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This is a square plan, yet a most beautiful, dignified and chaste elevation. The first story of buff Voman brick in white mortar and buff stone

a "peculiar squeamishness" to pass over one.

"Now, the singular part of the whole thing," he continued, "was that every man who held that coin in his hand had a long spell of sickness afterward, and some died. I saw Griffith a year or two later, and he said he had never fully recovered, and never expected to."

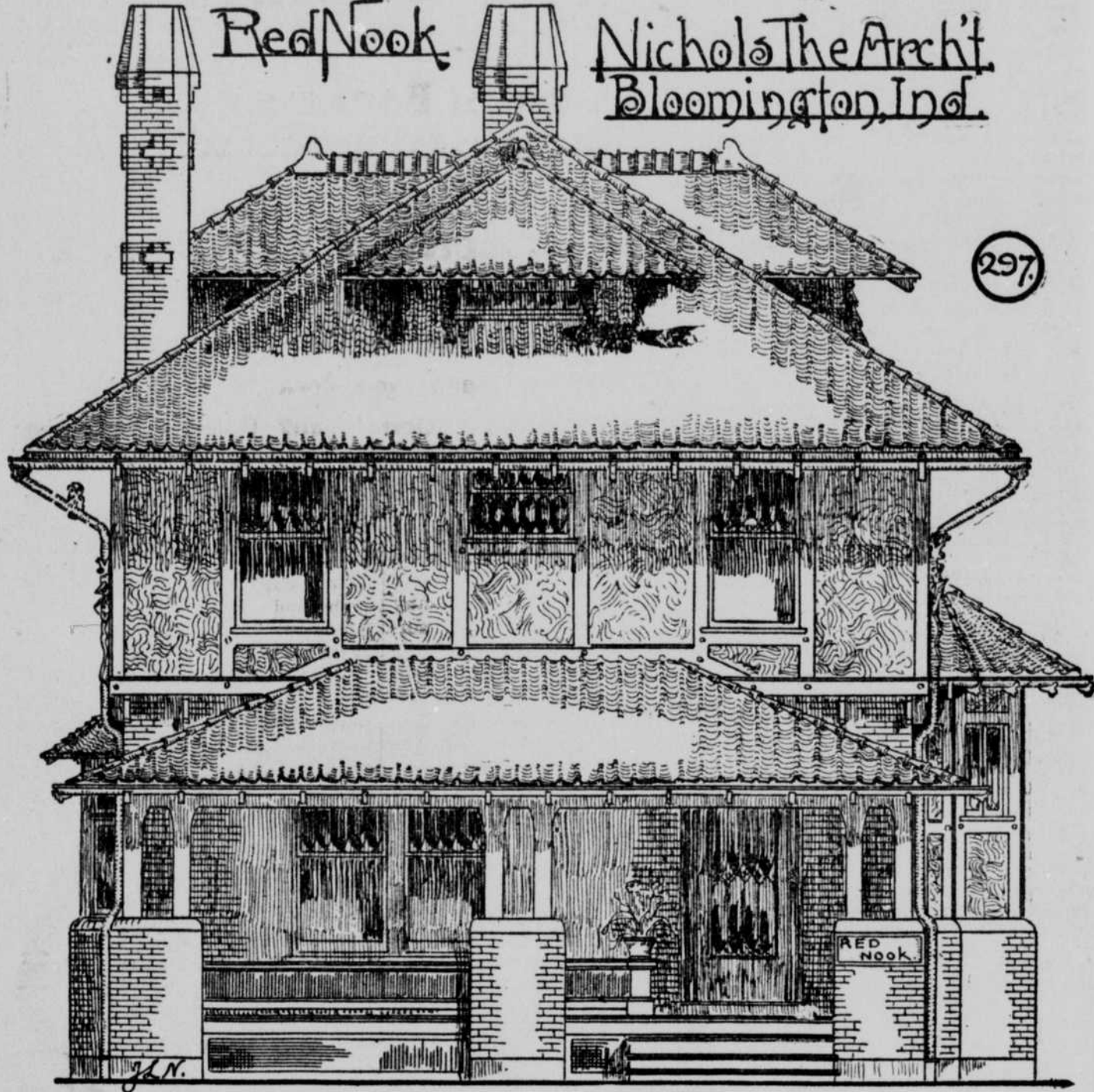
"Griffith got interested in that coin when he heard what it had done, and began to trace back its history. He remembered Cal Davis had paid it to him, and asked him where he got it. Davis had got it from a man named Holt, and Holt got it from the guerrilla chief, Sam Hildebrandt."

"Hildebrandt got the coin from a Spaniard in a stage robbery. The Spaniard told him the coin had been cursed by the Pope, as it was part of

conception of the value of athletics will add dignity, interest and standing, making it a factor second to none in the development of our civilization. It will be a mighty influence in the creation of a new and superior type of men and women. That women are growing more and more to realize this is evidenced by the athletic tendency of the modern girl. If she will combine therewith an intelligent effort after well-balanced and harmonious development, the results are bound to be satisfying in the extreme.

**Decline of German Jews.**

A statistical return of the religions professed in the German Empire, based on the census of 1900, has recently been issued. It appears that the number of Roman Catholics has increased in a greater proportion than



trimmings. The second story, old oak limbered work, with buff cement panels combed. The roof is of red Spanish tile. The hall and three main rooms are finished in mahogany with wood mosaic floors. The walls are burr-appled and decorated in oil; divans, book cases, buffets, etc., built in; second story finished in native hard woods.

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"What became of the coin I do not know, but every word of this story is as true as anything I ever told."—Carthage (Mo.) Press.

the number of Protestants, while the increase in Judaism as compared with the Christian professions has been very small. The Protestants numbered 35,231,104 in 1900, as against 31,026,810 in 1890, or an increase of 13.6 per cent; while the Catholics numbered 20,327,913 in 1900, as against 17,674,921 in 1890, or an increase of 15 per cent. The number of professing Jews has only increased from 567,884 to 586,948, which gives a percentage of 3.4. Of every 1,000 persons in the German Empire 625 are Protestants, 361 Catholics, 10 Jews, and 4 of different or undetermined religious creeds.

**THIS COIN WAS "CURSED."**

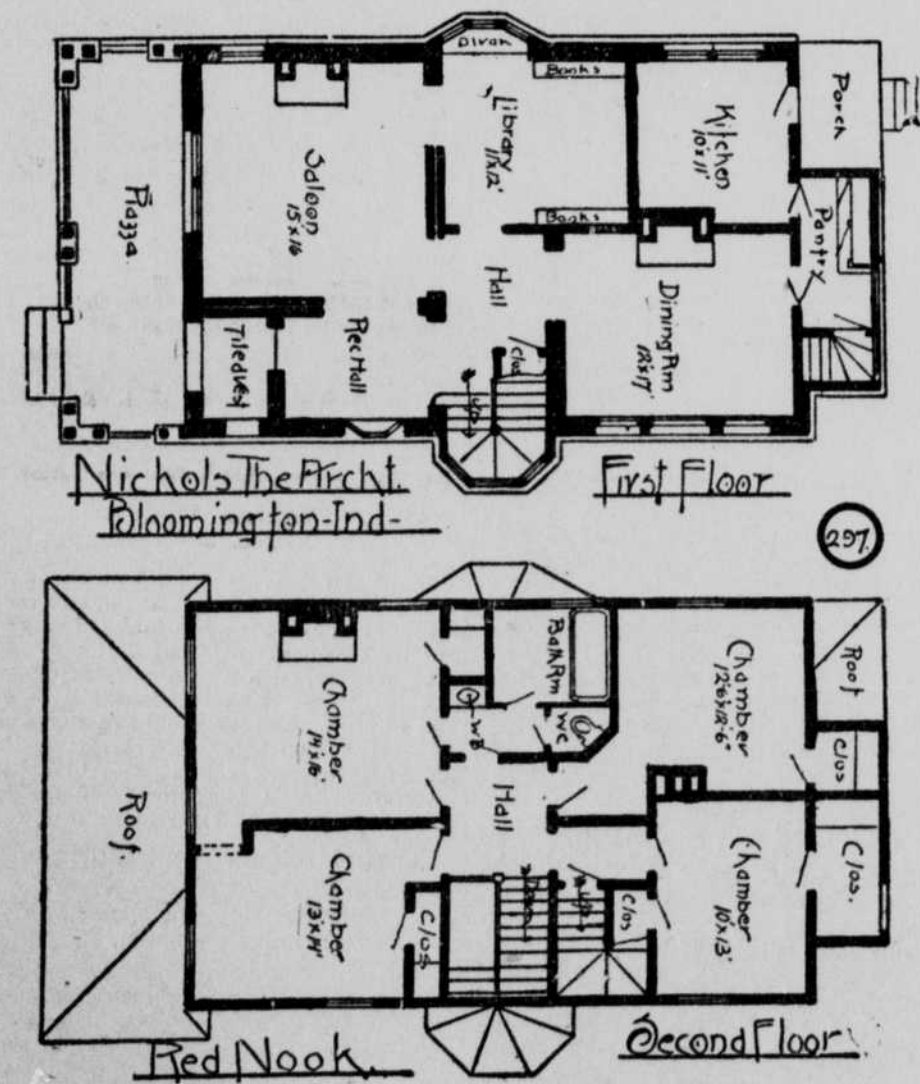
Misfortunes That Befell the Persons Who Happened to Own It.

An old resident of Carthage tells a reporter for the Press a strange story of a cursed coin. Among some money turned over to Dick Griffith, treasurer of Jasper county years ago, was a \$20 gold piece with a singular design cut in it. The design represented a cross with snakes coiling around it. The "old resident" says that when it was passed across the hand it caused

an American booty captured by pirates in Chinese waters and sent to Rome as a peace offering. The coin was stolen from Rome by a Spaniard, and he, fearing to pass it, gave it to his friend, who was coming to America. Hildebrandt nearly died of fever while carrying it, and Holt died from some peculiar ailment which baffled the doctors.

**Art and Athletics.**

The universally increasing attention now being given, especially in Anglo-Saxon countries, to out-of-door sports and to physical culture is a sign of the best omen. No class can have a greater solicitude for the furtherance of this movement than the artists, for they cannot create beautiful forms without having beautiful forms around them from which to draw inspiration, says a writer in *Outing*. The art of a nation is a mirror of that nation's ideals, and faithfully reflects their slightest change. The new



## HORSE STEALING A LOST ART.

**Decadence of a Crime That Was Common in Illinois.**

"Horse stealing has become almost a lost art in Illinois," said a sheriff. "Twenty-five years ago the crime was one of the most common, but it gradually became unpopular on account of the measures taken to suppress it."

"In the first place, the sheriffs of the different counties formed an association, held meetings, and made plans to act in harmony. Farmers and stock dealers organized anti-horse-thief associations, and dealers in horses became more cautious in their purchases."

"As soon as a horse was stolen the members of the association in the neighborhood started in pursuit of the thief, and there being so many of them, every road, cartway and bypath was followed, and it was a smart thief who escaped them. In the meantime the sheriff of the county, having been notified, sent out telegrams and postal cards to brother sheriffs, chiefs of police and village and township constables, and the description of the stolen horse was soon in the hands of so many watchful people that it was almost certain to be seen and recovered."

"Sometimes the pursuing parties returned with the horse, but without the thief, and then dark rumors spread abroad as to the fate of the criminal. Stories of a grave in a lonely creek bottom or of a body found floating in the river became current, and thus a certain horror was added to the crime."

"The punishments for horse stealing were made severe, and, what was of more importance, were rigidly enforced. Legal quibbles never saved a man, and it became a common saying that a man found with a halter in his possession was certain to be convicted. The juries, made up largely of farmers, might be fooled into acquitting a murderer, but a horse thief could not escape conviction at their hands. So it was that the business became unprofitable, and the number of horses stolen these days is comparatively small."

**HAD THE BUTTON SEWED ON.**

**Mother's Solicitude Over a Missing Attachment to Her Son's Vest.**

At 6 o'clock in the morning of the wedding day in a town up York state a postoffice messenger rang the doorbell at the home of the bride-elect and handed a special delivery letter to the servant who responded.

It was addressed to the best man, who had come 400 miles to second his best friend in the ceremony, and was, with several others, the guest of the bride's parents.

The best man was still asleep, but he was promptly awakened, on the supposition that the letter must contain something of importance. It did, indeed. Rubbing his eyes in the envelope and was astonished to find a sheet of letter paper, with a large needle of the sort men always choose when emergency compels them to sew, thrust through it, and a foot of double black thread trailing in a loose tangle down the page.

The best man thought it was a joke, but he couldn't see it; and he was about to become resentful when, upon turning the sheet over, he found this hastily written note:

"Dear Brother—Mother says there is a button off your dress coat. It is in your right-hand vest pocket. Sew it on."

Crawling out of bed the best man examined his coat and laughed to see that the situation had been accurately described in the letter.

"Just like mother," he said. "I'll wager she lost a whole night's sleep thinking about that confounded button."

Later in the day four bridesmaids gleefully assisted in making the repairs, and this telegram went to mother:

"Button sewed on. Don't worry."

**Human Lives Longer Now.**

Timid people and pessimists are inclined to fear that the progress of invention is increasing the dangers of accident and disease to such an extent that human life must necessarily be shortened. This fear appears to be groundless. Collected statistics show that the average duration of human life is steadily increasing.

Some interesting and striking facts along this line are presented in a recent report of the Chicago board of health. The average duration of life has increased in a third of a century from 14 years to more than 31 years. Exclusive of suicide, deaths from violence have decreased 63 per cent. Deaths from railway and car accidents have decreased more than 5 per cent.

Since the partial abolition of railways on grade and the introduction of fenders on cars, six years ago, deaths from this source have decreased 12.6 per cent.

**A Futile Mercy.**

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals means well by its distribution of a couple of thousands of bonnets for horses. But there will be no real diminution of the aggregate suffering of the world as long as the society contents itself with giving bonnets to horses. A horse cannot talk at night or go through a man's pockets when he sleeps of exhaustion in the gray dawn. Nor can a horse obtain credit at a milliner's, or the despondency of the man who has acquired the right to pay some one's bills. What is needed is a Society for Distributing Bonnets to Indignant Females. A mere horse has not soul enough to know if its hat is out of straight.

The sun that bleaches sanctity whiter tans sin darker.

## Novel Education for Indians.

Charles F. Lummis, the author, who is intensely interested in the Indian race, always has two Indian children at his home near Los Angeles, Cal. He chooses two children from one of the neighboring tribes, keeps them a year and then exchanges them for other children. He intends that the little Indians will learn more in one year of family life in a civilized home than in many years of attending school and living among their own people.

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Among the peasants of southern Italy, Sicily and Sardinia a curious malady has been noticed by physicians, which is caused by eating beans. One of the most remarkable effects of the malady is a species of intoxication resembling that produced by alcoholic drink. In some cases persons predisposed to the malady are seized with the symptoms of intoxication if they pass a field where the bean plant is in flower, the odor alone sufficing to affect them.

**Old Ship Broken Up.**

What is stated to be the oldest ship in the world has recently been sold at Tenerife to be broken up. This is the Italian ship Anita, registered at the port of Genoa. The Anita, which resembled Christopher Columbus' ship, the Santa Maria, was built in Genoa in 1548, and effected her last voyage at the end of March, 1902, from Naples to Tenerife, six or seven weeks ago. The Anita was of tremendously stout build, and had weathered countless storms and tornadoes in all parts of the world, but she was also the slowest ship afloat.

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