

WORLD'S FAIR GOSSIP.

Fresh Notes of Interest from the Wonderful White City.

An Event of Great Importance Among the Japanese—Dedication of the Ho-o-den Temple—The Opening Day.

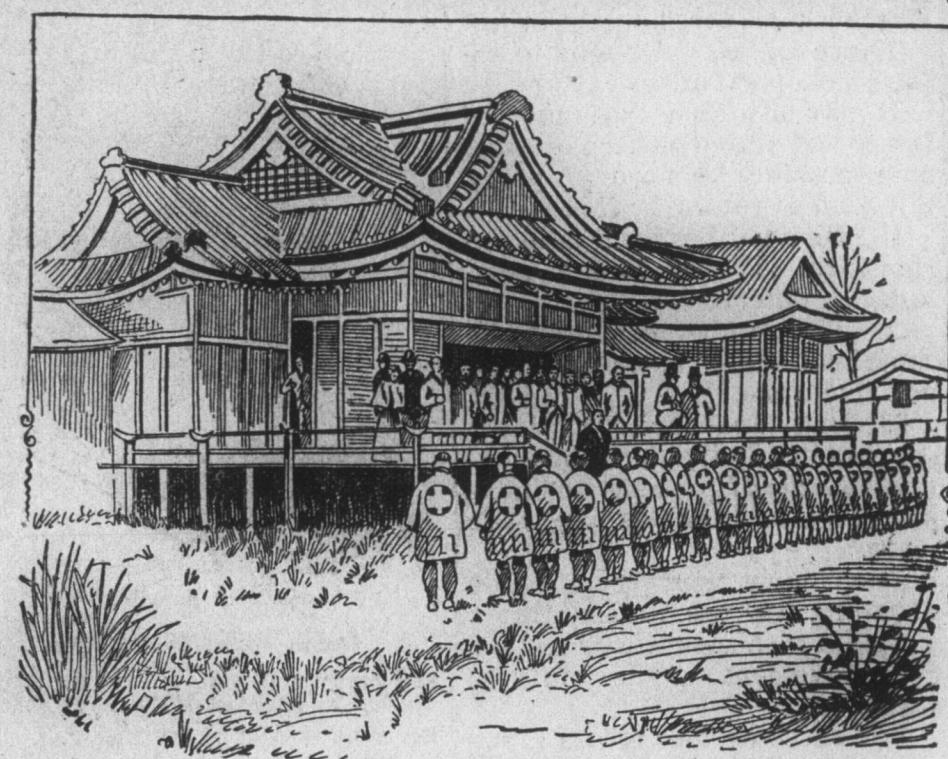
[Special Chicago Correspondence.]

An impressive ceremony was witnessed at Jackson park on the first day of the present month. It was the dedication by the Japanese and world's fair officials of the Ho-o-den temple on the wooded island which lies in the lagoon in the center of the fair grounds. The event was celebrated in the true Oriental fashion, the exercises being conducted by the Japanese commissioners in the full regiments of their native land.

It was in truth a curious sight that was presented to the American guests of the occasion, and one that will doubtless be remembered by them long years after the great fair has passed away and many of its features have passed from mind.

The Japanese workmen were ranged in line before the temple and during the exercises sang their native song, a very weird, and it must be confessed, unmusical refrain, yet peculiarly suited to the occasion.

The whole affair betokened the spirit of international fraternity, for which it may be said these people are noted, and in their speeches the Japanese officials alluded to the friendly



DEDICATION OF THE HO-O DEN.

relations existing between their country and ours in the warmest terms. As hosts they showed themselves to be most considerate and courteous, and in their expressions of thankfulness for the kindness shown them since their arrival in this country they were profuse and earnest.

This wonderful temple is the counterpart of the great Ho-o-den palace at Nijo, near Kyoto, Japan, one of the groups of the Bidodins. It is built of wood, with tiled roof, the cross trees being logs whose ends are beautifully carved in the form of lions' heads. The temple, it is said, is intended to represent the Hoo, a fabled bird of the Japanese; the two-storyed central part being the body of the bird, the colonnades on the sides the wings and the corridor at the back the tail. On the top of the original structure are two phoenixes, three and a half feet high, made of bronze and so flexible that the wings and heads are moved by the wind. In all it is a wonderful and picturesque structure, and when completed throughout will be one of the most valuable buildings on the fair grounds.

The original Ho-o-den or Phoenix hall dates back to the year 1052, but it was built twelve hundred years ago. It was at first the home of a celebrated Japanese nobleman, at whose death it was converted into a monastery and afterward became the shrine of "Amedea," the buddha of Japan. The decorations of the temple are all by famous artists, and consist of works in gold lacquer, bronze and mother of pearl.

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ple on the wooded island at the fair are said to be far handsomer and more valuable than those of the original structure, and many additions have been made. All the art work on the building has been done by picked artists, and no expense has been spared to make the temple a feature of great beauty. It is to become the property of the city of Chicago after the fair is over, being a present from the emperor of Japan.

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INDIANA STATE NEWS.

At Anderson Mrs. Geo. Adams, who resides in East Lynn, placed a tub of boiling water on the floor and left the room for a short time. Her seven-year-old son, playing around the room, walked backward into the tub. When rescued he was burned and scalded so that the flesh dropped from his arms, shoulders and body. The boy lingered a few hours in great agony.

When Fenton Epworth Mill arose from bed, at Elkhart, the other morning, he lighted a match and accidentally set fire to his clothing. Before he could extinguish the flames he was so severely burned that his death resulted next day.

John R. McFEE, of Indianapolis, the attorney who forged names to notes aggregating \$8,000, and who was arrested at Philadelphia, has proposed to the prosecutor to plead guilty to one indictment, if he will agree to dismiss the others.

SIMMONS, CLIFF & PLUMMER have completed a monster gas well on the A. A. Grissell farm, at Camden, several miles northwest of Portland. It is good for 10,000,000 cubic feet of gas, and is the largest ever completed in the state.

The engineer on the early passenger train on the P. F. W. & C. railroad discovered the body of Cornelius Curtis, of Wheeling, lying beside the track just west of Valparaiso. He was a member of the G. A. R. and had resided in Wheeling about four years, coming from Piqua, O., where his mother still lives. The manner of his death is not known, but it was thought he was assaulted and robbed, as he received quite a sum of money a few days ago and was found on his person.

At Indianapolis a jury which tried McClure for the murder of his wife was discharged after having been out forty-eight hours. They were unable to agree, standing two for conviction and ten for acquittal. The defense was that the killing was accidental.

The Taylor university will be removed to Upland.

The state G. A. R. elected the following officers: Department commander, James F. Johnston, Rockville; senior commander, C. J. Murphy, Evansville; junior commander, W. F. Medsker, Cambridge City; medical director, J. G. Hitt, Greensburg; chaplain, J. W. Reed, Noblesville; Council of administration, Ben Starr, Richmond; L. A. Foote, Crawfordsville; J. W. Senior, Madison; H. H. Ragon, Lowell; Ed G. Booz, Indianapolis. Delegates at large, Irvin Robbins, Indianapolis; alternate delegate at large, Phil Dickerson, Ft. Wayne.

Dr. N. M. Elrod has discovered a "blowing" well near Dora.

J. H. LONGDON, formerly editor of the Atlanta Herald, committed suicide by taking morphine at Noblesville. He made an attempt three years ago in Kokomo jail. He established more papers in this state than any other man, and was brilliant.

Mrs. NELLIE BOYCOURT, of Indianapolis, aged 22, was adjudged insane. When the disease first came on she attempted to kill her child, and would threaten all who approached her. She imagines that she is dead and in a vault from which she is trying to escape. Mrs. Boycourt was a confirmed cigarette smoker, and it is the opinion of her family that her persistent indulgence in this habit has a great deal to do with her insanity.

AT THE State encampment of the G. A. R. at Evansville, the other day, the resignation of George Langsdale, president of the State Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument association, was demanded, that action being precipitated by the dispute over the question of placing Mexican dates on the Indianapolis monument.

Dr. GEORGE F. EDENHARTER, superintendent of the Indianapolis City hospital, was elected superintendent of the Central insane hospital at Indianapolis, one of the largest institutions of its kind in the West.

William Kelly, a Lake Shore engineer, who was killed at Burdick the other morning, has lost his life gradually in the service of the road. Several years ago he lost a finger, then an eye, then a hand, and finally his life.

The Indianapolis cabinet works, the D. F. Stone Furniture Co. and Herman Lanter, all engaged in the manufacture of tables and fine desks in Indianapolis, have formed a combination for the purpose of fixing a scale of prices. The combined concerns employ 1,000 men.

NORTH MANCHESTER, Wabash county, is to have a system of water works with sixty-four fire hydrants, five miles of mains, the largest being twelve inches, a standpipe 110 feet high and engines with a pumping capacity of 750,000 gallons per day of twenty-four hours.

HARVEY ROBINSON attempted suicide at Valparaiso, because his wife gave him a lecture. He went to the basement and was about choked to death when she arrived and saved him. Then he got it again.

AN Indianapolis man is the owner of a parrot that is noted for its talking power. Early the other morning the man was awakened by an unusual burst of profanity, intermixed with screams and ejaculations, the purport of which explained itself when a burglar was discovered making his escape through an open window. The man fired several shots at the robber, without taking effect, but it encouraged the bird to continue to scream in a way which would have shocked a less susceptible person.

MIRTH AND WISDOM.

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having been made previously with each chief to receive them.

Notwithstanding the general impression that the fair will not be ready for the opening on the first day of May, we are positively assured by the officials that everything will be in order for that auspicious occasion. We are quite willing to accept the assurance, but from present indications we can hardly expect to see every portion of the exposition fully completed. But we can rely upon the officials to do everything in their power to hasten matters, and it is safe to say that when the moment arrives for setting in motion the great wheels of Machinery hall Jackson park will be sufficiently presentable to welcome the nations to the greatest of all great world's fairs.

The knife grinder ought not to be out of work in dull times.—N. O. Picayune.



INTERIOR OF THE HO-O DEN.

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A VENDANT OLD AGE.—She—"Did your grandfather live to a green old age?" He—"Well, I should say so! He was swindled ten times after he was seventy."—Yankee Blade.

A GERMAN student, wrestling with the English language, rendered a text as follows: "The ghost is willing, but the meat is feeble."—Educational News.

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