday school scholars in 1880 came to light the other day and was turned over to the secretary, who again put an inscription in it.

The book was given to Stephen D. Jaworski, who was recently a deputy collector of internal revenue at Chicago, one of the secretary's scholars at the Foster mission, located on the West side almost 40 years ago.

There are several inscriptions in the book, the first of which reads: "Presented to Stephen D. Jaworski, January 2, 1880, by his Sunday school teacher, L. J. Gage." The second one was written in 1891, reads "Thirty-one years after the above inscription Mr. Jaworski calls my attention to the little gift. Sound in body and mind we both remember with gladness the old days in Foster mission Sunday school.

I now dedicate the little book to him and his family and in the hopes that he may live a long, an honorable and a useful life." Two years later the secretary wrote: "With renewed assurances of the interest in my pupil of former days I indulge in mutual congratulation that time has dealt so kindly with us both."

Secretary Gage has now inscribed in the faded and time-worn little volume: "After all these passing years the little book comes back again from my old pupil for a new dedication. I am glad that it still remains to him, as it does to me, a pleasing reminder of days of 'Lang syne.' With best wishes for his future happiness I am still his friend."

MISSIONARY WORK.

Some Statistics That Show the United Effort to Bring the World to Christ.

Rev. E. E. Strong, D. D., editor of the Missionary Herald, Boston, has prepared a summary of world-wide Protestant missions for the past year. It shows that there has been a large increase, coming chiefly from this country, where an increase of \$25,000 is shown, and from Great Britain, where to the \$6,471,840 regularly contributed is added \$2,089,134, expended by organizations not strictly missionary.

The statistical report for the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Germany, continental Europe (except Germany), Asia, Australia and Africa, in totals are:

Number of societies engaged in work, 242; stations, 4,779; out-stations, 14,114; missionaries, 11,839; native laborers, 67,754; communicants, 1,448,861; under instruction, \$10,949; income in dollars, \$16,244,372.

The American board has received in contributions the past year \$687,203, making a grand total of \$30,405,043 received since organization. The 12 colleges of the board have 2,483 pupils.

The number of Protestant missionary organizations laboring within the Chinese empire is 54, with 2,461 missionaries; 5,071 native assistants and 60,682 communicants. There are 34 Protestant organizations engaged in missionary work in Japan, with a total membership of 40,578.

WOMAN UNDER HIS BED.

Case in Brooklyn Where the Old Story Was Reversed—She Was a Burglar.

The old story has been reversed—a man has found a woman under the bed. That rascally portion of Brooklyn where everyone are three stories high and where everybody knows everybody else in his block was in a state of mind over the strange adventures of a Brooklynite of the name of Emil Marx.

Mr. Marx, who is a barber, it was related, had returned from the funeral of his wife. He was surprised on reaching home to find a burglar under the bed in his apartment, and still more surprised to find that burglar a woman.

The woman declined to come out until a verbal protocol had been agreed to. The barber rested his weapon upon the floor. Then the white bundle was pushed from under the bed, and, as the enveloping sheet gave way, there were disclosed seven petticoats, a skirt, a jacket and other personal effects of the barber's recently buried wife. Last of all, feet first and with clumsy effort, the burglar crawled from her hiding place.

GUNS CHANGED.

After Enormous Expense at Remodeling It is Found the Chicago Cannon Carry Her Eight-Inch Guns.

The new-commissioned cruiser Chicago is having the main battery of four eight-inch guns taken out. They will be replaced by six-inch rapid-fire guns, and the cruiser, which has been remodelled at an expense greater than the original cost, will ride the seas without a main battery, and only for short-distance fighting.

The removal of the Chicago's big guns is said to have been caused by the discovery that they were too heavy and would make the ship unsafe.

Nearly \$1,800,000 has been spent modernizing the Chicago.

City Lighted with Acetylene Gas.

Alt-Streitli, a city of Mecklenburg, is the first city on the European continent to be lighted throughout with acetylene gas. Since the 1st day of November this gas has been used in all public street lamps, and wherever coal gas was previously used in private residences acetylene gas is being used now. The light is bright, and so far very satisfactory in every respect.

Average Age at Marriage.

It is stated that the average age at which men marry is 27.7 years, while the average age at which women marry is 25 1/2 years.

FAVORS OUR SHIPS.

Temporary Regulations Regarding Coasting Trade of Cuba.

Spanish Vessels to Continue in Trade. Must Renounce Allegiance to Spain—Vessels of Other Nations Excluded.

The order concerning the coasting trade of Cuba issued by the war department is a temporary solution of the problem arising from the anomalous situation of Cuba. An explanation of its provisions is contained in the following official statement:

"The coasting trade of Cuba has hitherto been restricted to Spanish vessels. No foreign vessels have been allowed to engage in it. This principle has been carefully preserved in the order, as the United States would not be warranted in imposing on the independent government of Cuba, yet to be created, a policy different from that which has always prevailed in the island. As the revolution was against Spanish power, the coasting privilege should not be specially enjoyed by vessels under Spanish flag. To enable residents of Cuba who have hitherto employed Spanish vessels to continue in the coasting trade, the regulations permit such owners to continue registration of allegiance. While the military occupation is in force, American vessels will frequently be needed to bring about normal trade conditions, and for this period accordingly American vessels may engage in the coasting trade, without prejudice, however, to any different regulation which a Cuban government may hereafter establish. Foreign nations are not assisting the United States in the military occupation of Cuba, and have a title therefore to engage in trade.

"As there is no recognized Cuban government and no recognized Cuban flag, a distinctive signal or flag of blue and white is temporarily to be used, the colors adopted by Argentina, Uruguay, Nicaragua, Guatemala and other nations of the western hemisphere, formerly under Spanish rule."

Consul Britain at Nantes reports to the state department that he has been informed that an industrial company has been formed in France and that strenuous efforts will be put forth by its members to secure the passage of a measure which will place the import duty on cotton seed oil at so high a figure that it will be practically prohibitive. The importance of this proposition lies in the fact that nearly all of the oil imported into France comes from the United States. The consummation of the plan, the consul says, would be a severe blow to American exporters. It is said to be the purpose of the French company to undertake the manufacture of cotton seed oil in France, importing the cotton seed for that purpose from Egypt, on the theory that it will then be impossible to dictate the price of oil in the United States. In the event that the price is advanced, the consul says, it will necessitate an increase in the price of all commodities into which cotton seed oil enters. In case the proposed law is enacted, it is suggested by the consul that the United States government place a correspondingly high duty on sardines, which the United States imports almost exclusively from France.

Senator Hoar Offers a Resolution in Congress That Would Give Red Cross President Great Privilege.

Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, wants Clara Barton, of the Red Cross society, to be given the thanks of congress. If it is done Miss Barton will be granted the privileges of the floor of both houses of congress, which is a coveted one and has never been granted to a woman.

Senator Hoar introduced a resolution providing that the thanks of congress be given Clara Barton, who was founder of the Red Cross society, and to the officers of that association for their humane and beneficent service to humanity in relieving the distress of Armenians and other suffering persons in Turkey.

Also for ministering to the suffering caused by pestilence in this country and for the like ministrations and relief given by them to both sides during the Spanish war.

American's Shipments of Machinery to Germany is Rapidly Increasing.

In a report to the state department Commercial Agent Stern, at Hamburg, predicts that the United States will soon surpass England in the value of exports of machinery to Germany. The present year shows even a falling off in the case of England, while the imports of American machines show an increase of 75 per cent. over last year's figures. In 1895 the imports of the United States of these goods into Germany did not amount to the sixth part of the amount of the English imports, while to-day they are equal to 60 per cent. of the latter.

New Tea-Rolling Machines.

The Japanese newspapers are rejoicing over the invention by a native genius of a machine for rolling tea. The great cost of the production of tea lies in the labor. Each individual leaf must be plucked from the plant and handled with the fingers several times before it can be sent to market.

Bulletin Financier.

Vendredi, 20 janvier 1899.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTES (CLEARING HOUSE) DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

Etat des Recettes et des Dépenses de l'Administration de l'Etat.

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