AN effedt of the Greek government declares the region in Athens between the Theseion and the monument of Lysicrates, illustrated in our October issue, archaeological ground, which compels proprietors to sell at prices fixed by experts.

T is said that the German Kaiser does not take kindly to the design of the monument recently completed at Weisbaden in memory of his illustrious grandfather William I. If some kindly disposed person would send the Kaiser a collection of photographs of some of our public monuments it might be the means of reconciling him.

EASTERN WHOLESALERS report a decided improvement in the volume of their correspondence during the past month and a marked improvement in business over that in September. As may be expected at this season of the year, comparatively few orders are being placed at the quarries, the object now being to hurry out the fall delivery work. Manufacturers have not been enthusiastic over possible winter requirements but it is believed that the comparatively quiet fall trade predicts an active spring.

RHOE ISLAND people justly regret the decision of the State House Commission to use marble in place of granite as was originally intended. Such a decision is naturally a check on local pride although in this case the ultimatum was reached on the cause of economy. Rhode Island granite is famous the country over and is practically unlimited in quantity, which we understand was one of the reasons for urging the construction of a new building at this time. These points and the durability of the material make it doubtful whether after all, time will not question the wisdom of the commission.

I f there is one thing more than another about which Colorado is constantly congratulating herself it is her unlimited natural resources, particularly those of granite and marble, which she confidently expects sooner or later to be shipping all over the country. Members of the Denver Chamber of Commerce are having some quiet fun over the receipt of a letter from a New England granite firm which proposes opening a salesroom in that city and wrote to ascertain the outlook. In reply the firm was advised to come west and go into the business of shipping Colorado granite east. At last accounts the New England firm had not been heard from.

W e are in receipt of the following letter from a marble and granite worker of Rochester, N. Y.:

In reading the article on the proposed Amendments to the State Constitution, I noticed your speaking about a State Commissioner of Labor visiting Sing Sing for the purpose of proving to the granite dealers and workers that no wrong was being done them and no stone being cut there. However true this may be we have no reason of doubting this gentleman’s report, be it doubt an honest man, I should like to have explained to me how it is that granite shipped to this place and Medina, should be bailed from Sing Sing? Is it necessary for stone coming from Mass., to pass through Sing Sing and be rebilled from there to its destination?

It is certainly not the practice to reship granite from Sing Sing. Up to quite a recent time monumental work was manufactured at the Sing Sing prison, and the commissioner of labor statistics of New York, whose visit to that place was referred to in our last, must have been deceived, as from the nature of our information on the subject we were led to believe that such manufactures had ceased.

O C C A S I O N S continue to present themselves in support of the repeated suggestion of The Monumental News, that every city of any importance should have a competent Art Commission to decide upon the selection and disposition of public statuary and memorials. The recent embroglio in Louisville over the selection of a design for a monument by the Ladies Confederate Monument Association would have been avoided by such a commission. The competition in the main was between the designs of an architect and sculptor jointly and a monumental contractor, and while the
former design was at first chosen, the design submitted by the monumental architect, with certain modifications, was finally adopted at the suggestion of a committee of architects. Such controversies as this competition has occasioned in the press of Louisville cannot but have a detrimental effect on such matters in the public mind.

Mr. Eugene F. Aucaigne, superintendent of the Henry-Bonnard Bronze Co., of New York, is to be congratulated upon the communication he has sent to the commissioners of the Brooklyn Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Arch. He strongly protests against the action of the Board in awarding an important contract for sculpture on the arch to a sculptor who resides in Europe, where the work will be not only modelled but cast. He not only emphasizes the fact that our American foundries are fully capable of executing bronze work as well as it can be done abroad, but calls attention to the propriety of expending public monies at home, and especially in view of the stringent conditions now existing. It is certainly to be regretted that so much public money should be spent abroad. When every consideration points to the conclusion that such expenditures at home must tend to develop the art taste as well as to increase American art production. In this connection we are reminded of the statement of a southern monument dealer to the effect that one of his most important contracts was secured by having had the name of a German bronze founder on his design. If this be a fact, it reflects little credit upon those concerned.

The new public statues of New York are receiving a more than ordinarly large share of criticism, and comparisons have been freely drawn in view of a marked discrimination manifested by the public. A leading article in Garden and Forest discusses at length the attitude of the public towards high art as evidenced by these statues. While admitting the value of a fine piece of sculpture in our cities and the benefits it confers on the people it says: "Unfortunately however, it is not as yet generally recognised that the value of a statue as an educational influence in historical, biographical, and patriotic, no less than in artistic directions, depends altogether upon its right to be called fine — upon its excellence, its interest and its charm as a work of art." Portrait statuary of the present age has generally been more or less a failure, to which the inartistic fashion of dress has mainly contributed, but the sculptor seems yet to have the task before him of producing an artistic expression of modern clothes. In this regard the article properly says: "Imagination and technical skill are both needed for the productions of really fine works of art of any kind; but, we are tempted to say, they are more needed in the clothes of a portrait statue of a modern man than in any other task which could present itself." Of the five new statues more recently set up at New York City—Columbus, Roscoe Conkling, Ericsson, Greeley and Nathan Hale,—the last one only is claimed to be worthy of its cost and its place either as giving pleasure to the eye or inspiration to the mind. Actual observation and records afford the significant fact that no statue set up in New York has attracted so much popular notice as the Nathan Hale of Frederick MacMonnies. Little was generally known of the man a year ago, but so great has been the effect of this statue on the public mind that a little biography has been prepared for use in the public schools and the details of his life and execution have been so freely recorded in the press that Nathan Hale will become an interesting figure of our Revolutionary days. Our contemporary says the general public may be ignorant of the canons and technicalities of art criticism, but the present instance utterly disproves the belief of those that declare that the public does not know a good thing when it sees it. "There is no citizen so dull but that he will perceive the difference between this statue and one lacking its good qualities." Popular admiration and its logical effects do not seem to have resulted from the other statues named, notwithstanding the services rendered by, and the historic interest attaching to, the subjects. Even to delight the eye is to increase appreciation for art, and if this appreciation does not follow the erection of a piece of statuary the cause of true art is not advanced but checked. The concluding paragraph of our contemporary's article is worthy of close attention: 'The lesson which, above all, we wish to enforce is that no public monument has an excuse for existence unless it is primarily and essentially a work of art. The subject may be worthy, the purpose of its erection may be commendable, but it will miserably fail to come up to the measure of its highest usefulness unless it makes a commanding appeal to the imagination of the holder, and through this to his nobler passions. A thousand monuments have been erected all over the country to celebrate the heroism of our soldiers during the civil war. How many of them set forth with any living force the elevated patriotism which they aim to illustrate and typify? They fail because they are not in strict with the poetry which idealizes every genuine work of art. They move no one; they inspire no one. Instead of adequately commemorating the patriotic ardor of a past generation, they simply testify that the generation which erected them lacked all proper appreciation of art and its highest functions.'
Modern Cemetery Ideas.

The modern idea of a cemetery is not so much that the grave is the end of all as it is that it is the beginning of a new career of happiness which we are taught the new life is to be. The earliest idea of paradise was that of a beautiful garden, and it is impossible to rob the paradise of the future of the same surroundings. The modern cemetery is, therefore, the ideal garden of the future, so far as it is possible for the human intellect to accomplish, and it should be the aim to make pleasurable the visits of the living, by making beautiful the resting places of the dead, leading the mind from gloomy thoughts such as ancient cemeteries fostered; but this beautiful garden must necessarily be subservient to practical details. It is impossible to accomplish anything in this world, that is not a financial success, and there is no reason why financial success and the ideal cemetery garden cannot both go hand in hand. And, in fact, the financial aspects require close consideration in connection with the adornment of the grounds. In the planting of the cemetery, therefore, the possible desires of future lot-holders should be considered.

I have frequently felt that sufficient importance has not been attached to the artistic arrangement and planting of the entrance to the cemetery. It was with great pleasure when visiting the Forest Hill Cemetery of Boston, I saw that this had evidently been taken into consideration when the plans of the cemetery were drawn. Who having driven along that broad, sweeping drive, planted on both sides with most beautiful specimens of Blue Spruce, Nordman Fir and other choice evergreens, supplemented with banks of Rhododendrons, Azaleas and handsome thickets of shrubs, and on up through the Ivy covered archway, has not felt that he was indeed entering a beautiful Paradise! I really believe that more attention should be given to the approach to, and the entrance of, the cemetery grounds proper, for it is there that visitors get their first impression,—and first impressions are always the most lasting.

Perhaps this was more impressed upon my mind when I visited Forest Hill, because it was only a few days before this that I saw another cemetery in western New York, where the entrance was directly from the street, through the conventional gate-way with its stern granite posts and iron railings. Not but what the grounds of this cemetery were very artistically arranged, but the entrance to it did not give me the same feeling of rest that I experienced when I visited Forest Hill.

Every one is prone to do a certain thing because custom has made it popular, and this is as true in cemetery matters as in everything else. The huge marble or granite shaft, rarely an object of beauty and sometimes but a mere display of wealth, is usually erected with the best intentions, and its use is still a custom mainly because it is believed to be the most fitting thing to do, and lot-holders have not learned a more advanced idea. And this is just where the question arises—what is the most advanced idea by which we can satisfy that desire to do something to show how the dead are missed or loved? Would not the planting of rare trees and plants be more fitting and bear testimony to our love to a far greater extent than does the erection of monuments? Do not visitors at a cemetery show more real love for the trees and flowers than they do for a block of marble or granite, upon which more frequently they look with more curiosity than respect?

I understand that no marble monument or headstone mars the spot of the famous Nicholas Longworth, one of the pioneers in the industrial development of Cincinnati, and possibly the father of modern strawberry culture, but that he sleeps beneath the spreading branches of a noble elm tree.

I think that you all will agree with me that the time is here for some changes in this direction. Many of you have already passed rules forbidding the erection of marble copings, iron railings, and I think in some cases tall headstones. A few years ago this would not have been possible; but to-day the people have more advanced ideas, and through your teachings are becoming willing to discard these things. Even in the matter of headstones and monuments they are showing a desire to design them after ideas more natural than the marble shaft and square or rounded top headstone. This is shown by the imitations of tree trunks, and boulders now frequently seen in cemeteries. The monument in Harleigh Cemetery, near the main entrance, representing a column of stones, doubtless attracted the attention of many of you, and each of you perhaps have in the cemeteries which you superintend, monuments, the erection of which has been suggested by some seemingly appropriate object in nature. It is but a step from the imitation of nature to the real, and I firmly believe that the transition would not be so difficult of accomplishment as one might suppose. Let but a few of your lot-holders start the work, and others will quickly follow. It is probable that the idea may be too radical for its full accomplishment at an early date, but I have no doubt but what it will come in time just as other reforms have been adopted after persistent efforts have been made to bring them about.
The statue is of bronze cast at Chicopee, Mass., and is 9 feet high; the pedestal, nearly 11 ft. high, is of dark blue Quincy granite. The aggregation stands on Marine Park, and cost $22,500 in June, 1893. The eyes of the great commander scan the horizon of water as the sun comes up; an appropriate spot for the work. The photo or half-tone does not do justice to the sculptor's endeavors, but as the camera has but one eye let us put a little of the blame of distortion upon that tell-tale mirror. A man cannot rise above himself, by his words and works is he known. Kitson must work continuously in all moods in order to get the best there is in him to the surface; but the great wonder is that he has made as good a statue as the original shows. It came from out the wild flame and the furnace of financial despair—it was a city contract and Kitson earned the amount he received for it. But for all that, the worry for bread and raiment, the bronze Farragut should be better than it is; great hymns, poems; Milton's puritan epic, etc., are evolved from suffering minds; Meryon was a master when dying of starvation; but let us talk of the Farragut. I am free to say that the statue is an original production, the work of the shop and studio. Kitson knows how to handle a chisel, he has learned the trade of the stonemason, he is practical, all this can be seen in the statue. These are essential adjuncts to the sculptor. Even considering these points the Farragut has not advanced the sculptural art of Boston. Free as the work may possibly be from the trammels of contemporary conventionality, interesting as the subject and conception may be, still it lacks the nobility, the essence of what we demand, the charm of a complete refined art product. What do we expect in this age? Well, more than Kitson has given us, and as much as Mercie has performed. The Farragut lacks grace, deliberation, yet it possesses anatomy, distorted in parts, yet meaty and boney. The left leg is enormously heavy and stiff, the left arm also, though the hand may be responsible for the setness of the limbs, makes them severe. The lines from the view as shown in cut are not restful; a three-quarter view from the right side is far more agreeable. The head is set well on the shoulders, swivel-like, and the breast is superbly modelled. The right leg and arm also are conspicuous for strength and another good point well worth mentioning is that if one were inclined to push the admiral over he would be sure to meet with animal resistance.

There is robustness in the work, the proportions balance at a quick scan, pretty well, and there is a nature determined feeling in the statue as a whole. "Good in parts" will cover the criticism and that is saying a great deal for modern American Sculpture. The outlines are a bit rugged, needs the gentle softening which age gives to the mind and hand.

The people comprehend the work, it appeals to them. I am sure of this: then it possesses human interest and if so the human instincts have complied with Kitson's art successfully. The songs which the people sing may not be classic, but if the people sing, a chord of nature has been struck. The Farragut will doubtless survive the critic, if the critic does not write a book about the statue.
of brown stone. It is erected on the left of the entrance to Doric Hall, State House, and on the grass terrace.

Miss Stebbins’s statue is the height of the Beaux Arts, the utterance, as it were, of a scholar. The classic drapery is itself a worthy piece of sculpture, the man beneath is, the head of the educator above it, earnest though not vigorous. The sculptor starts off with a fine basis for producing the round; she had been a diligent student, a superior draughtsman and quite an idealist—her associations with noted Roman scholars and professional men would not be the type of man to form a stock company in modern Boston, though he brought a charter from the bank of England. This is a poor picture even. It is of no interest except as being excellent bronze and unfortunately likely to last. Why not paint it with advertising signs? That would not be sacrilegious, no more so than the attempted effigy of the great governor.

This statue is not influential except as a buttress for runaway teams and a lodge for the car switcher. Is it the peer of Cass?

The Porphyry Quarries of Egypt.

The ancient Porphyry quarries of Egypt, once so celebrated under the Caesars, but which appear to have been lost on the decline of the Roman Empire, have been rediscovered and are again being worked under a concession from the Khedival government to an English firm. A publication by Mr. W. Brindle of the above firm states that: “These ancient quarries of imperial porphyry are situated at the Mons Porphyrites of the old geographer, Ptolomy. This mountain is on the Egyptian Red Sea coast, about 20 miles inland from the ancient port of Myos Hormos, which port is opposite the island and light-house of Shadwan and near the entrance to the Gulf of Suez. “On the sides of the mountain are some six or seven ancient quarries with the various roads up to them. Some of the quarries are a little above the level of the valley. The largest of them is on the peak, Lykabetus, near the top of the mountain, up to which there was a wide pitched road or slide, used for the descent of the large blocks, some of which must have been over 80 tons in weight. This peak is one high solid mass of choice red porphyry, about 120 feet broad and 60 feet high, and it is still capable of producing an almost unlimited supply, and blocks of immense size are still obtainable.”
Antoine Louis Barye and his Monument.

Antoine Louis Barye is one of the great masters of 1830, of whom France has reason to be proud. History of Art, in the great future, may have reason to consider that epoch perhaps as great in importance as we, to-day, consider the Renaissance. Barye stands out in bold relief among the artists of 1830; first, because he was a giant among them, and then, because he of all sculptors of the time, went to nature, and like Cuvier, preferred the small indications which a mere bone gave him, than to wander hours and days in museums and accept the erroneous views his predecessors had held of animal life. Indeed, his love of the study of nature was so great, that in moments of rest, after hours of labor, he would take the house cat on his lap, caress it, study its anatomy, bring out its paws, examine the construction of its claws, and closely watching its green eyes would fathom the inners recesses of cat soul.

Some one has said that Barye was the La Fontaine of sculpture. This is true only in so far that La Fontaine portrayed the characteristics of animals, their inner life, and brought them within the comprehension of man. But Barye conveyed the idea of the animal as he was created, without resorting to the bewildering transformations of animals having human faculties. Barye was a genius, in so far that he made the chief characteristics of animal life comprehensible without altering their nature. Indeed, that power was so great in Barye, that looking upon his works, the mere anatomical construction disappears to give place to the realized idea of strength, ferocity, cruelty, physical pain, dignity of movement or repose, or the wild satisfaction of holding prey and that of devouring it. There is, as the French say, something inside of Barye's works, the personification of animal characteristics, as they have been endowed by nature.

Critics, contemporary with Barye, have loudly objected to the sculptor's want of technique. It is true, that when with the digging of his thumb, or the smoothing down of malleable clay he could add to the feline or ferocious nature of his animals, to the detriment of conventional technique, he did not hesitate. Only mediocrity can blame a man for ignoring conventionalities, when, with the strength of his genius, he can put the stamp of immortality on his work. Do you imagine when Pope wrote the stanzas of "A dying Christian to his Soul," he thought of the rhetoric of his words, or was pre-occupied as to how college students would be able to parse them? Mediocrity follows conventional lines; mediocrity seeks servile copy even in the lines of nature. But genius is like the sun, which, when rising, does not see that he gilds the clouds and brings forth light like yesterday, or centuries before, and genius resembles light in so far that it spreads itself, vivifies, creates emotion, feeling, and ignores comparison and the measurement of man.

Barye, as all great men, was a lover of puncilloousness in work. He was never satisfied with the result of the surface. After his death, it was found how much time he devoted to essays and sketches, and what it took him before a conception was materialized sufficiently to be satisfactory. When standing before a piece of soft clay with the clear conception of what he wanted to create, Barye first made a skeleton of his project, and all the bones were constructed according to the osteology of the animal. All the various parts of the skeleton, all the articulations were made movable, so as to be able to follow the ideas of the artist. When once the animal was put into shape, it would be a mistake to think the sculptor put it into the hands of a practitioner; he himself continued the work, and often was his own moulder, his own chiseller and sculptor; no detail of any part of it was not made perfect according to the scrupulous eye of the master.

When the work once stood there in body, it was far from being completed; indeed, one of the most important parts remained. As the texture and color of the epidermis of an animal add to its nature, and to its character, so the patina on an art work adds to its order. Barye's patinas were the admiration of all connoisseurs as well as that of all artists. Jealous of his processes, he would lock himself in his studio, when the time would come to add life to his animals with skin and complexion and with chemicals of which he alone had the secret, he would make the tints over bronze which have proved so much the more the wonder to the admirers of his works, that his patinas have melted and grown richer with time. Because his name has become so great as the interpreter of animal life, his discoveries in patinas have been thrown somewhat in the shade. But he has convinced all sculptors, who deserve the name, of the importance of patinas, and all to-day, lock themselves up in their studios and pore over the secret of new patinas as the learned men of old over the philosopher's stone.

Mr. Paul Wayland Bartlett once said to me, when I asked him why he was bothering over a human figure, when he had such a talent to produce animals, "To do one thing in art well, it is necessary to learn and know everything in that line of art; there is no secondary art, there is only art." Perhaps he did, and perhaps he did not know that that was the principle that Barye worked by. There
was no secondary art for him, and he gave as much mind and time in the creation of a table ornament, as in the molding of an accessory, although he felt that therein his fame would not lie, but in things like the wonderful group of "Le Centaure et le Lapithée," which to-day so grandly stands on the summit of the granite monument erected to his memory in l'ile Saint Louis.

Because of its simplicity, the monument is imposing. It was indeed very complimentary to the sculptor, that those who were chosen to make a plan and execute it, thought that nothing they could conceive would be as worthy Barye's memory as specimens of his own gigantic work. I think the two side groups made of marble is a mistake. The monument would have a much more harmonious and grander aspect if, like the group on the summit and the lion in front, the side groups had been cast in bronze. At the back of the monument are engraved the following words: "A Antoine Louis Barye. Des admirateurs de France et d'Amérique."

It is another proof that America has a true conception and appreciation of Art.

EMMA BULLET.

In France, of all the countries wherein sculpture and sculptural art have been prominent features of their civilization, has that art, perhaps, been most truly national. It has been remarkably free from outside influence, for while other countries displaying greater or less development in sculpture, have produced noted examples, the effect of external ideas and theories has made itself manifest. In France, sculptural art has been a spontaneous development, fed by the natural instincts of the French people, which has found voice in wise governmental encouragement. This progress has received no check since the Middle Ages, when statuary was in enormous demand to adorn the Gothic cathedrals. This work displays a quaint originality, indicating also a strong love of nature in the artist.
AMONG THE SCULPTORS

A life-size bronze statue of the late well known merchant William H. Fogg, which is to be placed in the National Academy of Design, New York, is receiving the finishing touches at the hands of Mr. J. Q. A. Ward who received the commission for the work. It is a portrait statue, of quiet, dignified pose. An overcoat is thrown lightly over the arm. Mrs. Fogg bequeathed to the academy $30,000 and this statue, which will stand on the second landing of the main staircase of the building.

P RODIGIES in the sculptural line are not numerous, but it is reported that Alfred Austin, a twelve year old lad of Terre Haute, Ind., has made a bust in clay of ex Secretary of the Navy Thompson of that city, which is said to be a remarkable piece of work for so youthful a sculptor. In modeling the bust nothing but the eye was relied on and the boy has had no instruction in the line of work.

A GROUP of ecclesiastical statuary has been unveiled in St. Joseph's Morgan Catholic Church, New York, the work of D. Colombani. There are three figures in the group the Virgin, the Queen of the Rosary, stands in the center, and on the right is the figure of Satan, who is represented as vainly endeavoring to free himself from the weight of a heavy stone, on which the foot of the virgin is firmly planted. On the left is the figure of an angel engaged in weaving a crown of roses for the Virgin's head. It is said to be the first time in ecclesiastical art history that Satan has been placed in juxtaposition with a holy figure. Much discussion was promoted by the design but the decision of the high authorities of the church finally decided the question. The pose of the principal figure is graceful but firm and the draping artistic.

THE sixty-fourth annual exhibition of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, will open to the public on Monday, December 11, next and close Saturday, February 21, 1865. It will consist of original works not publicly shown in Philadelphia, in oil painting, sculpture, architectural design, drawing, etching, engraving, wood and stone carving, stained glass, tapestry, or in any medium coming within the scope of the fine arts. Medals and prizes are at the disposal of the Board of Directors as awards, and the selection and arrangement of exhibits and awards are committed to a jury of selection whose judgment will be final.

THE figure of Victory designed to crown the Battle Monument at West Point, is the cause of the postponement of the unveiling ceremonies until next Spring, and Decoration Day is suggested. It is decided to replace the Victory, which is not now considered either appropriate or artistic, by something more suitable. All the other features of the monument are nearly ready for the dedication which was to have taken place the last week in October.

MAJESTY RHIND'S design for the Robert Ross memorial of at Troy, N. Y., has been selected out of six designs submitted. Mr. Rhind's model of Ross shows him standing in a heroic attitude, with a baton in his right hand. The other hand grasps a flag which is circled about a ballet box on the pedestal at the side of the figure. A wreath is placed upon the pedestal upon which is cut "March 6, 1864," with the name "Robert Ross" beneath. There is also the motto: "Martirs to Right, We'll Dome." At the four corners of the bottom of the pedestal are small Scotch thistles to indicate nationality of the subject. The statue will stand on a granite pedestal. Other sculptures submitting designs were: C. E. Dallin, who took second prize, and Messrs. Biselli, Potter, Baer, and Lawrie.

SAULMURRAY is engaged on a sketch of "Grief," which he intends to exhibit in the coming exhibition in New York. It consists of two figures, a woman who grieves the name to the work, and a child clinging to her garments, with wondertainment depicted on the face. The contrast between the expression on the two faces is striking. - John J. Boyle intends exhibiting a female head, which has been cast in bronze.

HENRY MAUGER'S, colonial statue of William Penn, destined for the Betsy Building, Philadelphia, is being cast by Bureau Ross, bronze founders, Phila. The figure is nine feet high. Mr. Mauger also designed a colonial group representing Columbia defending Agriculture and Industry, for the same building. There are four figures in this group; Columbia standing—nine feet high,—while another female figure is in a sitting posture and figures of two children are standing. It is expected that this will be up in position in January next.

IT was a sad ending to a career which promised so much at its beginning, and even accomplished so much during its progress, that of Launt Thompson, a man once honored in art circles and who has left behind some excellent works to speak a kind word for him. Although living to an old age, the last years of his life were fruitless and his fatal weakness had left him practically penniless and with but few friends of the many that once held him in honor. He opened a studio in New York in 1858 when 25 years old, after studying nine years with Easton D. Palmer, sculptor of Albany, N. Y. He had already attracted attention by his work and at once by his personal attractions and great ability became a social favorite, intimately friendly with the wealthy society of New York. His fame as a sculptor in the succeeding years grew rapidly and he executed a number of busts, that of "The Trapper" securing his election as an Academician in the National Academy of Design. He finished a series of historical portrait statues and busts, the well known statue of General Sedgwick at West Point being completed in 1865. While in Italy he received a commission from the U. S. government for a statue of Winfield Scott, which he returned to carry out, and which now stands in the grounds of the National Soldier's Home at Washington. Among other of his works are the equestrian statue of Gen. Burnside at Providence R. I.; Abraham Pierson at Yale College; Napoleon 1. at Milford, Pa.; Charles Morgan, at Clinton, Conn.; "The Color Bearer," at Pittsfield, Mass., and a large number of portrait and ideal busts and medallions. His work always exhibited great refinement and delicacy of touch. He was married to a Miss Potter of New York, who with two daughters and a son, 24 years old, residing in Florence, Italy, survive him.

LORADO TAFT, who is vice-president of the Central Art Association of America delivered a very interesting lecture last month in Chicago on "A Sculptor at Work." The lecture was one of a course of six which are being delivered in the interest of this new art movement. During the lecture Mr. Taft gave a glimpse of a studio and did some very clever modeling. Famous Grecoan and Roman masterpieces were illustrated by stereoscopic and much that was instructive regarding sculpture was told by the lecturer.
Ancient Monuments. VIII.—Tribune of the Caryatides, Erectheum, Acropolis, Athens.

The Erectheum, or Erechtheum, stands on the northern side of the Acropolis at Athens, and nearly opposite to the Parthenon. It is very much smaller than that far famed ruin, but as if in direct contrast to the severe grandeur of the Parthenon, the Erectheum was designed after apparently, the most graceful forms of the Ionie order. The original construction suffered from fire in the Persian war, 479 B.C., and Pericles began a restoration of it, only it seems to have been interrupted by the Peloponnesian war, for in 409 B.C., it was not yet finished, and was soon afterwards again destroyed by fire. The sacredness of the building, however, must have ensured its immediate rebuilding on the same lines as the original.

Architecturally the entire building was far removed from regulation ideas, being composed of three members, which, although being expressive of a beautiful harmony as a whole, is characterized as one of the most heterogeneous compositions to be found in ancient art.

The accompanying illustration represents one of the additions to the main body of the temple, popularly called the Tribune of the Caryatides. With the exception of broken portions of the frieze, these female figures are the only examples of the sculptural adornments of this building remaining. There were originally six figures, five of which were standing in the last century, and the sixth, which was broken in pieces, was recovered in 1857. One of the five was sent to the British Museum by Lord Elgin.

Two theories seem to be current as to the employment of female figures in architecture for columnar purposes. The term Caryatides, comes from the town of Caryae, in Laconia, whose women are recorded to have been reduced by the Greeks to a condition of abject slavery and degradation, on account of their sympathy with the Persians when they invaded Greece; and thus they were immortalized in the way of bearing the architectural burden.

On the other hand an authority says Caryatides were originally applied about the temples of Diana, and that far from representing women in degradation, they were the figures of the virgins who celebrate and attend at the worship of that goddess. The latter theory would seem to carry the most weight, for the figures bear the impress of a master hand in their design and development, and indeed it is believed, in the beautiful examples represented, that the pupils of Phidias may have executed the work, perhaps with the suggestions of the master himself.

The "Tribune of the Caryatides" is the only example of this style of ancient art in existence, and happily has been preserved in such comparatively good condition that the grace and charm of the sculptured work can be studied. The draperies are especially fine, as also the firm, but dignified pose of the figures as a whole. The proportions are excellent and the whole construction displays that refined elegance which is unmistakably a characteristic of the golden days of Greek art. There was nothing crude, nothing left unfinished, so far as we may judge after the lapse of so many centuries; and the example given may profitably serve, even at this late day, as a study in those essential elements of design,—proportion and adaptation,—and to promote a devotion to the higher principles involved in true Art.

The Acropolis, at Athens, abounds in reliefs of Greek sculpture of the highest class, although quantities of remnants have been transported to the museums of other countries. It was here that Phidias, the great master, left some of his most wonderful productions, models for all times.
Westlawn Receiving Vault, Canton, O.

The accompanying illustrations present the main features of the Westlawn Receiving Vault, built for the Canton Cemetery Association of Canton, Ohio, from plans by the architect, Mr. E. G. Essig, of Canton, Ohio.

The vestibule is 10 feet square with gothic arch front, constructed of a rockfaced and clean cut Ohio stone. The framework is of open timber work covered with green slate, finished with a neat terra-cotta cresting.

The main wall is of the Romanesque type with a wide flank wall on either side; the base of main and flank walls is of clean cut Ohio stone; the balance of walls is constructed of rock-faced stone laid in uniform courses, finished with a wide coping of clean cut stone; the main wall is finished at top with stone cupola 4 feet square and about nine feet high. This cupola is connected with inside air chambers affording an excellent ventilating shaft.

At the end of each flank wall a square base carries a large vase.

The main entrance is a Gothic arched door-way with two heavy open iron day gates, above which is an enriched grill, and a pair of heavy solid steel burglar proof doors on the inside of the day gates. Both vestibule and vault floors are of flagging; the vault floor has a fall from all the outer walls to
the center whence the drainage is carried through a grating to a small gravel bottom cesspool.

The arch or crown is constructed of hard vitrified brick beginning with a 30 inch wall at base to a height of 4 feet above vault floor; then 12 inches is the thickness adopted. Inside of this wall is a 4 inch air chamber and inside that is another 4 inch brick wall; the air chamber is connected with the inside by a series of valve registers at bottom of wall and the air chambers are then connected with ventilating shaft. By this means the air on the inside can be kept fresh and sweet. The outer walls all have air chambers entirely around them which keeps them perfectly dry. Both the outside and inside of these walls are covered with a coat of cement plaster.

The structure is said to have given great satisfaction, and moreover, it is well located in the cemetery.

Funeral Customs of Ancient Nations.

The nations in their childhood had different ways of disposing of their dead.

In Egypt we find them embalming the remains of their departed and placing them in immense tombs—Pyramids—or we discover whole cities of the dead under the ground in the mountain sides. Monuments all through Asia, proof against the effect of time, bear evidence that a great many nations resorted to the burial of the bodies of their dead. The Persians placed their dead in the open air to be disposed of by the animals of the night. To them earth and fire were sacred, so that they could not use these two common elements for such purposes.

Of the Indo-European races a great many used the burning process with more or less funeral rites. The Celts and Latins had the funeral-pile, but not to a great extent, the burying of the body was a more common practice among them; but the Teutonic race loved the funeral-pile, it was part of their religion, it was sacred to them.

Slaves were left unburned, but the free man must go the right road from the funeral-pile to the land of souls. It was considered dishonorable to subject the body to the ravages of worms.

In “the Odyssey,” Odysseus meets one of his friends in the other world, walking around unable to find Hades’ house, and he complains bitterly to Odysseus that his body is left unburied, and implores him to burn it when he goes back.

The old Greek view of the funeral-pile is furthermore seen in the story of how old King Priam, unable to get possession of the body of his beloved son Hector, burns Hector’s clothes as a substitute for the body.

Charles Keary says in “The Mythology of Edda.” “In the tenth century an Arab traveller, Ibn Haukel in his Kitab—el Meshalik na—Memonik, (Book of Roads and Kingdoms), tells about how he visited the Russ or Varings in the centre of Russia, (near Kief) to which they have given their name. They were a Gothic race.

A Russ was speaking to his interpreter and Ibn Haukel asked what he said. “He says,” was the answer, “that as for you Arabs, you are mad, for those who are the most dear to you and whom you honor most, you place in the ground, where they will become a prey to the worms; whereas with us they are burnt in an instant and go straight to Paradise.”

The Teutonic race has composed a hymn of untold beauty in honor of the sacred funeral-pile in the myth “The Funeral of Balder,” where we see Balder placed in his ship on the funeral-pile, his wife Nanna throwing herself at his body in a grief which burst her heart, and she is placed by his side. We see gods and elves and dwarfs, warriors and giants, all forces from heaven and earth gathered around this burning ship; costly trinkets are thrown in the fire, and the god Thor makes it holy with his hammer-sign.

It was as a whole very common to put the ship of the dead warrior on the funeral-pile and burn his body in it. He was then supposed to go in his ship to the land of Paradise after the burning.

In the old Teutonic poem “Brynhildesvide,” Brynhild is placed in a car hung with costly coverings upon the funeral-pile, and after the burning she rides to the land of the souls in this car.

Still no nation seems to have clung to the burning of the dead as part of their creed more than did the old Greeks, the nation of the highest standing in art and literature among all nations in the ancient world, the nation never yet surpassed in love of all that is beautiful.
Proposed Monuments

New York. Proposals for 10,000 white marble headstones for soldiers graves will be received at the Quartermaster's department Whitehall St. until Nov. 13. Specifications may be had by addressing Deputy Quartermaster General U. S. A. at the above address.

Cincinnati, O. Prominent German citizens have started a project for the erection of a monument in one of the city parks that will commemorate the struggles and achievements of the German citizens of Cincinnati.

Waltham, Mass. Arthur Lyman is clerk of committee appointed to consider the question of a suitable memorial to the late General Banks.

Chicago, Ill. The Lawyers Club has adopted resolutions suggesting the passage of an act by the State to prevent commissioning and make appropriation for a statue of Judge Sidney Breese to be placed in Statuary Hall, Washington, D. C.

Pittsburg, Pa. Through the efforts of the Pittsburg Leader a fund of $11,000 has been raised for the purpose of erecting a monument to E. M. Bigelow, the father of the park system in that city. Mr. Bigelow is now at the head of the department of public works and is one of the comparatively few men who see their efforts for the public weal honored in the way proposed. —The Allegheny County G. A. R. posts are considering the erection of a Memorial Hall and monument. Since the recent encampment there is found to be a surplus fund of $10,000 which it is proposed should form the nucleus of a fund to be expended for a fitting memorial to the soldiers.

Bay Shore, L. I., N. Y. The William Gurney Post G. A. R. are raising funds for a monument to cost $6,000.

Philadelphia, Pa. By the will of the late Richard Smith a millionaire type founder, the city is bequeathed $500,000 with which to build an arch in Fairmount Park as a memorial to Pennsylvanians in the late war. The design which has been adopted and is in the care of a trust company, calls for several equestrian statues and a number of busts of officers in the army and navy and a life size statue of the donor. The acceptance of the bequest remains with the Fairmount Park Art Association. The design was made by James H. Windrim director of public works in Philadelphia and is to be erected under his supervision. As a memorial to his son Mr. Smith left $50,000 to be expended for a children's play house in Fairmount Park.

New York City. The Schenner Club in the annexed district above Harlem have raised a fund of $2,500 to be expended for a memorial to the late commissioner of street improvements, Louis J. Heinst.

Toronto, Ont. Canadians are contributing to a fund for a monument to commemorate the life and services of Tecumseh the famous Indian Chief, to be erected here.

The Society of the Army of the Tennessee have raised $56,541 for the proposed monument to Gen. W. T. Sherman.

Charley Rich, the millionaire lumberman, on whose grounds Sullivan and Kilrain fought, has had the spot fenced off and will erect a monument to mark the place.
Laying the Corner Stone of the Iowa Monument.

THURSDAY, September 6th, was a proud day for the patriotic people of Iowa, thousands of whom assembled at Des Moines, the state capitol, to witness the laying of the corner stone of their Soldiers' and Sailors' monument, for which the state has appropriated $150,000. Distinguished men of state and national fame participated in the ceremonies, and many were the words of praise spoken in behalf of the beautiful design that had been chosen. A sealed copper box, 1-6 x 1-6 x 1-6 was placed in the corner stone, filled with papers and documents of historic interest, among them being a photograph of the designer, the late Mrs. Harriet A. Ketcham, of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Our illustration, which was made from a photograph of the model, gives a fair idea of the monument as it will appear when completed, but the design can be studied more satisfactorily by referring to the illustrations of interesting sections of the monument, which may be found in the MONUMENTAL NEWS for July, August and September. The detail carving is of a most elaborate type and is being executed by some of the most competent granite carvers in New England.

Barre granite and standard bronze are being used exclusively in the construction of this imposing memorial, and no pains are being spared to make it most artistic and enduring.

The granite cutting is being executed at the extensive establishment of Charles H. More & Co., Montpelier, Vt., whose improved machinery and appliances for the manufacture of granite were fully described and illustrated in the last issue of this journal. It is second to no other granite works in New England in point of modern equipment, a fact that should commend itself to the consideration of granite dealers.
Monuments Recently Dedicated.

The monument erected by the people of Lycoming Co., Pa., at Williamsport, Pa., to the "Defenders of the Union" recently unveiled, is illustrated herewith and requires little description. It is about 40 feet in height, and contains over 700 cubic feet of stone. Suitable inscriptions and emblems are freely used in the design. It was designed by Geo. F. Eisenbeiss and constructed by P. F. Eisenbeiss, Sons & Co., Eagle Marble and Granite Works, of Reading, Pa. Cost $5,000.

"The Chiefman in Bronze," the statue of Sir John Macdonald, erected in Toronto, Canada, and described in previous issues was unveiled, Oct. 13. The Soldier's monument at Watseka, Ill., is a gray granite structure, 12 feet high, surmounted by a bronze statue of a Color-Sergeant of the 1st division, Company F, 142nd. Ind. Vol., dedicated a monument to their dead at Oakland City, Ind. It is 25 feet high. The name of the battle, those killed and those who died in Andersonville are recorded on the base. At Sterling, Neb., the first soldier's monument of the State has been unveiled. The figure of a fully equipped soldier, 6 feet 6 inches high, surmounts a pedestal 7 feet high. First base is 4 feet square, second 3 feet square by 16 inches, the 3 feet high reducing to twenty inches square on which figure stands. Bronze statue of Dr. J. Marion Sims has been unveiled in Bryant Park, New York.—The Cherry Tree monument to mark the spot where William Penn made the boundary line of his possessions, erected by the State, has been dedicated at Huntington, W. Va. The monument to Gen. Thomas J. Rusk, the celebrated Texan, which has been erected by the State at Nacogdoches, Texas, is of Burnet granite, plain but imposing, rising 40 feet in height. It consists of a polished shaft, supported by an unpolished base, with some quiet chasing on the capstone and suitable inscriptions. The monument dedicated to Allen County, Indiana, soldiers at Fort Wayne, Ind., was dedicated Oct. 10. An illustration is given of the bronze group. The monument in memory of Maj. B. F. Stevenson, founder of the Grand Army of the Republic, was dedicated at Petersburg, Ill. The monument in honor of Dr. Lafayette Van Cleere, erected by the Free Masons of Ohio, at Middletown, Ohio, was dedicated Oct. 14. The structure which cost $3,000 is of gray Italian granite seven feet high, base 6 feet by 7 feet; it is surmounted by scroll work and has a tablet with inscription. A soldier's monument has been unveiled at Oakland, Wis. It consists of a marble statue of a soldier at parade rest on a pedestal. The 21st Penn. Cavalry have dedicated their grand monument on the Baltimore Pike at Gettysburg, Pa. Gen. John Sullivan, the New Hampshire revolutionary hero, has been commemorated by a Concord granite monument, properly inscribed at Durham, N. H. A soldier's monument has been unveiled at Berlin, Wis., illustrated herewith. A granite shaft stands on a mound reached by granite steps. The shaft rises from a rough granite base surmounted by a polished granite disk with inscription. On the shaft is a G. A. R. badge and on top is a bronze figure of a young soldier supporting the draped Union colors. The whole is nearly 40 feet high. The granite is Wisconsin material, and the figure, 8 feet high, was cast at Chicopee, Mass. Total cost about $4,000. The Battinman Co., and the Berlin & Montello Granite Co. built the work. A monument of white marble and bearing an inscription beneath a design of crossed muskets was unveiled by 5th Regiment Volunteer corps at Baltimore, Md., over the grave of John S. Copenhaver. It was erected by J. W. S. Brady, of Baltimore Co., Ind., Soldier's and Sailor's monument, unveiled at Jasper, is of granite 32 feet high and cost $5,000. It is surmounted by a figure of a soldier in bronze. The M. H. monuments at Petersburg, Va., is of Hallowell granite, 11 feet high, base 3 ½ by 6 1/2 feet, shaft 3 feet by 2 feet. It bears the coat of arms of the State and in conjunction will have two bronze tablets in the lot bearing names of killed and wounded. Cost $2,400. Four Connecticut regiments have dedicated monuments on the field of Antietam. The 8th, 9th, 10th, and 16th. The 14th and 16th. regimental monuments, Antietam, are in the form of shafts, and that of the 8th may be seen from the accompanying illustration. The 15th Connecticut regiment has unveiled a monument at New Bern, N. C. An illustration is given of the monument to the Revolutionary soldiers, recently unveiled at Tarrytown, N. Y. Germain Metternich Post No. 122, G. A. R. dedicated a monument to soldier dead at Lutheran cemetery, Middle Village, L. I. It is 15 feet high and 5 ft. 3 in. wide at base, of light granite. It has three bases and a die diminishing towards the top, where it curves to an apex surmounted by an eagle on a ball. It is adorned with soldier's accompaniments, cannon balls, etc., and suitable inscriptions. The contractors were Rees & Lang of Brooklyn, New York.
An Enterprising Granite Firm.

The granite manufacturing and importing firm of Cross Brothers, of Northfield, Vt., whose portraits and plant are illustrated on this page, was established in 1890. As will be seen by the portraits, the brothers are all comparatively young men, and the success they have met with amply demonstrates their very commendable desire to establish a business reputation as enduring as the material in which they are working.

Northfield is the first important station south of Montpelier, on the main line of the Central Vermont railroad, and is, therefore, within a short distance of the famous Barre granite quarries, where most of the rough stock handled here is quarried. A spur track from the main line enters Cross Brothers' yard, within reach of the large power derrick shown in the illustration, thereby materially reducing the cost of handling both rough stock and finished work. The building occupied as cutting works and polishing mill is about 350 x 325 feet and in which at the present time between 50 and 60 men are employed. A commodious building, 25 x 50 feet, not seen in the illustration, has recently been completed; it is used exclusively for offices and drafting room; a further addition is to be made for which contracts have been let, to consist of a shed 60 x 324 feet, with a 30 ton traveling derrick, running the entire length. This building is designed expressly for heavy work. In the polishing mill there are five wheels and a pendulum for mouldings, etc., while the manufacturing department is equipped with five pneumatic of the finest pieces of work that has been done this season is the Champaign County soldier's monument, erected at Champaign, Illinois.

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The Northern Michigan Marble Co. will develop quarries near Iron Mountain and intend building a large mill for sawing and finishing marble in the spring.

An eastern paper states that the Smith Granite Co. at Westerly, R. I., has orders on hand for eleven vaults and over sixty soldier's monuments which means plenty of winters work for the employees.

At least four hundred men are engaged at the Tackahoe, N. Y., marble quarries. The material is used principally for building purposes. Considerable of it went into Vanderbilt's million dollar cottage at Newport.

At Iowa Falls, Iowa, a quarry of marble has been opened similar to Virginia marble, having incarnated stains and a dark gray body color. It is well adapted for interior work, such as mantels, furniture tops, tiling etc.

In southwestern Missouri for some years past, a rock has been quarried under the name of "Tripoli," which has been largely manufactured into disks and cylinders for filters, blotting pads, and polishing powder. This deposit averages 15 feet thick, is about 4 feet under the surface and covers something like 80 acres. Real tripoli is an infusorial earth consisting almost entirely of silica in the soluble state and is composed mainly of the siliceous skeletons of minute animal organisms, and comes from Tripoli, Africa.

An important addition to Tennessee's marble interests has recently been made in the establishment of the Tennessee Producer's Marble Co. mill at Knoxville. The capital stock of the company is $300,000. Senator Redfield Proctor, who is interested in the Vermont Marble Co. succeeded the late Col. John J. Craig as president, and W. B. Mc Mullin is vice-president. The main building is 240 x 80 feet, two stories high. The first floor will be occupied by the sawing department and will contain 24 gangs averaging 40 saws each. The finishing will be done on the second floor. All of the machinery is of the latest and most approved patterns and designed to carry out the largest work both in size and quantity. The company owns quarries covering a large variety of Tennessee marble, but it also intends to operate in other descriptions. Tennessee's marble interests have rapidly developed in the past few years and as other mills are being promoted at Knoxville it looks as though that city will be the finishing center of all the State's product of this material.
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TRADE NOTES

E. R. Morse, of Proctor, Vt., represents his district in the State Legislature this year.

We are indebted to Mr. Joseph Hooper of Port Hope, Ont., for copies of Canadian papers.

Louis Zinger, Pekin, Ill., D. O. Sellers, Paola, Kans., H. C. Morgan, Iowa, Falls, Ia., were in Chicago last month.

Henderson & Co., of LaFayette, Ind., have just placed a large family monument of Barre granite for which they received $3,000. Their sales have been very satisfactory this season.

He is “Energetic, shrewd and honest” is what the Crawfordsville, Ind., Journal says of Mayor Fred C. Handel of that city. Mr. Handel is one of the most successful monument men in the Hoosier state.

Mr. R. F. Reinhart, well known in the business having served an apprenticeship of some twenty-two years, now represents the Smith Granite Co., of Westerly, R. I., at their Philadelphia office.

The Muldoon Monument Co., Louisville, Ky., were awarded the contract for the Confederate Soldier's Monument to be erected in that city by the Ladies Confederate Monument Association. The estimated cost is $9,000.

George L. Mead formerly with Lanari & Barton, at Woodlawn, N. Y., has recently engaged with E. C. Willison, Boston and will represent him in New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The retail trade will find Mr. Mead a pleasant man to meet.

R. E. Turner & Co., of Quincy, Mass., are making a monument for Thos. Phillips & Son, New Haven, Ct., on which the following somewhat novel inscription has been cut:

Lent to earth July 1870,
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The Miners Union of Butte, Montana, have placed an order with A. K. Prescott of Helena, Mt., for a memorial to be erected to A. C. Witter, one of the founders of the Union. The monument will be of Vermont granite resting upon a base of Montana granite.

The N. C. Hinsdale Sons Granite Co., of Indianapolis, Ind., are contractors for several large monuments for Indianapolis and Detroit parties. They have also a number of contracts for monumental work under way to be erected at Chicago and New Orleans. Mr. N. C. Hinsdale is an old timer at the granite business.

We are informed by an eastern correspondent that the suit brought by W. H. Perry against several of the manufacturers at all claims the work and prices of the Georgia Marble Finishing Works.

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Concord, N. H., for infringement of his patent design has been decided in favor of the defendants. Our informant states that the decision rendered requires the plaintiff to pay the defendants $10,000 each and all of the costs.

P. W. Wray & Co., manufacturers of Maquoketa, Iowa, have just occupied their new two-story brick building, 50 by 60 feet, situated on Platt St., one of the principal streets of the city. The firm deals in and manufactures marble and granite monuments and reports the year's trades the best they have had and anticipate doing considerable more business before the stock time.

One of the most graceful monuments in Highland Lawn Cemetery, Terre Haute, Ind., has just been put there by Frank Pratt of that city. The bottom base is 10 feet square; there are two bases, a polished die, pilasters and shaft; the entire height being about 40 feet. Aside from the carved family name and the highly polished die there is no attempt at ornamentation. The work was executed at the Barre quarries.

We have received from T. L. Badger of W. Quincy, Mass., a piece of highly polished Quincy granite that we shall prize very highly indeed because of its historic connection. The little block was made from one of the granite lines on the first railroad ever built in this country. The road was constructed in 1825 to transport the granite to be used on the Bunker Hill monument, and was from West Quincy to the bank of the Neponset River. One of the old shafts was unearthed the other day, and has been cut up into these valuable souvenirs.

The New England Granite Co., of Hartford, Conn., are contractors for a private family monument to be erected at Norwich, Conn., at a cost of $15,000. The design is in the form of a sarcophagus with three bases, clusters of three columns with finely carved capitals form the corners of the die. The heavily molded and carved die cap acts as a pedestal for two seated figures representing Faith and Hope; between them rises an octagonal column which supports a group of several figures representing Charity. The monument will stand twenty-five feet in height and will be executed in white and blue Westerly granite.

Ins. Palace of Chicago, is placing a monument 50 ft. high, 12 ft. square at base, on the highest point in the cemetery at Youngstown, Ohio, erected by General Torrence of this city to the memory of his father and mother. The monument when completed may be seen for many miles from any point of the campus. He is also about to erect a monument for General Torrence to stand in Rose Hill Cemetery, Chicago, 60 ft. high. The shaft is 46 ft. long and 4 ft. square at base and is the largest ever quarried at Barre in one piece. The monument will be 156 square feet at base and the third largest individual shaft monument in the U. S.

The suit of J. Graham vs. Badger Bros., of West Quincy, for $25,000 was decided in favor of the plaintiff with award of $25,000. This was the result of an accident by the breaking of a manila rope while hoisting a stone in the yard of this firm, by which the plaintiff was partially paralyzed. The rope was almost a new one working on the power derrick and had lifted stones of ten tons weight. At the time of the accident it was hoisting a stone of less weight than the fall block. A reasonable supposition of the cause of such an accident would appear to be that the strands of the rope may have been cut or injured in passing through the

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The product of our new quarry is conceded by the oldest quarrymen to be the finest grained granite in Quincy. It is very dark, takes a high polish and is especially adapted to

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To every dealer sending us an order for a monument or marker to be made from our Dark Quincy Granite, we will send free of charge a handsome polished sample and a blue print drawing of the design.

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QUINCY, MASS.

blocks due to overheating or some similar action. The firm is insured.

Campbell & Horrigan of Pittsburg, Pa., are having a large monument manufactured by Marr & Gooden at Barre, Vt., that will make an imposing memorial when completed. The design briefly described consists of a base 10’ x 12’ square above which are two bases, the third molded on which rests a polished die of dark stock with polished Ionic columns detached. Above the cap rises a fluted column with a boldly carved Corinthian capital, the column and capital measuring 21’ 6”. Surrounding this will be a stane of Hope, 8 feet in height carved in granite. The total height of the completed monument will be 47 feet and it will make one of the finest pieces of work Campbell & Horrigan have ever furnished.

At the sixth annual meeting of the Boston Wholesale Granite Dealers Association held October 11th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Chas. H. More, Barre, Vt., president; Dav'l. W. Francis, New York, vice-president; Marshall W. Jones, Boston, secretary and treasurer. Executive committee, W. C. Townsend, New York; J. F. Townsend, Columbus, O.; E. C. Willson, Boston; R. C. Bowes, Montpelier, Vt.; Charles Clements, member of arbitration board. Mr. Seward W. Jones, the retiring president, who has faithfully filled that office since the inception of the association was presented with a handsomely chased gold headed cane as a token of esteem from his associate members.

S. A. MacFarland, of Carrara, Italy, who runs up occasion-

Dealers should carry samples of Red Carnahan granite. I can supply them, E. C. Willson, Boston.

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ally to London, reports that the pulse of that universal trade center indicates a revival of trade in nearly every part of the world. He sends us the following: "Arthur Schofield, of Prospect-place, Feckham, eighteen years ago, is not only a monumental mason, but also a fine example of monumental industry. Wishing to show his devotion to the memory of a departed brother he coolly appropriates the copingstone of a pillar which stood at the porchway of a neighbour's garden in order to make of it a neat tombstone. He cut it into two, but forgot to restore the other half to its original and lawful position. He 'sculp' one-half of it and adorned it with cherubs and an epitaph. As the monumental mason was unable to satisfy the police inquiry exhaustively he was called on to appear before the magistrate at Greenwich. There Schofield admitted taking the stone and was fined 5s. It is exceedingly doubtful whether the monument will ever be erected."

* New Firms, Changes etc.*


Quincy granite rough stock, small and medium sizes, ready for prompt shipment. E. C. Willson, Boston, Mass.

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The Barre Granite Co.

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BARRE, VT. The Barre Granite Co.

South Bend, Ind., has opened a new shop in that city. Bernie Pride, Williamsept, Ind.


The shops of Geo. L. Benner, Washington, D. C., and Mason, Richmond, Va., have been damaged by fire.

M. A. Greshun, formerly of Lake Charles, La., has removed to Houston, Texas.

DECEASED: C. G. Sanford, Sanford & Hughes, Clyde, Ohio. D. A. Rogers, Clinton, Mass. Henry F. Thompson, Portland, Me.

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FREE. Send for them.

Our two new Sarophagus Designs, photo half sizes, have made a hit. They are Low-Priced and sell readily. Designs for particulars.

STRONG & GRANNIS, 3 Union Square, New York.

Over the tomb of a young lady in Ohio, who is yet remembered as being as beautiful as a perfect rose this verse is chiseled:

Sister, thou wast mild and lovely,
Gentle as the summer breeze;
Pleasant as the air of evening
When it floats among the trees.

This epitaph, on a headstone in the graveyard, Orange, N. J. The date is 1762, the departed being the consort of one Captain Jones:

Who can refuse the tributary sigh
When dear domestic female virtues die?
Weep, maidens, here, the indulgent mistress lies;
Ye plaintive pour your kind reliever flood;
Ye husband, matrons, children, come and mourn
The fondest wife and mother in her urn
Friends, kindred, neighbors, all your grief express,
And sympathetic share in Jane's deep distress.

A marble slab in Woodlawn Cemetery, New York bears this inscription:

ROBERT GIBSON,
I was born in 1805,
The year '90 has gone by,
Sixty years I lived in plenty,
And I might live another ten.
Died April 18, 1855.
This stone was erected before I died,
To tell my age I may have lied.
Reader, never lie.

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An epitaph found at Eastern Mass., is as follows:

Here Isaac Stokes cloth lay,
The time he died is fixed.
In April, the twentieth day,
Seventeen hundred sixty-six,
Seventy-ninth year of his age.
He went his trial through,
So left his mortal stage.
And bid the world adieu.
You that are now in health.
And putting far away
The solemn hour of death.
And the great judgment day.
Consider this I pray,
That soon or late you must
God's solemn word obey.
And stand return to dust.
Here rests a hallowed spot fair,
Who squandered many a ducat;
For many a year she looked the air,
And then she kicked the bucket.

The Bohemian

Here is one found in an old French cemetery,
adorning the tomb of a husband and wife:
I am anxiously expecting you—A. D. 1627.
Here I am—A. D. 1659.

"And yet another, on the monument erected
over a photographer:
Here I am—taken from life."

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From our regular correspondent:

QUINCY, MASS.

A matter that has brought again into public notice the new quarry railroad that was dedicated and opened for business last month, is the suit for damages at present on trial, which the company has brought against the State of Massachusetts for land taken for the Blue Hill reservation.

The State in the laying out of this extensive reservation last December took 109 acres of the land of the quarry company, land over which the railroad then in the process of construction was to be extended. The section taken included some very valuable quarrying land, where had been made several openings which showed excellent deposits of dark blue granite, and the directors of the company naturally felt the loss which would befall them by the taking of one-third of the property which they had bought up with the object of improving. They had but one redress from the State in case the award was not satisfactory and that was to apply to the courts. The company offered to settle for $50,000 without a suit while the three State park commissioners would allow but $7,000.

For nearly two weeks the case was on trial in the second session of the Supreme Court at Boston and there were a number of expert witnesses on both sides. The auditors were Hon. Moses Willians, Maurice Gray and Samuel B. Canpe. The Quincy Quarry Company was represented by Hon. E. C. Bumpus, C. F. Adams, and Lawyer Wiggin and Hon. W. S. W. Hopkins and Batch & Rockmore appeared for the commonwealth. The granite men who testified as experts, for the company, were John Q. A. Field, James Thompson, president of the Quincy Manufacturers Association, John Cassman, George Harvey Field, John H. Degan, George Hunter, James White, of the firm of James White & Son, James Ingman, E. L. Smith and Aza Morse of Barre and T. P. Sullivan of Concord. These gentlemen put the value of the land, including damages to the road through loss of traffic at from $100,000 to $125,000 and a conservative estimate of the value of the land alone to the company was $60,000. The State brought forth as witnesses W. H. Mitchell of the Mitchell Granite Co., M. P. Wright of the O. T. Rogers Granite Co., J. L. Miller of Thomas & Miller, Franklin Hardwick of F. Hardwick & Son, of the assessors of Quincy and several Cape Ann granite men. Their estimates on the value of the land were from $4,000 to $10,000, with no loss to the railroad and Mr. Miller thought that the balance of the property was improved by the taking for the purpose intended.

The variance in the estimates naturally has caused considerable comment and to those who have not looked into the matter they may seem a little extraordinary. It is unfortunate too that some feeling has crept into the testimony as given before the auditors. As Judge Bumpus, the road's counsel stated, it was not the value of the land at the time the State by its right of eminent domain seized it, that is to be considered in the estimating of the damage to the Quincy Quarry Co. This company which by the way was organized by Quincy capital had long before the State laid out the reservation bought up 39 acres of quarrying land in the Blue Hill district and had made plans for a successful development of the granite hills with which the whole section abounded. Money was subscribed and work was begun on a railroad which was to take in by its many spurs this land which the State now holds as well as that where the road extends at present. The company had in mind an enterprise that some can say on the contemplated scale would not have been successful and that it was obliged to curtail these plans and give up 109 acres of its property, was losing a valuable right; was taking from them a means of income the value of which would be hard to estimate. Granite men who have given the matter a careful study do not hesitate to set this at $100,000 and with the facilities that the company now has to handle stone over its railroad as a "future value" this is considered low. The company brought in rebuttal testimony on Wednesday Oct. 24, and on the following Friday the case was argued. It is probable that the auditors will bring in an award early this month.

There was a little lull in the business the latter part of September but the first of October brought in to many of the firms a number of good orders. There are however few of call for estimates on medium size work and several big jobs are being figured on.

McGilvray & Jones shipped a big job last month. It was the large family tomb for Chauncey M. Depoe to be erected at Potsdam, N. Y. It was finely finished and adds another honor to the many won by this firm in the execution of large work.

Mr. E. Fred Carr was at Chickamauga the latter part of the month superintending the erection of some of the monuments he has been cutting for that famous battle field the past summer. The O. T. Rogers Granite Co. finished a large tomb job last month and a handsome three foot polished ball was another commendable piece of work.
TO THE RETAIL GRANITE DEALERS.

When placing your orders for work that you are particular about having properly executed, both as to the selection of stock and the character of workmanship, you will consult your best interests by corresponding with me. I guarantee to do thoroughly first-class work and to use the product of the best quarries. Estimates will be cheerfully furnished on special stock work for spring delivery. A trial order will convince you as to the character of my work. Yours truly,

S. Henry Barnicoat.

From our regular correspondent:

Baltimore, Md.

Trade in Baltimore at present is somewhat brisk. Just one year ago during the "so-called hard times" business here was fairly ebbing itself in the building line; but a change has come about and we are now having a long string of unprofitable experience in the same business. Dealers in granite are perhaps more prosperous and just at present there seems to be a good demand for that material for street improvements in particular. But the outlook seems fair for marble in the near future.

B. Hannah & Sons of Baltimore have the contract for an addition to the Maryland Penitentiary in Baltimore, to cost $63,000. Improvements consisting of new buildings and walls, are to be of granite from Woodstock, Md.

The plans of Messrs. Wyatt & Nolting for the new Court House have been selected from among seventy other competitors from all parts of the globe. These architects have therefore confined their work to small houses and buildings, and the selection of their design is regarded with surprise but commendation. The cost of the construction is estimated to be about $3,000,000. Eight commissioners have been appointed to select the stone to be used, and as they are inclined to prefer marble, judging from their holdings and the architect's preference being for that material, marble is looked upon as the only stone in the market for that job. But this is by no means a certainty for on one side of the proposed site is the old granite Court House, which still makes a fine appearance, and on the other side is the City Hall built of marble. However, the Court House Commissioners are expected to settle the matter at their meeting in November.

The Baltimore Morning Herald has a fine new structure under construction at the corner St. Paul and Lexington streets, built of Beaver Dam Marble and pressed brick. John Hite, of Baltimore, has the contract and John McKnight has the stone work. Its probable cost is $175,000.

Messrs. Hugh, Sisson & Sons have just completed a fine marble monument for the brewers J. F. Wilcox & Sons of Baltimore. It is constructed of marble, and cost $40,000. The lower portion of the monument contains four large blocks each 64 X 34 X 30, weighing 6 tons each, and there are also eight figures imported from Italy, which are mounted on these. Another, quite large marble monument, now at standstill, is the new bridge on North avenue, near the old one. The contract for this job was given to L. B. McCabe & Bro., the amount being $350,000. It is of Baltimore County marble. As the contract calls for a completion of the building by next September, Messrs. McCabe are expected to start up again very soon.

Sales in granite monuments and granite work in general have increased in number and in amount. But everybody interested in marble is becoming elated over the prospects, both in the monumental and building line. Composite monuments, having marble bottom base, and the rest of granite is inconsiderable demand, the dealers being responsible for much of this trade. Many marble monuments have the bottom base of Maryland Marble and the rest of Italian. Nearly all the posts and carving used in this part of the United States are cut from our home product from Cockeysville. It is a stone of which the Baltimoreans are more than proud.

H. C. T.

Enclosed please find money order to continue my subscription to the Monumental News another year. It is an A-1 representative of the marble and granite trade of the country.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. Miller, Albany, Ga.

A new marble sheet just issued, composed of ten attractive and desirable styles, mounted on beveled, gilt edge card. Price 50c each. Card size 6" X 8" Postage stamps accepted. J. F. Townsend, Columbus, O.
From our regular correspondent.  

Barre Letter.  

The greatest of poets has said: "There is some soul of good in all things evil, would men observingly distill it out." That may be and probably is true, but we must confess that it shakens our faith a little when we attempt to extract good out of some of the experiences which the granite industry has passed through in the last few years in the way of strikes, financial depressions, etc. However, we look forward to "the good time coming" when quietness and prosperity will be the rule instead of the reverse. There seems to be a growing tendency among men in the granite business to have all labor troubles and matters of that nature settled by arbitration. We believe that when this plan is carried into effect, it will result in great good to all concerned and will be of the happy medium through which the goal of our ambition will be reached. As near as we can learn, arbitration will be strongly advocated when our representatives meet again to consider what plan shall be adopted to govern the great business they are engaged in.

We think this will prove to be the banner year for law suits among our granite men in Barre. The popular cry of slavery when our men meet now is not about one's health, business or the weather, but when is your trial to come off, or how did your suit come out? We have an idea that many of our members will be sufficiently posted in the principles and mysteries of Blackstone to warrant them in hanging out their shingles as full fledged practitioners of the law by the end of the year.

We understand that the next legal contest will be between the Pneumatic & Electric Tool Co. and the American Tool Co. the latter company having brought suit against the former for alleged infringement of patent. As a large number of our firms are using, and others have contracted to use, the tools of the first named company, the result of the suit will be looked forward to with a great deal of interest.

The Vermont Granite Co. are putting in a pneumatic tool plant, and have contracted with the Pneumatic & Electric Tool Co. for the use of tools for their company. Manton & Wards Bros., Medich & Hadley, J. M. Fraser & Son and others. The Vermont Granite Co. will furnish piping, power and tools for the firms mentioned.

Since our last letter was written there has been a great rush in getting Fall orders finished and shipped in order to get them set up before the ground freezes, consequently our sheds are not as well filled with work as they were a month ago. Winter orders, so far, have not come in as fast as could be hoped for, still there is time for improvement in that respect.

Barney Bros. have added to their force of men during the last week or two. Among the new orders they have recently received is one from Hodges & McCarthy, of St. Louis, the dimensions of which are as follows: First base, 10-o x 10-o x 10-o; second base, 8-o x 8-o x 8-o; third base, 7-o x 7-o x 7-o; fourth base, 6-o x 6-o x 6-o; die, 5-o x 5-o x 5-o; plinth, 4-o x 4-o x 4-o; pier, 4-o x 4-o x 4-o. They are turning out a number of very large columns and busts.

Jones Bros. have some very fine monuments completed and under way. Among those recently shipped was a soldiers' monument which is to commemorate the services of the 15th Connecticut Volunteers. Bottom base, 5-o x 5-o x 5-o. Total height, 5-o. The die is handsomely carved—on the front are crossed guns, knapsack and soldier's cap on the rear, the Connecticut coat of arms, on top of die is a gracefully carved American flag, the stars being highly polished, making a beautiful com-
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BARRE, VERMONT.

trust to the other finely hammered parts. This is to be erected at New Bern, N. C. Another is a sarcophagus monument now under way. First base, 12 x 7 1/2 x 1 1/6; second base, 9 x 5 1/2 x 1 1/4; third base, 8 x 4 1/6 x 1 1/4. Carved column die, 7 1/8 x 7 1/8 x 3 x 1 1/10; cap, 7 1/11 x 3 3/4 x 2 1/10, surrounded by a finely carved urn, 6 1/4 in height. A contract was recently signed for one of the most elaborate designed monuments we have seen in months, the dimensions of which are as follows: First base, 10 1/10 x 7 1/2 x 1 1/4; second base, 8 1/10 x 5 1/2 x 1 1/4; third base, 7 1/2 x 5 1/2 x 1 1/4; die, 6 1/10 x 3 3/4 x 2 1/10; plinth, 6 x 3 1/2 x 2 1/2; cap, 6 x 3 1/2 x 2 1/2. Above these are four columns, three bases, die, plinth and cap. Total height, 25 1/2. The dimensions of another monument are as follows: First base, 9 1/8 x 7 x 1 1/4; second base, 7 1/11 x 5 1/2 x 1 1/4; third base, 7 1/3 x 4 1/2 x 1 1/4; plinth, 6 1/2 x 3 6/10 x 2 1/4; 4 cluster columns die, 6 x 3 1/2 x 2 1/2; plinth, 5 1/11 x 3 3/4 x 1 1/10; cap, 6 1/6 x 4 1/4 x 2 1/2. Plinth, 2 1/3 x 2 1/2 x 1 1/10; cap, 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 x 1 1/10. Statue, 6 1/2 in height. We think these are sufficient to show that this enterprise firmly believes that the granite industry is not entirely out of business, still they have shed room for more orders.

One of the most notable pieces of work ever cut in Barre was shipped last week from the shops of the Empire Granite Co. It was a cross 36 feet in height. The shaft is 36 x 36 at the base and 36 x 2 1/2 at the top. The cross arm is 65 feet in length. Upon the cross is a figure of the Saviour, 9 1/6 in height. The cross is to be set up in the United French and German Roman Catholic Cemetery in Buffalo, N. Y. The expression put into the face, and in fact the entire figure by the sculptors is very remarkable. A man passed three scores and ten who was looking at it when the water last saw it made the remark that, "nothing which he had seen in his whole life ever made such a deep impression on his mind." Similar expressions were made by many others.

Elmire & Keenan are working thirty men and have sufficient orders on hand to keep them busy until the holidays. Among the monuments now under way is one as follows: First base, 8 x 8 x 2 1/2; second base, 5 1/6 x 5 1/6 x 1 1/6; third base, 4 1/10 x 4 1/10 x 1 1/10; die, 3 1/8 x 3 1/8 x 1 1/2; cap, 4 1/2 x 4 1/4 x 2 1/6; plinth, 9 x 3 1/4 x 1 1/10, surrounded by a statue 7 1/2 in height.

Among the out of town visitors this month were: Marshall Jones, Boston, F. L. Bediger of Quincy and C. E. Truman of New York city. Mr. C. H. Mee of Barre, was honored this month by being elected President of the Boston Wholesale and Granite Dealers' Association.

Mr. James Gadsley of Albany, N. Y., was in town last week. He recently returned from an extended European trip and was looking well, and was in excellent spirits. He still maintains that there is no granite in the world equal to Barre, to which we all agree.

Citizens of Morrisville, Vt., a town on the Lake Champlain division of the Boston & Maine R. R., north of Barre, are endeavoring to induce manufacturers of various kinds of goods to locate in their midst. John Brechin, one of our local manufacturers, has received such favorable inducements that he has concluded to move his plant there in February. The granite sheds which are now being built are of modern design and equipment, and conveniently located for shipping. Barre, Hardwick, Woodbury and other granite quarries in that section will be manufactured there.

Among the large work under way at Stephens & Reid is a stately monument that will stand over fifty feet in height. The bottom base is 100 square, above this are two bases, a die and a richly carved plinth on which stands the shaft 3 1/2 x 3 1/2 x 3 1/2. The four faces of the base of the shaft will be ornamented with Romanesque carving to a height of five feet. The family
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manufacturer and importer, Boston, Mass., is a valuable little
volume for the retail granite trade. It contains a diversified col-
clection of salable designs of monuments, tablets, etc., with sizes
and prices in four popular granites. The book sells at $1.00 a
Copy.

Persons of a superstitious turn of mind in days gone by con-
sidered it exceedingly dangerous to give a friend a knife without
warranting something in return, for fear the bond of friendship
would be eternally cut. We are reminded of this old notion by
the receipt of a very handsome pocket knife from Cook & Wat-
kiss, of Boston, Mass. The handle and blades are of steel the
former highly polished and engraved with the firm name on one
side, and the words "Granite and Statuary" on the other. Cook
& Watkins are enterprising men and are not afraid of cutting
friendship with any one after the old fashioned idea, but if any
of the recipients of this neat little present are troubled on that
score they can relieve their minds by sending their Boston friends
some orders and all will be well.

Moore's "Catalogue B," of "up to date" artistic bronze and
Iron Work for memorial purposes contains a number of new and
artistic designs for vault doors, gates, grills, etc., and illustrations
of other cemetery work that will be appreciated by the retail mar-
bles and granite trade. Copies of the catalogue may be had by ad-
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The Engineering Magazine, of New York, has advanced
another step in its department devoted to the indexing of the
leading articles of current technical journals, which under suc-
cessive improvements has become a most valuable feature of this
successful publication. The aim in the new departures is to give
under separate leading heads, expert reviews of the most im-
potence publications of the month, in every field of applied science,
and to supply a complete index to all the leading articles pub-
lished in the scientific and industrial journals of the English
speaking peoples. In addition, through a clipping bureau system,
to supply the original and full text of each and every article so
reviewed and culled at a stipulated price. It looks as though the
scheme had been worked out to meet every possible contin-
geney in such a department, and we see nothing at the moment of
writing but an actual experience from which to evolve a sug-
gestion of improvement.

A. Black & Son granite and marble dealers, Hastings, Mich.,
have issued a very tastefully gotten up pamphlet in which are illus-
trated views of quarries, workshops, public and private statues
and a number of handsome monuments erected by them in dif-
ferent parts of Michigan. Portraits of both members of the firm
are given, with views of their Hastings and Kalkaska offices and
a brief history of their business since its inception thirty-two years
ago. Not the least interesting feature of the pamphlet and
that which best shows the extent of the business done is a list of
some of their patrons, several hundred in number, residents of
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Proposed Memorial in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

By the will of Richard Smith, the wealthy Philadelphia type founder, of which record is made in another column, $50,000 is bequeathed for the erection of a monumental memorial in Fairmount Park, under the auspices of the Fairmount Park Association, provided the amount of the proper authorities be obtained. Certain other stipulations were made in relation to control of things and the design and erection of the structure. The design of the late supervising architect, James H. Windrim, has already been selected, and deposited with a Trust Company. By stipulation the care of the project devolved upon John H. Windrim at the death of his father.

The memorial is to include spectral statues in bronze of Major Generals George B. McClellan and Winfield S. Hancock, and colossal statues in bronze of Major Generals George G. Meade and John F. Reynolds, the niches in the right and left wing of the design to have pedestals to receive bronze busts of the following distinguished Pennsylvanians: Ex-Governor Andrew G. Curtin, Major General John F. Hartranft, Admirals David D. Porter and John A. Dahlgren, General James A. Beaver, Maj. General S. W. Crawford, and in addition the architect, James H. Windrim, and executor of the will John H. Gest. A mural tablet in bronze is to be placed upon the potted stage of one of the main columns with the inscription: "This monumental arch presented by Richard Smith, type founder, of Philadelphia, in memory of Pennsylvanians who took part in the Civil War, whose strife was not for agrarianism, but when conflict ceased, the North with the South united, again to enjoy the common heritage left by the fathers of our country, resolving that hereafter all our people should dwell together in unity." Upon the pedestal stage of the other main column will be placed a bracketed rest on the right of the entrance front, a statue of the donor in bronze, and underneath the name "Richard Smith," in large letters. The central part of the memorial to be for a carriage way, and on either side passages for pedestrians. A sum of $50,000 was also bequeathed to the park for the creation of proper buildings and the inclosing of space for a children's playground, this in memory of his son Stanford Smith. The buildings are to provide for the proper care in every way of young children with a view to recreation.

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A list of recent patents, reported specially for THE MONUMENTAL NEWS, by W. F. Anguish & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C. Copies of these patents may be had of the above firm at twenty-five cents each.

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The discussion of the famous Venus de Milo is again to the front. This time Henri Rochefort, who has lived in London, since he was exiled by the French government, has been investigating the question of the lost arms of the Venus de Milo. This most famous of ancient statues was first unearthed in 1820 by some peasants of the island of Melos. Lieut. Dumont d'Urville, afterwards famous as a navigator— regarding the discovery to M. de Riviere, French minister at Constantinople. Appreciating its probable importance, De Riviere sent a secretary, M. de Marcellin, to negotiate for the purchase of the statue by the French government. His mission was successful, and the Venus went to the Louvre. New M. Rochefort says that he remembers hearing a circumstantial account of the event from his aunt Mme. de St. Maur, who was a sister of M. de Riviere. On this authority he pronounces it to be certain that when d'Urvillo saw the Venus it had both its arms, which were broken off, but lay beside it. On the other hand Marcellin positively states that upon his arrival at Melos the statue was armless, and that he found no trace of the missing member. M. Rochefort adds that the family tradition describes the right hand as holding the apple, the prize of beauty given to Venus by Paris, while the left hand raised the goddess' robe to show her the exquisite symmetry of her ankle.

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There is a tradition that a tombstone in the graveyard of an old and uncompromising little stone church in London, and was recently placed in the parish church of Westfield, Conn., gives forth a ticking sound, and it has long been locally famous as the ticking tombstone. The noise is not loud enough for the stone to be located by a stranger, and if the ticking is really heard, it comes disembodied from the thicket of water through the limestone formation not unusual in the region. The old church dates back to about the middle of the last century, and is surrounded by gravestones, some of them much older.

The monument commemorating the surrender of Burgoyne to Gates and Schuyler at Saratoga, which stands in a beautiful location at Schuylerville, N. Y., has never been formally dedicated says the Springfield (Mass.) Republican. Congress has never seen fit to make the necessary appropriation for the expenses of the dedication, and as the monument association has no money the ceremony has been postponed. The monument stands on a hill-top overlooking the Hudson and is a stately granite shaft with bronze figures of Gates, Schuyler, and Morgan in niches above the doors; on three sides, the niche on the fourth side, where Arnold's figure would properly come being left purposely empty.

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