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IT CAME FROM LISBON AND HANGS IN A NANTUCKET CHURCH.

The Story of Its Purchase by Captain Clasby and Its Transportation to This Country-A Very Good Clock and a Very Fine Bell,

Beneath the outlook in a Nantucket church is the belfry, in which swings the "old Spanish bell." Knowing that this is now a Unitarian church, the visitor will be surprised to see a Catholic cross on the bell. If he could read Portuguese and had not previously acquainted himself with the ! ory of the bell he would be still more surprised at the inscription on it. The translation of this inscription is as follows: "To the Good Jesus of the Mountain the devotees of Lisbon direct their prayers, offering Him one complete set of six bells, to call the people to adore him in his sanctuary. Jose Domingos Dacosta has made it in Lisbon in the year 1810." Of course the bell must have an interesting history to account for this inscription. That history is

briefly as follows: A plague was raging in Lisbon and certain people in that city prayed to the Virgin Mary for the cessation of the plague and vowed to place a set of six bells in the Church of the Good Jesus of the Mountain if their prayers were heard. "The Mountain" is the name of a certain district in the city of Lisbon in which there is a very venerable church called as above. Shortly after this the plague ceased, and, accepting this as the answer to their prayers, these devotees of Lisbon proceeded to fulfill their vows. The work of casting these six bells was intrusted to Jose Domingos Dacosta, the best bell founder in Lisbon.

The six bells had been cast, the master's labors had been crowned with success, when Captain Clasby of the Nantucket whaling fleet chanced to visit Lisbon. He had long wished to buy a bell for use in his native town.

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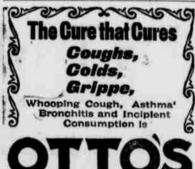
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visited the bell foundry of Jose Do-mingos Dacosta. Captain Cary, it seems, was a connoisseur in bells. Da-costa applied the lever to one bell after another as he struck each to ascertain its peculiar tone or tone quality, but each time Captain Cary said, "That

will not do." At last Dacosta raised and struck the bell whose history we are describ-ing. Captain Cary was delighted with "Ah, Clasby," be said, "you need look no further. That's the bell you want. She is a beauty. She sounds on B."

"Well, sir." remarked Dacosta, "we consider that to be the finest bell that

we have in our foundry." At first Dacosta demurred and could see his way clear to selling the bell, since it belonged to the set of chimes designed for the Church of the Good Jesus of the Mountain and was appropriately inscribed and all, but Captain Clasby would have no other. Finally Dacosta decided, since the bell had not yet been consecrated and since he could cast another to take its place, that it would be all right to sell.

So Captain Clasby bought the bell, and it was brought to Nantucket by Captain Cary, whose vessel was going home first. In Lisbon, just before he set sail, Captain Cary heard of the dec laration of war with Great Britain, for it was now the year 1812. On the way over they were spoken by a Brit ish sloop of war. Fortunately the Brit isher had been at sea for some time and had not yet heard of the declaration of war. "The commander asked Captain Cary the news, but Captain Cary says he took especial pains not to tell all he knew. If he had told, our precious bell would probably never have seen Nantucket. It might now be either at the bottom of the sea or it might be swinging in the tower of some English church.

The bell was lauded in Nantucket and placed in the store cellar of Samuel Cary, where it remained until 1815, when it was purchased and placed in the tower where it now hangs. About \$500 was given for the bell-the society paid about \$350 and the rest was raised by subscription. Even some Friends

or Quakers subscribed.

After the bell had been in use a little while the agents of the historic Old South church in Boston heard of it, and they sent a letter to the agents of the South church in Nantucket, saving that they had a very good clock in their tower, but no bell; that they had heard that the South church in Nantucket had a very fine bell, and they would like to know for how much the bell could be bought.

The Nantucketers replied that they had a very fine bell in their tower, but no clock; that they had heard that the Old South church had a very fine tower clock, and that they would like to know the price of the clock.

The agents ofered to pay \$1 a pound for the bell. Since the bell weighs 1,575 pounds, this would have made the price \$1,575, making a net profit of \$1,075 above the price paid for the bell and \$1,225 above the amount contrib uted by the society. It seems that the old Nantucketers must have had some sentiment after all and were not purely mercantile in their spirit.

If the Nantucketers had agreed to sell, as they might have done, our bell would probably be hanging in the historic tower of Old South church in Boston today. That might have been a great honor for the bell, but it would have been a great deprivation for Nantucket. Moreover, it would now be spending its time in elegant lelsure instead of being a very useful bell where it is. The history of this bell is like a veritable parable of human life. The possibilities which occur in the history of the bell remind us of the possibilities abound in e Springfield Republican.

Lachrymal Amelioration "Poor thing! Did she take her husband's death much to heart?" "Why, she's prostrated with grief! She can't see a soul except the dress maker."-Town Topics.

His Nomination. Politician - Congratulations, Sarah, I've been nominated.

Sarah (with delight)-Honestly? Politician-What difference make?-Detroit Free Press.

ALONG PICCADILLY.

the Tide of Social London Flows to the Fullest.

Piccadilly seems cold and blatant by contrast as one charges down it. Yet even here, be the sunshine ever so bright, the visitor is crowned in the pearly haze that tones, attenuates, unifies, most if not all of London, that haze that has tantalized and defeated how many artists! Even over Piccadilly, even over this the most mundane of all London streets, it throws its saving glamour. Indeed the whole splendid avenue might serve for a studio, not for its values alone, but for the complexity of the types that throng it. It is the quintessence of London, the dis-tillation of all London humanity, to be studied nowhere so narrowly as from bus top. Perfect Du Mauriers in the original approach, pass by and are left behind or stand in groups looking from the club windows. Phil Mays in the life swarm beneath one, and characters from Thackeray and Dickens jostle unsuspectingly on the sidewalk. The clubs alone, which never look so thoroughly clubbable as when hastily glanced at from a passing bus, will store one's memory with a hundred recognizable types. All England, all the empire, indeed, sooner or later finds its way to Piccadally. One cannot pass down it without a sight of some glittering, turbaned, allen figure, majes-



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Piccadilly that the tide of social London flows brim full.—Sydney Brooks in Harper's Magazine.

In Froten Russia. In Russia, where the cold in winter is very intense, the markets are very curious things. The meat is frozen, the carcasses of dead animals, as sheep and pigs, stand upright outside the stalls; everything, even game and poultry, requires to be thawed before it can be cooked, and the market people's dress is as picturesque as it is warm and

comfortable. Then the rivers are frozen over all the winter long, and so thick is the Ice that every one can skate anywhere and any time. Stalls are put up on the ice and busy markets held there.

In the Asiatle part of Russia the peo ple live chiefly by hunting and fishing, and the fur of the Russian animals is very beautiful-the ermine, fox, sable,

sea ofter and others. At the end of the winter, when the snow melts, the huntsman pursues the elk, wearing long shoes, in which he can gilde over the snow very quickly. while the poor elk sinks into the snow deeper and deeper every step and is at last overtaken and killed.

His Two Parchases.

A story is told of a Laufstan a merchant who came to New York ditermined to secure a bargain. He wanted cheap cloaks, and after trying in cain to suit himself at the wholesale is uses be bought a job lot at auction. 'In ex-

amined the goods burriedly and had DENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD. them shipped home. In due time be was confronted by an excited head salesman who said the garments were

"They didn't look that way," said the

"But they are," replied the clerk, The merchant persisted that the cloaks would sell, but they didn't. In desperation be returned them to New York to be disposed of to best advantage. On his next trip to New York he again visited an auction house and bought a lot of clonks. When he returned home and examined his purhe saw that he had bought the

The Bird Monopolist,

same lot as before.-World's Work

As is generally known, the cuckoo lays its eggs in the nests of other birds, leaving them to be batched and the young cuckoos reared by their foster parents. The young cuckoo throws the other birds out of the nest and gets all the care itself. After murdering its foster brothers and sisters in the most deliberate and callous way it is thenceforth tended with the greatest devotion. Long after it has left the nest the great bird, apparently big enough to get its own living and many times larger than its foster parents, is followed about and fed by them with the same care as when in the nest.

Tipping the Scales. "Confound it!" growled Closennan. "1 dropped a dime in that weighing ma-

chine instead of a penny." "Ha, ha!" chuckled his buffeon friend. "I guess that's when you tip and the senies."-Philadelphia Record.

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