

EUROPEAN LETTERS.

THE LAND THAT REMARKS RULES WITH IRON HAND.

The scenery of the Rhine like that along the French Broad-German Schemes to Relieve the Traveller of His Mischance.

Editor Citizen:—A sail up the Rhine, which we fully enjoyed on yesterday, is a thing long to be remembered.

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Naturally the most interesting is the intermediate section, and never have we experienced anything so charming, entirely differing from any other of the rivers in the world, as this obnoxious scene passed away.

Every point of rocks, however precipitous, is crowned with some old fortification, of which the guide books give us the hard German names, and some legend, which makes us wish that they had made delightful for some Sir Walter Scott.

Many of the ruins are of vast dimensions, and their rugged walls covered with most exquisite ivy, which at a distance seemed to resemble the famous Kenilworth. Some had been partly restored and occupied, which filled us with envy for their fortunate owners.

To our unpoetical train of mind, not by any means the least interesting feature, was the Vinelud mountain, literally vine-cled from the lofty summit to the very water's edge, and far the most part so steep that the beds, or spaces, had to be prepared by blasting out the solid rock and building up stone walls to support a small bed of gravel, in which the grapes were tilled.

We noticed that the numerous little beds seemed covered with vines of various ages, and a friend explained this by saying that instead of plucking only the bunches of grapes, the pickers pull up the whole vines, carry them to their houses, separate and stone the grapes, which are turned into the wine vats, and return the seed to the soil, fertilized by the manure of the vines.

The manufacture of wine is certainly the leading industry, and it is more difficult to procure drinkable water than good wine, although the price of the latter is higher than we expected; perhaps it may be cheaper for the residents, and only the ordinary fleecing of a traveler, providing him no decent water, and forcing the purchase of wine at an exorbitant price.

The nuisance of no soap, no lights, except dim candles, is very great, more especially the former. We must either put up our soap immediately after washing, white wet and soil, or buy a new piece at each hotel. We have caught on to the candles, by quietly carrying away those that we have paid for, and supplying our own light afterwards, and having our bills docked accordingly.

The bills will always allow inspection, which generally discloses only the errors, always on the side of the landlord, either in computation, addition or items. And the rascals do not seem at all mortified when their attention is drawn to it, but promptly make the correction with an impudent shrug of the shoulders.

Another scheme of the rascals is to be induced to render your bill over night, but withhold it until the omnibus is at the door, and you are hurried to catch the train or boat, thinking you will not have time to inspect it. In this way we came near being left behind by our party at Cologne, but we had nerve enough for the occasion, and gained the receding boat, after accomplishing a considerable reduction.

As regards the politics of this section, we of course can give you no news, but are impressed with an apparent disposition towards war, and a settled hatred for the French. Soldiers and fortifications on all sides are a blur on what would otherwise be a charmingly beautiful country.

While we can scarcely think that in this enlightened age the world will again be disgraced by a war between two nations calling themselves Christians, we would gladly see an atmosphere of "peace good will" pervading the people, which would be the best safeguard against the horrors of the dark ages being repeated.

CHANGED HIS PLANS.

The President will Stop a Day in Porkopolis.

DEER PARK, August 19.—President Harrison has somewhat changed the plan of his trip West, intending to stop in Cincinnati before, instead of after, his visit to Indianapolis. A sub-committee of the Cincinnati chamber of commerce waited upon the President this morning, and he promised to attend a reception to be given Wednesday at 12.30 p. m., in the new chamber of commerce building, and to pay a short call at the Builders' Exchange. President Harrison will be at the Gibson house in the morning and receive calls from 9 to 11 o'clock. The President will leave here Tuesday night, and arrive in Cincinnati at 7 a. m. Wednesday, and take a special train about 4 p. m., on the Big Rock. Secretary Rusk, United States Marshal of the District of Columbia Ransdell, and private secretary Halford will accompany him. The committee, which waited on the President, consisted of Theo. Cook, Jas. R. Brown, O. L. Peervine, L. R. Kick, B. H. Cox, and J. M. Haller. They are highly elated at the success of their mission.

The President spent Sunday quietly. In the morning he went to the little chapel of the hotel with Senator Davis, and listened to a sermon based on the parable of the fig tree. The minister spoke of the worthlessness of the lives of those whose aims are selfish, and how they became unhappy, forgotten and friendless, while those who live and act for humanity never lose interest in life. Private Secretary Halford's daughter sang a solo, the "Letter Land," during service. The President's old law partner, Attorney General Miller, and Lawyer Flam, met him after service. After dinner the President took a mile walk in the mountains, enjoying the scenery. Mrs. Harrison remained at home all day, resting from her journey from Nantucket.

Saratoga Races.

SARATOGA, N. Y., August 19.—First race—five furlongs: Objection won, Lady Pulsifer second, Lucan third. Time 1.04 1/2. Second race—five furlongs: Deer Lodge and Boccacio finished head and head but pocketed Harrison who came first in last furlong. Time 1.03 1/2. Third race—mile and one-sixteenth: Iron Princess won, Duke of Highlands second, King Crab third. Time 1.48 1/2. Fourth race—four furlongs: Rainbow won, Major Tom second, Nannie P. third. Time 1.11 1/2. Fifth race—six furlongs: Ben Harrison won, Gypsy second, Bonita third. Time 1.11 1/2. Sixth race—one mile: Fonsie won, Mirth second, Redlight third. Time 1.43 1/2.

Speaker Carlisle in Mexico.

ST. LOUIS, August 19.—A despatch from the city of Mexico says the Hon. John G. Carlisle and wife accompanied by United States minister Bryan, left here for Mexico Saturday night, where they will be given a reception by Governor Casasa, of the State of Jalisco. Saturday afternoon the Secretary of the Interior, Romero Rubio, gave a dinner at Tacubaya, at what Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle and a friend explained to us by saying that instead of plucking only the bunches of grapes, the pickers pull up the whole vines, carry them to their houses, separate and stone the grapes, which are turned into the wine vats, and return the seed to the soil, fertilized by the manure of the vines.

Reunion of Tar Heels.

Baltimore, Md. There is to be a grand reunion of native North Carolinians, now resident in other States, at Raleigh at the time of the Southern industrial display and State fair, which begins Oct. 14, and continues for five days. The lowest possible rates have been furnished by the railroads, and there will be no obstacle in the way of those who wish to revisit the old scenes and renew the tender associations of past years. The sons of North Carolina are scattered all over the country, and many of them have won distinction in the various avocations of life and reflect credit on their native State. Even Connecticut's favorite son, Gen. Joseph R. Hawley, is proud to claim North Carolina as the State of his nativity, and will doubtless figure conspicuously at the coming reunion. It will doubtless prove a most pleasant affair.

Attempt at Train Wrecking.

VINCENNES, Ind., August 19.—A most atrocious attempt at train wrecking is reported on the North-Eastern and Richmond Railroad, about four miles out of Ogden. Some miscreant had placed a lot of rails on the track with the intention of wrecking the first train that came along. Several persons of the town of Ogden borrowed a hand car to go to Elmira on a visit, and were going over the railroad at a terrible rate when the car struck the obstruction, knocking the light structure into the air and throwing the passengers in every direction. The attempt at wrecking was thus averted. They were all more or less injured.

Baseball Yesterday.

At Louisville—Louisville 8, Brooklyn 9. At Indianapolis—Indianapolis 3, Chicago 10. At Cleveland—Cleveland 3, Pittsburgh 4. At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 14, Boston 4. At New York—Called on account of darkness. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 3, Columbus 4.

Sale of Coal and Iron Works.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., August 19.—The Brierfield Coal and Iron company was sold to-day under order of the United States circuit court, for \$900,000. The bids were made by J. Peters, trustee, J. L. Lusk and Thos. F. Peters, trustees, and the purchaser is the bondholders. The plant is situated in Bibb county, and consists of furnace, nailery, and thirty-two thousand acres of coal and iron lands. Several creditors gave notice of appeal from the decree of the court.

Resumption of Work.

LANCASTER, Pa., August 19.—The Pennsylvania iron company of this city resumed work this morning, after eighteen weeks illness. Employment given to 250 men.

Jail Delivery.

LYNCHBURG, August 19.—Two negroes named T. F. Allen and John Carter escaped from jail here yesterday evening by knocking the jail door down. One was recaptured, but the other is still at large.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 19.—Indications for North Carolina—Fair weather; stationary, southerly winds.

OVER AT HOT SPRINGS.

Brilliant Performance of an Amusing Farce.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT TO THE CITIZEN. HOT SPRINGS, N. C., August 18. Last night the much talked of dramatic entertainment given in the large hall room, in a manner which might have surprised Mr. W. D. Howells, the author of that delightful farce known throughout the length and breadth of the land as "The Mouse Trap," was well written, one-act farce depicts the mortal terror of half a dozen ladies who meet socially in the drawing room of one of their "set," over the supposed presence of a mouse. A gentleman caller, having, in a spirit of fun, convinced the hostess, his fiancée, that there was a mouse in the room, simply to test the physical courage of women, as a means of arriving at the conclusion of an argument then taking place between them, that women are braver than men. The use of this supposed presence of a mouse succeeded only too well. The lady callers, in their anxiety to escape the supposed mouse jump upon tables and chairs. The maid is overcome in the discharge of her duties, mounts a chair, while the charming hostess loses her courage completely and most studiously refuses the safe retreat of a most comfortable chair. Finally, her guest escapes from the room alive amid an uproar, and such a terrific series of feminine shrieks as might have scared a lion. The gentleman callers energetically, entreating his betrothed to leave her perch on the chair. At last, after much amusing dialogue between the wrought-up couple, the hostess, Mrs. Amy Somers, permits her young man, Mr. Willis Campbell, to carry her out of the room, as the curtain falls.

Another New Party.

North Carolina Negroes Dissatisfied With the Administration. CHARLOTTE, N. C., August 19.—In obedience to a call issued sometime ago, about six hundred negroes gathered here Saturday, the purpose being to organize a black man's party for the coming year. The speakers charged that Harrison's policy was to give all good places to the white men and the colored brethren had to play second fiddle to everything.

The Roman Catholic Centennial.

BALTIMORE, August 19.—Answers to invitations to the centennial of the Catholic hierarchy to be held in Baltimore, November 10th, and succeeding days, indicate a very large attendance. Fully fifty of the bishops of the United States will be present. Cardinal Tascheran, archbishop of Quebec, has sent a very cordial acceptance. A number of Canadian archbishops and bishops will also be present. An unprecedented feature of the occasion will be the probable attendance of a delegation from Rome, headed by a prelate holding a high rank in the Propaganda. A delegation of distinguished laymen from the Pacific slope have sent letters requesting that seats be reserved.

Sullivan Goes Home.

PITTSBURGH, August 19.—John L. Sullivan and party passed through Pittsburgh on the limited this morning early. Sullivan was sleeping, and Matthew Clune would not allow him to be disturbed. Clune said it was true they were going to form a combination, and Kilrain would probably be in the company.

Assignment of Wagon Works.

RICHMOND, Va., August 19.—Richard Frey, proprietor of the Richmond Wagon Works, made an assignment to-day. Liabilities \$6,000. Assets not stated.

Bible Society Notice.

Members of the Executive Committee of the Buncombe County Bible Society are requested to meet in the basement of the Presbyterian church, on Monday evening next, at 8 o'clock. Rev. Thos. H. Law, superintendent of the American Bible Society, for this district, will be present. T. C. SMITH, President.

Progressive Euchre.

The Misses Potter, of Wilmington, will give a progressive euchre party to a select number of friends in the parlors of the Battery Park hotel this evening. The affair will be recherche.

Illness of John E. Tucker.

LEXINGTON, Va., August 19.—Hon. John Randolph Tucker, ex-member of Congress, is reported to be very ill tonight. His family fear a serious change.

Read what C. D. Blanton & Co., talk about in this morning's CITIZEN.

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According to the order of the Episcopal church in the United States, the Bishop was received at the entrance of the church by church wardens and vestrymen of Trinity, and accompanied by them and the clergy present proceeded up the aisle, repeating alternately the 24th psalm. The Bishop then took his seat within the chancel rail accompanied by the clergy, and when so seated, Mr. Laurence Pulliam, senior warden, read and presented the formal instruments of donation of the church building to the sole uses to the service of Almighty God, through the head of the diocese. The Bishop then, with fine voice and impressive manner, received the donation and then offered up a prayer, followed by the prescribed invocations for the full and proper uses of the donation.

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AN EARLY MORNING FIRE AND ITS WORK.

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NEW YORK, August 19.—Early this morning a fire broke out in the kitchen of the big five story tenement at 355, Seventh avenue. Nine out of sixty odd occupants lost their lives, and it is a great wonder that many more did not perish. The dead are: William Glennier, aged sixty years, burned to death; Nellie Nichalegan, aged twenty years, smothered; Mary Wells, aged thirty-one years, smothered; Thomas Wells, aged forty years, smothered; Bertha Jastig, aged forty years, burned to death; William Moke, aged forty-seven years, burned to death; Jane Jeffrey, aged sixty-five years, smothered; an unknown woman, aged sixty-five years, smothered. List of the injured: William Glennier, aged eighteen, badly burned; John Glennier, badly burned and injured. The building was occupied by thirteen families, who have been made temporarily homeless by the fire. The flames did not do much damage to the various apartments, but burned out their strength in the hallways. The loss will not amount to more than \$10,000. The fire originated in the rear of John Snyder's restaurant, and at an hour when all the people in the house were sleeping soundly. How the fire started is as yet a mystery; but as the restaurant cook is missing, it is fair to presume that the accident occurred while he was making a fire on the range. The awful speed with which the flames swept through the building, suggests the use of kerosene by the cook. The door leading from the kitchen to the hall was found open, and a great volume of fire rolled into the passage, and swept up the stairway so rapidly that families living on the first floor must inevitably have perished without even so much as warning. But it so happened that the rooms directly over the restaurant were unoccupied on account of the heat, which seemed to sit through the floor from the range underneath. Less than half a day ago, on the corner of 28th street and the avenue stood policemen Warner and McCullough, of 30th street station. They received warning from the cry of pain which came from the building, and looking in the direction from whence it came, saw a wall of fire leaping against the sky, on the corner of 28th street and the avenue stood policemen Warner and McCullough, of 30th street station.

AN IMPRESSIVE SERVICE.

Dedication of Trinity—Episcopal—Church Sunday.

This building, one of the finest church edifices in the city, has been finished and used for a number of years. A debt, connected with its construction, hung over it, which was not fully extinguished until recently. Until so extinguished, it could not be solemnly dedicated to its sacred uses. On Sunday last, being at length from all encumbrance, advantage was taken of the presence here of Bishop Lyman on his annual visitation to perform the formal act of dedication. The occasion was an unusual and a very interesting one, and the remarkably bright and pleasant day attracted an unusual throng to witness the ceremonial; which attended by little of show or pomp, was one of solemn dignity and impressive ritual. Every pew was filled, and the aisles were filled by those for whom seats were provided; and all waited anxiously for the opening of the ceremony.

FOLKS YOU KNOW.

Who They Are; Where They Are, and What They Are Doing.

Clarence Ray has gone to Paris, Tenn. District Attorney Chas. Price, of Salisbury, is here. C. C. Maingan, London, England, is at the Battery Park. Mayor Thos. W. Glover, of Marietta, Ga., is at the Battery Park. Rev. W. H. Osborne, of Jonesboro, Tennessee, is here on a visit to friends and relatives. Judge David Schenck, of Greensboro, and A. J. Cooke, of Raleigh, are at the Battery Park. Capt. K. S. Tupper, one of Charleston's most prominent and influential citizens, is here for a few days. Dr. W. F. Ross, resident physician at the Mountain Park hotel, Hot Springs, was here yesterday. W. R. Burgess, Greensboro, and H. Fairley, wife and child, of Laurinburg, are at the Swannanoa. Capt. Harry Jackson, of Atlanta, Mr. Patrick Calhoun, second in the late duel "across the line," was here yesterday. Dr. J. Wardlaw Pelham left yesterday for Philadelphia to resume his duties as staff surgeon in the Philadelphia