

IS THE CZAR DOOMED?

Important Results of His Death in European Affairs.
Advices from Europe declare that the Czar is sick unto death. His disease is probably Bright's disease. His life may be prolonged for a while, but there is every indication that his fate is sealed.

The death of the Czar would have most important political consequences



Czar of Russia.

In Europe. The Czarowitz, Nicholas, who will probably succeed to the throne, is a young man of mediocre abilities, and his second son George is an invalid. The Czar is said to have no faith in Nicholas, who opposes his political views, and is very German in sympathy.

But will Nicholas be able to ascend the throne? Back of the impending situation lies the dread prospect of revolution. It is more than probable, however, that Nicholas will quietly succeed his father when the inevitable and come.

The Czar of Russia names his own successor, and it is believed the present Czar may name his son George, whose weak health alone is a bar to his succession. He is twenty-four years of age, and his father's favorite, but little is known of his abilities. It is believed, however, that his views are French, in accord with those of his father.

Under any conditions the prospect of the Czar's death is full of danger to the peace of Europe.

Afraid to Dance.

The complaint is made that the modern young man does not take as kindly to dancing as his father or grandfather before him. The general opinion seems to be that our young men do not dance because they are lazy.

Drink Water for Health.

Probably the majority of people drink too little water. Tea, coffee, beer, wine and other drinks are indulged in; but these liquids are not a substitute for water, which is one of the most important of all substances required for the nourishment of the body.

He Nailed the Central Thought.

Into a Maine village where he had preached when he was a licentiate with more hopes than fame, there came a few Sundays ago an elderly and prosperous doctor of divinity.

"Glad to see ye. I want to thank ye for what ye said this morning, and to tell ye that ye preached a sermon here years ago I've never forgotten."

Placed by such remembrance, the doctor grasped the proffered hand heartily, and said:

"By the way, what was that sermon? I don't seem to remember."

"Well," answered the old man, "I don't remember what you called the subject, but the central thought was that theology ain't religion; no, not by a d—d sight!"—Lewiston Evening Journal.

Preserved Quinces.

For making the best quince preserves use the large apple quince. Peel, pare and quarter each one, and drop the quarters into a pan of cold water. Weigh the quinces before peeling, however, and allow three-fourths of a pound of sugar to each pound of fruit.

NOTES FROM GOTHAM.

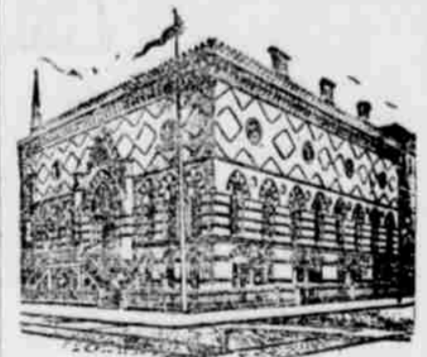
A NEW NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN.

Some Facts in Regard to a Famous Art Society—Its Good Work—Sanitary Statistics—New Election, Booths—Campaign for Greater New York.

No building in this city is better known than the National Academy of Design, corner of Twenty-third street and Fourth avenue, which has been the principal home of art in this city for thirty years past.

The National Academy of Design was founded in 1862, and is undoubtedly the leading art society of this country. It has a collection of paintings and gives spring and fall exhibitions of the recent works of American artists, and also maintains free schools for the advanced students in art.

It is probable the new building of the Academy will be located in the vicinity of Forty-second street and Fifth avenue. The members of the



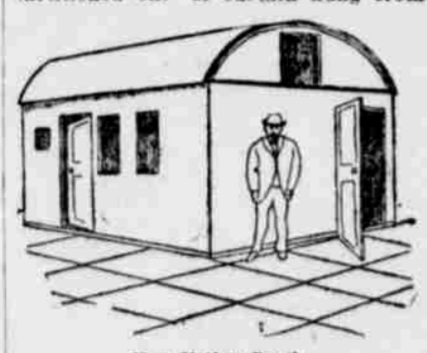
Academy of Design.

Academy feel much pride in the success of the society. It maintains a reputation with the academies of Paris and London, and has numbered most of the famous artists of this country, among its members. Its instruction, which is by the best teachers in this country, is absolutely free. Merit alone can gain entrance to its classes, as no money is ever received for tuition.

The sanitary condition of the tenement house districts of New York has been greatly improved within two years. One result is seen in the falling off of the death rate, which is about 10 per cent. less for the first half of 1894 than for the corresponding period in 1893, although the population has increased.

The Police Commissioners have provisionally accepted a new election booth for use in this city. A sample has been on exhibition for the past week in the yard at Police Headquarters. The booth is manufactured by the Portable Steel House Company of Buffalo, and has been in use in several of the larger cities of the State.

The house on exhibition is 24 x 12 feet. It is built of corrugated sheet iron and has an oval-shaped roof. In one end of the house six booths are formed by hanging iron plates to hooks secured to the wall of the house. These form the sides of the booths. A shelf is secured to the part of the wall partitioned off. A curtain hung from



New Voting Booth.

An iron rod, joining the top of the side walls, hides the voter from the view of the Election Board. There are also booths and opening on the side of the house, while the other door opens on the end.

There is a large table in one corner where the ballot boxes are placed, and several chairs for the election clerks. This part of the house is separated from the booths and the voters by a steel guard rail through which a chain passes. An arrangement has been made by the Police Commissioners whereby the booths may be purchased after two years' use for \$225. They are only leased at present.

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