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A BROADWAY INCIDENT.

Passer-By Gives Twice to a Beggar and the Beggar Doesn't Stop Him.

One of two men who were walking on Broadway talking was attracted by the appearance of a one-legged beggar who sat, a crutch beside him, on the edge of some steps in front of a store, holding out his hat to the passers-by. So he reached in his pocket, pulled out a number of coins and took from among them one which he dropped in the beggar's hat. The one-legged man inclined his head, not servilely nor humbly, but with a calm and decorous sort of politeness in acknowledgment of his gift, says the New York Sun.

As for the giver, he seemed to take no heed whatever of that acknowledgment; he simply kept on talking with his friend; at the time, however, continuing to pick over the money that he held in his hand, and in a moment he dropped another coin in the one-legged man's hat.

Maybe he thought the first coin was not enough to give; perhaps he gave also for his friend; possibly he had struck it rich and felt flush and generous and wanted to give; he might have been absent-minded; but anyhow he gave twice. And as for the one-legged man, he, so to speak, was not carried off his feet by the incident at all; he sat perfectly steady. As the second coin dropped in his hat he inclined his head gravely, with an acknowledgment a little more pronounced in manner than the first, but with no obsequiousness or foolish show of thanks. This was Broadway, it was a business man who was giving him this money, and he was making a business acknowledgment. And maybe he thought that, if he did not disturb, by too much profuseness of thanks, what might be a sort of involuntary or automatic action on the part of the giver who was thus repeating perhaps he would keep on giving.

TAKING THE TIME AT NOON.

All Business of the Western Union Company Stops for Three Minutes Daily.

Just before 12 o'clock each day all business must be taken off the wires controlled by the Western Union company, and that means the absolute cessation of business along the main lines of electric communication in the principal cities of America, says Pearson's Magazine. Three minutes before noon wire chiefs in each of the principal cities and the towns and cities leading to and from their large sisters cease sending or receiving messages, no matter how important they may be, and devote themselves to switching on wires in such a way as to make an unbroken circuit of communication from Washington around the uttermost boundaries of the United States. This is called an "unbroken national circuit." Thus a smooth track is made along which the electric message may flash encompassing the union and announcing the time of day. Ten seconds before the time bell strikes comes another silence, and then a mighty throb, a titanic heartbeat from the foremost factor in modern commerce, and an electric current pulsates from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from Gotham to the golden gate, announcing the fact that the sun has passed over the seventy-fifth meridian and it is noon at Washington.

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A chart published by the geological survey gives a summary of the mineral products of the United States for the past ten years. The aggregate values have increased by more than one-half in that period and the figures for 1899 are greater than in any previous year, footing up the enormous total of \$776,000,000.

The value of the metallic products of the year is given at \$527,218,084 and of the nonmetallic at \$447,790,862. The latter class includes, of course, the coals—\$168,000,000 in bituminous and \$88,000,000 in Pennsylvania anthracite—\$64,000,000 in petroleum, \$30,000,000 worth of natural gas and large value in stone, brick clay and cement, with various other minerals.

Of the metals our pig iron is worth almost as much as all others together, the value of last year's product being given at \$245,000,000. Copper comes next, worth \$104,000,000, and the \$71,000,000 in gold is third. The market value of the silver produced in 1899 was about \$33,000,000 and the lead and zinc together were worth about as much. Quicksilver, aluminum, antimony, nickel and platinum are the other metals that figure in the table.

Muscles and Brain.

In one of his recent lectures at Clark University, Prof. Angelo Mosso, of Turin, avers that "Physical education and gymnastics serve not only for the development of the muscles, but for that of the brain as well." It is becoming evident, he said, that as much time should be devoted to muscular exercise as to intellectual exercise, and children should begin reading and writing only after they are nine years old. Muscular fatigue exhibits phenomena identical with intellectual fatigue. Nerve cells show on the average every ten seconds a tendency to rest. It is probable that only part of the brain is active at a time; the various parts relieve each other. The more mobile any animal's extremities are the more intelligent, other things being equal, he says.

An African's Idea of Snow. An African who had visited England described snow as "rain gone to sleep."

MORMON EXPLORING PARTY.

Set Out to Find in Central America Ruin Verification of the Book of Mormon.

One of the most remarkable expeditions for antiquarian research which have set out for some time is composed of a party of Mormon students which left Graham county, A. T., a few days ago, for a three years' trip through Central and South America. In the party are 24 men from the Brigham Young academy, in Provo, Utah, including President Benjamin Cluff and two professors. Their object is to explore the country and its resources while searching for traces of the last survivors of the Nephites, says a local report.

The Mormon theory on which the expedition is based, as advanced by leaders of the party, is this: About 600 B. C., Lehi and his family, accompanied by Ishmael and his family, left Jerusalem and went into the wilderness.

After 40 years of wandering they built boats and sailed toward the continent, landing where Chill now is. Nephi and Laman were two of Lehi's sons. Nephi was beautiful and obedient, Laman the reverse. Each had many followers who married and intermarried until they numbered many thousands, and built many large cities in what is now the northern part of South and Central America, Mexico and southern Arizona and New Mexico.

The two factions waged war for many years, according to the Mormon theory, until, eventually, about 400 A. D., the Nephites were entirely exterminated by the Lamanites. From the latter the American Indians are descended. Maroni, the last surviving Nephite, buried the records of his people, written on brass plates, in the hill "Cumorah," in the state of New York, and the angel Maroni revealed these plates to Joseph Smith. The translation of these constitute the Book of Mormon.

The Provo expedition hopes to find in the ruins of Central and Southern American cities evidence that they were built by the descendants of Lehi and thus give to the world proof that the Book of Mormon is what the Latter Day Saints assert it to be—a true history of the people who inhabited this continent years ago.

An Amateur Savant Fooled.

The stories are common enough of fire engines being turned out to quench an aurora, and, on the other hand, it has not seldom happened that a very mundane conflagration has passed muster for a "celestial display," says Knowledge. In the memoirs of Baron Stockmar an amusing anecdote is related of one Herr von Radowitz, who was given to making the most of easily picked up information. A friend of the baron's went to an evening party near Frankfurt, where he expected to meet Herr von Radowitz. On his way he saw a barn burning, stopped his carriage, assisted the people, and waited till the flames were nearly extinguished. When he arrived at his friend's house, he found Herr von Radowitz, who had previously taken the party to the top of the building, to see an aurora, dilating on terrestrial magnetism, electricity, etc. Radowitz asked Stockmar's friend: "Have you seen the beautiful aurora borealis?" He replied: "Certainly; I was there myself; it will soon be over." An explanation followed as to the barn on fire. Radowitz was silent some ten minutes, then he took up his hat and quietly disappeared.

HISTORIC COAT-OF-ARMS.

For Fifty-Seven Years It Hang Over the Oldest Market in Havana.

Alderman H. J. Zayas, of Helena, Mont., was recently the recipient at the hands of Cuban friends, in recognition of his services in behalf of that island, of a large number of relics, one of which, a Spanish coat-of-arms, possesses a very interesting history. This coat-of-arms, says the Chicago Times-Herald, hung for 67 years over the oldest market in Havana, known as the Plaza Vieja. It was secured through the courtesy of Mayor Perfecto Lacoate, Alfredo Zayas and Onofre Gomez, the latter two councilmen.

On March 27, 1895, at the beginning of the last revolution, it was taken down and thrown into the street by a Cuban named Jose Gonzalez. He was captured after a hard chase and shot the next morning, at Cabanas, for the crime of insulting the Spanish crown.

Seventeen years previous a Spanish general was detailed by the captain colonel to inspect all the Spanish property within the city limits. On entering the Plaza Vieja the colonel observed that the crown was entangled in cobwebs and ordered the porter of the market to clean it. A ladder was immediately secured, while the colonel stood under watching that the work should be thoroughly done, and while so directing the copper wire parted which held the crown in position and struck Colonel Ramon Perez Novas over the temple, breaking his skull and killing him instantly. The porter was sent to the career (jail) and died there about a year ago.

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