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OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS

Annual Volume of Diplomatic Correspondence Almost Ready.

Largest Part of the Book Devoted to Negotiations with Great Britain and Spain—An Interesting Volume.

The annual volume of foreign relations, giving the diplomatic correspondence of the state department for the past year, which is now almost ready for publication, devotes 1,000 pages to the exceptionally interesting international matters which characterized the close of the last administration, chief among them being the negotiations with Great Britain and Spain. The 14 pages devoted to Austria-Hungary relate to the successful efforts of Ambassador Tripp to secure the exemption from military service of naturalized Americans, with the result that cases of this character have become quite infrequent.

In the 53 pages given to China, the method pursued by Minister Denby in securing settlement of claims growing out of riots against missionaries is fully set forth, constituting valuable precedents for future cases of similar complexity.

The arbitration award in the Santos claim against Ecuador is given at length.

A large portion of the 32 pages allotted to France shows the interest manifested by the United States in securing full protection of American rights in Madagascar in connection with the transfer of that island to the French flag.

In Germany's 79 pages a number of important questions are treated, notably that relating to the tonnage dues controversy, which led to exceedingly sprightly correspondence as well.

The exclusion of American life insurance from German companies is also dealt with.

Considerable interchange of letters was required to establish the fact that Germany could not undertake to carry home insane German sailors deserting in United States ports.

In the course of several instructions to Mr. Uhl, Secretary Olney ruled in effect that a naturalized American citizen who returned to Bavaria and established a permanent domicile as a retired gentleman had abandoned his American citizenship and his children had forfeited any right to United States protection, that the voluntary surrender of passports expatriated such a person, that the passports of an American who had resumed his German allegiance could be demanded and that the Bancroft treaties were applicable to Alsace and Lorraine.

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When all means of influencing refractory camels had been exhausted the keeper went over and had a short talk with the elephant trainer. The result was in a few minutes the camel was brought to the spot. Before the camel could make any objection a rope was thrown over his head and knotted in a noose that was not intended to strangle. He did not protest. A moment later the other end was fast to the elephant. This was a surprise for the camel. The elephant was told to march and he did so. There was a jerk, but the camel still refused to budge. He braced himself and let the elephant pull. The camel's keeper was angry and urged the elephant on. He did not notice that the rope around the camel's neck had slipped and that it was choking the beast. Still the camel remained obstinate and the keeper continued to pull. When the keeper at last realized that something was wrong with the rope they were too late. The animal was dead and his neck had been stretched until it looked like that of a giraffe. His value was about \$800. The Museum of Natural History will get his body.

Most of the animals on reaching the garden appeared to recognize their old masters. Headkeeper Newman said the elephants entered with loud trumpeting and marched to their places almost without a word of command.

WEDDED ON A TOWER.

Ceremony for a Milwaukee Couple Performed on Top of Sky Scraper.

William Leermann and Miss Barbara Wolf were married on the topmost tower of the Pabst building at Milwaukee the other day. Justice Clarke performed the ceremony. F. L. Herwig and John Ellis being the witnesses. Soon after the couple reached Justice Clarke's office in the Pabst building, the groom said the bride and himself would like to have the ceremony performed in the tower. Permission being granted by the superintendent, the party took the elevator and rode to the thirteenth floor, thence climbed a spiral stairway of about 100 steps to the tower. This, however, did not seem to satisfy Mr. Leermann. He wanted to go higher, and the party again started to climb a narrow stairway.

The top reached, a small door was opened and the party found itself in the open air, 260 feet above the ground, on the balcony of the cupola, the second highest point in the city. The justice, groom and two witnesses were bare-headed, and while the ceremony was being performed all clung to the railing on the balcony with one hand, while in the other they held their hats. After the ceremony had been performed they returned to the office of the justice, where a picture of the bride and groom was presented to the justice. Mr. Clarke will place the picture on the wall of his office as a memento of the marriage. The ceremony was performed at the highest point above the ground that a marriage has ever been performed in the city. About a year ago Capt. Olson, of the steamer Escanaba, was married on the thirteenth floor of the building.

IMMIGRATION TO DAKOTA.

Nearly 8,000 Dunkards on Their Way to the Promised Land.

Nearly 8,000 Dunkards and Mennonites passed through St. Paul the other day en route to their new homes in North Dakota. This was the largest single movement of settlers ever seen in the northwest. About 95 per cent. of the entire party was composed of Dunkards and their families. They left in two special trains of two sections each over the Great Northern and Northern Pacific. Each company claimed the largest patronage. The Great Northern estimated that the special took 1,442 men, women and children, unquestionably the largest train load of settlers the world ever saw. This train consisted of 25 day coaches, five sleepers and five baggage cars. C. W. Mott, general immigration agent of the Northern Pacific, stated that his party resembled the Great Northern in most particulars, being composed almost entirely of Dunkards. They arrived in a more scattered condition than the Great Northern travelers, and so it was harder to estimate their numerical strength. The land department of the Northern Pacific claimed about 1,500.

STEEL BUILDING FOR JAPAN.

Carnegie Company Secures Contract for First Building of Kind There.

The Carnegie Steel company has captured the contract for the first fire-proof steel building ever erected in the empire of Japan. While the amount of the contract is comparatively a small matter, the importance lies in the fact that a new field has been opened for the output of American steel mills. Tamauki Yokokawa, a Japanese engineer and architect, has arrived in Pittsburgh to consult with the Carnegie company's engineer concerning details. The building is to cover an immense area but owing to the prevalence of earthquakes in Japan, will be built four stories high. It will be 150 by 235 feet, and is being built by Matsui & Co., of Tokyo, for office and mercantile purposes. About 1,500 tons of steel will enter into the structure. This will be shipped by way of New York, the first shipment to be loaded at New York on September 1. The material will be all prepared ready for erection, no workmen to be sent to Elgin. Linden prided himself on his sparring ability and in a discussion of the Corbett-Pitzammon fight put on the gloves with a friend to illustrate the knockout blow. The sparring began in a friendly manner, but both men became angry, and Linden's opponent, it is said, succeeded in hitting him upon the forehead. He fell to the floor unconscious and it was some time before he was revived.

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Lasantes as Artists.

Perhaps the most remarkable art exhibit in the world is that of the lunatics in the Ville-Evrard asylum in Paris. Most of the patients in the asylum have been painters or designers, and the physician in charge inaugurated a "salon" of their works. The effect on the minds of the patients is said to be excellent.

Batter and Chōdō in England.

There was a large increase last year in the farm produce imported to England. The increase in butter alone is estimated at over \$5,000,000, and of cheese a quarter of that sum.

Negro Empire White Clerks.

The largest store in Williamsburg, N. Y., is owned by a negro. He has nine clerks, all white.

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AMERICA'S SKY-SCRAPER

German Scientist Climbs and Measures Popocatepetl.

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Prof. R. Chevra Stiel, of Heidelberg, is in San Francisco on his way to Japan to study imports and exports and other matters especially relating to political economy. He will not leave, however, till April 20, and meantime will visit Yosemite and some other points of interest. The professor has been for some time in Mexico, examining the political and scientific features of the country. While there he ascended, after much difficulty, Mount Orizaba and Mount Popocatepetl.

"I ascended Popocatepetl during the middle of February," said the scientist, "and I reached the top of Orizaba March 10. I am the first German in 25 years who has climbed that mountain. I found by accurate observations that Popocatepetl was 19,333 feet high, and that the highpoint in North America, and that Orizaba was 17,728 feet high.

"By this trip I was able to prove that Orizaba, though very lofty, is not quite as high as Popocatepetl, which towers to the great altitude of 16,883 feet.

I have written a full account of my scientific observations and forwarded it to Germany."

OMAHA SEEKS AN AIRSHIP.

Remarkable Object Hovered Over Nebraska City at Night.

During the last six months an alleged airship has been observed floating in the heavens in different sections of Nebraska. For the last three nights it has been seen hovering over Omaha. The unusual occurrence has led to the opinion that the inventor of a real airship has been testing his machine in Nebraska preparatory to placing it before the public. The indications are that John O. Prest, of Douglas county, is the author of the mysterious machine, though he vigorously denies that such is the case. Prest occupies his time at his country residence near Omaha in experimenting with airships, constructing models, etc., and has been so engaged for the last ten years. Some time ago he told several persons that he would surprise the world with a working model in 1897.

There is no doubt that the light seen in different parts of the state is the same, since the descriptions by the persons who have seen it always agree. The light is about as large as a locomotive headlight, and seems to be turned up, down, right or left at the will of some human agency. Sometimes it is seen rushing through the air at a very high rate of speed, and often it is observed stationary or moving slowly through the heavens about half a mile high. The two times in the last week that the light had been seen at Omaha it disappeared near Omaha's home.

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Magnifique Résidence Simple en Bois.

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