THE FOURTH IN FRANCE.

Parisians Assist in Celebrating Independence Day.

LAFAYETTE'S GRAVE DECORATED.

Specones Made and Volleys Fired Over the Tomb of the General-Minister Reid Throws Open His Residence.

Patriotic Parisians.

Copyright 1889 by James Gordon Begnett, Paris, July 5 .- | New York Herald Cable-[Special to THE BER.]-Uncle Sam's birthday was most successfully and brilliantly celebrated here, not only by the resident and visiting Americans, but also by the Paris ans themselves. The municipal and state officials did their best to give colat to the occasion, which from first to last was marked by the utmost cordiality among all who took

For the Americans the celebration commenced at 10 o'clock in the morning, when, to the number of several hundred, they assembled at the Convent Dames des Sacre Cocurs de Jesus et Marie in the Rue de Picpas for the purpose of decorating with flowers the grave of General Lafayette. The ceremonies were the same as those with which Decoration day is observed in the United States. The presence and participation of the detachment of United States marines in charge of the American exhibits at the exhibition, contributed much to the solemn impressiveness that characterized the scene. A number these present were the decorations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Loyal Legion and Order of Cincinnati, and here and there were also to be seen members of the Association of Veterans of the Mexican War.

Sonator Edmond de Lafavette, standing in front of his grandfather's tomb, spoke as follows in English:

Ladies and Gentlemen: Permit me to thank you for myself and in the name of all the other members of our family for your presence here to-day, and for the honor you have paid to the memory of my grand-father. What you have done has deeply touched our hearts, and I cannot find words touched our hearts, and I cannot find words in which to express what I and my relatives feel at this moment. It is also peculiarly touching to us that to-day, on this anniversary of the birthday of the American republic, military honors should be done in the capital of the French republic to the memory of General Lafayette by the grandchildren of the brave men who fought with him a hundred years are for fought with him a bundred years are for fought with him a hundred years ago for merican independence. There was no further speech-making, the

firing of three volleys over the grave by the marines bringing the simple ceremonies to an appropriate conclusion.

The afternoon ceremonies at Haut de Greenelle were of an imposing and official character. President Carnot, accompanied by General Brugere and his military staff, arrived at 2 o'clock, escorted by a squadron of cuirassiers. He was received at the en-trance to the bridge by M. Spuller, minister of foreign affairs; M. Chautemps, president of the municipal council; Minister White-law Reid and M. Losee, prefect of police who escorted him to his palace under the handsomely decorated marquee erected in front of the statue. Nearly 2,000 persons were present by invitation, and as many more had assembled on the bridge outside the line of police that marked the space re-served for those provided with white, purple and yellow cards. These included mem-bers of the municipal council, in whose name the invitations had been issued, scores of senators and deputies, almost the whole resident American colony, and hundreds of others from across the Atlantic here tem-perarily on business or pleasure bent. Speeches were made by M. Chautemps, president of the municipal conneil, Minister Whitelaw Reid, and M. Spuller, and at the conclusion of the ceremonies five steamboats conveyed the invited guests to the Hotel de Ville, where vin d'honneur was effered to them by the city authorities. This consisted of iced champagne and other cooling drinks, and while it was being partaken of the Garde Republicaine played the national airs of France and America and other selections. An informal but delightful reception was kept up until 6 o'clock, and was marked by the utmost cordelity and followed by the utmost cordelity and followed for the Experiment of diality and friendliness between the French

and Americans present.

American Minister and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid inaugurated their public life in the happiest possible manner. Their residence in the Avenue Loche, spacious and tastefully arranged in every way worthy of the representative of the American nation, was thrown open to all Americans in Paris. The only formal invitations issued were to a few Frenchmen, such as M. Esmond de Lafay-ette, Napoleon Ney and two or three personal friends. There were about a thou-sand Americans present, including nearly the entire colony here.

At Newman Hall's Church.

[Copyright 1889 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, July 5.—[New York Herald Cable-Special to Tus Bss. |-The floral fete and meeting in commemoration of the one hundred and sixth anniversary of Christ church, of which Rev. Newman Hall is pastor, held at that church last evening, was in its way largely in recognition of American independence. The church was beautifully Accorated for the occasion on the outside with the flags of England and the United States, and inside with both flugs and flowers. On the wall beside the pulpit was an elaborate and very beautiful representation of the stars and stripes made of flowers. A large audience, embracing English and Americans, was present. United States Minister Lincoln presided during the early part of the evening. Minister Lincoln made a brief address. It was most favorably received and was the subject of many complimentary remarks by those who heard it. Referring to the Lincoln tower attached to

the church, Lincoln said that the tower was not crected in honor of the man, as a reminder of the free dom to which Abraham Lincoln gave the best days of his life. President Lincoln once said that if slavery was not wrong, nothing was wrong, and after a long struggle America had become a free country in fact as well as in name. As to the relations between England and the United States, he believed their brotherhood was growing closer

day by day.
At the conclusion of Minister Lincoln's speech, Rev. Newman Hall called upon the audience to rise and join with him in prayer for America. When Lincoln left the church the entire audience rose and remained stand-ing until his disappearance.

Among the speakers of the evening were

Among the speakers of the evening were the Rev. Newman Hall, the Rev. Mr. Bal-garme, the Rev. Mr. Granger and the Rev. Dr. Theodore F. Cuyler, of Brooklyn. All of them referred in pleasant terms to the United States, to Abraham Lincoln, and to his son, now that country's representative at the country's representative at the court of St. James. Dr. Cuyler's address, the longest of the evening, was devoted chiefly to eulogy of Abraham Lincoln, with whom he enjoyed an intimate acquaintance. It was received with much enthusiasm.

Walter Brothers, of Waltersburg, Pope county, Ill., sold 380 bottles of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoen Remedy during the epidemic of bloody flux in that county last summer, and state that they never heard of its failing in a single instance where the directions were followed. There were as many as five deaths in one day of persons who used other medicines or were treated by physicians.

Violated to His Cost.

Judge Berka gave a decision yesterday in the case against P. Milestone, charged with violated the city ordinance, by refusing to pay a coal license of \$100 year year. The opinion of the court is that the defendant is guilty, and the ordinance is authorized by section 65 of the city charter. which gives the city council power to license any business when the public good demands

PUBLIC WORKS.

An Important Meeting Held by the Body Yesterday. The board of public works met yester-

day and allowed the following estimates: Ernest Stuht, for grading Twenty-fourth street from Leavenworth to Mason, \$693; C. H. Pritchett, grading Twenty-ninth street from Leavenworth to Hickory, \$330; Hugh Murphy, paving alley between Burt and Cuming from Sixteenth to Seventeenth. \$1,385.92; same contractor, paving alley between Webster and Burt from Seventeenth tween Webster and Burt from Seventeenth to Eighteenth, \$1,471.16; same contractor, paving alley between Leavenworth and Marcy from Ninth to Tenth, \$1,301.62; J. O. Corby, laying sewer in alley between Cass and California from Twenty-fifth street to Twenty-seventh avenue, \$1,062.12; J. E. Knowles, laying sidewalks, \$30.36.

The following bids were received for grading Sherman avenue from Manderson street two blocks north, and Thirtieth avenue from Mason to Pacific. Ryan & Co., 14 cents;

Mason to Pacific. Ryan & Co., 14 cents; Ed Callaban, 18 cents for Sherman avenue and 12 9-10 cents for Thirtieth avenue; Fleming & Co., 15½ cents; John Condon, 11½ cents. The contract was awarded the

The following reserves were allowed: J. J. B. Smith & Company, \$2,454.47, for paving; J. J. McDonald, \$30, sewer work; P. H. McCauley, \$581, sewer work; C. M. O'Dono-van, \$345, for sewer work.

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The Usual Custom. In support of the returns of the Fourth ward assessor on the New York Life insurance building and THE BER building attention has been called to the following facts: These figures show the custom in Omaha of assessing a building comparatively light while in course of construction and for its full value only after completion.

The First National bank while being erected in 1887 was assessed at \$15,000; it was completed in 1888 and was then assessed The Merchants' National bank while being

built in 1887 was assessed at \$10,000; in the following year it was finished and was assessed at \$40,000.

The Paxton block was assessed at \$17,000 in 1887 while in course of construction. It was finished the following March and was assessed that year at \$75,000.

Boyd's opera house was finished in September, 1881, and yet the same year the lot on which it stands was quoted as "unimproved" and was assessed at only \$7,500.

After it had been in use nearly a year it was assessed at \$29,000

assessed at \$22,000.
The board of trade building was assessed at \$10,000 while in course of erection in 1886. It was finished early in 1887 and was not assessed at its present rate, \$20,000, until that

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THE CUMING STREET GRADE. The Walnut Hill Property Owners

Discuss the Matter. A meeting of Walnut Hill property owners was held at Ryan's store, on Lowe avenue, last evening to discuss the question of grading on Cuming street. Chairman Gibbons stated that there was a conflict between the engineer of the Omaha Motor company and the city engineer as to the grade on Cuming street between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth streets, and that if the motor company's track is twenty inches below the grade, as the city engineer says it is, the motor company is wrong, but, if not, the motor company should be sustained. He suggested that the only course to take would be for the property owners to get up a peti-tion and ask the city to regulate the grade. Other speakers made a few remarks. Some claimed that there had been influences brought to bear upon certain members of the council. All wanted the motor to run out to that part of the city.

City Engineer Tillson said he was there to give his ideas of the case, and he proceeded to explain the differences in grades. It was moved that a committee of three be appointed to procure an engineer to test the grade, and, if necessary, go to the city council and file a petition for a change of grade of the street. The committee consisted of Messrs. Bemrook, Wasserman and

Dr. B. T. Coppedge, of Verona, Mo., says he has sold a large quantity of Swifts Spe-cific, and to a great many customers, and knows it to be most successfully used for maladies of the blood.

SOUTH OMAHA NOTES.

The Old Check Backet Jesse Osborn, a verdant, gray-beard from the backwoods of Wisconsin, advanced \$20 to "J. W. Williams," an elderly and pious looking gentleman, on a \$500 check on Fri-day. Suspicion lurked in the granger's heart, and notifying the police, a mad rush of policemen, boys, men women and a few dogs made N street down to the depot as lively, between 2 and 3 o'clock, as a disturbed bumble bee's nest. When the crowd arrived "Williams" had fllown. Mr. Osborn is \$20 richer in experience.

Notes About the City. Members of the Albright Methodist Episcopal congregation gathered at the pleasant home of the Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Luther Thursday evening and enjoyed a most pleas ant social evening and partook of a bountiful

A slight fire on the roof of a small building in the rear of the City hotel called out the fire department Friday afternoon. No The board of trade will hold its regular monthly meeting Saturday evening.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will-

iam Becksted is very sick with cholera infantum. The Cigarmakers' union will bold an important meeting Sunday morning at 10

Fred H. Meyer, formerly city engineer of this city, was last Monday appointed city en-gineer of Pierre, South Dakota. Mr. Meyer's

many friends in this city will be pleased to know of his merited appreciation in the baby Wiliam Barren will answer before Judge King at 9 o'clock Saturday morning to the charge of assault and battery, preferred by Charles Kuhn.

John Gromlich will build on Eighteenth and Milroy streets. A permit has been issued to George Stef-fenich for a cottage on Twenty-second and

streets. John Condon, of this city, has been awarded the contract to grade Thirtieth street from Pierce to Marcy, Omaha, at 11½ cents per cubic yard.

The Rev. J. J. Keeler, general missionary of the American Baptist Home Missionary society, will preach in the Third ward school house Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The Loyal Legion of Temperance, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., will hold a picnic in Syndicate park Saturday atternoon. Those interested will meet at the temperance tent, Twenty-sixth and M streets, at 1:30 o'clock and march from there to the tent.

HINCKLEY-In this city, July 5, at 4:50 p. m., Donna H., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hinckley, 1441 South Twenty-sixth street, aged eight months and nine days.

Two More Victories. LONDON, July 5 .- The Massachusetts rifle team shot against the Sussex team at Brighton yesterday. The former won, making a score of 988 points, against 910 by the Sussex. They won another victory at Nunhead range to-day, defeating the London rifles with a score of 1068 to 1025.

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WITH HIS CLITTERING EYE.

A Very Odd Optical Duel in Southern California.

HE OUT-OGGLED THE BRITISHER.

How an Audacious English Tourist Was Rescurd From a Huge Serpent's Toils By a

Familiar Ditty.

A Patriotic Serpent.

One of the best known characters in San Diego county, in the southern part of this state, is George Lamb, the driver on the stage to San Jacinto, twelve miles distant. Mr. Lamb has been a settler in the country for a good many years, where he has taken up a piece of land among the San Gergonio mountains along the stage road, over which he drives daily, writes one of the snake artists of the San Francisco Examiner. It is a lonely spot, nestling among towering crags and broken by rough ravines, principally inhabited by coyotes, wildcats, rattlesnakes, and occasionally a mountain lion. The land is, however, fertile and produces fine crops of barley, alfalfa and some fruit, so Mr. Lamb, who is no tenderfoot, does not worry about his uniuvited tenants.

The semi-tropical climate of this part of California appears especially adapted to the growth of snakes, which here attain enormous size. The old stage driver, perhaps on account of his peculiar temerament, or from the lonliness of the country, for years has amused himself studying the habits of the different varieties of snakes he meets on his travels. Whenever he discovers a singularly large rattler or red-racer he does not try to kill it. He studies it quickly if it chances to be studies it quietly if it chances to be sunning itself on a rock or in the road, and he prefers to make a detour rather than alarm it, if such a course is possi-

ble. In this way he has become on good terms with some of the most venerable and colossal snakes in the county. Some time ago finding pig-raising a profitable way of using up his surplus alfalfa he started a piggery, but in spite of all his watchfulness against coyotes and wildcats the young porkers kept disappear-One warm afternoon as he lay

stretched out comfortably under some fruit trees, smoking his pipe and tending his pigs, he was startled by hearing one of the smallest ones give vent to ear piercing squeals. Looking hastily in that direction Mr. Lamb's eyes ALMOST POPPED FROM THEIR SOCKETS

at beholding an immense serpent wrapped round and round about the unfortunate porker, seemingly bent on swallowing it. Curiosity got the better of his timidity, and Mr. Lumb instantly determined to capture his snakeship alive if possible. The struggles of the little porker were soon over, and the snake began devouring it. The grass and weeds had concealed most of the serpent's body so far. But in its efforts to make way with the pig, the snake's entire body came into view.

If Mr. Lamb had been astonished in the first place, he was simply paralyzed now on beholding twenty-five feet of yellow and black snake, nearly the thickness of a man's body. But he was still resolved to capture it, so quickly returning to his cabin he procured some old blankets, fashioned them into a net and, stealing up to the reptile, which was now fast asleey, completely enfolded Leaving the monster firmly secured he selected a box canyon about balf a mile from his house, which had on three sides high, rocky cliffs, with smooth perpendicular surface. On the fourth he constructed in a few hours a strong wall of rock and adobe.

Obtaining the assistance of three Indians, he next conveyed the snake to his new quarters, leaving the old blankets for a soft nest. A spring of water bubbled up from among the rocks, and catching a number of cottontails and jack rabbits he set them loose in the inclosure. Every day he would visit the place and see how his charge was getting along, and soon he and the snake became well acquainted.

Among other accomplishments Mr. Lamb is a fine performer on the accordion, and knowing the passions of the serpent family for soft music of any na ture, he used to spend many of his evenings sitting on the edge of the canyon filling the surrounding atmos-phere with the dulcet strains of such melodies as the "Boulanger March "I Believe It, For My Mother Told Me So." The scaly monster, its head reared above the ground, and a look of unmis-

takable pleasure IN ITS GLITTERING EYE. would indulge in a gentle hissing, meanwhile swaying to and fro in time

with the music. The fame of Mr. Lamb's huge pet soon spread throughout the adjacent country, and the Indians of the neighboring village began flocking to his place in squads, and on leaving would generally carry away more than they had brought with them. As they were all armed with long knives and carried revolvers in their belts, Mr. Lamb felt constrained to treat them with respect and not hurt their feelings by any allusion to his losses.

He therefore stood it as long as he could, for in addition to being a mild-mannered person he had considerable pride in his captive, and he knew his possession of such a big snake, with which he was on terms of the closest intimacy, elevated him greatly in the eyes of the natives, who looked upon him as the largest kind of a medicine man. But their constant visits to his place were slowly reducing him to beggary, as they generally brought their keen appetites with them and very little provender. He began to think he would be obliged to let the snake loose again or kill it—the last alternative he could not bring his mind to consent towhen an Englishman with a passion for gunning and tramping over wild country put in an appearance one night and accepted Mr. Lamb's hospitable invitation to spend the night.

It happened that the visitor was a great lover of Scotch whisky, always keeping a large supply in his luggage. He had been indulging pretty heavily in his favorite tipple previous to reaching Lamb's ranch, and during the evening brought out his big flask, and many

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a hot toddy Lamb and he consumed ere retiring for the night. The dawn of another summer day was breaking when the Englishman pro-posed to the ranchman to go and take a ook at the big serpent, which, from his host's description, he felt convinced be-longed to the boaconstrictor species of tropical America. The old stage driver was loath to make such an early call on his pet, who was not likely to relish being awakened and might resent the invasion of American soil by a repre-sentative of John Bull. After much persuasion, however, he consented TO SHOW HIS VISITOR THE SNAKE;

so, carrying under his arm his faithful accordion, he set out for the snake's den. The serpent was sunning itself in the inclosure when two arrived there. The Englishman, in whose head the fumes of the previous night's flowing bowl still lingered, despite Mr. Lamb's warning, climbed upon the stone wal and began recklessly whistling, "God Save the Queen." In vain Mr. Lamb entreated him to cease, explaining that the unfamiliar hymn would only anger the snake. The half-inebriated son of Albion merely crossed his legs teisurely, winked at the monster once or twice, inserted his monocle in his eye, and continued whistling in a most offensive manner. Once or twice the snake hissed ominously, but otherwise paid no attention to his visisors.

Nothing daunted by the chilliness of his reception, the Englishman, without a moment's warning, jumped from the wall directly into the inclosure, announcing his intention of subduing the reptile with the power of the human eye. Horrified at this temerity, Mr. Lamb hurried to the edge of the and gazed down upon the reckless Brit-isher, who was serenely inspecting the big snake through his single eye-glass. Unconsciously Mr. Lamb's fingers clutched his musical instrument, and

the soft notes of "Rock-a-By, Baby" floated out into the still air. It was none too soon. The now thorougly aroused monster, his head erect and drawn back, was about to spring upon

his apparently doomed victim.

The music acted like a charm, and the poised snake remained motionless. Mr. Lamb did not dare to call out, fearing that the least discord would break the spell. Slowly the now sobered and horrified Englishman drew back, while with the perspiration pouring from his forehead at the awful scene Mr. Lamb

played on.
"Drill, You Tarriers Drill!" followed
"Rock-a-By." Again the air changed,
and the passing breeze caught the
plaintive harmonies of "Razzle-Dazzle." The serpent slowly swayed to and fro. never for a moment taking his eyes off the retreating Englishman.

Human nerve could stand it no longer and, fascinated by the dull, glittering eye of the snake, the horrorstricken man paused, just within reach of those awful coils, unable to move a Mr. Lamb groaned to himself. His

repertoire of music was becoming exhausted. He saw the revolver at the Englishman's side, but he dared not speak to him to use it. Already he was playing "The Lost Chord," his last tune. Suddenly, like a flash, a thought came to him. Without stirring a muscle he began softly to

"JOHNNY, GET YOUR GUN." A look of hope and understanding lightened the Englishman's face and slowly he drew his weapon and carefully cocked it.

A sharp report, a puff of smoke and the huge reptile lay squirming in the convulsions of death.

The Englishman was thrown violently to the ground as the gory body of the still quivering serpent struck him. But he soon braced up on some of his Scotch whisky, used as an antidote against snake bites. The pair then examined the serpent and the Englishman, who was somewhat of a naturalist, pronounced the serpent a half-grown boa constrictor, which may have brought up from Central America by a fruit vessel, or have escaped from a traveling circus. The reptile was skinned and purchased by the Englishman, and propably ere now decorates some English hallway as a memento of the time when "I was-er in America, you know."



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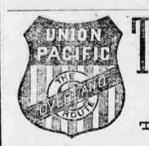
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