

# THE SENTINEL

UNSEEN.

At the spring of an arch in the great north tower,  
High up on the wall, is an angel's head,  
And to match it is a carnal lily flower,  
With delicate wings set aside outspread.

They say that the sculptor wrought from the  
face  
Of his youth's lost love, of his unloved bride,  
And when he had aded the last sad grace  
To the features, he dropped his chisel and died.

And the worshippers throng to the shrine below,  
As the sight seems come with their curious eyes.  
Deep in the shadow, where none may know  
But the secret of the heart, there falls a ray  
Through an amber pane on the angel's face.

Yet at early morn on a midsummer's day,  
When the sun is far to the north, for the  
space of four minutes there falls a ray  
Through an amber pane on the angel's face.

It was wrought for the eye of God, and it  
seems  
That he blesses the work of the dead man's hand.

With the ray of the golden light that streams  
On the lost that are found in the deathless land.

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## PERSONAL.

W. J. Florence has gone abroad.  
Prof. Tyndall thinks Niagara no  
great shakes.

Agassiz will complete his sixty-sixth  
year on May 28. He has been in this  
country since 1846.

Minister Bancroft horrifies circumspect  
Brother Jonathans in Berlin by holding  
his receptions on Sunday evening.

The Prince of Wales is believed from  
his frequent attendance at the House of  
Lords to be taking a course of political  
training.

Hon. Jas. B. Hawley, of Illinois, and  
Hon. Jerry W. Hazleton, of Wisconsin,  
are among the glorious few who have re-  
fused the bays.

The antiquarian, Edwin Trotz, in Par-  
is, has lately obtained one of the rarest liter-  
ature curiosities, a heretofore unknown  
copy, and a splendid one, of the Edito  
Principes of Horace printed on parchment.

Dr. Vaughan, Roman Catholic Bishop of  
Salisbury, lately delivered a remarkable ad-  
monition in Rome in eulogy of the Irish as "an  
apostolic race," set apart by Providence to  
do the missionary work of the Church.

The Grand Cross of the Order of Saint  
Jacques, conferred by the King of Portugal  
on M. Thiers, is the twenty-fifth order  
already given to M. Thiers, and, as the  
figurine remarks, if he wished to wear them  
all in their regular size, he would be  
obliged to put half of them on the back  
of his coat.

THE DANGER OF THE REPUBLIC.  
(From Mr. Schurz's speech in the Senate,  
March 14, on the Caldwell case.)

Do we not see and understand what is  
going on around us? What is it that at-  
tracts to the capital of the nation that  
herd of monopolists and speculators and  
their agents, who so assiduously lay con-  
scious of those who are to give to the  
country its laws? What is it that fills  
the lobbies of these halls with the atmos-  
phere of temptation? What is it that  
brings forth such melancholy, such de-  
plorable exhibitions as the American peo-  
ple have been beholding this winter, and  
which we could only have been but too  
glad to hide from the eyes of the world  
abroad? It is that policy which uses the  
power of this great Government for the  
benefit of favored interests; that policy  
which takes money out of the pockets  
of the people to put it into the pockets of  
a few; that policy which in every coun-  
try where it prevails has poisoned the  
very fountains of legislation. Do you  
think that the consequences can be differ-  
ent here? Are not your great railroad  
kings and monopolists boasting that they  
can buy whole State Legislatures to do  
their bidding? Have we not seen some  
of them staking around this very cap-  
itol like the sovereign lords of creation?  
Are not some of them vaunting them-  
selves ready that they have made and  
can make profitable investments in Con-  
gressional and United States Senatorial  
offices? Have we not observed the charming cat-  
chiness of their operations and the breadth  
of their cosmopolitanism, as shown before  
the Credit Mobilier Committee of the  
House, when Mr. Durant said that he did  
not care whether the man he supported  
for election was a republican or democrat,  
provided he was a good man? And now,  
if you let them know that a man who has  
purchased his seat here, or for whom it  
has been purchased, with money, will be  
secure to the enjoyment of his property as  
bought, I ask you, will not their enter-  
prise be limited only to their desires? And will not their rapacious desires, from  
which the country has already suffered so  
much pecuniarily and morally, go with  
their opportunities? As long as such  
evils are permitted to exist, these Repub-  
licans, and nothing but the most unfeeling  
resistance can check them. Such is  
our condition. Every body sees and feels it.

It is time that we should face the  
dangers which threaten this Republic. It has  
no monarchical traditions, no pretenders  
of historic right to disturb its repose and  
plot its overthrow. It is not likely to suc-  
cumb to the shock of force. But there  
have been Republics whose original Con-  
stitution was as healthy as ours, but which  
died, after all, of the slower disease of cor-  
ruption and demoralization, and that decay  
of constitutional life and anarchy of  
power which always go hand in hand with  
them. It is time for us to keep in mind  
that it requires more to pack and preserve  
a Republic than the mere shadow of a  
king, and when a Republic decays its soul  
is apt to die first, while its outward frame  
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