IN accordance with our usual custom the January number of the Monumental News will be monumental in every sense of the word. Holiday numbers are as common among trade journals nowadays as they are in any other class publications, and something unusually attractive is looked for by readers, while advertisers realize the appropriateness of making New Year announcements at this time. We aim to have every person in any way identified with the manufacture or sale of monumental work receive a copy of the issue, which of necessity makes the circulation an extraordinarily large one and the opportunity of addressing such a great number of readers an unusually attractive one for advertisers.

MARBLE and granite dealers from all parts of the country are invited to take part in the conference of dealers to be held at Indianapolis on January 1st. and 2nd., 1894. An excellent program has been prepared and will be found on another page. Let all who can, get together at the appointed time and discuss these all important matters. The first of the new year will be a most appropriate time to start in with some vigorous resolutions in the way of needed reform.

THE claim of St. Cloud, Minn., to the proud title of the Granite City of the West, is likely soon to be realized. The forty or more quarries adjoining the town are to be connected with the Great Northern railroad by a spur track two and one-half miles in length which the city proposes to build through the quarry district. Vast possibilities in the development of the large beds of fine granite near St. Cloud are thus to be opened up. One plant alone that is promised on the strength of this movement will employ from 75 to 200 men and it is estimated that it will bring $75,000 annually into St. Cloud. The St. Cloud granite has been used chiefly heretofore for building purposes, but some of the specimens shown at the World's Fair were of excellent quality, and evidently adapted for sculptural work.

THE women are said to be employed in the polishing department of a Cincinnati marble concern. This innovation was brought about as a result of the strike of marble polishers last year. The company resisted the demands of the men and
hired non-unionists in their places, but this experiment proving unsatisfactory they determined to employ women for polishing and finishing. In conversation with a gentleman who visited the factory the employee who escorted him through said that women had proved excellent workers, earn good wages and like the business.

Women nowadays are taking to so many trades that have heretofore been considered not of their realm that there is no telling when the next invasion of man's domain may occur. If she will only demand a fair day's pay for a fair day's work all well and good, but unfortunately for her and the standard of wages in general, feminine labor is too frequently underpaid.

New York's Municipal Art Society will hold its first competitive exhibit sometime in the near future. This society of artists and laymen interested in art, was formed in March of this year, for the purpose of beautifying the parks and public buildings of New York by the proper selection of statuary and paintings and the artistic supervision of landscape gardening. The membership of the society is now about 400, but it is hoped to increase this number to 2,000. The annual dues are $5, and with the funds thus created it is proposed to encourage the production of the highest excellence in the designs submitted for public monuments, etc., by offering prizes and holding competitive exhibits. Further than this the Municipal Art Society will endeavor to take such a general supervision of the public parks and buildings of the city as will insure a uniform art excellence in all the ornamentation of those common heritages of the people. The fundamental idea is an excellent one, and is worthy of emulation by every city in the Union. Much of the existing sculpture and ornamentation in New York and every other large city is disgracefully mecanic and departs so far from the true principles of art as to be both misleading to the general public and distasteful to the sincere lover of art. While the people may be pleased with a statue that is ill-proportioned or poorly executed, it is undeniable that they would be much more pleased, and at the same time properly edified, by a statue of correct design and finished execution.

That the selection and approval of public designs and completed works should be left to an association of artists and art patrons is certainly desirable. The Municipal Art Association designates fifteen of its members, who are architects, sculptors, painters or laymen, to act as an annual jury of awards. The competitions are to be conducted after the fashion of the Prize of Paris. The subject will be announced and a good number of artists chosen to send in sketches. From these a smaller number will be selected to compete again, and from the second competition will be made the award for the best sketch, payment for his work to be guaranteed to the winner. The approaching first competition is destined to be a great stimulus to the society. The new municipal buildings, especially the City hall, will afford endless opportunity for the display of a wise and helpful supervision on the part of this new organization, and the ever increasing demand for outdoor memorials will constantly widen the scope and increase the importance of the society's work.

The Wilson tariff bill makes sweeping reductions in the duty on marble and granite, and in marble manufacturing circles has been the cause of considerable apprehension of direful results to that industry in this country in the event of the bill becoming a law. It is proposed to decrease the present duty of 65 per cent. on manufactured marble to 30 per cent. which several Chicago manufacturers say would very materially affect American manufacturing interests, as with the present duty the importation of interior marble work from Belgium and other points is very large. The decrease on marble in blocks, rough or squared is from 65 cents to 40 cents per cubic foot. Granite, freestone and other building and monumental stones, except marble, hewn, dressed or polished, is placed at 20 per cent. ad valorem, a reduction of 30 per cent. from the McKinley tariff, and the same as was charged before that bill went into effect. Undressed building and monumental stone, except marble, is placed on the free list. All articles imported on good faith by any society or association for use in the erection of public monuments will be admitted free of duty. With the importation of building and monumental stone showing a steady increase under the present duties, the new tariff offers no pleasing outlook to American manufacturers.

Popularizing Quincy Granite.

Phineas T. Barnum is said to have once remarked that the best advertisement he could get was to have his name mentioned in the newspapers. From this standpoint Quincy granite is faring well in an advertising way in the discussion of miscellaneous newspaper advertising as a means of popularizing it. The Quincy Ledger and Stone warmly advocate the proposition of the Ledger's correspondent to spend $10,000 in country newspapers to accomplish this end, which plan the Monumental News strongly dissents from; not because the News is not a firm believer in the efficacy of judicious advertising, but because it does not regard the plan as...
mediums suggested judicious. Nothing was said at that time in reference to magazines or other high-class advertising, which is always desirable, but could be but sparingly indulged in with an expenditure of $10,000. As yet neither of our critics has succeeded in controverting our principal objection to the kind of advertising proposed, which was that it would be an attempt on the part of the manufacturer to ignore the retailer, who would resent it. The News does not contend that advertising of the kind named would be wholly unprofitable, nor that the plan proposed would not be successful if applied to other lines and under differing conditions, but we do say that an expenditure of only $10,000 in general newspaper advertising would be but a beginning, and results would fall so far short of individual expectations that it would lead to dissatisfaction among the less fortunate of the hundred or so members of the Granite Manufacturers' Association who would bear their portion of the expense. If this proposed miscellaneous advertising is to be done at all it should be done by the citizens of Quincy at large, all of whom would indirectly benefit from the widespread notoriety to be obtained.

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In the course of the discussion an amusing article was contributed by our contemporary Stone. For genuine misinformation on subjects familiar to the trade, this article takes the palm. For instance, Stone advocates the withdrawal of traveling men from the road and expending the same amount in general advertising. Fact is, less than ten per cent of the Quincy manufacturers have men on the road and only a fraction of these would be any the less necessary with all the general advertising in the world. Stone says that the retail dealer is “no longer a manufacturer.” Very few dealers are ever manufacturers of granite monuments. Stone suggests that the dealer become a warehouseman and sales-agent for granite manufacturers of different sections. I think that a liberal advertising policy on the part of the manufacturer will “stir up the local dealer to seek a higher education,” and that a system of agencies will stop the dealer in an adjoining county from underbidding on a Quincy monument; “will also help create a demand for American granite over the foreign article.” This agency scheme is a brilliant idea. With an agency in every town for every monument manufacturer in the country we should have representation enough to divide local business infinitesimally. Then the sinking of the dealer to a mere machine would do much indeed for his “higher education.” And the millennium will have truly dawned when local dealers shall have been estopped from competition in such a universal product as granite for monumental purposes. When the duty on foreign granite is placed high enough to exclude competition from this source, then, and not until then will American granite have the field to itself. The entire argument of Stone reduces itself to absurdity.

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The Quincy Ledger criticises advertisements in the Monumen tal News because they do not make prominent the words “Quincy granite.” To this it is a sufficient answer to say that business men are not accustomed to advertise except for personal profit. The manufacturers of Quincy advertise their firm name prominently rather than the granite they use because they desire to call attention to themselves, and take it for granted that retail dealers who read the advertisements will naturally assume that a Quincy advertiser deals in the product of his local quarries.

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The Quincy Manufacturers' Association has done much for the welfare of the city of Quincy, and is willing to do a great deal more, but it will be accomplished along more practical lines than inserting one-inch ads, in country newspapers. Some suggestions are offered by the Quincy correspondent of the Granite Cutters' Journal that are opportune in this connection. He refers to those who have been advocating the proposed advertising as being “practically unacquainted with the granite business” and expressing his firm belief in the enduring qualities of Quincy granite. He says:

“There is one method of advertising Quincy granite which would not cost a great deal and which I think would be effective. It is for manufacturers to put good clean stock into the monuments which they cut, and have the workmanship up to a reasonably good standard. The wretched looking pieces of great which are sometimes dignified by the name of dimension stock and put into monuments in certain yards in Quincy are enough to turn the output of the whole place in the minds of those who only see such things. Fortunately, yards where this is done are the exception, not the rule, but if manufacturers wish Quincy granite to take the place it merits among the granites of the country, they must abolish the use of bad stock entirely for monumental purposes, for I am convinced that good stock and good workmanship in monuments executed here will do more to bring Quincy granite to the front in the market than all the newspaper advertising that ever could be conceived.”

Here, then, is the solution of the whole matter of popularizing Quincy or any other monumental material: Good workmanship on good material. This will win the confidence of dealers and they will sell the work. Educate them by a judicious use of the class journals and popularity will follow. Antagonize them and the result will be disastrous.
The Mary Washington Monument.

The long-deferred project of erecting a monument to the memory of Mary, mother of George Washington, has finally been brought to a successful completion. For more than a hundred years the people of Virginia, and particularly of Fredericksburg where Mary Washington lies buried, have cherished the plan of commemorating her by a suitable monument.

More than a century ago the legislature of the State of Virginia was induced to appropriate $1,000 for this purpose. Other funds were not readily obtainable, and early in the present century Congress was appealed to for an appropriation. This was granted by the House, but not concurred in by the Senate. Later Mr. Silas Burress, of New York, volunteered to aid the project financially, and in 1833 the corner stone of a monument was laid by President Jackson. But about this time Mr. Burress became involved financially and died, and the entire enterprise languished and died for want of funds and interest.

The present movement, which has at last culminated in success, is the result of concerted effort on the part of the women of the principal States of the Union in an organization known as the National Mary Washington Memorial Association. The board of trustees of this association includes the president and chief justice of the United States, and the governor of the State of Virginia. Committees for the purpose of enrolling members and soliciting contributions were formed in various cities and towns throughout the Union, and the result financially has been most gratifying. The success of the undertaking has been such that the monument has been completed and will be unveiled this month with appropriate services. Senator John W. Daniel will deliver the oration. Thus this long-neglected grave of the faithful mother who will always be regarded among American women as the paragon of womanly excellence is at last marked by a permanent and worthy memorial.

The Mary Washington monument is said to be the first stone ever erected by women to a woman. It stands at the grave of Mary Washington, at “Kenmore,” on the Rappahannock, near Fredericksburg, Va., and is the work of John Crawford & Son, of Buffalo, N. Y. The material is light Bere granite and the design a plain shaft fifty feet high, including the base. The dimensions of the monument are as follows: First base, 11-1 x 11-1 x 11-1/2; second base, 9-0 x 9-0 x 1-3; third base, 8-0 x 8-0 x 1-7; die, 4-0 x 4-0 x 5-9; plinth, 4-9 x 4-9 x 1-8-5; shaft, 3-7 x 3-7 x 40-0. The cubic contents are 1,108 feet 1 inch, and the shaft weighs 38 tons. On the face of the die, in 7-inch set off letters, is the inscription,

MARY
THE MOTHER OF WASHINGTON;
on the reverse, in 3-inch sunk letters,
ERECTED
BY HER COUNTRY-WOMEN.

Mr. George Washington Childs, of Philadelphia, is still erecting monuments to the illustrious dead. His latest reported act of philanthropy in that direction is the gift of five thousand dollars toward the erection of a large cross of bluestone in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, in honor of Sir Francis Drake, the intrepid explorer. The cross is of gigantic proportions and weighs 300 tons. It is formed of massive pieces of stone. The base is 15 by 17 feet and 6 feet high. Upon this a shaft 8 by 6 feet reaches a total height of 53 feet. The arms of the cross measure 24 feet. The design is Celtic, with the usual circular band at the intersection of arms and shaft. The great height of the cross, being placed on an eminence over 300 feet high, renders it visible from all parts of the horizon and especially to the sailors in the bay where Drake’s ships were anchored in 1579.

Upon the shaft’s face are the following inscriptions:

A memorial of the service held on the shore of Drake’s Bay about St. John Baptist’s day, June 24, A. D. 1579, by Francis Fletcher, priest of the Church of England, chaplain of Sir Francis Drake, chronicler of the service. Gift of George W. Childs, Esq., of Philadelphia.

The reverse contains the following:

First Christian service in the English tongue on our coast. First use of Book of Common Prayer in our country. One of the first recorded missionary prayers on our continent.

“Soli Deo at semper gloria.”
The Headless Statue: A Remarkable Piece of Sculpture.

[By Lodian]

About two meters in height, of a marble that once was purely white, but has through age (turned to a delicate yellow tint,—the famed headless (?) statue in the Agueda museum at Barcelona city is one of those notable pieces of sculpture which Americans visiting Hispania's communal capital do not neglect seeing. Vandals and goths have neither neglected it. It would have been much better if they had. But, despite sundry chippings off of the beautifully worked tracery of the cloak-enveloped figure, the most important parts have escaped material damage.

At first sight, the statue appears to be headless, head and neck would seem to have been decapitated clear at the shoulders. That is just where the delusion comes in. You look again, dear reader, steadily for a moment at a point where the breast might be, when—Lo!—there will loom before you a human face! Human in everything but the flesh. Finessly-chiseled features, not a robust looking face,—the figure is apparently representative of a nun. Within the robe will be noticed the outline of an arm and hand drawing together about the face the already too enveloping cloak. The decapitation-at-shoulder deception is explained by this: On the head rests one of the broad board hats at one time common in Catalum, and spreading over that is the robe.

A unique piece of sculpture is that of the Barcelon headless woman. The like will be found nowhere else in the world. It is to Espana (Spain) what the "Skinned Man" in the Milano Cathedral and other anomalies are to to Italia. There is really no telling why and the wherefore of its existence. There are, of course, legends by the score concerning it; but is it necessary to quote them? Hundreds and hundreds of years have elapsed since the sculptor completed his work, and he left no record of what he meant to idealize or personify.

To the writer's knowledge no illustration of this remarkable sculpture has ever appeared in the illustrated press, either native or foreign. It is to the talented artiste at Ponte 38, Barcelona—the cittadino-caballero C. Font—that thanks are due for enabling the writer to describe and pictorise to the American public this original specimen of Iberian monumental skill.

No little comment has been excited locally over the use of a large number of tombstones by the trustees of the First Methodist church, of Hamilton, Ont., in the construction of a sidewalk. The stones, which originally cost thousands of dollars, are now laid as a pavement with the inscriptions uppermost. Already the constant wear of feet has begun to obliterate much of the lettering, but many of the epitaphs are legible and are of great interest to Hamiltonians as mementoes of some of the finest men and noblest women of days gone by. It is not uncommon to find tombstones used for such purposes as imposing stones in printing offices, counter or table tops, etc., but to see these venerable memorials trod under foot as a sidewalk seems little less than sacrilege.

A visitor to a prominent Southern cemetery writes to the local paper as follows: "Truly a lovely city of the dead, with very costly monuments, but none of them has any special significance—simply an array of tall slabs that commemorate the wealth of the man." This too common fault in monumental work has done more to bring about the growing antipathy against memorials of this nature than any other. Unfortunately for cemeteries ostentation and art do not go hand in hand. The former aims to show the measure of grief by quantity rather than quality. The beauty of simplicity in memorials has not yet been so fully appreciated by our people as it was by the Greeks but that there is a growing sentiment against the inartistic display of memorials as seen in our modern cemeteries is becoming more and more apparent. With the development of artistic tastes and an appreciation of the beautiful in nature and in art among the masses our silent cities will reflect such characteristics in the same measure that they do the lack of them to-day.
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Monuments at Valenciennes.

CARPEAUX.

A man's own works, enduring after he has ceased to live, are his best monuments, and of this kind there is ample to remind one of Carpeaux at the French capital. For the public work of recognition, however, one must go to his native city, Valenciennes, to see anything in memory of this celebrated sculptor. It is found there outside the town on the side of a hill where the little cemetery is almost hidden by the tall trees. The monument is seen at once to be funeral in decoration, but of a style that is rare enough among cemetery tombs. It consists of a tall stone elegantly carved with a large shield bearing the name and surmounted by a boldly executed bust of the sculptor, whose features indicate the impassive character of the man, the half-turned head giving a thoughtful artistic impression to the work. Two other stones are added and serve to carry attention to the chief object. These are columns perched on the volutes terminating the sides of the upper half of the feet. One, a girl, points aloft as if to encourage emulation of the great statues, whilst the small boy on the opposite side holds a sculptor's tool as he looks up, under inspiration. Other bronze pieces—busts—complete the decoration. At the rear is a large tablet inscribed with name, dates and an enumeration of Carpeaux's chief works. A freestone common to this section of France and of Belgium, possessing no remarkable weathering qualities, is used for all excepting the conical foundation, which is of granite. Its cost was defrayed by a national subscription; the sculpture is by A. Hulle, a noted sculptor, whose own less imposing monument is erected close by.

Born May 14, 1827, the son of a mason, he was so fortunate as to have studied under the celebrated Rude. His extraordinary talent was soon developed. His busts are considered of equal merit to those by Houdon. The character of his productions is that they are mostly endowed with an exceptional animation of expression and vigor of bodily movement, and this quality he persisted in investing in his studies whether it was desired or not desired to harmonize with surroundings. Such was his tenacity to his own ideas that it is said that he needed architects to design in order to adapt his work, rather than that he would suit his subjects to their erections. A case in point is his best-known of works, the high relief group of dancing women—Bacchantes—ornamenting, with several other like panels, the facade of the opera and erected in 1869. These, by other artists, are dignified apathetic allegorical groups, whereas that by Carpeaux is conspicuously different, for in his an unrestricted liberty of movement is thrown into the dancing figures, whose forms exhibit a lively natural grace.

A man of passionate temper, capricious, bridled at restraint and possessed of a free imagination developed beyond normal judgment it seems natural enough to find that his greatest successes occur in heads where the expression is troubled or stormy. Among his finest works is the relief allegorical group set high up on the portion of the Palais des Prince in the Tuileries garden. He rose into distinction under the patronage of Napoleon the Little, to whose son he gave lessons; but a few years later he lost his revenues. He died from a painful trouble at the age of 46, October, 1875, at Courbevoie, Paris, which event has since added a painter the materials for a large picture just admitted to the Musée de Luxembourg at Paris, after having created considerable attention at the Salon a year or two back. Carpeaux is represented dead in his attic studio before his very well known group of figures supporting an ornamental sphere—the plaster of which is now in the Louvre collection. With around him dance a bevy of misty figures, the meaning of which is readily discerned by those knowing his works.

Carpeaux was one of the very few sculptors who have shown by his productions his opinion that a wooden immobile face is not a matter of necessity in representations after the human model, and he succeeded in giving the marble the life-like expression that an artist can paint on canvas.

A. Hulle, author of the tomb in Carpeaux, was another celebrated sculptor of Paris born at Valenciennes. His tomb is situated just behind that of Carpeaux and is original and suggestive. Against the door is carved in high relief a sculptor's modeling stool, in a niche beneath the fronton, a bust in bronze of the late sculptor which bears the dates "1834-1867" and "No. 10 Hulle by the City of Valenciennes Admieters and Friends." The stool also supports such curlicues as a gilded wreath, mask, companions, etc., while a ribbon hanging on the stool legs is inscribed "Adon" and "Naissien" two works by him well known to visitors to the Luxembourg. Across the frieze is engraved the name and quality of this sculptor. It is a neat, secular monument and by M. Hulle of date 1890. To this latter work there is, so far, no monument so that the succession from Watteau downwards ends here.

FROISSART.

The monument to the celebrated historian, Froissart, is situated in a beautiful garden, common enough in Paris but rare to find in the small cities of the North. The statue is in white marble. On a marble panel set in the square pedestal is inscribed "Would anyone know who I am? I am called Jehan Froissart, born of the free town of Valenciennes." A.D. 1333-1402. Behind the statue is a colonnade of eleven arches including a raised terrace. Around at the pleasant little level is a stone coping or seat and for the sitter to study, above in the frieze course, are set a number of bronze medallions of illustrious personages born at Valenciennes, including those to Bodinier and Henri, emperors of Constantinople. The arches are flanked by heavy stone pillars paneled with bas-relief sculptures representing allegorically the two rivers of the district— which rivers are again represented by the base of stone
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forming the chief objects in the city armories crowning the pillars.

This monument is the work of a celebrated sculptor born at Valenciennes, Phillipe Henri Lemaire, author of so many pieces in the cemetery of Pere Lachaise; of the sculpture on the massive frontal of the Madeleine (church) of the "Funeral of Marceau" (one of the groups on the Arc de Triomphe); of statues in the Tulleries gardens and elsewhere in Paris and also of a statue to Napoleon at the Bourse of Lille. The monument to Froissart was inaugurated in 1857 and its materials already show it to be perishing. Born in 1798, and with his face toward the sun, he was for seven years chief of the sculptors of the guild. Ambitious for honor other than by the slow process of sculpture he went for politics in 1852 and appears to have wrecked himself in that business, leaving in his sculptures all that the world cares for him.

One more evidence of the love of statues in this remarkably inspired neighborhood of Valenciennes—a veritable oasis in the desert—is to be found in a quarter where the intrusion of art would be rarely expected—that is in a coal mining district: Anzin, near Valenciennes. Here the monument is to be honored to Fontaine, an engineer, to whom the miners thus pay their tribute for his inventions for their welfare—more especially for the introduction of a safety clutch to arrest falling cages. The architect for the work was Moyaux. The sculpture was executed by Thunissen.

To give an idea of the importance of Valenciennes in its relation to the art world we may add that it also claims Oudet (painter) Louis and Francois Watteau (not to mention again Antoine Watteau), Pastor, Abel de Pujol, Harpignies (painters).

It is now a town of 28,700 inhabitants, with its own academies of painting, sculpture and architecture.

C. R. KING.

One of the largest monuments that the world has ever seen is to be erected at Moscow to the memory of the late czar, the assassinated Alexander II. The corner stone has just been laid by Alexander III, after a week's festivities by the populace. The monument when completed will consist of a monster terrace, surrounded by an arched gallery, in the center of which will be a tower rising 275 feet above the level of the terrace. In the tower will stand the colossal bronze statue of the late emperor. A great eagle will crown the tower. Three years have been required to make the necessary foundations for the monument.

In Worcester, England, is a stone erected over the grave of a departed auctioneer of that city, on which "Gone" is inscribed. In a Sussex graveyard, in addition to the initials of the deceased and the date of death, a stone has inscribed in large letters the words "He Was..." Two of the strangest as well as the shortest epitaphs are "Asleep (as usual)," on the tombstone of a large individual by one who knew him well, and "Left till called for" is carved on a gravestone in Cane Hill Cemetery, Belfast. A photographer has this inscription over his grave: "Here I lie, taken from life." On the tomb of Charles the Great, first Emperor of Germany, are two words only, "Carolo Magno."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Queer things happen in cemeteries as well as out of them. An elaborate receiving vault was built in a Massachusetts cemetery last year at a cost of $6,000 and considerable expense incurred in grading, sodding and otherwise beautifying the surroundings, up to the present time however the vault has not been used. The cemetery is under municipal control and the superintendent states that he has never been able to ascertain whether "the committee on city property has turned the vault over to the committee on burial grounds" and in the absence of such knowledge he does not care to take the responsibility of using the vault. Apathy on the part of cemetery committees is not uncommon but it is seldom carried to such an extent as this.
Sculpture

There seems to be quite a difference of opinion among the members of New York's Century Club in regard to the appropriateness of the design of the proposed memorial to Bryant. The design is of the humanist type, which some of the members of the club consider too suggestive of the tombstone order of monumental art to be placed in a park. This objection is not well taken. The Bryant bust is to be erected as a memorial, and as such could not have a more appropriate setting than under a Grecian canopy in the center of a beautifully sculptured semi-circular background, as is contemplated by the design. If not entirely original it is certainly unlike anything in the parks or cemeteries of New York or vicinity, and should be adopted.

Archibald Mackell, sculptor for the Monumental Bronze Co., at Bridgeport, Conn., will model the statue of General Garfield to be erected by the citizens of Wilmington, Del.

Ernst Fuchs of Chicago and F. E. Tribel of Peoria, Ill., are said to have made models for an equestrian statue of the late Mayor Harrison. The monument, if made, will probably be under the direction of the labor organizations of this city.

Miss Harriet Hosmer's statue of Isabella, which it was confidently expected by the Isabella Association would be dedicated in Chicago during the World's Fair—but which was not, owing to financial reasons—will be exhibited at the midwinter fair at San Francisco.

The judge of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts has set aside the second verdict found for W. C. Noble against several members of the Burns' Monument Committee at Providence, R. I. It appears that there was no contract with the plaintiff and that the defendants did not make themselves personally liable.

F. Wellington Ruckstuhl has organized a ladies' class in sculpture at 229 East 20th street, New York City. The object of this school, as stated by Mr. Ruckstuhl, is to enable ladies to obtain instruction in modeling and sculpture, free from the drawbacks inseparable from larger and public schools, and where ladies graduating from the higher academies and art schools can continue the special study of sculpture.

Louis Loeb's silver shield representing the story of "Our Brave New World," recently placed on exhibition in Chicago, is a remarkable piece of work that requires a deal of study to thoroughly appreciate. The shield is fixed on a revolving stand and tells its story in low relief, depicting scenes from prehistoric times down to the World's Fair. A large number of miniature medallions of distinguished persons adorn the shield.

By the untimely death of Mayor Harrison of Chicago, Bartholdi's chances of selling his "shake hands" group of Washington and Lafayette to the city of Chicago are materially lessened. The late mayor took very kindly to the French sculptor's proposition and caused a number of letters to be sent to prominent citizens soliciting contributions to a fund for the purchase of the group. But little interest has been manifested in the project of late.

At a temporary studio in Chicago, Albert Bruce Joy, the English sculptor, exhibited some pleasing examples of his work. These include a number of busts and statues of American and foreign people of distinction, in which Mr. Joy's mastery of portraiture is readily seen. "The Forsaken" and "The First Flight" are two beautiful pieces. The latter is a bronze statue of a young girl gracefully poised and holding high above her head a young bird—a resting—and offering it liberty.

We reproduce in this number one of the best and most successful pieces of sculpture exhibited in the Salon des Champs Elysees last spring. It is a private family monument and now placed in a cemetery at Angoulême, in the center of France. The author, Mr. Raoul Verlet, is one of the most promising French sculptors of the younger generation and the favorite pupil of Mr. Barrias. He has received many honors at the Salon, and this last work won him the cross of the Legion of Honor.

When Mr. St. Gaudens made known his design for the Lincoln monument at Chicago his remarkable departure from the conventional idea of such memorials was a surprise, though by no means an unpleasant one. In his statue of Garfield for Philadelphia he also proposes to deviate from the conventional pose, provided the Fairmount Park Art Association conclude to sanction a further elaboration of their original plan, which contemplated an expenditure of $15,000. The proposition meets with favor.

K. Bush Brown has completed his sketch model for the Geo. M. Robey equestrian statue at Gettysburg, which has met with the approval of the Pennsylvania Monument Commission. The pose of the horse gives the idea of alertness, one of the hind feet is considerably in advance of the other, the head is up and slightly turned as if ready to answer the rider's will. The hero of Gettysburg sets in a dignified manner abashed in the scene before him, which when the statue is placed will be "Bloody Angle." The bronze statue will stand 15 feet in height upon a granite pedestal 5 feet in height. A granite incline 20 feet in diameter, with seats facing the monument, will partially surround it. At either end of the seats are reclining figures representing "Force" and "Intellectual Power."

With the numerous acquisitions from the various buildings of the White City Fair to the Columbian Museum and those from the art exhibit to be installed in the new Art Palace, Chicago, will retain many excellent works of art as a pleasant reminder of the grand exposition. The entire Trocadero collection of architectural casts and photographs, numbering nearly 500 cases will remain in Chicago, as will the following well known pieces: Barbell's "First Funeral" and "Mount as a Child," Cain's "Rhinoceros and Tiger" and its companion-piece "Lion and Crocodile," Chapin's "Jean d'Arc," Fremiet's "Stone Age" and "Wounded Dog," St. Marie's "Guardian Spirit," Mercies' "Even So," Rodin's "Citizen of Calais," Fremiet's "Death and the Sculptor," Barillet's "Baboon and Bear," Ebel's "Diana and Lion," a marble group, Dulain's "Indian on Horse," and others.
A Monument for Washington's Birthplace.

Washington's father, grandfather and great-grandfather lived all or part of their lives at Bridge Creek, now Wakefield, sixty-five miles from Washington, and were all buried in the family vault. This vault is only a short distance from the birthplace, but nothing remains of it except a group of trees and a few marble slabs with inscriptions almost illegible. To rescue this historic spot from neglect, Congress on June 14, 1879, appropriated $5,000 for a monument to mark the spot where Washington was born. In the spring of 1880 Mr. Evarts, then Secretary of State, visited the place, and suggested that the place where Washington was born should be preserved and marked with a suitable monument. He estimated that such a structure would cost $30,000, and the original appropriation was subsequently increased to that amount. After the purchase price of the property was paid, the amount for completing the project of Congress, including the construction of a suitable wharf and approaches, was reduced to $24,713. The contract just made for the landing wharf leaves only about $11,000 for the complete execution of the will of Congress in the erection of a monument. The matter is in charge of Col. John M. Wilson, of the U. S. Engineers Corps, Washington.

On the day the Nathan Hale monument was unveiled in New York, the Patriotic Sons of the Revolution who erected it also unveiled five memorials tablets marking as many different historic points in the city. The tablets bear the following inscriptions in addition to the names of the committees who put them up:

**Broadway and 139th St.** "Here stood the house (Kennedy) once occupied by General George Washington and General George Clinton as headquarters during the Revolutionary War. In the bowling green, opposite, the leader statue of General Washington, was destroyed by the people July 9, 1776, and later made into bullets for the American Army." Committee: Jerome Bock, chairman. A. B. Valentin, F. E. Underhill, Matrin L. Debesid, Edward L. Short.

**135th St. and 11th Ave.** Battle of Harlem Heights. "In memory of Colonel Thomas Knowlton and Major Andrew Leitch of the American army, killed near this spot Sept. 16, 1776, at the Battle of Harlem." Committee: Colonel William Irwin, Winslow G. Wood, Alston Gerry, Langdon Greenwood, Jr., G. R. Hawes.

Nearly six thousand marble and granite dealers will read the MONUMENTAL NEWS for January. If you have anything to sell or exchange advertise it in that number.
Conference of Marble and Granite Dealers.

The proposed general conference of marble and granite dealers mentioned in the November issue of The Monumental News and Stone, having met with the approval of a great many dealers, the committee, after consulting with several dealers, have decided to call the meeting for Jan. 1st and 2d, 1894. It will be held at Grand Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., where special rates have been secured. It is the desire of the committee that all dealers attending the meeting should, as far as possible, make this their stopping place.

The first session will convene on Monday, Jan. 1st, at 2 p. m. After the usual preliminaries, D. H. Ronck, editor of Stone and ex-secretary of the Indiana Association, will address the meeting on "America's Marble and Granite," and R. J. Haight, editor of the Monumental News, on the "Future of the Trade." The following subjects, to be discussed during the conference, have been assigned to the parties named:

**PATENT DESIGNS.**


**WHOLESALE SHOPS NOT TO BECOME RETAILERS BY SELLING GOODS IN THEIR OWN NAMES.**


**BLACK OR CONFIDENTIAL LIST.**


**THE JOINING TRADE.**

J. F. Townsend, Columbus, Ohio; D. E. Hoffman, Winchester, Ind.; James H. Crozier, Madison, Ind.; Charles Batchelder, Toledo, Ohio; C. V. Inks, Goshen, Ind.; N. P. Doty, Elkhart, Ind.

**COURTNEY THAT SHOULD EXIT BETWEEN COMPETITORS.**

Fred P. Bagley, Chicago, Ill.; John B. Slaughter, Goshen, Ind.; Win. C. Townsend, Zanesville, Ohio; Johnson & May, South Bend, Ind.; Wey Bros., Terre Haute, Ind.

**INDEPENDENT RIGHTS TO TERRITORY.**


**ADVANTAGES OF NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.**

James Harsha, Pres. National Association, Circleville, Ohio; Chas. II. More, Montpelier, Vt.; Schuyler Powell, Logansport, Ind.; Alex. Fraser, Mansfield, Ohio; I. H. Kelley, Springfield, Ohio.

It is hoped that all dealers, both wholesale and retail, will attend and take part in this meeting. On January 2d the Indiana Association will hold its annual meeting and elect officers.

H. T. Bolcourt, } Committee.

H. A. Rockwood, }

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The Approaching Millennium.

Take a walk through any of the cemeteries throughout the country and you will believe with us that the fools are slowly but surely passing away. You pass the last resting place of a man who blew into an empty gun. The tombstone of him who lighted the fire with kerosene. The grass-carpeted mound covers the remains of the man who took the male by the tail. The tall monument of the man who didn't know it was loaded over-shadows the man who jumped from the cars to save a ten rod walk. Side by side lies the ethereal creature who kept her corset laced to the last hole, and the intelligent idiot who rode a bicycle nine miles in ten minutes. Here repose a doctor who took a dose of his own medicine, and the old man who married a young wife. Right over yonder, in the northwest corner, the breezes sigh through the weeping willows that bend over the lovely bed where lies the fellow who told his mother-in-law she lied. Down there in the potter's field, with his feet sticking out to the cold blast of winter and the blistering rays of the summer sun, is stretched the earthly remains of the misguided regulator, who tried to lick the editor, while the broken bones of the man who would not pay for his paper are piled up in the corner of the fence. Over by the gate repose the boy who went swimming on Sunday, and the old woman who kept baking powder side by side with strychnine in the cupboard. The old fool-killer gathers them all by one and by and by we will have a pretty decent world to live in.—Ex.

Many village cemeteries were wrecked along the Atlantic coast by the severe October storms. On Solomon's Island gravestones were thrown down, and coffins torn open and the bodies exposed.

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An English law in effect the latter part of the 17th century required that all bodies should be buried in wooden shrouds. This act was meant as an encouragement to the wooden trade, but was repealed by George III. An affidavit stating that the requirements had been carried out had to be given to the officiating priest, or a penalty paid.
Platte City, Kan.—The students of Platte county, who were under the supervision of the late Prof. Frederick G. Gaylord, have formed an association to erect a monument to him.

West Chester, Penn.—The Junior Order of the United American Mechanics of Chester county have voted to erect a monument to the memory of General Washington on the Brandywine battlefield. The Chester County Historical Society are expected to co-operate with them.

Philadelphia, Penn.—A fund of $5,500 is being raised among University students and other friends of the late Clarence S. Payne for the purpose of erecting a suitable memorial to him. It will probably take the form of a memorial gate at the new athletic grounds.

New Britain, Conn.—It is announced that the soldier's monument committee will soon decide upon a design for the proposed monument.

Belleville, Ont.—A subscription has been started with which to erect a monument to Mr. Bradley, manager of the Toronto branch of the Bank of Commerce.

Petersburg, Ill.—Contract for a monument in memory of Dr. A. B. Stephenson, founder of the G. A. R., has been awarded to R. C. Gibbs, of this place.

New York.—The Iroquois Memorial Association has been organized to erect a monument to Gen. John Iroquois at Beverly Ford, Va.

Syracuse, N. Y.—A committee has been formed to raise a fund for the erection of a monument to General_featured_in_the_text, the leader of the Patriots of St. Eustache.

Raleigh, N. C.—It has been suggested that a monument be erected on the University campus to Dr. H. M. Tupper, late president of Shaw University.

St. Paul, Minn.—State Historical Society are preparing a petition to congress that the ground upon which Ford Ridge stood be dedicated to the state that the Sioux said upon that stronghold might be commemorated by monuments.

Our Illustrations.

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MONUMENT to Mary, the Mother of Washington, page 532.

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MONUMENT TO FONTAINE THE INVENTOR, Valenciennes, France. (See Monuments at Valenciennes, pages 534, 535.)

CHICAGO PRESS CLUB MONUMENT.

Erected in Mount Hope Cemetery, Chicago. The monument is made of Berea (Ohio) sand stone and stands about 24 feet in height. On the front shaft is a monogram formed of the letters C. P. C., through which runs a quill pen. The McKee Marble and Granite Co., of Chicago, were the contractors.

MARBLE MONUMENT at the World's Fair. From the exhibit of the Vermont Marble Co.

DESIGN for sarcophagus monument. W. D. Kenneth, designer.

DESIGN for two markers. W. A. Richards, des't.
Construction of Contract for Furnishing Monument.

In the case of Fox v. Utter, recently decided by the Supreme Court of Washington, brought to recover $375, the contract price of an Italian marble monument, judgment was entered for the purchaser by the trial court, but it was reversed on the above appeal and a new trial ordered. The contract sued on was for the manufacture, delivery and setting up of a monument, the monument to be of a certain style and size, and to be placed in position in a good and workmanlike manner, and a monument was manufactured and set up, but the purchaser contended that it did not conform to the contract in several particulars, and was badly placed in position, so that he refused to accept it, and notified the seller to that effect, who, on his side, maintained that the contract had been substantially performed. In charging the jury the court deemed the cause of action stated in the complaint to be binding, and therefore instructed them that under the statute of frauds in force in that state, as it is in others, in case of a sale of goods of the value of $50 or more the sale was void unless some part of the price was paid or there was a memorandum within the statute of frauds, or some part of the goods were received by the purchaser. This the Supreme Court said was error, for the case really made without objection was upon the contract to manufacture, where a different rule governs, and the statute has no application. Furthermore, the court held that in cases of the manufacture of specific articles upon order a tender of the manufactured articles is sufficient. Time must have been made of the essence of the contract to avoid this rule, if the reason for refusal to receive was based on the lateness of delivery; and if upon tender of the article the purchaser allege defects of construction or departure from the contract, he must point them out and give the maker a chance to remedy the difficulty. This is especially so where a peculiar article has been made according to a design of the purveyor, and will be of less or no value to others. A contract was one for labor, rather than for sale. In a transaction of this kind, if the monument was set up, and the purchaser was informed of that fact within a reasonable time thereafter, according to his opportunities to visit the cemetery, he should have examined the work and notified the party furnishing it of his objections; otherwise the latter would be justified in presuming an acceptance, and charging him with the agreed price, unless by waiving the constructive acceptance, and undertaking to repair defects, he should himself leave open the question whether or not his contract had been substantially performed.

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Recent Legal Decisions.

ORDERS CANNOT BE COUNTERMANDED AFTER DELIVERY OF GOODS TO CARRIER.

Orders can usually be countermanded at any time prior to their formal acceptance, or, in other words, so long as they can be by the other party rejected without creating any liability. But after orders have once been filled and that which was ordered delivered, unconditionally, to a common carrier, as to a railway company, for carriage to the person or persons giving the orders, it is not within his or their power to successfully countermand same by any notice, no matter which is mailed, which does not reach seller prior to the delivery of the goods to the carrier. EMPLOYERS MUST NOT BE EXPOSED TO UNNECESSARY PERILS OR HAZARDS.

There is a wide difference between requiring an employee to take the ordinary risks of the service he engages in and asking him to assume responsibility for his employer's negligence. An employer should not expose his employees, when conducting and carrying on his business, to perils or hazards against which they might be guarded by ordinary diligence and reasonable precautions on his part. The master is bound, it is held by the courts, to exercise the care which the exigencies of the business in which he is engaged reasonably requires for the protection of his employees.

RIGHT OF ACTION GIVEN AGENTS BY DELAY IN FILLING ORDERS.

It is well understood that agents selling on commission can recover some whenever, under their contracts, they have earned it, without regard to what their employers may subsequently do. The Supreme Court of Mississippi goes further, and holds that agents not entitled to recover commissions, so-called, may, in proper cases, be entitled to recover damages measured by them, as where manufacturers or dealers so unreasonably delay to fill orders that purchasers refuse to accept goods and the agents, taking same none what they would otherwise have made on the sales.

TAXATION ON SALES BY SAMPLE OF GOODS NOT WITHIN THE STATE.

A State statute causing legal process to be issued for the collection of a penalty for the non-payment of taxes on sales by sample of goods not then within the State, is a regulation of inter-state commerce and repugnant to the Constitution of the United States. The new North Carolina statute of 1895, requiring peddlers of merchandise to pay a license tax, etc., and prescribing a penalty for non-payment of such tax, does not, however, according to the United States Circuit Court, apply to sales made by sample of goods not within the State at the time of sale, and ready for immediate delivery, but applies only where goods are actually exposed and offered for sale, and, upon the sale being effected, are ready for delivery at once to the purchaser.

DEFAMATORY WORDS SPOKEN OF BUSINESS MEN WHICH ARE ACTIONABLE.

Defamatory words, falsely spoken of a party, which prejudices such party in his profession or trade or business, are actionable in themselves, without proof of special damages. Of merchants, traders, and others in occupations where credit is essential to successful prosecution, any language is actionable, without proof of special damages, which imputes a want of credit or responsibility, or suggests a charge of insolvency. Next to imputations which tend to deprive a man of his life or liberty, or to exclude him from the comforts of society, may be ranked those which affect him in his office, profession, or means of livelihood.
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Monuments Dedicated in November.

The Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen of New York dedicated a granite monument at Cypress Hills Cemetery.

A number of tablets have been placed at Appomattox court house to mark the positions of the Union and Confederate armies at the surrender of Lee to Grant.

A bronze statue of Sir William Wallace, modeled by Stevenson and presented to the city of Baltimore by William Wallace Spencer, has been erected in that city.

At the Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O., a seated statue of the late John L. Woods was dedicated by the faculty. The figure was modeled by J. G. C. Hamilton of Cleveland, and executed in Western granite.

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic at Dubuque, Ia., dedicated a monument in Linwood Cemetery, that city. The monument is of the conventional type, 21 feet in height, surmounted by a figure in granite at parade rest. It is of Barre granite, erected by Passmore & Co.

At Valparaiso, Ind., a memorial hall costing $15,000 was dedicated to the soldiers of Porter Co. The building is of brick and contains halls for the G. A. R. and Woman's Relief Corps. Circular towers at the corners of the building are crowned with figures of aluminum, one representing a soldier, the other a goddess of liberty.

The 110th anniversary of the evacuation of New York by the British was celebrated by the unveiling of MacMonnies' bronze statue of Nathan Hale in City Hall Park, that city. The statue is an ideal one, as there is no picture of Hale in existence. The patriot is represented with his arms and legs pinioned, his shirt torn open at the throat in readiness for the hangman's noose, as he declared defiantly, "I regret that I have but one life to give for my country." The statue is regarded as one of exceptional artistic excellence.

At New Brunswick, N. J., an artistic memorial of Western granite was dedicated to the Soldiers and Sailors. The monument has two bases and a plinth; on the latter rests a die, hexagonal in form, with its faces embellished with appropriate emblems. Above the die rises a circular shaft, surmounting which is a statue of a soldier representing the De-
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sense of the Flag. In front of the shaft at its base is an eagle carved in relief. The total height of the monument is 29 feet. Cost about $12,000. It was designed and erected by the Smith Granite Co., of Westerly, R. I.

A Chinese Monument.

A piece of unique monumental art in Rosehill is the Chinese monument, which serves also as a sort of altar where the Celestials perform their singular funeral ceremonies. It is near the north gates of the ground, and is a singular bit of architecture. A central wall or slab eight or ten feet high is surmounted by a graceful bit of scroll work and ornamented with a tablet of gray-veined marble, upon the surface of which are carved in vertical lines the queer Chinese characters, painted black, which probably relate the object of the monument or may contain a prayer to the heathen gods. At either side of the central tablet are two small hollow pillars, square at the base and surmounted by a ball. Holes are cut in the sides of these, and a little door of iron is set near the bottom of each, says a writer in the Chicago Times.

The square holes in the side pillars serve as vents for the smoke of the incense, colored paper, rice cakes, sweetmeats and other such things that are supposed to be acceptable offerings to the Chinese gods and which are introduced into the columns through the little iron doors, which are the openings to the fireplaces of the altar.

These pillars and the central tablet rest on a semi-circular hearth or altar with three steps or stages, which are surrounded by a coping. Before the center of the face of the monument, under the inscribed tablet is an iron pan, where the mourners burn joss sticks of perfumed wood, which are equivalent to prayers for the repose of the soul of the dead, each prayer being supposed to ascend as long as the joss stick burns.

It is said that the Chinese invariably bury their dead in the single graves of the cemetery, and never purchase lots, for they do not intend that the bodies of their countrymen shall permanently rest in the unhallowed soil of a Christian land.

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Marble shops at Rutland, Vt., report work as being unusually good for this season of the year.

A Gouverneur, N. Y., marble company have an order for three hundred paper weights to be made of dark blue marble.

Business is improving and the prospects for a good spring trade are encouraging, writes H. A. Rockwood from Indianapolis.

Mr. E. B., Fletcher, of the Fletcher Granite Co., St. Albans, Vt., and Mr. Meleber, of Meleber & Hadley, Barre, Vt., and Mr. Rowe, of Cross & Rowe, Bedford, Ind., were in Chicago last month.

H. A. Bowers, the World's Fair representative of the R. C. Bowers Granite Co., concluded his duties at the White City last month and betook himself to the Pacific coast.

Al. Snod's many friends will be pleased to know that he has almost completely recovered from the painful accident that happened to him in Chicago a couple of months ago.

Mrs. Locke Poston of Wilbraham, Mass., has given the Musson Granite Co., of Monson, Mass., an order for a soldiers' monument to cost $3,000. It will be made of Barre granite.

Hollis, Me., has erected a watering trough as a memorial to the soldiers of 61-65. As long as water flows and grass grows it is hoped that this memorial will keep the soldiers' memory green.

R. C. Gibbs of Petersburg, Ill., has been awarded the contract for the monument to Dr. B. F. Stephenhen, the founder of the Grand Army of the Republic. The monument will cost about $1,500.

Goddard & Sevitt of Denver, Colo., will furnish the granite for the Omaha public building. About 2,000 cubic feet will be required, and it is estimated that 300 cutters will be employed for the next year or more.

W. H. Evans of Cadiz, O., secured a contract last month for a granite monument to cost $5,000. The monument will be in the form of a shaft, surmounted by a large statue of Hope. Half a dozen dealers were in the competition.

Charles Murdock, a dealer at New Rochelle, N. Y., recently completed a granite monument in memory of a dog. The inscription was in French. Translated it reads: "Here sleeps Fiera, a dog well loved. Without Fear and Without Reproach."

After a service of seven and a half years on the road for the Pocono Steam Marble Co., C. C. Goodell has decided to give it up. He will probably remain with the same company in some other capacity. Mr. Goodell has put in some good words for the News among his many friends, for which we are grateful.

P. Reinhalter & Co., of Philadelphia, have recently completed an imposing monument at Springfield, Mass., in memory of the historian, Bancroft. They have also recently finished a receiving vault in Greenwood Cemetery, Wheeling, W. Va., built at a cost of $3,000. Barre granite was used in both structures.

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awarded the contract for the monument to be erected at Camp Release, Minn. The monument will be in the form of an obelisk resting on two massive bases and rising to a height of go feet. It will be made of red Minnesota granite. There were ten competitors who exhibited over thirty designs.

There is on exhibition at the office of Chas Clements & Co., in Chicago, one of the exhibits made by the state of New Hampshire at the World's Fair. It is the granite table that visitors may have seen in the gallery of the Mines Building. The table is of the ordinary height with a top 22 feet, polished and traced on the edges. The standard or upright was cut from one block 22 feet square, at the lower extremity has three legs. The work is nicely done from a fine piece of Concord granite. It is called the Columbian table and is offered for sale.

* New Firms, Changes etc.*


John G. Mott, Thomas H. Winter, John J. Griffin, Calfwell Bros., Columbus, Ind. Petony Bros. of Montevideo, Minn., will open a marble shop at Redwood Falls, Minn.

Riley Sweers, Traverse City, Mich.


Oswald & Moyle, Quincy, Mass., are advertising to sell out.

The Covington Marble Works, Covington, Ky., have been purchased by Chas. McDowald.

The marble business conducted by Jonathan Z. Deck, deceased, at Hamburg, Pa., will be continued by the estate.

ASSIGNED: David Lloyd, Graniteville, Vt.

Freeman & Richardson, Mt. Desert, Me., failed.

DECLARED: Aaron Bentzel, Springfield, O.; Geo. A. Bergs, Fort Worth, Tex.; W. M. McClure, Lancaster, Pa.; Thom. Quint, of the Lancaster Granite Co., Lancaster, Mass.; W. V. McKnight, Norwalk, O.


Some maniac has been at work among the cemeteries of central Illinois, and his track is marked with overturned monuments, broken urns and tomstones and desecrated graves. No method or motive is decorable, and it is probable that the work is that of a crank or crazy person, rather than an organized gang of vandals. The list of towns in which cemeteries are known to have been devastated includes Onedia, Kewanee, Yorkville, Rutland, and Galva. Three counties, Bureau, Henry, and Knox, are covered in the field of operations. The vandal seems to have directed his spite especially against monuments, whether in or out of cemeteries. At
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Galvan, Fred M. Vioz, a dealer, suffered the loss of a number of monuments which were chipped, hammered or broken. It is needless to say that public feeling has been aroused by these lawless acts and that the offender, if caught, will be summarily dealt with. Rewards have been offered for the arrest of the offender.

Workshop Hints.

How to sharpen granite lettering tools.

I have found that the reason why lettering granite is such slow work is largely owing to the poor temper on the tools used to do that kind of work, and offer the following suggestions for sharpening; in the first place in sharpening granite tools the steel should not be over-heated and should beammered considerably, because when steel is hot the pores are opened and it becomes very coarse and receives more carbon than it should contain. Steel should contain one and one-half per cent of carbon, and when it contains more it will be more like cast iron than steel. Here is a simple receipt that if followed will insure good hard tools. Take eight gallons of hard water, four pounds of common salt, one pound of ammonia, one pound of oxalic acid, mix and let stand for ten hours. When sharpening the tools, after having had them forged ready to temper, heat to a little above a cherry red then dip them very quickly in the solution, about one inch, hold them in five seconds then drop them in a pail of water. By tempering tools in this way you will have a splendid instrument with which to do good work.

NIC. GROETZINGER, Chilton, Wis.

New Brunswick papers state that the possibility of a reciprocity treaty being entered into between the Provinces and the United States has caused an increased interest in the granite quarries. Options have been given on several well-known quarries.

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No. 17.

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Trade News Among Our Advertisers.

Alex. Fraser & Co., supplement their address on "Hard Times" by another on "Barre Granite" in this issue. Read it.

Under the management of John Forrest a branch of McDonald's Aberdeen Granite Works has been established at Columbus, O. Mr. Forrest has been successful in establishing similar branches in Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania. He invites the attention of dealers to his advertisement and solicits correspondence in reference to foreign granites.

Voluntary testimonials stand for something. They are not made to order, but represent the candid opinion of the writer. In his regular announcement this month Mr. E. C. Wilson publishes a number of such expressions received from dealers in reference to his Columbian Designs. Read them, and if you are not already in possession of a set make yourself a Christmas present of one. Mr.

Willison is quoting special figures on Italian statuary and a desirable line of stock monuments. You will be interested in knowing what they are.

In order to close out his stock of design books, known as "Book of Sarcophagi," Wm. C. Townsend of 138 Fifth Ave., New York, is offering them at the reduced price of $3 each. Mr. Townsend received some very complimentary letters from dealers in regard to the designs in this book when it was issued last year. The price of his Empire Design Book has also been reduced to $15 a copy. Further particulars may be had about these books by addressing Mr. Townsend.

It will interest our advertising friends to know that the sixth annual holiday number of the MONUMENTAL NEWS will have a much larger circulation than usual. Heretofore 5,000 papers have gone out to the dealers in this country and Canada in January but in order to cover the territory satisfactorily it will now require 6,000 copies. The value of being conspicuously represented in this far-reaching number is self-evident. Advertisers will consult their
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terprise has given them a permanent place in the
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porters, have taken another step in the right direc-
tion. Immediately following the dissolution of
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a partnership with Mr. William Dunbar and will
henceforth manufacture all of their Barre work.
Park & Dunbar had an enviable record as granite
manufacturers and Mr. Dunbar will endeavor to
maintain the reputation of the old firm in his con-
nexion with the new. Cook & Watkins have for
some time executed all of their Quincy contracts in
their own well-equipped plant, and with their re-
cently opened office at Aberdeen, Scotland, are in
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THE MONUMENTAL NEWS.

From our regular correspondent.

QUINCY, MASS.

Money is easier, and that goes a good way in making the granite manufacturers feel more encouraged for the business outlook for the winter than they did last month. A few scattering orders are coming in, and communications in regard to work and requests for estimates are more numerous.

There is, too, an undertone of confidence throughout the city that makes even those firms that at the time of writing have little or no work at all ahead, feel that the good times will soon be with them again. Speaking about estimates, the Quincy manufacturers and the Boston wholesalers have got into a little hitch over the new regulations in regard to the submitting of estimates that have lately been adopted by the manufacturers. The executive committee of the Quincy Manufacturers' Association, as a matter of protection to the members of the organization, in individuals as well as a body, voted that all estimates on work be submitted on a printed letter-head, the wording of which was drawn up by the committee. It provided, in a general way, that in the acceptance of any work that the manufacturers would be held responsible for unlooked for or unforeseen delays, such as strikes, lock-outs, etc., in the getting out of the job, that all claims for damages or defective work should be made within ten days of the delivery of goods, and that the manufacturer should have the right to change quotations. It was principally to the latter clause that the wholesalers objected. In fact none of the estimates sent on the printed letter-heads have been recognized, all having been returned stamped across the sheet. It has been a well-known fact, and one that has incurred many hardships on some of the smaller firms, that mistakes, and sometimes serious ones, have been made in the figuring up of a job—mistakes that may not have been noticed until after the estimates were submitted to the wholesalers. To go back on an estimate has not been considered an honorable proceeding, and even if the manufacturer has found that he is going to be in the hole if he takes the job, he has usually made the best of it and accepted the contract. It is natural, too, that he is going to get out of it the best he can, and both the wholesaler and retailer, besides the manufacturer, are apt to suffer from the fact that the workmanship may not be just what would have been if the job had been let out on a living basis.

With an understanding that a change can be made in quotations, the manufacturers contend that it will do away with one of the most disagreeable features in the business that they have had to contend with. The wholesalers have, however, taken a firm stand in the matter, and thus far no estimates have been accepted that have been sent to them on these letter-heads. It is probable that a meeting of the executive committee from both associations will meet soon and talk over the case.

Two jobs that can be specifically mentioned, nothing more than for the precedent they establish, are under contract here. One is a large granite ball, six feet in diameter, that Ridgway Bros. have cut, and are now getting up a new departure in an engine and a machine to polish it. The other is a statue of the "Crowning Angel," nine feet in height, being cut by Fuller, Falley.

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& Co., from a large twenty-ton block of Quincy granite. Both jobs are considered to be the largest of the kind ever cut here.

C. H. Hardwick & Co. are building a large cottage Masonic monument to be erected in Mt. Hope cemetery, Boston.

J. N. White has two large monuments under way in his yard. One is a cottage pediment of Quincy granite, surmounted by a fine figure in Barre granite of the Sacred Heart. There are nine pieces in the job and the whole stands 53 feet in height. A pretty tablet with columns is another, and, like the first, has a figure of the Sacred Heart.

T. F. Mannix has three gangs of men at work, a pretty good showing just now, considering the comparatively small amount of work on hand, generally speaking.

E. F. Carr & Co. are among the fortunate firms who secured the contracts for ten of the soldiers' monuments to be erected by the State of Ohio on the battlefield of Chickamauga. McDonnell & Sons also make a number of monuments for the same place.

The visiting granite men find splendid accommodations at the New Greenleaf hotel, Hancock st., and several have paid their respects to landlord Fiske.

H. W. Beattie, the sculptor, has been very busy the past month on figures and special work.

W. A. Foster, the monumental designer, has a good many soldiers' designs under way.

In the old Cross Street Cemetery, at Canandaigua, N. Y., are three little stones blackened with age standing close together side by side. They bear the dates, January 17, 1813; August 11, 1814; and November 20, 1815 with inscriptions showing them to be in memory of three wives of Moses Goodsell. Just what became of Moses the records fail to show.

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The MONUMENTAL NEWS for January offers an excellent opportunity for those who have anything to buy, sell or exchange to announce that fact to several thousand readers.
The chime of bells nine in number that pealed forth from the clock tower in the Manufacturers Building at the World’s Fair will be placed on a costly mannequin now in course of construction at Glen Cove, Long Island, for the Pratt family of Brooklyn, N.Y.

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The granite business never looked duller in this town since the first millstone was quarried from the old Wheaton quarry than it has for the past two months. None of the larger firms have shut down as yet, although it is expected that several will do so very soon. The working force of nearly every shed in town has been diminished till practically little is being done. Last fall at the close of the labor troubles work had piled up and a busy winter was the result, work continuing along into the summer, but with the difficulty of making collections came scarcity of money and then lack of orders until business has reached a very low ebb. At Montpelier the large firm of Wetmore & Morse have closed their sheds and large quarry, and many of the manufacturers here have closed their quarries so that less work proportionately is being done on the hill than at the village. I was at the quarries a few days since and was surprised at the silence hovering over the mountain on both sides. Scarcely a steam drill could be heard and it was only at rare intervals that a blast woke the echoes. Whether the alleged reassuring conditions to be brought about by the recent elections will work any change in the granite business or not remains to be seen. So far it has not become apparent.

C. E. Taynton & Co.'s recent difficulty with their force was adjusted by Mr. Taynton himself, who arrived here a few days after the men went out, and the shed is running now although with a reduced force of help like all the rest.

The Vermont Granite Co. have been doing considerable business of late in the way of getting their quarries in perfect condition for the spring work. New derricks, hoisting engines and machinery and telephone have been added to the light and dark quarries of that company since my last letter.

Some handsome statutory and ornamental carving is being done at the co-operative sheds (the Italian firm), and the manager, F. Casalini, states that they have enough orders on hand to employ their present force through the winter.

H. G. Kotton, the well known designer, has returned from a visit to Philadelphia and Chicago and has decided to make Barre his residence, for a time at least.

I was up at East Barre last week and business there does not seem as bad as it does here, probably because most of the firms are small, but they all seemed to be doing work and the place is growing rapidly since the introduction of the railroad.

Stevens & Reid have been adding a new shed to their plant. They have recently received orders for some large jobs which will require considerable work.

The last lot of paving blocks for the present year was shipped out of here about a week ago to
New York City. Some work will probably be done in this line this winter, and more as soon as the warmer weather comes, as the demand for blocks is always fair and steady.

Quite a considerable feeling has been aroused lately among the members of the association by the action of the new firm of polishers who purchased the plant of W. L. Stafford this summer. The new firm have reduced the price of polishing below the price charged by members of the association, and by a recent vote of the manufacturers any member taking polishing to this mill will be subject to a fine. Some bad feeling has been engendered on both sides by the uncalled actions of the new concern.

The firm of Park & Dunbar have dissolved partnership. Wm. Dunbar will continue the business and assume all liabilities of the late firm.

The will of the late Jesse H. Griffin of Yonkers, N. Y., contained the following clause: “I desire that my corpse may be put in a plain walnut coffin, without any silver plating and carried to Omaurak by some of my friends in an ordinary spring wagon, and that no tombstone should be erected where my mortal remains are reposited in the earth, for I have noticed that people in moderate circumstances are often distressed by trying to follow the example of others who make expensive displays at funerals, and tombstone honors are a truer indication of the vanity of survivors than of the virtues of the deceased. If in passing through this life I can do anything for which posterity will be better and happier it will be sufficient monument to my memory. If I fail in this, let no marble slab bear the witness that one so worthless lived.”

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The new Diana of the New Yorkers is a hollow figure of a composition metal something like type metal, stands twelve feet high and weighs about 1,300 pounds. On her lofty perch over Madison Square Garden, 335 feet above the street level, this scantily draped goddess glistens in the sun, the cynosure of all the eyes of New York. The height of the new statue was reduced by six feet to better harmonize with the proportions of the tower. The drapery is now in flowing lines, and the statue being smaller and lighter and supported on ball bearings, it is expected that it will be more easily moved by the wind and therefore a more accurate weather vane.

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