

VALPARAISO

"VALE OF PARADISE"

A City Set on Edge—Something About South America's Finest Seaport.

Special Correspondence.

Valparaiso, Chili, Oct. 15.—Why those imaginative Spaniards of the early time should have dubbed this spot a "Vale of Paradise" nobody living now-a-days can understand, for there is no vale anywhere in the vicinity, and no indication of a Paradise. Certainly it is the last place on the face of the earth where one would think of locating a great city. Ancient Rome, they tell us, was built upon seven hills; but Valparaiso straggles up a score of them, for the simple reason that there is not room enough on the narrow strip of sand between the rugged heights and the sea. The horseshoe-curved coast, in its widest part, admits of eight or ten streets, but they extend but a short distance; in another and longer place there is space for but two streets between the cliffs and the rolling surf. The greater part of the city, however, occupies a slightly sloping incline, and the cables (streets) are laid out in regular squares. As the population increased, the rocky hills had to be made available, and now the town, which runs along shore some three or four miles, extends back a considerable distance. More correctly speaking, it extends skyward, one man's house being built above another's, reached by long stairways, winding roads, and "lifts" propelled by steam, similar to those in use at Niagara.

Making neighborly calls on foot in this portion of the city is too hard work to become very popular, while coming down again is positively dangerous when the walks happen to be slippery after a rain. Thus one man's vegetable garden seems to be suspended directly over another's roof, and the latter, by reaching up at his upper windows may almost help himself to the former's carrots and cabbages.

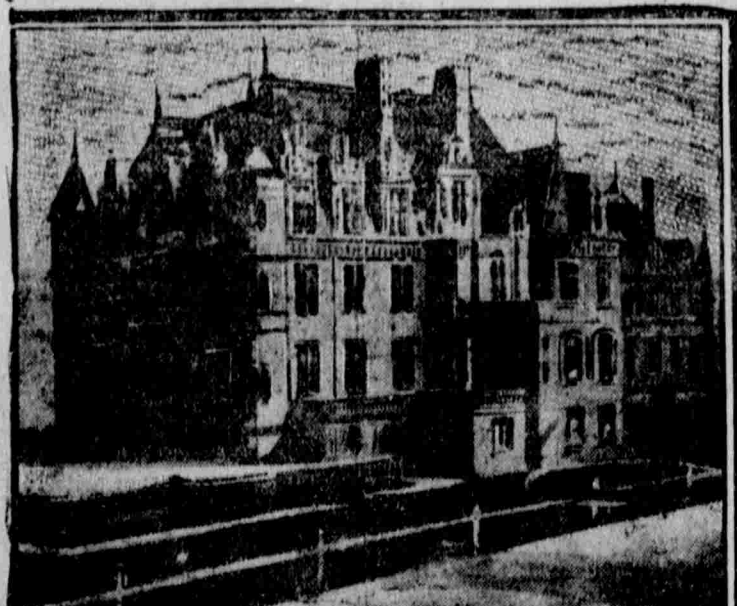
An acquaintance of mine, who has a house opposite the Hotel Colon, set close up to the steep, rocky escarpment, relates an amusing story of how he heard a terrible commotion one night in the rear of his bedroom, and having searched in vain for the cause thereof, remained sleepless till daylight, wondering what it was. A visitation of ghosts or burglars. Morning revealed a strange but ludicrous sight. A horse, which had been seen the day before grazing peacefully upon the lawn above, had somehow slipped off in the darkness and stuck fast in the narrow space between the cliff and the back wall of my friend's house on the terrace next below, where his fruitless struggles had nearly demolished the railings. By dint of lowered ropes the luckless animal was at length rescued, very little the worse for his adventure.

There are two kinds of public hacks for hire in Valparaiso, and one chooses between them according to his destination. If his excursion is confined to the lower town, he takes an ordinary carriage with two horses attached; but if the hills are to be ascended, he must pay nearly double the price for a heavier-built vehicle to which three horses are harnessed abreast—the law forbidding any others to go up. The husband-and-wife pair that were originally laid out by the gods that fed upon the mountain sides, meander about in the most confusing manner, but are now abandoned except by pedestrians, for all wheels go by the splendid new road, winding about the hills, which has lately been completed a distance of nine miles.

Viewed from the bay, especially of an evening, Valparaiso presents a fine appearance, with long lines of lights, one above another, making it look like a city turned up on end. Electric lights placed upon the crests of the cliffs throw their rays and intensified shadows upon the streets and terraces and gardens below, with the effect of moonlight. But by the garish light of day the rows of houses and huts, of irregular shapes and elevations, clinging to the precipices like so many birds' nests, look as if one stiff breeze would blow them off in the bay.

The late lamented author and traveler, Mr. Vincent, likens Valparaiso to a vast amphitheater, regarding the ridges of the hills as aisles, and is reminded of Hongkong by its sloping position, and of Quebec by its spurs, which terminate in bluffs at the water's edge. At any rate, despite its natural disadvantages, this Chilean enterprise, assisted by English, French and German capital, have made here a splendid city—in fact, the only one in South America, in fact the only one in the southern continent, more nearly than it does any other in this country. But our northern republic has no city with only Valparaiso's population (125,000), which contains so many fine shops and such a display of costly and luxurious articles. The foreign element is large and wealthy, the natives proud and prosperous, and, like the natives of the Argentine, the place is famous for the extravagance of its citizens. Many of the private residences are palaces in their proportions and adornments, and millionaires are as common here as \$10,000 people at home. The principal commercial street, called Calle Victoria, stretches around the entire harbor, and presents some splendid architecture, there having been much rivalry in the matter of elaborately carved facades and other ornamentation. Electric lights are used in the leading hotels and shops. The streets have Belgian pavements, and the sidewalks are smoothly flagged, though some of them are so narrow that pedestrians must hug the wall when a street car passes. There are magnificent churches, parks and plazas, filled with trees and flowers, in the midst of which fountains are set; and beautiful statuary in the bronze and marble—most of the latter, I regret to add, having been stolen from Peru during a recent war. There is a splendid theater, clubs as fine as any in New York or London; picture galleries, public libraries, reading rooms—in short, all the adjuncts of modern civilization. Spanish-Americans seem to have a passion for erecting monuments to dead heroes, and among the large number in Valparaiso, several are to the memory of foreigners. One of the newest, set up on the site of the old custom house, is of Mr. Arthur Pratt, an Irishman, who figured conspicuously in the most notable conflict between Peru and Chili.

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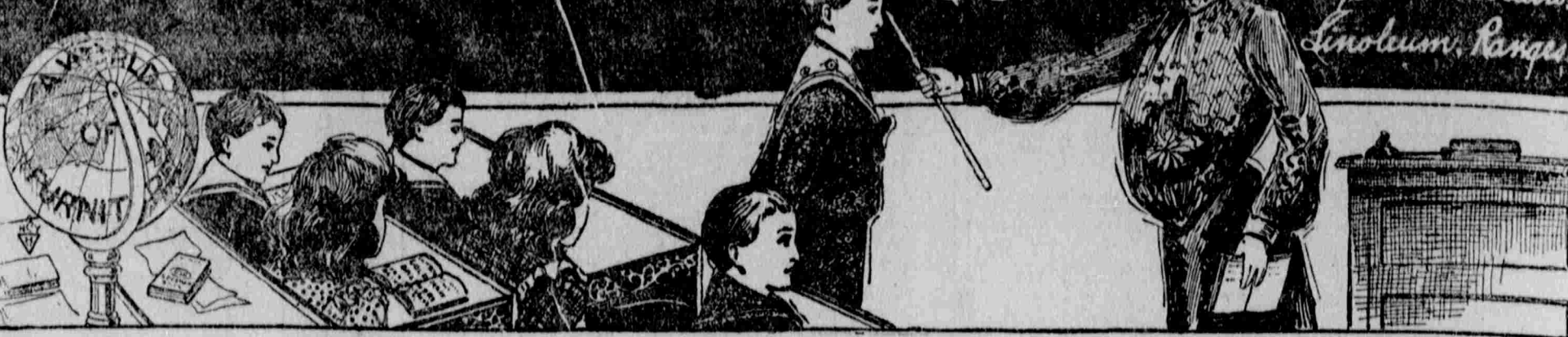
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30-32-34-36-38-40

SPELLING LESSON FOR TO-DAY

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Stoves Oil Cloths,
Mating Sinks, Chairs,
Linoleum, Ranges.

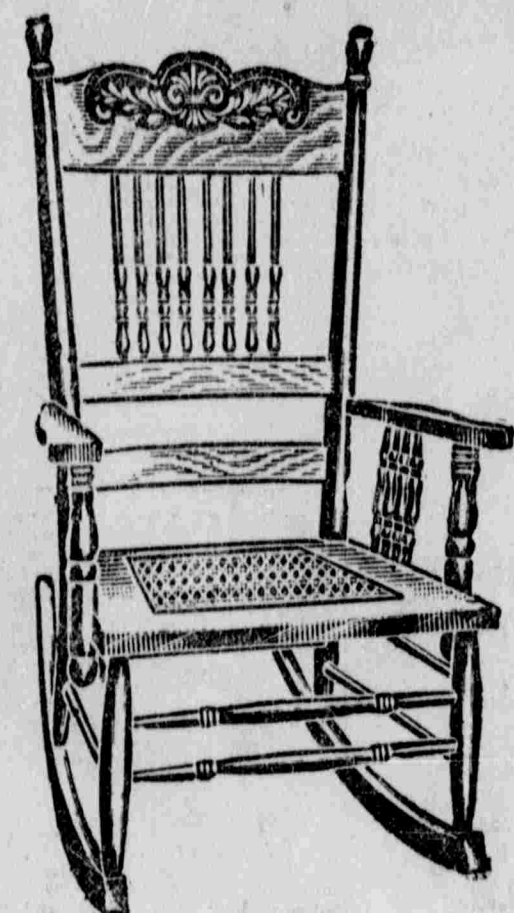


Bright Scholar to Teacher—These are the numbers that two will go into and the answer will be one.

Teacher—You will have to explain that.

Bright Scholar—I have seen two go into 30-32-34-36-38-40 East 3rd South Street, and they were so well pleased that they were soon made one.

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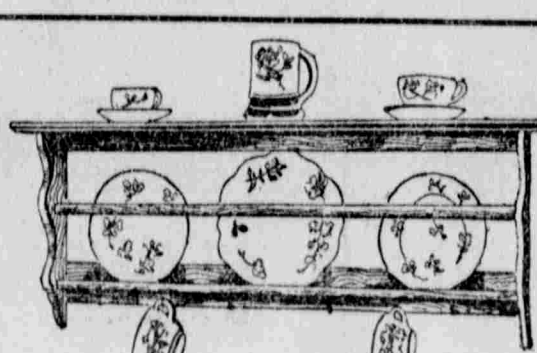


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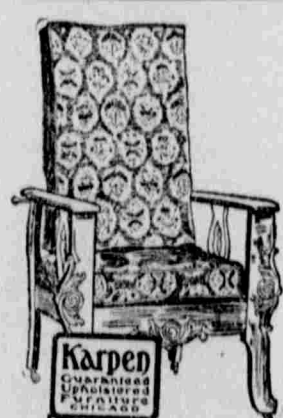
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