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SOME OLD PAVINGS

RECORDS OF QUEER MATERIALS THAT HAVE BEEN USED.

Tombstones Sometimes Employed in England for the Purpose—Glass Used on French Street—Extravagance of Monarch.

Tombstones are not infrequently employed in different parts of England for paving purposes. Some four or five years ago the inhabitants of Belvoir bitterly protested against the use of such material in the construction of a road leading to the parish church, despite the assurances of the local authorities that with the liberal supply of old and broken gravestones at their disposal the plan had been adopted with a view to saving the taxpayers quite a sum.

In Lyons, France, the celebrated Rue de la Republique is paved with glass blocks eight inches square, which have been so precisely fitted together as to make them absolutely water-tight. Compressed grass, it is claimed, has been used in the construction of pavements in German towns and with admirable results, and in Russia compressed paper has been utilized for a similar purpose.

Many interesting instances of individual eccentricity or extravagance in the selection of material for paving may be cited. It is related that when Maximilian Emanuel succeeded to the throne of Bavaria he celebrated the event by causing one of the roads leading to his palace to be paved with plates of burnished copper. This, gleaming in the sunshine, gave all the effect of gold.

Louis XIV, it is said, paved one of the courts at Versailles with squares of silver, each of which had recorded upon it some triumph of the French arms. In the center of the court stood a large tablet of gold in representation of the luxurious monarch's favorite emblem, the sun. Memoirs of the time of Louis make mention of a lodge erected in honor of Louise de la Valliere. The approach was paved with mirrors, whereon was painted an allegory setting forth the undying devotion of Louis.

An eccentric nobleman of Milan conceived the idea of paving the courtyard of his palace with slabs of marble, granite and other stone, each from a different land. It is said that Europe, America, Asia, Africa and Australia all contributed to make up this quaint mosaic, composed of more than a thousand pieces, every one of which was suitably inscribed with the name of the country or state whence it came.

Just Not Love Employers' Daughters.
 "If we both love each other, surely your father will agree to our marriage," urged a wistful and eager swain to the eldest daughter of a merchant in Berlin.

"He will kill you, mine Hebling," replied the lady. "Wait till the war is over, and you and I will have more money."

This part of a conversation came out in the evidence adduced at a trial before the industrial arbitration court of Berlin, at which a young man sued his employer for damages for illegal dismissal, holding that he was sent out of the works at a moment's notice by the employer on his learning that the plaintiff was courting his daughter!

The court took the view that he was "undermining the happiness of his employer's family," and decided the case against him.

"But does not love always upset someone's happiness?" replied the prosecutor.

The court looked gravely at the questioner, but deigned no reply.

Bullet-Proof Caps.

The steel caps which are being served out to British soldiers, at the front are marvels of lightness and strength. They are made of manganese steel, and are bullet-proof to a Webley automatic at five yards. Furthermore, during a recent experiment, one of the caps was only slightly dented when a heavy poker, raised over the head and brought down with both hands and all possible force, was crashed upon it.

The British helmets are called "soup plates" by the soldiers, and are so constructed that they not only protect the wearer from the enemy's weapons but from fragments of the cap itself. Rubber studs are placed between the helmet and the skull, while next to the latter is a double lining of wadding and felt. This not only renders the helmet more comfortable but helps to protect the skull from jagged fragments.

Explorer Has Great Record.

Sir Aurel Stein, who has just returned to Calcutta after a prolonged and important trip of exploration to the Russian Pamirs, is the greatest Asiatic explorer of the present, and probably one of the greatest explorers of all times. On his march down the Alla valley he was able to trace additional indications supporting the belief that through it passed the route which the ancient silk traders followed from Bactria to the "country of Seares," or China, and described by Marinus of Tyre. His subsequent journey down the Oxus was attended by an abundant harvest of observation on the historical typography, archeology, and ethnography of Wakham, which in early times had formed an important thoroughfare between Bactria, East India, and the Central Asian territories of China.

UNITED STATES NAVY WANTS 20,000 MEN

Editor The Advertiser:

At this critical time in our national life it is of supreme importance that the navy—"our first line of defense"—be recruited up to full strength. Twenty thousand men are needed immediately to properly man the ships already built or nearing completion.

I regret to have to state that the most serious obstacle we have to overcome in securing recruits in this state is the objection of the parents. Some parents not only use their influence to prevent their sons from enlisting but in many cases refuse to sign the age certificates required, even when the applicant is of proper age.

The need of our country for more men for the navy is urgent and should be given first consideration by all Americans worthy of the name.

Furthermore, the safety of the country demands that the present high morale of our navy be maintained. In other words, we not only need more men, but these should be of the highest type. To accomplish this, all parents, teachers, ministers and other leaders of community thought should be urged to inculcate in every young man the love of country and the sublime beauty of service to that country and the personal nature of this service. Such service cannot be delegated to our neighbor. No man has a right to sit back and bemoan the unprepared state of our country without first doing his utmost to help prepare. If disaster overtakes us to the individual and more especially to the leaders of public thought will go the line's share of the blame. Arouse public sentiment to the necessity and the battle is half won.

"This duty should be cheerfully

performed by each one without thought of reward. Fortunately, however, in the case of our navy, the reward is fully commensurate with the service. This feature should be given careful consideration by all parents truly interested in the welfare and advancement of their sons.

In addition, it is the patriotic privilege of every mother and father to teach their boy that his first duty is to his country, for by enlisting now he may help to safeguard his posterity for all time. In addition, he honors himself and them by offering his service, whether it be accepted or not. It is, therefore, apparent, at this time, that whoever, from any cause, attempts to dissuade any young man from offering to serve his country assumes a grave responsibility, for enlistments now may prevent invasion and ruthless destruction of property and lives. Quick action now may prevent war and in case of war being unavoidable, would put our first line of defense, the navy, in a position to use its full potential strength against any possible enemy.

It is urged and requested that you publish at least part of this letter; that you give the subject serious thought, which, I sincerely trust, will lead you to treat it editorially. Its importance can scarcely be over estimated as the fountain head of patriotism appears to be threatened by the action of thoughtless parents, friends and guardians. Sincerely,

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