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FOUR NATIONAL CAPITALS THAT OWE MUCH TO INDIVIDUALS.

Baron Haussmann's Reconstruction of Paris-Shepherd's Work at Washington-A City Created by Order of the Czar-Frederick the Great and Berlin.

Four great capitals owe their beauty to individuals-Berlin, Paris, Washington and St. Petersburg.

To be exact as to dates, it was in June, 1853, that Baron Haussmann began the creation of a new Paris.



BARON HAUSSMANN.

dawn of western civilization. When the Romans knew it its boundaries were those of the present Ile de la Cite on which now rises the grand cathedral church of Notre Dame.

Under sanction of the third Napoleon Baron Haussmann did away with the old shanties and kennels, the cul-de-sac and alleys, and substituted for them spacious boulevards and avenues.



P. C. SHEPHERD-L'ENFANT.

oughtfare of yore. Instead, they gave free sweep for cannon ball and musket shot, and along their wide vistas columns of troops could move at will.

To a certain degree there is a similarity in the careers of Baron Haussmann and Alexander R. Shepherd. Both suffered much from public disapproval and curious inquiries regarding the accuracy of accounts.



KING FREDERICK-CZAR PETER.

But time, a recent writer declares, "has fully established the great merit of his design, and it is a recognized fact that by means of it Washington has been able to become a beautiful metropolis."

The wealthy of Great Britain. During the year 1880 there died in the British Isles thirty-one persons, each of whom left a fortune of more than \$1,500,000.

Only an autoeract with unlimited means could have called into being a city like St. Petersburg. It stands today a monument to the sublime audacity of Peter the Great.

comfortable residences and unspeakable prisons. The gorgeous and domed public buildings tower above superb specimens of Italian architecture...

Of Berlin the German has every reason to be proud. It is not the walled Berlin of the Middle Ages, although the magnificent Brandenburg gate still guards a western approach, but it is the Berlin of Frederick the Great.

FOR HOME ENTERTAINMENT.

How an Evening of Fun and Instruction May Be Arranged.

For a novel party the plan is to take characters from prominent novels for representation. This will give wide scope for originality, as most of the costumes would have to be designed by the wearers...



A NOVEL PARTY.

of the character which he decides each one present has chosen. In order to make out the list it will be permissible for him to talk to any one he chooses in regard to whose personation he is in doubt.

For instance, if he thinks a certain gentleman has chosen the character of the merchant from Australia in "Caesar's Column" he can approach him and ask him how he likes the arrangement of the table service of his hotel...

The time given to making out the guess list, which should contain not only the name of the character personated, but the name of the book from which it is taken and the author, should be limited from half an hour to an hour...

If desired a prize may be given to the owner of the one which is most complete. Much fun may be had during the time given to guessing through the conversations held with those whose personations are in doubt.

She Refused to Be a Barmaid. Minnie Schenck is young, attractive and determined. When she will she will, and when she won't she won't.

Mr. Gargoyle-I hear your daughter is engaged, Mrs. Gummy. Mrs. Gummy-Yes, to a Kentucky gentleman. Mr. Gargoyle-What! And you were always opposed to American girls marrying titles? -Judge.

A New Found Tribe of Pygmies. The French explorer Crampel has discovered a race of dwarfs in West Africa that differs from those seen and described by Stanley.

Head and Heart. The head and heart in the game of love. Most men see a girl's cold in the head, but so long as she's not cold in the heart.

Picking a Winner.

Uncle Rastus-Kye, hya! I knowed dat boss'd win! I knowed it for suah! Tom Bookie-Have anything on him? Uncle Rastus-No, sah; but I seen he had a cinch.

At Last. Mrs. Cobwigger-Did you ever find a man under the bed? Mrs. Merritt-Yes, the night we thought there were burglars in the house. I found my husband there.-Life.



A Mighty Mean Trick. A 6-year-old child with a large appetite and a special fondness for pancakes and maple sirup arrived at the breakfast table the other morning and forthwith demanded cakes.

Escaped. She was a plump woman, and is would not have been a violent stretching of the truth to call her a corpulent one.

Sometimes Happens. Anxious Caller-Is this the police station? Chief-Yes, ma'am. What can I do for you? I have lost some valuable jewelry. I suspect a former servant of having taken it.

No Comparison. Dentist-Now, see here, what's the use of making so much fuss about a little miserable root like that? Let me pull it. Patient-You'll hurt. Dentist-You're a coward. Why, there was a woman in here this morning who had seven good teeth pulled.

Deflate. Proprietor (of furnishing store)-What are you doing with those everlasting neckties? Clerk-I was just rearranging them in the showcase. Proprietor-Well, that's all right, but you can't be too careful about handling them.-Clothier and Furnisher.

Reasonable. You are discontented with the wages I pay you, and yet at Mrs. Brown's you didn't have any more. That's so, and I did all the work there too. But you see you want me to love your children, and I must have extra pay for that.-Fliegende Blatter.

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A Construction Needed. What do you hear from your Eskimo friend? He has just asked me to go up to his place and spend the night with him. I don't know whether he wants me to stay six months or six hours.-New York Sun.

The Art of Conversation. Uncle Josh-How's your father? Miss Belle-Very well, thank you. Uncle Josh-How's your mother? Miss Belle-She's well, too. Uncle Josh (after a three minutes' pause)-How're your parents?-Yale Record.

A Clew. Patrolman-They've just took a floater out of the river with a cross marked on his forehead with a knife. Chief-Start right out and arrest every man that isn't able to write his name.-Indianapolis Journal.

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