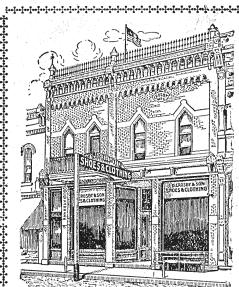
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DIED SUDDENLY.

Mrs. Catherine Benkelman, aged eighty-three years, died suddenly at her supper and while in conversation for many years.

Catherine Scheifele was born. Au-She was united in marriage to Adam living in Bowmansville, N. Y., until ing Mr. and Mrs. Benkelman acquired a goodly portion of property and in 1884 they retired from active life and moved to town to spend their remaining days. Mr. Benkelman died nine years ago on the 27th of December and nearly ever since that time Mrs. Benkelman has resided with Mrs. M. M. Schwegler on east Main street, the ladies enjoying each other's companionship to the fullest extent.

Mr. and Mrs. Benkelman were the parents of seven children, one daughter, dying at the age of fifteen. The remaining children, five sons and one daughter, are: George A. of St. Francis, Kansas, William F. of Owosso, Benjamin F., Samuel G., and John A. Benkelman and Mrs. Louisa Schwegler of this place. She also leaves twenty-five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

funeral services which took place Thursday forenoon at the Evangelical church of which the deceased was an nonored and beloved member, and the burial was made in Elkland cemetery. The pallbearers were her five sons and a grandson, Wm. J. Schwegler. The funeral services were largely attended.

beautiful character, loving and kind in disposition and will be missed by many who found in her a good neighbor and friend.

WILL GO TO KALAMAZOO.

Clarke W. McKenzie has severed his connection with the Cass City Bank her home on east Main street Sunday of which institution he has been evening, December 23. While eating cashier for several years, and accepted a position in the office of the A. M. with Mrs. M. M. Schwegler she sud-Todd Mfg. company at Kalamazoo denly became unconscious from which and will begin his duties there somecondition she did not recover. She time next month. He has been in has been troubled with heart disease the employ of the Cass City Bank for more than ten years, and has proven himself to be a very efficient and gust 23, 1823, in Boertlingen, Germany. | capable young man and his services In the year 1837 she was confirmed. were recognized as he held his present position for a number of years. He Benkelman in Germany in 1851 and will be succeeded as cashier by Morley they came to America the same year, Wickware of Gagetown, who has been employed in the bank in that village 1865. That year they came to Cass for several years. On Wednesday ev-City, residing on a farm northeast of ening fifteen of Mr. McKenzie's gentown. By hard work and frugal liv-tlemen friends planned a neat little



All her children were present at the surprise for him in the form of a banquet at the New Sheridan, of which he had no previous information. The banquet was served at 9:30 in the eyening and was a triumph in the culinary art. The gentlemen who were present were Messrs. H. Frutchey, R. B. Crosby, W. H. Ruhl, M. S. Wickware, G. A. Tindale, E. W. Pin-Mrs. Benkelman was a lady of ney, L. Bailey, C. E. Collins, L. W. Usher, H. P. Lee, C. Ale, P. Parker, G. Moore, S. McKenzie P. A. Schenck and C. W. McKenzie. Clarke will be missed by the young people of Cass City as he has been very prominent in social circles and a jolly whole souled fellow. The best wishes for a successful future go with him to his new location.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

At the Baptist church Monday evening there was a Christmas tree and program given by the Baptist and Presbyterian Sunday schools as these two societies have been holding their sessions together for some time past. The tree was very pretty and laden with presents to gladden the hearts of the little folks, who furnished a nice, enjoyable program. The occasion was a very happy one and the attendance was large. Last Sunday evening the little folks of the M. E. Sunday school gave a program at which the attendance was very large. The program consisted of recitations and songs and the Sunday school orchestra gave several nice sacred selections. "Nearer, my God, to Thee," an instrumental trio by Glen, Ward and Dorus Benkelman, pupils of F. Lenzner, was well rendered and much appreciated. The Christmas exercises which were to have been held Monday evening in the Evangelical church, were postponed owing to the death of Mrs. C. Benkelman and will be held next Sunday evening. Gifts were distributed to the little folks of that Sunday school on Monday and there will not be a tree as had been

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LOCAL ITEMS.

H. P. Lee was in Caro Wednesday on a business trip. Chas. S. Seed of Rochester spent Christmas at his parental home.

Herbert Karr of Detroit spent the ployed for several months.

week at his parental home here. Miss Mamie Brooker is visiting with

friends and relatives in Saginaw. Miss Helen Murdock is spending the

holidays at her home in Saginaw. Miss Mable Sutter is spending a few

weeks at her home in Stratford, Ont Frank Striffler of Deford spent

Christmas at his parental home here. Fred Schell of Detroit was the guest of relatives here on Christmas

been the guest of relatives here a few sue a course in music.

to spend a few days at his parental

Mrs. Thos. Barber of Caseville was

Ervin W. Kaercher spent the first Wood. of the week at his parental home at

week with his sister, Miss Clara, in

Thos. Quinn went to Buffalo, N. Y., ployment.

Miss Ella Sheridan of Monroe is for over a year. spending the week at her parental home here.

the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. northwest of town. I. A. Fritz.

Guy Lamb left Monday morning for Port Huron.

Lyle, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bordwell, has been quite ill, but is

better again. Irwin Bradfield and Alex and Dan Duncanson are home from Alma for the holidays.

Miss Ella Cross of Ellington is enjoying a week's vacation at her paren-

Miss Mabel Reagh of Frederic is spending the holidays with her father, Jas. Reagh. The Misses Etta and Mae Mark are

spending the holidays at their parental home here. Roy McKenzie of Lansing is the

guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Harold and Leslie Ellis of Detroit were the gnests of the Misses Zinnecker on Tuesday.

Miss Nina Gough of Detroit is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Losey and other relatives here.

R. G. Fisher of Chicago, Ill., is spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Eleanor Bader.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Bond left Wedrelatives in Fairgrove.

Wm. McWebb of Detroit is spend- August. ing the holidays with relatives and

friends in this vicinity.

Allen Ross, who has been employed in Kalamazoo for several weeks, has returned to his home for the holidays.

Herman Fitch has returned home from Detroit where he has been em-

R. Fred Gallagher of Onaway is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gallagher, northwest of town.

Miss Addie Wolverton of Saginaw is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wolverton, west of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kile and daughter, Leone, of Caro were the guests of friends here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walmsley and family spent Christmas day with the latter's parents in Novesta township.

Miss Vida Patterson left last Sat-Wm. Miller of Chicago, 111., has urday for Detroit where she will pur-

Teddy Beebehyser of Pontiac is Jas. H. Schwaderer of Lafayette, spending the holidays with his par-Ind., is a guest at his home here this ents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Beebehyser.

Mrs. Chas. Rohr left on Monday Floyd Tibbals went to Marlette morning for Monroe to spend the holidays with her mother and other rel-

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wood and famthe guest of Mrs. M. L. Moore last ily spent Christmas day with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C.

Miss Lucy Parker arrived home on. Wednesday for the winter after being H. F. Lenzner spent the first of the employed in Mt. Pleasant several

Mrs. A. B. Parmalee and children Miss Jane Quinn went to Detroit spent Christmas day with Mr. and Monday to spend the week with Mrs. S. Bordwell and family, north-

Miss Irene Tindale has returned last week where he has secured em- home from Kalamazoo where she has been employed in the state hospital

Mr. and Mrs. S. Lindskold of Ann Arbor are the guests of the latter's Miss Lola Fritz of Albion college is parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Martus,

O. E. Niles left last Thursday to visit friends and relatives in Lapeer, a visit with friends and relatives in Columbiaville, Rochester, Detroit, Flint and Armada.

> The Ladies' Aid society of the Evangelical church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. Bergey next Thursday afternoon, January 3.

Walter Shultz of Owosso has been a guest at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. Bergey for a few days, returning home Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Cratzenburg of Ithaca and Miss Leola Lauderbach of Harbor Springs are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Lauderbach, north of town.

W. F. Benkelman and daughter, Frances, of Owosso and Geo. Benkelman and son, Chas., of St. Francis, Kansas, were summoned here this week to attend the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Catherine Benkelman.

Mrs. C. P. Miller of Detroit is the guest of relatives here and in Elmwood township. Mr. Miller has been visiting relatives in Millington and arrived here Tuesday to spend a few

days. Mrs. Miers and children, who have been the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. M. McPhee, left last Tuesday for Houston, Taxas, where they will nesday for a visit with friends and make their future home, Mr. Miers having been employed there since last

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FRAZER HOUSE BURNS

Bay City's Dig Hotel Entirely Destroyed by Fire.

ALL INMATES GET OUT ALIVE lince.

Fireman John O'Neil Seriously Eurn ed-Guests Fled Partially Clad to Cold Streets-Waitress Saves Life of Man-Loss Totals \$75,000.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 24.—The Fraser House, Bay City's leading hotel for 40 years, was completely destroyed by fire Sunday morning, nothing but the four walls being left.

The fire started in the annex containing the boiler room, laundry and porters' quarters. All of the guests in the house escaped uninjured, but John O'Neil, fireman, was found seriously burned in the fire room and will probably die. Andrew Brown, clerk in the storeroom, was burned and badly bruised in a thrilling escape from his room on the fourth floor.

Many of the guests and employes of the hotel got out of the building only partially clad and presented a motley appearance on the streets in the cold morning hours. The fire was discovered by the night clerk when he went to call some guests for an early train, about 2:45.

The rear portion of the building, where the servants' quarters are located, was then filled with smoke, which came through the passageway from the annex. He routed out the help and spread the alarm through the building. With few exceptions the occupants had plenty of time to escape. Within half an hour after the fire was discovered it was apparent that the building was doomed, the flames having spread quickly from the annex and were eating their way to the ront of the structure. O'Neil was discovered lying on the floor of the fire room by Floyd Goodwyn, proprietor of the hotel, and a member of the fire department. He was dragged out in an unconscious condition and was found badly burned about the face and arms, and had inhaled smoke and flames. He was taken to Mercy hospital and tonight is unconscious and sinking rap-

Andrew Brown, the storeroom clerk. occupied a room on the fourth floor, facing the alley. Several minutes after the alarm was given he tried to make his escape through the hallways, but was driven back by the dense smoke. He then went to a window and let himself out on the sill, hanging there while dense clouds of smoke rolled out over his head.

When the crowd in the street discovered him a cry went up for ladders, but the longest one at hand barely reached the third story. Thomas Harding, Jr., one of the firemen, ran up this ladder with a shorter one, which he held up against the wall for Brown to climb down on. This, too, was too

The flames had commenced to burn Brown's hands and he lost his hold. He struck the ladder as he fell, and was thrown against a heavy electric ight wire, which he threw his arm around and clung to. Harding then got the ladder where Brown could each it with his feet, and with the assistance of other men got him down.

One of the guests of the hotel was aved through the pre-Both had rooms on the fourth floor. Miss Cavenaugh had gone back to her room for some clothing when she met the man groping in the blinding smoke, endeavoring to find the stairway.

"For God's sake, show me the way out!" he cried. Miss Cavanaugh caught him by the

hair, and, both choking and gasping, struggled on their knees to the stairway, making their escape.

Being so close to Christmas, the number of guests in the house was small—65 people. The Fraser House is owned by the Fraser House Co., td., and has been managed for several years by Floyd A. Goodwyn. The loss on the hotel and contents is about \$75,000, with an insurance of \$48,500. B. Sempliner, proprietor of the High Art Clothing Co., who occupied a store on the ground floor, lost \$15,000, insurance \$9,500. Mitts Bros., cigar dealers, lost \$2,000, insurance unknown. Floyd Goodwyn, proprietor of the hotel. lost \$5,000, insurance \$3,600. Noah Soloman, a New York jewelry agents trunk' containing considerable jewelry,

All of the guests and employes lost their personal effects.

Train Kills Boy and Horse. Oxford, Mich., Dec. 24.-Loaded

down with Christmas presents, gifts from many Oxford friends, Bert Brown, aged 17, while on his way to his home All Cut Flowers and Potted Plants in sea- in Oakland township, was instantly son. Funeral designs artistitally made and killed. The young man, who attended shipped to any part of the State. Telegraph school here, took the electric car south. He was met at Five Points by the hired man and a rig. Leaving the hired man, he started to drive home. When crossing the Michigan Central racks at the Thurston crossing, where n high embankment cuts off the view of the tracks, the rig was struck by the 8 o'clock north-bound passenger train. Both youth and horse were intantly killed.

Want Two-Cent Railroad Fares.

Grand Rapids, Micn., Dec. 24.-An agitation for two-cent-a-mile railroad fares was started here Saturday at a largely attended meeting of traveling men, members of both the Knights of the Grip and the United Commercial Send for complete list of Premiums, FREE. Travelers. Senator Russell and Representatives Murray and Anderson were present and promised to vote for the two-cent rate. Russell will introduce the bill.

SEEN WITH STRANGER.

Sims May Have Met With Foul Play, So Relatives Believe.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.—One man, illeged to have left Edward P. Sim's poarding house with him several hours before the Carleton brakeman was frowned at the foot of Camount street, Wednesday night, has not seen

The man is said to have not been ear the boarding house since he left with Sims.

The police are said to be in possesion of the name of this man, and are naking quiet inquiry and trying to lorate the missing man.

Four other men, said to have been with Sims just before his death, are known to the police, and the others mow where to find these men.

Insistence on the part of the members of the family of Sims that he met his death by foul play has made teh men of the Scotten station and the detective bureau take up the case with the lope of clearing away all doubt.

It is known that Sims spent the hours preceding his death in the company of

men of unsavory reputation. He had drawn his pay, amounting to \$60, that morning, and his relatives nsist Sims had about \$300 in his possession on Wednesday. Not one cent has to be found in the dead man's ockets when his body was taken from the river.

Hunt Wolves With Dogs.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 24,-Because of the havoc wrought throughout the upper peninsula by wolves during the past two or three years, farmers and sportsmen have become alarmed. Great inroads are being made in flocks of sheep and the deer of the wooded sections. State Game Warden Charles H. Chapman has determined to hunt the animals systematically with Siberian wolf hounds. He'has laken the matter up with the Russian minister at Washington with a view to importing dogs if they cannot be procured in this country.

Tracks Show His Fate.

Lansing, Mich., Dec 24.—Carl M. Smith, aged 23 years, attempted to walk across Grand river on the ice. He was alone. The ice, which was only an inch in thickness, broke, and South was drowned. No one knew of his fate until tracks in the snow, leading to the river and the hole in the ice, were discovered. The police recovered the

No Christmas Pardons.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 24.—There will be no Christmas pardons at any of the penal institutions of the state Gov. Warner does not believe in pardons and he does not especially toe that they should be granted at Christ-

Two Skaters Drown.

Escanaba, Mich., Dec. 24 Oscar F. Westman, of Negaunee, and John Blashe, of Kewaunee, broke through the ice while skating Sunday afternoon and both were drowned.

MICHIGAN BRIEFS.

The St. Johns Poultry association rives a show December 25-29 in the Morrison block, St. Johns.

Josiah Monroe, of Eagle township, Clinton county, is more than 80 years of age, and for 70 years of that time has lived consecutively on the same farm. He is the earliest settled of the township still living.

There is to be a big bear shoot at Montrose Friday, December 28, in which several from this section of the Mary May Cavenaugh, the head wait state will take part. The man exhibiting the best target at the end of the match may take the bear or \$29 in cash. Mrs. Dwight McKey, wife of Dwight McKey a conductor on the main line of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad, from Toledo to Chicago, and

one of the oldest railroad men for that road, is dead at her home in Deerfield Miss Aerle Hartwell, of Morrice, has een awarded a prize of \$25 by her employer, the Indianapolis, Ind., Telephone Co. She is an operator for the company at Indianapolis, which hangs in money prizes as an incentive to good behaviour on the part of its employes

After an exhaustive examination exending over five days, physicians have decided that Charles Hacker, 78 years of age, a well-to-do farmer of Westphalia, is not crazy, but simply ugly Hacker cannot speak English. His family fears him because he flies into a age when crossed!

Dr. C. H. Lamoreaux and Benjamin Kraus, of Fowlerville, indulged in a riendly wrestling match on the street Kraus was the most skilled and flopped is opponent so hard that when the doctor went down, his right leg was proken below the knee. The doctor absolves his friend from all intent to in-

jure him. Mrs. William Mutton and son. harles, have reached their home in Flushing, after a trying trip from Portang, On. A wreck in Idaho and anwice stalled in drifting snow in the other in North Dakota delayed them nineteen hours, and their train was They were two days late in reaching Flushing.

The family of Mrs. Jane Brown, in Morrice, is worrying the common council, which recently held a special meeting to discuss ways and means of protecting the public health. There has been sickness at the Brown home for 15 weeks, and the council would like to cleanse and fumigate the building, but can think of no way to do so without endangering the lives of the children who are still sick.

Mrs. Fernando Piggott and three children, were saved from death by asphyxiation recently at their home in Lebanon township, near St. Johns, because a guest, Miss Kate Carrow, is a trained nurse. Escaping gas from the furnace rendered all but Miss Carrow unconscious, and she was nearly overcome by the deadly fluid when awakened. She worked over her hostless and the latter's children until morning before they were finally out of danger.

TEN DEAD IN WRECK

Train On Soo Road Meets With a Terrible Accident.

TWENTY-FIVE PERSONS HURT

Passenger Accommodation Into Switch Engine-Flames Made It Necessary for Rescuers to Work Rapidly-Injured Taken to Hospital.

St. Paul, Dec. 24.—Ten persons are known to be dead, six others are fatally injured and at least twenty-five others were hurt in the wreck Sunday of an eastbound accommodation train on the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie railroad at Enderlin, N. D.

The train from Moose Jaw Canada is due at Enderline at 11:45 p. m., but Saturday night was about two hours late. The engineer was running at nate and relieve the distressed among high speed in an endeavor to make up the lost time.

As he swung around a curve just before entering the yards at Enderlin, a switch engine was shifting a string of box cars to a side track. The cars did not clear the main track and the passenger engine collided head on with the switch engine.

Both engines were wrecked and the passenger cars were thrown in confusion down a small embankment at the side of the track. Several of the day coaches were turned bottom side up and the passengers pinned beneath the wreckage, which took fire from the car

The passenger train was heavily loaded with people going to spend the holidays. Most of the casualties occurred in the smoking car, and first day coach, both of which were splint-

Enderlin is the divisional headquar ters of the railroad, and a rescue party was soon at hand endeavoring to release the imprisoned passengers. Many persons were in iminent danger from the flames, which were fast spreading through the cars. Axes were wielded by willing hands, and the roofs of the overturned cars were broken open and the dead and injured taken out as quickly as possible.

It was a race between the rescuers and the flames, but by herculean efforts all of the injured were removed

before the flames reached them. Ten dead bodies were taken out and land beside the track, while the in-

NINE PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Desperate Criminals Take French Leave From Cincinnati Jail-

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 24.—Nine prisoners escaped from Hamilton county jail Sunday. Among those who escaped were some desperate criminals, including Clarendon Henri, arrested in New York recently, for stealing the famous picture, "Girl Knitting," from the Cincinnati art museum. Others that escaped are:

Hugh Gastright, George Curtis George Sherrod, Willis Saunders, Edward Ness, Frank Kammf, Joseph Thatcher, J. Sutton.

The prisoners escaped during church service hours, at which time more lib window was sawed and shoved aside of which the prisoners dropped 20 feet men as they ran to the street, and im mediately informed the jailer.

In the afternoon Frank Kammf and

Trade With Porto Rico Increases. Washington, Dec. 24.—The story of the remarkable growth of trade between the United States and Porto Rico, is told in a statement first is sued by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. It shows that the commerce between this country and its island possession has grown from a little less than four million dollars in 1897, the year before annexation, to over forty million dollars at the close of the present year. For the ten months ending with October, the business between the two countries amounted to \$38, 830.083. Of this amount the United States sent to Porto Rico \$16,509,946 worth, of merchandise, while Porte Rico's trade with this country reached a total of \$19,320,137.

Monument to Leo XIII. Rome, Dec. 24.—The work of erecting a monument to Pope Leo XIII, ining the funeral of Pius IX., when the

thrown into the Tiber.

President Issues Proclamation Ask-

ing to Aid Starving Chinese. Washington, Dec. 24.—President Roosevelt has issueu a proclamation, calling on the people of the United States to contribute funds for the relief of millions of famine sufferors in China, who are on the verge of starvation. The president says that he will ask congress for authority to use government transport vessels to carry provisions to the famine-stricken pecrle. The proclamation follows:

'To the people of the United States: There is an appalling famine in China. Throughout a district covering over 40,00 square miles and supporting a population of 15,000,000, the crops have been destroyed by floods, and millions of people are on the verge of starvation; thousands of dwellings have been destroyed, and their inmates are without homes. An urgent appeal has been made for the assistance of the United States.

"Our people have often, under sim-Nar conditions of distress in other countries, responded generously to such appeals. Amid our abounding prosperity and in this holiday season of good will toward man, assuredly we should do our part to aid the unfortuthe people of China, to whom we have been allied for so many years in friendship and kindness.

"I shall ask congress, upon its next day of session, for authority to use our transport vessels to carry flour and other food to the famine-stricken re-

"I recommend that contributions for the purchase of such food and other appropriate relief to be sent to the American National Red Cross, which will take care of the expenditures. Such contributions mer be made either through the local Red Cross treasurers or through the department of state, or may be sent directly to Mr. Charles Hallam Keen. Red Cross treasurer, United States treasury department, Washington, D. C.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT." JEWS UP IN ARMS.

Students in New York Schools Threaten to Strike Unless Yuletide

Programs Are Abandoned. New York, December 24.—The New York branch of the National Red Cross society has issued an appeal for help for the famine stricken people of China. Contributions of money are desired with which to purchase flour and other food stuffs to be shipped by the Red Cross to China for the relief of the sufferers.

New York, December 24.—Christmas services were general in the christian churches of the city Sunday, and in several synagogues the religious anniversary was touched upon, especially in reference to its observance in the public schools.

Preparations for Christmas exercises in the public schools of the city have been under was for some time and have resulted in formal protests to the a stenographer. board of education by the parents of Hebrew scholars. The board has failed schools unless assured that the Yule-The mater was taken up by the Hebrew press and the pulpits of both reformed than any other typewriter, because it and orthodox synagogues.

Manual Training fo Indians.

Washington, December 24.-The anent has visited practically all of the Indian schools during the year and re ports that more teachers are recogniz ing the special characteristics of the In dian and consequently better methods of teaching prevail.

GENERAL MARKETS.

Monday, December, 24, 1906. DETROIT—Wheat: No. 1 white,

76%c; No. 2 red spot, 77%c; Dec. 774; May, 82e; July, 794c. Corn: No. 3 mixed, 451/4c; No. 3 Jellow, 461/4c. Oats: No. 3 white, 374c. Rye: No. 2 70c. Beans: Spot, \$1 28; Feb., \$1 29. Clover: Spot, \$8 25; Feb., \$3 35.

CHICAGO—Grain: Dec., 743/6: May, 78c; July, 771/4c. Corn: Dec 43%c; May, 43½c. Oats: Dec., 33%c, May, 35%c. Pork: Jan., \$16 10; May \$16 45. Lard: Jan., \$8 55; May, \$8 95. Ribs: Jan., 8 62; May, \$8 80.

Live Stock Markets.

DETROIT-Cattle: Choice steers \$4 40@4 90; choice handy killers, \$3 90@4 30; light to good butchers' steers and heifers, \$2 50@3 50; stockers and feeders, \$2 50@4. Sheep and lambs: Quality common; choice lambs \$7@7 25; light to fair, \$6@6 50; com mon to prime sheep, \$3@5; mixed sheep and lambs, \$4 50@5 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@

CHICAGO-Cattle: Beeves, \$4@ 7 10; cows and heifers, \$1 50@5 15; stockers and feeders, \$2 40@4 50. Hogs: Mixed and butchers,\$6 05@6 40; rough heavy, \$5 90@6 15; good heavy, \$6 25@6 40; light, \$5 95@6 32; pigs, \$5 50@6 25. Sheep: Steady; sheep, \$3 75@5 60; lambs, \$4 60@7 75.

EAST BUFFALO-Cattle Best heif ers. \$4 50@4 75; fat cows, \$3@4; butchers' \$3 50@4. Hogs: Yorkers and heavy, \$6 60@6 65; pigs, \$6 65@ Sheep: Market slow; best C 75. lambs, \$7 60@7 70; yearlings, \$6@ casket bearing his body was almost 650; wethers, \$5 50@5 75; ewes, \$50

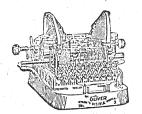
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jured were taken in hastily improvised ambulances to hospitals and hotels.

Two Recaptured.

erty than usual is permitted. The es cape was affected by unlocking a door which leads to a narrow passage lead ing to the area-way between the outer wall and the cell block. Here two ladders were found and spliced together with bedclothing. A bar to the outer The spliced ladder was placed from the window ledge to the top of a one-story structure in the fail yard, from the roof to the ground. A small boy saw the

George Curtis were recaptured.

side the Church of St. John Lateran, is proceeding rapidly. A large statue flanking the monument and represent ing Religion, has already been placed in position. The monument will be ready at the end of January. Nothing however, has been decided about the removal of the remains of Pope Leo, Pope Plus being desirous of avoiding disturbances similar to those attend

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> The Freshman. "Is Reggy improving by his life in

college?" "Oh, yes; he's already learned to toe in with one foot!"-Detroit Free Press.

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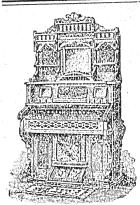
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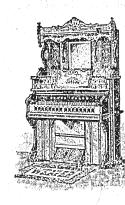
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What Fishing Develops.

To those who are satisfied with a superficial view of the subject it may seem impossible that the diligence and attention necessary to a fisherman's success can leave him any opportunity while fishing to thoughtfully contemplate any matter not related to his pursuit. Such a conception of the situation cannot be indorsed for a moment by those of us who are conversant with the mysterious and unaccountable mental phenomena which fishing develops. We know that the true fisherman finds no better time for profitable contemplation and mental exercise than when actually engaged with his angling outfit It will probably never be possible for us to gather statistics showing the moving sermons, the enchanting poems, the learned arguments and eloquent orations that have been composed or constructed between the bites, strikes or rises of fish. But there can be no doubt that of the many intellectual triumphs won in every walk of life a larger proportion has been actually hooked and landed with a rod and reel by those of the fishing fraternity than have been secured in any one given condition of the nonfishing world. - "Fishing and Shooting Sketches," by Grover Cleve

Calling the Chickens. In England the calls chuck, chuck, or coop, coop, prevail; in Virginia, coo-che, coo-che; in Pennsylvania, pee pee. This latter call is widely em ployed, being reported from Germany. Spain (as pi, pi), Bulgaria, Hungary, Bavaria and the Tyrol. In the Austrian province the term is used in combination-thus: Pulla, pi, pi. The call pullele, pul, pul, also occurs there. In some parts of Germany the poultry are called with tick, tick; in Prussia, put, put, and young chickens with tuk, tuk (Grimm), and schip, schip, the latter being an imitation of their own cry. In eastern Prussia hens are called with kluckschen, kluck, kluck also tippchen, tipp, tipp. Grimm records also pi, pi, and tiet, tiet. Wein hold reports from Bavaria bibi, bibeli bidli; pi, pi, and pul, pul. In Denmark the call is pootle; in Holland, kip, kip in Bohemia, tyoo; in Bulgaria, tiri, tiri,

An Old Medicine.

"Ground oyster shells," said the phy sician, "were used as a medicine by the mediaeval doctors-a medicine for the rickets and scrofula." "How absurd!"

"Absurd? Not at all. Oyster shells contain lime, nitrogen, iron, sulphur magnesia, bromide, phosphoric acid and iodine. Those are all excellent tonics. You know how hens eat ground oyster shells and thus produce eggs with good. thick, strong shells? Well, as the oyster shell powder acts on eggshells so have no doubt it acted in the middle ages on the bending, crumbling bones of the rickety, putting strength and firmness into them. Ground oyster shells, I am convinced, would be good things for frail children today. They would strengthen the frame, increase the appetite and have a splendid effect on the teeth."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

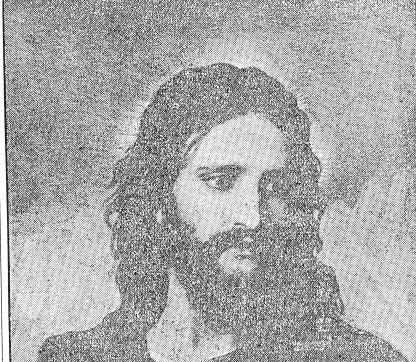
A Curious and Rare Book. The most curious as well as one of the rarest books known to collectors is the edition of the Vulgate issued by Pope Sixtus V. some time between 1585 and 1590. The book, as Disraeli described it, "fairly swarmed with errata." So numerous were they that a number of printed paper slips containing the proper words were pasted over the errors, and, this device proving inefficient on account of the immense number of mistakes, as many of the copies as could be found were called in deification of innocence and helplessand destroyed. Only a few remain, and ness, and no emphasis upon duties to the book with its paper patches commands an extremely high price.

The Man Fish.

English wonder books as the "man existence, care, training and love; fish," was the most remarkable mon- the right of an immortal soul as well strosity of his time. He had neither as of a future citizen. The righthands, arms, feet nor legs. From his minded part of society accepts the reshoulders grew two finlike excrescen sponsibility with joy, and its best efces, and along his back there were several rows of scales. He had the lidless eyes characteristic of the fish species and a queer puckered mouth and no only do parents labor, but the legis-

The Two Garricks.

George Garrick, brother of the celebrated David, was the latter's most devoted slave and laborious pack horse. On coming behind the scene he usually inquired, "Has David wanted me?" It being asked once how George came to die so soon after the demise of his famous brother, a wag replied, "David



The Christ.

From Painting by Hofmann, 1824.

"AND A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM"

By REV. JOHN TALBOT SMITH, LL. D. President Catholic Summer School of America.



ing of the festival of Christmas is contained in these words. It is the festival of the children, because on this day God the Son, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, took upon Him humau nature in the shape of a helpless

and beautiful child. Various meanings have been read into the celebration of the nativity of Christ-the humanitarian regards it as the proper placing of the human individual in the economic system; the mere materialist looks upon it as the protest of infant right against adult might; the scientist of a certain school regards it as the emphasis of nature upon the necessity of training properly the next generation; the sentimentalist sees in it a noble tribute to the beauty and innocence of the child. It is necessary to remark, however, that if the child had to depend upon these classes for due respect and real trainng there would be no Christmas, no the next generation. The festival of Christmas is truly the social, economic, political and religious anniversary of the human child, through which he Mathew Buchinger, mentioned in old makes his demand upon the world for forts, in fact all its efforts, are expended on the work of preparation for the coming of the Child. Not lators make laws, teachers teach, artists create and commerce agonizes for the child-for the next genera-

tion. Therefore the monumental truth of modern civilization is expressed in the text: And a little child shall lead them.

The Lesson of the Christmas Tide

By Dr. Robert Stuart MacArthur Pastor Calvary Baptist Church, New York.



The Christmasthe birth-festival of our Lord. The incarnation Christ is the central thought in the history of the world. It is the around which all other

events revolve in smaller or larger circles. All the great facts of history previous to His coming had reftory since diverge from these two a standstill by a little child. epochal events. The birth of Christ was the beginning of a new race, and the confusion of the world be arrested the observance of that birth is still and checked by the little Christma the jubilee of this new race. Angels Child.

joined in the advent of Christ with solo and choral song as He left the bosom of the Father to become the child of Mary in the manger at Bethlehem. This festival is still the most joyous feast of the church. It makes childhood more beautiful and glorious, and it lightens the burdens of age and sorrow with its tender memories and its triumphant prophesies. In the chill of midwinter in northern climes it kindles a fire of hope and joy in every home and heart. It is prophetic of the golden age when Christ shall come again, when evil shall be overthrown, and when the song of a redeemed humanity shall sweep over the universe.

By the gifts which characterize this season we commemorate God's great Gift, the unspeakable gift of His Son to a world lost in sin and wandering in darknes. No one can rightly estimate the blessings which flow every year to all classes and conditions of men from the tender memories and gentle charities called forth by the remembrance of the Holy Child, His birth has exalted the Tesus. poetry, the music and the art of the centuries. It has changed all social customs and religious rituals. It has given a new glory to human life and a new trend to eternity. This is the time when all bitterness should be forgotten, all family feuds reconciled and all life glorified. It is unspeakably sad that in the name of Jesus Christ Russian murderers are slaughtering the Jewish people, the ancient and historic race which gave us the Christ. It is a cause for profound humiliation that superstition, bigotry and virtual idolatry still abound ur der the shelter of the Christian name.

A Message of Peace in the Christmas Season

By Rt. Rev. David Hummell Greek Coadjutor Bishop of New York.



The Christmas season comes with its message of peace to a world torn and rent with many divisions, a world in which there is much strife. This strife is to be allayed and these divisions

nealed not by any process of statutory enactment, but by that spirit of brotherly love and kindness which takes possession of the human heart at Christmastide. Just so far as that spirit continues

regnant in the hearts of men throughout the year will the Christmas season be prolonged and continue to give its blessings to mankind.

Perhaps one lesson which the Christmas season teaches above all others is that, in order to enter the kingdom tide celebrates of peace and happiness, we must become as a little child. And let that appealing love which the little child inspires become a persisting force in our lives!

I once saw all the traffic in Fifth avenue stopped by a little child. Its mother was wheeling it across the street in its baby carriage and in the middle of the thoroughfare, crowded with vehicles of all kinds, she became panic-stricken and did not know what to do or which way to turn. But, suderence to His advent; all the events denly, all the drivers reined in their since look back to that advent as the horses, all the chauffeurs stopped their beginning of a new era. All lines of automobiles, and all the teamsters previous history converge to the pulled up their trucks-the traffic of manger and the cross; all lines of his- the busy avenue had been brought to

So will the noise and the strife and

Santa Claus In Salt Lake

Where the Good Saint Got the Surprise of His Life.

O a thrifty Morman household came the patron saint of Yule; was puffing like an engine, he was laden like a mule,

For he knew a row of stockings such as nowhere Would be yawning there before him in the home of Elder Green.

So he shoved his pack ahead of him and started down the flue, While he muttered, "This is something that I

hate like smoke to do.' Then he followed with reluctance through the

Smooty, smudgy air, Quickly landing where the hosiery was hung in



SEVEN PAIRS, ALL BABY SIZES.

There were papa's socks and twenty pairs of lengthy wifely hose; There were socks for Eddie, Willie, for Eliphalet and Mose; There were stockings of Matilda's, Esmeralda's

and Susanne's; There were Charley's hose and Molly's, Cora

Belle's and little Dan's. Amaryllis, George, Alphonso, Peter, Joseph, Maud, Eugene, Arthur, Lizzie, James, Amelia, Mary, Frances

Briggie, Reed, Lucile, Clorinda, Arethusa, John, Mattie, Lucifer, Elfrida-from his lips their titles

But about the shelf there dangled other hose whose owners' names He could not recall to save him as he watched the dying flames-Seven pairs, all baby sizes, each in age not quite

"Gee!" cried Nick. "Been something doing since the last time I was here!

Glad I brought a stock of rattles and a lot of teething rings-Utah always gives a market for such kindergarten

From 'race suicide' she ever has discreetly held

And there's not a home in Zion free from stork tracks on the roof.

The Modern Mistletoe.

Prominent in the Christmas revels and, with the holly, most essentially "Christmasy" of all the plants used was the mistletoe. With us the old significance and sacredness have gone, leaving but charm enough to give the well known privilege to the man who meets a girl beneath it. There exists also in some places the tradition that the girl who is not kissed under the mistletoe will not be married for a year. (The present writer once knew a thoughtful and provident damsel who wore a hat trimmed with the sacred plant.) But the kiss permitted in olden time was originally of the religious variety, our mistletoe celebration being borrowed from Scandinavian lore.

Said Little Socrates.

-Critic.

"Some generous person," said little Socrates Bulginbrow of Boston, "has been kind enough to send me a copy of Mother Goose's lyrics for Christmas. Do you know, the theory that a representative of the bovine genus at one time leaped over the chief luminary of the night leads to some interesting calculations as to the muscular development of the cows of that time. I have ascertained that they must have been endowed with strength proportionate to that of the flea of the present day."-Baltimore American.

A Hard Headed Boy. "Dar's jes' dis about it." said Mammy Minerva, "I's gotter han' dat Pickaninny Jim over to de Society Foh de Prevention o' Cruelty to Animals."

"What's he been doin'?" "We give him a goat foh a Christmas present, an' Jim an' de goat got to playin' rough, an' de fus' thing I knowed Jim he done los' his temper

an' butted dat goat almos' to def!" He Knew the Boy. Head of Firm-You had better give

the office boy a couple of dollars, Mr. Penwiper, for Christmas. Mr. Penwiper (the bookkeeper)-I

think we had better make it a New Year's gift, sir. I have just sent him out with a telegram, and I don't think he will get back by Christmas .- Brooklyn Citizen.

VALLEY SYSTEM WANTS TO RAISE RATES

To illustrate that W. J. Moore's Telephone System is not the only one that has found it necessary to raise the price of telephone rentals, the following article which appeared Saturday is clipped from the Detroit Journal.

INDEPENDENTS ARE LOSING

Saginaw Valley 'Phone Co. Says Rates Are Too Low.

SAGINAW, Mich., Dec. 22.—Special.—According to a communication addressed to the city council by the Saginaw Valley Telephone Co., independent, it has been a failure as a competitor of the Michigan Telephone Co. so far as money-making is concerned, having operated at a loss for ten years. The council is asked to grant a new ordinance giving the company the right to raise the rates at present limited to \$30 a year for business and \$24 for residences. The company says it cannot afford to operate longer at these rates and with restrictions imposed by the city can't interest outside capital in making needed improvements. The company has a large list of subscribers, an underground wire system and was generally supposed to be making money. The public has long protested against two companies and will likely oppose further concessions to the independent concern.

The above article conveys the idea that unless the new ordinance is granted by the Saginaw council, the independent company will find it necessary to cease operating.

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AUCTION SALES.

M. D. Mills & Co. will have an auc tion sale at Novesta Corners on Friday, Jan. 4, A. A. McKenzie, auc-

LOCAL ITEMS.

Miss Myrtle Orr of Bellaire is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Emily Orr. Mr. and Mrs. A. Tiedgen of Dimondale are the guests of their son, F. A.

E. J. Wettlaufer of Detroit is the Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Houghton. guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wettlaufer.

Miss Athelia Phillips of Plainwell has been the guest of Miss Margaret Christmas, returning Wednesday. Miller this week.

Miss Mary Randall of Mt. Clemens is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. A.

Miss Rosa Fairbanks has been spending a few days at her parental

home at Marlette. Mrs. Myra Woodward, of Byron Center, N. Y., is the guest of her sis-

ter, Mrs. J. Cooley. A. Noble of Dimondale was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A.

Tiedgen Thursday. The Misses Eliza and Claribel Clow were the guests of their brother at Marlette this week.

Mrs. J. L. Hitchcock has been quite ll the past two weeks and Mrs. Julia Dann is nursing her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooley, of Alegan, were the guests of the former's sister, Mrs. J. Cooley. Chauncey W. Campbell of Detroit

is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Christmas day. Mrs. W. J. Campbell. Geo. Cole returned home from De-

troit last Saturday where he had gone for medical treatment. Frank Utley returned to Columbia-

ville Monday after spending a few days with friends here. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Landon went to Downington Sunday to spend a few

days with relatives there. Mrs. Hoover of Millington has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. B. Mc-Fail, the past two weeks.

Miss Janet Miller left Monday for a week's visit with her friend, Miss Lucy Fritz, at Ypsilanti.

Miss Mabel Snarey of Detroit is spending the week with Miss Eleanor Bigelow and other friends.

Miss Mae Mulholland of Albion college is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mulholland.

Chas. E. Patterson, Jr., of Watrousville is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Patterson. Jas. N. Dorman spent the first of

the week with his parents at Marlette returning home Tuesday evening. Clayton McKenzie has returned

nome after having spent several months in the Canadian Northwest. Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Spurgeon and family spent Christmas with Mr. and

Mrs. S. Cole, six miles northeast of town. The masquerade ball held in Mc-Lellan's hall Christmas night was well attended and a fine time is re-

ported. Stanley Schenck of Hibbing, Minnesota, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Schenck, northwest

of town.

J. E. Freeman of Detroit spent seval days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Freeman, and other friends.

Mrs. Mary Ross and son, John, and Miss Flora Ross spent Christmas at the home of Alex McCormick at Greenleaf.

Vern Gable, accompanied by his sisters, the Misses Vania, Niva and Hazel, spent Christmas with friends near Argyle.

Dr. and Mrs. K. M. Morris, Dr. W. Morris and Mrs. Mulloy of Gagetown spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morris.

Chas. Schenck, travelling salesman for the Saginaw Graphite Co., was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

W. T. Schenck. E. A. Perkins, who attends school at Orchard Lake, is spending the holidays with his father, G. E. Perkins,

and other friends. Mr. and Mrs. Heaslip of Lansdowne, Ont., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Keating. This is their first

visit to Michigan. Miss Lottie Usher entertained her Sunday school class at her home last Saturday evening. The class is com-

posed of little boys. The L. O. L. will meet at A. D. Gillies' office on the evening of Janu-

of electing officers. Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lincoln of Battle Creek arrived here Wednesday to

ther, E. H. Lincoln. Mr. and Mrs. John Ball and Miss Grace Meiser spent Christmas with

Wednesday evening. Business college, Ypsilanti, is spendath at the home of the bride Wednesday and Mrs. Peter Burg.

Ed Alvers of Oxford and Mrs. Angie Vanderhight and little child of Chicago, Ill., are the guests of their sister, Mrs. H. S. Wickware.

Mrs. Harrier Martin and children of at the home of the former's parents,

Fred Randall of Detroit was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Randall northwest of town, over

Word was received here Tuesday of the death of Miss Lizzie Smith of Beauley, who passed away on Christmas day after an illness of many months.

Miss Mae Tyo left Thursday for a visit at the home of her uncle in Paris and from there she will go to Big Rapids to pursue a course at Ferris

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Platz of Baton Rouge, La., are the parents of a little baby boy, born Nov. 27. Mrs. Platz was formerly Miss Belle MacArthur of this place.

Hannibal Welch of Rodney, Ont., is spending a few days at the home of merrily spent. Mr. and Mrs. John S. Campbell on Pine street, also at the home of Jos. G. Eastman.

tending school at Ypsilanti, are the name is Morris & Montague. guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. McKim, west of town.

mas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Spurgeon, Sr., northeast of

family of Big Rapids spent the first of services which will probably take the week with Jas. McArthur and place sometime next February. family. Mr. Masselink was formerly superintendent of the Cass City schools.

of the Modern Maccabees entertained participated, all taking their parts in the Lady Maccabees at Odd Fellows' hall and although the attendance was not very large all had a thoroughly good time.

Mrs. Eunice Cook of Lansing and Mrs. Anna McFarlane and two children of Kingston were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Chambers on Christmas day, Mrs. Cook remaining for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Knapp, who have been visiting in Ypsilanti, arrived here the first of the week to spend Christmas at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McKenzie.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jesse and Mrs. John Burgwald and daughter, Edna, all of Sturgis, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Benkelman. Mr. Jesse and Mrs. Burgwald are brother and sister of Mrs. Benkelman.

A farmers' institute will be held in Cass City on January 15 and 16, at Route 1, Cass City, and his bride, a which time prominent speakers will be present. The program has not taught school in this vicinity for sort be present. The program has not been completed yet, but it will probably be printed in the Chronicle next

A ball at Doerr's hall was enjoyed by the young folks of the village last Thursday evening in honor of several young ladies. The music for the occasion was furnished by Finney's orchestra of Detroit. A most enjoyable time is reported.

A farmers' institute will be held at Shabbona on Friday, Jan. 4, 1907, in Ehlers' hall. There will be three sessions, morning, afternoon and evening and music will be furnished by the Shabbona brass band. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

The Misses Lulu and Gertrude Anderson of Kalamazoo and Ethel Anderson of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Holloway and daughter, Doris, of Caro have been the guests of Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Schenck and Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Wickware this week.

Miss Adla Swanson, a young lady from Alpena, who has been in the employ of the Sioux City Seed and Nursery company, was taken ill with diphtheria last week and was immediately brought to Pleasant Home hospital. She is improving at present, her case not being a very serious one.

Wm. Elliott of Lexington arrived ary 2 at eight o'clock for the purpose here Monday evening to spend Christmas and make an extended visit at the home of his son, H. T. Elliott, who is also entertaining his sister, visit at the home of the former's bro- Miss Bertha Elliott, of Detroit and their brother-in-law, Herbert Kimball, of Grand Marais this week.

John B. Henderson, a travelling friends in Pontiac, returning home on salesman, whose home is in Unionville, and Mrs. Miranda H. DeWitt. George Burg, a student at Cleary of this place, were united in marriage ing his vacation with his parents, Mr. afternoon at five o'clock in the presence of a few friends, Rev. E. H. Miss Ethel Martin of Mt. Pleasant Bradfield performing the ceremony. Mrs. Wm. Balkwell, living three miles north and one mile west of Cass City will have an auction sale on Thursday, Jan. 3, J. H. Strifler, auctions and our fall overcoats. W. H. Ruhl, the tailor.

Snug fits, proper lengths and first-class materials will be found in our fall overcoats. W. H. Ruhl, the tailor.

Miss Madeline Auten returned home last week from Granville, Ohio, to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Auten.

Baxter, Miss Winnie Orr and miss pend a few days with her parents, Join in extending congratulations. and G. L. Martin of Coleman are spending the vacation at their parental home north of town.

The guests present were Dr. and Mrs. O. C. Russ, Mr. and Mrs. S. Durst, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. M. Jones Mrs. H.

Otsego are making an extended visit ing the day of the regular meeting. wishes of a large number of friends. All members are requested to be present. Officers will be elected at this

> Eight young people from town attended the Christmas exercises held by the teachers and pupils of the Fractional District No. 6, Elkland and Novesta, last Friday evening. The school is taught by Miss Ethel Gallagher. A Christmas tree was a pleasing feature of the entertainment. Miss Gallagher is meeting with fine success as a teacher.

> Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Crawford and family entertained a happy gathering on Christmas day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Profit, Sr.; Mr. and Mrs. John Profit, Jr. and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Profit and family, Miss Florence McIntyre, Mrs. O. E. Niles and son, Harry, and Jas. Wright and family. There were twenty-two present and the day was

Dr. Wm. Morris was called to Vicksburg last week to inspect a herd of cattle. Out of 32, he found one Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Boulton enter-affected with tuberculosis, Owing to tained Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boulton Mr. Morris' position as state veterinof Caro and Mrs. Mary Ford and arv he is unable to care for his practice daughter, Miss Bertha Wood, on at all times, being called out of town frequently, and he has taken into Miss Ora McKim of Lewiston and partnership Dr. Fred Montague, of Miss Cecil McKim, who has been at- Gagetown. The style of the firm's

The officials of the Presbyterian church held a business meeting Wed-Mr. and Mrs. H. Hulburt and fam- nesday evening, at which time it was ily, Miss Nina Gough of Detroit and found that \$6,000 has already been Mr. and Mrs. D. Losey spent Christ- expended in remodelling the church and that the entire expense will run a little over that amount. Next Monday evening a meeting will be held to Prof. and Mrs. G. Masselink and prepare a program for the dedicatory

The silver medal contest which was given at the Shabbona M. E. church on Dec. 20 has been pronounced a de-Last Friday evening the Sir Knights cided success. Eight young ladies a pleasing manner. Miss Winnie Mc-Tavish was the successful contestant. Local talent furnished the music and Miss Seva Withey gave a selection and responded to encores. After the entertainment, which was well attended, Rev. and Mrs. R. Stephenson entertained the contestants and Mrs. M. Duncanson and Mrs. W. H Ander. son who accompanied the young ladies.

> A quiet wedding took place on Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Ross on South Seeger street, when their daughter, Isabelle May, was united in marriage to Frank J. Nash, Jr., in the presence of only the immediate relatives. The ceremony was performed at three o'clock by Rev. E. H. Bradfield, of the Presbyterian church, and the happy couple left on the afternoon train for a short wedding tour to Oxford and Flint. Mr. Nash is rural mail carrier on

The annual meeting of the fair as- | eral years. The guests present were sociation will be held on Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. F. Nash, Sr., and son, January 2, 1907, at the council rooms. Alva. Both Mr. and Mrs. Nash are The meeting is to be held on Wednes- popular young people of the communday on account of New Year's day be- ity and start out in life with the best

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Cutters from \$20 up. Bob Sleighs from \$12 up

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Soap as a Medicine.

"When I was a boy," said the old man, "they often made me take a little soap as a medicine. It did me good. Soap was prescribed in the village for cramps, for sick headache, for a half dozen complaints. The people admitted that it was a nauseous dose, but

efficacy. "When I was taken down my mother would cut from the cake of yellow soap in the kitchen a chunk about as big as a chestnut.

on the other hand they pointed to its

"'Now, sonny,' she would say, 'swaller this,' and she'd hold the yellow morsel in thumb and forefinger close to my

"I'd begin to whimper. The smell of it and the idea of the lather that would form in my mouth—the lather I'd have to swallow-would fill me with despair. But my mother was inexorable. With stiff lips I'd take the soap into my mouth, I'd chew the soft and slippery stuff a little and then, with a groan here. and a dreadful gulp, I'd swallow it

"Horrors!" said the old man, smiling. "I can still taste those doses of soap that were so common in the village in my boyhood."

Notice to Taxpayers.

I will be at the Cass City Bank on Jan. 5 and at Deford Deford Bank on to the highest bidder, at Agar Jan. 7 to receive taxes for Novesta township. Louis L. Wheeler, 12-21-2

> Wanted. A good live man to sell the Perfec tion Clothes Reel or sell townshiprights in Tuscola county. Apply to W. A. Anderson. 10-19-1*tf

> Milk delivered morning or evening to any part of town. Leave orders at H. L. Hunt's grocery or with the undersigned. Geo. Freeman.

Notice to Taxpayers

I will be at Shabbona every Saturday after Dec. 7 to receive taxes for the Township of Evergreen. 11-23-4* A. L. Sharrard, Treasurer.

Umbrellas repaired at C. L. 6-1-tf Spencer's.

We want young men and women foaled in 1897, four white feet and ratch on face. Imported in 1901 by J. B. Hogate & Son of Sarnia, Ont., and Good positions guaranteed. Expenses very low. Catalogue explaining all free. Dodge's Institute, Monroe St. Valparaiso, Ind.

Owing to the continued ill health of the occupant, the E. C. Poppleton farm of 120 acres, three the continued and one-half miles northwest of town is for sale. If not sold, might be 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

Fine watch, clock and jewelry epairing at C. L. Spencer's. 6—13—

CASS CITY MARKETS.

	Cass City, Mich., Dec. 27.	1906.
	Wheat, No. 1 white	1 - 5
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	White oats No. 3, new	
	Choice Handpicked Beans	1
	Alsike	6
	June	7
7	Barley, per cwt	
	Peas	60
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8	Potatoes,	
H	Eggs per doz	
N	Butter	20
H	Live hogs, per cwt	5
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	Lambs	00 6
	Live Veal5	50 6
M	Dressed Hogs	7
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N	Chickens	
M	Ducks	
M	Geese	
H	Turkey	14
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3	ROLLER MILLS.	
	White Lily, per cwt	2
	Seal of Minnesota, per cwt	2
	Economy per cwt	1
	Fanchon per cwt	. 2
	Graham flour per cwt	2
	Granulated meal, per cwt	2
	Feed per cwt	1
	Meal per cwt	. 1

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FOR SALE—Cheap a brood mare to foal last of May, weight about 1200. Might exchange for horse about that weight to work on farm. Inquire at this office. 1:-21-5*

FOR SALE—Two brown mares and two cows. S. Chambers, south Seeger street. 12-28-1* FOR SALE—One Jersey cow, 4 years old, due Jan. 15 at auction on Saturday at 3:00 p. m. at Agar's barn. Jas, McKenzie. 12-21-2

FOUND—On Seeger street, a lady's light colored leather purse. Owner may have it by identifying property and paying for this notice. 15-28-1

EIGHTY ACRES of land for sale very cheap; eight miles east of Cass City. Enquire of E.B Landon. 12-21-10*

FIVE COLLIE pups for sale at \$1.00 each. R. II. Goodall, three miles southwest of Cass City. 12-28-2* LOST—Canvas for binder, between Dell Os-trander's farm and Gagetown. Finder please leave same at this office. 12-28-1*

LIMITED number of desirable building lots for sale, located at the south end of Woodland Avenue. Enquire of Rev. O. Y. Schneider. 9-28-tf

ROOMS TO RENT in Ahr building on Seeger St. Enquire at Chronicle office.

WANTED—A good man in each county to represent and advertise co-operative department, put out samples, etc. Old established business house. Cash salary \$21.00 weekly expense money advanced; permanent position. Our reference, Bankers National Bank of Chicago, Capital \$2,000,000. Address, The Columbia House, Chicago, Ill. Desk No. 1. 12-7-4

WANTED—Lady to advertise our goods locally. Several weeks home work. Salary \$12.00 per week, \$100 a day for expenses. Saunders Co. Dept. W. 46-48 Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Ill. 45-7-8

Correspondence

ELMWOOD.

Wm. Ware, Sr., is visiting in Ox-

Chas. Hammond's spent Christmas

Orson J. Hendrick spent Sunday in

Miss Eunice Hendrick is visiting at

her parental home here.

John Hartley bought a fine colt of Robt. Charlton last week.

Thomas Grace, of Alpena, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Grace. Herbert Predmore, of the M. A. C., is spending his vacation at his home ent.

Wm. McWebb, Jr., of Detroit, is risiting friends and relatives here this

John Leishman went to Canada Saturday to see his brother, who is

seriously ill. Geo. Land and Mrs. John Peddie went to Lansing last Saturday to spend the holidays.

Robt. McConkey and family, of atives in this vicinity.

Those that attended the party in the Cass City opera house last Friday night report a fine time.

Will Pringle, of Port Huron, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pringle.

T. E. Pringle has returned from Ontario, where he was attending the funeral of his brother, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Lansing Mudge are

rejoicing over the arrival of a little son that came to gladden their home Thos. Spaven, of Buffalo and Wat son, and Miss Bertie Roulston, of Jarvis, Ont., and Miss Grace Welsh,

of Yale, are spending the holidays at Robt. Spaven's. Married at the home of the bride Tuesday evening, Dec. 18th, Miss Edith McKee and George Caister. Rev. Isles of the F. M. church per-

formed the ceremony. Mrs. Glenn McQueen and daughter. Ida, Mr. and Mrs. James McQueen and John, Mrs. James Marshall and Mrs. Wm. Loney have gone to Ontario

to spend the Christmas holidays. The box social which was held at the Hay Creek school house Friday evening, Dec. 21st, was a decided success. Much credit is due the teachers and scholars for the way they entertained the audience with dialogues, recitations and singing.

A Western Wonder.

There's a Hill at Bowie. Texas, that's twice as big as last year. 18 W 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.

John Irving was hulling clover in this vicinity recently.

John Towle and wife went to Saginaw to visit with relatives this week.

Lysure Jones called at Thomas Waley's this week enroute for Deford. Anna Hilliker, of Ellington, is calling on friends in this locality at pres-

William Towle, of Grand Rapids university is home on a brief visit dur-

2 00 ing the holidays.

The entertainment given by the scholars at our school was simply grand, which occurred the 21st inst.

The funeral of Mrs. E. Bearup took place on Wednesday, Dec. 26, at the Menonite church. The remains were interred in the Novesta cemetery.

Chas. J. Reynolds, of Croswell, district representative of the Empire Cream Separator Company, called in this part of the state a few days ago.

Chas. I. Cook is selling nursery stock for I. E. Ilgenfritz and son, of Monroe, Mich., also the Improved Frictionless Empire Cream Separator, manufactured at Bloomfield, New Jersey.

We regret to state that in the earlier hours of Sunday morning the 23rd inst, the loving wife of Elbirt Bearup died at her home three and one-half miles north of Novesta Corners. Mrs. Bearup was one of the class members of the Menonite church and was very highly respected by all with whom she became acquainted. She was mother of a large family most of whom are grown up and doing for themselves. It is not over much to say that the loss of this noble woman will be sorrowfully taken by those that are near and dear in the immediate and large circle of friends and relatives. The bereft husband and family have the entire sympathy of the surrounding community in this sad hour of affliction.

NOVESTA.

A. McPhail is preparing to move to

Walter McIntyre, Pontiac, is visiting his parents for a few days. Mrs. R. Little, of Port Huron, is

spending the holidays at Wm. Jus-

Morris Greer, of Kalamazoo, is vis-

Mrs. Stanley Warner and daughter are visiting the former's parents, Mr.

and Mrs. A. Pierce. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McArthur left Monday for a few days visit with friends at their old home in Ontario. Miss Rosy Delong, of Port Huron,

is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

O. Delong, and other friends at pres-

Fire destroyed the farm residence of A. Pierce Monday morning. The furniture being all consumed by the

Quite a large number of people were present at the Christmas entertainment. A fine program was rendered by the pupils of the Sunday school.

Danger in Asking Advice.

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

ARGYLE.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Ingles are visiting relatives in Pt. Sanilac.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Nique were callers in town Friday. Wm. Matthews and family spent

Christmas in Deckerville. Cyrus King is the guest of his brother, Wilson, in Pt. Huron this

Dan Ross and family of Pt. Huron are visiting at the home of Fred

Mrs. Henry Foote is suffering with a severe attack of inflammatory rheu-

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Sculley one day mot, Misses Orpha and May of Delast week.

Clarence Meyers, who is teaching school north of Bay City, is home for

the holidays Prof. Wm. LcLean of Gagetown spent Christmas at his parental home

north of town. Fred Striffler and the Misses Stella Darr and Ruth Striffler of Cass City are spending the holidays in Argyle.

Henry Ankelbrandt, who has been receiving treatment at the U. of M. hospital, returned to his home here and is much improved in health.

SHABBONA, R. F. D. 1.

Wedding bells will soon be ringing. J. McNevan's house is nearly comoleted.

Miss Lizzie Hoagg is home on a va-

Mrs. Sam Walden still continues very poorly.

Mrs. Ed Bullis visited friends in Vassar last week. Miss Bertha Cook visited the Sand

Fly school Friday. Frank Baughman of Mills called on

Roy Russel last Friday. Our school teacher of Sand Fly has purchased a valuable cow.

P. D. Russell of the Leslie school is visiting in Canada this week. John Lorenzen cut about fifty cords of wood for Thos. Brown last Friday. Thomas Colwell of Cass City was a

business caller in this vicinity last Miss Lottie Bigham and Mary Walden visited Sand Fly school Friday

ifternoon. Mr. and Mrs. J. Cook and daughter, Bertha, visited Lewis Travis last Friday and Saturday.

Beware of Ointnents for Catarrh that Contain

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 reputable physicions, as the damage they will do is tenfold o the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no 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.

Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. Mercury,

TOWN-LINE.

H. Retherford and family spent Tuesday at Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Campfield spent Christmas at Geo. Martin's. The farmers' club will meet at the

home of T. Ashcroft on Jan. 4. Miss Goldie Martin visited Mrs. her mother at Cumber. Chas. Camfield a few days last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Retherford are visiting friends and relatives at Plain-

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Martin and daughter, Lillie, are spending the holidays at Avoca.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Patch and daughter, Anna, are visiting friends and relatives in Detroit.

Misses Anna and Josie Retherford | Cleveland.

Ihe Newcomer's Introduction.



of Detroit are visiting their mother, Mrs. J. E. Retherford.

Miss Moshier and pupils gave a fine entertainment and Christmas tree

Friday afternoon, Dec. 21. Miss Gekeler and pupils gave a fine entertainment and Christmas tree Monday night. All report a good

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hoffman of Detroit and Mrs. Henry Stevens and children of Southfield are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clark Courliss. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hickie of Wil-

troit and Miss Fannie Hickie of Pontiac spent the holidays at the home of J. B. Hickie.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schell of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jeffery of Pontiac and Miss Grace Cooper of Detroit spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Cooper.

Notice to Our Customers.

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

DEFORD, R. F. D. 3.

Martin Keilitz was home for Christ-Wesley Medcalf is now on the sick

Grant Clay was in Caro on business

Mrs. Lura Coldwell was down to Caro last Thursday.

friends in Bothwell, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barraga have a girl baby three weeks old.

Elvin Balch is now on the sick list with inflammatory rheumatism. Mrs. May McDermon of Cass City is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Peter Molonzo. Mrs. Pauline Bailey is now taking cut off. care of Grandma Smith who has been sick for some time.

Wm. Colwellger and H. G. Comstock have gone up north to work in the lumber woods this winter. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Loomis are the

proud parents of a baby boy that came

to their home last week Monday. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup, the new Laxative, stimulates. but does not irritate. It is the best laxative. Guaranteed or your money back. L. I. Wood

FREIBURGER.

A happy new year to all.

C. Pollard was in Ubly Saturday. Christmas exercises next Sabbath at

one day last week. Miss Nellie Johnson left last Saturday for Royal Oak to visit her brother. Come again A. G. Houghton, let

A. C. Graham did business in Ubly

your light shine. Those are our sentiments. Mrs. Marr of Bear Lake is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. C. Graham and also

Quite a number from here! took advantage of the holiday rates and are making their friends in Canada a visit. Rev. Andrews of Deckerville will

commencing Thursday evening, Dec. Mrs. Anna Neilon, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. N. Johnson, has returned to her home in

hold a series of meetings at this place

George Crook, principal of our school, closed the school for two weeks and has gone to his parental home at Speaker for a visit.

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. salve in existence. 25c at Ryans' Drug Store and L I. Wood & Co., druggists.

Love and Dyspepsia.

Young Wife (sobbing)-I am afraid, Karl, you have forgotten what the Herr Pastor said so beautifully at our wedding-how love believes anything, suffers anything- Young Husband-Oh, no; I haven't, but I didn't hear him say that love can eat anything.-Fliegende Blatter.

Self Made Man.

A rich financier said to one of our confreres who has more wit than wealth, "When I began business, sir, I had nothing."

"But those with whom you did business had something." - Independance Roumaine.

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Antismoking Edicts.

Strenuous efforts have been made in times past to stamp out smoking. John Elley spent Christmas with Among the rules of an English school in 1629 it was laid down that "a master must be a man of grave behavior, neither papist nor Puritan, no haunter of alehouses and no puffer of tobacco." In Turkey, where the pipe is now omnipresent, former sultans made smoking a crime, and offenders were punished by having their pipes thrust into their noses, while in Russia a royal edict ordered the noses of the smokers to be

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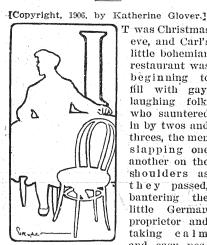
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TWO Christmas Stories

By KATHERINE GLOVER



"SHE ISN'T COMING."

T was Christmas eve. and Carl's little bohemian restaurant was beginning to fill with gay, laughing folk who sauntered in by twos and threes, the men slapping one another on the shoulders as they passed, bantering the little German proprietor and taking calm and easy possession of things, as if

they were well used to the ways of the place. Shabby and ill kept most of them looked, but their faces were bright and their lips were bubbling with little snatches of song, overflowing evidently from hearts full of gay-

At one table in a corner sat a man apart from the crowd and clearly oblivious to the life of the place, his eyes eagerly watching first the clock and then the door. Once or twice he started and half rose from his chair as some one entered, scanning a face closely, only to sink back with a long sigh. It "She was five minutes of 7 o'clock. isn't coming," he thought, and he let his chin fall heavily into his palm while he tried to gather his thoughts. At last, half conscious of some one approaching, he looked up and found a girl standing there, her hand outstretched. "I am late," she said hur "Have I kept you waiting riedly. long?

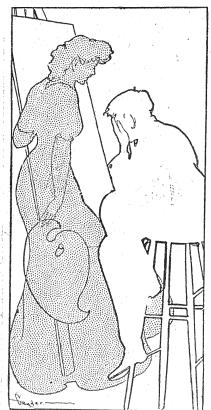
"Yes, but it doesn't matter. Nothing matters now that you are here," he said warmly, taking her hand in both of his. "Sit down and let me look at you." He drew out her chair and seated himself opposite. Both were silent for a moment while they looked steadily into each other's eyes. The color rose slowly in the girl's cheeks, and she turned away.

"It is almost like old times, isn't it?" she asked, with a nervous little laugh. "Like all the best of the old times rolled into one," he said. "Heavens,

how I have wanted to be back, Joyce!" "We are both growing too old to be sentimental, Jack. I want you to tell me all about Paris and your success I read about you and was very proud to be an old friend of the distinguished young American artist, Mr. John Hamilton Seawell."

They were interrupted by the waiter an eld friend of the two, who bowed and scraped an infinite number of times before they could stop him. "Tonight we are to have all the things we used to pretend we didn't like because the figures were too steep for our incomes, with a few of the more familiar things thrown in for auld lang syne,' he said, scanning the menu card Jovce nodded her head and smiled and the order was finally given after a long conference of the three.

When the waiter brought th the table was heaped with little dishes



"SOMETIMES HER IMAGE WOULD STEAD BETWEEN HIM AND THE CANVAS."

of all sorts, more than they could possibly have eaten if they had been saythey were both too excited to be hunthat there was time only for spasmodic dips into the various dishes. When the dinner tapered off to coffee and cheese, however, they both fell into sisaid between puffs. "I want to tell you a story, Mlle. Joyce, if you will listen."

"I shall be most happy," she said with assumed gayety. "But be sure to make it end well. I don't like sad ferent answer to the question he put stories on Christmas eve."

"I shall do my best not to make it end unhappily, but that isn't for me to say. Well, here goes:

"Once upon a time there lived a dear, foolish malden and a stupid, struggling artist, whom she befriend

ed. The maiden at least ought to have been very rich, possessor of stately mansions and all that sort of thing, if she had had her deserts, but, truth to teil, both of them were very, very poor -so poor that the maiden used to wear frayed skirts and cracked shoes sometimes, though she laughed and pretended she did it for fun, and the artist was so poor that-well, he was poorer than any really respectable person ever was before. The two lived next door neighbors high up in the same cheap boarding house in a busy little city called New York. For some unfathormble reason the malden took pity on the artist and used to help him out of his domestic difficulties and try to patch up his moral snags and tears as well. She was his good angel and made the days of struggling worth while for the stupid artist. She used to write wonderful stories-much too wonderful to be appreciated by the earthy editors she had to submit them to. In spite of their poverty, they used to have good times together, those two. When things grew very somber they would help each other jeer at fortune. There was a little restaurant where they would have jolly dinners whenever the artist sold a sketch or two. Carl, the keeper of the restaurant, was their friend and served them good dinners seasoned with sage philosophy. The day dawned when the artist had an opportunity to go abroad and study his art under the great masters-the thing he had longed for all his life.

"When the chance came, however, it seemed a small thing compared to the loss of the maid-



THEY WERE INTER-RUPTED BY THE WAITER.

and make a little home for her in the busy, heartless city. But for once the maiden was cold and unyielding, telling him that she didn't care enough for him to share his

en. There was

not money

enough for both

to go, so he pre-

ferred to stay

home. She sent him away with a heavier heart than he had

ever had before. He went to Paris, where he pitched deep into work to try to forget the maiden, but thoughts of her would creep in in spite of himself, and sometimes her image, a laughing, haunting image, would steal in between him and his canvas, and then he would have to give up work for that day. It was no use. He would go out on the streets and walk and walk and walk, trying to wonder if the maiden's answer was final, calling up little scenes of their days together, conjuring up her looks to see if he could not again read in her eyes and find something there that he wanted. He wrote her long letters telling her a great many things that were not always kind. Some of the letters he sent across the ocean to her; others he tore up and tried to forget. But there were only three letters from her in all the four years he was gone, and they all came on Christmas eve. Long friendly letters they were, just like the chats they used to have, but with no sign of the thing he wanted her to write above all else. The stupid artist worked so hard that he could hardly help winning some shadowy success in all that time. There was a picture or two in the salon; his instructors grew encouraging; there was a line now and then in the papers, all of which puffed him up mightily because he vainly hoped they might make some difference with the maiden.

"When four years had passed the

artist thought he might return to his home in New York and start his work there. He told himself over and over again that he was going home to the maiden, and his heart beat absurdly with hope of seeing her and then sank heavily again at thought of the change the years might have made, of the estrangement they might have brought. During the time he had been away she had written many stories and had finally convinced the editors of their worth. He saw her name in the contents of a number of magazines. The old days were changed. He would no longer find her in the cheap boarding house. If she sent him away three years before, she probably had almost forgotten him in all this time, but the thought of the Christmas letters spurred him to write to her and tell her of his return. He would reach New York the day before Christmas, the anniversary of his leaving. Would she meet him that evening at half past 6 in the little restaurant? He would wait for her at their same table in the corner, and they would talk over old times. The artist arrived in New York on the day he expected, and all afternoon he wandered about, waiting for the hour of their engagement, yet half dreading it for fear she should not come. But the good fairy waved her wand for him this time, for the ing up for this one meal during all the maiden really came, and she is just the time of their separation. In reality same, dear, sweet maiden as in the old days, only the shabby clothes are regry, and their tongues went so fast placed by new, well cut things, and there is a quiet air of prosperity about her. She looks just a little older, perhaps, and the eyes are a trifle more serious, but they are the same tender, lence. The man lighted a cigar in the splendid eyes, reflecting a big, sweet old easy way they were used to and soul. The two talked over many things, but all the time the artist has searched the maiden's eyes to see if he could find there any sign of what he has longed for all these years, a difto her four years ago. He is eager to offer again to make a home for her and to spend his life trying to make her the

> He looked over at the girl. "It is for you to end the story," he said quietly. Har cheeks were flushed, and she

happiest woman in all the world."

was toying with her spoon. She look ed up at him a moment, and her eyes were shining. "I want to go back a little and change your story some. shall begin where the artist had his opportunity to go abroad and study. When he told the maiden about the chance and offered to give it up for her it was the hardest thing she ever had to do in her life to refuse the sacrifice, but she had some small sense of right, and she knew what those years abroad would mean to his future, so she rebuffed him and made him do the thing she knew his head dictated, though his foolish, generous heart led him to offer the other. He thought it was hard for him, perhaps, but he had Paris, with all its diversions, and the spur of his new work, while she had only the lonely sense of his absence. She used to haunt the places where they had been

together, and

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"SHE USED TO WRITE WONDERFUL STORIES!

tle of all. She fought it steadily for three days before she won. She knew if she wrote to him her letters would keep her in his mind and that some time she might carelessly say something to bring him back sooner than he ought to come. It was hard not to yield to what her heart pleaded for, but she felt he could do his best work cut off from thoughts of her and then"-Joyce paused.

"And then?" the man said quickly. "She thought perhaps he might have fooled himself that he wanted to marry her while circumstances drew their lives so closely together. Now that he was seeing more of the world and meeting other women he would weigh the matter and would learn his mind. If he came back and still wanted her she would know he meant it, and"-

"Yes?" the man broke in eagerly. "That's al!," she ended lamely, smiling up at him.

"No, not all. Together shall we try to end the stories with 'They lived

happily ever after?" She reached out her hands to him for answer, and he closed them tenderly in his.

NIGHT ROBES.

They Were Once Very Gorgeous and Worn In the Daytime.

In the middle ages night robes, as a general thing, were unknown luxuries. Under the Tudors royalty and nobility had them made of silk or velvet, and, as the old books say, "hence no washing was necessary."

A night robe of black satin bound with black taffeta and edged with velvet of the same color was daintily fashioned for Anne Boleyn.

More luxurious still was one owned by Queen Bess. It was of black velvet, fur lined, and greatly offset by flowing borders of silk lace. And in 1568 her majesty gave orders that George Brodigman should deliver threescore and six best sable skynnes, to furnish us a night gown." Four years later her highness orders the delivery of "twelve yards of purple velvet, friezed on the back syde, with white and russet silke," for a night gown for herself and also orders the delivery of fourteen yards of murry damask for the "makynge of a night gowne" for some one else.

Night gowns for ladies of a later period were called "nyght vails." In Queen Anne's time it was the fashion to wear them over the customary dress in the streets in the daytime, when out on a pleasure walk. And, as was fitting, ladies who indulged in nightcaps had them also made of silk or velvet, with "much pretty garnishing of lace and glittering cords," and the fair ones made presentation of costly caps to each other as tokens of respect or affection.

No Mistake.

The editor was apologizing over the telephone for an annoying typographical error in his paper.

"In our account of the meeting at which you were chairman last night, colonel," he said, "we tried to say, 'Following is a detailed report of the proceedings,' but it appeared in print, as perhaps you have noticed, 'Following is a derailed report,' and so forth. Mistakes of that kind, you know,

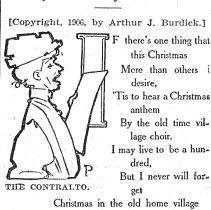
"It may have been an accident," interrupted the man at the other end of the wire, "but it wasn't a mistake. You sidetracked most of the report."— Chicago Tribune.

They Walted Well.

A large audience once gathered in Baltimore to hear Professor Sylvester read a unique original poem of 400 lines, all rhyming with the name Rosalind. He had appended to the poem a large number of explanatory footnotes, which he said he would read first. When at last he had done so he looked up at the clock and was horrified to find that he had kept the audience an hour and a half before beginning to read the poem they had come to hear. The astonishment on his face was answered by a burst of good humored laughter from the audience, and then, after begging all his hearers to feel at perfect liberty to leave if they had engagements, he read the Rosalind poem.

The Christmas Anthem

By ARTHUR J. BURDICK



And the good old time quartet, she would have been to him if she had acceded There was Liza Briggs, to his plan kept contralto; her from doing The soprano, Mary some desperate thing. Then And the tenor who there came his was noted letters begging her for some For the clearness of line in return. his tones. and that was But the basso was the the hardest batstunner-Had a voice so hoarse and

> would fairly knock the slivers, So to speak, right off of song!

I can recollect the anthem Always sung on Christmas day. "Gloo-rye, gloo-rye, in the 'ighest!" We could hear the tenor say. Then the basso joined the effort. "Pay-son airth, goo-dwill toe man; Gloo-rye, pay-son, gloo-rye, pay-son"-

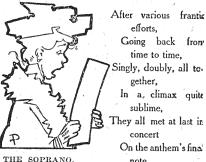
THE TENOR.

That's the way the anthem ran.



"AWNGILS SANG THE GLAWD REEF-RAIN."

Then the women gathered courage: "Awngils sang the glawd reef-rain;" And the basso followed after: "Awngils, raff-rain," o'er again. "Reef-rain," "raff-rain," "ruff-rain," "roof-rain Shouted each; then all went back And began again at "Gloo-rye," Sailing on another tack.



note And, to peaceful silence sinking, Let their voices gently float.



ON GEORGIE'S SLATE

Young Hopeful's Message For Dear Old Santa Claus.

[Spelling partially and impartially con-rected by papa under the Rooseveli rules and others.]

Dere Santy-Wenn U kum along With Rainderes mity nere as strong As Hooley's goat 2 pull Yore sledd U'll find Me sleaping Inn mi Bedd, Butt on the Beddstedd U will C A pare of Sox 2 bigg for Me-Thur Papa's, for mi oan was wett, So I yuzed his—now, don't forgett!

'I don't want verry menny Things— 2 Injun boze R 3 with Strings And narrors and 1 of themm There Pop gunns that Shoots itsself with

Air,
And 2 Revolvurz, 1 with Kapps
2 Skair themm little Jonsun chapps
And 1 that Shoots a reeul Bawl
2 play with Katts and Pupps; that's

Oh, yes-I nerely plumm forgottwant a Kannun saim as whott U brung 2 Jimmy smith last yere, R maybe Bigger—I don't kere. 1 of themm Kannuns with a Rore That's loud enuff 2 shaik the dore And maik the nayburz shutt thur yeres
And say, "Don't play with him, maderes."

Yes, and sum Powder and a soard And skabburd, iff U kan afford 2 leev Me themm. U C I'm go'n' 2 B a soljer wenn I'm groan And go and Fite the nashun's Kaws, Upholding Fredum's wholly laws; The Papa sez I want an Orgy Of Noys around the howse.

CHOICE MISCELLANY

Origin of Pearls.

The origin of the pearl in the shell of the oyster, or, rather, bivalve or mollusk, has been the object of a considerable amount of investigation and speculation. Among the more recent studies of the subject may be noted those of M. Seurat, recorded in the Comptes Rendus. This , naturalist finds that in pearl oysters from the Gambia lagoons, in the south Pacific, the pearls are due to a small worma sort of tapeworm. In cysts on the body and mantle of the oyster he has found true pearls surrounding a nucleus which he has shown to be one of these worms. Like other tapeworms, this one, concerned in the production of pearls, requires a second host in which to complete its development, and M. Seurat considers that the ray is the second host in this case, for he has found in the spiral intestine of this fish small tapeworms, which he regards as the adult form of the larval worm of the pearl oyster. The author has named this new species of tapeworm Tylocephalum margaritiferae. The view has been held that the pearl is a secretion formed, as it were, in self defense for the surrounding and isolation of an injurious foreign body.

Relatives of "Skiddoo." How the passions will stimulate the growth of language is an interesting study.

One of the most curious examples of this is in the everyday desire to get rid of some unwelcome visitor.

No philologist will ever trace the origin of many of these grotesque expressions nor fashion how they were ever made susceptible of expressing an idea. 'Skiddoo" is a modern example that is just as expressive as "Get out," but where it came from and who were its sponsors is not clear, to say nothing of its development into a full rounded

word. Following is a partial list of other phrases and words:

Absquatulate. Vamoose the ranch. Shake your dusties. Light out. Shunt off. Beat it. Retire. Get out. Go away. Leave. Hit the trail. Hike. Skedaddle. Make your escape. Twenty-three for you. Scoot. 'Raus mit 'em. Blow. On your way. Trot along. Back to the mines. To the tall timber. Get a move on. To the grass. Take a run for yourself. Clear out. Go along. Get. Ta-ta. So long. Brush by. Shut the door from the outside. Dig.-Chicago Journal.

Human Magnetism. Is there such a thing as human magnetism? Dr. Otto Neustatter of Munich writes: "Professor Harneck of Halle last year demonstrated that he is able to deflect the magnetic needle by stroking quite lightly with his finger nail the glass lid of a well constructed compass. He found great differences in himself according to the time of day, whether he had previously rested or worked, talked or taken food. When the stomach was empty or when he had talked much, for instance, the experiment did not succeed; if he had eaten and drunk it usually went very well. But among many other persons he found only very few who like him could perform the experiment. He himself could occasionally bring the needle to a deflection by simply touching the compass lid. He discovered also that the keys which he had carried only to be hurled back again, bowling for some time in his pocket and his over men in its flight. To and fro went key ring had become decidedly magnetic. On his pocket knife the blade which he regularly used, the nail file, as well as pins that he frequently stuck into his coat, had taken on the same

Lake of Quicksilver.

property."

A lake of quicksilver, covering an area of more than three acres and having a depth ranging from ten to fifty feet, has been discovered in the mountains of the state of Vera Cruz. The value of the product is estimated at millions. This lake has been known to the Indians for many generations. It is situated far up in the mountains in an almost inaccessible position. Its surface is partly covered by stones. It is believed that volcanic action in the mountains above smelted the quicksilver out of the cinnabar ore and that it ran down and filled this depression. A tunnel will be driven through the base of the mountain, and the quicksilver will be brought down by means of gravity.

Alcohol In Bread.

There has been much discussion about the quantity of alcohol contained in ordinary bread as the result of the fermentative process to which it is subjected before baking. Evidently the quantity is small, but until recently, would appear, chemists have not succeeded in accurately measuring it. Now, however, it is announced that Dr. O. Pohl by an elaborate process based upon the distillation of the bread to be tested in a Papin digester has ascertained that ordinary bread normally contains .0753 of a grain of

The Styles In Borneo.

panion.

even in small things.-Youth's Com-

An imposing name is that worn by the aged hereditary sultan of Borneo In full he is called Sri Paduka Bawa Duli Sultan Hashim Jalil Ul Alam Akamadin Ibni Almerhum Sri Paduka Manlana Sultan Omar Ali Saigudin, His imperial highness, the twenty-fifth of his dynasty, is eighty-three years old, but does not look over threescore. Like most semisavage potentates, he affects pronounced colors, his favorite sartorial makeup including a green smoking cap, red dressing gown and yellow gymnasium shoes.

Christmas of Bulls and Bears

By JAMES ARTHUR

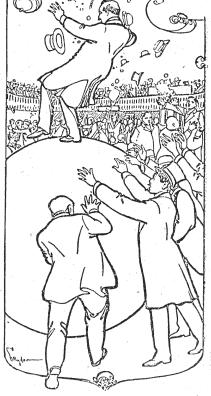
THE Christmas spirit is about the only thing traded in on Dec. 24 on Wall street, and the brokers have a celebration each year that literally jars things loose. The features of this ceremony vary, but the horseplay does not. The brokers let off the tension and have a good time The festivities begin at. generally. noon and sometimes last for several hours. The galleries fill early, mostly with wives and sweethearts of the members on the floor. The Stock Exchange is liberally draped with green and red. The Seventh Regiment band is on hand and as the chairman sounds. the gong begins playing "The Star Spangled Banner" or some other patriotic air. Sometimes an elaborate programme is arranged, made up of minstrel acts, coon songs, comic talks and similar performances. But, whatever the especial form of the entertainment, the bulls and bears conduct themselves in much the same way. They make Rome howl. Hats are smashed; bags of confetti are thrown at the ladies in the gallery, who in turn empty the contents over the heads and shoulders of the shouting brokers below.

If there happen to be new members they are "initiated" and are carried about the room in a yelling procession to the music of the band. On one such occasion an amateur football game was played in the great chamber of the Stock Exchange. Afterward the members indulged in a cakewalk for an immense forty pound cake, which was temptingly displayed on the chairman's balcony. One staid old financier played the piano, another strummed on a guitar, while the younger brokers cut pigeon wings about the floor. In older years a Christmas tree graced the Stock Exchange celebrations, all sorts of comic presents were handed out, and the carnival ended up by everybody telling jokes on everybody else. Of recent years this formal observance of the day has been abandoned. Now the ceremony is simply a small edition. of pandemonium, a sort of frenzied Christmas, as it were.

The celebration of last year will give an idea of these Christmas eve frolics in Wall street. At five minutes before noon the whole floor seemed intent on business, pushing up U. P. and other stocks and hurling puts and calls back and forth like a game of battledoor and shuttlecock. Promptly at 12 the great gong sounded, and in the twinkling of an eye the scene was

transformed. From somewhere appeared a band and began playing "Everybody Works but Father," and all the brokers howled in chorus. A ropewas stretched across the room, and visitors crowded into the open space outskle. Pads of paper and everything else that was loose were gathered up and hurled through the air, hats were used as missiles, great showers of colored paper were thrown here and there, and the din was greater than it is even in a panic. Dozens of young men formed circles about older men in the game of "bull in the ring."

At this moment appeared a great push ball, six feet in diameter, which was sent spinning across the floor,



ONE BROKER WAS HOISTED ON TO THE BALL.

the great rubber sphere, while the shouting reached a pitch to drown out the band. Finally one broker was hoisted on to the ball, which promptly was kicked out from under him. But, alcohol for every hundred grams of though his legs were in the air, he was bread, or a little more than seven kept from falling and again regained parts in 10,000. It is well to be precise his feet. Then the ball was rolled toward the high platform of the chairman, when another effort was made to whirl it out from under the broker's feet. Leaping, he caught an edge of the platform, scrambled over the railing and gravely shook hands with the venerable and dignified presiding officer. The hilarious ceremony was wound up by a collection being taken for the messenger boys and attendants. which mounted up to thousands of dollars.

> Whatever new methods of playing horse will be introduced in high finance circles for the Christmas eve festivities this year, it is certain that the men who make and wreck fortunes will enjoy themselves.

The Manager Of the B. Q A.

By VAUGHAN KESTER

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moved toward the door. There were applause and one or two cat calls. Not love affair and divined the utter wreck heeding them, he made his way from of his hopes. the building. He had reached the street when a detaining hand was | but of course not to speak with." placed upon his arm. He turned savagely, but it proved to be only Turner Joyce, who stepped to his side, with a cheerful "Good evening, Mr. Oakley. They seem to be having a very gay time in there, don't they?"

"Have you been in?" demanded Oakley grimly.
"I? Oh, no! I have just be in taking.

a picture home?" "Well," said Oakley, "I have just

been making a fool of myself. I hope that is something you are never guilty of, Mr. Joyce." Joyce laughed and tucked his hand through his companion's arm.

"Doesn't every one do that occasionally?" he asked,

Dan shook off his bitterness. Recently he had been seeing a great deal of the little artist and his wife, who were about the only friends he or his father had left in Antioch. They walked on in silence. Joyce was too tactful to ask any questions concerning his friend's affairs, so he ventured an impersonal criticism on Kenyon, with the modest diffidence of a man who knows he is going counter to public sentiment.

"Neither Ruth nor I had any curiosity to hear him speak tonight. I heard him when he was here last. It may be my bringing up, but I do like things that are not altogether rotten, and I'm afraid I count him as sort of decayed.' Then he added, "I suppose everybody was at the rink tonight?"

"The place was packed." "It promises to be a lively campaign. I believe, but I take very little interest in politics. My own concerns occupy most of my time. Won't you come in, Mr. Oakley?" for they had reached his

On the little side porch which opened off the kitchen they found Ruth. She rose with a pleased air of animation when she saw who was with her husband. Oakley had lived up to his reputation as a patron of the arts. He had not forgotten, in spite of his anxieties, a promise made Joyce months before, and at that very moment safely bestowed in Mrs. Joyce's possession were two formidable looking strips of heavy pink paper, which guaranteed the passage of the holder to New York and return.

"I hope this confounded strike is not going to interfere with you, Mr. Joyce," said Oakley as he seated himself. He had discovered that they liked to talk about their own plans and hopes, and the trip east was the chief of these. Already he had considered it with them from every conceivable point of view.

"It is aggravating, for, of course, if people haven't money they can't very well afford to have pictures painted. But Ruth is managing splendidly. I really don't think it will make any special difference.'

I am determined Turner shall not miss this opportunity. I think if it

"I would like to ask what earthly interest you have in Antioch? wasn't for me, Mr. Oakley, he'd give up most everything he wants to do or

las set his heart on." "He's lucky to have you, then. Most then need looking after."

"I'm sure I do," observed the little artist, with commendable meekness. He was keenly alive to his own shortcomings. "I'd never get any sort of prices for my work if she didn't take a hand in the bargaining."

'Some one has to be mercenary," said Ruth apologetically. "It's all very well to go around with your head in the clouds, but it doesn't pay."

'No, it doesn't pay," agreed Dan. There was a long pause, which a cricket improved to make itself heard, above the sweep of the night wind through the treetops. Then Ruth said:

Oakley choked down his disgust and Mrs. Joyce and her husband had taken a passionate interest in Oakley's

"Did she? I saw her at the rink, too,

Turner Joyce trod gently but encour agingly on his wife's foot. He felt that Oakley would be none the worse for a little cheer, and he had unbounded faith in his wife's delicacy and tact. She was just the person for such a

"She seemed-that is, I gathered from what she said, and it wasn't so much what she said as what she didn't say"-Dan laughed outright, and Joyce joined in with a panic stricken chuckle. Ruth was making as bad a botch of the business as he could have made. "I am not at all sensitive," said Dan, with sudden candor. "I have admired her immensely; I do still, for the mat-

ter of that." "Then why don't you go there?" "I can't, Mrs. Joyce. You know

"But I think she looks at it different-

Oakley shook his head. "No, she doesn't. There's just one

way she can look at it." "Women are always changing their minds," persisted Ruth. It occurred to her that Constance had been at her worst in her relation with Oakley. If she cared a scrap for him, why hadn't she stood by him when he needed it most? The little artist blinked tenderly at his wife. He was lost in admira-

The conversation languished. They heard the strains of the band when the meeting at the rink broke up and the voices of the people on the street, and then there was silence again.

tion at her courage. He would not

have dared to give their friend this

CHAPTER XVI.

HE hot days dragged on. Dan and his father moved down to the shops. Two cots were placed in the pattern room, where they slept and where Roger Oakley spent most of his time reading his Bible or in brooding over the situation. Their meals were brought to them from the hotel. It was not that Dan suspected the men of any sinister intentions, but he felt it was just as well that they should understand the utter futility of any lawlessness, and. besides, his father was much happier in the solitude of the empty shops than he could have been elsewhere in Antioch. All day long he followed Mc-Clintock about, helping with such odd jobs as were necessary to keep the machinery in perfect order. He was completely crushed and broken in spirit. He had aged too.

At the office Dan saw only Holt and McClintock. Sick of Kerr's presence and exasperated at his evident sympathy for the strikers-a sympathy he was at no pains to conceal-he had laid him off, a step that was tantamount to dismissal. Miss Walton was absent on her vacation, which he extended from week to week. It was maddening to him to have her around with nothing to do, for he and Holt found it difficult to keep decently busy themselves now the shops had closed.

Holloway, the vice president of the road, visited Antioch just once during the early days of the strike. He approved-being of an approving disposition-of all Oakley had done and then went back home to Chicago, after telling him not to yield a single point in the fight.

"We've got to starve 'em into submission," said this genial soul. "There's nothing like an empty stomach to sap a man's courage, especially when he's got a houseful of hungry, squalling brats. I don't know but what you'd better arrange to get in foreigners. Americans are too independent."

But Oakley was opposed to this. The men will be glad enough to accept the new scale of wages a little later, and the lesson won't be wasted

"Yes, I know, but the question is, do we want 'em? I wish Cornish was here. I think he'd advise some radical move. He's all fight."

Oakley, however, was devoutly thankful that the general was in England, where he hoped he would stay. He had no wish to see the men ruined. A wholesome lesson would suffice. He was much relieved when the time arrived to escort Holloway to his train.

All this while the Herald continued its attacks, but Dan no longer minded them. Nothing Ryder could say could augment his unpopularity. It had reached its finality. He never guessed that, indirectly at least, Constance Emory was responsible for by far the greater part of Ryder's present bitterness. She objected to his partisanshin of the men, and this only served to increase his verbal intemperance; but, in spite of the antagonism of their views, they remained friends. Constance was willing to endure much from Ryder that she would have resented from any one else. She liked him, and she was sorry for him; he seemed unhappy, and she imagined he suffered as she herself suffered and from the same cause. There was still another motive for her forbearance which, perhaps, she did not realize. saw Miss Emory today. She asked The strike and Oakley had become a mania with the editor, and from him

the was able to learn what Dan was

The unpopularity of his son was a source of infinite grief to Roger Oakley, the more so as he took the burden of it on his own shoulders. He brooded over it until presently he decided that he would have a talk with Ryder and explain matters to him and ask him to discontinue his abuse of Dan. There was a streak in the old convict's mind which was hardly sane, for no man spends the best years of his life in prison and comes out as clear headed as he goes in.

As he pottered about the shops with McClintock be meditated on his project.

He was sare if he could show Ryder where he was wrong and unfair he would hasten to make amends. It never occurred to him that Ryder had merely followed in the wake of public opinion, giving it definite expression.

One ewaing-and he chose the hour when he knew Antioch would be at supper and the streets deserted-he stole from the shops without telling Dan where he was going, as he had a shrewd idea that he would put a veto on his scheme did he know of it.

With all his courage his pace slackened as he approached the Herald office. He possessed unbounded respect for print and still greater respect for the man who spoke in print.

The door stood open, and he looked in over the top of his steel bowed spec tacles. The office was dark and shadowy, but from an inner room, where the presses stood, a light shone. While he hesitated the half grown boy who was Griff's chief assistant came from the office. Roger Oakley placed a hand on his shoulder.

"Is Mr. Ryder in, sonny?" he asked. "Yes, he's in the back room, where you see the light."

"Thank you." He found Ryder busy making up by the light of a single dingy lamp, for the Herald went to press in the morning Griff gave a start of surprise when he saw who his visitor was. Then he said sharply, "Well, sir, what can I do for

It was the first time the old convict and the editor had met, and Roger Oakley, peering over his spectacles, studied Ryder's face in his usual slow fashion. At last he said, "I hope I am not intruding, Mr. Ryder, for I'd like to speak with you."

"Then be quick about it," snapped

Griff. "Don't you see I'm busy?" With the utmost deliberation the old convict took from his pocket a large red and yellow bandanna handkerchief. Then he removed his hat and wiped his face and neck with elaborate thoroughness. When he finally spoke he dropped his voice to an impressive whisper. "I don't think you understand Dannie, Mr. Ryder, or the reasons for the trouble down at the shops.'

"Don't I? Well, I'll be charmed to hear your explanation." And he put down the rule with which he had been measuring one of the printed columns on the table before him.

Without being asked Roger Oakley seated himself in a chair by the door. He placed his hat and handkerchief on a corner of the table and took off his spectacles, which he put into their case. Ryder watched him with curious inter-

"I knew we could settle this, Mr Ryder," said he, with friendly simplicity. "You've been unfair to my son. That was because you did not understand. When you do I am certain you will do what you can to make right the wrong you have done him."

Ryder's lips. He nodded. "Go on." "Dannie's done nothing to you to make you wish to hurt him, for you are hurting him. He doesn't admit it, but I know."

"I hope so," said Ryder tersely. "I should hate to think my energy had

been entirely wasted." A look of pained surprise crossed Roger Oakley's face. He was quite shocked at the un-Christian feeling Griff was displaying. "No, you don't mean that!" he made haste to say. 'You can't mean it."

"Can't I?" cynically. Roger Oakley stole a glance from under his thick, bushy eyebrows at the editor. He wondered if an apt quota tion from the Scriptures would be of any assistance. The moral logic with which he had intended to overwhelm



Ryder staggered back.

him had somehow gone astray. He presented the singular spectacle of a man who was in the wrong and who most wept myself out of sympathy.

knew he was in the wrong and was yet determined to persist in it.

There's something I'll tell you that I haven't told any one else." He glanced again at Ryder to see the effect of the proposed confidence, and again the latier nodded for him to go

"I am going away. I haven't told my son yet, but I've got it all planned, and when I am gone you won't have any reason to hate Dannie, will you?"

"That's an admirable idea, Mr. Oak ley, and if Dannie, as you call him, has half your good sense he'll follow your

No; he can't leave. He must stay. He's the manager of the road," with evident pride. "He's got to stay, but I'll go. Won't that do just as well?" a little anxiously, for he wuld not fathom the look on Ryaer's dark race. Ryder only gave him a smile m answer, and he continued hurriedly:

"You see, the trouble's been about me and my working in the shops. It I hadn't come here there'd have been no strike. As for Dannie, he's made a man of himself. You don't know and I don't know how hard he's worked and how faithful he's been. What I've done mustn't reflect on him. It all happened when he was a little boyso high," extending his hand.

"Mr. Oakley," said Ryder coldly and insultingly, "I propose, if I can, to make this town too hot to hold your son, and I am grateful to you for the unconscious compliment you have paid me by this visit."

"Dannie don't know I came," quick-

"No, I don't suppose he does. I take it it was an inspiration of your own."
Roger Oakley had risen from his "What's Dannie ever done to you?"

he asked, with just the least perceptible fremor in his tones. Ryder shrugged his shoulders. "We

don't need him in Antioch." [TO BE CONTINUED.]

Mother Goose.

The most popular children's book ever written was "Mother Goose's Melodies." Mrs. Goose, or Mother Goose, as she was familiarly called, was the mother-in-law of Thomas Fleet, a Boston printer early in the century. When his first child was born his mother-inlaw devoted all her attention to the baby and, it is said, greatly annoyed Fleet by her persistent and not particularly musical chanting of the old English ditties she had he d in her childhood. The idea occur of writing down these songs and publishing them in book form. The oldest extant copy bears the date of 1719. The price marked on the title page was "two coppers." This account of the origin of Mother Goose is discredited by some critics, who declare that in 1697 Perrault pulished "Contes de ma Mere l'Oye," or "Stories of Mother Goose." The name Mother Goose was familiar in French folklore, being used by writers of this literature over a cen-

The Status of a Meteorite. A meteorite fell on a Vermont farm in 1896. It was a valuable meteorite, and the landlord at once stepped up and claimed it. "All minerals and metals on the land belong to me," he said. "That's in the lease."

tury before the time of Perrault.

But the tenant demurred. "This meteorite," he said, "wasn't on the farm, you must remember, when the lease was drawn up."

The landlord perceived the justice of that claim. He thought a moment. Then he said decisively, "I claim her as flying game.

But the tenant was ready for him. "She's got neither wings nor feathers," he said. "Therefore, as ground game she's mine.'

They continued their argument, and in the heat of it a revenue officer, ar riving with a truck, proceeded to put the meteorite aboard. "I claim her for the government," he said, "as an article introduced into the country without payment of duty."

A Hotel Experience.

One fashionable hotel on Fifth avenue refuses to give any receipt for jewelry deposited in its safe or hold itself responsible for a greater amount than \$250. Its explanation of this rule is based on an experience which seems excuse enough. Two guests of the hotel kept their valuables and money in the safe. They left them there when they went abroad, sometimes to stay for six months. Once the wife came back alone and drew out all the money and valuables. As she had often done so before the clerks gave the box to her as a matter of course. It was not until her husband had returned and wanted the same valuables that the hotel knew of their divorce. The husband brought suit and recovered all he claimed. Since that result of its confidence in its guests the hotel has limited its responsibility to \$250.-New

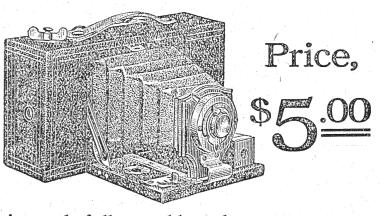
Scott's Narrow Escape.

The world had a narrow escape of never having known a Sir Walter Scott. When a tiny babe he was left in charge of a maid, but the girl's heart was in Edinburgh, whither she wanted to go to rejoin her lover. She was, however, compelled to stay and look after the infant at Sandy Knowe. The girl regarded her charge as an obstacle to be removed and afterward confessed that she carried young Scott up to the Craigs (under a strong temptation of the devil, as she expressed it), fully intending to cut his throat with her scissors and bury him under the moss.

Her Intense Sorrow.

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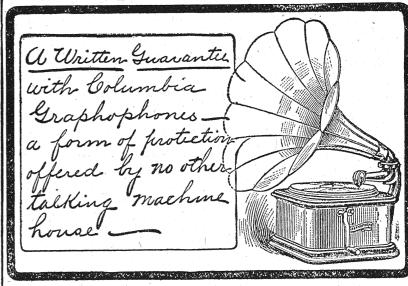
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THUMB NOTES.

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New Cure for Epilepsy. J. B. Waterman of Watertown, O., rural free delivery, writes, "My daughter

who has been missing a week, was cured by Dr. Kuig's New Life Pills. She found in the home of a cousin in Metamora. The only excuse she gave for pills on earth. 25c at Ryan's Drug Store

Pork barrels at the Bakery.

gnon clutched it tightly and went up to her breast. The other half groped toward him, as with a little incredulous cry she repeated the one word, "You!"

She went out willingly enough in all

this drizzle to pluck them, but she

shied at arranging them in a vase. She assures me they belong to the

But Orchard veered quickly around.

In the mirror back of the ebony cabi-

net he'd caught the reflection of a girl's face. Before he had seen her face.

though, he had recognized her. There

was no other woman he knew who held her head so proudly and at the

same time had that wavering little

walk so at variance with the queenly

The girl's hand which held the lor-

"Emily!" he cried. "You!"

fields, and"-

carriage of her head.

"Too bad, too bad," murmured kind hearted Miss Morton indulgently to herself that evening, laying down her Goethe unread. The day had cleared beautifully. The last scrap of estate settling business had been attended to, and now her lawyer and her companion were enjoying a bit of the mellow harvest moon out on the back veranda. "Too bad! I was just beginning to congratulate myself on what a treasure Miss Gray would be in my declining years, and now-the end of the beginning or the beginning of the end. Marie," she said, turning to the maid, take those homely blue flowers away. Take them up to Miss Gray's room."

Fish a Lucky Omen.

Fish is a sign of good omen. In Bengal, when the bride comes with the bridegroom for the first time in the house of the latter, the former has to catch hold of a fish in a certain welcome ceremony, in prospect, perhaps, of a generation as fruitful as that of a fish. While entering a new house for the first time the lady is to take hold of a fish, probably for the same reason. Whatever may be the reason for regarding the handling of fish as auspicious, it is indisputable that over a large part of northern India the "water vegetable (as it is called by high caste Punjabis, who eat it in spite of its being considered forbidden food for Brahman, Khatris and Baniyas) is taken to assure good luck. The writer of this was hastening to Nepal to see That was all Orchard had been able a sister who was dangerously ill. He came across a Nepalese gentleman near Patna, who offered to accompany him to his de nation, being moved to pity on heari f his errand. When crossing the polyges from Digha Ghat to Paleza G Paleza Grava a big hilsa fish fell at his feet on the deck of the steamer as if hurled by an unseen hand. Perhaps it had been struck by the stern wheel and thrown up over the bulwark. The Nepalese friend jumped up in great excitement, exc ning: "Here is a sign from heaver" the happiest omen for you, my lad. You will find your sister out of danger." All classes in Nepal share the superstition of the Bengalis in regard to fish.-Lahore Tribune.

MARINE TURTLES.

They Are Stripped of Their Shells While Alive. shells shipped from the Colon district are taken from turtles caught on the Lagarto and San Blas coasts of the Caribbean sea during the months of May, June, July and August, when they approach the shore to deposit eggs, which are laid on the sandy beaches above high water mark at night. Holes are dug about one and a half feet deep and the eges therein. Generally about three layings are made during a period of nine weeks. The eggs are lightly covered with sand and left to be hatched out by the heat of the sun. The turtles are caught either while on shore or in the

water by means of nets. As a rule, they are killed immediately ifter being caught, cleaned and the shell frame washed with sand. But on the San Blas coast the Indians do not kill them, but at once proceed to remove the shell by subjecting the turtles to great heat, afterward throwing the turtles back into the sea. By the application of heat the successive plates of shell come off very easily.

Turtles caught in these waters vary in size from one to four and a half feet long, with a maximum weight of 150 pounds, and the average weight of shell obtained from each is from six to seven pounds. The commercial value of tortoise shell depends upon the thickness and size of the plates rather than upon the brilliancy of the colors.

A Cholera Belt.

"The cholera belt," said a pale Anglo Indian, "is not an imaginary girdle, like your pie belt, but a real girdle, which every foreign resident of India wears day and night. In winter the belt is made of heavy wool. In the summer it is made of light wool. It is never taken off. Even when you are sleeping in a temperature of 105 degrees, tossing and moaning and perspiring, despite the punkah that fans you from above, you still keep on your cholera belt, no matter what else you shed. Every Anglo-Indian has a couple of dozen cholera belts. They are said to prevent cholera, and I have no doubt they do so. At any rate, I never heard of any wearer of a cholera belt whom

The Light That Failed.

cholera ever seized upon.'

It was by an accident that Mr. Kipling got his famous title, "The Light That Failed." He had almost decided to call the novel "The Failure," although he was dissatisfied with this. One evening as he was sitting in his study reading by lamplight the light went suddenly down-almost failed, in fact. In a second Kipling jumped up, exclaiming excitedly, "By Jove, I've got it!" Pointing to the lamp, he said, "The Light That Failed."-London Standard.

lips, her tear upon his cheek, her flower in his coat

MCCUTCHEON

"Whad'je get for Christmas, Jimmy?

The Closed

Gentian

By Virginia Leila Wentz

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The serious business of settling up

her brother's estate was about finish-

ed. Miss Morton leaned wearily back

in her invalid's chair and sighed. Aft-

er all, she was sorry. Doubtless it

yer's frequent and periodic visits.

under her sun.

would mean a cessation of her law-

"I leave for Bar Harbor tomorrow,

send you a telegram and arrange for

chard's crisp, staccata sentences punc-

tured her reverie. He was picking up

his gloves. A high cart had just driv-

en under the porte-cochere, and Miss

Morton's liveried groom was busy

quieting the antics of a pair of brown

Miss Morton groped for a pretext to

"Exquisite, are they not?" she said,

patrician, blue veined hand. Orchard's

keen glance noted them, at the same

"In keeping with their surroundings, Miss Morton," he rejoined, pulling on

his left hand glove. "Artistically cor-

fatuous, but it answered her purpose.

"What is your favorite flower?" she

Orchard gave her inquiry his consider-

"The closed gentian," he said after a

Wynchell, Miss Morton's country

home, with its ancestral acres, was

about far enough from Jersey City to

leave time on the suburban train for a

comfortable perusal of the paper and a

Orchard spread out his sheet mechan-

ically. But even the stock market news

didn't seem to interest him, and he

looked far beyond his paper. That was

only natural. He was looking back

through several seasons of blossoms

and snow, this man, who, young as he

was, had already begun to be called

a woman hater. The whizzing tele-

graph wires and poles passed unseen.

The noise of the engine, the rumble of

the wheels, dwindled into silence. In

their stead came the low, exquisite

"It's such a beautiful little flower in-

The day had been full of late Sep-

dear," she had explained, while the

soft tendrils of her hair had uncon-

sciously brushed his strong chin. "You

see," she went on, stooping to pluck an-

other, "they're not so very handsome

outside, but inside—look!" Delicately

as a spring zephyr she had pricked the

portals open. "It puts the flaming

goldenrod and all the staring purple

daisies here to shame, doesn't it?" She

lifted her face to him—the face of a

girl not particularly beautiful, but glo-

little western home and, leaning over

the rustic fence in the privacy of the

broad oak, had bid her goodby, for he

was going to the big eastern metropo-

lis for a year or two to win fame and

fortune for them both. He went away

with the sweetness of her kiss upon his

He had left her at the gate of her

rified by a dazzling smile.

She made no further pretext. It was

est object—a bowl of orchids.

ment of the room.

slight pause.

yawn or two besides.

voice of a girl:

side. Howell"-

"In the morning I got a drum, at noon, a stomach ache, and at night a

Later there had come a misunderstanding, of the slight, insignificant sort that most young lovers have; but, alas, in this case before the gentle, healing wind of the real truth had blown tragedy had visited the girl's home, and when the man sought her she was not to be found. Out in her little western village people told a tale of her father's long illness and death-how she had nursed him night and day with untiring tenderness; how, their slight income being exhausted, she had taken up water color work and filled orders for dinner cards and little pictures; how finally, upon his death, she had gone to New York city to earn her living in such fashion as she could.

And-well, he had been something new to learn, and that had been two years to be gone a week. On my return I'll ago. To find a girl who does water color work on dinner cards in New our final interview." Howell Or-York city is not an easy matter. By the time his train had reached the smoke of the tunnel the man with the unread paper was thoroughly out of conceit with one Emily; by the time the ferryboat had bumped into the slip on the New York side he was thoroughly out of conceit with him-

spin out the call of her lawyer-if only for five minutes. It was stupid of Pe-Miss Morton brought her lorgnon to ter to have driven up so early-and so bear upon the flowers Miss Gray had bourgeois! Her eye fell on the near-

just brought in. "So they are what you call closed with a slight indicating motion of her gentians?" questioned she half incred-

ulously, "Are you sure?" "I-I'm very sure, Miss Morton." time ranging the extravagant refine-The girl's voice was exquisitely low and musical.

> "But they're so homely, so unfinished looking, and I thought-well, never mind. Arrange them there in that vase, if you will. My lawyer, a young fellow in whom I've taken a great interest, is coming up to Wynchell today, and they are his favorite flower."

Miss Gray lost the last of the sen-It was an inane question, and she bit tence. From the silver faucet in Miss Morton's marble bathtub she was drawing water for the cut glass she held. Besides, Miss Morton had spoken more than half to herself.

It had been only three days now that Miss Gray had been with her in the capacity of companion, and already Miss Morton found herself exchanging that young person's status from companion to confidante. She had always had a liking for her, this girl with the tired, pale face and the sweet, sudden smile, ever since the day when she had come personally to explain that there had been some little mistake in the ordered dinner cards and to make her apologies. It appears she had given the dinner ladies powdered silver hair instead of dazzling gold. That had been at the beginning of last season. During the present summer the little sketches that she had been able to sell hadn't proved sufficient for her to eke out even a modest existence with. Miss Morton was looking for a companion, and she had offered her services. That is the way it had all come about.

There was the rhythmic thud-thud of horses' hoofs on macadam, and Miss tember elixir, then as now. The tread Morton's brown cobs whirled through of loveliness had been on the fields of an iron gate into a modest drive and grass and fodder ripened by August came to an abrupt halt under her suns and tanned by early frosts to an porte-cochere. A gray drizzle had set autumnal bronze. Somewhere from in, but what did that matter to Howamong the hedges of sumac had come ard Orchard? The fine drops of rain the call of a quail. Then presently the driven against his face by the pace of girl had stopped near a silvery stream the cobs had been an exhilarating deand plucked a plain enough looking light to him, and as Miss Morton was dark blue flower and pinned it on his wheeled into the library to greet him he was positively cordial. "It's a closed gentian, you know,

Miss. Morton had forgotten her lorgnon. Being very shortsighted, she was at a loss to know exactly where her companion had placed the gentians. And, above all things, should the sight of the flowers bring an appreciable fraction of pleasure into Orchard's immobile face she didn't want to lose the sight. She rang for a maid. "Ask Miss Gray to fetch me my

lorgnon," said she.

"So you remembered!" The exclamation came from Orchard, and Miss Morton lost the sight she had wished for, after all. He had crossed to an ebony cabinet on top of which stood the cut glass vase. "Awkward things to arrange in vases, though," he commented laconically, as if regretting his burst of

"Yes, that's what my companion said.

George W. Cooley, secretary and engineer of the Minnesota highway commission, has issued the commission's bulletin No. 1. It deals in detail in instructions as to the proper method of building substantial roads in various kinds of soil at the least expense, says the Motor News. Mr. Cooley gives the following rules for the guidance of

GOOD ROADS ADVICE.

road overseers throughout the state: Keep all lines of drainage open. Keep ruts and hollows out of the road by continuous filling and dragging. Keep stones, sod and all vegetable matter off the road surfaces. Fill all low places and holes with the same material of which the road is built.

See the culverts are in condition to take care of the flowing water, especially before freezing up time, and open them up as early in the spring as possible. Don't change your men and teams around too much. They will give more satisfaction if kept at the same class of work.

Keep weeds and brush away from the sides of the road as much as possible, and wherever the road is too much shaded, especially if it is clay, trim the trees up to a height of eight feet above the ground.

Never disturb a government corner or boundary monument without seeing that it is re-established by some competent surveyor and with the knowledge of the adjacent proprietors. It is their property, even though it is in a public highway, and you will be liable for damages if you disturb it without giving due notice.

All the material within the limits of the right of way may be used for road purposes only. You have no right to the grass or timber or to the earth or stone not required for the road. All such belong to the abutting owner to the center of the road, but in his use or taking of them he is limited by the right of the authorities to make whatever use of them that is necessary for the improvement and protection of the public travel.

Missouri and Good Roads. There are 125,000 miles of roads in Missouri. On 10 per cent of the mileage, however, is carried 90 per cent of the business transported. While all roads need to be improved, the largest need is of course upon the main traveled highways, says the Columbia Herald. The cost of good roads was estimated at the Chillicothe convention differently by different speakers. Largely it was a question of material available in the various localities. From Boone county came a report that gravel roads were under construction at \$1,700 a mile. This was a conservative estimate. After a dirt road had been put in well graded condition it could be kept in good condition, it was demonstrated, by the use of the drag at practically normal expense. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, with its demand for a new constitution and for the convention adopted a resolution favoring legislation looking toward the more general employment of the drag. "The best road materials," it was decided, "were men and money, cash taxes and competent engineers." The state board of agriculture is planning to follow up the Chillicothe convention with other conventions in different towns. The good roads campaign in Missouri is on in earnest.

Church a Road Builder. No part of the Perkiomen valley, in Pennsylvania, having thus far received a share of the state's good roads appropriation, an energetic campaign for improved highways has been opened in the vicinity of Pennsburg, Pa., and the two strongest and oldest churches of the region are lending hearty cooperation, says a Pennsburg correspondent of the Philadelphia Record. The members of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, who want the road from this borough to the church improved, have decided not to wait for state aid. They have effected an agreement with the supervisors of Upper Hanover township and will contribute \$300 toward a fund for rebuilding the road, the township providing the remainder of the money. The members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, which is also situated about a mile outside of town on the opposite side of the borough, are engaged in a somewhat similar enterprise.

A Practical Illustration.

A, country exchange in commenting on the value of improved roads and the people living along them states that one pair of horses can do the work of two pairs in hauling loads and gives as an example that one of the leading farmers of the community was seen driving over a newly completed road with a big load of hay. Closely attached to the wagon in the rear was a second wagon heavily loaded with straw. A single team was thus drawing and going along as though no load whatever was behind.

A Tribute to Good Highways. Good roads add so much to the prosperity of a state or county, increase the value of farm property so greatly, are such a convenience to the country people and save so much in wear and tear of farm vehicles and lessen the burden of man and beast to such an extent that it is hard to see how any one can help encouraging the public highways.—Tampa (Fla.) Tribune.

Benefit From Hard Roads.

Rich lands almost at our door would blossom into smiling, wealth producing farms in short order were they tapped by hard surface roads, says the St. Augustine (Fla.) Record. A fraction of the cost of drainage experiment would build the roads, and we would derive the benefit.

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she was tired of going to school and "wanted to go visiting." She was

nothing was heard of her till Sunday. Hartman's. 12-14-2

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