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OES the MONUMENTAL NEWS discriminate against firms who are not members of the Manufacturers' Association by refusing to insert their advertisements?—Granite Cutters' Journal for July.'' No! but the MONUMENTAL NEWS emphatically declines to insert advertisements which reflect upon other advertisers.

Sult has been commenced in the interests of a former granite polishing company against prominent granite manufacturers at Barre, Vt. The plaintiff, who was not a member of the Granite Manufacturers' Association, claims that certain members of the latter body conspired to interfere with his patronage, and with such effect that his business was ruined, compelling a sale and a consequent loss of \$10,000. The case is to come up at the September term of the Washington County Court, and points are involved which are attracting much attention.

A N enterprising New York firm who issued a handsomely illustrated catalogue of monumental work, little dreamed of the uses to which the illustrations contained therein would be put, the moral they would be made to illustrate, or the ridiculous position in which it would place the editor of a monumental trade paper. A space writer on one of the New York dailies saw in this catalogue the possibilities of a readable article on memorials to prominent men, and elaborated at some length on the various styles of monuments now in progress of construction, using the illustrations of the aforesaid catalogue for his work. This article, crude as so many similar articles in our dai-

ly press, found its way into the columns of one of our trade contemporaries, who, failing to give the proper credit, stands sponsor for the following ludicrous conclusions:

"It is curious that every time a man of national fame dies in this country, it means positive rejoicing to the workmen in that line for it quickens trade. Very few people are aware that the lack of eminent dead during the last two years caused havoc and destitution among many granite cutter's families, but that seems now to have passed away."

THE Convention season is again with us, and since our last, the Ohio Marble and Granite Dealers' Association, and the Retail and Wholesale Marble Dealers' Association of New England and the Provinces, have held their summer meetings at Cleveland and Boston respectively. Michigan monument dealers are anticipating an unusually profitable meeting at Port Huron, August 1st and 2d. The Eighth Annual Convention of the American Cemetery Superintendents will be held at Philadelphia, September 11-13th, for which an entertaining program has been prepared.

LANS and sketches have been invited from architects, with estimates of cost, for the buildings for the Cotton States and International Exposition, to be held in the city of Atlanta, Ga., September, October, November and December, 1895. These plans and sketches are to be submitted on or before August 15th, 1894. list of Buildings includes: Manufactures, Machinery, Agriculture, Minerals and Forestry, Electricity and Administration. The notice is timely, and we take advantage of it to urge the marble, granite and stone producers and manufacturers of the south to avail themselves of the opportunity to make a proper and worthy presentation or exhibition of the resources of the South in the directions indicated; at least one more truly indicative of her wonderful natural resources than has yet been brought together.

SAN FRANCISCO, in a recent sculptural competition, has unmistakably demonstrated the necessity of an Art Commission in all our large cities. As a rule, those entitled by authority to pass judgment on works of art, for whatever purposes needed, are usually incompetent to discriminate upon the critical points of art productions, a fact that seems to be clearly shown by this San

Francisco decision. The competition in question was for a crowning figure for the new City Hall, in which a number of local sculptors participated. Several praiseworthy models were submitted, but judging from the reports of the local press the Mayor and his Building commissioners declined entertaining any expert advice, and selected what appears to have been one of the least desirable designs. Moreover, the newspapers suggest personal influence, and this is another feature which it ought to be expected would be entirely avoided under the controlling dictum of an Art Commission.

O race in the world is more persistently devoted to law and custom than the Jews, and law and custom of remote years at that. This has been especially remarked of the strictly orthodox Jews in regard to the erection of statues to their noted men, which is said to be contrary to the law, in support of which the Talmud is freely quoted. In connection with the proposed statue to the late Jesse Seligman on the grounds of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, New York, the fact is that after the death of the great philanthropist, Judah Touro, the question of erecting a statue in his honor developed such strong opposition on the part of renowned Jewish scholars and theologians, that the project was abandoned. The conclusions of such eminent men as Samuel Hirsch of Frankfort-onthe-Main, S. Rapparpart of Prague, and Dr. Adler of London were that the erection of a statue was contrary to Jewish law and custom. However, notwithstanding the objections raised in the present instance on the part of some of the orthodox, liberal subscriptions are coming in, and the Seligman statue will undoubtedly be unveiled at the time contemplated-within a year.

Americans have done for the poet Keats what Englishmen have neglected to do, says the Birmingham Gasette, by raising a memorial to him upon English ground. Ridiculed while alive, his genius tardily recognised, the poor hostler's son has indeed been unjustly treated by his countrymen. As a rule one generation makes restitution for the wrongs perpetrated by its forerunners, but neither Keats nor Shelley, dispite their admitted greatness, has received that homage which has been rendered to men of far less worth and of evanescent renown. It should be with some shame that Englishmen learn the facts connected with the unveiling of "the first memorial to the poet Keats upon English ground," in the parish church at Hampstead, and that the scheme has been "promoted in America." An American lady, Miss Anne Whitney, executed the bust, the money is subscribed by Americans, and an American author presents it to the English people.

Public Statuary.



N an article on the Public Statues of New York, Mr. F.Wellington Ruckstuhl says:

The highest quality in all art and more especially in sculpture, is sublimity. Calmness is the

fundamental quality of sublimity. Hence it follows as a logical corollary that the first principle of all good sculpture is action in repose—the maximum of repose of masses combined with the maximum of action and expression. Therefore, a flying Victory or running figure apart, a statue becomes displeasing in ratioto the number of arms, legs, or masses of drapery which are extended, uplifted or hang away from the body at such an angle or in such a manner as to arouse the feeling that they ought to be supported.

Though the uplifted arm of the statue of liberty in New York Harbor is almost perpendicular and rigid, yet it does not tire us because it is supported by the mass of drapery underneath; if it hung close to the body it would not tire, but, were it raised at a right angle, in the act, of pointing or ordering, it would soon become painful to look at on account of its unrestfulness. What is true of an arm is equally true of an entire figure. To put a man in an attitude of unrest-I am now speaking of a portrait statue-an attitude he may now and then have assumed and which thus becomes characteristic, is bad art. In may be true that he did sometimes assume such an attitude, but he did not always assume it; and it is bad art to immortalize a man in an attitude that is peculiar and unrestful, and at the same time not dignified in itself. It is in this that the prime weakness of some sculptors becomes The dividing line between the sublime apparent. and the ridiculous is so fine that it takes a highly cultivated and discriminating taste and a large mental grasp to enable a man to aim at the sublime in a statue and not fall into the ridiculous, the Burns in Central Park for instance.

The second principle for all good sculpture is that a statue must stand firmly on its feet, and not give the impression of falling over in any direction.

The third is that a statue be faultness in drawing and movement from every point of view; so correct in fact as to give the impression that it could actually if vivified, step down off the pedestal.

The fourth is that a statue must be an intense expression of life and character of the individual

portrayed. No statue that violates any of these principles is entirely good.

In a public statue the question of originality of composition must perforce be relegated to a secondary place, because the material in which sculpture is produced limits originality. Michael Angelo said three hundred years ago that the human form had been drawn in every conceivable position. It is impossible to produce a good statue which, in some degree, will not be reminiscent of some other good statue, because the Greeks long ago used every really beautiful attitude. Many sculptors in their eagerness to appear original at all hazards, adopt attitudes that have been discarded a thousand years ago as unfit for good art, and thus inflict on us much that is bizarre in the name of originality.

To produce a statue that will at once be totally original as well as truly good is impossible at this date. Hence, the critic must not be too insistent on originality of composition. Last in value in sculpture comes technique, or the manner of modeling the surface.

The young sculptor, in his student years, applauds certain ways of giving to the clay finishing touches, and lost in wild admiration of this "chic" but pretty technique of some merely clever "decorator," loses sight of the highest qualities of sculpture—nobility of conception, power of expression, truth of construction, movement and drawing. Later in life, when he has mastered this lesser side, and his mind and heart rise to grander ideals, he is apt in his reactionary contempt to value technique and style too little.

An individual style of surface modeling is desirable enough in any sculpture, and especially so in an ideal work, for this ideal is the natural field for the display of intellectual and artistic brilliancy. There we look for style and evidence of the personal temperament of the artist. But, when a sculptor sacrifices the slightest fact and truth of likeness, character and expression in a portrait of a public man to display his technique and style, he is guilty of unpardonable impertinence and merits rebuke.

What is a statue but a historical record? Therefore we want facts, life, character, soul, and not plastic pyrotechnics. Carlyle admitted that he was aided in his conclusions with regard to the French Revolution by a study of the portraits in the museums of Paris of the leaders of that upheaval.

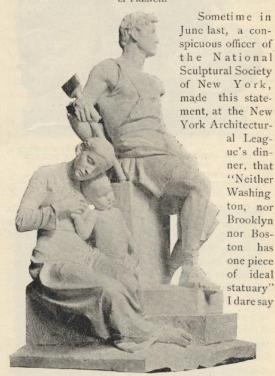
A statue or bust should be absolutely realistic. The plaster cast made by Antomarchi of Napoleon's head after death is infinitely more valuable than the bust of the great emperor by Canova. The latter has style and is pleasing as an ideal but false as a portrait, and should be burned into lime. The so-called portraits of the Medicis, in Florence, by

Michael Angelo, are also absurb as portraits because they lack trust of likeness or character, however fine they may be as ideal statues. How much would we give to know which of the busts of Homer, Cæsar or Columbus is naively and absolutely correct. Nothing was more irritating than the display of Columbus portraits in La Rabida at the World's Fair, no two of which were alike.—Art Interchange.

#### Sculptured Monuments of Boston-II.

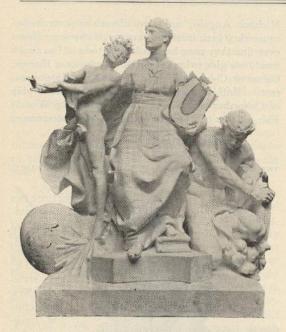
BY FRANK T. ROBINSON.

THE MONUMENTAL GROUPS, U. S. POST OFFICE—BY DANIEL C. FRENCH.



LABOR PROTECTING THE FAMILY AND THE ARTS.

the official spoke from his own knowledge of what there was in those cities, which knowledge, however, must be pronounced as limited, for his acquaintance with the ideal groups on the U. S. Post-office by Daniel C. French, had not been made up to that date. Here are two remarkable compositions, beautiful in conception, simple yet grand in expression and execution. They are idea ideals, the best in this class of sculptural adornment yet produced in America, and the pity is that they are comparatively unknown to the world. Sculptors admire them, artists comprehend their worth, and the stranger within our gates visits the locality of Post-office square and make the discovery of these



STEAM AND ELECTRICITY CONTROLLED BY SCIENCE.

creations much to their pleasure and surprise. A hundred and more feet above the street, resting on the two massive, projecting piles of granite masonry at the right and left of the main entrance facade, are French's sculptured groups of Proctor, Vermont, marble. The figures are upward of fifteen feet high; the right hand, or north group represents the forces of steam and electricity being controlled by Science. Steam is shown as a powerful male figure, chained to a wheel, and electricity as a youth ready to "put a girdle round the earth" at the bidding of Science. The other group presents "Labor protecting the family and the arts." Labor is represented as a blacksmith with hammer and anvil: the family, a mother and child, and the arts, a young girl with a vase, not seen in illustration. The accessories of the latter; the hammer, anvil horn, vase and sculptured masks and capitals, seem a part and parcel of the whole, carry out the naturalness of the lines and forms. The same favorable features occur in the other group, the objects, that of the closed volume-undiscovered secrets-under the foot of Science; the horse-shoe magnet, with a thunder-bolt as an armature, held in the left arm, the locomotive wheel, draperies, all combine to intensify the inventive faculties of the sculptor.

While the illustrations meagerly present the charms of these grandly conceived and executed works, still one can readily detect the true artist-sculptor's force. First and foremost one is struck

with the classic beauty of the human types; the blacksmith, while vigorous, muscular and manly in anatomy, his features and expression win admiration. It is not a Greek face, save in the lips, chin and solid bullet shaped head; the forehead and nose are Anglo-Saxon, a combination good to look upon and exquisitely proportioned.

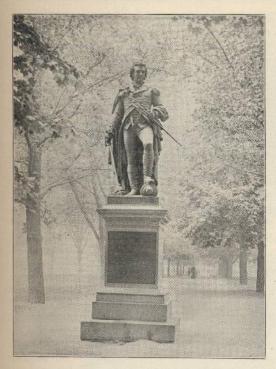
There is some free, superb modelling evidenced in the neck, arms and limbs. The same may truly be said of the mother and child, almost Madonnalike in expression, indeed carrying more acceptable sentiment as the Madonna than recently praised paintings, intended to represent religious domesticity. This high ideal feeling permeates the members of the other groups, so full of energy, action and interior intelligence, overflowing with refined and subtle planes. I do not forget the simplicity and grace of the posing and arrangement of the draperies, there is sufficient finish at every point of view to keep up the merry, musical play of lines.

To my fancy, we have nothing in America which bears a more agreeable study than these magnificent groups, and I recommend them to the wordy secretary of the New York Sculptural League, with the sincere hope that he may comprehend them. French is an idealist, a naturalist, a grand, good sculptor, and in no sense a pretender. Everything he has made is individual; most everyone admires his products, he is, to a certain extent, aggressive or enough so to be pronounced without affectation, or dramatic pretense.

GENERAL JOHN GLOVER-BY MARTIN MILMORE.

The statue is of bronze, heroic, the pedestal of unpolished granite. It is erected in Commonwealth Avenue Park and is, fortunately, o'er shadowed with foliage. Gift of a great admirer of the Continental soldier, Benjamin T. Read, Esq.

John Glover was a commander of marine militia during the Revolution. He was a howling, raging, enthusiastic soldier, full of blood, virility, action, A quick thinker, well up in tactics, and speedy in delivering a blow. What have we here from Milmore to give one an epitome of such a general? Some badly modeled bronze, a deformity, pure and unsimple. What do I care if a man's arm is too long, or that he limps or stutters-however nature shapes him there is the end of the framing. If the man possesses brains, is good natured, square and thoughtful, faulty anatomy does not enter into my estimation. The same in a statue. An arm is too long, a leg is too short, etc., etc. What do I care, if these limbs are subject to the mind's controllacking this essential we have the Glover. One view, from the left rear, gives the impression that the general is just rising from a seat, the left leg is thus constructed. True, the foot rests on a cannon



GENERAL JOHN GLOVER.

which would naturally raise the knee, but were the foot to be placed on the ground, the leg straightened, the body would be thrown up, leaving the right leg swinging clear of the surface some inches, say three to be exact. It might not? Well, the impression that it would is not concealed.

The instantaneous, arrested movement of the scabbard hand and arm, the effect of the sword hand and arm which appears as if the sword had been drawn an hour, will amuse the eye if studied a little. Pomposity, bravado, not commanding austerity permeates the bronze front. The martial cloak is enormous. It was bad taste to force the length of that left leg so far out over the bronze base, it distorts the entire front view. Here and there one gets some interesting modeling and lines, only in spots however. I dare say the bronze would be voted good by the public, it is so full of noisy shadows and high lights. Dignity and refinement are not quickly recognized by the public-they do not buy magazines; the news of the day and its fulfillments is all they crave; vaudevilles, prize rings and imitations. Glover is with them as Milmore has made him.

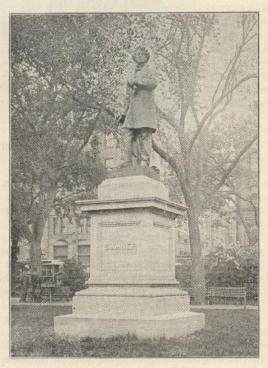
CHARLES SUMNER-BY THOMAS BALL.

The statue is of bronze, heroic; the pedestal of granite. The work stands on the Public Garden,

Tremont street side. Cost approximate to fifteen thousand dollars, popular subscription. Sumner was a statesman; take the bronze head from the body and place in its stead, that of a college class orator, and you have the whole scheme. The head is a portrait, the photograph of which would be preferable to the bronze.

It is singular that the author of the equestrian Washington should perform such a job as this, so lacking in vital qualities, so uninteresting in every feature. Of course it is not an effigy, nor is it devoid of the semblance of a man, far from it. Ball knows too much about sculpture, men and modeling to miss the bulk and shape of his model, but if one were going to invite statues to dine at one's tab'e, the Sumner would not receive a card. Would it be too severe to class the body with the floor walker type? Yes, it is above that useful pilot and honest bread winner, in its pose, though not in its manliness and alert sense. The floor walker is a conscious man, the bronze of Sumner is not deep enough for such a possession. Dear me! how wasteful of material. The subject demanded a genius's thought and hand.

NOTE. The name "Ward" used in last issue of the Monu-MENTAL NEWS in this series should have read "Brown." The error occurred in the Equestrian Statue comparisons. [Ed.]



CHARLES SUMNER.

#### Ancient Monuments. VI.-The Pyramid of Cestius.

We are accustomed to consider the pyramid as belonging so entirely to Egypt, that we overlook the possibility of the pyramidal form of tomb being found anywhere else, or that the idea may have been appropriated and used by any other people. It is, however, a fact that the Romans in later days not infrequently adopted this design for monumental purposes, and the illustration we give, that of Caius Cestius, is one of the best preserved examples of the Roman pyramids.

The view is taken from outside the double crenellated postern of the St. Paul Gate, to the left of the picture—in old Roman times the Porta Ostiensis. The wall connecting the tomb with the gate is the city wall built by the Emperor Aurelian in the third century, and which here also forms the

boundary of the Protestant Cemetery. Originally the pyramid stood alone in the Via Ostiensis.

How full of interest this neighborhood! Within a couple of miles or so behind us, on this same road, is the spot where St. Peter and St. Paul parted

THE PYRAMID OF CESTIUS.

company on that last memorable journey, St. Paul to be beheaded, as tradition has decreed, where now stands the chapel of the Three Fountains; St. Peter to pass across to the banks of the Tiber, not far distant, to suffer his barbarous doom.

The Protestant Cemetery contains many illustrious dead, is beautifully situated, and affords some grand views. It is here that the heart of the poet Shelley is buried, his body having been cremated according to his wishes, on the shores of the Bay of Spezzia.

The Pyramid of Cestius was erected for the tomb of Caius Cestius, a cotemporary of Agrippa, who died within a few years of the birth of Christ, and who was, according to inscriptions on the east and west sides of the structure, a prætor, tribune of the people and member of the Septemviri Epu-

lonum, a body who presided over the solemn sacrificial banquets. An inscription also records that the tomb was erected in 330 days, according to the will, under the supervision of L. Pontius Mela.

The pyramid is about one fourth the height of the great Egyptian pyramid, or 118 feet, is constructed of concrete, and is faced with slabs of white marble some 12 inches thick. It contains a small chamber, 17 feet by 14 feet, which was originally accessible by ladder. This interior was faced with stucco and decorated.

During the centuries that had passed it had become almost buried by accumulations of debris, which were removed by Alexander VII, and the present opening made. It was this operation which discovered two white marble fluted columns, that now flank the monument, and a colossal bronze

human foot sup posed, from inscriptions, to have been part of a colossal figure of Cestius himself. This piece of bronze is now in the Capitoline Museum.

The body of the pyramid is constructed of concrete. The Romans were experts in the making of con-

crete, and no brick or stone work ever excelled the homogeneous condition and permanence of their concrete constructions. To destroy a mass of Roman concrete work would require almost as much labor and experience as the quarrying of a hard stone. We have very reliable records brought down to us of the manner in which this work was accomplished,—the methods and materials used, etc.; and we have not departed very far from the remote examples; but we do not seem to have quite reached the perfection of common mortarmaking as these ancient builders, some of the ruins displaying mortar joints apparently imperishable.

Another pyramid tomb, known as the tomb of Romulus, which stood between the Mausoleum of Hadrian and the Basilica of St. Peter, was destroyed in the fifteenth century.



ENTRANCE TO OAKWOODS CEMETERY, CHICAGO.

#### Oakwoods Cemetery, Chicago.

In appearance Oakwoods is materially improved by the new steel picket fence, six feet high, that now encloses it; and the entrance has gained dignity and impressiveness by the new fence being set out to the north line of the cemetery property, taking in the strip of land left vacant by the recent removal of the Illinois Central R. R's. branch track that formerly ran across the entire north front of the grounds.

The curved part of the fence on either side of the entrance, and the gates, are of handsomely hammered iron; and the pointed columns that support this part of the unusually elaborate and expensive boundary, are of polished Wisconsin granite, the lower ones being eight feet and the three taller ones, at the gates, twenty feet in height.

The effect of the light tracery of iron and steel, and of the brilliantly polished, richly colored columns seen against the light gray St. Lawrence marble of the office, and against the background of foliage is extremely good. The unfortunately placed pole of the electric railway that detracts from the appearance of the accompanying illustration is less noticeable in the real scene, and the entrance is now of a character calculated to create that first good impression that is credited with being a potent factor in later opinions.

But there are important improvements going forward in the interior of the Cemetery that, while more subtle and less likely to catch the eye of the ordinary observer, (at least in detail), are quite as satisfactory, and even more necessary than the new fence.

Oakwoods has always been pretty in spots, but only of late has one noted evidences of a coherent plan to make of the grounds a harmonious whole—a complete picture. The superintendent, (whom

we take for granted deserves the credit of trying to bring about this happy condition), should have less difficulty in accomplishing so desirable an end there than in any cemetery of the same size and age with which we are acquainted. If he has the backing of the Association and the intelligent co-operation of the many enlightened lot owners, he will doubtless make Oakwoods lovely. And in these days when the best cemeteries are good examples of landscape art, and many of the cemetery superintendents are artists, it is likely that he will have the requisite co-operation and backing—especially as this is progressive Chicago where the legitimate ambition to set a good example is rife.

It should be easy because there is less bad work to be undone, as well as because much very good work stands as a foundation to which still better can be added.

For instance, some excellent planting is already well established; and the place is free from examples of objectionable old customs that have crept into newer cemeteries. Here there are no fences around lots—as though they were likely to run away; no cumbersome copings to help cut up the simple expanse, and, barring the misguided efforts at decoration seen in some unsightly borders of summer bedding plants, there are no symptoms of an intention to turn the grounds into a checker board.

It should be an expanse of closely cut, well watered sward—a great sweep of lawn where flickering leaf shadows weave delicate tracery, or long fingers of light and shade lie like a benediction.

It is a pity that in our day when Art has come to be more than a name, that bad taste in planting should be tolerated for any reason; it is doubly a pity that it should be publicly encouraged in high places by the ones to whom so many look for guidance. If all lot owners would but expend a fair



"A WELL SET GEM," OAKWOODS CEMETERY.

sum annually for the care of the grass, and of such hardy shrubs and perennials as would really enhance the beauty of Oakwoods as a sylvan picture —what a delightful picture it could be made.

Since spring, Mr. Lawson has accomplished some good and much needed work in thinning out the trees that have for years been crowding each other to the point of suffocation. Few shrubs find room for proper development when set at a distance of only five feet apart, and to set trees so close is simply to grow lumber—not pleasing plantations, and still less characteristic specimens.

The acre owned by the U. S. Government and used as burial ground for Confederate soldiers has

alone furnished six hundred trunks to the axe. Heretofore this space was nothing but a solid and clumsy block of foliage-merely a wall of leaves. It now looks vastly better, the grass is already improved by the admission of air and sunlight, and with the contemplative figure on the monument that now marks the spot, the south end of the grounds is made far more interesting and attractive. But the weeding out of superfluous and inferior trees is being carried through the enclosure, and while in many instances it plainly should have been done long ago, their removal will still be of marked benefit to individual trees, and to the general effect.

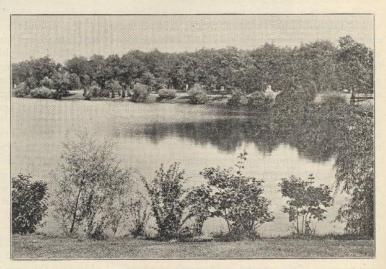
Many of those taken out are soft maples, of which there was a superabundance; Box Elders, too, are also being taken up in numbers, (in every case where there is a better tree in close proximity), because they are shabby trees of shabby habits. They lose so many leaves during summer that their neighborhood is kept constantly untidy, and the grass sometimes permanently injured, all of which is a fruitful source of that bete noir of cemetery superintendents-unnecessary work.

The deciduous trees grown at Oakwoods that do especially well are the English and German Linden, their American relative the Basswood, Elm (Am-

erican) White Ash which is extra good, and above all, the hard or sugar Maple, which seems to be about everything a tree should be for cemetery purposes in this latitude.

The lakes in the older parts of the grounds, with their surroundings, are the present beauty spots of the grounds. The illustrations give glimpses of water views that are charming as a whole and that also show several good points in detail.

Like all cemeteries Oakwoods contains a mixed showing of stone work, good, bad and indifferent—principally indifferent. Nevertheless it has some very expensive and elaborate monuments, as well as some that have decided artistic merit. But in all



LAKE SHORE PLANTING, OAKWOODS CEMETERY.



CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS' MONUMENT, OAKWOODS CEMETERY.

fine cemeteries the style of the memorial stones of all sizes should be required to meet an established artistic standard. The number of conspicuous ones would then be few, while every one, (whether costing much or little,) would be in good taste. Each lot could then be considered in relation to those around it, and the grounds would be beautiful and symmetrical as a whole instead of being spotted, (as is too often the case,) with all sorts of incongruous, inharmonious, meaningless and even grotesque designs and objects.

Every cemetery should be a park; a quiet, peaceful landscape; a place of velvet sward, clear waters, beautiful foliage and singing birds. Markers for recording names and dates should be so low and inconspicuous as not to count at all in the general view; and all monuments should be subordinated to the large general effect—each being designed especially to suit the location where it is to stand, thus gaining the proper setting and at the same time adding a harmonious feature to the picture.

FANNY COPLEY SEAVEY.

[Several types of monuments in Oakwoods are illustrated in the International Edition.]

#### Art in Monumental Work.

Paper read by O. A. Coltman of Cleveland, O., at the Midsummer meeting of the Ohio Marble and Cranite Dealers' Association.

In discussing monumental art there is a tendency to begin by grumbling so much does the product of our monument makers differ from the ideals of the draftsman. Personally, I feel that we are missing a great opportunity in not turning into better shapes the vast sums which are expended in these attempts to satisfy an artistic want. For what form of artistic effort is there so much money paid out each year as for sepulchral monuments, and from what comes this patronage except from a popular desire to realize an ideal.

Painting and sculpture are exotics in this country as yet. An art which is patronized exclusively by connoisseurs, and has to be supported by money donated by those wishing to pose as patrons of intellect will never represent the artistic feeling of a Those who have studied art in community. former ages know that the great epochs, which divide art history into its productive periods, were the outgrowth of a popular sentiment which can in some degree be likened to the enthusiasm which has stimulated the people of to-day to buy memorials, There has always been something stronger in the minds of the people of these times than a mere desire for the beautiful, and there is no difficulty in determining that it is the religious element which has always been the mainspring of artistic activity. And thus while the art of the monument maker may be thought unworthy of attention, there is a question whether it will not be the only art by which the intelligence of the times is to be judged by future ages. But the future is not worrying the makers of monuments to any great extent, and you couldn't expect it to; they are selling monuments as they might any other article of merchandise, and supplying the wants of their customers. These customers, by adding a refined taste to their enthusiasm, will change the forms and make them better, for if there is any high standard reached it must be demanded by the good taste of the man who pays the bill.

In this way, leaving the conventional low relief of the weeping willow on a sandstone slab, up through the confectioner's devices in white marble, we are now assisting the people to select work which is a constant improvement on what has gone before. But the millenium will only come when the customer knows uncrringly a good thing when he sees it. Under present conditions it is an exceedingly difficult matter to design a good monument. It has always been an astonishing thing to me to find out how much the prospective purchaser of a monument knows about the finer details of architecture,

when he comes to discuss your plans. They have one word which expresses to them all that is good in art; the word "proportion" and the way they use it would lead you to think that it was an arbitrary rule which they could take out of their pockets and lay on work to the infallible detection of errors. It is not often that they insist on the designer making the monumeut according to directions; the result would be too crude. They protest at the beginning that they know nothing about the subject, and yet suggest changes in your studies, with as much confidence as a chimney-corner general fought a battle in the late war. Now every one knows that the monument man would rather build a monument after his customer's ideas than not build it at all, and so the designer is careful not to complain about these changes though he should know them to be for the worse. It is a study, therefore, with him, not to know what a good design is so much as to judge what his customer thinks about it. It is a business matter, and a sale is of the first importance after all. And so you will understand that the monuments erected gauge very accurately the taste of the people who order them, rather than those who build them.

In this age of Soldiers' monuments there are persons unkind enough to say that these memorials should be more expressive and original than the ones set up, that standing as they do for the education of future generations, it is a pity their designers were so unskillful. Without knowing anything about the merit of the designers, I do know that these monuments are just what the taste of the community demanded, and just what they paid for. You might think that these cases would call out the best work possible, but the system of competition in vogue, makes it the business of the designer to put into his drawing all the "catchy" features which his experience tells him go to make up the vague idea in the minds of the committeemen, of what one of these memorials should be. There is no question whether the design is good or bad, the point to be decided is, whether it will please the committee and secure the contract. You could not expect designers to go into these competitions with such high motives that they would take no account of what the committee wanted, and if they did, they would soon be compelled to drop the educational process for lack of funds. So you can see it is not the designer's monument at all but the committee's, working through him, which is set up, and when the committee can tell what a good monument is, I give you my word you will see plenty of them going up. Yes, the millenium will be here when the man who pays the bill knows a good thing when he sees it.



portant position in the Paris Salons' exhibition this year. Statistics give 6,808 as the total number of subjects exhibited at the Champs de Mars and Champs Elysees. Of this sum there were shown at the former 135 pieces of sculpture and 253 art productions, and at the latter 1,071 pieces of sculpture and 66 art productions. So far there has been no piece of work that has created anything of a sensation.

T IS REPORTED of Denys Puech, whose marble figure of the Seine has led many French people to look upon him as "the hope of the young art" of France, that he is the son of one of the poorest peasants of France, a farm hand who struggled against poverty "with one cow, half a dozen sheep and a tiny bit of land in south of France. The son began to model figures in clay when a small boy, and passed years in the direst poverty until he worked his way to Paris."

MR. FREDERICK MACMONNIES, the sculptor, has sailed for Paris, taking with him contracts that will about occupy him for the next six years in his Paris studio, and which approximately amounts to \$300,000. His commissions include the two groups of War and Peace for the Soldier's and Sailor's Monument at Indianapolis, a statue of Shakespeare for the Congressional Library at Washington, and a bas-relief for one of the doors, three tigures for the Soldiers' Arch in Brooklyn, and bronze horses for the gateway to the Coney Island Boulevard.

ECRETARY CARLISLE has finally ended the absurb discussion over the World's Fair medal. Mr. St. Gaudens, original design for one side of the Medallion—that representing the landing of Columbus, will be used, but his celebrated nude figure will give place to a design by Chas. E. Barber, designer for the Philadelphia mint. It represents a shield, surmounted by a globe and supported by female figures. At the sides of the shield flaming torches represent "light or intelligence."

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NISIT to the studio of Herbert Adams, the sculptor, finds him at work upon busts of Dante, Walter Scott, and Demosthenes. Demosthenes shows a keen, sarcastic but genial expression of feature, with a good suggestion of reserve power. The Scott bust has a happy simplicity about it, and defines Scott's nobility of expression very well. The commission for the three massive busts for the Congressional library at Washington, will also allow considerable scope for ability of a high order, and we may expect good work. Mr. Adams will soon be at work upon the model for the bronze statue of Joseph Henry for Washington. The figure will be modelled in his Princeton robes which is a field the sculptor is happy in.

GHF monument proposed to be erected on the field of Gettysburgh in honor of Mayor General John Buford, will differ from the original intention of a shaft through the generosity of

Col. Jerome B. Wheeler of New York, who will provide all the additional funds required for a bronze life-size portrait statue. The monument will include four of the guns of Tidball's battery which opened the battle of Gettysburgh. The sculptor elected is James E. Kelly.

NE of the most claborate undertakings in artistic bronze work ever completed in this country is that of the pair of Astor Memorial Doors, part of the gift to Trinity Church from

ther. The pair just finished and illustrated herewith, are the work of Karl Bitter, sculptor, and Richard M. Hunt, architect, and they were cast, each in one piece, by the Henry-Bonnard Bronze Company of New York. The doors are about 14 feet high, and weigh 4200

William Waldorf Astor, in memory of his fa-

pounds each. The frieze and tympanum which surmount the doors are of stone. The frieze represents full-length figures of the Apostles, and over these is the tympanum, four feet high, in which the central figure is Christ, surrounded by angels, symbolizing the Kingdom of Heaven. The bronze doors themselves are so richly framed with heads and figures lying down and standing that the framework vies with the six panels; but, notwithstanding the variety and movement of these figures, the scenes on the panels are not rendered pale and ineffectual. "The panels are in full relief, some of the figures being seven inches high, and are the main features of the work. They represent six scenes from the Bible. The first panel, the one at the bottom of the left-hand door, represents the expulsion from Paradise; the second, the lower panel on the righthand door, represents the dream of Jacob. next is the Annunciation; this panel, though there

are only two figures, and it is severely simple, has been pronounced by some the best of the six, though each has its peculiar charm. The fourth panel is the Resurrection; the fifth represents the twenty-four elders praising the Lord, and the sixth is the end of the world; but the group above, Christ and the surrounding figures, which is over all, is to show that there is a life beyond this. Spirited figures of human and supernatural beings are given in very high and very low relief, with great attention to the planes expressive of distance and modeling. Marked ability in disposing groups and accentuating figures is shown. Twelve small standing figures grace the sides of the doors, six to each door, three in a

line; they stand in the Gothic way on rich pedestal brackets and under canopies—all in bronze. At the top on the extreme right stands a monk reading from a book; below is an apostle, perhaps St. Peter the choleric, with a long sword, while below stands David in the harness of a Roman soldier. At the top on the left of the right door stands a mitred Pope; below him St. Luke with pencil and book, and underneath an aged priest with his hands out—perhaps Aaron. On the left hand door the lowest standing figure to the right is Moses, with a wilderness of

beard; above is St. Matthew, and above him again an Apostle with a scroll. To the left of the left door is St. John the Baptist as an old man with water bottle and crook; a young St.

John with a goblet; and a cloaked figure. Above and below each of these twelve figures is a square with a head protruding. Some of the

sixteen heads are those of Apostles with long beards, but others are more realistic and of to-day. In the right-hand lower corner, for instance, is the portrait of Mr. Bitter in his sculptor's cap. Above is the head of Mr. Richard M. Hunt, the architect; elsewhere is the likeness of Mr. Bitter's father, and one female face is said to be that of the architect's daughterin-law. The borders above and below are set with recumbent figures in the round. In one a woman with a skull balances a Fury with serpents; in another a veiled angel, perhaps the angel of death, balances an ancient bard with his harp. A description of these doors can hardly be made; they must be examined to be appreciated. Mr. Bitter has been at some disadvantage in being a third in this series of doors, having to stand comparisons with those already made by Messrs. Niehaus and Rhind. He stands the comparison well, his work being very different from theirs and quite individual. His strong decorative



R. M. Hunt, Architect.

B MEMORIAL DOORS, Karl Bitter, Sc.

instinct stands him in good stead. He has composed a pair of doors that will be certain to call the attention of thousands passing up and down Broadway." F. Wellington Ruckstuhl, Secretary of the National Sculpture Society, says: "These great doors have each been cast in one solid piece, a rare feat in bronze casting, and they are therefore worthy of examination, both for their artistic qualities and their excellence as specimens of foundry work."

WHILE Mr. Debs, the labor leader, was awaiting trial in the County jail, Richard W. Bock of Chicago took a cast of his head, from which a bust will be made.

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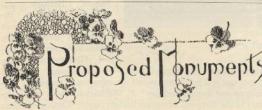
TYPES OF MONUMENTS in Oakwoods Cemetery,
Chicago. The Ellsworth Sarcophagus, polished Quincy
granite. The wreath on die is cast in bronze. Geo. H.
Mitchell, contractor. The Firmenich Sarcophagus with
group of statuary representing Faith, Hope and Charity.
The entire monument is made of Westerly granite. Chas.
G. Blake & Co., contractors. The Pulsifer Circular Monument. Westerly granite. Smith Granite Co., contractors.
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of Barre granite. Nichols & Co., contractors. The Dr.
Hipp Draped Ball Monument is also made of Barre granite.

MONUMENT TO GEN'L ROBERT MCALLESTER, Belvidere, N. J. Rock face Westerly granite with portrait medallions in bronze. Smith Granite Co. designers and contractors.

MONUMENT TO EDWIN BOOTH, Mount Auburn Cemetery, Boston Stanford White, architect. Tennessee marble with bronze portrait medallion by F. E. Elwell.

DESIGN for a cap monument, with carved cross. W. A. Richards, designer.

DESIGN for a marble monument, with draped urn. W. W. Dutton, designer.



Hillsboro, O.—Between thirty and forty designs have been submitted for the Soldiers' monument to be erected here. No selection has been made. The committee desire to raise all of the funds necessary before contracting for the work.

Dallas, Tex.—It is proposed to let the contract for the \$10,000 Confederate monument on November 1st next.

Rickwell, Ia.—The proposition to erect a Soldiers' monument at the county seat will be submitted to the voters of Floyd county, Ia., at the coming fall election.

York, Neb.—A movement is on foot at York to build a monument to the old soldiers of that county to cost from \$10,000 to \$18,000.

**Detroit, Mich.**—A movement is on foot to erect a heroic bronze statue of ex-Governor Edwin B. Winans.

Sycamore, III.—The General Daniel Dustin Monument Association has been incorporated.

New Orleans, La.—An appropriation has been voted by the Louisiana legislature for the construction of a statue of Thomy Lafon, the negro philanthropist. It will probably be placed in the State House, and it will be the first statue ever erected to a negro in the South.

The Heine Monument, New York.—The Arion Club of New York has undertaken to bring the beautiful colossal monument of Heinrich Heine, the work of Prof. Emil Herter, to New York, it having been refused a place in the towns associated with Heine in Germany. It will cost about \$35,000,



HEINE MONUMENT.

and the money will be raised by subscription. It is reported that it will be the most beautiful monument in New York City. The illustration will give a good idea of its artistic merits, but it would require considerable space to explain its details.

New Bedford, Mass.—Funds are being raised for a naval monument for this place.

Orange, N. J.—The Woman's Improvement Society will undertake the work of raising funds for a Peace monument.

New York, N. Y.—The Holland Society of New York proposes to erect in the Central Park, or on the Riverside Drive a statue of William the Silent, the Dutch Washington. It will be either an equestrian statue or a lofty column surmounted by a statue in the manner of the Nelson column in Trafalgar Square, London. Competitive designs are invited for either of the forms of statue mentioned, a suitable prize to be awarded to the one which may be chosen.

Washington, D. C.—A commission has been appointed by Governor Peck of Wisconsin to select a statue of Pere Marquette to be placed in Statuary Hall in the Capitol at Washington

Chattanooga, Tenn.-The New York State Board of Commissioners of Chattanooga Moruments have passed a resolution appropriating \$100 as premiums for the three best sketches and designs submitted for regimental monuments and markers for New York regiments upon the battle-fields of Chattanooga. Lookout Mountain, Wauhatchee and Ringold. In case of the use of any of these designs, an additional compensation, to be agreed upon, will be made for their use. The commissioners are General Daniel Butterfield, Colonel Lewis R. Stegman and Clinton Beckwith.

Tarrytown, N. Y .- It is proposed to erect a granite shaft to the Revolutionary soldiers, to cost \$2,000.

Fort Recovery, O. A bill has been introduced in Congress to appropriate \$50,000 to erect a monument in honor of the United States soldiers who were massacred by the Indians



J. M. Searles and W. W. Woods, president and secretary respectively of the Iowa Marble and Granite Dealers Association have issued an address to wholesale marble and granite dealers soliciting their membership.

The meeting of the Ohio dealers held under the auspices of the Marble and Granite Dealers Association of that State convened at the Forest City House, Cleveland, July 3rd. President Charles Briggs called the meeting to order and at his suggestion that some one not an officer of the association be called to preside, Mr. Thos. C. Myers was made chairman The "literary program" was carried out by the reading of the following papers: "Art in Monumental Work," O. A. Coltman, Cleveland. "Legislation," T. C. Myers, Cleveland. "The Work of Other Marble and Granite Dealers Associations," R. J. Haight, Chicago. "Is Organization Profitable?" I. H. Kelley, Springfield, Ohio. Other numbers of the program were responded to by impromptu remarks. "Lights and Shadows of the Trade," called forth many experiences, amusing, serious and sympathetic, the best effort being made by Mr. Philip Wieland of Mt. Gilead, Ohio, who started business with fifteen dollars away back in the fifties. Mr. Wieland found that his best assurance of success was in doing business as an honorable man should. His first designs were made by taking an "impression" from a stone already finished and then tacking it to a broomstick for a roller, he was ready to "peddle tomb stones." His remarks caused much merriment among his listeners being delivered in "broken English," yet in choice language full of sharp points, they were the hit of of the session.

A vote of thanks was extended to all who had prepared papers for the edification of the meeting, as well as to those who had taken such an active part in carrying forward the meeting to signal success. The general feeling was that the session was one of great profit to all.

#### THE BANQUET.

At the appointed hour in the evening about 50 persons sat down to a most elaborate menu of seven courses to which all did ample justice, after which the following toasts and responses under the direction of Mr. C. E. Nason as toast master were listened to with many assurances of gratification.

- C. E. Nason. 1. Remarks by toast master
- C. F. Leavenworth. 2. The Ladies -
- 3. The Day We Celebrate L. O. Corbett.
- J. G. C. Hamilton, Facts and Fancies 4. W. R. Creer.
- Hopes and Helps 5. The Past I. H. Kelley. 6.
- R. F. Graham. The Present
- The Future J. H. Lloyd, H. J. M. Jones.
- 9. The Needs of the Trade T. C. Myers.
  10. Experiences of the Trade P. Wieland.

Vocal and instrumental music enlivened the occasion which feature of the exercises was a source of grateful delight.

#### THE BUSINESS MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Marble and Granite Dealers Association of Ohio convened at the Forest City House, Cleveland,

That our great National holliday is not an auspicious time for such a meeting has been shown in the past and so clearly demonstrated this year that the day is not likely to be chosen again. The attendance was not as large as was anticipated and the deliberations were provokingly interfered with by the explosion of cannon crackers etc.

President Chas. U. Briggs and Secretary I. H. Kelley filled their respective offices.

The following named dealers were added to the roll of mem-

Frank P. Cohn, Manchester, Ohio, Chas. Edwards, Ironton, Ohio, Mc Knight & Smith, Norwalk, Ohio, Philip Wieland, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, Wattles & Co. Rochester, N. Y., Smith & Brainard, Pittsford, Vt.

A request was presented that action be taken to protect its membership from practical innovations by so-called salesmen of granite and marble who have no fixed place of business and who claim to undersell regular dealers because not having shop expenses, etc. This occasioned a spirited debate and the sense of the meeting was manifested in the expression that if regular dealers would attend our meetings and agree upon the withholding of their patronage from those who supply such dealers with material the Association would be enabled to afford relief. But so long as the regular dealer took no interest himself, in the affairs of the trade in general either by voice, act or presence, it was difficult to accomplish anything in this direction. The matter was tabled for action at next meeeing.

The Committee on Lien Law presented a report showing that for lack of sufficient funds to prolong the effort, success was rendered impossible.

The Committee was limited to the amount of one hundred dollars with instructions to send an appeal for donations for this cause to all the dealers in Ohio if a further amount was required. This appeal has been made twice but in neither instance has it met with a generous response.

The following named officers and directors were elected for the ensuing year:

For President, Clarence G. Leavenworth, Cleveland, O.; Secretary, I. H. Kelley, Springfield, O.; 1st V-President, G. W. Knox, Bellvue, O.; 2nd V-President, W. A. Harsha, Wilmington, O.; 3rd V-President, J. H. Colpitts, Barnesville, O.; 4th V-President, J. A. Prince, Troy, O.

Directors: Joseph Carabelli, Cleveland, O.; E. B. Willett, Bryan, O.; Dorrwhite, Kenton, O.; Chas. U. Briggs, Troy, O.; H. J. M. Jones, Zanesville, O.; W. R. Jones, McConnellsville, O.; Thos. C. Myers, Cleveland, O.; I. H. Kelley, Springfield, O.; C. L. Batchelder, Toledo, O.

It was decided to discontinue holding the winter or semiannual meetings. Toledo was chosen for the next annual gathering and the date fixed at July 10th. J. H. Lloyd, C. L. Batchelder and C. G. Leavenworth were appointed as committee of arrangements.

H. J. M. Jones and I. H. Kelley were appointed a committee to prepare suitable resolutions of condolence for brothers James Harsha and Homer M. Woodward who have been seriously afficted for some time past.

I. H. KELLEY, Sec'y.

Marble and granite dealers' in Texas are agitating the question of forming a state association.

The Retail and Wholesale Marble Dealers' Association of New England and the Provinces decided not to hold the Semi Annual Meeting announced for July 25th. This information reached us after the first forms of MONUMENTAL NEWS had gone to press.

#### Dealing With Agents.

Editor Monumental News:

Can you give us the desired information on the following points:

ist. When a certain per centage is paid an agent for selling monumental work is it the custom throughout the country to pay the whole amount when the sales are delivered or only part when delivered and balance when work is paid for?

and. Is an agent entitled to commission on sales having been made at the shop, the customer having come there through the solicitation of the agent; but the proprietor not having any knowledge of the fact of his having been solicited?

3rd. If the agent informs the proprietor that a certain party is coming in to buy and said party does buy, is he entitled to the same commission as though he had taken the order himself?

G. & Co., Colorado.

These are very largely matters of personal agreement between employer and agent. Ordinarily commissions are paid when work is delivered and paid for, although in many cases an agent may be allowed a part payment if he is thoroughly reliable and his orders can be depended upon as being bona fide.

The second query is one that is frequently the cause of trouble, which can only be avoided by requiring the agent to furnish a complete list of the parties called upon with remarks made by them with reference to their intentions regarding work. When this is not done, and an agent can satisfy an employer that he has been instrumental in promoting a sale he should have some compensation.

In reply to your third query we would say, yes.

In order to give our correspondent the benefit of prevailing practices, we have requested several subscribers to express themselves on the subject and append their replies:

RICHTER & DOLAND, Illinois: No. 1. Our experience has been that they should be paid in full when order is considered all right.

2nd. It is very hard to determine whether the customer came through the agents influence or not. Certain amount of people will come whether solicited by agent or not if the firm has any standing or is well known.

3rd. If the party informs the agent that they will be in on a certain day and the agent meets them and makes sale at regular price he is entitled to full commission, on the other hand if there is another marble yard in the same town and they figure around, do not consider the agent has any particular influence over them as they no doubt intend to buy where they can get the best bargain. In this case he should be paid sufficient amount for his trouble if the sale is made by his employer. It is very difficult to employ agents on commission and have them

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Foreign Office: 107 Union St., Aberdeen, Scot. satisfied, it is more satisfactory to employ by the month if a man is worth anything and can make a living on commission he surely is worth a certain salary and expenses. Agents as a rule are unprofitable, there is very little money to be made out of their work. A firm may do more business and control the trade with very little profit on their work, on the other hand they are taking more risk and responsibility at same time to do this.

GOTH & Co., Indiana; We agree with you in your opinion, that the details are largely matters of agreement between dealer and agent.

Our custom is, first to pay our trusted agents, the entire commission, as soon as they turn the contract over to us, provided the work is to be delivered and paid for inside of three months. When the time for the erection of the work, or the payment thereof, is extended beyond three months, the agent must wait a corresponding time for his compensation.

Second. Our agents are not entitled to a commission on sales made at the shop when we are not advised before the sale is made that our agent solicited the customer.

Third. When an agent informs us that a certain customer will come to the shop to select a job and we then succeed in selling, we conclude that the agent has persuaded the customer to call on us and we pay the agent two-thirds of the commission which we usually pay when he takes the order. We will add that when a member of the firm goes out to assist the agent in making a sale of a large job, the commission to be paid the agent is agreed upon before the sale is made and usually amounts to half the regular commission.

When we are unable to collect for a job which was sold by an agent, the agent loses his commission for that job, at a second bad sale the agent either pays for it or loses his place with us.

SEARLES & BAXTER, lowa: First We pay one-half of the commission agreed upon on acceptance of the order, the balance when work is settled for.

Second. We pay commission for agents "come and see" customers according to the value of the sale. Which is generally of not much value by the time the customer has run the gauntlet of all the shops of the country.

(We of the Iowa Association hope for a great improvement in this class of sales.)

PHILO TRUESDELL, Michigan. It is the usual custom in Michigan to pay the agent one-third of the commission when order is turned in, one third when work is set, and settled for and the balance when the dealer gets his pay for the work.

Second. When a customer comes into the shop at the solicitation of agent and buys, the dealer should allow him onehalf of the commission on the sale.

Third The answer to second question will cover same point. This is the usual way of dealing with the agent unless these matters are covered by a special agreement.

W. & J. LITTLEJOHN, Seneca Falls, N. Y. In reply to first query, we have always held that commission was due when sale was accepted. The other questions are subject to special agreement. We do not employ agents at present, as we have most always found them to be a continued source of annoyance.

P. N. PETERSON GRANITE Co., Minnesota. 1st. When a sale is delivered we pay the full amount of commission.

2nd. We would consider that the agents would not be entitled to any commission.

3rd. We would consider the agent entitled to the full commission unless an arrangement between him and the proprietor has been made whereby he has agreed to get less commission on such sales.

We take great interest in the MONUMENTAL NEWS, and would like to see it in the hands of every stone worker in the country. N. E. De LANG, prop. Mt. Morris, N. Y., Steam Granite Works.

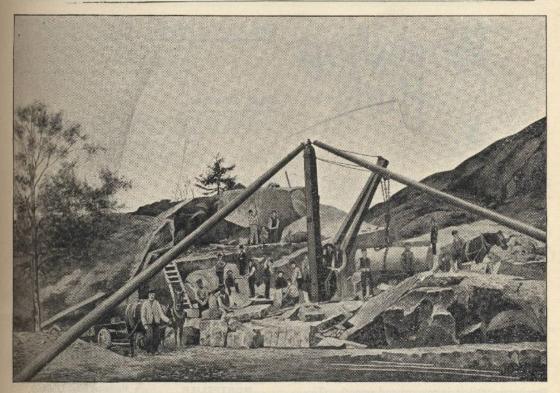
#### Liability of Railroads for Delay of Freight by Strikes.

The all too frequent recurrence of greater or smaller railroad strikes makes it very essential that every one should thoroughly understand the rules of law which govern the liability of a railroad for damages arising from the delay of freight by strikes. With regard to this subject some very nice distinctions are made. Until within a comparatively few years it was almost universally accepted as settled by the common law that, broadly speaking, the existence of a strike or interference of a mob could not be made an excuse for any unusual delay in delivering freight at its destination. And, in some sense, this may still be said to be the general doctrine. A New York decision of thirty-five years ago has often been cited as indorsing and formally introducing into this country this view, which was first promulgated in England. In the common case of a contract for services, as for building a house, which the builder has been unable to perform because his workmen have abandoned his service, proof that their conduct was willful and every way unjustifiable the court says, will not give the party injured an action against them; nor will it excuse the party who has made the contract. Likewise, it declares, if the inability of a railroad to perform a contract of carriage is occasioned by the default of persons for whose conduct it is responsible, it must answer for the consequences.

The Supreme Court of Illinois was, perhaps, the first, in 1876, to turn the current of judicial decision on this subject into a new channel. It took the ground that for delay resulting from a refusal of its employes to do their duty, a railroad is responsible; but for delay resulting solely from the lawless violence of men not in the employ of the road, it is not responsible, even though the men whose violence causes the delay, have, but a short time before, been employed by it. Where employes suddenly refuse to work, and are discharged, and delay results from a failure to supply promptly their places, such delay, the court goes on to say, is attributable to the misconduct of the employes in refusing to do their duty, and this misconduct in such case is to be considered the proximate cause of the delay and the road held responsible accordingly; but when the places of the recusant employes are promptly supplied by other competent men, and the "strikers" then prevent the new employes from doing duty by lawless and irresistible violence, the delay resulting solely from this cause is not attributable to the misconduct of employes, but arises from the misconduct of persons for whose acts the carrier is in no manner responsible, making a case not to be distinguished in principle from the assault of a mob of strangers.

Much the same position as this has since been taken in the great railroad states of Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania, which is probably sufficient to insure the ultimate triumph of the doctrine throughout all of the states, as fast as the question is raised, or at least with few exceptions. The Court of Appeals of New York now carefully restricts what it said before to cases where employes simply refuse to discharge their duties, or to work, or suddenly abandon their employment without offering violence or causing any forcible obstruction to the business. All that can be required of a railroad in any other emergency, it holds, is that it shall exercise due care and diligence to guard against delay and to forward freight to its destination. Not only storms and floods and other natural causes may excuse delay, but the conduct of men may also do so, as by violently and riotously resisting the running of trains. It matters not that a strike was conceived and organized while the strikers were in the road's employ. They cease to be employes by refusing to obey orders or render service and willfully arraying themselves in positive hostility against the road, seeking to intimidate and defeat the efforts of employes who are willing to serve it.

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- N. E. Austin, of Danbury, Conn., conducts a greenhouse in connection with his monument business.
- D. M. Spline, for several years a travelling salesman in the marble trade, is now in the retail business at Concord, N. H.
- W. H. Smith & Co., Plainfield, N. J., have the contract for a mausoleum to be erected for the Ackerman family at a cost of \$10,000.

The Jacksonville Marble Co., of Jacksonville Fla., having established an extensive retail trade in Florida and Georgia are now building up quite a successful jobbing trade.

The soldiers monument recently unveiled at Danbury, Conn., is said to be the first memorial of the kind in which the statue is represented standing with reversed arms. The mon-

ument is of Westerly granite and was designed and manufactured by the Smith Granite Co. It is 7-9×5-4 at the base and including the statue is about 15-0 in height.

- W. B. Wayt, of Sac City, Iowa, who was in Chicago last month says the outlook for an unusually large corn crop is most encouraging. Business has been very good with him up to the present time.
- J. R. Canty, of Toledo, O., has recently completed the largest family monument in his section of the "corn state." 1t is a Barre Granite monument surmounted by an Italian marble statue of Faith.
- R. P. Barbour, representing W. M. Wattles & Co., of Rochester, N.Y., called upon the MONUMENTAL NEWS last month. He reported a marked improvement in trade towards the end of the month.
- W. & J. Littlejohn, Seneca Falls, N. Y., have the contract for a large cross monument to be erected to the late Congressman J. H. Camp. The principal dimensions of the cross are 12-0×6-0×2-0, it will weigh twelve tons when finished.

Crops are good and business better than we anticipated is the encouraging report that comes from J. W. Gooch & Co., Waco, Texas. Mr. Gooch visited Vermont during the past month and placed orders for ten or twelve car loads of granite work. Among the contracts was one for a family monument to be erected at Paris, Texas, at a cost of \$5,000.

P. H. McCue the popular western marble salesman will have reason to remember how he celebrated the glorious fourth this year. While rusticating with his wife at Cedar Rapids, lowa, they were both poisoned by poison ivy and were quite sick for several days. He was soon on the road again, however, a

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The two story marble finishing shop, and a new mill of 24 gangs, of the Vermont Marble Company, Proctor, Vt., were destroyed by fire early on July 3rd. The fire was an untimely one for the company, but by starting up their shops at Center Rutland, and another one at West Rutland, running on part capacity, all their orders will be taken care of pending the reconstructing of the burned plant.

George Brown & Co., of Newark, N. J., are contractors for the pedestal of the monument soon to be erected in Military Park, that city, in memory of the late Frederic T. Frelinghuysen. The pedestal is being cut in Hallowell granite, it has a base 11-0 square and rises to a height of about seven feet. A bronze statue of the late Secretary of State, heroic in size, modelled by Karl Gerhardt, will surmount the pedestal.

Mr. W. A. Crosier, a pioneer in the marble business in Illinois, accompanied by his son, W. C. Crosier, the well known travelling salesman, called upon the News last month. Mr. Crosier commenced business in Pennsylvania nearly forty years ago and a few years later, in 1856, located at Rushville, Ill., where in company with T. J. Hutton he continued in business until April of this year. He has now retired and will reside in Chicago. Although never actively engaged in politics a letter from the late John A. Logan written to Mr. Crosier several years

before the General's death, testifies to the valuable services he rendered during an important crisis in the political history of the state.

Some months ago the MONUMENTAL NEWS illustrated from the original design, a mausoleum for which Legner & Quaing, of Newport, Ky, were the contractors. The work was completed last month and after appropriate ceremonies, the contractors and many friends, in and out of the trade, enjoyed a sumptuous repast at a well known Cincinnati resort. The mausoleum, as will be remembered, is Egyptian in design, it is 16-0×10-6 on the ground and 19-0 in height. Several Italian marble statues are appropriately placed about the structure. At the entrance stands the genius of the tomb, one hand resting upon the knob of the door and the other holding a torch. "Morning" "High Noon" and "Night" are represented. A number of Egyptian symbols are introduced in the design, all of which, excepting the statuary is executed in Barre granite.

The statue on the Soldiers' monument in the Dolgeville Cemetery, N. Y., was blown from its pedestal last month and broken into fragments. It was a life-size figure of a soldier Immediate steps will be taken to replace the statue.

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From our regular correspondent:
QUINCY, MASS.

It was early in the year 1890 that I had occasion to look up some statistics regarding the granite business in New England, and particularly those pertaining to the industry as carried on in Quincy. The work was done for a well known Boston lawyer, who was associated with a law firm who acted for the syndicate of English capitalists who at that time were buying up waterworks and gas companies, and who culminated the big whiskey and brewery deals. He was sanguine over the prospects of successfully monopolizing the granite business, and naturally turned his attention toward Quincy, the recognized center of the business in the east. He had the assurance of the capitalists that if the business showed a net earning of 6% that sufficient money would be furnished to buy up all the quarry land in this city and it necessary, to purchase the plants of some of the larger manufacturers. There was to be no half way about the matter, and money would have been no object if the result was at all encouraging. It took but a short time to show conclusively that there was more than a net earning of 6% even with the money disadvantages due to the method of conducting the business, and there were bright prospects, under a more systematic condition of things, of raising the figures several notches. Personally, I had always favored a combination of some kind to bring about, if possible, a more uniform price in monumental work, and always lamented the fact that the majority of our manufacturers were handicapped by lack of capital, and were unable to branch out into the more modern way of doing business by the latest improved machinery. Naturally then, I awaited with interest, the result of this movement to corner Quincy granite, and en-tered into the work with a good spirit. It will be remembered that Messrs. Goldsmith of Boston had just previous to this, been

negotiating for some of our old quarries, and were at the time backed by English money, but the movement to which I refer had no connection with this. It was the original intention of the projector of the scheme to include all of the New England granites in the deal, but the field was afterwards thought to be too wide a one to work in successfully, and it was finally decided that Quincy, Barre and Westerly would be the most profitable granite to control. Agents were sent to the two latter places to look over the quarrying districts there, but it was at Quincy that most of the work was being done. As yet no negotiations had been made. Plans were drawn up of the quarry lands connected with a railroad, and every detail that would make the prospects brighter in the eyes of the capitalists was put in. Think not a moment, however, that this was any visionary scheme. Of course it was necessary to have the syndicate believe it was a good thing before any transactions were made, and it was just as essential to have the figures and plans tell as good a story as possible.

The time had just about come for active work when the unfortunate strike occurred May 1st. That the going out of a few men in Quincy threatened to paralize the granite business throughout New England was something that seemed beyond the comprehension of the capitalists, and the question of controling such a large body of workmen seemed too hazardous a one to allow to enter into any undertaking where so much was involved. It was one of the chief things that turned the tide, and in a month the matter was dropped altogether.

The incident to which I have referred had entirely dropped from my mind, and I probably would not have thought of it again had it not been that only last week I met this lawyer who

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had been working the syndicate movement four years, and he informed me that the question was again being revived and although not quite as sanguine as he was before he still had hopes of its consummation. He cited the instance of the combination of marble interests of Vermont and pictured even greater results if the granite business of New England or even one locality was managed by a corporation. He still had his eye on Quincy as the starting point and believed that our granite, with shrewd business management and liberal advertising and good workmanship, could be made to stand foremost with the trade the entire country over, and a truer statement was never made. Quincy granite for a monumental job is far ahead of all other granites and this fact was never better illustrated than at our exhibition at the World's Fair. What struck me as a good thing that should be pushed along, was the lawyer's proposition this time to enlist as many of the local manufacturers as possible into the combine and to consider experience as well as stock in trade as a factor in the capitalization.

Manufacturers today will tell you that there are too many firms in Quincy to carry on the business successfully. There are small firms here as well as in Barre and other places, the members of which would be better off at the end of the year, if they had remained right at their old jobs, at the banker, and who now, if not involved in matters where it might be disastrous for them to discontinue would give up with good grace.

Quincy manufacturers have long strived to solve the problem of a more uniform price on finished work and they seem to be no nearer that end than at the outset. Anything that will tend to bring this about would most assuredly be welcomed, but if syndicates are going to manage it the Quincy manufacturers will see that they go in on the inside.

Business is reported as opening up a little brighter towards

the latter part of the month and some firms have an exceptionally fine run of work.

The bush hammer thicf who has reaped quite a rich harvest by raids on the different sheds the past few months was captured last week and there is much relief felt among both the bosses and men.

Robert E. Stone, of Lexington, Ky., has just erected over the grave of his dog a monument that cost \$650. The stone is a pointed shaft of seashore granite elaborately and fancifully carved. It has a deeply chiselled inscription: "Don, for sixteen years our silent brother and friend. His faithful dog shall bear him company."

The fact that the schoolboys at Harrow are raising a fund to erect a costly monument over the grave of R. N. Ballantyne at Rome has evoked a letter from Robert Louis Stevenson, who suggests that the monument be made very simple and the bulk of the subscription devoted to the needs of the surviving members of the novelist's family, and that the memorial bear the words: "Erected to his cheerful memory by a grateful generation."

Mackie & Sons' well equipped granite manufacturing plant at Barre is to have an addition in the way of gang saws for sawing granite. This is a comparatively new departure in the manufacture of granite, but its practicability has been demonstrated, and with the excellent water power at their control. Messrs. Mackie & Son are in position to do such work at the minimum of expense. Their large granite dressing machine which is driven by the same power is kept busy on heavy work all of the time.

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In an old Pine Creek cemetery, at Jersey Shore, Roulette, Penn., is a headstone bearing the following unique inscription:

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On a recent visit to an old graveyard in Greene, Trumbull county, O., the following quaint epitaphs were discovered. On an old, flat, brown headstone, fallen down and broken in two, is written:

WYMAN WAKEFIELD. \* \*
During his life he voted for and helped to elect the following Presidents:

George Washington, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Monroe, Andrew Jackson, Martin Van Buren, James K. Polk, Franklin Pierce.

There is a tradition extant that the old man also voted for James Buchanan, but, having lived until after the war of the Rebellion commenced, he did not wish it recorded on his tombstone that he "voted for and helped elect" James Buchanan.

On a small white marble slab in the same cemetery was read the following wenderful inscription:

JOHN G. EVANS. Our father lies beneath the sod, His spirit's gone up to his God; We never more shall hear his tread, Nor see the wen upon his head.

The only distinguishing trait of this old man was that while living his head was adorned with a large and beautiful wen, and his children, wishing to record and perpetuate this virtue, had the above touching and appropriate lines engraved upon his tombstone.

An old tombstome recently brought to light at Waltham, Mass., bears the following inscriptions:

"Here lie ye remains of ye excellent, pious and learned Divine, ye late Revd Mr. WARHAM WILLIAMS, firft pastor of ye chh. Waltham. He was indeed a

burning and shining Light of fuperior, natural Powers and acquired Abilities, diligent in Study, apt to teach, fervent in Prayer, accurate and inftructive in preaching, prudent and faithful in Discipline, tender and skillful in comforting, grave in his Deportment, agreeable and edifying in converfation, meek towards all men, constant and candid in Friendship, endearing in every relation, resigned in adverfity, a bright example in Behaviour & Doctrine univerfally efteemed & Died greatly lamented. In ye Pulpit Febry, toth he was fruck with lamented. In ye Pulpit Febry, 1oth he was ftruck with palfey which put an end to his Life June 22d, 1751, in ye 29th year of his ministry & 52d of his age."

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At the right of his grave is that of his wife, and at the left those of his three sons and a daughter. The inscription on the stone at his wife's grave reads as follows:

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Builders of New York, Brooklyn and Jersey City are considerably agitated, now that the facts are leaking out in connection with the combination that seems to have been formed between the dealers in brownstone and freestone generally. reported that this combination includes a large majority of the dealers in the above three cities and nearly all the quarrymen of the state. The original object of the combine was to raise the price of stone which had dropped to a very low figure.

The granite interests of Westerly, R. I., have received an impetus in the way of a contract just received by the Rhode Island Granite Works. The work is for the 23 story building for the American Tract Society, New York City. The building has two fronts and the first six stories will be of red Westerly granite, rough finished, fine hammered and polished, with considerable carving. The same company has a contract for a tomb for Woodlawn cemetery to cost \$75,000, to be built of Concord granite, part of the cutting for which will be done at Westerly.

The tools used by the Egyptians for quarrying and stone cutting were sometimes made of bronze and sometimes of iron. Herodotus states positively that iron tools were used in the work on the Great Pyramid, which is probably the oldest structure erected by man now remaining. In his explorations of this pyramid Colonel Howard Vyse found a thin plate of iron embedded in the mortar between two of the courses of stone, where it had undoubtedly been placed more than five thousand years ago. Among the ruins of Naucratis (600 B. C.) there were found a few years since, in what appeared to be the remains of a manufactory of iron implements, twenty-eight iron or steel chisels evidently designed for cutting stone or iron. It is a singular fact that none

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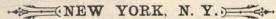
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of the very few bronze tools that have been discovered are now sufficiently hard to be used for dressing stone, and it is not at all probable that such tools were used except for the softest materials. The reason why so few steel and iron tools have been discovered is doubtless to be found in the perishable character of these metals, for unless tools made of them were placed in a position free from air and moisture, the sharp and hungry tooth of oxygen would rapidly gnaw them to destruction.—Engineering Magazine.

As a striking instance of the modern ingenuity that gathers up everything that nothing be lost, and turns it to some account, the transformation of marble fragments into things of beauty may be cited as conspicuous. Formerly tons of chippings of the finest marble were put to no better use than to make roads or marble dust. Now the little fragments are brought even from the far-famed quarries of Carrara—and are reunited in a solid mass to form household ornaments, parts of buildings, mantels, monuments, etc., says *The Carpenter and Builder*.

In a large brick structure in one of the small cities on Long Island Sound is the factory of the company engaged in the marble mosaic business. As one enters he sees barrels full of marble of all colors, the fragments being of various sizes, from that of a pea to that of an egg or larger. The smaller sizes are already reduced enough to form the mosaic, but the larger ones are crushed by powerful machines, then carefully screened so as to get an even grade of the size desired. The particles are then mixed with a composition of cement and other materials and the mass is molded while soft in the desired shapes. Lying about one sees various molds for table tops, brackets, urns, mantels, cornices, paper weights, etc. When the mosaic has hardened it is smoothed and polished like solid marble and takes a mirror-

like finish. The various colors of the marble are made to appear to great advantage by contrast in some articles. For instance, a checkerboard will be laid out in squares of red and black, alternating on a table top of gray marble. The makers claim that the composition will last for a long time out of doors, and it has been used already (more particularly in the West, where it was first introduced) for building fronts, cemetery vaults, tombstones, etc. It will be seen that the marble mosaic has a great advantage in the way of cheapness over solid marble work. The material costs much less than solid marble in the block, while the work of molding, admitting as it does of indefinite duplication, is a less expensive process than cutting by hand. While many may be skeptical about the durability of marble mosaic as an outdoor building material, there is a good demand for the small articles finished for indoor ornaments.

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#### Barre Letter.

This would be a dull, dreary world if something did not turn up occasionally out of the ordinary hum-drum course of events and for that reason we, at times, welcome almost anything which takes our thoughts out of the old ruts in which they have been running even though we may be in some doubt as to whether the change will result in good or not. It is pretty generally known among granite men in the New England states that a score or more of the members of the Barre Association have "got a case on their hands" which was brought about by their being sued by a non-association firm known as The Boutwell Polishing Company, for certain alleged, malicious and unlawful acts done by said association members for the sole purpose of injuring their business etc. The writer has no intention of "letting the cat out of the bag," by telling all he knows about the matter, at this early stage of the proceedings. But he feels warranted in writing that there cannot be found a more honorable or law abiding class of men in New England than the members of the Granite Manufacturers Association. There may be certain laws governing their body which may be construed by some as approaching the border line of uncertainty as to their legality, but be that as it may, we can safely say that no law was ever adopted which was not considered for the greatest good of all concerned. The main question has always been what will best advance the great and constan ly increasing industry we are engaged in, not what can be done to crush out competition and prevent only "the favored few" from engaging in the granite business. There are few trades in which men are more liberally remunerated than those employed in granite cutting and, in times like these, manufacturers have to be constantly on the alert to enable them to keep up the price of their products so as to pay the present scale of wages. Experience has demonstrated

that proper organization and reasonable restriction in trade tends to bring about the desired results. And this is why the Granite Manufacturers Association exists, as it does, at the present time. If others engaged in the business think differently, that the best course for them to pursue is to deal outside of the Association, they have been at perfect liberty to do so without let or hindrance. There are some people who want the earth and if it is not handed over to them peacably there is a row in the camp right off. The Granite Manufacturers Association is not composed of that class of men but they do want a small part of the good things of this world and they intend by all proper and legal means to maintain their position. Vital points will be involved in the questions which will be discussed when this suit is brought to trial and doubtless the outcome will be awaited with deep interest. It would be unwise for us to anticipate the result as the unexpected often happens in this uncertain world of ours but it seems evident that the association has a good case and that victory will perch upon their banners

The writer recently received the following from one of our veteran quarriers and manufacturers—fames Gazely, Esq.. of Albany, N. Y.:—I leave New York, on the steamer Paris, July 18th, for a trip through England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. It is my intention to visit the granite quarries in these countries and see how they compare with those of Barre. I will report to you my observations on my return. We will gladly give the readers of the MONUMENTAL NEWS the benefit of the report. Mr. Gazely informed me that he had been engaged in the granite business fifty years. It hardly seemed possible as he does not look to be past sixty years of age and is as active as most men at forty. He visited Barre when the quarries were in

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In my visits among the stone sheds and conversations with the different manufacturers since my last letter was written. I find, on the whole, a general improvement in business.

The well known firm of McDonald & Buchan report as follows:—Business keeps good with us, especially in our turning department, we have several large orders for all polished columns for western parties, also ball monuments. Urns and round posts are in great demand.

Wells, Lamson & Co. are following in the wake of others by making additions to their manufacturing sheds and putting in pneumatic cutting tools.

Melcher & Hadley have several good orders on hand one of the largest of which they say was obtained *directly* through their last half page advertisement in the MONUMENTAL NEWS. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Kingston Bros. & Co., whose advertisement appears in the MONUMENTAL NEWS this month are feeling quite happy over the success they have met with in securing new orders during the last month. Among them is one as follows: 1 Base 9-0×9-0×2-0. 2 Base 7-0×7-0×1-0, both fine hammered. 3 Base 5-6×5-6×1-9 4 sides polished, moulded and carved column. Die 4-4×4-4×5-0 all polished caps carved. Cap 5-6×5-6×2-0 polished on four sides, shingles carved on top. Finale 3-8×3-8×3-0 polished and traced. Draped shaft 2-6×2-6×18-0 with flag of stars and stripes on front and leaves of shamrock carved on

sides. This monument to be set in Great Falls, New Hamp-

Burke Bros have moved into a new shed which is an extension of Stephens & Reids They are working 12 men and have several good orders with prospects of more.

Mr. Geo. Mutch, the gentlemanly manager for Jones Bros., showed me over twenty very fine orders of various sizes and designs which that enterprising firm had received since last month.

Littlejohn & Milne were in excellent spirits when I saw them on account of the rapid increase in their business. Lack of space forbids my giving a description of their orders.

John Brechin has been very fortunate of late in securing a large number of good orders and has put several new men at work.

The writer called the attention of a number of our manufacturers to your editorials in the July number of The News on price cutting and long time contracts, and in every instance your suggestions were commended. We trust that all who have not read the editorials mentioned will do so,

It is said of Michael Angelo that he was equally great as painter, sculptor and architect. In order to paint figures properly, he devoted twelve years to the study of anatomy alone. His monument to Pope Julius II was on so grand a scale that the Church of St. Peter in Rome was altered in view to affording a suitable place for its reception. The tomb was afterward modified in plan and placed in another church. His "Last Judgment" required seven years to execute, and was finished when the artist was nearly sixty-eight.

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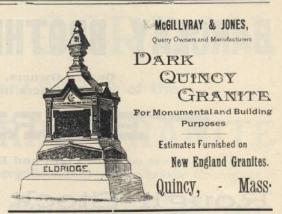
HE drinking fountain, presented to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, New York City, through the generosity of Mrs. Marie Guise Newcomb, the painter, is from the design of Mr. George Martin Huss. It

was constructed by the New England Monument Co., New York. The material is coral-red Italian granite, with ornamental ironwork and a graceful lamp. The big basin and the base of the structure are carved from one block, 8 feet 9 inches deep and 8

feet wide, the basin being an oval, 6 feet 6 inches on its major axis, and 5 ft. 3 in. in width inside, with a depth of 14 in. The rim is 1 ft. 9 in, high. In recesses on either side of the sidewalk edge of the basin are drinking places for dogs. The main structure, which is a rectangle in shape, rises 5 feet 8 1/2 inches from the sidewalk to the base of the lamp, which is nearly 8 feet high, the distance from the sidewalk to the top of the lamp being 13 feet 6 inches. The granite is rock-faced throughout, except on the weatherings. Facing Cooper Union is a small basin supplied with cups, water being furnished from a small ornamental lion's head in iron. The big basin on the street side is filled by a stream from a large lion's head set into the front of the upright granite structure. Facing down the Bowery, about one foot above the head, is a tablet bearing an inscription. Mrs. Newcomb did not live to see her gift in place.

The Memorial boulder to the memory of Deacon Nathaniel Ingersoll, erected by the Danvers Historical Society, Danvers, Mass., on the old training field at Danvers Centre, was dedicated on June 30th, with unique and appropriate services. The boulder which is of the ice age weighs several tons. The following inscription has been cut upon it:

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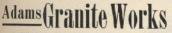
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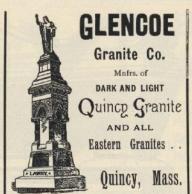


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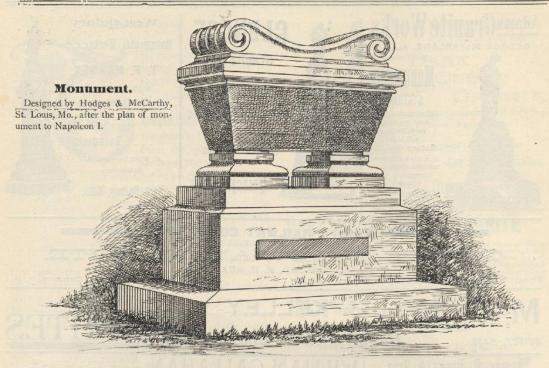
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The grave itself is surmounted by an earth mound about 12 feet in height, the whole surrounded by a cluster of gnarled oaks and stately cypress trees. Before the mound is a tablet about 6 feet broad and 20 feet high, upon which is inscribed the name and deeds of the great founder of Confucianism, a religion adhered to by over 400,000,000 human beings. The burden of this inscription, according to reliable translation, is "Perfect One," "Absolutely Pure," "Perfect Sage," "First Teacher," "Great Philosopher," etc.

The avenue which leads up to the philosopher's tomb is even more interesting than the actual place of burial itelf. On each side of this avenue are rows of figures of huge animals cut in stone—lions, tigers, elephants and horses, besides numerous mythical creatures, such as animals half dog and half frog, beasts with four legs and twice as many wings, besides a multitude of unnamable monsters that never lived on the earth, in the water or in the air. Taken altogether, the burial place of Confucius is

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An Electric Sculpturing Machine. An instrument somewhat in the nature of a "pantograph," but on a more elaborate scale and intended for use in sculpture work, has been invented by M. Delin, a French maker of statues, who asserts that by means of his apparatus he can shape a block of stone into a rough copy of a finished figure. He has two marbles placed upright on revolving horizontal tables, which are so connected as to rotate simultaneously and with very precise agreement. A sculpturing tool, operated by electricity, is suspended from the ceiling before the block to be cut, and so fixed that it advances and recedes in unison with a tracer held before the model in the workman's The tables on which the figures stand may be raised or lowered together at the operator's will, and thus every portion of the mass under the graver can be conveniently reached. - Invention.

#### Recent Patents.

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

520,662. Artificial Stone or Cement Composition. Charles A. Shank, Philadelphia, Pa.

521,209. Stone-Screen. John J. Donovan, Kingston, N.

521,264. Artificial Stone. Ludwig Grote, Landberg-on-the Lech, Germany. Patented in England.

521,929. Method of and Apparatus for making Concrete Monuments. Neill C. Cameron, Ben Wheeler, Texas.

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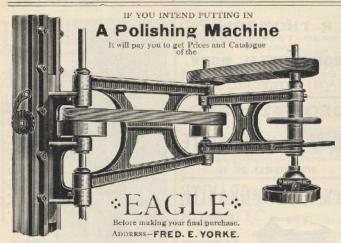
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The G. A. R. monument in Yankton Cemetery, the gitt of the Woman's Relief Corps, is constructed of granite, brownstone and jasper with pointed seams. It stands 29½ feet high, is 8 feet square at the base by 2 feet at the top, and weighs 110 tons, as it stands. A pyramid of 25 cannon balls surmounts it, and set within each face of the base is a white marble slab, upon which are chiselled the names of the dead soldiers. A polished granite slab, higher up in the east of the face shaft, is inscribed "Phil Kearney Post, No. 7," It is claimed to be the handsomest cemetery ornament in the state. It was erected by Asa A. Grant of Yankton

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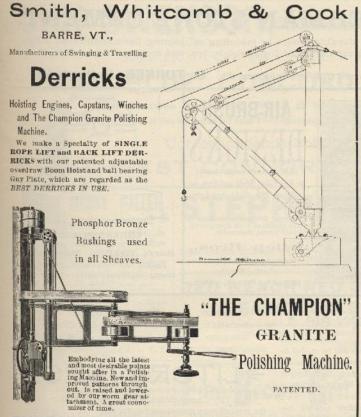
The special prices on my July circular were taken advantage of by many more dealers than I expected, fully demonstrating the fact that if a dealer wants to do business, he must advertise writes, H. A. Rockwood, Indianapolis, Ind. "Special prices closes with July."

New advertisers in this issue: Kingston Bros. & Co., Barre, Vt.; Columbian Granite Co., Hardwick, Vt.; Pinel Bros., Quincy, Mass.; I. A. Arche & Co., Barre, Vt.; William Cole, Barre, Vt.; Allen Brothers, Indianapolis, Ind.; Albertson Marble Co., Rutland, Vt.

James Buchanan of Turkey River, Brewster County, N. Y., has written his "brothers" in the trade a fraternal greeting in which he has some good things to say about the R. C. Bower's Granite Co., of Montpelier, Vt. James doesn't miss the mark much in what he says about "Bowers No 4 Barre granite."

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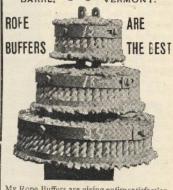


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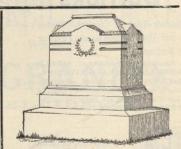
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New Firms: New England Co-operative Granite Co. Jas. Grant Minge, New York, N. Y. E. E. Steward, Reynoldsville, Pa. Wenrich & Hubbell, Oshkosh, Wis. Cooley & Dorsey, Mt. Pleasant, Ill. Hill City Mont. and Stone Co., Vicksburg, Miss. R. C. Barney, Ann Arbor, Mich. Karl J. Beij, Hartford, Conn. Boon & Clark, Clinton, Ill. Davy & Co., Ansonia, Conn. M. S. Funk, Bowling Green, Ky. Mann & Morgan, Pittsfield, Mass. Gco. A. Page, Dalton, Mass. T. B. Lemon, Lumber City, Pa. H. F. Jordan, Rich Pond, Ky. Otto Graf & Son, Washington; Ind. Massachusetts Marble Co., Benj. A. Williams, Secy, New York. Carson & Clark, 78 & 80 Broad St., New York. Kelle & Dilliard, Washington, Ind. Schneider—Birkenstock Marble Co., New York, Incorporated, Capital \$50.00. Waddington & Gouverneur Marble Co., Waddington, N. Y. Solverson & Hynne, La Crosse, Wis.

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