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POPE LEO'S JUBILEE

The Mass in St. Peter's at Rome-A Grand Tribute to the Pontiff.

ROME, Jan. 1 .- I watched the ceremonies of the jubilee to-day, remaining by special privilege within a few yards of the pope during what must be called one of the most marvellous solemnities of the century.

Shortly after daybreak the Italian troops took their stand in the long, thin circumference of the great circular piazza. Before half an hour had elapsed there were at least twenty thousand pilgrims and ticket holders shivering in the gray morning outside that portion of the collonade which leads to the door of Charlemagne-ladies in black veils, bearded American clerics, Polish priests in top boots and Astrakhan coats, with a fair sprinkling of American, Canadian and English clergymen-all pushed on in a way that in London or Paris would have caused injury and loss of life.

At the sacristy door ambassadors, prelates and hishops followed the same method in a more refined way. Inside the vast basilica the cardinals and distinguished invited guests went slowly to their seats, while along the colossal nave the papal gendarmes, in pipe-clayed breeches, operatic boots and tall, toppling bearskins, kept the line of procession clear. Along this narrow space I was conducted by a courteous prelate to a rather shabby staircase, by which the pope was to reach St. Peter's Here I found Mgr. O'Connell, president of the American college, with Mgr. Stonor, the pope's English chamberlain, and a batch of purple priests from all nations.

Shortly after nine o'clock Leo XIII. wa brought down in a small chair into the chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, which was hidden from the public view by huge crimson damask hangings. The pontiff there knelt for a few moments at a prie-dieu, and immediately proceeded to vest in the adjoining chapel of the Pieta. He then blessed the gorgeous lackeys. with a smile and a few muttered words, and was raised slowly on the regal sedia gestatoria with the ostrich fans at each corner.

The pope wore a mitre, a present of the emper or of Germany, and not the tiara, but he looked every inch a pope who had walked out of book or had stepped down from one of the papal tombs around. As the chair made its first appearance the vast multitude seemed to lift thousands of hands to their foreheads to make the sign of the cross. Then came thunder of acclamation:-" Viva il Papa!" "Vive Leon Treize!" "Long life to the Pope!" As we walked slowly toward the glittering lamps of the tombs of the apostles handkerchiefs were waved, strong men seemed moved and women wept with devotion. There was nothing irreverent in all this and no seditious cries were heard.

Pope Leo looked beaming, but unusually pale, as he bestowed his blessing on the seething crowd of his faithful people from all parts of the world. At this time there must have been more than thirty thousand people gathered between the apse and the huge western doors. Above the storm of "vivats" could be heard the voices of the Papal choir singing Palestrina's "Tules Petrus"-"Thou art Peter." Then hush fell-upon the multitude and the world-famed silver trumpets poured out their melody from the gallery of the dome, and the mass began-a simple low mass with motetts, one by Gounod, sung by those forty picked voices. After the pope had read the last gospel he intoned the "Te Deum" in a rather weak voice, the alternative verses of the Ambrosian hymn being sung by the largest congregation in the world. And then came the blessing, given not from the inner balcony, but from the high altar in a feeble voice, with four loud "amens," crisply responded to by the choir. This closed the service. The pope then washed his fingers, the golden ewer and basin presented by the queen of England being used. The tiara given by the archdiocese of Paris was put on his head, and still louder acclamations rang out as Leo XIII. was taken back to his apartments, looking on the whole less fatigued than when he began the ceremony. To-night there is a main aloft and feast upon the stores laid up moderate show of illuminations in Rome, for winter use by his industrious neighbors—

some of the new houses of modern Rome.

They Are Found All Through the Canons of the Rocky Mountains and Are Quite Savage.

THE GRIZZLY, SILVER TIP, GRAY-BACK, AND THE BLACK BEAR.

A Fierce Encounter.

A FORT KEOGH, Montana, letter to The New York Times says: The big grizzly bears found all through the canyons of the Rocky mountains and spurs of the great range seldom descend from lofty altitudes where they manage year in and year out to eke out a subsistence near the perpetual snow line. An old and experienced hunter has said that "any man's a fool to go in arter bear alone." The bruins of the east and the bruins of the west are almost totally different animals. The " Ursa Majors" of this latitude are monstrous of size, endowed with ugly dispositions and prodigious strength, and as for grit, they dispute-and very often successfully, too, -the sovereignty of the mountains and forests with the king of American beasts, the mountain lion. Hunters disagree upon the point of how many different species of the bear tribe we have in the northwest. There are at least three distinct types of the family in Montana-namely, the grizzly, brown, and black bear. Besides these there are also gray bears, cinnamon bears and the Rocky mountain grayback. The true gray is seldom, if ever, seen now as high as the forty-fifth parallel and as far east as the main divide; the cinnamon is simply a cross between the brown and black bears, and the mighty silver tip is neither more nor less than a mongree of the brown and grizzly, partaking strongly of the nature of the two, but particularly of the latter. In fact, I think I am justified in asserting that all the members of the species intermarry, and that the silver tip is the king of the family. This big fellow, springing from the grizzly and the brown, combines all the ferocity and tough strength of the former with the agility and stubborness of the latter, each distinctive trait being more prominent in him and possessed to a greater degree than by the very animals from whom he borrows them. The silver tip is unquestionably the ruler of the family, by reason of his greater size and belligerent disposition. Lewis and Clarke, in their narrative of their journey through this region nearly a hundred years ago speak of meeting not only brown and black bears, but also numerous white bears, who made it perilous traveling at times for that bold pioneer party. There are no white bears in Montana, Dakota, Idaho, or the bordering possessions of the Canadian northwest. Probably the albinos referred to were cinnamon bears, who, early in the spring, after coming out of a winter's sleep, take upon themselves a dirty yellowish-brown color, which, at a distance and in a snow-covered country, might readily be mistaken for white bears whose coat of fur badly needed a bath. In one place, after coming upon a so-called white bear, the journal describes him as possessing small black eyes (almost like jet beads), hide of bright yellowish-brown, the front of the fore legs near the feet being quite black, and the animal itself of a ferocious and warlike nature. This description of the white bear of 1804-5 tallies with the cinnamon bear of 1887, which makes him about the same ugly customer that he was a hundred years ago. There are few black bears in this immediate vicinity, most of them inhabiting the western slope of

The woods of Oregon and Washington are overrun with black bears. The largest black fellow I ever saw in my life was in the woods of Washington territory, near Mount Rainier. The black bears of Montana, as well as the cinnamon, as a rule inhabit low places, such as creek and river bottoms, willow marshes, and timbered spots, but grizzlies and silver tips stick to high latitudes, from which even hunger pressure seldom drives them. Grizzlies are generally credited with highly-cultivated appetites for carnivorous food. Camp-fire stories excitedly tell of the bloodthirsty diet these monsters habitually thrive upon, but were all the blood-curdling yarns aired around the cheerful blaze carefully sifted down for facts I am afraid that 90 per cent. of the grizz'y stories would turn out to be fiction. I do not think a grizzly is carnivorous from choice. He seldom descends from his mountain home to the creeks and rivers in search of wild plums and chokecherries (the favorite diet of brown, cinnamon, and black bears), but prefers to remain aloft and feast upon the stores laid up especially in the Leonine city, and even in the gophers and mountain squirrels.

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