

my duty; for the rest I was not responsible. I had consulted my watch, and found that the murder had been committed near the hour of 8. I returned to the hotel in which I had come, the figure of a woman in a long dress, the hood of which was drawn over her head. She made a little rush toward me when I appeared, and she said to me in a low voice, "I am waiting for the return of my mother," she said, half defiantly, half timidly.

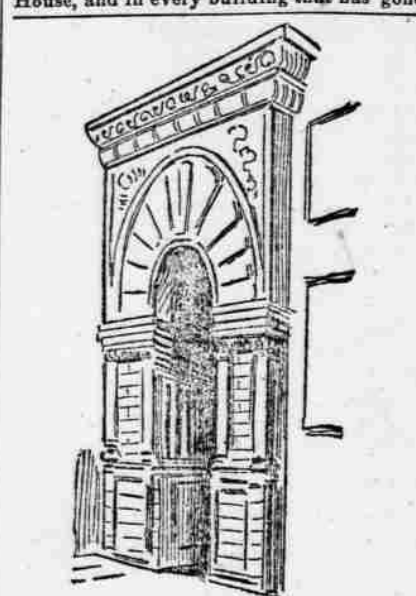
somebody suddenly leaping at them from the darkness. Before they had mused their surprise this mysterious someone had vanished. Neither of the idlers could tell whether the somebody was a man or woman, and they made no attempt to follow in the wake of the flying figure. In their fine wisdom they decided it was only a tramp, and so they picked up their torches and according to their own accounts, investigated every inch of ground in the house. The only item of value they had discovered was an earring—a valuable solitaire diamond whose glitter had drawn their eyes to it as they gazed at the dusty, mouldy floor. This was a revelation and a puzzle to the murdered woman were plain gold earrings which were in her ears when she died.

of the first floor of the Hussey building. It is a pity that the lower, polished part of the granite columns is not in keeping with the elegant design of the upper third. The transverse bands have too much the appearance of barrel hoops. The use of Caryatides, Atlantes, griffins or lions as supports has been obsolete so

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ON LINES OF BEAUTY.

Entrances to Pittsburg Business Blocks an Index to Progress. SOME OF THE FAVORITE EFFECTS. The Arch Will Always Be Proper for Massive Stone Buildings. DOORWAYS FAMILIAR TO EVERYONE. (WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.)



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Philadelphia Company's Building.



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KNOX ON THE CENSUS.

Knox on the Census. He Fills Out His Papers in Advance of the Enumerator's Call. ALL HIS SECRETS LAID BARE. Of the Same Sex He Was Ten Years Ago and Not a Mother or Widow. UNCLE SAM IS MORTGAGED HIMSELF. The Government of the United States has advised me that it would like to have a graphical sketch of myself. I had no idea that our pattern Government would ever take so much interest in me, but it has. It tells me that one of its servants will call on me, Monday or Tuesday next, in pursuit of the information desired.

BEAUTY OF AMERICAN GIRLS.

They Form a Lovly, Gay, Intrepid and Dashing Army. The beauty of American girls is a much discussed question. It is said they have no distinctive points, but it seems to me that any one who has traveled most easily has settled upon the salient points which go to make up the beauty of an American girl.

FORGIVING TO THE FRONT.

Within recent years she has had a new awakening. Manufacturers have sprung up, although at present all the good things, especially the railway, are in the hands of foreigners. The Spanish people are not lazy and indifferent as a class. Their business men stand very high in the commercial world.

THE REMEDY FOR SLAVERY.

A Schemes Combination Against Gunpowder in Africa Needed. Stanley in Serberin. There is only one remedy for these wholesale devastations of African aborigines, and that is the humane combination of England, Germany, France, Portugal, South and East Africa, and Congo State against the introduction of gunpowder into any part of the continent.

AMUSING THE CHILDREN.

Simple and Successful Plan of a Travelling Mother. A lady starting on a long journey with two children, placed in her satchel some pieces of cardboard, scissors and lead pencils. After the novelty of car riding had worn off, this wise woman produced her treasures.

WHAT GLOVES TELL.

How Star Route Brady Sized Up His Friend General George Sheridan. A new suit of clothes is a passport to nearly everything in Washington, and this fact was made plain to General Sheridan when he saw strutting about the hotels yesterday under a sombrero as big as a dish pan.

FROM INDIA'S COAST STRAITS.

The Salvation Army's Hindoo Commissioner to Visit Homestead. Commissioner Booth-Tucker, who, for more than seven years, has had charge of the Salvation Army work in India, together with his staff and several distinguished persons of the army, will visit Homestead on June 11.

LEG CAUGHT FIRE.

A queer accident happened to Asa Small, a farmer living in Hancock county, Va., on Saturday. He is a veteran of the late war and has a wooden leg.

SOUTHERNERS' POLITENESS.

They Put Northern Men to Shame in Everyday Differences. It makes no difference how old or how feeble a Southern Senator or general is, he is always ready to rise to a street car.

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