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CAPTURED THE WRONG LION. SIMPLE STONE SLAB.

Compliment Intended for Noted Lecturer Falls to the Head Walter.

The career of a social lion hunter is liable to be attended with an occasional disappointment, even though on the whole successful. Burton Holmes, on some of his tours as a lecturer, has been considerably lionized, and he tells this story of a compliment which he missed, but which was enjoyed by another, says the New York Times. He was lecturing in an eastern city, and a reception was given in his honor at the principal hotel of the place.

Among those who attended this reception was a woman prominent socially, who has established a sort of "salon," and received her friends Sunday afternoons, trying to provide a "lion" or two for each occasion.

Burton Holmes was so fortunate as not to be presented to the fair lion hunter, but she presented herself to the man she had stalked for her game. and urged upon him her invitation for the Sunday afternoon. He very mod-estly attempted to decline it. His excuses were not accepted, and the victim consented to appear. Extra arrangements were made for this occasion, and the fact that Mr. Holmes was to be there was heralded abroad. On the day all the youth and beauty of the place gathered together awaiting the advent of a somewhat tardy lion, who was received with every mark of consideration, and appeared to be embarrassed thereby. The head waiter had been mistaken for the eminent leeturer.

ENTERING THE CAPITOL.

Strangers Are Easily Distinguished by the Way They Ascend the Steps.

"When you see a man or woman climbing the steps to the west front of the captiol you may bet he or she is a stranger in Washington," said an old attache of the national capitol building, according to the Washington Star. "Ninety-nine out of 100 persons who enter the capitol from the west are persons who are paying their first visit to the building; depend upon it. After they are here awhile they will make the pilgrimage by car and land themselves around on the east side, and thus escape climbing so many steps. Strangers invariably think the west side of the capitol is the front.

"At the last session of congress I noticed one day a man enter the corridor puffing and blowing and trying to catch his breath. When he cooled off sufficiently to talk conherently he gasped: "'Will you direct me to the house of representatives?'

"I did so, and he passed on. The next day I saw him enter from the east side with a western congressman. The fellow was perfectly passive, and seemed pleased that he had found the easiest way of getting to the capitol. It was evident that the trip to the capitol had been made in a street car which landed him on the hill, and that the congressman had put him on."

PROTECTING THE BIRDS.

England is Far Ahead of America in Preventing Ravages on the Songsters.

Marks the Exact Center of United States Population.

It Lies in a Barnyard, and Indjana Man Who Owns the Place is Very Proud of His Unique Distinction.

J. Pierpont Morgan, the main shaft of the world's financial machinery, or Andrew Carnegie, the cynosure of millions of people who are receiving the benefite of his philanthropy, could not feel prouder of their respective distinctions than does Henry Marr, just a plain farmer, who resides near Columbus, Bartholomew County, Ind.

By referring to a bulletin issued by the census department it is found that the exact center of population is located at latitude 39 degrees 9 minutes and 36 seconds north, longitude 85 degrees 48 minutes and 54 seconds west. If a person is desirous of visiting the spot a better idea of its location can be secured by asking any resident of Columbus. Almost invariably the answer to such a question will be: "Five miles southwest of Columbus. in Hen' Marr's barn lot."

Marr is the person who enjoys the prominence of being the center man of population of the whole United States. It is quite a distinction, too, and, according to the Cincinnati Enquirer, Marr fully appreciates it. The pivotal stone is merely a small. flat slab sunk into the ground in the barn lot, leaving only the top surface exposed to the central atmosphere. On it is carved the simple inscription '1900," The marker, while not extraordinarily pretentious, is a more elaborate affair. Several hundred farmers and other visitors were present the day the stones were placed in position.

Once inside the inclosure no trouble is experienced in finding the monument. It is planted in the ground about 18 feet from the corner of the



STANDING ON THE STONE. (Mrs. Henry Marr Occupying the Center of Her Country.)

huge red barn, which occupies the center of the barnyard. With measured strides and a feeling of awe one advances in respectful silence to the spot. The first impulse to betray real curiosity is evident in a force which invariably compels one to step upor the stone. Not until then does a person realize that he has been paid for taking the trip, for the instant the feet are planted solidly upon the monument the curiosity seeker is suddenly made to fully appreciate the novel in ward sense ion of imagining 18,650,000 the same number to the west, to the north and to the south. Many persons from different parts of the United States have already visited the spot, and all have been more or less courteously treated by Farmer Marr and his wife. Tourists happening around the Marr home about meal time will more than likely have an opportunity of finding out what a good cook is Mrs. Marr. Marr was born 40 years ago and for the last 17 years has resided on the farm on which are located the monuments. The magnificent country home was built a few years ago at a cost of about \$8,000. It stands out enticingly on an estate containing 500 acres. The Marr domicile is a model of completeness. It would do credit in appearance to most any residence district of the larger cities, and besides it is fitted out with about all the conveniences one could wish. The family receives its mail daily by rural carrier. Incidentally it might be mentioned that the Marrs were beneficiaries of the first rural delivery route instituted in the United States, the initial route having ramified through Bartholomew county as an experiment from the lit-

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, May 11, 1903. To the consternation and disgust of the Administration, the Porto R can smuggling scandals will not down. Mail advices of the situation and sentiment in the island are now beginning to arrive and reveal an ugly feeling which has not been equaled since it was decided that the Porto Ricans were not American citizens. It seems that Mr. John S. Hord, chief of the internal revenue bureau, ordered the prosecution of Captain Dunlop Robert Giles and Captain Metz in the absence of Treasurer Willoughby but, he alleges, by Mr. Willoughby's orders. when Mr. Willoughby returned to San Juan he made public an emphatic denial of Mr. Hord's allegation and the latter immediately resigned. His resignation was promptly accepted and the people are indignant beyond expression at what they regard as the forcing out of an official who performed his duty without fear or favor, because he refused to be party to the favoritism of the American Administration and nullify the prosecution of officers because of their rank and influence.

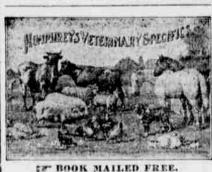
Another feature of the incident which has excited the bitterest comment is a communication from Secretary Moody in which he intimated that San Juan was likely to lose the naval station it is proposed to establish there if the prosecution of the smugglers is persisted in. The strongest objection is made to the minimizing, by the members of the Cabinet ,of the extent of the smuggling which, it is claimed, amounted to not "a few cigars and a few bottles of wine" but to hundreds of boxes and cases of these luxuries.

Hobart S. Bird, editor of the San Juan News, has been fined \$20 and sentenced to five days in jail for coutempt of court because he alleged partiality in the decision of the court and the whole of the San Juan section is in a fever of indignation at the high handed proceedings.

Representative Loud has come to Washington, evidently to protect his friend Mr. Machen, Superintendent of the Division of Free Delivery, from the results or the current Postoffice Investigation. Mr. Loud's method of accomplishing this end is unique. He is not attempting to minimize the extravagance of Mr. Machen's administration but is endeavoring to create the impression that this has arisen purely out of the importunities of Congressmen and detects in the system which a reorganization of methods will rectify, implying that Mr. Machen will be all right in his present position if the system is corrected. Senator Lodge has urged upon the Postmaster General the expediency of suspending Mr. Machen because he fears the effects of the scandals upon the political future of the party but Mr. Payne, who describes himself as "no spring STATIONS. chicken," is determined to make no more enemies than he is obliged to NORTHUMBERLAND 16 35 10 00 1.50 15 25 Bloomsburg and is as loath to suspend or discharge Dan Cato Rup Bloo Espi Lim Will Bria Bery Bead Hick Mr. Machen as he was to call for Judge Tyner's, or Mr. Christiancy's resignation. Like all men of his stamp however, Mr. Payne will be unable to find words with which to express his contempt for Mr. Machen if, as a result of the discoveries of Fourth Assis-Hun Nan tant Postmaster General Bristow, the President demands Machen's dismissal. Avo Piyi Piyi Kin Ben Fort Wyc This was the course which Payne pursued with Judge Tyner, and expressing humself with regard to Mr. Christiancy, whom a few days before he had favored as a successor to Mr. Tyner, used terms that would look very ugly in print. Mr. Payne's assumed indignation is, of course, intended to impress SCH the President with his sincerity and is aimed only at men whose friendship SCOTT'S EMULSION

longer of value.

The greatest interest has been created in Washington by the reports received from St. Louis regarding the prominence and apparent popularity of ex President Cleveland, who received quite an ovation. At the banquet officials to the Washington correspondents at which your correspondent was present. Mr. Cleveland made a and which was variously interpreted. Many present believed it was a bid upon the fact that Mr. Cleveland failed to take advantage of what was an auspicious opportunity to deny his desire for the democratic nomination. Others, however, regarded Mr. Cleve land's remarks as merely an appeal significance whatever and pointed to gration bill was passed by the last for friendship without any political the ex-President's remarks on dedication day, which were of a more religous character than any he had ever made before. This contingent argued that Mr. Cleveland was getting old, that he desired to be at peace with all men and to obliterate a certain antagonism which had long existed between himself and the members of the press. The older democratic correspondents were all pleased, however, with the enthusiasm with which Mr. Cleveland was greeted, maintaining that it should be viewed from its broad



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the Postmaster General regards as no ocratic enthusiasm and was far more patrisan than personal.

It appears that in his recently published report General Miles presented one subject with which the large majority of army and naval officers agree, viz., the necessity of fortifying Manila harbor. It is agreed that if the Spangiven by the Louisiana Exposition lards had taken the precaution to properly fortify this excellent land locked harbor and emplace a few batteries with modern and effective guns, speech in a strain entirely new to him the history of Admiral Dewey's attack upon the Spanish fleet might have been very different, a view sustained for newspaper popularity and comment by the Admiral himself, and it is practically assured that Congress will be strongly urged to provide funds for the proper protection of Manilla bay.

> *** Some scepticism was expressed by the Democratic press when the immi-Congress and, while no definite defects were pointed out at the time, the scepticism now appears to have been waranted. It has just been discovered that the bill contains a clause providing that skilled labor may be admitted when no unemployed labor of the kind can be found in this country and the Treasury Department officials maintain that this nullifies the prohibition of the importation of contract labor when the condition outlined exists, thus leaving the importation of contract labor dependent on the judgment of the immigration of Beagle Studio! officials.

In Law, Sister to Her Son-

Judge Endlich, of Berks county, made a decree on Thursday allowing James H. Angstant to adopt his grandson, Earl Wesley Helms, as his son and heir. The child's name will be changed to Angstadt. His mother, who is Mr. Angstadt's daughter, now becomes, in the eyes of the law. sister to her own son.

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The protection of birds has been carried so far in England that fruit growers and farmers are complaining hitterly of the ravages of thrushes, blackbirds and bullfinches. These winged beauties work great mischief in gardens and orchards, says the New York Tribune.

American readers of British books recall with pdeasure vivid descriptions of the diversion of shooting young rooks in the early spring with shortrange, small-bore rifles, and of the succulence of the young rook pies cooked by experts. But it now appears that the English rooks have not been thinned out with sufficient thoroughness, and these birds do harm to various farm crops.

East of the Mississippi in most of the states north of the Potomac and the Ohio the protection of birds of every kind has been much underdone. We have no rooks or ravens here, but it is certain we don't protect our winged friends as we ought to protect them.

In a Reverential Sense.

According to President Harris, of Amherst, a word that is looked upon as profanity in Boston may express the deepest sentiment out west, in proof of which he tells the following story: "A rough miner died out west and was laid away by his fellow laborers, with a common slab of stone to mark his resting place. On the stone was this inscription: 'Bill Jenkins; died June 12, 1901. He done his damndest. Angels could do no more.' "

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Frog Farms in Canada.

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