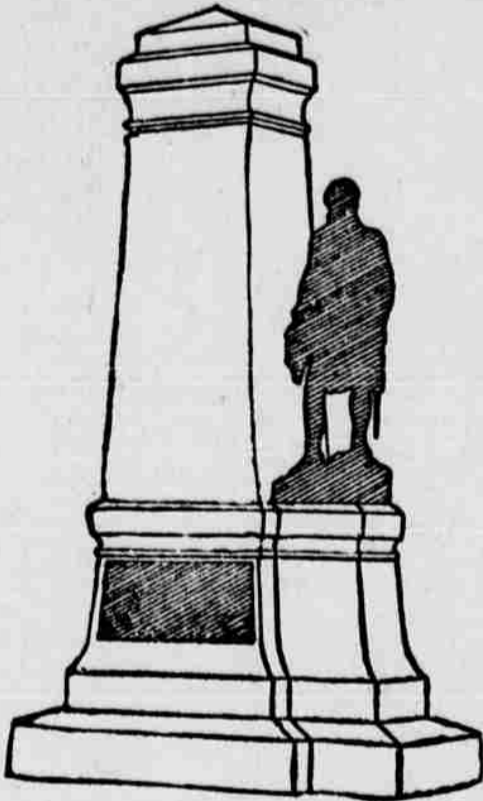


**MONUMENT TO GEN. POOR.**

Stands Near Where He Was Buried in Hackensack, N. J.

A statue to the memory of Brigadier General Enoch Poor, who was regarded as one of the bravest and best soldiers of the Revolution, was unveiled in Hackensack, N. J., Oct. 7. It has been erected on "the triangular green between the old First Reformed church burying ground and the Bergen county courthouse. It is within one hundred and fifty feet of Gen. Poor's grave in a corner of the historic bury-



**The Poor Monument.**

Showing the unusual position which the statue will occupy on its pedestal.

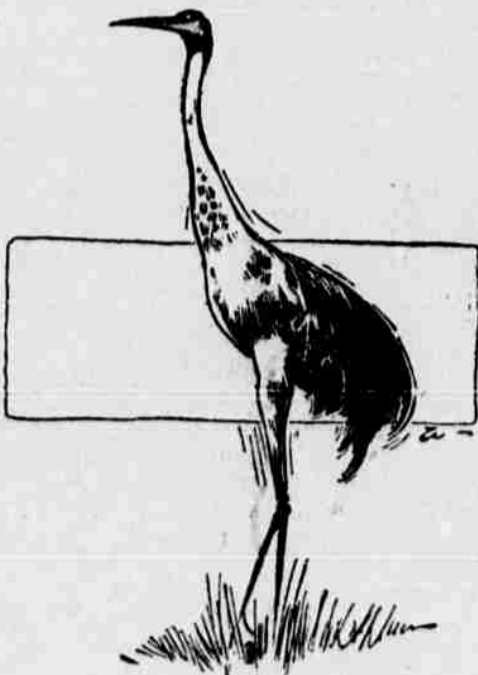
ing ground of the church. The monument was designed and erected by John L. and William Passmore Meeker, of Newark, N. J. It is a marked departure from the conventional. There is a bronze figure of about seven feet six inches in height, on a granite pedestal about fifteen feet in height. On the front of the pedestal there is a bronze tablet bearing an appropriate inscription.

**River of Natural Ink.**

There is such a river in Algeria. It is caused by the junction of two streams—one of which drains a region strongly impregnated with iron, while the other flows from a peat bog, and holds a large quantity of callic acid in solution. Thus the union of the two streams causes the iron and the callic acid to combine, this action producing natural ink.

**California Crane.**

The crane is a queer bird, built on the lines of the young women with



whom certain illustrators furnish society novels. If the bird did not have such length of leg it wouldn't be one which is so imposing. It looks wise, but its wisdom is superficial, to say the least. No one ever heard of a crane reaching the eminence of the owl, nor even that of the parrot. This crane is a California bird and is an excellent example of its kind. Look at it and imagine how you would appear had you such lower extremities.

**CAN NOT LIVE IN CAPTIVITY.**

Gorillas Pine and Die When Placed Behind Bars.

Chloe is gone, and Venus is dead. The zoological gardens is bereft of gorillas. The gorilla at Breslau has the distinction once again of being the only animal of its species living in Europe. Chloe arrived about a month ago with Venus. At first there was a trifling difference of opinion between them on the food question, but when Venus had made it abundantly plain that she was to be mistress, the pair grew very fond of each other. The way in which Chloe strove to interest her companion was a lesson in heroism. All day she performed feats



**Chloe.**

on the trapeze or step dances, but Venus was not amused. Chloe was terribly affected when her companion died. She was placed with two chimpanzees, Jack and Jimmy, but she scorned them, and never ceased to grieve for Venus. Thus ends the "zoo's" third attempt to keep gorillas. Venus and Chloe cost a large sum of money. The one was five, the other two years old. It seems to have been proved that gorillas cannot exist at the zoological gardens. The Breslau gorilla, however, has been seven years in confinement.—London Telegraph.

**Would Not Teach Girls.**

A ruling for a New Haven school made in 1684 reads: "And all girls be excluded as improper and inconsistent with such a grammar school as ye law enjoins, and is the designe of this settlement." One Benjamin Mudge, a New England schoolmaster of many years' service, has left the following interesting memorandum: "In all my school days, which ended in 1891, I never saw but three females in public schools in my life and they were only in the afternoon to learn to write." Mudge neglects to say, however, that the girls were admitted not only to the writing lessons, but they were also privileged to attend the general annual catechising.

**American Medusa.**



In the traditional history of the Iroquois confederacy appears a masculine Medusa of snaky tresses. He was an Onondaga chief, Atatarho, who was the first president of the Five Nations. He was represented as living alone in a swamp and using dishes made out of the skulls of his enemies.

**Robin Escaped Hawk.**

A robin closely pursued by a hawk recently crashed through a window in the home of Mrs. C. F. Roper at Holland and fell exhausted upon the floor of the sitting-room. The bird appeared to be uninjured, and after being taken to the open air soon flew away.

**VOICE HAD WONDERFUL RANGE.**

Italian Singer of Long Ago Has Remained Unrivaled.

When Leopold Mozart and his famous son, Wolfgang, made their first voyage to Italy, in 1869-1871, they made the acquaintance of the famous singer, Signora Agujari, at Parma.

This woman possessed a most phenomenal voice, in fact, no singer before or since her time could approach her. She invited the two Mozarts to dinner and consented to sing for them.



In a letter recounting Signora Agujari's singing, Leopold Mozart said that the upper notes were not so strong as the lower ones, but soft and charming, like the sounds of an organ. He also inclosed a sketch of the singer's exploits of which the accompanying is a copy, showing her wonderful range.

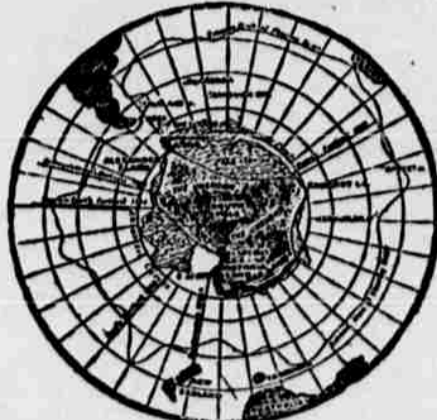
It seems almost incredible that a singer could encompass such a great range of tone, for in the accompanying drawing it will be noted that the voice goes from lower C to the same note three octaves higher, a feat not approached by Ellen Yaw, Edith Helena or any of the singers of to-day famous for their high voices.

**The Barbers of Tunis.**

The barbers of Tunis have some queer ways in working. There one finds the barber on the sidewalk, instead of in a shop. Should one desire a shave he is not invited with a bland welcome to recline at ease in a plush upholstered chair, or are his senses soothed with perfumes and salves. On the contrary, the barber takes one over his knee, as if to draw and quarter him. He squats against a wall, where all Tunis may watch him as it might a public executioner. He squirts some water into one's beard from a dirty goatskin, rubs the hair the wrong way a few moments, and then begins to scrape. The steel of his razor is sharp, but his way of wielding it is relentless. Should a cut be so deep that one complains, his simple explanation is: "Only the blood of a coward runs."

**At the South Pole.**

Within the next decade it is thought some hardy adventurer will be successful in at last reaching the south pole—that place surrounded by mystery and at whose barriers death has stood guard for long, long years. The accompanying chart shows the distances already traversed and the unexplored regions about the pole, the nature of which is fairly well conjectured, based upon observations



made by various explorers. There is a theory that the land about the pole may be fertile and inhabited; but this is more likely to be a dream than the actual truth. However, the truth may soon be known.—New York Herald.

**Proves Value of Rubber Suit.**

With his rubber life-preserving suit, Joseph Probst of Geneva has remained in the water a month at a time, subsisting on food carried in the suit.

**DROVE ACTORS FROM STAGE.**

Automatic Sprinklers Set to Work at Inopportune Moment.

A curious incident occurred during the performance of "The Earl and the Girl" the other evening at the Lyric theater, London, says an English periodical. This is one of the houses of entertainment where, in addition to the ordinary fireproof curtain, automatic sprinklers have been provided, so that in case of emergency the stage can be almost instantly deluged with water. In the course of the first act, the newly-fixed sprinklers, without any warning, commenced to work, drenching the performers and orchestra, nor could they be stopped until the supply was turned off at the main. The sudden flight of the artists and instrumentalists occasioned considerable merriment among the audience, who remained in the best of humors until the piece was resumed. How the sprinklers came into play at this awkward moment, whether by accident or as the result of a practical joke, could not be ascertained, but if they can be relied upon to always discharge their work so effectively in the event of an alarm this new aid to fire prevention ought to be a success.

**On Matrimony.**

Having seriously made up your mind, place all your available assets on the bed. There's generally enough room.

Then consider whether the girl is worth the risk of running the best pair of trousers you possess; then calcu-



late the least amount you can get the engagement ring for. From thence your thoughts will naturally wander to the amount one has to spend on trotting the little girl about per month. If you can scrape through this preliminary little canter, you must then think of the wedding ring and the honeymoon expenses—don't on any account worry about the fees at the church. You can always promise to settle with the best man afterwards, and when once married you will be all right. Dash it, no decent father-in-law would see his daughter starve.

**Banana Grown in New Hampshire.**

Six years ago J. Laselle of Manchester, N. H., obtained a banana bulb, which he planted in a tub. The plant now stands 15 feet high. Last fall it began to show evidence of bearing fruit. The other day Mr. Laselle gathered the harvest and distributed it among his friends.

**School for Parrots.**

A school for parrots has been opened in Philadelphia. It is a dame's school, the professor being a lady, and the birds are taught to speak by a phonograph repeating the same words and phrases for hours till they pick them up.