

# THE SOMERVILLE STEAM MARBLE WORKS

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### GRANITE AND MARBLE MONUMENTS.

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We can save you money and give you first class work.

Seeing is believing. Call up and see us and the largest stock of monuments in Canada.

#### The Simple Life of the Icelanders.

There are no manufactories in Iceland. Each home is a factory and every member of the family a hand. Shoes are made from goatskins. The long stockings worn over these in wading through the snow are knitted by the women and children, and even the beautiful broadcloth comes smooth and perfect from the hand loom found in every house.

The sweet simplicity of the national costume does away with the necessity of fashion books. Young girls who are about to be married take no thought as to "wherewithal shall they be clothed." When they array themselves in the wedding garments of their ancestors, two or even three generations remote, they are perfectly up-to-date in the matter of their attire.

This simple life is conducive to a state of high morals, higher probably than in any other part of the world. There is not a drop of liquor manufactured on the island, and for the 87,000 population there is but one policeman. There is neither a jail nor any place of incarceration in which a high crime could be tried.

The percentage of crime is so small that it does not warrant the expense of keeping up a court. When a criminal trial becomes necessary, the offender is taken to Denmark to answer to the law for his misdeeds.

The women are among the most advanced in the world. Their Women's Political League has a membership of 7,000, and they enjoy more civil rights than the women of almost any other country, having a voice in all elections save that for members in their legislative body.

#### Novelties in Laundry Tags.

The number of letters used by American laundries to distinguish their patrons' garments are disfiguring enough, but we are fortunate in

that the collars and cuffs do not come back from the wash tagged with the business card of the laundry.

In certain parts of France the name and address of the laundry are stamped on each piece sent home, and should several laundries be patronized one after another a fine collection will soon be found in addition to geometrical marks indicative of the owner of the garment.

In Russian towns laundry marks are under police supervision, and in this manner a refugee who makes his way to another town upon a forged passport is liable to detection unless he can borrow linen with the mark of one of the town's laundries upon it.

Bulgarian laundries employ rubber stamps with ornamental designs, while in Germany the laundry comes home tagged with a small cloth label attached with a heat and waterproof cement.

#### Activities of Westinghouse.

George Westinghouse of Pittsburg, who has been chosen to act as trustee in the Equitable society affairs, controls fifteen great manufacturing companies, nine in the United States, one in Canada and five in Europe. Business is his recreation, taking the place of automobiles and yachts and race horses and picture galleries, which other hard-worked millionaires find necessary to rest their tired faculties. As an inventor he takes high rank. On one occasion, while engineering a large financial movement in New York City, an idea for a mechanical device suggested itself. As soon as possible he took the train for Pittsburg, busying himself while en route by drawing a sketch of the proposed invention. On reaching his destination he drove to one of his factories and, placing the drawing in the hands of a master workman, said: "Make that." The machine proved to be a great success.

#### A Progressive Firm.

Drysdale & Co., Brandon, manufacturers of fine monuments, tombstones, headstones, railing posts, etc., have just received four car loads of stone direct from the quarries.

One car load of Scotch granite came direct to them from the world famous granite quarries of Scotland. Three other car-load lots were received from the leading quarries in America.

Drysdale & Co. report an ever increasing demand for their goods, and are constantly adding new and improved machinery to their plant in order to turn out their work with dispatch.

They employ none but skilled workmen, believing that the completion of high class work is the very best advertisement they can put out.

#### Buy Your Binder Twine Now.

A timely advice to the grain growers of the West is, not to leave off buying your binder twine until the harvest is ripe. By taking time by the forelock and getting prices from a number of dealers you can very often save considerable money on your purchases of twine.

The Farmers' Trading Co., Ltd., of Portage la Prairie, Man., are very heavy importers and dealers in high class twine. This year they have made ample provision to provide the farmers of the West with a superior article at a moderate price. The brand they handle is none other than the famous Plymouth Binder Twine, "Challenge Brand," made specially for themselves, therefore they are in a position to guarantee every bit of it.

They invite grain growers' associations, farmers' clubs, as well as individual farmers, to write them at once for quotations, etc., on their needed supply of binder twine. Write

them direct to Portage la Prairie, Man., and mention the Western Home Monthly in your correspondence.

#### What is Melcher's "Red Cross" Canadian Gin.

Melcher's "Red Cross" Canadian Gin is the purest, the best, and the oldest Geneva on the Canadian market.

It is distilled, bottled, and thoroughly matured with the greatest care by the Melcher's Gin & Spirits Distillery Co., Ltd., of Berthierville, P.Q., under government supervision, as certified by the official stamp over the capsule on every bottle.

Melcher's "Red Cross" Canadian Gin is the only Gin which has been matured for years in bonded warehouses before being offered to the trade.

Far superior to the best brands imported from Holland, Melcher's "Red Cross" is a scrupulously pure Gin, soft and mellow to the taste, beneficial to health, and agreeable to drink.—Boivin, Wilson & Co., Montreal, distributing agents.

#### Great Things From Little Causes Grow.

It takes very little to derange the stomach. The cause may be slight, a cold, something eaten or drunk, anxiety, worry, or some other simple cause. But if precautions be not taken, this simple cause may have most serious consequences. Many a chronically debilitated constitution to-day owes its destruction to simple causes not dealt with in time. Keep the digestive apparatus in healthy condition and all will be well. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are better than any other for the purpose.

Hard and soft corns cannot withstand Holloway's Corn Cure; it is effectual every time. Get a bottle at once and be happy.