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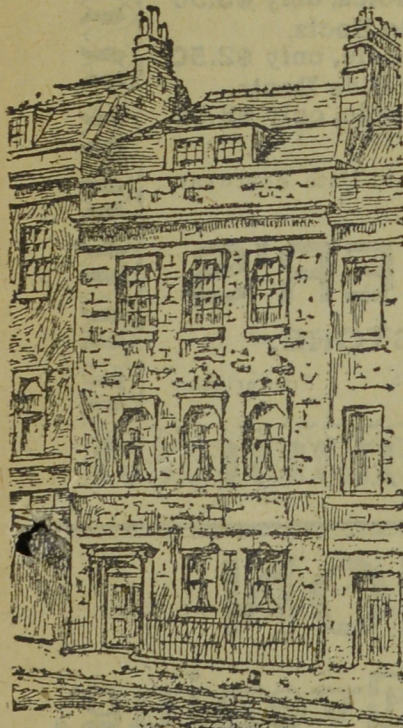
TRACES OF DICKENS

THE HOUSE IN BATH WHERE "LITTLE NELL" WAS CREATED.

Unveiling of the Tablet Marking the Place on the Anniversary of the Great Novelist's Birthday, Feb. 14—Dinner in Old Card Room Where Mr. Pickwick Fell Among Female Card Sharppers.

Saturday, 14th Feb., was the birthday of Charles Dickens, and Bath, which is one of the places which share with Rochester and Ipswich definite associations with the great novelist, had its Dickens celebration. The corporation are advantageously pursuing a scheme for marking with tablets the many houses in the city which have historical associations. Among these set apart for decoration from the first was 35 St. James' square, where the novelist stayed. It is not suggested that Dickens was ever in Bath for any extensive period, but every devotee of the great writer will bow his or her head when it is stated that on no visionary grounds is it held that in this very house and also on the anniversary of his own birthday did Dickens create "Little Nell," of the "Old Curiosity Shop," that most pathetic of his heroines, whose adventures, as they were published in serial form, so deeply moved the reading public that the novelist was inundated with appeals not to let her die.

The ceremony of unveiling was entrusted to Mr. Percy Fitzgerald by virtue of his being the recognized leader of Dickens' disciples and also in a measure because of his presidency of the newly-founded Dickens Fellowship. Mr. Hall Caine had also been invited, but the state of his health prevented his leaving the Isle of Man. Had he been present he would also have unveiled a second tablet to the memory of Walter Savage Landor, with whom Dickens stayed in Bath, but in his absence this further duty was placed also upon Mr. Fitzgerald. The actual unveiling ceremony at three o'clock in the afternoon was more or less formal, and as rain fell it was as well the more serious making of



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speeches was deferred to an evening dinner at the Assembly rooms, at which the Mayor of Bath (Alderman J. E. Henshaw) presided.

The rooms are the identical apartments in which Mr. Pickwick, having been previously "welcomed to Bath," by the master of the ceremonies (Angelo Cyrus Bantam, Esq.), was present at one of the celebrated balls, so amusingly described by Mr. Bantam as "Moments snatched from Paradise, rendered bewitching by music, beauty, elegance, fashion, etiquette, and above all, by the absence of the trades-people, who are quite inconsistent with Paradise."

The apartment in which the dinner took place was the old card room, the self same apartment in which Mr. Pickwick fell among female card sharppers for the first time, and played so exuberantly that his partner "rose from the table considerably agitated, and went straight home in a flood of tears and a sedan chair." The wines included the milk punch to the use of which Mr. Pickwick was addicted, and even the songs rendered were some of them from the master's own writings.

In connection with the celebration there has been collected a Dickens museum, chiefly of local mementoes, which will remain on view in the Art Gallery for some days. Dickens owed much to Bath in the way of material. The very name of Pick-

wick he obtained either from a village hard by through which he would pass on the coach journey, or else from the name of Pickwick on the coach itself; for one Pickwick really did keep the White Hart at Bath, and there was in the improvised museum a screen formerly in the now demolished White Hart, which still has upon it the name Moses Pickwick. It is considered likely that Dickens also owed the name of Snodgrass to Bath, for one of that name kept a public-house in Trim street.

The American Language.

"It used to be considered a witicism to ask a man whether he spoke United States," said an English university man at the Lawyers' club the other day, "but there is in fact an American language, distinctive from the king's English not only in idioms and in the use of particular words, but in the clipping of words to save time and breath. On this side of the Atlantic one scarcely ever hears 'I have' and 'you are.' You hurrying Americans say 'I've' and 'you're.' You shorten up 'cannot' into 'can't,' and your purest speakers use 'don't' and 'won't,' and it is almost a universal habit among Americans to clip the 'g' off words ending in 'ing.' Even your professors of English fail to sound the 'e' in 'righteous' and 'courtous' and shorten 'knowledge' into 'knoledge.' I might recite scores of words that are practically shortened by a syllable in usage, and as usage makes language you Americans are gradually constructing a speech that is quite distinct from that form of English which Oxford and Cambridge are preserving with such care."

Falcon Lore.

No one can pretend to any acquaintance with English literature or even with the English language without being aware how deep an impress has been left upon them by the art and practice of falconry. Such words as "haggard," "eyrie," "mews," "cadger," to "lure," to "stoop," to "reclaim," all belonged originally to the falconer's jargon and were thence adopted into common parlance.

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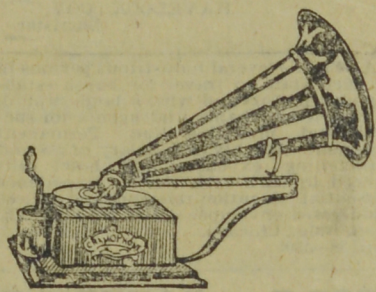
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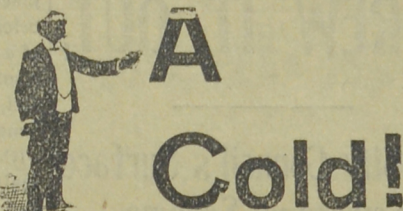
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For terms of sale and other particulars apply to plaintiff's solicitor.

Dated this fifth day of March, A. D. 1903.

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A. R. SLIPP,
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