

Crystal Palace AUCTION SALE

There is still a good selection of goods at this sale. Several pretty things for Christmas presents as well as kitchen ware. Days of sale—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, at 3.30 and 7.30 P. M.

WM. TURNER, Auctioneer.

A QUEEN MEMORIAL.

A Frenchwoman Erects a Bizarre Monument to Guy de Maupassant. Even when they are monuments the Parisians are odd folk. In one of the smaller parks of Paris has been erected a monument to the memory of Guy de Maupassant, the great master of the realist and impressionist school of fiction. It is thoroughly Parisian in conception, and probably pleases the people of the French capital. We should call it bizarre.

On a high pedestal is a bust of the author, which is quite conventional. But at the base of the shaft is the figure of a woman reclining on a couch and holding a book in her hand. It is not the figure of an ideal woman. She is a Parisienne of today, gowned in the mode, but according to the latest fashion, and with her hair done à la Meroda. So modern and lifelike is the figure that you can scarcely believe that it is of marble. There has been no artistic slurring in the treatment of her attire. The ruffles on the bottom of her underskirt are displayed with just that



MONUMENT TO GUY DE MAUPASSANT. The effect which they are meant to give, and her whole dress seems more like the creation of some swell modiste than the work of a sculptor.

It is said that the statue was erected by a woman admirer of Maupassant, who stipulated that a figure of herself should grace the monument. Hence the sculptor, in order to please his patroness, has made her stylish and good looking. She is in a reflective frame of mind, evidently and looks as though she might be thinking how disappointing it was that Maupassant was dead and could write no more entertaining stories.

The author of "Musotte," however, scarcely needs so striking a monument to save his name from oblivion, for although it is only a few years since he dropped the pen, and, after lingering for a short time in a madhouse, passed away altogether, his works have already become classics of French literature.

TOWN OVER A GOLD MINE.

The Ground Under Ballarat, in Australia, Has Yielded \$50,000,000. The richest gold mine in the world is located under the thriving town of Ballarat, Victoria, Australia. The town has about 25,000 inhabitants, nearly all of whom are employed in the mine. There are more than 100 miles of tunnels under the city, some of them being at a depth of 8,000 feet. The entrance to the mine, which is controlled by a corporation and is known as the Band, Barton and Albion councils, is outside the city.

The region around Ballarat has been dug over several times by miners. It was formerly covered by a dense forest, but the trees have been chopped down, and the mark of the miner's shovel and pick is visible on all sides. Not one of these workers struck pay dirt, and the work was all done in vain. The rock in which the gold is found beneath Ballarat is not rich in the yellow metal. It yields but half an ounce of

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WOMEN COUNTERFEITERS.

Every Gang Ever Arrested Had at Least One Female Member. Women have a weakness for counterfeiting. The first person ever executed for that crime was a woman. She was an English woman named Barbara Spencer, and was put to death in 1721 for making false shillings. She was strangled and burned at the stake. Curiously enough, her accomplices were acquitted.

Nancy Kidd was one of the most remarkable female counterfeiters ever known in this country. She carried on her nefarious trade for more than 30 years in Chicago, and was arrested there many times. On one of these occasions a lot of fiber paper was discovered on her person.

The government officials were completely at a loss to know how she had obtained this. Finally she confessed that a chemical solution had been used to wash the faces of the notes and make them perfectly clean. Thus she was in the habit of taking one-dollar bills and changing them into large denominations.

One of the cleverest tricks ever played on Uncle Sam was invented by a woman who lived in Philadelphia. Her plan was to take \$10 and \$20 gold pieces, and with a small drill worked by steam power to bore out the insides and then refill them with some base metal, being very careful that they should weigh exactly the right amount when she had finished.

In this way she made \$7.50 on every eagle and about \$16 on every double eagle.

Women teach their husbands how to make false money. This is what happened when Ben Boyd married Mary Ackerman, of Indiana. Her father was one of the most successful counterfeiters of his day, and his daughter had a thorough acquaintance with the art. Mrs. Boyd carefully taught her husband all the secrets of the trade, and he became one of the most famous forgers of the age.

They carried on the business with such a high degree of skill that they were not captured for years, and, when at last the secret service Hawks had run them down, not a single counterfeit plate, note or coin was found in their possession. When their house was searched \$8,000 in good money was found.

Afterward sufficient evidence was secured to convict them and they were sent to prison. They both claimed to be converted while in state prison, and after their release settled in Chicago, where they apparently lived an honest life.

Practically every gang of counterfeiters ever arrested has had women associates. In the office of the secret service in Washington there is a large frame four feet square, filled with the photographs of women who have either made or passed false money. Men almost always employ their wives or daughters for the purpose of "showing" their counterfeiters.—Washington Post.

LAND IN ALASKA.

Crops May Be Grown in a Limited Way and Live Stock Will Thrive.

Dr. Evans and Benton Killin, commissioners appointed to investigate the agricultural possibilities of Alaska, have submitted their reports to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson. The reports agree that while comparatively little agriculture exists there it is possible that enough of certain crops and animals may be grown to sustain a considerable population, provided proper methods are pursued. While Director True, of the division of experiment stations, does not regard as feasible the establishment of agricultural experiment stations there, he believes that experiments may be carried on in a number of lines with great success. The two commissioners spent three months investigating the southern coast region of Alaska. The reports say cultivated areas in Alaska are confined to small kitchen gardens, in which are grown many of our earlier and hardier vegetables. Stock raising is carried on to a very limited extent. The possible extension of the pasturage and gardening area is quite considerable. Estimates are made of an expense of \$200 per acre in preparing the soil for cultivation. What agriculture there will be in Alaska will be subsidiary to fishing and other industries, according to Mr. Killin's separate report. Fishermen will locate on Alaska lands and make homes. At the present ratio Mr. Killin says the salmon will soon be destroyed. They are being fished for in the spawning waters to such an extent that they have no opportunity to propagate. Halibut, cod and herring will last forever. Timber will not go into the market until the yellow fir or Douglas pine of the Pacific coast is exhausted, as it is superior to the Alaskan spruce or hemlock.

As fast as the timber is taken off small fruits and green vegetables can be grown, and grass will be furnished for the domestic animals. Grasses grow to great perfection. Little was seen of the cultivation of cereals and small fruits and berries abound, though practically no attention is paid to their cultivation.

As to the country from the southern boundary to Kodiak and Long islands and from the Pacific to the coast or Alaskan mountains, the climate is extremely wet, but not cold; winters are very long, and the feeding period will be at least seven months. The cereals will not ripen and the vegetables will not mature.—Chicago Tribune.

Costly Suits Over Trifles. A hog out in Missouri caused a litigant a loss of \$4,000 in costs. Now a Nebraska man has had to pay \$200 for a ten-dollar horse. Such cases are very old. Lady Anne Clifford used to assess her tenants for contributions of chickens. One tenant refused to send a hen and was sued. Lady Anne got the hen, but it cost her over \$200.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

SOMETHING TO KNOW.

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By virtue of an execution issued from the superior court of Buncombe county on the judgment of Cotrell Watkins and Company assigned to Levi Hamlin, agent, plaintiffs against J. B. Bosche, defendant, which execution is returnable to the next term of the superior court of said county and which is addressed to the undersigned sheriff of said county, the undersigned has hereinafter described and will sell the same at public auction for cash at 12 o'clock m., on Wednesday, 8th day of December, 1897, at the county court house door in the city of Asheville; said real estate is situated in the said county of Buncombe and is bounded and described as follows: Beginning at Col. Long's northwest corner, a stake 16 feet north 26 west from his spring, and runs thence with Col. Long's line south 30 degrees west 128.5 feet to a stake; thence south 72 degrees 30 minutes west 46.4 feet to a stake; thence south 22 degrees 35 minutes west 129 feet, crossing the railroad track to a white oak at the west end of an old dam, Col. Long's corner; thence north 4 degrees east 188 feet to a stake on the south edge of Lookout Mountain road; thence with the margin of

said road the following course, and distances: North 66 degrees 10 minutes east 60 feet; thence north 23 degrees 10 minutes east 220.3 feet to a stake; thence south 43 degrees 50 minutes east 57 feet to a stake; thence south 53 degrees 50 minutes east 64.45 feet crossing a small branch to a stake in Col. Long's north line; thence with his line crossing the branch north 53 degrees 12 minutes west 115 feet to the beginning. Also lots 25 and 26 of the plat which is registered in the register's office of Buncombe county in book 71 of deeds, page 496—to which reference is hereby made for further particulars. This November 2, 1897. W. M. WORLEY, Sheriff. By Chas. D. McDonald, D. S. 229-wed-4t

NOTICE.

By virtue of an execution issued from the superior court of Buncombe county on the judgment in which Silliger and Newman and W. W. Jones are plaintiffs against J. B. Bosche, defendant, which execution is returnable to the next term of the superior court for said county and which is addressed to the undersigned sheriff of said county, the undersigned has hereinafter described and will sell the same at public auction for cash at 12 o'clock m., on Wednesday, 8th day of December, 1897, at the county court house door in the city of Asheville; said real estate is situated in the said county of Buncombe and is bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stake at the corner of Bennett and North Main streets in the city of Asheville and runs south 14 degrees 35 minutes east 29.2 feet to a stake in the margin of North Main; thence north 38 degrees 04 minutes east 70 feet to a stake; thence north 53 degrees 04 minutes east 35 feet in the margin of Bennett street thence with the said margin south 53 degrees 45 minutes west 87.1 feet to the beginning. Also lots 2 and 3 of a plat of Buncombe county in book 71 of deeds, page 496—to which reference is hereby made for further and fuller description. This November 2, 1897. W. M. WORLEY, Sheriff. By Chas. McDonald, D. S. 229-wed-4t

NOTICE.

By virtue of the power conferred in a deed of trust executed on the 15th day of March, 1897, by John B. Whiteside and Mary E. Whiteside conveying to me as trustee the hereinafter described land to secure the payment of certain notes to the Hickory Manufacturing company, and the said John B. Whiteside and Mary E. Whiteside having failed to make payment of said notes as agreed upon, I will on the 8th day of December, 1897, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the court house door in the city of Asheville, sell at public auction for cash the following described land situate in the county of Buncombe, city of Asheville, adjoining the lands of J. J. Mackey, J. W. Anderson and others described as follows: Beginning at a stake on the south side of Seney street at the northeast corner of J. J. Mackey's lot and running thence with the south side of Seney street west 64 degrees 57 feet, to J. W. Anderson's corner; thence east 151 feet, to a stake; thence south 68 degrees west 60 feet, to a stake; thence south 52 degrees west, and with J. J. Mackey's line 161 feet, to the beginning; said land being fully described in the above mentioned deed of trust registered in the office of the register of deeds of Buncombe county in book 34, page 592. This November 2, 1897. A. L. MELTON, Trustee.

NOTICE.

By virtue of authority conferred on me as commissioner in a proceeding entitled W. T. Clinton, administrator of Joseph Brank, deceased, vs. Thomas Wagoner, guardian of Alexander Brank, et al minors, by an order of sale made in said cause on the 26th day of November, 1897, by J. L. Cathey, clerk superior court of Buncombe county, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, at the court house door in the city of Asheville, N. C., on the 27th day of December, 1897, the following described tract of land, lying and being in the township of Reems creek, in the county of Buncombe, state of North Carolina, four miles east of Weaverville, adjoining the lands of Elizabeth Hemphill, John Hemphill and others, and known as the old Fox home place, containing one hundred acres, more or less; being the property and tract bought by Joseph Brank deceased, from Robert Craig, deed to which is recorded in office of register of deeds for Buncombe county in book No. 100, at page 462. This November 26th, 1897. W. T. CLINTON, Commissioner. 250ev-sat-dec27

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