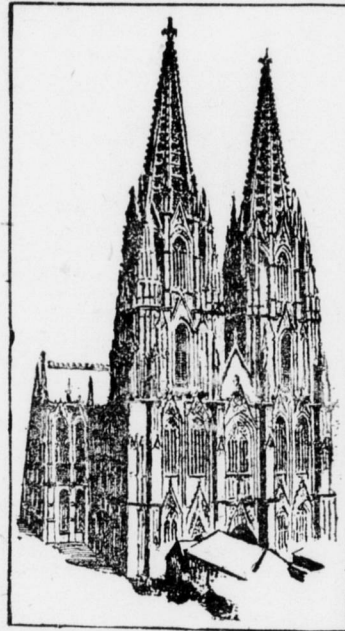


HISTORIC COLOGNE CATHEDRAL FALLING.

Cologne.—Cologne cathedral, the glory of the famous Rhenish city, is in a really dangerous state. Recently several pieces of carved stone fell to the street and passersby had many narrow escapes. The central portal of the cathedral was immediately closed. Since then great blocks of masonry have fallen away and more serious damage is feared. A committee of architects was summoned and scaffolding erected. From this the architects made an exhaustive examination and discovered that the masonry of both the chief entrance and the south entrance is loose and has crumbled to such an extent that



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WILL PROSECUTE STANDARD OIL

Chicago.—John J. Sullivan, of Cleveland, O., who is coming to Chicago, to prosecute the Standard Oil company on evidence of railroad rebates uncovered at Cleveland, has for seven years been United States district attorney for the northern district of Ohio. Mr. Sullivan is 46 years old and was born in New York city. When he was ten years old he was adopted by ex-Attorney General James McCartney, of Illinois, then a resident of Flora, Ill. A year later he was sent to Mr. McCartney's sister-in-law at Gustavus, O., where he was brought up. He was graduated from the Gustavus academy and in 1885 was admitted to the bar. From 1890 to 1896 he was prosecuting attorney of Trumbull county. As a member of the state senate he presented at different times the names of J. B. Foraker and M. A. Hanna for United States senator. It was his speech when presenting Foraker's name that attracted President McKinley to him.

complete, largely because of the neglect and apathy of the church authorities in the three centuries preceding the nineteenth. The cathedral is acknowledged to be the finest piece of Gothic architecture in the world. There have been modern critics, who, while conceding its beauty and terming it a noble and impressive example, still declare it disappointing because the compass had been too much for the creative genius. The cathedral stands on the site of a previous structure built in 814, but burned down in the twelfth century. In 1248 the present cathedral was begun. The choir was finished in 1322, the nave in 1390 and the south tower in 1447. Then came centuries of neglect. In 1796 the French army used the cathedral to store hay in and also stripped the leaden roofs in order to make bullets.

In 1823 an attempt was made to renovate and complete the structure, but little work was done until 1842, when the work was seriously taken in hand. The final touches were given in 1880 and on October 15 of that year the completion was celebrated by a service at which the kaiser, William I, was present. The building has cost over \$10,000,000. The cathedral is 440 feet long and the famous spires, the highest in the world, are 528 feet. The central portal is 93 feet high and 21 feet wide and the south portal 38 feet high and 18 feet wide. These are the two portions at present in imminent danger. In shape the cathedral is a cruciform basilica. There are two choirs, the eastern dedicated to St. Peter, the western to St. Mary. Surrounding the choirs are eight chapels. A feature of great beauty is an external gallery around the apse. The reputed bones of the legendary three kings of the east are preserved in a golden shrine in one of the chapels, which are used as the cathedral's treasure vaults. The chapels also contain the tombs of several of the archbishops.

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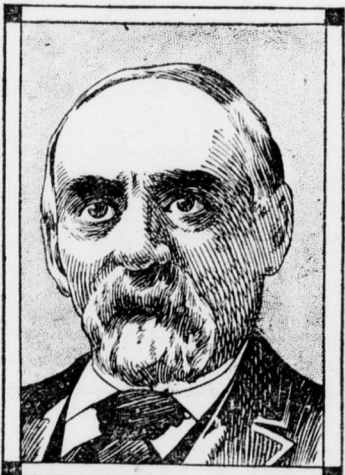
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DRIVE STAGE IN OLDEN DAYS.

Bloomington, Ill.—Milton W. Gowdy, of Rock Island county, is the last survivor of the group of men who drove the stage coaches in Illinois before the advent of the railroads. He was born in Tennessee in 1833. At the age of 19 years he secured employment as driver with Frink & Walker, the firm which controlled nearly all the stage lines of Illinois and adjoining states and had the contract for carrying the United States mails.

Mr. Gowdy drove the stage for many years between Peoria and Springfield and frequently carried Abraham Lincoln as a box-seat passenger. Mr. Gowdy was never molested by robbers, although on one occasion he hauled \$200,000 in gold from Pekin to Peoria.

It is doubtful if even among the railroad officials of to-day there can be found any who possess greater energy and executive ability than did Frink & Walker, whose stage lines covered the entire west. As the country became fitted up with set-



MILTON GOWDY. Illinois Man Who Drove a Stage Coach in Early Days of the State.

ters, rival stage lines were organized to handle the ever increasing business.

The old-time coach has passed from sight and almost from the memory of man. Mr. Gowdy, the last of the old-time drivers, has four children, two in Mobile, one in Tremont and the fourth in Springfield, Mass.

Reversed. Jason—Many a wise word is spoken in jest. Jason—Yes; but they can't compare with the number of foolish ones spoken in earnest.—Cassell's.

A thing ceases to be a luxury after we have money enough to afford it.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle, except green and purple.

Sargent's Pictures Rare. Only three pictures by John S. Sargent have been offered at auction in recent years. A head of a girl wearing a red shawl brought \$750 at Christie's. A portrait of Ellen Terry, which fetched \$5,000 and was sold subsequently for \$15,000, and a half-length portrait of a lady sold in 1903 for \$685.

SAITH THE OWL.

In the comic opera of life the chorus girls are cooks.

One good thing about rainbow gold is that we can't squander it on bargains.

Many a fond young writer's hopes come home confined in long white envelopes.

The only jewels that man should not be ashamed to wear are the beads of honest toil.

Go abroad and Godspeed you, my friends. But forget the sights you see before you see me again.

A modern financier is a youth of today who can marry and make his father-in-law take care of them both.

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"When my little boy was six months old, he had eczema. The sores extended so quickly over the whole body that we at once called in the doctor. We then went to another doctor, but he could not help him, and in our despair we went to a third one. Matters became so bad that he had regular hoies in his cheeks, large enough to put a finger into. The food had to be given with a spoon, for his mouth was covered with crusts as thick as a finger, and whenever he opened the mouth they began to bleed and suppurate, as did also his eyes. Hands, arms, chest and back, in short the whole body was covered over and over. We had no rest by day or night. Whenever he was laid in his bed, we had to pin his hands down; otherwise he would scratch his face and make an open sore. I think his face must have itched most fearfully.

"We finally thought nothing could help, and I had made up my mind to send my wife with the child to Europe, hoping that the sea air might cure him, otherwise he was to be put under good medical care there. But, Lord be blessed, matters came differently, and we soon saw a miracle. A friend of ours spoke about Cuticura. We made a trial with Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Resolvent, and within ten days or two weeks we noticed a decided improvement. Just as quickly as the sickness had appeared it also began to disappear, and within ten weeks the child was absolutely well, and his skin was smooth and white as never before. F. Hohrath, President of the C. L. Hohrath Company, Manufacturers of Silk Ribbons, 4 to 20 Rink Alley, South Bethlehem, Pa., June 5, 1905."

New York's Diamond Cross. New York city has the largest diamond cross in the world, though it is not recognized as such. Its main line runs along Maiden lane, with its foot resting on Broadway and its arms extending north and south along Nassau street. Here there are 480 men in the diamond business and there are more of the gems there than in the same space in any other city.



JOHN J. SULLIVAN. (District Attorney Who Will Prosecute the Standard Oil Company.)

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Peculiar Places of Amusement. The walls of stations on the new tube from Waterloo to Baker street are embellished with maps of London, on which, according to the index in a corner of them, "Theaters and places of amusement" are printed in red. Among the places so indicated on the body of the maps are Holloway cattle market, the Foundling hospital, the courts of justice, the Bank of England and Spurgeon's tabernacle.—London Tribune.

Not Eligible. Kind Lady—My poor man, when the last tramp called here I gave him a bar of soap. He cut it open, and found a note inside with an offer of marriage from a pretty factory girl.

Gritty George (hastily)—No use to tell me dat, mum; I expect to remain a bachelor the rest of my days.—Chicago Daily News.



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