WORLD'S FAIR FAR BEYOND EXPECTATIONS

Verdict of a New York Writer Who Spent a Week at the Exposition at St. Louis in July.

The World's Fair at St. Louis is now in the midst of its splendid season. Colossal, complete, cosmopolitan, it commands the attention of the world as no other enterprise of the present year. From all nations there are pilgrims coming to this shrine, and from all our states and territories there is a constantly growing throng of visitors. United States Senators, Governors of States, men eminent in science, art and letters—all express unqualified admiration for the Exposition and free acquiescence in the oft-repeated statement that this is by far the greatest and best universal exposition ever held.

During July a well-known magazine and newspaper writer from New York, Mr. Addison Steele, spent a week at the World's Fair, inspecting the grounds, buildings and various attractions as thoroughly as was possible in that limited period. Returning home, Mr. Steele published in Brooklyn Life the following appreciative comments on the Exposition:

In the expressive language of the day, St. Louis "has the goods." I had expected much of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, for I had kept in touch with the making of it from its very inception, five years ago; but after nearly a week of journeying through this new wonderland I must confess that in every essential particular it is far beyond my expectations. The biggest and best it was meant to be and the biggest and best it is. The exposition, rumors notwithstanding, is quite finished.

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One of the greatest, and certainly one of the most agreeable, or my many surprises was the extreme beauty of the main group of buildings. For the simple reason that the camera does not exist which could take in the vast picture as the eye sees it, the early views of the group—a bit here and a bit there—gave a scant idea of the scheme as a whole. Nor did the early views of the ten individual buildings which make up its component parts do justice to their nobility of architecture and general grandeur. Then again in the ground plans and bird's-eye sketches—the only possible manner of showing it—the fan-shaped arrangement of this group looked stiff and unsatisfying. Far from that, it is quite as remarkable in its way as the famous Court of Honor of the Columbian Exposition. In one respect it is even more notable, for instead of two grand vistas it offers a dozen. The main vista is, of course, the one looking up the Plaza of St. Louis—whose crowning feature is the great Louisiana Purchase Monument—and across the Grand Basin to the Cascade Gardens. On the right are the Varied Industries and Electricity buildings and on the left Manufacturers and Education, these—with Transportation and Machinery still further to the right and Liberal Arts and Mines beyond at the left—making up the body of the fan. For its handle the fan has the Cascade Gardens—rising in a grand terrace to a height of sixty-five feet above the floor level of the buildings mentioned and crowned by the great Festival Hall, the Terrace of States and the East and West Pavilions—and the Fine Arts building directly behind.

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The Pike has in the Tyrolean Alps the finest concession that I have ever seen. There is a great square with many quaint buildings, a little village street, and above the snow-clad mountaips—which look very real as the evening falls. The best scenic railroad yet devised affords several fine glimpses of the Alps and there is a very graphic exposition of the Obermmergau passion play in the little church. The Cliff Dwellers' concession also looks very realistic at nightfall. It is elaborate in arrangement and the courting, snake and other dances by the Southwestern Indians make it another of the Pike shows which should be taken in by all. In Seville there is an amusing marionette theater and some genuine Spanish dancing. For the rest the Pike offers infinite variety, and as a rule the full money's worth is given. The enormous Jerusalem and Boer War concessions are not on the Pike.

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It is a case of dine at the German Pavilion and die at the exposition. In a beautiful Moderne Kunst building adjoining Das Deutsche Haus the best food and the highest prices on the grounds are to be found, the table d'hote lunch and dinner costing two and three dollars, respectively. There is also a la carte service. Everything considered, the prices are not excessive, and at least one meal should be taken there for the experience. Another should be taken at the Tyrolean Alps, either outdoors or in the gorgeous dining-room in the mountainside. The best French restaurant is at Paris, on the Pike. Lower in prices and in every way admirable are the two restaurants conducted by Mrs. Rorer in the pavilions of Cascade Gardens. The east one has waitresses and no beer and the west one waiters and beer. For a bit of lunch Germany, France and England all offer delicious pastry in the Agricultural building. These are not free ads, but time-saving tips for the traveler. There are no end of restaurants to fit all purses on the grounds. I tried nine of them and nowhere found the prices more than they ought to be. As a matter of fact, for neither food nor lodging no one need pay any more at St. Louis than he feels that he can afford, and yet be well fed and housed, if he will use ordinary common sense in making a selection out of the abundance offered.

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Hot? Yes, but on the two hottest days of the summer at St. Louis I suffered no more from the heat than in New York before leaving and after returning. Every day of the seven there was a breeze at the fair grounds and it was always possible to find a shady spot. The nights were cool and comfortable.

ADDISON STEELE.

LOUISIANA PURCHASE MONUMENT AND PALACE OF VARIED INDUSTRIES.

Bavaria Takes Step Forward.

Miss Dixie Lee Bryant, the first woman to receive such an honor, has been made a doctor of philosophy by a Bavarian university. Miss Bryant is a member of the faculty of the state normal and industrial college at Greensboro, N. C., being professor of biology and geology in that institution. She has been on leave of absence for three years, studying in Germany, where she has just taken her doctor's degree. She is a native of Kentucky and graduated with the degree of bachelor of science in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1891.

Church and School for Indians.

Mother Katherine Drexel of Philadelphia, founder and head of the Order of the Blessed Sacrament, composed of nuns who devote their lives to the uplifting of the Indian and negro, has offered $500,000 of her own private fortune with which to build a church and school for the Indians of the Winnebago, Neb., reservation. The only condition is that the Indians consent, and this Father Schell of Homer, Neb., has obtained.

Modest Philadelphia Policeman.

Philadelphia policemen are easily shocked. One of them arrested a handsome young lady a few days ago for raising her skirts too high while crossing a muddy street on a rainy day. It isn't often that cops feel called upon to determine questions of ethics. The justice who heard the case discharged the prisoner. Pennsylvania has no statute defining the exact lines of feminine proprieties in matters of this kind.

Lawyers in Public Life.

The membership of our house of representatives has 236 lawyers out of a total of 357. The house of commons, on the other hand, has only 129 lawyers in a total of 670, while the French chamber shows an attendance of 139 lawyers in a total of 584.

Work on Garibaldi Statue.

There are prospects of finishing the Garibaldi statue in Rome. It was begun in 1884 and may be unveiled in 1911 if all goes well. The sculptor Gallori has been commissioned to complete the work.

How the Waiter Lost a Tip.

At one of the Kansas City hotels where the colored waiters are especially good service, but always expect adequate remuneration for the same from the guests, a waiter was especially officious the other day in serving a man from whom he expected a liberal tip. When the meal had been served and he was standing off at one side, eagerly looking for an opportunity to be of service, he said to the guest:

"Didn't yo' have a brothah heah last week, sah?"

"No," said the one addressed, "I believe not."

"Well," continued the waiter, "thah was a gem'man heah at mah table what looked ve'y much like you, and he was so well pleased with the service that he gave me 50 cents when he left."

The guest had by this time finished his meal, and as he arose he said to the expectant servitor:

"Come to think of it, Sam, that was my brother that was here, and I guess he paid you for the whole family. He may be back again in a week or two."—Kansas City Journal.

Actor's Opinion of Managers.

Wilton Lackaye, the actor, told a friend some time ago that he had made a dramatization of Hugo's "Les Miserables." The friend congratulated him, but doubted whether any New York manager would produce the piece. "Produce it," sneered Lackaye. "Why, my boy, I doubt if any New York manager could pronounce it."

Smart Woman Becomes Citizen.

Miss Millie Holmes, English, has, after twelve years' residence, taken out naturalization papers in order to be eligible for a position at the Philadelphia mint. Few women apply for naturalization, but it is noted that Miss Holmes showed a rare knowledge of the constitution and passed the examination with high credit.

Few of Fremont Guard Left.

At last accounts the Brooklyn man engaged in rounding up the John C. Fremont old guard of 1856 had succeeded in getting three responses. He wants them for campaign purposes. If there are more of them alive it isn't to be wondered at that they are reluctant to make the fact known.

Ancient Phases Corrupted.

Ancient Picts in England were called by the Celtic word "pehta" or fighters. This was Latinized into Picti. So, too, Barbary of the ancient maps is a monument to the miscalling of the Berber tribe by the Greek word signifying "barbarian." Even the legend of the victory of Guy of Warwick over the dun cow is assailed by ruthless etymologists, who insist upon its derivation from his conquest over the "Dena gau," or Danish settlement, at the champion's gates. The Celtic words 'alt maen" are responsible for many "old man" crags upon sea coasts and among mountains. They mean, however, "high rock."

German Crown Prince Coming.

There has been some little stir over a rumor that the kaiser intends that the crown prince shall visit America this autumn. The date of the departure from Germany has not yet been arranged, but from other whispers there is some probability that the first stop of the prince, who will make an all-around-the-world cruise in a warship, will be at Newport, and the date of the visit September.

Progressive Egyptian Ruler.

Prince Abbas Hilmi, khedive of Egypt, who was in London recently, is a clever farmer, a skillful engineer, a master of five languages, a scientist, a keen man of business, a yachtsman and a prince of many social accomplishments. He is also a sanitary reformer and has built a model village not far from his place at Koulbeh, on the outskirts of Cairo. He is a well-built man of medium height.

Biblical Truth Shown by Papyrus.

Dr. Carl Schmidt of Heidelberg has succeeded after seven years of hard work in piecing together 2,000 small fragments of papyrus and translating the contents from the Coptic. He says that he has the first accurate and complete account of the acts of Paul. The papyrus was inscribed in 180 A. D.

Favors French National Church.

According to the Paris Presse M. Combes, the French premier, desires that the French Catholics should break off from the Roman church and form a French national church, with a pope of its own.

TWO GIRLS' INDIAN ANCESTRY.

Basis of Claims that Secured Them Valuable Tracts of Land.

A romance that has come down through several centuries has recently developed as the result of the Dawes commission awarding allotments of valuable land to two St. Louis young women, the Misses Jessie Mae and Blanche Hall.

It was necessary in the cases of the Misses Hall to trace their ancestry unmistakably to an Indian parent. The romance that has developed began when their great-great-grandfather came to America as a French voyageur.

Thomas Condray was a member of a wealthy, aristocratic French family. His health failed early in life, and the trip to America was advised by physicians and finally agreed to by alarmed parents.

He came with the view of returning to France after a few months, but a beautiful Cherokee maiden interrupted his plans; he paid court to her, married and ever afterward lived in America with his Indian wife and children.

Through Florida he had drifted into Georgia, and there met the Cherokee girl, whose blood still courses sufficiently in the veins of these two St. Louis young women to entitle them to equal rights with the full-blood tribesmen of to-day.

The ancestry was traced directly by the Dawes commission, and upon their investigation of the alleged rights of the Misses Hall was established their title to the land. They have 600 acres of as valuable land as is included in the domain of the five tribes. The young women are but 1-16th Indian blood.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

'ROSCOE CONKLING'S BIG FEE.

Advocate Lays His Complaint Before Charles O'Conor and Gets Answer.

It is said that one day when Roscoe Conkling was beginning to attain some measure of success he dropped into the office of Charles O'Conor of New York, then one of the leaders of the bar.

"What's the trouble?" asked the latter, as Conkling excitedly paced the floor.

"I've just been subjected to the worst insult I have ever received. This is the first time a client ever objected to my fee."

"You know I defended Gibbons for arson and put in some tremendous work for him. He was convicted at the trial, but we couldn't help it, and I took the case to the superior court and we lost there, then on to the supreme court and that affirmed the conviction and he has been given ten years. Now, my fee only amounted to $3,000 and the scoundrel actually has the audacity to grumble about it, saying it's too high. What do you think of that for impudence?"

"Well," said O'Connor slowly, "of course, you did a lot of work and $3,000 is not a big fee, but to be frank with you, Mr. Conkling, my opinion, founded on mature consideration, is that he might have been convicted for less money."

BABY BORN TO FORTUNE.

John Nicholas Brown, 4 Years Old, Worth $10,000,000.

John Nicholas Brown of Rhode Island is only 4 years old, but he is rated worth $10,000,000. His fortune came from his father and an uncle, in equal amounts, before he was 2 months old. Young Brown has three palatial residences, a yacht, is always attended by a physician and has a retinue of ten servants. He lives on sterilized milk chiefly and has more care bestowed upon him than a royal prince. He is weighed morning and night on special scales and is groomed in the most luxurious manner. The youngster's fortune consists in stock in great cotton mills in New England. His mother was a Miss Dresser, sister of Mrs. George Vanderbilt.

Go, Lovely Bird.

(The "bullfinch hat" is in evidence * * * and a leading ladies' newspaper tells us (women readers that this is to be a bird season.—Daily Paper.)

Go, lovely bird.
Speed from my body warily.
For she hath heard
That finches dainty decking be,
And her sweet charms mean death to thee!

Cares she that's young,
And seeks to have her graces sped,
That thou hast sung
In woodlands where the violets hide?
She loves thee better stuffed and dyed!

For at the sight
Of ruffled breast and stiffened limb
Her eyes grow bright,
A wreath of death will bravely trim
The circlet of my lady's rim!

So fly! For she
Would claim in service all things rare,
Including thee,
And thy short life she will not spare
When Fashion says that thou art fair.
—Punch.

Wanted to See the World.

John Guild, 11 years old, son of a wealthy ship builder of Hilo, Hawaii, ran away from home several months ago and has just arrived in Philadelphia on board a merchant vessel with which he shipped as a stow away. The elder Guild is immensely rich, but the boy was tired of staying home amid splendid surroundings. He wanted to see the world, but his father would not let him leave home, so he hid on board the merchant vessel. The captain, who knows the elder Guild intimately, will take him back on the return voyage.

Made Name as Astronomer.

One of the most noted of Russian astronomers died in the person of Theodore Bredikhine. He had been director of the observatories in Moscow and St. Petersburg. It was his unpleasant duty in the latter place to oust the Germans and Swedes who had made it famous. His own specialty was comets' tails, regarding the formation of which he had an electric theory, which occupied his attention to the time of his death.

Ambitious Social Leader.

Mrs. George Westinghouse gives the society people of Lenox much to talk about, owing to the splendors, not to say eccentricities, of her entertainments. She has had designs upon the social leadership of that exclusive spot and has had at her dinners the British ambassador and wife.

WOLF HUNTING IN LAPLAND.

Natives Run Down Animals on Skis and Dispatch Them With Spears.

The most northern point of Scandinavia or Finland is inhabited by Laps. The latter live in the valleys and are employed chiefly in agriculture; the former keep to the mountains and they are very wealthy, owing to their immense herds of reindeer, which graze summer and winter in the open.

If the snow is very deep in winter the herds are brought down to the more sheltered valleys. In spite of constant watchfulness they are even there not safe from the invasion of wolves, whom hunger drive down to the lowland from the forests.

The mountain Laps in consequence organize wolf hunts during the winter. They pursue the animals on skis, or snowshoes, and owing to the great speed at which they can get over the frozen snow they soon overtake the flying beasts and kill them. The huntsmen carry nothing but a short heavy spear, which they drive home with a practiced hand. Only when wounded do the wolves attack their pursuers, otherwise the cowardly brutes seek safety in flight.

Voice From Arkansas.

Cleveland, Ark., August 15 (Special).—Nearly every newspaper tells of some wonderful cure of some form of Kidney Disease by the Great American Remedy, Dodd's Kidney Pills, and this part of Arkansas is not without its share of evidence that no case is too deeply rooted for Dodd's Kidney Pills to cure.

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Letter Writing a Lost Art.

To one who closely studies human nature letters constitute the best literature. They reveal the little idiosyncrasies which go to make up character. They expose the heart, especially if written without the thought of publication. Sometimes, as in the case of the correspondence between Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett, it seems a sacrilege to lay bare to the world so much of private confidence. In other instances, as in the letters which Liszt and Wagner wrote to each other, the world is the distinct gainer by the publication. In fact, so rich is English literature in epistolary wealth that we hate to regard letter-writing as a lost art. The truth, however, forces itself upon us and we must accept it, endeavoring to console ourselves with the thought that what we have lost in genuine correspondence we may have gained in other things.

Farmers Have Advantage.

The Rev. J. R. Lawrence, United States government expert potato grower, North Middleboro, Mass., believes that "there is more room in the world for a farmer who can preach than there is for a minister who had to farm to get a living."

A Comet.

The following whimsical account of the nature of this splendid visitor is given in an old French military journal: "That it is a parcel of old stars who, being no longer fit for service, have been discharged on half pay and, to save expense, have agreed to mess together."

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