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EASTER MORN HE IS RISEN



ONE OF THE MOST NOTED PICTURES OF THE RESURRECTION. From the painting by Ploekhorst.

White Lot their Mecca How Little Washingtonians Disport Themselves on Easter Monday.

Of all the days in the year there is none more dear to the hearts of the children of Washington City than the day after Easter. For days before it comes there are joyful anticipations and many conferences among friends, as well as hopes and fear regarding the weather. Usually there is not much to be feared from inclement weather, as at that season the little ones have their hearts' desire, the "weather man" seemingly being on their side. There are venturesome ones who would go anyway, and these are easy in their minds, but the ones who would have to stay at home were the weather unfavorable eagerly scan the sky at night and ask many times what the probabilities are for the morning.

When the auspicious morning dawn sparks eyes are wide open to greet its first appearance, and then there is a kind of repressed impatience until the time comes to start for their Mecca—the "White Lot." As in the olden time it was said that "All roads led to Rome," so at this time it can be truly said that all streets, avenues and cars lead to the "White Lot."

From early morning until the shadows of declining day warn all that night is near there is a constant stream of men, women and children, of all shades, and all conditions in life, with their happy faces set in one direction. All are happy, and all are equal on this one day at least. There are no poor at this time—every child has a mine of wealth untold in the basket or box he carries. No matter what his circumstances at other times, now he has what every other child has—dyed eggs to roll over the velvet slopes of the President's back yard.



By J. Beraud.

IN THE PRESIDENT'S BACK YARD
It is an ideal spot where the annual festival is held. In the days when the south side of the Executive Mansion was the front this was the lawn over which rolled stately carriages, or where men might in the affairs of the Nation took a stroll if they chose. Now that the entrance is on the opposite side, this lawn is seldom used, except in the summer, when the concerts are given by the Marine Band.

It is just the place for egg-rolling. There are lovely grassy knolls, closely mown green slopes, giant old oaks, rising their stately heads far above the surrounding piles of brick and stone, spashing fountain, over the rims of which the light-hearted children look at their mirrored faces, and flowers in abundance everywhere.

The children sit or stand in squads, as suits their convenience, and the gayly-colored eggs are started on their downward course, turning over and over and gaining momentum with each revolution, until they reach the bottom in safety, or, having struck another in its downward flight, is broken or dashed to pieces.

Over on the west side, opposite the War, State and Navy building, there is a study in brown—or, rather in black and white—for there are gathered all shades of the most rollicking, happiest, laughing, chattering members of humanity to be found in all the world. They come and go on the lawn in small groups or singly, but the majority seem to have sought out this long, shady slope, and appropriated it as their own, and here they play unmolested.

It is an orderly crowd, and this is to be wondered at when it is taken into consideration that not less than fifteen thousand children spend the day together.

Policemen find that there is nothing to do but watch the sport. It is seldom that a tiny tot is lost. Sometimes one strays away, but he is soon restored to his anxious guardian. Parents and nurses accompany the majority of the little ones, and they, too, enter into the pleasures of the day with a vim, and get out of them much enjoyment.

THE CROWNING JOY.
The crowning joy is when the Marine Band, dressed in scarlet coats, which seem to vie with the gayly-colored tulips nodding in their beds close by, strikes up a popular air and continues to play until the time to go home.

When the strains of "Hail to the Chief" are heard it is the signal for wild and enthusiastic cheering, for all know that the Chief Magistrate of the Nation has come out on the portico to watch the children. He is usually accompanied by his wife and a number of his official family. The children are made happy by nods, smiles and friendly recognition with a wave of the hand.

At last "The Star Spangled Banner" is struck up, and the children know that their happy day is at an end, for that is the last number played, and is the signal to disperse.

Ceremonies of the Greek Church.
It is perhaps in the Greek Church that the Easter ceremonies are most magnificent. On Good Friday the Church clothes itself in sackcloth and ashes. Black is everywhere displayed, and lights are put out and bells

LAST GINNERS' REPORT

10,031,000 Bales Ginned to End of 1909-10 Season.
Linters Will Amount to 255,000 Bales—Texas Leads With 2,476,000; Georgia is Second With 1,838,000

Memphis, Tenn.—The report of the National Ginnners' Association issued here shows that 10,031,000 bales of cotton, not including linters, which will amount to about 255,000 bales, were ginned to the end of the season of 1909-10.

THE STRIKE SITUATION.
No End in Sight in Different Labor Troubles.
Philadelphia, Pa.—Although several conferences were held by the intermediaries interested in securing a settlement of the strike against the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, the officials of the company and the leaders of the strikers appear to be as far from reaching an agreement as when the men left the cars almost a month ago.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Mediation proceedings to avert the threatened switchmen's strike west of the Mississippi river were begun by Messrs. Knapp and Neill of the interstate commerce commission.

IRISH SOIL STOLEN.
There Was No "Ould Sod" Left for President Taft.

Chicago, Ill.—The true inwardness of why President Taft did not stop on a piece of the "ould sod" at the St. Patrick's banquet is something of a mystery. In any event, the sod for the most part had disappeared, carried away, it is alleged, by souvenir hunters.

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Another Antarctic Expedition.
London, England.—Lieutenant Shackleton has his plans for another Antarctic expedition in 1911 well advanced.

ICE AT WAYCROSS.
Waycross, Ga.—The cold snap resulted in a heavy frost for two nights in succession with thin ice.

CHOLERA BACTERIA FOUND.
St. Petersburg, Russia.—Cholera bacteria have been found again in the city water supply.

\$100 PER HEAD PAID FOR CATTLE.
Fort Worth, Texas.—One hundred dollars per head was paid here for a herd of 450 Oklahoma fed beef cattle.

CENSUS PROCLAMATION.

President Taft Issues an Address to the People to Assist the Enumerators.
Washington, D. C.—President Taft in a proclamation issued urges everybody throughout the United States to answer promptly, completely and accurately all inquiries addressed to them by the enumerators or other employees, who will be engaged in the taking of the thirteenth decennial census.

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SPEAKER SHORN OF POWER

Hurled From Lofty Position Last Saturday

Washington, D. C., Special.—The house of representatives by a vote of 182 to 160 repudiated Speaker Cannon and his committee. By this unexpected large majority it overruled his decision and insisted upon considering the resolution of Norris, of Nebraska, providing for a re-organization of the committee of rules with the speaker eliminated.

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