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We have a fine assortment of these famous candies arranged in fancy boxes of artistic and novel designs. A most suitable gift to a lady friend. We also have a fine assortment of the Lowney Box Candies.

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Will Be Given at the Opera House Next Tuesday Evening.

The people of Cass City and surrounding community will have the privilege of attending a home talent play at the opera house next Tuesday evening, Dec. 18. The name of the play is "Mismated" and consists of five acts. All the characters are taken by local players, with one exception B. M. Garfield, of Buffalo, the author and director. The curtain will rise at 8:15 p. m. local time. The following is the cast:

Gen. Mark Lester, hero Cuban warB. M. Gartield Pedro Mendez, his half brother....Guy Landor

Gregory Grimes, his private secretary..... . Edward Pinney Gilbert Hall, M. D., in love with

Olive......Harley Keating Robert Glenn, Wall street broker...G. A. Stevensor Dr. Garcia, surgeon of Medeline....

.....Roy Houghton Lord Smith, looking for a wife.....Leslie Koepfgen Frank Wolf, sporty messenger boyLou Ushe

Ebenezer Johnson, colored butler... Lloyd Black, detective.....

..... Earl Fitzpatrick Fred O'Hanlon, policeman.....Joe O'Hanlon Jane Damon, cook at Lester's.....

.....Lottie Usher Moselle Darling, stage struck servant Edna McNall Marie Mendez, wife of Pedro.

...... Martha Henry Sally Glenn, youngest daughter..... Beatrice Cochrane Olive Glenn, oldest daughter......

..... Mrs. Jas. H. Hays The specialties also promise to be ntertaining. They are Weber & Fields New York presentation of the Dusky Maidens"; violin solo, Mrs. Clare T. Purdy: male quartette; soprano solo, Miss Flora O'Hanlon; comedy specialty, Lou Usher.

This play is to be given under the suspices of the Eastern Star of this place and a large attendance is looked or, as when Mr. Garfield gave a play in Cass City a little more than three ears ago people were turned away and that is a guarantee that he will again be greeted by a large house. Secure your seats early.

TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

Appropriate Services Are Being Prepared by the Sunday Schools.

union concert and a tree at the Baptist church as the schools have been holding their sessions together for some time past. The Evangelical Sunday school will have a concert and tree, probably Monday evening, Dec. 24, although this date has not been positively announced. At the M. E. church on Sunday evening, Dec. 23, the Sunday school will give a program and other arrangements have been made for a treat for the children a few days afterward. The committees in all of the schools are busy preparing good, wholesome entertainments and the schools anticipate a joyous Christmas time.

SERIOUS HURTS BY FALL.

Solomon L. Bennett, 35, of 584 Michigan avenue, fell while placing eaves on Brown & Brown's new building at Warren avenue and Seventeenth street, Wednesday afternoon, sustaining a double fracture of his left forearm, a broken jaw and deep gashes in his face. He was standing on a ladder and it slipped in the slush on the sidewalk. Dr. J. E. C. Waddington, 1080 Warren avenue west, attended him, after which he was sent to Grace hospital.

The above item was taken from the Detroit Journal. Mr. Bennett was formerly a resident of Cass City. He is a son-in-law of M. L. Moore of this

Two Carloads of Poultry Wanted. poultry. One car is to be delivered at the Gagetown depot on Dec. 21 and spent a very pleasant evening. the other car is to be delivered at the Cass City depot on Dec. 22. We will pay 7c for hens, chickens and geese, 8c for ducks and 10c for turkeys. Young & Benkelman.

Notice to Taxpayers.

I will be at Wickware on Dec. 19 and at the Town Hall, Greenleaf, on Dec. 20 to collect taxes for Greenleaf township. Archie Gillies, Treasurer.

Magazines at Ruhl's.

SCHOOL NOTES.

CASS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Why don't parents visit the school? Addie Gallagher was absent Tues-

Levi Muma visited the kindergarten

The high school is organizing an rchestra.

Frank Hutchinson visited the high room Friday.

The English literature class are oracticing Hamlet.

'Marie Brooker of the sixth grade is visiting in Saginaw.

and eighth grades are decreasing. Everett Higgins and Josephine Burt were enrolled in the fifth grade Mon-

The absence marks in the seventh

Two new pupils, William and Edward Gibbard, entered the first grade this week.

Next time little boys and girls go for a drive in the dark, ask papa and mamma the way. Verena Lown of the fifth grade is

absent on account of sickness, a slight touch of pneumonia.

The fifth graders are busy making Christmas booklets with stories of Christmas in other lands.

The sophomore class have received an invitation to visit the beet sugar plant at Caro next Saturday.

A committee has been appointed and is acting to make use of the mus-

ical ability of the high school. Lost-Friday afternoon in the physical laboratory, three minutes

sleep. Finder please return at once. The seventh graders have been learning a poem entitled "A Day in June." Perhaps in anticipation of

the days to be. Tuesday evening a local game of basket ball was played between the two teams of the high school which resulted in a victory for the Reds.

Wanted-You Where?-Miss Wilson's room When?-Dec. 21 at 1:30 p. m. What for?—Christmas exercises.

The number of depositors for the various grades in the School Savings Bank system was twenty-five and the amount deposited \$3.38-a small show-

On Friday a few of our respected teachers looked very much as if they were preparing to visit the "Land of Nod" which was the consequence of a visit to friends in Caro on Thursday evening.

Beware, ye little Freshies and statey Seniors and all that are classified Entertainments are being prepared between them, for Supt. Tiedgen may at the churches in celebration of at any moment present an oral quiz Christmas. The Baptist and Presby- regarding the happenings of this mundane sphere.

The zoology classes have been entertained with accounts of raids on bumble bee nests. Mr. Thomas gave some very interesting ones of his own friends at their home last Thursday experience; for instance when barefooted he chanced to step on a supposedly "dead" bee and was doomed like the boy who sat on a pin "to rise

Friday, evening the basket ball teams of Pontiac and Cass City meet to determine who shall be the winner. Come one, come all, who are interested in the sports and spirit of the high school. Encourage your home team by applause at just the right moment. Under the able direction of Mr. Thomas we have reason to believe we h ve a team not easily excelled in this part of the state. P. S. We are safe in giving praise before the event; watch next week's column-the story will be continued.

Last Friday evening a reception was given by Supt. and Mrs. Tiedgen at Mr. and Mrs. Travis, the teachers and the senior class. One of the interestshooting contest in which each one the pavement breaking his left wrist. strove to "pierce the heart." Miss H., who came in late, was said to be a 'sure shot?' but she replied to the contrary, saying that she had tried for an indefinite number of years but had not yet succeeded. Miss Wilson was the lucky one to receive a book as a prize for correcting the greatest number of misquoted quotations. A We want to buy two carloads of dainty luncheon was served after which the guests departed, having

HOLIDAY RATES.

The P. O. & N. R. R. will give holi day rates of one and one-half fare for the round trip between all stations on in the silver medal contes the P. O. & N. and to all points on week will go to Shabbona connecting lines on Dec. 22, 24, 25 and evening, Dec. 20, where the contest 31, 1906, and Jan. 1, 1907, good to re- will be repeated. turn until Jan. 2, 1907.

On Dec. 19, 20, 21 and 22, 1906, reduced rates will be made to Canadian

LOCAL ITEMS.

Santa Claus, you're it.

Mrs. L. P. Muntz is on the sick list. Mrs. Chas. Geno has been on the

Mrs. Walter Schell visited at Deford the latter part of the week.

Mrs. W. J. M. Jones has been ill for everal days, but is better again.

Perry Fritz of Pigeon was the guest of friends in town last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wallace spent Sunday with friends in Greenleaf.

John Cruthers of Argyle was the ruest of relatives in town Saturday. Mrs. Caroline Robinson was quite

ill last week, but is better at present. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Landon spent Sunday with friends and relatives in

Mrs. Margaret Young of Flint is the guest of her son, Hersey Young, at present.

Geo. S. Farrar of Pigeon was the guest of former acquaintances in town on Monday.

Mrs. J. D. Crosby entertained sixteen of her lady friends at her home Monday evening.

Joseph Quinn and Miss Bertha Zinnecker were the guests of friends in Caro last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Wager have moved to the farm of Jas. McArthur,

a mile west of town. Mrs. N. Bigelow went to Pontiac last week to spend a short time with

friends and relatives. Geo. Cole went to Detroit Thursday morning to consult a specialist in re-

gard to his poor health. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Colon McCallum of Greenleaf was buried one day last week.

Mrs. Claude Palmeiton has gone to Detroit where she is visiting her mother and other friends. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Seeley arrived

here Wednesday to spend a short time with friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Striffler were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. O. W.

Nique at Shabbona Sunday. Miss Violet Eno went to Detroit this week where she expects to re-

main until after the holidays. J. S. McArthur has returned to Cass City after spending several weeks in Grand Rapids and other places.

Wm. Sinclair returned home last week from the Canadian Northwest, where he has been the past summer. Miss Mary Osborne, who has been a

guest at the home of Walter Schell. returned to her home in Marlette Fri-Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Striffler of Argyle,

were the guests of the former's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Chris Strifller, Sunday. The Misses Margaret and Katheryn Miller entertained a number of their

evening. A. E. Boulton was in Caro last week attending the December term of the circuit court as juror from Elkland

township. Joseph Klein, residing northwest of town, has purchased a store at Hale and expects to move there sometime

next week. A daily story still Life tells of human joys and ills the next thing is the Christmas bells, and then the

Christmas bills! Mrs. H. T. Elliott, whose serious illness was mentioned last week, is recovering nicely and is again able to

Wm. Seeger and his father, M.

be around the house.

Seeger, went to Detroit this week with a carload of Christmas trees their home. The guests present were which they intend to sell in that city. Clem Tyo fell from a ladder while washing windows at H. P. Lee's furing features of the evening was a niture store Thursday and struck on

> Miss Vida Patterson has resigned her position as manager of the Moore Telephone exchange and Miss Bertha Zinnecker assumes the management

> Miss Ida Pullin, who has been employed in Mrs. M. J. McGillvray's millinery store the past season, returned to her home in Flint last Saturday morning.

> A game of basket ball at the town hall to-night between the local high school team and the high school beam from Pontiac, which promises to be an exciting one.

The young ladies who p o sto

More Locals on Feurth Pake.

Pork barrels at the Bakery.

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MAY END IN COURTS

Fierce Contest on in Third Infantry, Michigan National Guards.

NEW MAJOR TO BE ELECTED

Proposition to Conduct Voting by Mail Meets Disapproval - Rivals Campaign by Telegraph-May Wait Until Encampment.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 11.—The Third infantry, M. N. G., is all torn up over the proposed so-called "mail order election" of a major of the First bat talion, to succeed Charles Hendrick son, formerly of Houghton, who has resigned because he has moved to Wis consin.

The candidates for the place are Henry Schwellenbach, captain of Co. L., Menominee, and Edward G. Heckel. captain of Co. G., Houghton. Custom gives such election to the senior captain, but in this line the Menomined han has but three weeks the start of Heckel, both receiving their commissions as captains in the winter of 1903, so the seniority question does not cut much figure.

It was the idea of Col James N. Cox, of Lansing, assistant adjutant general, to have the election held by mail to avoid the expense of calling the regimental officers entitled to vote

together for the election. The rival candidates are campaigning by telegraph, but if a mail election is held undoubtedly the defeated candidate will air his grievances in the courts. It is said there is absolutely no statute under which an election of this description can be held by mail, and no precedent for so conduct-

It is pointed out that in the past elections were always called to fill vacancies or else there was a wait until the annual encampment, when the election could be held without added

SUGAR DEALERS FINED.

Detroit Firm Assessed For Accepting Rebates.

New York, Dec. 11.-C. Goodloe Edgar and Edwin Earle, members of the firm of Wm. F. Edgar & Sons, sugar dealers, of Detroit, Monday, in the United States court, pleaded guilty to accepting rebates on sugar shipments. They were fined \$6,000 each. The

fines were paid. Edgar and Earle were indicted in connection with the New York Central &Hudson River R. R. Co., and the American Sugar Refining Co. The New York Central was fined \$108,000 and the sugar company \$18,000, after being convicted after jury trial.

TO PRISON FOR LIFE.

Will Dunnigan Found Guilty of Murder at Hillsdale.

Hillsdale, Mich., Dec. 11 .- A jury in the circuit court here Monday morning after on hour and a half's deliberation in the case of Will Dunnigan, arrested in May, 1905, charged wi murdering Joe Cawsey, a night watchman in the screen door factory, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. Judge Chester sentenced Dunnigan to Jackson prison for life.

Indians All Excited.

Marshall, Mich., Dec. 11.—The residents of the Indian reservation at Athens, in the southwest corner of Calhoun county, are excited over the discovery of oil and gas. A representative of an oil company has been prospecting for weeks in this territory, and claims to have made discoveries. He has obtained options on several farms, and is securing about 4,000 acres. The company will lease the Train No. 6 runs Tuesday, Thur-day and land, sink wells and give the farmers cash bonuses and one-eighth of the

He Saw Lincoln Shot.

Traverse City, Mich., Dec. 11.—The body of Caspar F. Search, superintendent and general manager of the local branch of the American Butter Dish Co., was taken to Chicago for burial Monday morning. He was the last man to speak to Abraham Lincoln on the night he was shot in Ford's theater. Search was a United States messenger and had just delivered a message to the president. As he turned away, he heard the shot and saw Booth jump from the box to the stage.

Walker Gets Light Sentence.

St. Joseph, Mich., Dec. 11.—William Walker, charged and convicted of manslaughter, at the last term of court here, was sentenced Monday by Judge Coolidge to pay a fine of \$100, with \$500 costs. Walker was charged with causing the death of Miss Cleo Burk, of Niles, and was convicted after a bitter legal battle. The county has been shocked by the news of the sentence, and no little indignation is felt.

Suddenly Regains His Memory.

St. Joseph, Mich., Dec. 11.—George Steinman, who insisted on telling the grand jury, last week, "I don't remember," while being questioned and who was sentenced to the county jail for 15 days on a charge of contempt of court, signified his return of memory Monday, by coming back to the jury room and telling all that he knew concerning a certain gambling room in

THEIR ARMS INJURED.

ilar Nature Reported.

Startling Number of Accidents of Sim-

Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 11.-Mrs. J. Peterson, of this city, has received word that her son, Peter C. Peterson, aged 20, who is an electrician in the employ of the Western Pennsylvania Telephone Co., and lives in Pittsburg was injured Monday in a train wreck, losing an arm. The full extent of his injuries is not known, but his mother has gone to Pittsburg.

Standish, Mich., Dec. 11.-Mrs. Mary Sagaloo, the educated white wife of Peter Sagaloo, the full-blooded Chippewa Indian, living at Sagining, near here, fell and broke her arm just above where she broke it in August last, at the time of the Indian camp meeting. Owing to advanced age she may not recover.

Alpena, Mich., Dec. 11.—Two accidents in which persons had their arms severely broken and mangled, took

place here Monday. Roaul Leblane, an employe of the Excelsior works, caught his arm in a baling press and had it broken and badly mangled. William Magin, a schoolboy, fell under a loaded sleigh and had his arm broken and badly bruised. Both will recover.

Jackson, Mich., Dec. 11.-Ervine Van Fleck, a farmer living near Onondago, was struck by a switch engine at the Union depot here Monday, and had one arm so badly crushed that it was necessary to amputate it.

TWO PERISH IN FLAMES.

House Burns; Boy and Girl Die-Parent Made Desperate Effort

to Save Them.

Dowagiac, Mich., Dec. 11.-Frank Jonas, aged 19 years, and Jessie Jonas, his sister, a girl of 15, were burned to death in the destruction of their home, one mile west of the city. Their father made desperate efforts to save them. He was successful in rescuing his wife and a younger child.

Jonas was awakened by the crackupstairs to awaken Frank and Jessie. He was beaten back by the flames in the stairway. He ran and placed a ladder, and mounted to the secondstory window. As he opened it dense clouds of smoke poured out and flames again fought him back. His agony was pitiful as he realized that his two children must be left to certain death.

The children were probably suffocated as they slept. Their bodies were practically cremated ..

The fire is thought to have started from a defective chimney. Mrs. Jonas and a younger child escaped in their night clothes.

Brown Gets Better Job.

Washington, Dec. 11.-Charles S. Brown, of Grand Rapids, inspector of the government printing office, has tendered his resignation, to take effect the first of the year. Mr. Brown has accepted a better position with the Duplex Printing Press Co., of Bat-

MICHIGAN HAPPENINGS.

Because of the scarcity of men, the Smalley Motor Co., Ltd., of Bay City, is employing girls for the inter work in its foundry. Four we engaged first as an experiment. They have coremaking and made a success of pattern work, and the force is being

Louis Munson is dead and Peter Peterson in a critical condition as the House. result of drinking aconite. The men were employed with a gang of St. Paul railway construction men, at Menomiree. When they returned to camp o Saturday night, they emptied a bot-

Judge Parkinson of Jackson has orloser ever since it was opened, it is velt was re-elected.

tween \$400 and \$500 of the company's would leave Paris vacant." money. A warrant was issued for him Monday morning when the office was found deserted. Supt. Smith says quantity of silver was left.

"Bo" Slear, captain of the Tecumold son of Charles Cregor from drowning in the Red Mill pond, at Tecumseh, Sunday afternoon. He was at some pear. He dived for him four times beresuscitated the lad with difficulty, he could get a change of clothing.

Rebels Were Foiled.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 11.—The local police arrested here Sunday a they were embarking for Babahoyo, forty miles down the coast, for the purpose of conducting a revolutionary movement. Your of the men jumped into the river to escape arrest, and two of them were drowned. It is officially announced that revolutionists under Colonel Vegas ar now near Achupallas. Government troops are trying to sur ment in a fortnight.

VATICAN HEARD FROM

Pope's Family Declares Roosevelt Never Interfered Officially

IN SELECTION OF CARDINAL

Philbin, of New York, Refutes Statement Made in Storrer Letters-Former Ambassador Replies to the President's Explanation.

Rome, Dec. 10.-Since the recall of Bellamy Storrer from the post of ambassador of the United States to Austria-Hungary, last March, several attempts have been made to induce the vatican authorities to set forth what pressure, if any, had been brought to bear upon them from President Roosevelt to make Archbishop Ireland a cardinal, and the vatican has just declared, semi-officially, it could make no such statement, as President Roose. velt never had asked anything through official channels. It was explained that while several Americans, who declared they spoke with President Roosevelt's authority, had attempted to influence the giving of the red hat, they did not agree on the archbishop thus to be honored. The vatican authorities do not consider that President Roosevelt was responsible for these recommendations.

New York, Dec. 11.-Eugene A, Philbin, formerly district attorney of New York, was named in one of the letters, sent by Mrs. Bellamy Storer to President Roosevelt, as having been an emissary to Rome with a request from the president to the pope that Archbishop Farley, of this city, be raised to the cardinalate. Mr. Philbin was quoted Monday as saying:

"I will not discuss the matter further than to brand the statement as a ling of the fire. He attempted to go falsehood. I was never intrusted with such an errand, and, indeed, was not in Rome at the time referred to."

> Cincinnati, Dec. 11.-Mr. Bellamy Storer, former United States ambassador at Vienna, Monday afternoon gave the Associated Press the following statement, in reply to the letter of President Roosevelt, made public Sunday:

"My letter to the president and his cabinet was written for the cool, deliberate judgment of men who should be kept informed of the true facts in the conduct of the administration. It was not written for the public, nor hurriedly given to the press to anticipate public opinion. It stands, when taken in full, as my statement, and should be taken as an entirety, and, as such, I ask its calm perusal. In itself, it is an answer to many things the president has seen fit to say, but as new matter has been put forward by Mr. Roosevelt, I feel compelled to speak.

"There was no need of violent and insulting adjectives to show that the president dislikes me, and did not wish me to remain in the service, or to retire from it in any customary

"While the past has shown that few men can differ with either the wishes or the memory of Mr. Roosevelt without at once becoming a scoundrel and a liar, I must make some comment on what he has given out at the White

"That anything was ever written to the president by my wife to the effect 'that Mr. Choate and General Porter were not proper persons to be ambassadors,' is news to both of us. For tle found on a shelf, thinking it was both these distinguished men we have nothing but respect and good will, personally and officially. It would have dered the sale of the Jackson sani- been an honor to any one to take any tarium, valued at between \$80,000 and post ever filled by either of them after \$100,000. The petition for the sale they ceased to occupy it. And, the was made by L. H. Camp, receiver, only feeling possible is one of regret The sanitarium has been closed about that both of them have been lost to three months. It has been a money the public service since Mr. Roose-

"As to Mr. Root, the press in 1901 Harry Selbey, aged 20, night man at was full of statements that he might the office of the Michigan United Rail- not be able to remain in the cabinet ways Co., in Kalamazoo, is alleged to on account of health and would be have absconded Sunday night, with be- succeeded by General Porter, which

Education Bill Held Up Again. London, Dec. 11.—The government

that bills and receipts are missing. A has decided to reject all the house of lord's amendments to the education bill. Minister of Education Birrell an seh base ball team, in the Southern | nounced the fact in the house of com-Michigan league, rescued the 12-year- mons Monday afternoon, giving as a reason that the amendments were destructive to the fabric and main principles of the measure. Mr. Birrell exaistance when he saw the boy disap- pressed the hope that the upper house might withdraw the amendment as a fore he located the body. Then he whole and substitute others more limited in scope and operation, and intiand walked a mile and a half before mated that the government was prepared to consider some concessions, but the present amendments in their existing states, or anything like it, were quite unacceptable. He added that if the peers persisted in their origgroup of armed rebels at the moment; ial amendments, the bill would be sacrificed.

First Ordinance Adopted.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 11.-The Oklahoma constitutional convention, Monday, opened its third week by unanimously adopting its first ordinance, which accepts the enabling act. Monday's session was marked with a lively round them and compel them to fight. run of business. Planks providing for The secretary of war declares that the a disposition of prohibition, railroad government will put down this move and labor quetions were among the most important submitted.

STRUCK A REEF.

Steamer Monarch Wrecked-Passen

gers and Crew Safe. Fort Williams, Ont., Dec. 11.—The steamship Monarch, 1,700 tons, Captain Robison, of the Northern Navigation Co., is a total wreck on Isle Royale, having gone ashore some time Sunday on a rocky reef. So far as known there was no loss of life, all passengers and the crew having been able to make shore. The heaviest loss on cargo is that of Parish & Lindsay of Winnipeg, who had 35,000 bushels of wheat which is insured.

News of the wreck was brought to Port Arthur by the steamer Edmonton. Tugs were at once sent out from Fort Williams, and every effort will be made to make the passengers and crew comfortable after their harrowing experience in reaching shore. A snow and wind storm is raging on Lake Superior, and it is feared the survivors of the wreck will endure hardships before assistance can be sent them.

The Monarch was bound to Sarnia on Saturday. The Huronic which on Saturday. The Huronic, which was first reported lost, came into port while the wildest rumors concerning her loss were current.

On reaching shore members of the crew were exhausted, but built a fire that attracted the attention of the lighthouse keeper at Passage Island, who started for the scene at once. He had a small boat, and was unable to land. Purser Beaumont swam out in the cold water to the boat and told the story of the wreck. The lighthouse keeper then went back and sent for

TWO THOUSAND STRIKE.

Industrial Workers Demand Reinstatement of Three Discharged Men.

Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 11.-Two thousand members of the Industrial Workers of the World struck at the local plant of the General Electric Co., Monday, because the company refused to reinstate three members of the union, two of whom had been discharged for inefficiency and trouble with a foreman, and one who had resigned and who wished to be re-employed after his resignation had been

The union's demand for the re-instatement of these three men was couched in terms which the company styled "rank insubordination," and was refused. The management offered, however, to give the three men employment in other departments, or to give them 30 days' pay. The men were willing to accept the terms offered by the company, but the union voted unanimously to make the case The ultimatum was handed the

company, and the management was given three hours to accept it or the men would quit. At the appointed hour the men ceased work, but-did not leave the shops. The officials of the company say they will close the plant, if necessary, to maintain disthe trouble will not mean any serious interruption at the works.

The men threaten to close the company's power plant, which would deprive the city pumping station; the been carried out, and it is believed POINTS than most other typewriters. that the company can fill the strikers' places before such a calamity could with than those other COMPLICATED

Put Soldiers to Rout. Shanghai, Dec. 11.—The rebels at

Ping-Kiang, province of Kiang-Si, have caused the foreigners employed in the coal mines there to seek refuge at Changsha, have routed a small government force. The Chinese miners have struck in sympathy with the rebels. Reinforcements of troops are being sent to the scene of the disturb-

GENERAL MARKETS.

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1906. DETROIT-Wheat: No. 1 white. 78c; No. 2 red spot, 784c; Dec., 784c; May, 82%c; July, 80c. Corn: No. 3 mixed, 45½c; No. 3 yellow, 46%c. Oats: No. 3 white, 37c. Rye: No. 2 70c. Beans: Spot, \$1 30; Dec., \$1 30. Clover: Spot, \$8 40; Feb., \$8 45.

CHICAGO-Wheat: Dec, 711/4c; May, 79%c; July, 78%c. Corn: Dec. 42c; May, 441/4c. Oats: Dec., 34%c; May, 3614c. Pork: Jan., \$16 10; May, \$16 32. Lard: Jan., \$8 75; May, \$8 85. Ribs: Jan., \$8 55; May, \$8 60.

Live Stock Markets.

DETROIT-Cattle: Choice steers, \$4 50@5; common killers and fat cows, \$2 50@3 50; stockers and feeders, \$2 50@4. Milch cows: Steady, at \$25@45 each. Calves: Active, at \$4@ 7 50 per cwt. Sheep and lambs: Fair; choice lambs, \$7@7 25; light to fair, 6@6 75; mixed sheep and lambs, \$4 50@6 50; common killers, \$2 75@ 3 25; culls, \$2@2 50. Hogs: Prime mediums and fat yorkers, \$6 25@ 6 30; light yorkers and pigs, \$6 25@ 6 30; roughs, \$5@5 50. CHICAGO—Cattle: Beeves, \$4 15@

7 40: cows and heifers, \$1 70@5 25; stockers and feeders. \$2 50@4 50 Hogs: Mixed and butchers, \$6 05@6 40: pigs. \$5 50@6 25. Sheep: Lower; sheep, \$4@5 75; lambs, \$4 50@7 65. EAST BUFFALO-Cattle: Heifers, \$4 25@5; fat cows, \$3@4; butchers, \$3 75@4 10. Hogs: Yorkers and heavy, \$6 45@6 60; pigs, \$6 75. Sheep: Active; best lambs, \$7 80@ 7 85; fair to good, \$7 50@7 75; your-

lings, \$6 50@6 75; wethers, \$5 75@6;

ewes, \$5 25@5 50.

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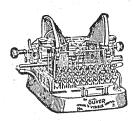
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The Manager Of the B. Q.A.

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CHAPTER XIV. Thursday the Herald published its report of the trouble at the shops. Oakley had looked forward to the paper's appearance with considerable eager-He hoped to glean from it some idea of the tactics the men would adopt, and in this he was not disappointed. Ryder served up his sensation, which was still a sensation, in spite of the fact that it was common property and two days old before it was accorded the dignity of type and ink, in his most impressive style:

The situation at the car shops has as minent. Matters came to a focus day before yesterday and may now be said to have reached an acute stage. It is expected that the carpenters, of whom quite a number are employed on repair work, will be the first to go out unless certain demands which they are to make today are promptly acceded to by General Cor-nish's local representative.

Both sides maintain the strictest se-ercey, but from reliable sources the Her-ald gathers that the men will insist upon Mr. Branyon being taken back by the

company.

Another grievance of the men, and one in which they should have the sympathy of the entire community, is their objec-tion to working with the manager's father, who came here recently from the east and has since been employed in the shops. It has been learned that he is an ex-convict, who was sentenced for a long term of imprisonment in June, 1875, for the murder of Thomas Sharp at Burton,

He was only recently set at liberty, and the men are naturally incensed and indignant at having to work with him. Still another grievance is the new schedule of

A committee representing every department in the shops and possessing the fullest authority met last night at the Odd Fellows' hall on South Main street, but their deliberations were secret. A well authentleated rumor has it, however, that the most complete harmony prevailed and that the employees are pledged to drastic measures unless they get fair treatment from the company.

Ryder tacked a moral to this, and the moral was that labor required a champion to protect it from the soulless greed and grinding tyranny of the great corporations which had sprung into existence under the fostering wing of corrupt legislation. Of course "the picturesque statesman from old Hanover" was the Hercules who was prepared to right these wrongs of honest industry and to curb the power of Cornish, whose vampire lusts fattened on the sweat of the toiler, and especially the toiler at Antioch.

A copy of the paper was evidently sent the "picturesque statesman," who had just commenced his canvass, for in its very next issue the Herald was able to print a telegram in which he "heartily indorsed the sentiments embodied in the Herald's ringing editorial on the situation at Antioch" and declared himself a unit with his fellow citizens of whatever party in their heroic struggle for a fair day's wage for a fair day's work. He also expressed as, indeed, he might well have been.

along with his breakfast. Half an hour later, when he reached the office. he found McClintock waiting for him. "The men want to see you, Mr. Oak-

ley. They were going to send their committee in here, but I told 'em you'd come out to them."

'All right. It's just as well you did." And Oakley followed him from the of-

fice.

The men were clustered about the great open door of the works in their shirt sleeves. From behind them in



"I don't wish to make him a scapegoat for the rest of you.'

the silence and the shadow came the pleasant, droning sound of machinery, like the humming of a million bees, There was something dogged and reckless in the very way they stood around with folded arms or slouched nervously to and fro.

Dan singled out Bentick and Joe Stokes and three or four others as the committee and made straight toward

"Well, men, what do you want?" he tsked briskly.

"We represent every department in the shops, sir," said Bentick civilly, "and we consider Branyon's discharge as unjust. We want him taken back." "And suppose I won't take him back, what are you going to do about it, eh?" asked Dan good naturedly, and, not waiting for a reply, with old time deftness he swung himself up into an empty flat car which stood close at hand and faced his assembled workmen. "You know why Branyon was dis-

missed. It was a business none of you have much reason to be proud of, but I am willing to let him come back on condition he first offers an apology to McClintock and to me. Unless he does he can never set his foot inside these doors again while I remain here. agree to this because I don't wish to make him a scapegoat for the rest of you, and I don't wish those dependent on him to suffer."

He avoided looking in McClintock's direction. He felt rather than saw that the latter was shaking his head in strong disapproval of his course. The committee and the men exchanged grins. The boss was weakening. They had scored twice-first against Roger Oakley and now for Branyon.

"I guess Branyon would as lief be excused from making an apology if it's all the same to Milt." said Bentick less civilly than before, and there was a ripple of smothered laughter from the crowd.

Dan set his lips and said sternly, but quietly, "That's for him to decide." "Well, we'll tell him what you say, and if he's ready to eat humble pie there won't be no kick coming from is," remarked Bentick impartially.

"Is this all?" asked Oakley.
"No; we can't see the cut." And a murmur of approval came from the

Dan looked out over the crowd. Why couldn't they see that the final victory was in his hands? "Be guided by me," he said carnestly, "and take my word for it, the cut is necessary. I'll meet you halfway in the Branyon matter. Let it go at that."

"We want our old wages," insisted Bentick doggedly.

"It is out of the question. The shops are running behind. They are not earning any money, they never have, and it's as much to your interests as mine or General Cornish's to do your full part in making them profitable.

"Wages can't go back until the business in the shops warrants it. If you will continue to work under the present arrangement, good and well. If not. I see no way to meet your demands. You will have to strike. That, however, is an alternative I trust you will carefully weigh before you commit yourselves. Once the shops are closed it will not be policy to open himself as honored by their confidence, them until fall, perhaps not until the But if you can af-Dar digested the Herald's report ford to lie idle all summer it's your own affair. That's exactly what it means if you strike."

He jumped down from the car and would have left them then and there, but Bentick stepped in front of him.

"Can't we talk it over, Mr. Oakley?" "There is nothing to talk over, Bentick. Settle it among yourselves." And he marched off up the tracks. with McClintock following in his wake and commending the stand he had taken.

The first emotion of the men was one of profound and depressing surprise at the abruptness with which Oakley had terminated the interview, and his evident willingness to close the shops, a move they had not counted on. It

dashed their courage. "We'll call his bluff!" cried Bentick, and the men gave a faint cheer. They were not so sure it was a bluff after

all. It looked real enough. There were those who thought with a guilty pang of wives and children at home and no pay day, the fortnightly haven of rest toward which they lived. And there were the customarily reckless souls, who thirsted for excitement at any price and who were willing to see the trouble to a finish. These ruled, as they usually do. Not a man returned to work. Instead they hung about the yards and canvassed the situation. Finally the theory was advanced that if the shops were closed it would serve to bring down Cornish's wrath on Oakley and probably result in his immediate dismissal. This theory found instant favor and straightway became a conviction with the ma-

At length all agreed to strike, and the whistle in the shops was set shricking its dismal protest. The men swarmed into the building, where each got together his kit of tools. They were quite jolly now and laughed and jested a good deal. Presently they were streaming off uptown, with their coats over their arms, and the strike was on,

An unusual stillness fell on the yards and in the shops. The belts as they swept on and on in endless revolutions cut this stillness with a sharp, incisive hiss. The machinery seemed to hammer at it, as if to beat out some lasting echo. Then gradually the volume of sound lessened. It mumbled to a dotage of decreasing force, and then everything stopped with a sudden jar. The shops had shut down.

McClintock came from the office and entered the works, pulling the big doors to after him. He wanted to see that all was made snug. He cursed loudly as he strode through the deserted building. It was the first time since he had been with the road that the shops had been closed, and it affected him strangely.

The place held a dreadful, ghostly inertness. The belts and shafting, with its innumerable cogs and connections reached out like the heavy knuckled tentacles of some great lifeless monster. The sunlight stole through the broken, cobwebbed windows to fall on heaps of rusty iron and heaps of dirty shavings,

In the engine room he discovered Smith Roberts and his assistant, Joe Webber, banking the fires, preparatory to leaving. They were the only men about the place. Roberts closed a furnace door with a bang, threw down his shovel and drew a grimy arm across his forehead.

"When do you suppose I'll get a chance to build steam again, Milt?" "Oakley says we won't start up before the first of September."

[TO BE CONTINUED.] MANAGING THE BOY.

Give Him a Fair Chance to Develop

His Personality. A boy early develops a personality of his own, which, if properly encouraged and trained, proves of inestimable value to him throughout life. If that is crushed by barsh treatment and overbearing discipline the boy's spirit is broken so that he usually proves a failure. If improperly developed it gives to the boy an overbearing, pomp ous spirit, which makes him disliked by all.

The successful development of the boy's personality depends largely upon the home treatment he receives. It is something that must be cultivated and encouraged, and yet, paradoxical as it may seem, it must be constantly checked and curbed, or, rather, it must be directed.

A mother, as the most important home factor in the situation, must recognize the boy's rights as well as her own. The two should never conflict and overlap. A boy soon grows conscious of his natural inheritance of certain rights which other boys possess, and if these are constantly curtailed and disregarded he is apt to grow stubborn, deceitful and secretive. Toward mother in particular he shows this disposition. He may not break out in open rebellion toward her because of certain chivalrous tendencies, but he will secretly decide that he knows best.-Mother's Magazine.

BRAISING.

A Method of Cooking That Makes Tough Meat Tender.

Braising is a method of cooking which is something like both boiling and baking, but differs from either. It is a favorite French way of cooking and is regarded as both economical and good, for it converts inferior pieces of meat into tender, tasty dishes.

First of all, a pan having a tightly fitting cover is essential. In France a special cover is made in such shape that live coals can be spread over the top. This is necessary, because much of their cooking is done with charcoal. With our stoves we can use either metal or earthenware. The latter is

savory sauce added. The dish is then | right between them. tightly covered and placed in a slow oven to cook. From half an hour to meat, according to its toughness. The meat will brown some even while a part of the liquid is evaporating. When removed half an hour before dishing.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

To cleanse a mica chimney rinse it carefully first in vinegar, then in cold

Don't overcurtain your windows. Dainty and pretty as curtains may be they shut out the air and light that are

so absolutely essential. Skim milk will take fresh ink out of a carpet. Son up the ink with a soft rag; pour a little milk on the spot, sop up that; pour on more and sop it up, proceeding in this manner until the

spot disappears. Horsehair furniture can be quickly cleaned by first beating it and brushing all dust from it, then wiping off with hot water to which has been added a tablespoonful of ammonia. Be sure to wipe with the grain of the cloth.

A majority of American mothers use more or less peppermint in their nurseries and may like to know that if they will mix one ounce of oil of peppermint with one pint of alcohol they will find it stronger, purer and cheaper than that sold in the shops.

Children's Clothes.

In making the sleeves in children's dresses make them quite full and long enough to turn a hem and gather at the wrist. Then when the sleeves are too short rip out the hem and gather into a cuff. Have a few tucks in the bottom of dresses. They improve the looks of a garment, and when it needs lengthening it is easier to rip out a tuck or two than let down a hem. When the children's stockings become thin on the knee run a patch of old stocking tops on the thin part, then cut the stocking off at the ankle, turn the patch to the back of the stocking and sew the top on the foot in a flat seam. They will wear as long as new ones.-Pittsburg Press.

Christmas Reconciliation

How Santa Claus Brought Peace to Two Troubled Old Hearts.

By JOANNA SINGLE.

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HEY were both sixty, and they both had gray hair, and their six children were all happily married and prosperous, but living at long distances from their parents. There was money enough for both, and both were in good health. But they were both wretched. For this state of affairs John Bowen blamed his wife and Mary Bowen blamed her husband. It had all come about since they sold the farm, three years ago, when Will, their youngest son, had married and moved to Colorado with his pretty wife, Alice. Then the old people had moved to town and had begun to quarrel. Nobody, not they themselves, knew just how it had begun, and only Mary, the eldest daughter, had suspected that anything was wrong. She had said nothing, considering silence the better part, until something really had to be done.

At last and suddenly things had come to a head. The pastor of the little church to which they belonged had noticed that there was an un-Christian coolness between husband and wife. They no longer sat side by side, some-



"JOHN," SHE SAID, "SHE IS OURS."

times one went home without the oth er, their offerings were no longer one, but separate gifts, and they disagreed in class meeting upon matters of doctrine. The pastor "labored" with them because of their example to younger married couples. This enraged John, who told him that

neither of them would come to church again and asked for their letters. preferable, because the heat is kept When, however, the pastor was gone more uniform, but any kind of deep he turned fiercely on his wife. He covered pan or kettle will do the work. said it was her behavior that had The meat which is to be cooked is ar- brought notice upon them, and she said ranged in the pan or kettle with or that if he was ugly at home she, for without eatables, according to the fla- her part, was not a hypocrite and vor desired; water, sauce stock or a would not pretend abroad that all was

Then each threatened to leave the other, and finally they talked of dividone hour is allowed for each pound of ing the property. At this they quarreled more fiercely than ever, not from selfishness, for each wanted the other to have the larger share. On this John it is desired well browned the cover is Bowen insisted until some devil prompted Mary to say his generosity was only for the purpose of putting her in the wrong by making her seem mercenary. Then they saw a lawyer, a kindly man, who failed to reconcile their differences, and from trying to divide the property each got more and more angry until finally Mary had the papers drawn up for a divorce, and John filed a cross claim. Neither would have the papers served just then. There were things to be attended to, and then the children must be told.

Somehow neither one of them could bear to tell the children, and more than once they were on the verge of making up. So it happened that it was almost Christmas time, and still nothing was done about it. However, the pastor finally wrote to their daughter Mary, asking her if she could not reconcile her parents to each other, and she wrote to her brothers and sisters. The three of them who could met and talked it over and concluded to adopt a plan evolved by Mary, who probably understood the root of the trouble better than the others. This daughter, her mother's name-

sake, had three fine children. Paul had four, and Elizabeth had two, one too small to leave its mother.

At the little home of the old people all was gloom. The old man was sorting and destroying old papers, and his wife was mending and arranging and cleaning her already clean house. She was bound to leave her husband comfortable and was convinced that no one would properly look after his flannels and his rheumatism when she had gone to her daughter's. This she had fully purposed to do, for she would not put him out of his own house. He was equally obstinate about leaving it to

Two days before Christmas Mary began to cook, with all her experienced skill, pumpkin and apple and mince and squash pies, fruit cake and layer

cake and plum pudding. She planned for turkey and for chicken pie, and her husband eyed her in gloomy retro spection of the glad old times, growl ing out to her that she seemed to be preparing for an army, and she flash ed out that this wasn't the time to be stingy and perhaps there would be some poor to feed-there always had been so far.

Then came the 24th day of December, a heavy snowstorm and much embarrassment for the old couple. Each had secretly sent all the children presents and a letter, neither mention ing the other, and the lawyer had call ed on them and told them that it was time to drop the divorce business and make up or push it and have it over with. They almost drove him from the house, and he laughed as he went down the street.

About noon John came in, gruff and shy, and put a great armful of holly on the white kitchen table. She looked at him till he explained.

"May Carr give it to me. They had too much at the church, and she give me no chance to say I didn't want ityou know May's way. She said the Christmas tree was the biggest the church ever had and there were more children needing things. She asked if you had anything pretty or useful you didn't want, and I said I would ask

They had missed the church woefully and had always helped out with everything. They had always been cheerful and charitable. This appeal touched them both.

Mary rummaged about and sent an offering that rejoiced the hearts of those who were trimming the tree. John took it to the church, and everybody shook hands with him and in the general gladness seemed to have forgotten that anything was wrong.

About 4, while Mary was alone resting after putting up all the holly, a telegram came for John. She did not know where he was, and she suffered the usual agony of simple people unaccustomed to receiving telegrams. She dared not open it and imagined the death and burial of all her children and grandchildren, one after the other.

While she was in this frame of mind another message came, and the boy had scarcely gone when a third arrived. Then she sent a neighbor's boy for her husband and received him almost fainting. He was as frightened as she, but the first read: "Meet 6 o'clock train tonight. Mary." The second said: "Meet 6 o'clock train tonight, Paul." The third bade him meet the 6 o'clock train and was signed "Elizabeth." While they stood staring at each other a boy brought another. This was different.

"Meet 8 o'clock train from west for little Christine. Alice died suddenly, yesterday. Mother, give her a home till I can get to you. Letter later." It was 5 then. They stood staring a moment, and then Mary fell to piling wood on the fire and spoke briefly to "Father, you'll have to hurry to get

to that train." He went out to the barn and hitched the team to the double cutter. When he came back he lifted down to their grandmother's arms her daughter Mary's three children, three of Paul's and one of Elizabeth's. They were all laughing and shouting and each was ticketed "Merry Christmas I am a gift to grandpa and grandma."

They were barely fed and warmed when John went to the later train and returned with the motherless threeyear-old Christine in his arms. She had been put in the conductor's care was sound asleep, with tears on her cheeks and her yellow curls tousled. on her grandfather's shoulder. Her grandmother reached up for her.

"John," she said, "she is ours. must keep things together for the children! John, I'm awfully ashamed of how hard I've been, and I ain't ashamed to say so. Will you forgive me? He stooped suddenly and kissed her as he put the child in her arms.

"Ma," he said, "I've been an old fool, right!" And she smiled happily up at

Tried to Bribe Santa.

The appearance of the Salvation Army Santa Clauses on the streets of New York are the occasions of many a espy them. In Twenty-third street a patron saint of toys and children and, out, "Here, Santa Claus, take this; I don't want you to forget me," and was back to the side of her mother again in an instant. The little lass had tried to bribe the saint!

Something to Look Big. Mr. Bigheart-Wiggins, old boy, we have raised \$50 to get the boss a Christmas present, and we want something that will make a show for the money-something that will look big, you know. Can't you suggest something?

Wiggins-Sure. Buy \$50 worth o rice and boil it.—Men and Women.

Salvation Army as Santa Claus. The thousands of cents or nickels or dimes dropped into the Salvation Army's iron kettles under the red tripods at the street corners in New York city last December provided Christmas dinners for fully 28,000 poor people, and 450 were supplied with clothing with the money contributed by the public.

> The Merchildren's Lament. Little Sissie Mermaid In the deep was weeping; Little Johnnie Merboy Company was keeping.

Cause of their bewailing? We admit it shocking-They can never, never Have a Christmas stocking! -New York Herald.

CHRISTMAS EVE IN PARIS.

Picturesque Scenes at the Madeleine, Historic French Church.

They drove to the Madeleine through streets already full of life and movement of hurrying crowds, darting figures now plunged in the black shadows and now slipping out into the full glare of the clustered lights. The big perspective of the Place de la Concorde, thickly sown with lamps, was shot through with glistening reflections from the tops of carriages, the areade of the Rue de Rivoli was brilliant as a stage setting, the hotels in the broad Rue Royale were ablaze with light, and far at the end of the street, where the lofty portico of the Madeleine showed clear against the starry sky, a hundred sparks twinkled from the cabs flitting along the boulevard.

The steady roll of wheels merged with the varying notes of horns in motors and the sound of talk and laughter from the sidewalks, and all blended in a great humming symphony, struck through with the rattling, syncopated clack-clack of hoofs upon the asphalt, like the staccati of sharp drums.

The crowd at the Madeleine was almost impassable, but somehow they gained the steps, the vestibule, and were swept in the solid pack of men and women through the door at the right. The great floor was filled with a throng as varied as Paris itself. Piety and the idlest curiosity, youth and age, came together. As the procession came in sight its song was joined by the organ in the sanctuary, and the music rose louder and fuller in a single godlike voice ranging down from the dazzling altar.

Suddenly, like artillery, the great organ overhead crashed out in a volume of sound that flooded the whole vast interior like a wave, sweeping over the heads of the kneeling crowd and mounting to the shadowy arches of the roof. The very concussion took the listeners' breath away, and in the recoil men and women burst into tears, and billows of emotional excitement rolled back and forth through the church.—Winfield Scott Moody in

YULETIDE IN SHETLAND.

Curious Customs In the Island Where the Ponies Come From.

The festival of Yule, as is well known, dates back to prehistoric times, when men worshiped nature rather than nature's God.

The inhabitants of the Shetland isles are descended from Norsemen, who were zealots in religious belief, and "Yule" to them meant a season of great importance. The "Gammel Norsk Hjul" signifies, literally, "wheel," and the festival so called was held in honor of the sun at the winter solstice wheeling round toward the equator. The return of the sun formed an important period of the year as being the beginning of renewed life in nature, which only could be revived by the light and warmth of the ascending orb.

The course of the sun was observed in all things as far as possible. Everything was turned from left to rightthe boat was so turned on the water, the corn stacks so built in courses, the mill so turned in grinding and the wheel in spinning-in fact, everything went with the sun, even the round of the drinking horn.

Many superstitions included in nature worship had full scope at the "Hjul" time-or more modern "Yule" —when a vast multitude of "trows." or fairy folk, who at that season were not only active, but maliciously disposed, had to be propitiated. To give the fairy folk no opportunity

of playing tricks, the fishing creel and lines were removed from the wall, the spinning wheel taken out of gear and its integral parts laid aside, and everything suspended from ceiling or walls lifted down, as if left in their usual places the ubiquitous elves were supand I'm the one to blame! I'll go and posed to set all going against the sun's straighten things at church and if you'll motion, which of course would mean have me for a Christmas present all serious trouble. The time of Yule was, and still is, rigidly observed as "helly' -i. e., a time of rest from all manner of labor.-Madame.

> Christmas In Guam. Christmas was celebrated in Guam

last year in as true American style as curious little scene when the children the possibilities of the situation would permit. Great interest was taken by little girl suddenly rushed up to the the Americans in celebrations for the native children. A number of enterthrusting into his hand a quarter, cried | tainments were provided. A feature was a floating Christmas tree, magnificently decorated, which was paraded through the streets of Agana drawn by six plumed mules with costumed outriders and preceded by a native band and from which Santa Claus distributed abundance of good cheer.

A New Malady.

It was Christmas day, and the candy lion had been waiting-oh, so patiently -for Mary to finish her dinner. Much against her baby wishes had she been obliged to swallow the last of her bread. When her mother insisted on her finishing her milk the small face looked up in desperation as she lisped, "Mozzer, if I eat any more food I will be humpback in my stomach, like grandpa!"-Lippincott's.

Only Two Realities. Billy-So yer didn't get nuthin' but a jackknife and a sled fer Christmas?

Tommy-Yes, dat's all I got worth speakin' of. Dere wuz a suit of clothes, and a overcoat, and a hat or two, and some underclothes, and a book of poems, and some stockin's and gloves, and some collars and cuffs, and a few other things like dat, not worth speakin' of.-Men and Women.

Don't Let the Mistletoe Drop. It is very unlucky if the mistleton should fall from the place where it has been hung up.

There is no gift more appreciated by the average person than one of furniture, because it is alike useful and ornamental, lasts many years, and gives the most satisfaction.







It is impossible to name all the good things that we are offering for the Christmas trade, but we want you to call and see the articles yourself for we are certain that we have the goods that are bound to please you.

Something for every member of the family. Call early while the stock is at its best, for the early buyer is wise.

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(It won't appear again) and bring it to my store and it will be"

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> From now until Christmas.

LOCAL ITEMS.

The Foresters will have a special meeting next Thursday evening, Dec. 20, at which time will occur the election of officers. A good attendance is desired by the officers.

We are pleased to note that the time. quarantine has been removed from the home of Louis Wheeler and that he is on the road to recovery from his long illness of typhoid fever.

B. M. Garfield, who is here directing the local talent play for the Eastern Star is a cousin of James R. Garfield, who has lately been appointed to President Roosevelt's Cabinet.

Andrew Hempton brought a sleighload of young folks to Cass City last Eriday evening to spend a few hours at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hempton. A jolly time is reported.

H. McColl was called to Clachan, Ont., a week ago owing to the serious illness of his mother who died last Saturday. D. R. Graham left Saturday to attend her funeral, Mrs. Mc-Coll being his grandmother.

The names of Mr. and Mrs. John Eno and family were accidentally overlooked in the list of persons who attended the party given for Mrs. Eno's tioning the occasion in last week's

council rooms this (Friday) afternoon are interested in building rural lines

are especially invited to attend. Mr. Sackett at Wickware and has articles. been busy the past week arranging a

Cornelius operates three groceries now, one at Cass City, another at Rochester and a third at Wickware.

Two sleighride parties were given Tuesday evening. One came from McHugh and the young people were the guests of Miss Winnie McTavish. The second load of young people were evening with Guy Allard, west of

on Sunday in a large sleigh, which was hitched to his automobile. The crowd seemed to be having a fine time auto which furnished the power, was a source of much pleasure.

John Schwaderer expects to leave this week for Detroit to transact business. After remaining in that city for a few days, he expects to start on a western trip. Owing to poor health, he has given up his business here and his brother, Chris Schwaderer, is conducting the market at the present

H. P. Woolman, living west of town, has a "sheep record" of which he is justly proud. From the product of five ewes during the past year he has realized \$80.95 as follows: For 50 pounds of wool, \$14.00; from the sale of nine lambs weighing 1,030 pounds, at 6 cent a pound, \$66.95. Can a better record be produced?

The Sir Knights of the Maccabees of Cass City have invited the Lady Maccabees to enjoy a social evening with them in Maccabee hall on the ber, when they will do all in their power to make the evening a pleasant is worth the price of admission alone. be present at nine o'clock.

Marc S. Wickware, G. Thomas and C. W. McKenzie and the Misses Vida Patterson, Martha Henry, Etta Schenck and Beatrice Cochraen attended a party at Caro last Thursday night and arrived in Cass City about eight o'clock Friday morning. We mother, Mrs. Lucy Brown, in men- understand they found some fine pieces of road between Caro and Cass City.

The residence of Duncan McPhail, telephone company will be held at the one mile west of Greenleaf, was de- 48 inch at the surprisingly low price stroyed by fire one day last week. of \$4.00 worth \$7.00 of anyone's money. at two o'clock. Farmers who have The fire was caused by a defective telephones in their residences or who stovepipe and the women of the house when Mr. Garfield was here before so J. Cornelius has leased the store of with the exception of one or two Drug Store when the sale opens.

stock of goods at that place. Mr. meyere and his bride at the residence ing them at actual cost rather than

of Wm. Davies last Friday evening carry them over to another year; you dancing will not start until the play was a delightful social event. Some should anticipate your wants. Great is over. Bill 25 cents. beautiful pieces of cut glass were presented to the guests of honor from refreshments were daintily served by the Misses Nina Price and Myra Livingstone, relatives of the groom-Vassar Times.

The following officers were elected at the meeting of the K. O. T. M. M. lodge held last Friday evening: Commander, E. W. Keating; Lieut. Commander, E. A. Geitgey; R. K., G. E. Peikins; F. K., M. L. Moore; Chaplain, Thos. Cross; physician, J. H. Hays; Sergeant, John Scriver; M. at A., Wm. Ball; 1st M. of G., M. Seeger: 2nd M. of G., P. S. Rice; sentinel, A. Marks; picket, I. W. Hall.

Notice how pretty the decorations are in the store windows these, days? Next time you go down town take particular notice of the Christmas goods now on exhibition for your benefit. The merchants get ready early for you so that you may have the ben efit of their more leisure time and the shoppers should help them by making early purchases. Never were such large and attractive bargains ever before offered to the public in this vicin-

Geo. Robinson and Al Hawksworth, wo young men working at Chas. Mc-Durmon's lumber camp, were injured by a falling tree last Wednesday. Their injuries were not serious but they were obliged to discontinue work and were taken to their homes near Cumber a day or two after the acci- Outings, dent. The young men sustained no broken bones. The McDurmon crew are removing the pine from the John Striffler farm which was purchased recently by outside parties.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected by Hazel Hive, L. O. T. M. M. at the regular meeting Tuesday evening and the following is the result: Commander, Miss Matie Spurgeon; lieutenant commander, Mrs. E. K. Wickware; record keeper, Miss Carrie Robinson; finance keeper, Mrs. M. L. Gulick; chaplain, Mrs. Ed Brotherton; mistress at arms, Mrs. J. F. Hendrick; sergeant, Mrs. D. Tyo; sentinel, Mrs. Jennie Cooley; picket, Mrs. P. S. Rice; organist, Mrs. T. L. Tibbals; physician, M. M. Wickware.

Last Saturday afternoon at the regalar meeting of the Ladies' Circle of the G.A.R. the following officers were elected for the coming year: Pres., Mrs. A. G. Houghton; senior vice pres., Miss Bertha Wood; junior. vice pres., Mrs. Mary Ford; sec., Mrs. N. McPhail; treas., Mrs. D. P. Deming; chaplain, Mrs. Ogden Atwell; conductress, Mrs. Chas. Henderson; guard, Mrs. H. Baxter. The Circle expects a visit from the inspecting officer, Mrs. Barber, of Caseville on the 21st, when a good time is expected. They intend to have an oyster supper for the members.

A happy wedding ceremony was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Murphy, northeast of town, Wednesday afternoon at two from town and enjoyed a pleasant o'clock, when their daughter, Mable, was united in marriage to Arthur Helwig, Rev. Mulholland of the M. E. church officiating. They were attendnumber of his friends over from Caro ed by Miss Cerlistia Crawford and Calvin J. Striffler, and the wedding march was played by Miss Fame Mc-Intyre. The bride was becomingly and the novelty of riding behind an attired in a pretty gown of gray and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Only the immediate friends and relatives were present numbering about 40 in all. Mr. and Mrs. Helwig will reside in Cass City and will occupy the M. G. Flynn residence on Third street east. The Chronicle joins with their friends in extending congratulations.

Business Pointers

A few oil cloth rugs at A. A. Hitchcock's very cheap.

Wilsey & Cathcart are selling children's coats at actual cost. Surely every child should have one.

Best lumbermen's socks and rubbers at A. A. Hitchcock's.

What better Christmas present can you give your children than one of Wilsey & Cathcart's nice warm coats? evening of Friday, the 21st of Decem- They are selling them at actual cost. The great fire scene in "Mismated"

one to all. The ladies are expected to It shows a house all in flames with the firemen in operation. Specially good values in warm

goods. A. A. Hitchcock. Ask E. W. Keating about cheap life insurance rates. New plans in

which you may insure until you are 50, 60 or 70 years of age, or for life. At A. A. Hitchcock's you will get the best bargains in fur coats.

Wilsey & Catheart are selling an Another meeting of the co-operative three and one-half miles north and elegant line of women's black coats, Remember people were turned away

> were at home alone at the time. All all wishing good seats better be on the household effects were burned hand Saturday at 10 a. m. at Wood's

> Wilsey & Cathcart are over stocked The reception tendered Dr. Welle- with children's coats. They are sell-

bargains.

count of the play at the opera house, tailor.

A dance will be given at Doerr's many novelties for fall suits. Call friends in the Epworth League and Hall Tuesday night, Dec. 18. On ac- and see them. W. H. Ruhl, the

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J. F. HENDRICK,

The Jeweler.



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DEFORD, MICHIGAN.

To the People of Cass City and surround= ing Country:

The list of subscribers given herewith shows that we have almost doubled the users of our telephone system in and around Cass City within the last eight months, there being now nearly 150 subscribers. The farm subscribers now number about fifty and this number will be doubled within a very short time. Our present investment in farm lines is nearly, if not quite, as large as the cost of the entire town telephone exchange. This is not by any means the only improvement. We have built into Cass City during the last summer a new toll line of the best construction reaching all northern towns. Also rebuilt the entire north half of the town and moved our central into a new suite of offices over the Cass City Bank which we have leased for a number of years and which we have equipped in such a way that we, as well as yourselves, can be justly proud of. In fact, it son, James, of Deckerville, were in is as good as is usually found in towds many times as large. Besides this we have established con- town on Monday. tinuous service, have thrown our office key in the well and have raised our rate to \$24.00 for business places, while our residence rate is \$12.00. Surely not an unreasonable rate considering what on Saturday after spending a week we have done and the fact that nearly everything we have to buy in the business has raised 30 to 40 per cent. in cost within the last three years. In fact, we have not accepted any new subscribers in residences for several years at a less rate than we now charge, while in business places it has been some two years that we have been charging all new subscribers the new rate. Under the new schedule, long distance subscribers' rates are not affected as they were already paying \$36.00 per year and this has not been changed. There are a number of these subscribers. We might name a few from memory. The Frutcheys, Mr. McGeorge, Mr. Auten, Mr. Heller, Mr. Doerr and several others. (We might say Mr. Doerr who maintains the long distance service in his hotel does so entirely for the benefit of his patrons as he cares little for the long distance, personally.)

Further, the new rate does not affect the residences excepting those who have had the service for years and are, therefore, on the old, old basis. The new schedule is cheaper for the doctors, as under their old arrangement for the kind of night service, they were paying \$12.00 per year extra or \$32.00 per year for business places in all. Our farm rate of \$15.00 per year is the Board.

same as usually charged throughout the state for the same service.

We believe the farm subscribers we have installed about Cass City have doubled the value of the telephone in every business place. There is a large number of people who appreciate the great effort we have been making in and around Cass City and I wish to heartily thank them for their appreciation. On the other hand, there are some who are complaining and thin they want another telephone exchange, but it is my candid opinion that after they try two telephones for a short time they will be sorry indeed, and I would suggest that investigation be made by a properly authorized committee in towns that have tried it. I can refer to, at least, one town not one hundred miles from Cass City where a local man with some influence was offered a snug sum by the opposition telephone company to agitate the people and tried to dissitisfy them with their present service and promote a new telephone exchange, the company knowing they would be unsuccessful themselves. The obvious object of the company was to enable the same to get a snare of the toll (out of town) business. The scheme was successful from the promoter's standpoint but at the expense of his neighbors. There was, of course, two exchanges, and in order for the people to get a complete service, all were compelled to have both 'phones which made them an unsatisfactory service at that. After operating these for some two years, about three years ago a successful effort was made to consolidate the two exchanges placing the rate the same as now charged in Cass City while they do not get night service. Needless to say the prometers new tind it impossible to inveigle the people there with two telephone systems although it has been tried several times. The people of the town have had quite enough of it. 1 would suggest that this town be one of the points your committee visits. After the matter is carefully considered, if it is decided that Cass City has another telephone exchange, do not think we will immediately dive after our office key. You will find us still soliciting the town and surrounding farm trade and shall make our best efforts to make our service so valuable that you cannot afford to be without it, even though it costs twice the price and even though you had two telephone exchanges in your town besides our own.

Lastly, I would say that we extend a cordial invitation to our subscribers and friends to call and inspect our office over the Cass City Bank at any time. I believe those who have not seen it will be favorably surprised with

Respectfully yours,

its up-to-date appearance.

Names marked with * will be connected soon.

W. J. MOORE.

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ARGYLE.

Angus McPhail was a caller in Sanlusky last week

Mr. and Mrs. Tewksbury, of Shabbona, were callers in town on Monday. Joe McCarty visited friends at Brown City the fore part of last week. Mr. and Mrs. August Freiburger and son, Harold, spent Sunday at San-

M. and Mrs. S. W. Striffler visited the former's parents at Cass City or

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stevenson and

Mr. Tuckey returned to Port Huron

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Henry, Miss Anna Henry and Mr. Blade, of Cass City,

Sundayed at Isaac Henry's. Mrs. Chas. McCarty spent Sunday at

Yale with her mother, Mrs. Zavits, who is about to leave for California. The Literary Association will meet

at the school house Saturday afternion, Dec. 15th. Everybody welcome. Supervisor McGarry, of this place, and Supervisor Caister, of Evergreen, left Monday morning for Sandusky to be present at the meeting of the

ELMWOOD.

Orville Ware is home. Chas. Hammond was in Caro Wed-

Honier Lockwood is numbered with

Chas. Seekings is drawing beets for

Cyrus Hall. Will Ware has sold his team to his orother, Orville,

this vicinity.

A. J. Spitler has returned to his

in the northwest. Jas. Walters took a large load of pork and poultry to Bay City the fore

part of this week.

Quite a number from here attended the party in Geo. Wald's Hall last Friday night; all report a good time.

KARR'S CORNERS.

Selah Butler has purchased a new

Ezra Muma is visiting relatives at

The Gekeler boys are drilling a well on the Winton school grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. John McLellan of absence. Cass City called on M. C. Tanner on Sunday.

of Detroit are visiting at the home of away wrath." Wm. Ritchie. Miss Florence Tanner spent the

Mrs. Lockhart and daughter, Jane,

latter part of last week with Mrs. F. S. LaForge at Gagetown.

Gagetown Grain company, spent Sunday at his parental home. Mr. and Mrs. John Doerr are now

cozily settled in their new home recently purchased from Geo. Bacon. for their new home in Detroit. We are sorry to lose such good people from our midst but wish them every blessing in their new surroundings.

Owing to the continued health of the occupant, the E. C. Poppleton farm of 120 acres, three and one-half miles northwest of town is for sale. If not sold, might be rented. Might take a smaller farm near Cass City in part pay. This is a fine property. See Laing & Janes or write E. C. Poppleton, Birmingham. 11-2-10

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Leave your order early for your....

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The early purchaser has the advantage over the tardy one by selecting when the dealers have a little leisure.

All orders receive prompt attention at the market of



Cass City.

HAY CREEK.

Mrs. Della Herriman transacted business in Cass City Saturday.

T. E. Pringle was called to Ontario last week on account of the illness of his brother.

Miss Mary Muma of Cass City at-Sunday morning.

R. H. McQueen and Roy Durkee returned to Caro Saturday after spending a few days with their parents. Ralph Loney accompanied them.

Quite a number from here expected to attend the Sunday school convention which was held at Shabbona last week, but were disappointed on account of the bad weather and roads.

SCHOOL NOTES.

SHABBONA SCHOOL. Guy Granger entered school Mon-

day.

We missed the presence of our janitor in school Monday morning.

Misses Iva Brown and Jennie Nickels visited school Monday afternoon. Paul Auslander hauled a fine pile of kindling wood to the school last

We are very pleased to note the scarcity of tardy marks on our register. 'Tis well 'tis so, for "as the twig is bent so the tree is inclined".

An exciting arithmetic match was held last Friday afternoon and Ernest Parrott and Flossie Leach were captains, the latter's side scoring 1,340 and the former's side 1,862.

A searching examination on U. S. Benjamin McConkey, of Montana, history was held last Wednesday. is visiting friends and relatives in Those who received excellent standings were Anna Brooks, Bertha Coulter, Edith Chapman. Elmer Chaphome here after spending the summer man, Flossie Leach, Harvey McGregor and Myla Granger.

J. A. MacKichean, Teacher. GAGETOWN SCHOOL.

Linn Leslie was absent from school Monday.

Mae Graham is absent from school this week.

Miss Dickinson of Elyria, Ohio, visited the school Tuesday.

Roy Stafford and Ernest Wooley en

tered the high room Monday. The pupils of the primary room are busy making Christmas presents.

Olive Earl and Edna Moulton have returned to school after several days'

Teacher-"Why don't you talk ouder when you recite?" Pupil-"A soft answer, turneth

SHABBONA.

Next Sunday the Rev. R. Stephenson will preach as follows; Shabbona Ed Knight, who is employed by the at 11 a. m. Subject, "The fall of Jericho." Greenbank at 3 p.m. Wickware at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "The Winter of Life." Revivals commence in Wickware M. E. church on Sunday, Jan. 13th. Rev. Harding, of Deford, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bacon leave soon (missioner.) Look out for later notice.

Long Tennessee Fight.

For twenty years W. L. Rawls Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. 25c at Ryans' Drug Store and L. I. Wood & Co., druggists.

THUMB NOTES.

William J. Beecher, a former jeweler at Sandusky, died at the home of his father-in-law, M. C. Graves, at Vassar, of consumption last week. He was 24 years old. His father, Lewis

Daniel G. Schneider of Cass City has leased the blacksmith shop of L. Bordeau and will take possession next Monday, Dec. 10 Mr. Schneider is a practical blacksmith and horseshoer and comes to Minden City with the highest recommendations of the people of Cass City. - Minden City Herald.

A barrel containing about a gallon of gasoline exploded at the depot last Saturday night while it with a number of other empties were being loaded into a freight car. The gasoline was ignited by the trainmen's lan-terns and both ends of the barrel were terns and both ends of the barrel were blown into fragments. The report FIVE SHORTHORN BULLS, ranging in ages from two to nine months, for sale. Call was plainly heard by many in different parts of the city. It was a genent parts of the city. It was a genuine surprise party to the train crew and for a time they didn't know whether it was the crack of doom or scheme they didn't know whether it was the crack of doom or scheme they are the train crew for sale, located at the south end of woodland Avenue. Enquire of Rev. O. Y. Schneider. 9-28-tf whether it was the crack of doom or the depot that had blown up.--Croswell Jesfersonian.

Umbrellas repaired at C. L 6-1-tf Spencer's. Snug fits, proper lengths and

first-class materials will be found in our fall overcoats. W. H. Ruhl, the 10-12-

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EDITOR CHRONICLE: If space permits please print the following which is an expression of

A. G. HOUGHTON. my sentiments. The Pitiful Battle of Greeds.

Miss Mary Muma of Cass City attended services at the F. M. church Sunday morning.

A sleighload of young people from Cumber came to the F. M. church on Sunday evening—befter late than never.

This said that the banner of peace is furled Most often o'er faiths and creeds, And that fully one-half of the wars of the world Are neither for right nor needs, But simply to make some small faction seem right. Or to help some sectarian cause. And I think we must seem to the Father of Light Light which we provide the faith which we must seem to the faith which we

For what matters the faith which we private-ly hold, Or the heaven we specially crave,
When our brethern all 'round us are hungry
and cold.
With bodies and souls to save?
And who will it trouble, life's journey once

By which of the numerous roads We traveled in order to gain the same shore, If we carried the ''little ones'' loads? If we helped our neighbors, encouraged the And tried to be faithful and good. If we loved all the fallen, made weary hearts And did just the best that he could?
For the Master preached "loving," not valor
or might,
And I think that his tender heart bleeds
For his children, who leaving the better work,

In the pitiful battle of creeds.

J. Maier,

Photographer.

Enlarged Photographs from original negatives, sizes from 12 x14 as large as desired. An especially nice picture for a Christmas gift.

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All the latest styles in Christmas mounts.

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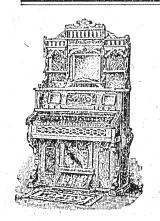
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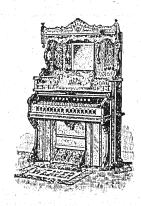








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That high collars tend to produce nervous headaches among both men and women is the most recent discovery of a well known Vienna physician. Quite accidentally the doctor's attention was directed to the very high and very tight style of collar worn by a patient who was always complaining of headaches and giddiness. The collar was laid aside, thus removing the compression of the neck, and the patlent's headache and giddiness disappeared. Struck by this result, the doctor paid particular attention to the onars worn by his "headache patients," and in very many instances the change to lower and easier fitting collars brought immediate relief. In the case of a woman wearing high stiff neckbands it was found that doing away with these had a similarly beneficial result. The doctor declares that nobody with any tendency to headache should wear high collars.-Pall Mall

Headache and Collars.

Vegetable Soups.

Put one ounce of shredded suet into a frying pan. Cut into it one small onion, one carrot, a potato and a turnip. Stir until all the vegetables are slightly browned, then turn them into a soup kettle. Add two tablespoonfuls of rice, some celery seed and two quarts of cold water. Simmer gently one hour, fine sieve. Return to the soup kettle, add two level tablespoonfuls of corn flour moistened in a little cold water, stir continually until it boils, add a palatable seasoning of salt and pepper and serve. This soup should be about the consistency of cream. If too thick add a little hot water.

One hundred sixty=five Different Kinds of Picture Mouldings

in stock. Come and see them. Picture Frames made

Lenzner's Furniture Store.

How Uncle Sam's Stepchildren Re-

AT THE "FOREIGN" WINDOW

member "Old Country" Friends. "Home and mother!"

These magic words are responsible for the sending out of Cleveland daily at this season of the year of thousands of dollars. At the window over which is the word "Foreign," in the money order office at the postoffice, a continuous string of people patiently await their turn to send sums varying from \$5 to \$25 to loved ones living in what they lovingly call the "old country."

Out of their bounty Cleveland's adopted children are sending something to cheer up those who are living in less favored climes. From week to week they lay small sums aside as the end of the year approaches. When they have accumulated the necessary amount they troop down to the postoffice, the one bank in which foreign ers have absolute confidence, and send to mother, father, brother or sister the tokens of their regard. Distances are so great that the actual money is much more appropriate than any of the gaudy articles which would naturally be forwarded.

"Me getta twenta dol's worth," ex plained one woman as she elbowed her way gradually to the window.

"What?" demanded the clerk. He required to understand everything. "Me wanta twenta dol's," repeated the woman.

"Oh, you want to send \$20 home. explained the clerk.

The woman signified with her head that she certainly did want to send some money home. Tightly clutching ber check, she made a break to mail the order. Her face was lighted up with glad look.

"Who are you sending it to?" aske the clerk of the next in the line.

"Mudder," says the woman. It is the only word she utters as she lays down two ten-dollar bills. Enough said. She too, clutched her order as if it was a pardon from death and hurried away

Russians in large numbers, Italians Germans and Irish are among the daily throng that seeks to make the loved ones at home happy.—Cleveland Plain

SANTA CLAUS' WORKSHOP.

Curious Corner of Toyland Is the Austrian Village St. Ulrich.

Tourists wandering out of the beater tracks of their kind occasionally come to a little village in Austria which pre sents the aspect of a corner of toyland. The name of the village is St. Ulrich and nearly all of its inhabitants are toymakers. Each household, too, has its specialty. One old woman has done nothing but carve wooden cats, dogs,

wolves, sheep, goats and elephants. She has made those six animals her whole life long, and she has no idea how to cut anything else. She makes them in two sizes and turns out as nearly as possible a thousand of them a year.

She has no model or drawing of any kind to work by, but goes on steadily, unerringly, using gauges of different sizes and shaping out her cats, dogs, wolves, sheep, goats and elephants with an ease and an amount of truth to nature that would be clever if they were not utterly mechanical.

This woman learned from her mother how to carve those six animals, and her mother had learned, in like manner, from her grandmother. She has taught the art to her own granddaughter, and so it may go on being transmitted for generations.

In another house one will find the whole family carving skulls and crossbones for fixing at the bases of crucifixes, for the woodcarving industry has its religious as well as its amusing side. In other houses are families that carve rocking horses or dolls or other toys and in still other houses whole families of painters.—London Tit-Bits.

Edible Christmas Novelties.

planned this original Christmas for her to the family with three small boys, homemade candy and stuffed dates to college youths and maidens, two individual plum puddings to the dear old lady who keeps house by herself, a loaf of salt rising bread and one of nut bread to the bride serving her first Christmas dinner and a basket of doughnuts to the eastern chap spending his first holiday season away from home. Mince pies and pound cake were among her gifts. All these went done up in the most-attractive manner. -Chicago Record-Herald.

Where Christmas Trees Grow. the 1,500,000 or more Christmas trees used in America each season grow on the bleak hillsides of eastern and northern Maine. Thousands of young farmers and timbermen make good incomes by cutting and shipping the trees. The Christmas tree business in Maine began only about thirty years ago, with four schooners to carry the cargoes of trees. Now many times that number of vessels are engaged in the trade. Most of the trees sent from Maine are firs.

Mistletoe and Holly. Hangin' of the mistletoe - that's where

Love is led,
An' ain't his cheeks as rosy as the holly berries red!

An' his eyes they shine like starlight, an' the sweetest word that's said He whispers 'neath the mistletoe an'

Hangin' of the mistletoe-an' take your rosy place, Laughin' lips an' bright cheeks, where the dimples love to race!

An' listen to that story that holds heaven in its embrace—

'neath the mistletoe an'

-Atlanta Constitution.

Famous Folk

Beckham of Kentucky and the Senatorship - Congressman Elect McMillan-Hitchcock, Foe of Grafters. Wilbur D. Nesbit-Mansfield's Latest Hit-Wolf, the Baby Congressman



HE governor of Kentucky, John Creps Wickliff Beckham, whose victory at the Democratic primaries indicates his choice as the next senator from Kentucky, is but thirty-seven

r. c. w. BECKHAM years of age, and it is said he will be the youngest occupant of a senator's seat when the Sixtieth congress assembles. He has been governor of Kentucky for nearly seven years. It was the shooting of Governor Goebel, which almost led to civil war in the Blue Grass State, which raised Beckham, then lieutenant governor, to the gubernatorial office at the early age of thirty, and he has been twice elected to succeed himself, something unprecedented in the history of Kentucky.

In retaining his post as governor of Kentucky he has met and defeated the most astute politicians of the state. He has swept ruthlessly from his path Joseph Clay Stiles Blackburn and James B. McCreary, the senators from Kentucky. Blackburn tried to crush him. Instead Beckham sent him back to private life and sent Judge Thomas H. Paynter to the senate to succeed Blackburn.

Then Beckham decided to go to the senate himself. Senator James B. Mc-Creary, who was a member of congress before Beckham was born, was his opponent. When the Democratic primary returns came in it was soon seen that the youthful Beckham had added another victory to his list and McCreary's scalp to his belt.

In addition to the fact that he goes to the United States senate at such an early age, it must be remembered that he has won the Democratic nomination, which is equivalent to election, on the temperance issue and after a fight with the whisky interests, which are said to have spent \$250,000 in the effort to defeat him. That he should do this in Kentucky, of all states, will cause the outside world to wonder.

While the recent political campaign was in progress death removed from the ranks of the contestants for office the congressman who represented the Twenty-first New York district in the lower branch of the

national legislature, John Henry Ketcham. It was necessary to fill his place on the ticket with promptitude in order that the vacant seat might be occupied during the present session, and the nomination was giv-

en Samuel McMillan, who after a canvass of scarcely more than twentyfour hours won an SAMUEL M'MILLAN

election to the house. He is a Republican and has for his constituents the residents of four counties in New York's "southern tier." His predecessor, Mr. Ketcham, was a veteran of both war and politics and was serving his seventeenth term in the house

Next to collecting paintings (only the old masters have any interest for him) Pat Sheedy likes to make epigrams. He keeps on hand a large stock of epigrams, some of which also are said A housewife whose purse is light, but | to be by the old masters, though many who makes delicious things to eat, are his own. These he utters to fit occasions. He is witty and a wide young friends: A box of animal cookies reader. One of his favorite books is "The Simple Life," which he carries around in his hip pocket, where most gamblers are supposed to carry an implement containing six capsule doses of the strenuous life.

Secretary Ethan Allen Hitchcock of the interior department, who is scheduled to retire from the cabinet ere long, is one of the oldest members of President Roosevelt's circle of advisers. He and Secretary Wilson of the agriculture department are the last of the McKinley cabinet. Though in his seventy-second year, Mr. Hitchcock It is said that at least three-fifths of has been a very able and aggressive

secretary, and the grafters who supposed that he was growing sleepy as well as old found that they had made a mistake in their reckoning. Mr. Mc-Kinley in 1898 promoted him from the Russian ambassadorship to his present post, and Mr. Roosevelt con-

ETHAN ALLEN tinued him in of-HITCHCOCK. fice in spite of the

efforts of certain politicians of shady associations to secure his removal. The land and timber thieves of the west were against him from the first, but it was not known at that time that so much thieving had been done. These plunderers had many influential friends at Washington, and, indeed, some of them were themselves in congress. The influence of prominent politicians In several states of the west was therefore brought to bear against Mr. Hitch- the house of representatives at Washcock, but fortunately, as the event lington.

proved, Mr. Roosevelt's mind was not poisoned against him. Mr. Hitchcock remained, and in the course of time he got the land thieves on the hip. His investigation and search for evidence bore fruit, and prison doors opened for various eminent citizens. Some who escaped jail were pretty badly frightened, and thus, largely in consequence of Mr. Hitchcock's efforts, another getrich-quick industry has been mostly broken up.

Wilbur Dick Nesbit, the poet and journalist, whose first novel, "The Gentleman Ragman," has just been published, was born in Xenia, O., in 1871. He began his career as printer and later worked as a reporter. His reputations has been won largely as a contributor of verse to magazines.

While Nesbit was finishing "The Gentleman Ragman" he was spending a few weeks in a country town in Indiana. He had sent nearly all of the revised manuscript to his publishers, but certain details of the completion of the plot had been the subject of discussion between himself and a friend connected with the publishing house.

One day a telegram for Nesbit was received at the village telegraph office. It read:

"What are you going to do about Annie Davis and Pinkney Sanger?" Annie is the hero-

ine of "The Gentleman Ragman;" Pinkney is the villain, if there is one in the book. The local telegraph operator personally delivered the mes-

W. D. NESBIT. sage, and Nesbit wrote this reply:

"Will marry Annie Davis and shoot Pinkney Sanger as soon as I return to Chicago."

The operator stared at Nesbit wonderingly when he read the message, but Nesbit did not fathom that stare until the morning when he took the train for home, when the village marshal stepped up and said meaningly:

"Mr. Nesbit, I would advise you, as an officer of the law, sir, not to do anything rash when you get to Chicago."

Richard Mansfield's success in Ibsen's "Peer Gynt" is one of the leading topics in dramatic circles. He has scored one of the greatest hits of his remarkably successful career in this production. Originally he planned in his Chicago engagement to play various dramas in his reper-

tory after a week or two of "Peer Gynt," but he was compelled by the demand to devote all six weeks of the engagement to Ibsen's work. It is notorious that

theatrical people,

whether actors or

RICHARD MARS-

managers, find it hard to get on with Mansfield. "Come, be my manager," this prince of American actors is said to have exclaimed to a friend who was having supper with him one night at a Chicago hotel. "Manage me and make our

fortunes.' "Mr. Mansfield," was the frank reply, "I'll take the job when you bring me an affidavit that we will not quarrel in ten days."

"Then I must manage myself." "Excuse me, my friend, but the task

is beyond you entirely. You have not even the satisfaction of crying with Byron's hero, 'Lord of myself, that heritage of woe.' "

Mark Twain was talking of war and of the hardships and privations of sieges, says Harper's Weekly.

"A Frenchman," he said, "called one day on a woman who had two dogs. They were ugly little brutes, and when they came near him the man pushed them out of the way with his foot. "'I perceive, sir, you are not very

fond of dogs.' "The man started in surprise.

"'I'm not fond of dogs!" he exclaimed. 'Why, madam, I ate more than twenty of them during the siege of

The governor elect of Nebraska, George L. Sheldon, was the Republican nominee, and he was born in the state in 1870. He graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1892 and from Harvard university in 1893. He has served two terms in the state senate and has been prominent in the Republican party organization of the state for some years.

Frank C. Wachter of Baltimore, who represents the Third district of Mary-

land in the present congress, will give place to a young man named Harry B. Wolf when the Sixtieth congress assembles. Wolf was not long since a newsboy. He graduated from selling papers into the legal profession and quickly rose to prominence in it. Then he started out to go to congress



and has won a seat in that body from an old campaigner, W. W. Johnson, a man who was postmaster of Baltimore when Wolf was an urchin yelling: "Extra! Buy a paper, mister?" Wolf was elected, too, in a district that had not gone Democratic before in years. All this he has accomplished before reaching the age of twenty-seven, and, it is said, he will be the youngest man who ever sat in

to order....



BOILING WATER.

The Process Said to Kill All Its Life Giving Qualities.

Charles H. Mason of Saratoga, discussing the typhoid fever situation, op posed the boiling of Potomac water as a preventive of the spread of this dis ease. To boil the water, he contends, is to take from it all its life giving qualities. "If appears that prior to the installation of your filtration plant,' said Mr. Mason, "it was claimed by the authorities that filtration would re duce the danger of the fever to a minimum and guarantee to the people of Washington a clear and wholesome water at all times. The question of pure water and how to maintain it is a serious one for any city, and it prob ably is natural for the authorities to assert the belief that infection comes from some source other than the water now provided. Whatever may be the cause, it is a well known fact that all water loses two-thirds or more of its life giving properties when it is boiled. Still the authorities here are advocat ing the boiling of the water. Those who urge this remedy lose sight of the fact that water has life giving as well as life destroying germs. When you boil it you kill both germs and have a dead water. This applies to all bottled waters, mineral or otherwise, as every chemist knows the minute water is property is concerned. These bottled them sparkle, but nothing that can be done to them can keep them 'alive.' The typhoid fever germ may be in the Potomac water, and if it is boiled the germ probably will be killed, but drinking boiled water does the system absolutely no good, and what the system wants and craves is water that reand revives." - Washington freshes

Quail Getting Scarce.

Quail starved to death by thousands in the winter of 1904-05, but last winter they had an easy time except in February and March. From Massachusetts to Indiana the quail are so scarce that restocking has become necessary. The birds for this purpose are hard to find. More than 100,000 have been captured in Alabama and the southwest, where they still occur in abundance, and have been shipped north for breeding. The quail is perhaps our most popular game bird, and a market will be found for all that can be produced. Complete success has been had in raising them on a small scale. Why should not some one go into the business on such a scale that he could turn out 100,000 quail per year?-Country Life In America.

The Pigtail In China.

The Chinese are advancing, but not too fast. The latest native papers from China say that the dowager empress was much enraged at the suggestion of should be abolished. "Why should it 'Rut there are civilians as well as military, and besides even military men can coil the pigtails on service." As the duke persisted in advising the abolition of the pigtail the empress grew very angry, and all the efforts of Prince K'ing were necessary in order to mollify her.

Saving Tamagno's Voice. Recently Tamagno, the Italian tenor and the greatest singer of the age, desiring to leave for his children some record of his genius, had made upon specially prepared plates for reproduction in the phonograph several records of his songs. Two of these records have been preserved in a museum in Paris. The plates were made with great care and are sealed in metal boxes, containing also chemical compounds for their preservation. The boxes are labeled and dated. One will be opened fifty years from now and the other at the end of a century.

Eggs.

Five million eggs are used by New Yorkers in one month. And New York, after all, is only one corner of the country in spite of what the people who live in New York may think. If New York uses 5,000,000 eggs every thirty days some idea may be obtained of the number that is consumed by the entire world in this period. The chicken business is an important industry. How important is seldom realized until statistics like the above are thrown at one.-Brockton Times.

Matter and Electricity.

Dr. Henry C. Jones, professor of physical chemistry at Johns Hopkins university, in a new book on the alleged electrical nature of matter says that the line separating matter from electricity is on the point of disappearing. The corpuscle, he says, is nothing but a disembodied electrical charge and contains nothing material. Instead of speaking of the corpuscle we should speak of the electron.

Where Poverty Is Unknown.

There is only one lunatic asylum in the Gold Coast colony, and there are no poorhouses, or reformatories. The colony's blue book, just issued, states that poverty in the strict sense of the term is hardly known-London Ex-

WASHINGTON LETTER HUMOR OF THE HOUR

[Special Correspondence.] The completion of the big tunnel under Capitol hill gives to Washington modern railroad terminal facilities equal to the best in the world. The work involved the building of a hill nearly as big as Capitol hill in the low ground at Massachusetts and Delaware avenues and the erection thereon of a granite building wider than the capitol is long, the cutting of a right of way through the semimountain on the Patterson tract north of Florida avenue, the construction of two immense steel bridges over the Potomac river, the construction of miles of solid masonry walls, with the necessary steel bridges over the streets, and the boring of a hole big enough for two railroad tracks eighty feet below the surface on First street between the

Material Used.

To properly brace the earth while the walls were being built and the arches turned 6.000.000 feet of lumber were employed, all of which of course remains in the earth. Three hundred and twenty-six thousand barrels of cement were used in the construction of the sidewalks, and 86,740 cubic yards of masonry were used in the construction of the center wall. Nearly 7,000,000 brick were used in the arches. The work was begun on Dec. 6, 1903.

Congressional library and the capitol

Roots Must Hunt For a Home. On their return from their South American tour Secretary and Mrs. separated from earth it becomes stale. Root will face the homely American We drink water in bottles that has task of house hunting. Last winter been corked up months at a time, and they rented the home of Representathose who buy and use it think they tive Bourke Cockran, but he may want are bettering themselves, but not one to use it next winter. Anyway, the of them would think of drinking a Roots were not pleased with the Cockglass of Potomac water that had stood ran house, and they practically had deover night. Yet the one is as good as cided to seek new quarters. They are the other so far as any life giving record breakers in the "cabinet set" for moving, and if they take another waters are charged with gas to make house this autumn it will mark their sixth endeavor to be comfortable in

> Washington Landmarks For Sale. Love of home in the full acceptance of the word is not a distinguishing quality of American women if recent real estate deals in Washington and its vicinity serve as an index. The greatgranddaughter of Francis Scott Key has just sold the ancestral home of her family to a traction company that it may be pulled down for the building of a station. Mrs. Sherldan, widow of "Little Phil," sold the house which was presented to the warrior by the grateful American nation for the reason that the locality was getting unfashionable and she wished to move farther west. Selling the homes of dead statesmen' is epidemic, and the houses locally famous through their occupancy by Senator Quay, the Keystone State boss; by Senator William McMillan of Michigan and by Robert R. Hitt of Illinois are all on the market. The widows of these illustrious men all desire other domiciles.

Character Told by China. If, as Howells says, the selection of china is the index of a woman's character, some former mistresses of the White House had complex minds. In the basement of the mansion the visitor may see a sample of every set of table ware used since Abigail Adams hung her laundry to dry in the east room. The most ornate set was the choice of the young daughter-in-law of the Duke Tsaitseh that the pigtail President Van Buren. From the few pieces now on exhibition it would seem be?" "Because it is inconvenient for that all America's flora and fauna were depicted in detail. Mrs. Hayes china was the most costly ever used in the White House, as every piece was the back of the head when on active hand painted and the work of selected artists in the French factory at Sevres.

White House Like a Clock Shop. Casual visitors to the White House invariably comment on the large number of clocks in odd nooks. Some persons wonder if so many timepieces are needed to keep the head of the nation in touch with his engagements. The truth is these clocks form part of the wedding gifts of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, and, being a thrifty young woman, as becomes her Dutch ancestry. she has placed them in the White House to be kept in order by the attendants rather than let them go into storage. Many timepieces are grandfather clocks in mahogany, rosewood and gilt. A gilt clock that came from France has displaced the Lafayette clock presented to President Jefferson which used to be in the blue room.

Big Hospital Needed. According to a statement made by Commissioner Macfarland, the most important legislation to be asked from congress this winter will be an appropriation of about \$1,000,000 for the establishment of a mammoth general municipal hospital for the treatment

of chronic diseases, which, he points out, would take the place of the makeshift between the jail and the workhouse, where sick convicts at present lie side by side with the honest poor.

Children's Playgrounds. According to the report of Henry S. Curtis, supervisor of playgrounds, the public playgrounds during the season just ended were even more popular than they were in 1905. The records of Supervisor Curtis showed that the attendance in the eleven weeks of last year up to the final tournament in September was 80,492, while the attendance during the ten weeks' season this year totaled 115,910, an increase of 45 per cent.

Nine public playgrounds were in operation this year, the same as last, seven of the number being for white and two for colored children. The work this year, Superintendant Curtis declares, was embarrassed by the lateness of the appointment of teachers, that being due, he says, to the unsettled state of affairs as regards the board of education.

CARL SCHOFIELD.

Another Packing House Senndal. A man who was running a lunch stand out in a western town used only canned goods.

The Indians from a nearby reservation had seen him take so many different things from cans that seemed to them should be growing in the open air that they began to wonder what he would bring next.

One day he got a graphophone and started it to playing. A crowd soon collected, among it several Indians.

Some one went up to a group of Indians and asked what they thought of it. The reply was a shrug of the should ders and the expressive "Ugh!" Finally he went up to one young brave and asked his opinion. The Indian thought awhile and then said calmly:

"Ugh, canned white man!"-Judge's Magazine of Fun.

Wifely Confidence. "I wish," said young Mrs. Torkins,

that Charley would go into politics." "What for?" "I think it would be a good change Charley has wonderfully good judgment, but I should like to see him interested in a race in which he could do his own running instead of depending on a horse."-Washington Star.

A Matter of Spelling.

A trolley collided with a milk wagon and sent the milk splashing on the pavement. Soon a crowd gathered. 'Goodness!" exclaimed a man. "What an awful waste!" A very stout lady turned and glared at him. "Just mind your own business!" she snapped.-Lippincott's Magazine.

The Real Thing.

"No, doctor, it isn't merely wakefulness. It's insomnia. Why, I couldn't sleep more than half the night."

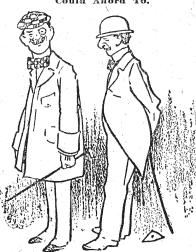
"Pooh, pooh, madam, that's nothing. Think of insomnia in Greenland, where the nights are six months long! -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Criminal Lightness.

"A noted sociologist has discovered that the average criminal doesn't weigh as much as a moral man." "Where does the difference come in-

in the brain? "Not only there. They're lighter fingered."—Judge.

Could Afford To.



"Closefist tells me he invites his poor elations to visit him each year." "Yes. They all live at a distance and are too poor to come.'

Explanation.

"Papa," queried little Dolly Dimpleton, "why is the pen supposed to be

mightier than the sword?' "Because, my dear," answered the father, glancing at his wife, "one can't sign checks with a sword."-Smart Set.

Information Wanted. "'All flesh is grass," quoted the

landlady. "Well," queried the old boarder as he sawed away at his steak, "what's that got to do with this piece of leather?"-Chicago News.

Shortening Up. Penman-Our police reporter has

adopted the simplified spelling. Wright—Is that a fact?

"Yes. He uses the word drunk now in place of intoxicated." - Yonkers Statesman

Common to All.

"She and Mr. Gabbie seem to be talking very animatedly. They have something in common apparently.' "Yes. They're discussing the weather."-Philadelphia Press.

Accounted For.

Myer-That man across the way is a glass eater at the dime museum. Gyer-Huh! No wonder he has such an extensive bay window. - Detroit

No Politician,

Politician-You don't seem to take much interest in politics. Citizen-No. I have to work for every dollar I get.-Baltimore American.

Necessary Qualifications. I used to think the maid I'd wed

Would have a face of beauty rare-Skin lily white, lips rosy red
And hair and eyes beyond compare. This was the damsel of my dreams. My lambent, scintillating star, But in these later years, it seems, I'm getting less particular.

I thought that she would be endowed With every rare accomplishment, Her wit by all would be allowed, Her wisdom would be evident. I hoped for one that would excel All others of her sex by far But nowadays, the truth to tell,

I'm getting less particular.

I want one moderately young; Not what you'd call "a perfect fright; Who's not too lavish with her tongue. Who's moderately trim and tight. Some fifty thousand, more or less. With all of this would be no bar. You'll be surprised, but I confess
I'm getting less particular.

-Chicago News.

WASHINGTON'S DEATH.

There Was Not Very Much of a "Mystery" About It.

Clement K. Shorter, an English writer of more or less distinction, surprised everybody recently by printing in a London newspaper an article in which he asserted there was a mystery gurrounding the death of General George Washington about which Americans hesitated to talk. If there be a mystery we should like to know what

George Washington caught cold when riding over his plantation at Mount Vernon on the afternoon of Dec. 12. 1799. Forty-eight hours later he died.

He was attended by three of the best physicians of that part of the country. He was bled no less than three times to relieve a sore throat. and he was dosed with calomel enough to deprive a healthy man of his life. But what is the mystery?

Enlightened physicians frequently assert that General Washington was killed-that he was bled to death and poisoned with calomel. Tobias Lear, his secretary, says that after the doctor had bled him to the extent of half a pint Washington interrupted with the remark: "The gash is not big enough. Make it wider." And the highly trained professional idiot proceeded to do so. "Does your throat feel any better?" asked the learned leech. "It's very sore," murmured Washington. When the second physician arrived Mrs. Washington tried to stay his murderous hand by protesting that "the general was too old a man to stand much bleeding." "Yes, yes," said the mighty doctor No. 2. "I'll be cautious in blood letting."

And then he proceeded straight to rob his country's father of a full pint of life's most precious fluid. When the third physician had come he rolled his eyes solemnly and said, "I will bleed him." "We both tried that," said the other doctors. "Yes, I know," announced the consulting sage, "but if blood letting does not relieve him I must increase the dose of calomel" After the third bleeding-in which we are not surprised to learn that Washington's arm yielded its life fluid more slowly than it had before-the sore throat continued in spite of the last consulting doctor, and when his wearied body failed to respond to a heroic overdose of calomel the two consulting physicians retired and left Washington to die. Is there any mystery in his death?-Utica Observer.

One Kitchen to a Block.

A co-operative kitchen in the middle of every block to serve all the residents of that block is the latest solution offered for the eternal problem that faces every housekeeper. The plan seems feasible in view of the fact that the new Art club studios have a kitchen in common for the use of a small army of students who occupy bachelor apartments. It has been suggested by economists that a large kitchen be established in every block and that the place be under the direction of a chef, with several assistants. The housewife could take her food there to be cooked, thus saving the price of fuel and keeping the house free from the odor of cookery and besides in many cases dispensing with the cost of dyspepsia tablets and pepsin.—New York Cor. Pittsburg Dispatch.

Reprocessing.

"Reprocessing" is one of the many gentle arts practiced by the people who supply the American nation with food. When canned stuffs spoil they are suboutward appearances of decay, but makes the food no more fit for consumption than it was before. The process is applied chiefly to fruits. which are sold after renovation to bakeries and such places, to be made into pies and similar articles. Spoiled fruits are also made into soda fountain sirups. "Reprocessing" plants sometimes constitute a separate department of a factory, and sometimes they are run as an independent institution, which buys up spoiled foods and converts them into marketable products.-New York Tribune.

Wood Coloring.

A considerable industry has recently been developed in Sweden on the basis of an invention made by Joseph Phister, an Austrian, whereby coloring matter is forced into fresh cut wood. It takes the place of the sap and gives to the wood a brilliant color, which does not fade after the wood has become seasoned. Birch, beech, alder, maple, elm and basswood are the varieties most successfully treated. The dye can be forced through lengths of wood as great as thirteen feet. When seasoned and polished the colored wood presents a beautiful appearance and is used for making furniture and also for the fittings of ships and street cars.

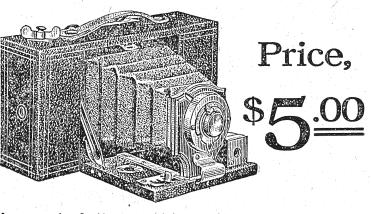
Royalty Made No Difference.

King Haakon when he first joined the Danish navy was treated exactly like any other boy. The chief purser issued his mess gear, consisting of an iron knife and fork, a tin spoon, two tin plates and a zinc mug. On his way back to quarters the lad stumbled while going up a ladder, and all these things went flying over the deck, waking the chief gunner from a nap and bringing down on himself a volley of abuse. He then acted as mess boy for the other apprentices and had to fetch their soup, wash the plates and clean up generally.-Philadelphia Record.

Look Out For 1907.

A lama living at Lassa has issued a series of predictions for 1907. "The king of the year," he says, "is Saturn, under whose malign influence meritorious people will suffer and thieves will prosper. Great disorder will prevail. The rich will satisfy their hunger at the expense of the poor, and the earth will quake thrice."

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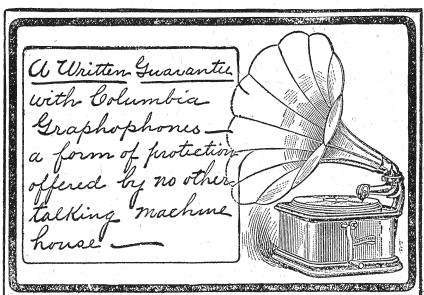
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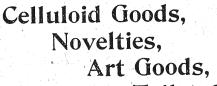


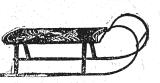
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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council Rooms. Cass City, Mich., Dec. 3, 1906.

Regular meeting of the council alled to order by President Corkins. The following trustees were present: Campbell, Clark, Hall and Heller.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The following bills were read and

referred to the committee on claims and accounts:

Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., Inv. Western Electric Co., Inv. 11-30 and 26 .. 13 98 Stanley Graham, labor at power house.. 5 00 A. A. Brian, hauling coal.....

J. C. Epplett, salary..... J.-W. Armstrong, papering and painting council rooms United Supply Co., Inv. 11-14.....

Frank C. Teal Co., Inv. 11-27. 2 F. R. Smithson, freight and cartage.... Central Electric Co., Inv. 11-21. Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., Inv. 10-18-4-60 Western Electric Co., Inv. 11-23... 23 33

P. O. & N. R. R., freight on coal...... I. W. Hall, repairs on council rooms.... 35 60 Angus McGillvray, salary.....

The committee reported favorably on all bills as read. Moved by Heller, seconded by Hall, that the report of the committee be accepted and orders drawn on the treasurer for the several amounts. Carried.

The resignation of C. W. McKenzie as a member of the common council was read. Moved by Heller, seconded by Hall, that the same be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

Moved by Clarke, seconded by Heller, that council adjourn. Carried. H. F. LENZNER, Village Clerk.

Couucil Rooms, Cass City, Dec. 10, '06. Special meeting of the council called to order by Village President Cork-

The following trustees were present: Campbell, Clarke, Hall, Frutchey

The following resolution was offer-

"Whereas the construction of telephone lines and the erection of telephone poles upon and along Main street within the village of Cass City has injuriously interfered with the public uses of said street, and whereas the further erection of such poles upon and along said street will further injuriously interfere with other public uses of said street will impair the value of property abutting ipon said street.

"Now, therefore be it resolved, that further placing of telephone poles American cultivator, with bean puller 50 Bu. mangles upon said street be and the same is hereby prohibited.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Frutchey that the resolution be adopted.

Clarke, Hall, Yeas---Campbell, Frutchey, Heller.

Nays---None. The following resolution was offer-

"Whereas the public electric light interest. poles are now being used by W. J. Moore for telephone purposes,

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, hereby required to remove all telephone wires and other stays and wires controlled by him from the said electric light poles within ten days from failure of the said W. J. Moore to remove said wires as aforesaid the Street Commissioner of said village is hereby authorized and instructed to

remove the same. "Be it further resolved that the village clerk mail to the said W. J. Moore at Caro, Michigan, a copy of

this resolution." Moved by Clarke, seconded by Campbell, that the resolution be adopted.

Yeas---Campbell, Clark, Hall, Hell-

Nays---Frutchey. On motion of Campbell, seconded by

Hall, council adjourned. H. F. LENZNER, Village Clerk

TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Joseph Meredith of Cass City, a lad 14 years old whose father is dead, was convicted in Justice Randall's court Wednesday of stealing old brass and fittings from the electric light company in town and sentenced to the Industrial Scoool at Lansing. County Agent Lyon of Vassar investigated the case and consented to the action, the boy having been engaged in several escapades during the past few months and had evidently gone beyond the control of his mother.-Tuscola County Advertiser,

AUCTION SALES.

Lamich Moore, living one-fourth mile north of Beauley, in Sec. 14, Grant township, will have an auction sale on Monday, Dec. 17, at twelve o'clock sharp, with Nelson McCollough as auctioneer.

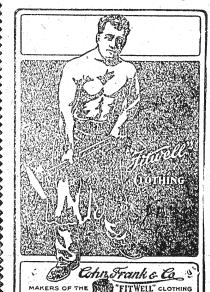
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A. H. Ihrke will have an auction ale at his farm one and three-fourths miles north and three-fotrths miles east of Wilmot on Monday, Dec. 17, at twelve o'clock. A. A. McKenzie is the auctioneer.

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The Question of the Hour.

Children's Letters to Santa Claus

The Chronicle does not forget the! little children at Christmas tide and Dear Santa Claus, Iceland devotes a liberal space and considerable time to the publishing of their letters to Santa Claus. A visit to the jack knife and a bank and some candy public school Monday morning and an and some peanuts and ball and a bat invitation given to the boys and girls and a cup please bring me a goat. to write a letter to Santa for publica- The fire will be all out and you can tion met with an overwhelming ac- come down the chimney. I will like ceptance and our office was flooded to see your reindeers ha! ha! I would with a shower of epistles. The letters like some mitten. are published as the children wrote them, that is, without corrections, and we are sure our readers will enjoy them. They are brimful of the childish spirit of innocence and earnestness is in every line. A rush of Dear Sinta Claus, Iceland work prevented the publication of all of them this week, but everyone will be printed next week, so we hope the me one pleas bring me som cand and boys and girls will keep watch for the some penuts pleas Santa bring me paper and their letters will surely appear. Every boy and girl who chances to read the notice is invited to write a letter to Santa Claus and send it so as to reach the Chronicle not later than next Monday, Dec 18, so we may Dear Santa Claus, Iceland have plenty of time to get it ready for Santo Claus as I have a flew ments to publication.

Cass City, Dec 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland

Dear Santa Claus please send me a sleigh and a drum and a wagon and a tablet and a story book and a sach of pincil and a little doll for my sister. So good-bye

> From George Herr Cass City, Mich.

Cass City Dec. 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland

Dear Santa will you please send me a sleight and a Bank and some candy and a peer of skates I guess that will writing paper and envlopes and if you be all this time so

> good-bye from Carl Freeman Cass City Mich

Ciss City, Dec 10, 06

I thought I would write to you and tell you what I want. I would like a

> good by Santa Claus please bring them all Earl Mckinley Buchanan

Cass City, Dec. 10, '06

dear Santa I want a slay becos I hav't a slay, thank that he will bring som skits I want to larn to skit.

good by Santa clos from Robert Skinner

Cass City, Dec 10, 06

right a lion or two I would like to have a big drum and drum sticks and some candy and some peantues and some nuts and a horne and a peare of gloves and a wach and a mouthorgant and one of them wollie dog.

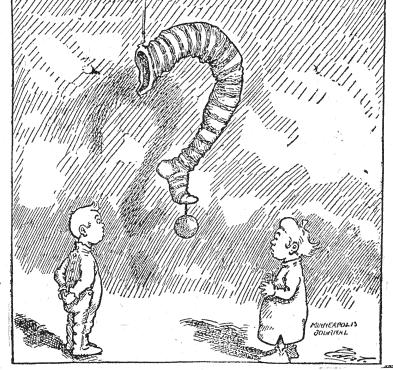
and if you please Santa Claus Willie Wahaski

Cass City, Mich., Dec. 10, 1906 skates, a ring, a fur, a game of Flinch, santa Claus

skates, a ring, a fur, a game of Flinch, santa Claus

from Elwin Ward to santa Claus skats please bring me a new stove. can think of anything else bring it along and don't forget the baby

from your friend



Don't forget the candy and nuts.

Cass City, Dec. 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland.

I waunt a dolly and a carige and a new dress and a sleigh and a horse and a stery book and a slait and a Dear Santa Claus, Iceland stove and same placing and a new I am going to write you a little run so fast you know. But I for got paer skate please. And a dolly bed litter I went a doll and some bouls something, place Bring me some and a little seat of dischs and a little rinke chair and a new ring

Good by Santa Claus Gladious Fitch

Cass City, Dec 10, 06 Dear santa Claus, Iceland

will you Bring me a slay and I Dear Santa:-I thought I would write will put my stockings by the stove. you a few lines to tell you what I and Bring me a pares of skats and a want for Christmas. I want a story ghoup jack and a kansk and a over book, a book full of poems, a pair of cot and a pars of nesn and good by

Cass Citys, Dec 10, 06 Dear Sanda Claus, Iceland

I want a dolly and a carige and a Ella Wallace bracelet and a ring and a sligh and a

What Will Be in It?

and the state of the second

book and a pouckbook and a new hat and a dolly chair and a dolly cridle.

Good by Santa Claus Gladys Iris Hitchcock

good by Santa Claus Leola Beatrice Schwaderer | Santa are wilcome hire.

Cass City Dec 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland

Dear Santa Clause I would like to me a sleigh please bring me a pare of my brother good by Santa Claus please get me a set of dishes and a picture book please bring me a rock Good by Santa Claus ing chair.

From Alfreda Schenk

Dear Sante Claus, Iceland I thought I would wite you a letter. well come down the chimney Are Pleace Sante Claus will you iven me a you going to hang up your stocking cregananb will you And pleace iven Xmas' night Santa Cluse? Well you me come candy Please Sante Claus bring me a slieght, please will you iven me a creganant will you | Cluse rindeers well run fast Good by, from And a book?

Eldon Lamb Sante Claus

Cass City Dec. 10, 06 | Dear Santa Claus, Iceland.

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland. Santa will you please give me a is Miss Wilson I will have to close

for this time Santa Good bye Santa Addie Wallace

Cass City, Dec. 10, 06

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland.

Dear Santa Claus Our teacher said what I want. Plece Santa Bring me have so many toys for boys and girls. But Santa I dont want to be silfish long be for you are coming down the chimminey. I will put out the fire so Cass City, Dec 10, 06 you want burn your hare. I will hun have to come down from upstairs. up my stockings. Your reindeer can and a tumbler I dont went meny more candy and nut. so I must clouse for please bream me some peanuts I am this time for it is recess so I have to going to hains tham on the chair clouse so good by for this time. think you Mr. Aaton Blackmore.

> Cass City Dec 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland.

I will cline the stove pypeso you have a big doll please bring me a will not get your clothes all sut please Buggy cab and a wristlet please bring | Santa Claus stockening and a horn for Nelson Higgins

Cass City, Dec 10, 06.

Dear Santa Cluse, Iceland.

Cass City Mich. please and a pear of mitten please bar of meet and a little gote and a

Cass City Dec 10, 06 | Will you bring me a storry book please and a picter book please Santa Cluse

Good by Santa Cluse

Russell Austin

Cass City Dec 10, 06

I thought I would write to you and tell you what I want for Xmas. I Butternuts in my stockings I will put want a doll-cab and a side-broad and my stocking behind the stove and you story book. Dear Santa maybe I ask can come down in the chimney of the to much but I would like a sewing stove in the dineroom Please give me | box and a rocking chair and please put a marground that makes noise and a some candy and nuts ia my stockings doll and cabe a sake of nuts and candy or on the Xmas tree. The fair will be My teacher is good to us and her name out when you come down the chimney. So don't be afraid. Well I guess thats all. From your little friend

> Ethel Buchanan to Dear old Santa Claus. Good-bye.

> > Cass City, Dec 10, 06

Dear Santa Clause, Iceland

Santa will you please bring me a we cloud wite to you and tell you dollie and some candy My stockings will hang back of the stove and I will a sligh and a story book. I know you hang them up high because our dog are coming across the snow. You might get them. Santa will you please bring me when you come a little pair of shoes for my dollies. with you for you are old now. How The fire will be out so you can come down the chimney. But the fire wount be out down stairs so you will

Well I guess this is all for this time

from Madalin Seeley

Cass City Dec 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland

Santa Claus Cent gives me a shot You gun and a outmouble and a slight dont drive your reindeer to fast and the chimly will be cleen and the fier will be out good by Dear Santa Clause I hope that you will come next year Joy Tyo

> Cass City Dec 10, 06 Dear Santa Clause, Iceland

I wish I kut have a dog cart and a dog harnas and a wagre for the dog and cat I will hands my stockings by the stove I wish you would bring your Will you bring me a pear of skice raindeer I wish I can have a know eart and I wonte you to come I wish down the fire will all be out of the Dear Santa Claus, Iceland. stove and it will be cool for you come I would like a doll cab for my doll down the chimney and your raindeer please I am going to put my stockcan come down the chimney will ings neer the kitchen stove. I would bring me a rable tales

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland

pleace give me a big doll and a braacle pleace give me a cup and some mitten pleace give me a red cap and Dear Santa Claus, Iceland. book Well I will clotsn for time good by Santa

Cass City Dec 10, 06

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland are you going to take your reindeer I want you to take me some candy oh | Dear Santa Claus, Iceland. please Santa Claus I want doll and a stockings of candy and will you please bring me a little stove

good by Dear Santa

Cass City, 10, 06. dear Canta class, ice-land.

I love santa claus very well. Santa claus lives in iceland. I want a doll Dear Santa Claus, Iceland. for xmas. I want a pokbook for xmas. I want a sat dishs for xmas. I want Some candy for xmas, please send me an little chair. Santa Claus come with

foll of candy.

Edith Marie Champion

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland I wice I had a pear of skites and a now. good-by Dear Santa. sled and a pear of shose and stockings and rubbers and a riffer and a aregun

ana a harrmr and mittens Good by Santa Lester James Patterson

Cass City, Mich., Dec. 10, 1906. with your large pack and put these me anything things under the Christmas Tree for me to get in the morning. I would be pleased to have you bring me a Bible, a book named Uncle Tom's Cabin, a pair of skates, a ring, a fur, a pair of hair-ribbons, a large doll, a sled and will you please not forget my sisters and brothers and parents. If you have anything else to bring you may nice book to look at and plese fill my put it in my stocking. Good Bye From Your Little Friend

Ersel Wallace | for you

like a little stove. I woud like a book Ernest Wood | please I woud like some candy please I woud like some nuting please. I Cass City Dec 10, 06 would like a mitten I would like chair florence Jones.

Cass City Dec 10, 06.

Sad Santa Claus I want a little billgoat please for Santa Claus does Grace Leitch not come down the chimniy for It is

your mamma and papa so good by. Vern Heller

Cass City Dec 10, 06

Please bring me a story book and a dolls-cabb and a little rabied and a sleigh and some candy and pea-nut. I will hung my stockings back of the Ora Muntz stove so that you cane get them Good bey Santa Claus

Lena Brown

Cass City, Dec 10, 06

want this Xmas. please could I have a cab for my big doll. A little book his reindeer please fool my stockings and then I want quite a low sleigh and I will tell mama to leave the door on locked so you want have to go down the chimney and get your clothes all on the table. I will have to close for

Cass City Mich Dec 10th Dear long whiskered Santa Clause

I want you to bring me a doll-bed, a doll, clothes for doll, dishes, book, handkerchiei, that will be all for this Dear Santa Claus:— I wish on time. I will not ask for too much Christmas Eve that you would come this time for fear you will not bring

> From Gladys McPhail To St Nicolus

Orrin B Powell

Cass City Dec 10, 06

so good by Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland plese bring me a book and plese bring me a slay and plese bring me a stockings full of peanuts to eat and i

Cass City, Dec 10, 06 Dear Santa Claus, Iceland

As I was thinking of a few things I would like to get for Christmas, I would like a nice big doll and a little carrage for it and a little stove and a Murl. set of play dishes and a little table and a little chair, a little bed for my doll And some little house plants for my playhouse. I wish you would fill my stockings with candy and nuts, I would also like to have a little stand and some story books, well I think I have named enough for this time I hope you will surprise me with some urday from a visit with friends in of the preasants which I have said | Saginaw. please bring some of them. I hope you do not freeze before you get here, I hope you get here safe and come been visiting. down our chimmey's, our fire will be out ready for you. Well I will have to close for this time so good-by Lela Gemmill

Cass City, Dec 10, 06

Dear Santa Claus, Iceland. I want a drum and a gun and a slid I will hing stockings by my bed and be shore you will find my stockins for if you dont I will not get my toys then and I want a wheel-borroar The fire will all be out so you want bern

your slif so good by from Harold Benkelman

Correspondence

FREIBURGER.

Beautiful snow. Mrs. H. Hill of Sandusky is visiting friends in town.

Morton Johnson left Monday last for Evart and Detroit where he intends to put in the rest of the winter. Chas. Pollard made a business trip tion of janitor at the M. E. church. to Cass City last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Graham spent Thursday evening in Ubly.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pollard visited in Ubly last Saturday.

H. Reihl and Will Smith have gone to Hale, Iosco county, where they exlike it they may purchase land there. Rev. Andrews of Deckerville preach-

ed in the Maccabee hall on Sunday. The Sunday school workers of this place have organized a Sunday school normal class and meet once a week for ents, Mr. and Mrs. Winter.

the study of the Bible. May the good work go on. Mrs Fred W. Riehl, who has been

very ill, is slowly recovering, we are happy to state at this writing.

We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug law as it

Mercury. contains no opiates or other harmful drugs and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. L. I. Wood & Co.

WILMOT.

Arthur Clemmens, is on the sick

And now the merry sleigh bells

Miss Bessie Hartt was at Cass City

Mrs. Ed N. Hartt, who has been quite ill, is some better.

Quite a number in the neighborhood are taking care of severe colds.

Mrs. Dingman and daughter, Bertha, are at home again after a week's

Mrs. A. Van Walt of Kingston spent Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Dingman.

Wm. Stewart and Judd Wood went to Frederic Thursday and expect to stay this winter.

Preparations are being made for a Christmas tree for the Sunday school at the church Christmas eve.

James McCormick, living one mile south of our village, fell from a load Dear Santa I thought I would of corn stalks one day last week and a week with relatives here, returned wright to you and tell you what I broke one bone in his wrist and will home Tuesday. be laid up for some time.

Passed Examination Successfully.

James Donahue, New Britain, Conn. writes: "I tried several kidney remedies and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Cure. After the Cass City Mich black and I will have a Xmas tree. I I took Foley's Kidney Cure. After the Cass City Dec 10, 06 will leave some things for you to eat second bottle I showed improvement, and five bottles cured me completely. I have since passed a rigid examination for life insurance." Foley's Kidney Cure cures backache and all forms of kidney and bladder trouble.
Wood & Co.

DEFORD, ROUTE 3.

Frank Molonzo is hauling hay for Preston Richardson. Ernest Read is laid up with blood

poison in his right arm. Joe Hutchinson is moving on his

farm again for the winter. Elwin Balch is still up north in the

woods hunting and trapping game. The hunters who went up north

some time ago have returned home. Wm. Mallory was up here Sunday visiting his sister, Mrs. Wm. Colwell

Amos Green is hauling beets to the will hang my stockings on the woll Caro sugar factory for James Camp-

Avis Dorman and Miss Gertrude Putman were married last Wednes-

(Harriet and Etta Jessup left Monday for Detroit to visit their sister,

Martin Keilitz started Monday to work in the Columbia swamp at Col-

H. G. Comstock and family visited at the home of Wm. Colwell, Jr., on

Lena Rebuehr returned home Sat-

Mrs. Elien Bailey has come home from Three Rivers where she has

Mr. and Mrs. John Jamerson have gone to the State of New York to visit with relatives and friends living

A. C. Russell has moved his family into the Borland house until he can rebuild one to replace the house destroyed by fire.

Danger in Asking Advice.

When you have a cough or cold do not ask someone what is good for it, as there is danger in taking some unknown preparation. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs, colds, and prevents pneumonia The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. L. I. Wood & Co.

SHABBONA.

Jas. Penterbaugh is very sick. John Hamilton is at home for the

Wm. Leach is having his house papered by Wm. Waun.

Will Auslander has left for Caro

to work in the factory. Mrs. Hall has returned from a visit with friends at Saginaw.

Stephen Mudge has taken the posi-

Mrs. Wm. Fisher of Wickware was the guest of Mrs. Stephenson last

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Atfield are the proud parents of a little son, born the Wm. Earnest Eddy left Monday

pect to stay some time and if they for Kalamazoo where he has secured a position as an attendant in the insane

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fisher and little daughter, Evelyn, have taken up their abode with Mrs. Fisher's par-

In spite of the inclement weather and bad roads the Sunday school convention held in the M. E. church last Thursday afternoon and evening was a decided success. Although some of the speakers failed to appear Rev. S. A. Dean of Sandusky was present and was a host in himself.

Mercury, Mercury,
as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from feputable physicions, as the damage they will do is tenfold of the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains on mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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NOKO.

A warm wave Monday.

Walter Lewis spent a few days at Detroit and returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fox of Shabbona spent Sunday with the former's pa-

Mr. and Mrs. Elta Shaw are now comfortably settled in their new

Walter Leffler, who had his hand badly burned with gasoline, is im-

The young people are preparing for Christmas entertainment at Fox schoolhouse.

J. Cook of Saginaw, after spending

Geo. Flynn is putting quite a picturesque window in the north wing of his dwelling house.

The special services at Shilo church were closed Sunday evening by the pastor, Rev. Knapper.

Some of our neighbors seem to find no other employment these days than

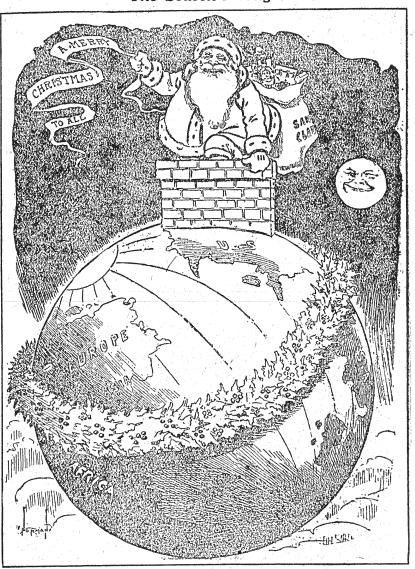
J. A. McKenney made a business trip to Sandusky on Thursday, concerning the late Dr. McKenney's will.

Mrs. Chas. Shaw, who has been at the bedside of her sick father at Bellevue for the past six weeks, returned home Wednesday.

HAY CREEK.

There will be an entertainment and night cap social given at Hay Creek school. Dec. 21. The boxes are to be sold at auction to the highest bidder and the proceeds to go towards getting an organ for the school. A good program has been prepared and all are invited to attend.

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DEFORD.

Many complain of hard colds. Plenty of sugar beets yet in fields. Rabbit hunting expensive sport.

Geo. Alward is able to labor again. County line fever patients are re-

covering.

Pat Balace has gone to Detroit for the winter season.

A. Ihrke expects to move to De-

troit in the near future. Charles Kelley of Kingston visited

The Taking Cold Habit

The old cold goes; a new one quickly comes. It's the story of a weak throat, weak lungs, a tendency to consumption. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral breaks up the taking-cold habit. It strengthens, soothes, heals. Askyour doctor about it.



Order of Hearing.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Tuscola,

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Tuscola, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate office in the Village of Caro on the 24th day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and six. Present, John M. Smith, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Isabella Haines, deceased, Nolton Bigelow, executor of said estate, having filed his final account, prays this Court to fix a day for examining and allowing the same, and for assigning the residue thereof to the persons entitled to the same. It is ordered that Saturday, the 29th day of December next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Probate office be assigned for hearing said petition. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Cass City Chronicle, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

[Probate Seal] 11-30-4 Judge of Probate.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate. STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Tus-

Tuscola.

In the matter of the estate of Henry A.

Gifford.

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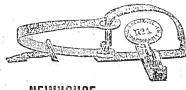
Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of an order of said court, made on the 24th day of September, A. D. 1906, I shall sell, at public auction, on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1906, at one o'clock in the afternoon at the front door of the Council Room in the village of Gagetown in the township of Elmwood in said county, the interest of said estate in the following described real estate, to-wit: A piece of land commencing 182 feet and 8 inches west of the quarter stake on the south side of Section one (1) of the township of Elmwood, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence east 52% feet, and thence south to the place of beginning, also Lots II, 12 and 13 of Block 5 of James Cleaver's addition to the village of Gagetown, in said county, also Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Block 4 of James Cleaver's addition aforesaid to the village of Gagetown, also a piece of land commencing two (2) rods south of the southeast corner of Lot 2 of Block 6 of James Cleaver's addition to said village of Gagetown, and running thence west 18 rods, thence south 13 rods, thence west 8 rods, thence south 13 rods, thence west 8 rods, thence south 27 rods, thence east 20 rods, to the angling road, thence northeast along the westerly side of said angling road to the place of beginning. Also a piece 'of land commencing 3 rods north of the northeast corner of lot 13, block 5, of James Cleaver's addition to the village of Gagetown aforesaid, thence east to the west line of the right of way of the P. O. & N. Railroad Co. thence northeasterly along said line of said right of way to the eighth (½) line of section one aforesaid, thence west 8 rods, thence south 11 rods, to the place of beginning.

Dated this first day of November, A. D. 1996.

1906.

SARAH A. GIFFORD,
Administratrix of the estate of
Henry A. Gifford, deceased,
BROOKER & CORKINS,
Attorneys for said estate.

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friends east of here last week. Kindred from Wilmot visited with

friends on the town-line Sunday. John Hicks expects to move soon, me-half mile north of Novesta Cor-

Marshal Friends, who has been ill for some time, is able to be about

Albert Ihrke of Section 10, Kingston, has rented his farm for one year to A. A. Dobbs.

On the first and last day of the

week the fleeing hare and man with the dog and gun may be seen. Mrs. Frank McCracken has been called to Osceola county on account of

the serious illness of her sister. There have been two bees to cut wood for M. Friends this fall and another call will come next week.

If Deford had more houses to rent her population would soon compare favorably with her sister village to

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Geo. Martin on the evening of the 6th inst. A stormy night, but a fair attendance and a good meeting.

It is a sad truth that we sometimes meet with a person who thinks that the Almighty made but one perfect mortal and they are the favored crea-

One farmer will take his beans to Wilmot and another the same class of article to Deford while each declares he has found the much better market. "Many men of many minds."

On townline to the southeast residents make woodlands ring on Sunday with dog and gun. Stop the racket, boys, everybody can't make it seem right. If you must hunt on the First day of the week, be as "aisey about it as a cat licken the cranie."

When last at Cass City we missed a familiar townsman, one we have known for 24 years, John C. Laing, one of the most honest men we have ever met. He made no religious pretensions but with profit many professors could emulate his life example.

No call for potatoes this season and the tuber a short crop in the United States. A dealer at Marlette informed the writer that where he sold sixty carloads last fall he can't sell are cordially invited to attend. one this season, and no reason can be assigned. We have thought that the Irish may have died off in the past season and politics have kept people so busy they neglected to make a note

Nothing less than a stone road from Novesta to Deford will do. Think of one farmer having 200 tons of sugar beets to haul over a dirt road. When one-half the farming community go. into the beet business even a gravel turnpike would not stand the wear. We have the stone in abundance and with state help a road could be built and no one pressed financially. What says the township?

The writer was at Cass City Dec. 8 and purposing to ride home with a neighbor we went to McColl's feed barn to put our goods in the sleigh. Many farmers were there and each had purchased goods, while one, a large man in the prime of life, attracted our attention for he had made a paralyzing purchase, he was blind, helpless and insane. Then we thought of the dealers of the town, and who was making the world better by their traffic. This foolish man had bought that which dethroned his reason, a wicked man had sold him the goods, a village council had given the wicked one license to do the work for sake of gain; all were morally guilty and none honest dare deny it.

KINGSTON.

N. Tapson of Royal Oak is a visitor

Arthur Legg made a frip to Oxford

Township board met at the clerk's ffice Monday.

Mr. Sisson of Imlay City was in town Tuesday.

Miss Grace Miller left Saturday morning for Pontiac.

Mr. Josephson of Bay City is assisting in I. S. Berman's store.

E. T. Payne and Miss Pearl Randall were Caro visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott and family leave this week for Alberta.

Frank Hulford of Pinconning is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. Westerby.

Jas. Lotimer of Rochester was a business caller in town last Thursday. Theo Haebler of Mt. Pleasant spent a few days last week with his family

Paul Grunawald has returned from visiting friends at Detroit, Rochester

and Flint. The Harlo Pelton Post held their annual meeting and elected officers

Mrs. John Aikins and son, Wellington, of Clifford spent Sunday at the home of D. Alward.

Miss Amy Hager of Saginaw visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bartholomew last week.

Mrs. A. Cutler of New York came here last week to care for her mother. Mrs. Lyman Hill, who is ill.

Mrs. A. E. Kaiser returned to her home in Sarnia Monday morning after visiting her sister, Mrs. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Francis of Yale were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Francis the first of last week. C. Hues and family moved to Eames

last week where he has accepted a position on the P. O. & N. section. Jas. McCormick, who sustained a

fracture of the right wrist last week Wednesday, reports his injury doing

Mrs. Collins and Cora Green left Saturday morning to attend the wedding of their grandson and brother respectively, Frank Green, to Miss Maud Reddon at Pontiac.

Insure in the K.O. T. M. M. New plans and low rates. Ask E. W. Keating, Cass City, about it. 11-30

CANBORO.

John Kinietz was an Owendale caller Wednesday.

G. W. Parker transacted business in Elkton last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Lown and son

are visiting in Flint. Clayton Dulmage of Pontiac is visiting friends in this vicinity.

H. B. Parker of Purdy's Crossing is visiting with friends in this vicinity Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dulmage of Cass City are visiting relatives in this vi-

Peter Anderson and Henry Mellendorf have resumed their duties at Sebewaing.

Mrs. S. Lown has returned from Cass City where she has been visiting for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Mellendorf of Beauley spent Sunday with friends and relatives in this vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. H. Mellendorf and

daughter, Marie, and son, John, were Cass City callers Saturday. Mrs, F. Kinietz has returned from

Lapeer where she has been receiving medical treatment for some time, but is very slightly improved in health.

We were misinformed last week in stating that there were services in the Canboro church, but there will be services Sunday evening, Dec. 16. All

A Western Wonder.

There's a Hill at Bowie. Texas, that's twice as big as last year. This wonder . L Hill, who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: "I suffered with a terrible cough and doctors gave me up to die of consumption. I was reduced to 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured. Only sure cough and cold cure. Guaranteed by Ryan's Drug Store and L.I. Wood & Co., druggists. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

PINGREE.

Snow and rain.

W. H. Gardner is building a large stock shed at present.

W. L. Sherman of Florida has re cently been very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Meddaugh a fine

large daughter very recently. Viola Sherman has returned to Colling after a brief visit with relatives

Miss Alice Nutt of Deford called on friends in this vicinity the first of the

Chas. Meddaugh of Freiburger called on relatives and friends here

Mr. and Mrs. David Hillicker of Ellington have gone to Ontario for a visit with relatives.

New Cure for Epilepsy.

J. B. Waterman of Watertown, to., rural free delivery, writes, "My daughter afflicted for years with epilepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. She has not had an attack for over two years. Best body cleansers and life giving tonic pills on earth. 25c at Ryan's Drug Store and L. I. Wood & Co. drug store.

SAND FLY. Mrs. T. E. Herron spent Şunday at

Mr. and Mrs. L. Mudge have moved to the farm joining that of Chas. Banks'.

Miss Fern Haley of Flint is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John McCool.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bradley of Laing attended the F. M. church Sunday morning.

A Miraculous Cure.

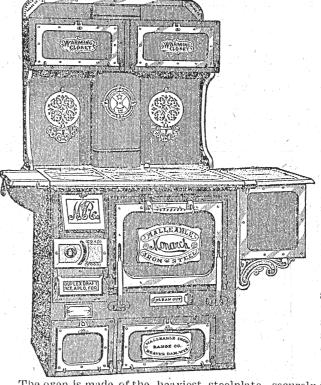
The following statement by H. M. Adams and wife, Hanrietta, Pa., will interest parents and others. "A miraculous cure has token place in our home. Our child had eczema 5 years and was pro-nounced incurable, when we read about Electric Bitters and concluded to try it. Before the second bottle was all taken we noticed a change for the better, and after taking 7 bottles he was completely cured." It's the up-to-date blood medicine and body building tonic. Guaranteed. 50c and \$1 at Ryan's Drug Store and L. I. Wood & Co.'s drug store.

Always ready to do.... AUCTIONEERING at all times.

A. A. MCKENZIE, Phone 70. Gass City.

There is nothing better for a Christmas present than one of our





Nothing is nearer a good housekeeper's heart than a good range. We can tell you some things about good ranges because we are sole agents for the best.

Monarch Malleable Ranges are an accumulation of new ideas, valuable improvements in stove-construction on a scientific basis.

Malleable iron is used in those parts which in the ordinary range are made of cast iron. Cast iron is crystalized and is very susceptible to contraction and expansion caused by heat, often cracking at inopportune times. In the production of malleable iron the metal is subjected to 3600 degrees of heat and afterward annealed so as to give it the quality of toughness This toughness permits the use of rivets, making absolutely tight joints. There are no bolts or screws to work loose in a Monarch.

The tops being of the same material, will stand a tremendous amount of heat and hard usage without cracking. They are ground smooth and polished before leaving the factory and with use turn permanently steel-blue. To clean them use a damp cloth and no black-

The oven is made of the heaviest steelplate, securely riveted to the body of the stove. The seams, are air-tight and dust-tight. The relative size of the flues surrounding it has been fixed upon only after exhaustive experiment. The result is an even heat on all sides of the oven and baking temperature with an ordinary cooking fire.

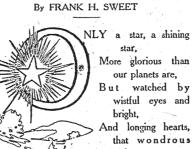
It can easily be proven that for every extra dollar spent in buying a Monarch Range, you will receive \$2.00 additional value in higher grade construction, economy of fuel, and perfect satisfaction

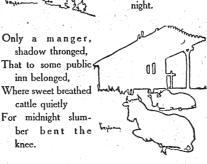
An examination will interest and cannot fail to convince you of the superiority of Monarch Ranges. We also have a complete line of Silver ware, Copper and Nickleplatedware, it will pay you to get our

prices before you buy elsewhere. EHLERS & NIQUE, GENERAL HARDWARE, SHABBONA, MICH.

Toys. Etc.

the christmas tree

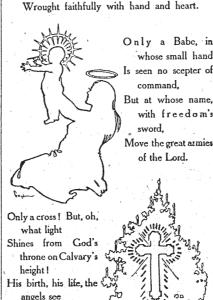




Only the light of tapers small That on two tender faces fall, Two tender faces-one divine-That still through all the centuries shine



TWO TENDER FACES-ONE DIVINE. From palace walls, from throngs of gold, From churches, shrines, cathedrals old, Where the grand masters of their art



Benevolent Old Lady (to little boy in street)-Why-why, little boy, how did you ever get such a black eye? Small Boy-Me and Sammy Jones was fightin' for an apple in school, an' he smashed me. Benevolent Old Lady-Dear dear, and which glutton got the apple? Small Boy-Teacher, ma'am.

Written on every

Talent's Triumph. "What's the difference between talent and genius?" "Talent makes money oftener than

genius does."-Detroit Free Press.

GIFTS FOR EVERYONE.

May be found at our store. See our line of..... Fancy dishes, Lamps, Toilet Cases,

Full line of Xmas Candy.

Fancy novelties, Ornaments, Mechanical

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SHABBONA, MICH. Bring your Xmas Poultry, Wednesday December 19.

A Few Suggestions

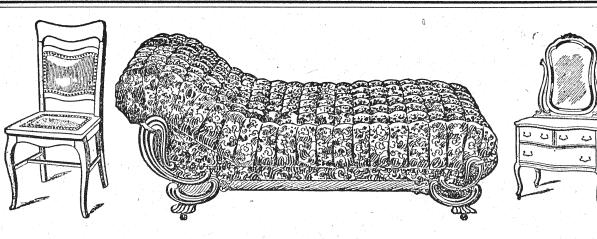
To those who are looking for gifts that are sure to be pleasing and which will be appreciated by the friends, we suggest the following articles:

WATCHES, DIAMONDS, RINGS, FOBS, CHAINS, LOCKETS, BROOCHES, SIGNET GOODS, GOLD PENS, CLOCKS, PLATED WARE, CUT GLASS, STERLING SILVER.

You are invited to call and see our line of the articles mentioned above.

T. L. TIBBALS, The Jeweler.

A CHRONICLE LINER WILL SELL IT.

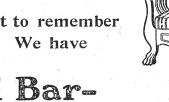


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Is Coming to Cass City

Monday evening, Dec. 24, with a full line of good things for you.

If you have a friend you want to remember call and get a piece of Furniture. We have



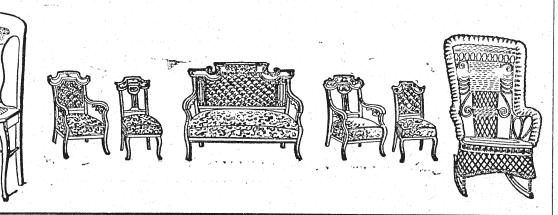
Some Special Bargains to offer

this year as never before and have arranged to deliver goods at the proper time.



is being bought and we are keeping it for Xmas and watch out we don't stop at your place.

H. T. ELLIOTT



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS To the People of Shabbona and surrounding country



The Santa Claus Shabbona is named after

I desire to give notice that our large store is full of useful Holiday goods. Our regular stock has been increased to meet the demands of the gift season. In this store you will find that only which is good and serviceable. We desire to bring to your notice a few articles that cannot fail to please you.

Best mixed Candy = = = =	5c lb.
12 Bars Ark Soap = = =	25c
A Dollar box of Toilet Soap = = =	25C
2 Bars Defender Toilet Soap = =	- 5c
7 Pkgs. Scrapno Tobacco = = =	25c
8 " Flying Eagle Tobacco = =	25C
I Pound Square Deal	25C

Our Stock of Men's and Boy's Rubbers is better and more complete than ever before. WE SELL BALL BAND AND BOSTON FIRST CLASS QUALITY RUBBERS.

HOW ABOUT THAT OLD SUIT?

Remember that you can get a new one here at a price that will surprise you.

Don't select your Xmas presents until you have seen our stock. It is the largest, best, and most complete ever shown.

Toilet sets, Manicure sets, Dinner sets, 4 piece sets, Albums, Games, Jewelry, Novelties, Toys, Handkerchiefs, etc., etc.

We pay highest market prices for BUTTER and EGGS and we are headquarters of the Thumb for DRESSED POULTRY.



A Chronicle Liner will sell it.

ARTIFICIAL WARMTH.

lts Use an Inherited Habit and a

With the big, restless, energetic world outside of this tropical belt, how ever, the matter of keeping warm is over present, troublesome and expensive, throughout half of each passing

As a matter of fact, the world of hu manity dwelling in stoveland never has been in all the ages really and comfortably warm in winter. It is largely our own fault. Mankind is the only animal which employs fire in the effort to survive the cold of the winters. The hardy lower animals do not need it. however much their luxuriously ener vated representatives, the dog and the cat, may enjoy it when they have a

Ancient man only got himself rid of his provident coat of hair and his sufficent latent heat when he began to loaf around the family cooking stove and absorb the intoxicating comfort of artificial warmth. This faraway ancestor is responsible for the fact that the present day human being, outside of the belt aforesaid, is obliged to keep close to a thermometer registering nearly or quite 70 degrees F. from October to May, besides which he must needs wear extra clothing. This also is an inherited habit.

A traveler west once asked a half naked Indian in midwinter how he managed to stand the weather. The Indian replied: "Your face no got a coat. It no cold. Indian face all over. -National Magazine.

VIRTUE IN COPPER.

The Metal Is a Death Dealer to All Disease Germs

"Copper is a marvelous preventive of disease. If we returned to the old copper drinking vessels of our forefathers, typhoid epidemic would disap

The speaker, a filtration expert, took a copper cent from his pocket.

"Examine this cent under the microscope," he said, "and you will find it altogether free from disease germs. Examine gold and silver coins, and you will find them one wriggling and contorting germ mass. Yet copper coins pass through dirtier hands than gold and silver ones. You'd think they ought to be alive with micro-organisms. But no. Copper kills germs. Diphtheria and cholera cultures smeared on a copper cent die in less than

"They have many cholera epidemics in China, but certain towns are always immune. These towns keep their drinking water in great copper vessels. Travelers have tried to buy these vessels, for they are beautiful, but the villagers will not sell them. They have a superstition that their health and welfare depend on their retention. I wish all superstitions were as true and salutary as that." — Philadelphia Bul-

The Joke Was on the Students. When Dr. Nathan Lord was president of Dartmouth college he used to drive about in a dilapidated, old fashioned contrivance. The students became tired of seeing the concern and, though Dr. Lord knew of this, he clung to the old calash. One night a group of the shed where it was kept, took it several miles down the road toward Lebanon and hid it in a spot where it was of the calash was suddenly pushed the star appeared. And he sent them ger to be the star of the old prophaside and the well known face of Presi- to Bethlehem. When they had heard dent Lord appeared. "Now, gentle- the king they departed, and, lo! the men," he said, "you may draw me back

Homes Under the Ground.

In the salt district in Cheshire, England, the brine has been pumped so continuously out of the earth that the land has settled very considerably. The houses naturally sink with the earth, and in some of the streets in Northwich only the roofs are visible. The houses are inhabited, although the rooms are underground. In a great many cases additional stories have been added, so that by living in the upper rooms the residents may have some light and air. The roadways sink, too, but are kept up to the proper level by the government.

He Laid.

"Don't waste your time in clipping off the branches," said the woodman to his son, "but lay your ax at the root of the tree." And the young man went out and laid his ax at the foot of the tree, like a good and dutiful boy, and then he went fishing. Truly there is nothing so beautiful as filial obedience. -Strand Magazine.

One View of It.

"But if she makes all her own dresses should think she'd be a good wife for you. It shows she's industrious and sensible."

"Not for me, thank you. It simply shows how poor her father must be."-Philadelphia Ledger.

Hit It.

"You can't guess what sister said about you just before you came in, Mr. Highcollar," said little Johnnie. "I haven't an idea in the world, John-

"That's it. You guessed it the very first time."

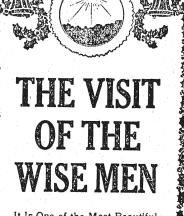
The Difference.

Tell a women her face is her fortune and she is complimented. Hint to a man that his cheek is his most valuable asset and he is likely to get mad. —Chicago Record-Herald.

He who reads only what pleases nev-

Worship of the Wise Men.





of the Many Legends That Surround the Birth of Christ— Traditional Names of These Three Oriental Sages Who Journeyed from Afar to Worship at the Lowly Cradle of the New Born King — The Splendor of Their Retinue.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king behold there came wise men the young men hauled the thing out of Where is he that is born king of the from the east to Jerusalem, saying: Jews? for we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him. When Herod the king heard these concealed by dense foliage. They were things he was troubled, and all Jerujust about to depart, well satisfied with salem with him. Then Herod, when of these wise enthusiasts seemed, the tiresome job, when the curtain he had privately called the wise men, which completely enveloped the front inquired of them diligently what time | sel they pronounced the luminous finstar which they saw in the east went and their affairs and journeyed westbefore them till it came and stood where the young child was. When nightly by the star that slipped onthey saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down and worshiped him, and when they had opened their treasures they presented unto him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh. And, being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country an-

other way.—Gospel of St. Matthew. When the wise men saw the star they said one to another: This is the sign of the great king; let us go and search for him and offer him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh. Alleluia. - First Vespers of Epiph-

There is something exotic in the beauty of this whole story. It reads in St. Matthew's gospel like a foreign legend. The strange secrecy, too, with which this kingly oriental procession with picturesque costumes and jeweled turbans and the darkfaced slaves and the stately stooping camels, passed over many regions, makes it more like a visionary splendor, a many-colored apparition and not a sober mystery of the humble incarnate word.

What a scene for the imagination was the birth of the infant! His first worshipers in that poor cave of Bethwere men whose science led them Christmas spirit.

to God, men, we may be sure, of meditative habits, of ascetic lives. fragments of early tradition and the obscure records of ancient prophecies. belonging to their nations, have been to them as precious denosits which spoke of God and were filled with hidden truth. They, too, pined for a redeemer, for some heavenly visitant. Their tribes, doubtless, lived in close alliance, and they themselves were bound together by the ties of a friendship which the same pure yearnings after greater goodness and higher things cemented. Never vet had kings more royal souls. In the dark blue of the lustrous sky there rose a new or hitherto unnoticed star. Its apparition could not escape the notice of these oriental sages, who nightly watched the skies; their science was also their theoolgy. It was the star of which an ancient prophecy had spoken. Perhaps it drooped low toward earth and wheeled a too swift course to be like one of the other stars. Perhaps it trailed a line of light after it, slowly yet with visible movement, and so little above the horizon or with such obvious downward slanting course that it seemed as if it beckoned to them-as if an angel were bearing a lamp to light the feet of pilgrims and timed his going to their slowness and had not shot too far ahead during the bright day, but was found and welcomed each night as a faithful indicator pointing to the cave at Bethlehem

Wild and romantic as the conduct they did not hesitate. After due counecy, and therefore God was come. They left their homes, their state ward, they knew not whither, led ward in its silent groove. The star shone out in the blue heavens and slowly sank eastward over the cave of Bethlehem and presently the devout kings are at the feet of Jesus.

Who that has ever read the jeweled sentences of Faber's "Bethlehem" will ever forget them? Many have read "Ben-Hur," with its description of the journey of the wise men, who know nothing of this great book. And yet there is not in the whole cycle of English literature a more wonderful bit of writing than "Bethlehem."

The Christmas Spirit

By D. D. THOMPSON Editor Northwestern Christian Advocate.

The Christ spirit influences the world to-day more than at any previous period in history. This is superficially manifest in the more general observance of Christmas by the presentation of gifts to friends and the considerate kindness displayed toward all classes of helpless and dependent persons in providing on Christmas day for their pleasure and temporal needs. This, however, lehem are poor shepherds who have is the least manifestation of the been brought to the child by the an- power which the teaching and spirit gels' voices. But now a change of Christ exerts upon mankind. It comes over the scene hardly in keep is especially seen in a more kindly ing with the lowliness of Bethlehem. attitude of men toward each other. A cavalcade from the far east ap- | The millennium has not yet arrived, proaches Bethlehem. The camel bells and the struggles between the naare tinkling. A retinue of attendants, tions and classes will continue for accompanies three kings of differ- years; but as the spirit of Him after ent oriental tribes, who come with whom Christmas is named finds lodgtheir various offerings to the new- ment in human hearts, the animosborn babe. It is a romance more ro- ities which separate men in antagonismantic than romance itself would tic relations will diminish, and the dare to be. Those swarthy men are time will come when the Christmas among the wisest of the studious spirit will be displayed during the east. They represent the lore and entire year as it is now displayed science of their day. Yet have they upon each Christmas day. What the done what the world would surely es- world needs most for the right soluteem the most foolish of actions. They tion of its serious problems is the