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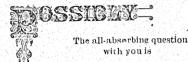
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1. 0. 0. F. CASS CITY LODGE, No. 203, prets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 Visiting brethrencor diallyinvited.

I. A. FAITZ, N.G.

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Tyler Lodge. Regular communications of TYLER LODGE, Regular communications of TYLER LOBGE, No. 317, F. & A. M., for 1892:
Jan. 9, Feb. 6, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 7, June 4, June 24, (St. John:) July 9, Aug. 6, Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Oct. 29, Dec. 3, (Election of Officers;) Dec. 27, (St. John.)

EDMUND BROTHERTON; W. M. A. H. ALE, Secretary.

H. 69. I. Cass City Lodge, No. 214, meets on the first Thesday evering of each month, at 7:300 clock. Visiting brothers cordinly invited, ELIAS McKIM, W. M.

First Methodist Episcopal Church. REV. S. M. GILCHRIESE, Pastor. CERVICES-Public service, 10:30 a. m. Clas meeting, 11.50 a. m. Sabbath school 12:30 p. m. Young people's meeting, 5.45 p. m. Public service, 7.00 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 7.00 p. m. All cordially invited.

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December to receive taxes. J.S. MCARTHUR. Township Treasurer

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Cass City, Mich.

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This place is only 6 and one-half miles from Cass City. Good land on good road.

C. W. McPHAIL, Owner, Cass City, Mich.

Caught On The Fly.

A Merry Christmas to all! William Kile is in Flint on business. It will soon be turning-over-new-leaf

How do you like our holiday suppli-

Christmas evolution-from stock to

stocking.

Novesta correspondence received too late for this issue. C. D. Striffler transacted business in

Caro on Tuesday. It is more pleasure to fill a stocking

than to hang one up.

A good motto for Christmas stocking fillers-Sock et tuum.

Don't expect to find a brown stone front in your stocking.

What most people will find in their Christmas stockings - Corns. Jos. McCabb, of Petrolea, Ont., visited friends in town over Sunday.

The Cass City Enterprise is a bright 12-year old.—[North Branch Gazette. The children are already hunting up

the biggest stockings that are to be found. Stone is being hauled this week for the wall of L. A. Schooley's new brick "Again the festive season's here. With all that can delight and cheer: Oh, may you nothing lack each day, But find fresh blessings strewn your way."

LEADING JEWELER.

Barring the absence of heavy snow storms, we are having genuine winter weather.

Mrs. Levi Delong left Wednesday morning for a few weeks visit at Sultan, Ontario. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McPhail visited rel-

atives in Detroit from Saturday until Wednesday.

third fare rates for round trip during the holidays.

W. D. Frazee will leave to-morrow for a few days visit at his parental home in

the "Buckeye" state. Jno. McGilvary, a salior, is here for a few weeks visit with his brothers, James

and Angus McGilvary. W. J. Campbell and family have moved into the new house of Andrew Campbell

north end of Segar street. A temperance lecture was given at the M. E. Church Monday evening, by Presiding Elder Reed, of Saginaw.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid will give an oyster supper on Monday night, Jan. 2nd. Watch for notices next week.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. McLean will entertain the former's cousins, the Misses McGregors, of Bay City, during the holi-

days. McDougall & Co. will make some one of their many patrons a nice Christmas present to-morrow in the shape of a

Lots of drummers in town the fore part of the week. Landlord Farrar was obliged to furnish three sample

J. W. Eno and little daughter, Violet, departed Tuesday evening for several

days visit at Belleville, and other places their best wishes. in Canada. O. H. Deming, contractor and builder

of Valparaiso, Ind., will spend the holiof this place. "Resolved, That women have more in-

fluence over men than money," is the question to be decided at the school lyceum to-night.

The members of Bethel M. E. church at Karr's Corners, are arranging for a Christmas tree and entertainment on Saturday evening.

Master Cole Munroe and the little daughter of John Richards are reported by Health Officer Fritz as having diphtheria in a mild form. Lew M. Houghton, editor of the

Sanilac Jeffersonian, visited his parents of Elmwood township and friends in town the fore part of the week. S. Champion has placed an order with

Sam is alive if he is in the "hole." Rev. S. M. Gilchriese atteded the dedication of the new M. E. Church at Grant on Sunday. His pulpit at this place was filled by Rev. Packer, of Owendale.

C. D. Striffler has a change of advertisement this week. He offers BAR-

A good Christmas present for an ab sent friend would be a years subscription to this paper. It will go regularly each week and will be a constant reminder of your kindness.

Remember our offer to give the American Farmer free to new subscribers or old ones paying one year in advance, holds good only 'till Jan. 1, 1893. Don't delay if you wish to take advantage of this very liberal offer.

James I. Fisher will have an auction sale of stock, implements, etc, at his farm six miles east and one mile south of Cass City, on Monday, January 2, 1893, at 10 o'clock a. m. A. A. Mc-Kenzie will preside as auctioneer.

We are in receipt of the Grand Traverse City Herald's "Christmas extra." It is gotten up in magazine style, printed on fine book paper, and is replete with interesting Yule-Tide reading and tastily arranged advertisements.

"Now Christmas comes with hearty cheer, hisy kindly thoughts go round. And bring to you a glad New Year. With peace and plenty crowned."

The holidays are nearly upon us and the Great Benefactor, in our humble opinion, is satisfied to see those "created in his image" enjoying the bounties of the earth and "the fulness thereof." So look pleasant, enjoy yourself and feel thankful that you are living.

Harvey Lakin, the notorious Gilford outlaw, who broke jail once in Sanilac county and who has served two terms in Ionia, was conveyed to Jackson Tuesday by Sheriff Jarvis. Lakin will serve a sentence of five years for assault with intent to do great bodily harm.

A number of the members of Rev. Gerit Huyser's congregation assembled at his home Tuesday evening for a social visit. Before taking their departure, Prof. Rittenger, in behalf of the company present, presented the Reverend gentleman and wife with a beautiful hanging lamp.

The tenth annual meeting of the Union Ex-Prisoners of the war, will be held at Lansing, Mich., next week Tuesday and Wednesday. Entertaining speakers are to participate in the program, and all old soldiers are invited by Secretary Cooper to come and bring a "rail" to help keep up the camp fire.

Many extra copies of last week's edition, containing the review of Cass City's The P. O. & N. Company offer one was not enough to supply the demand, several hundred circulars, giving the report, were printed. Those who wish to let their distant friends, or the outside world in general, know the amount of business that we are annually doing in this "neck-o-woods," are welcome to call and get a supply of the circulars free of charge.

James Slocum, of the Holly Advertiser, growing desperate, relieves his bless'm-have been wearing our suspendhave taken our bats and are wearing them. Now this thing has got to be stopped before it goes any further. the pleasantries of the evening. The next thing they will be wearing our-, Well, it has got to be stopped-that's all, or else we'll have to take to the woods or wear a flour barre!."

A postal card received by the ENTERthe following news: 'Dec. 6th, St. Bridget's, Wabertree, Taverpool, by Rev. Mr. Donald Trewby, M. A., Thomas Chapman, of Sebington Court, Ashford, Kent, to Gertrude Rose Coleman, of Cass City, Mich., widow of Major G. M. Coleman, L. V. R. E., and youngest daughter of A. R. Robinson. late of the 3rd Dragoon Guards," Mrs. Chapman's many friends here extend

The Scientific American gives the following receipt for diphtheria: "At the first indications of diphtheria in the days with his brother, Dr. D. P. Deming throat of a child, make the room close then take a tiu cup and pour into it a quantity of tar and terpentine, equal parts. Then hold the cup over a fire so as to fill the room with fumes. The throat and thus affords the rehel that has baffled the skill of physicians."

Lenzuer Bros. for a cup case and mirrors free use of mild disinfectants on the first in the breach than in the observance. to complete his combination aresser. approach of winter, would be a wise measure, whether or not the germs of diptheria or other contagious diseases seem present. A little caution now may save a "heap o trouble" later. More local on last page.

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The Day Will be Appropriately Observed by The Churches of Cass City.

The chutch bells are ringing,
The children are singing,
The season is bringing
Its welcome of cheer.
No more there is sighing,
And glad hearts are crying
That Christmas is here.
—Lansing.

The following program will be given at the M. E. Church on Sunday evening.

Singing, "Hail to the King."
Prayer, by Pastor, Rev. S. M. Gilchriese.
Anthem, by Choir,
Scripture Lesson.
Singing by School, "Wondrons Star."
Prophecies concerning the Birth of Christ, by
Jennie Walmsley's class.
Recitation, "Following the Star," Grant
Fritz.

Duet, "Beautiful Star," Misses Lillie Schenck

Duet, "Beautiful Stor," Misses Linie Scheder and Hattle Wood.
"Holly Leaves," by Primary Class.
Recitation, "The Christ Child," by Cecil Fritz, Exercises, by Mrs. P. L. Fritz's Class.
Recitation, "What a Jew thought of Christ," Maggie Campbell.
Singing, "Loving Jesus," by Primary Class.
Solo, "Fear Not," Miss Florence Howe.
Clicaling by School Singing by School.

The members of the Presbyterian Church have been so busy preparing for the "Temple of Fame," soon to be produced, that they have found it impossible to give much attention to the preparation of Christmas exercises. However, the Sunday school services will be made especially appropriate for the occasion, and in the evening short exercises will be given by different members of the school, and a sermon delivered by the pastor, Rev. Gerrit Huyser.

Santa Claus' workshop, where all the funny little men, from the loose-jointed 'Jumping Jack," to the wise-looking little image of Saint Nick himself, and the bright-eyed little dolls, and the other presents which so amuse the children are supposed to be manufactured, will be exhibited in all its splendor at the Baptist Church on Morday evening. Following is the program:

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Instrumental music, Mrs. F. L. Curry,
Scripture Rending, Miss Belle Munroe,
Prayer, Rev. F. L. Curry,
Trie, "City of Our God," Mrs. Curry, Mrs.
Seeley and R. A. Robinson,
Recitation, "He Knows,"
In God's Holy Word, by Twelve Scholars,
Solo, "A Dream of Bethlehem," Mrs. F. L.
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Recitation, "Christian and his Echo." ion, containing the review of Cass City's Band.
Quartetie, "Come Where the Lillies Bloom."
markets, were called for, but as there Mrs. Curry, Mrs. Seeley and Messrs. Seeley and

Robinson.
Farmer and Wife. Two Characters. Quartette, "Mooulight on the Lake," Mes Kile, Seeley, Wood and Ale. National Holidays, Six Scholars. America, by School, Recitation, "Starless Crown." Song, "Kriss Kringle." Collection Speech, by Child. Tableau, "Open Your Mouth." Parody, (Old Oaken Bucket.) Tableau, "Bevotion." Santa Claus Workshop, Seven Characters.

The festive Coristmas tree, with its verdant foliage, twinkling candle lights, mind as follows: "The ladies-God strings of snow white pop-corn, and last but no wise least, its bountious yield of ers the past summer, and now they Christmas gifts, will grace the German Evangelical Church on Monday evening. A good program of exercises will add to

> --**-Choosing Christmas Cifts.

Christmas is drawing near, and that portion of the people who delight in the true spirit of the great festival of the Chris- Champion's. PRISE from Liverpool, England, bears tian world are already making their preparations for it. The enstom of gift-giving is Dullman's Great German Worm is more or less abused, but that is no reason why people should not observe it in a proper and reasonable manner. The essence of gift-giving is that it shall testify to a real desire upon the donnor's part | Cough Cure at T. H. Fritz's to manifest his affectionate rememberance of his friend; hence the money value of the gift should not enter into the transaction. The preciousness of the gift is in notice at the Entenprise office. the thought, on the recipient's part, that he is dear to the giver. Many a trivial bauble, whose market value is but a few cents, is prized more than gold or gems, because of the mute testimony it bears of esteem or affection.

In making your selection, try to choose something that will convey a sense of little patient, on inhaling the fumes, will your own individuality-something that cough up and spit out all the membran- will connect yourself in some way with cous matter and all the dipatheria will the frien who is the recipient. If this pass off. The fumes of the tar and is from the nature of the case, impossible, terpentine loosens the matter in the then try to select something which you know will suit some little idiosyncrasy of your friend; something which will meet Good health is worth millions. To his peculiar tastes, or his desires or his be healthy is to be obedient to the laws needs. A selection so made will testify that protect health and to exercise care to your thoughtfulness and considerain the preventation disease by at least tion. Gift-giving at Christmas time, waging war against the perceptible when thus made a vehicle for the expresscauses. When a contagious disease ex- ion of personal esteem and kindly feeling, ists in a neighborhood in whatever de- is a most beautiful custom, worthy of gree, it becomes one and all to take a being practiced. Followed simply becautious step against its spread. The cause it is a custom, it is more honored

Bourders Wanted.

Board can be obtained at my residence at the north end of Oak street. 12-16-2 MES. LYDA CLARKE.

Resolutions of Condolence.

WHEREAS, It hath pleased God in His livine Providence to remove from among us by death, our beloved sister and member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Cass City, Mrs. Hugh Seed: therefore.

Resolved, While we realize that in her we lose a faithful advocate of the temperance cause and an earnest Christian worker, yet we bow in quiet submission to His will who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That we extend to the husband and sons of our departed sister. our heart-felt sympathies in this their sad bereavement, and by acts of kindness show our appreciation for the one who is not lost but gone before.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolu-

tions be given the husband and family of our departed sister and also a copy be sent to the Cass City ENTERPRISE for publication.

M. E. WEYDEMEYER,) MAGGIE TRUSCOTT, MINNIE JANES, Com.

Some Hints Regarding Diphtheria.

A few cases of diphtheria have already occurred in the village, and the best precautionary measures should be taken ior the restriction of the disease. In order to do this it is necessary that the parents keep their children at home. To be sure, the danger of spreading the disease is not so great with the children playing in the open air as in the school room where so many children are kept together, still the disease may be communicated wherever it it is come in contact with, and I would advise the parents to keep their children in as much as possible during the school vacation, as the period of incubation for those who have been exposed will have pretty nearly expired by that time. Do not get scared at every sore throat you may have in the family and think it is diphtheria, when it may be only some form of tonsilitis, pharyngitis, or laryngitis, from which some times, at the outset, is very difficult to differenciate, especially when the throat symptons are improperly developed. However, the diphtheria here seems to be of a much milder type than the usual form. Respectfully,

Dr. P. L. FRITZ Health Officer.

Married.

LESLIE-WHEELER .- At the residence of the bride's parents, Argyle, Dec. 20, 1892, by Rev. Sam. M. Gilchriese, of Cass City, Daniel R. Leslie, of Ever-green, and Mary E. Wheeler, of Ar-

EVANS-McCullough.-At the residence of the bride's parents, Dec. 21, 1892, by Rev. Sam. M. Gilchriese, Geo. A. Evans, of Leamington, Ont., and Mary A. McCullough, of Cass City,

POINTERS.

Locals inserted under this head for 5 cents per line first insertion, and 3 cents per line thereafter.

Spinning wheels and spinning wheel heads at J. L. Hitchcock's.

GAME WANTED. Will pay \$1.00 per pair for patridges.

M. H. EASTMAN. 11-11-2 Highest market price paid for poultry \$1.00 per pair for patridges at S.

Lozengers, only 25 cents per box. For sale by T. H. Fritz's

The greatest worm destroyer on earth

Try Dullman's Great Gorman 25 cout Try Dullman's Great German 25 cent

Cough Cure at T. H. Fritz's. Auction bills printed on short

Job printing neatly executed

the Entemprise office.

S'ay Up. Persons owing us on acc't are request. ed to call and settle, as we wish to close

our books for the year. FROST & HEBBLEWHITE. 12-23-4 NOTICE.

Book accounts were due Oct. 1st. AM who have not settled are requested to call and settle at once by cash or note. W. J. CAMPBELL. 11-18-2

Spinning wheels and spinning whoat beads at J. L. Hitchcock's.

Try Dullman's Great German 15 ceat Liver Pills at T. H. Fritz's. Please Settle. Persons owing me on account are re-

as I wish to close my books for the year. C. D. STRIFFLER.

12-23-2

quested to call and settle by Jan. 1, '98,

NOTICE. All persons owing the firm of Frite Bros. on note or account are requested to settle at once, as we desire to straighten all accounts up by Nov. 1st. Please call And Oblige. at once.

T. H. FRITZ.

MENTION OF MANY MICHIGAN MATTERS.

The State Grange Meets at Lansing---The Worthy Master Delivers an Interesting Address.---The Pitiful Case of an Insane Young Mother .-- Drunken Murder.

The twentieth annual session of the State Grange was held in Lansing and was quite interesting. Worthy Master Mars in his address spoke of the pending senatorial contest. The gave the bing, claiming that it was the means of placing men without character or whilty in the senate, giving men of great wealth and disreputable methods a clear road over poor, but honest, candidates. The worthy master also paid some attention to matters now before Congress. He said he was satisfied that markets are seriously affected by the great boards of trade and their mode of buying and selling, and hoped that the anti-option and pure food bills will pass. No plan has been sug-gested that, in his opinion, is a better solution of the great question of finance than the one now in vogue. He ex-pressed the belief that the increase of pressed the belief that the increase of money should keep pace with the increase of population. The land loan and sub-treasury schemes were said to have been relegated to the rear as one of the lost problems of the age. The scheme urged upon Congress having for its object the irrigation of the arid lands of the west was soundly condemned as one which, if adopted, will coil for the expenditure of untold millions. The opinion was expressed that lions. The opinion was expressed that we now have all the land needed, in view of the lively competition and small profits which exist. A good word was spoken for the free rural mail de-livery project and for the State Agricultural College, which, he said, should have ample means to enlarge its usefulness and admit girls on an equal footing with boys. The grange's finances are in good condition and the order is growing slowly but steadily.

CARDS AND CIDER

Together With Too Neighborly Neighbor Cause a Murder at Bellaire.

Several of the male residents of the town of Bellaire-among them two named Wheeler and Trombley-were playing cards in a shanty occupied by two wood cutters—Charles Will Soper A Mrs. Bronson and her father and A Mrs. Bronson and her father and Mrs. Trombley were passing the place when one looked in the window and laughingly called out, "Is dinner ready, boys?" The "boys" asked them in to have a drink of cider, but all refused so one of them carried a pitcher outside and all drank of the cider. Later Wheeler went over to a oder. Later Wheeler went over to a neighbor's and made remarks about women drinking eider. Soon after Mrs. Trombley also went over and was told of Wheeler's remarks. She went home crying and told her husband. He went over to the neighbor's, walked up to Wheeler, knocked him down and jumped on him. Wheeler became unconscious. A doctor was called and found a hole in Wheeler's skull, made by a nail. It was probably received in falling. He will die. Trombley will be arrested.

A Sad Case of Insanity.

Mrs. Eliza Haskins, of Odessa township, Ionia county, was brought before Judge Willett of the probate court at Ionia upon a petition for her admission to the Kalamazoo asylum. She is but 18 years of age, and a raving maniac, having been so since the birth of her child about two weeks ago. She was married to a good-for-nothing-fellow, Allie Haskins, about a year ago, and he deserted her last June and has since been paying his attentions to another girl in Odessa. He was previously mar-ried to his present unfortunate wife's sister, who died of consumption, two children being the fruit of that union. She never asks for the child, but keeps cursing Haskins for his faithlessness and desertion of her. She thinks he has laid a plot to poison her.

Stabbed in a Drunken Quarrel.

John Odion, aged 55, and John Grindle, aged sixty years, the former a sailor and the later a common laborer, have been living under the same roof with Grindle's son-in-law in Pinchtown, near Muskegon. They went on a spree and toward evening they seperated, Odion going to Kreiling's saloon and falling asleep on a table. Soon after Grindle came in and walked up to his chum dealth him a powerful blow in the right eye, causing blood to flow. Shortly after both started for home, still quarreling. Somehow Grindle was cut on each side of the neck, one of the cuts severing the windpipe. He was also cut in the back and shoulder. Odion was locked up, but claims to have no remembrance of the trouble. Grindle cannot live.

A Lansing Sculptor's Good Fortune. Edward C. Potter, the sculptor who has been doing some work for the World's Columbian Exposition at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Charles C. Hopkins, of Lansing, has received a telegram announcing that Daniel C, French and himself had received a

joint contract for a \$20,000 equestrian statue of Gen. Grant for Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

On Steamer Burned at L'Anse. The steamer Northerner enroute to Ashland, having 1,600 barrels of oil on board, burned at her dock at L'Anse. The crew were mostly on shore having refused to continue on the trip as she had been leaking badly. She is a total loss. The dock was also damagee by The fire started by the porter breaking a lamp in the lamp-room.

An Insane Woman's Suicide. Mrs. Julia Krause, inmate of the insane asylum at Pontiac, threw herself in front of a Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee train this morning and was killed. The right leg was cut off and the head crushed. She had been an inmate of the asylum three months and was thought to be convalescing. Mrs. Krause leaves a widower and son in Saginaw.

The Central Labor union of Saginaw is endeavoring to capture the ear of Gov.-elect Rich in the interest of W. E. Gardiner, would-be state labor commissioner.

MOLITOR'S MURDER AVENCED. The Famous Crime of Presque Isle County

Now Being Explated.

The first of the Molitor murder conspiracy trials at Alpena has ended and the prisoner is charged with murder in the first degree. The jury was out all night before a verdict could be reached. The prisoner-August Grossman-became ghastly pale as the jury was polled and great beads of perspiration stood out on his face as the words were spoken which consigned him to life imprisonment. His wife broke down and wept piteously. The prisoner was remanded for sentence.

There are also three other defendents in the case and they will be tried in the February term, each separately. Replie and Reiger, who are also under indictment but who have made confessions, will probably plead guilty and throw themselves on the mercy of the court. Is is understood that proceedings will be commenced against Mende, Sorgen-frie, Weisengart and Bruder, the remaining four of the twelve who were are alleged to have been in the conspiracy, Barabas and Tuelgetski being dead. Proceeding may also be begun against Andrew E. Banks. The case of Grossman will probably be appealed to the supreme court, but a new trial is

not expected.

The story of the conspiracy is as follows: Albert Molitor and Ed Sullivan, his clerk, were shot one night in August, 1876, while at work in the former's office in Rogers City, Presque Isle county. Five shots were fired, the assassins taking aim through an open window. Motitor and Sullivan died a few hours later in great agony.

Justice wasn't much of an institution in Presque Isle county in those days and little effort was made to run down the murderers. Molitor was a man of large wealth, but he was also the most unpopular man in northern Michigan. unpopular man in northern Michigan. He was something of a despot in Rogers City. Presently the tragedy was forgotten. In August, 1891, however, one Repke made a confession declaring that he was one of a dozen implicated in the conspiracy. Twelve arrest were made, and Reiger, one of the prisoners, confessed complicity in the murders. Only five were held, however, and August Grossman is the first tried. The cases were transferred to Alpena county last August. it being impossible to selast August, it being impossible to secure disinterested veniremen in Presque Isle county.

AROUND THE STATE.

A chair factory will be established in

Holly's electric light system has been tested and formally accepted.

Bay City schools are about to introduce a course in the physical culture. George Lemm, of Ovid, committed suicide by hanging. He was an old

Alex. Croteau, of Portage Entry, is missing. It is thought that he was drowned.

Finlanders in Marquette county are raising funds for the suffering poor in their native country.

A large number of arrests for illegal voting are about to be made in lumber camps near Hillman. Fennville peach growers will freely

use quick lime in their orchards as a preventative of yellows. Allie Deford, was shot in the shoulder

by her cousin, who fooled with a revolver. The girl may die. Ira H. Marsh, a Groveland pioneer,

sustained fatal injuries by falling in his yard. He struck his head on a stone. Christ Viesel, of Coldwater, was con-

victed of violating the local option law. This is the first conviction in Branch county. Stimson's big saw mill plant at Mus-

kegon is being removed to Los Angeles, where it will be placed in a new \$300,-000 factory. Since October 14 \$30,000 have been

paid to the farmers in the vicinity of Cadillac over the counters of Blodgett's bank for potatoes alone.

The Ries electric specialty company, of Baltimore, Md., wants to go to Lud-ington and probably will if the city charter can be amended so that money can be voted to secure enterprises of

The new factory of the United States baking company at Lansing is now under way, and is turning out 250 barrels of crackers daily. It is a three-story building, of brick and stone, 44

Henry Shaw, aged 31, residing five miles west of West Bay City, while helping to pull stumps with a machine went under a stump to prop it up. The chain gave way and Shaw was crushed and instantly killed.

Marquette has a snow shoe club that is one of the swellest things in the upper peninsula. It will have a new og club house erected this winter that will outshine any club's quarters in the state outside of Detroit.

The board of arbitrators on the question of prices to be paid by the Cochrane & Miller Furniture company, at the Ionia reformatory, granted an advance of 22 per cent to the state, the decision to have a retroactive effect on all work done since Aug. 1. This will make a difference of about \$500 per

Michael Casey, state salt inspector has submitted his annual report to Gov. Winans. There are at present 109 firms engaged in the manufacture of salt in the state, operating 98 steam and 14 pan blocks, with a capacity of 5,424,000 barrels per annum. Some 3,710,024 barrels were manufactured the past year. The total receipts of the office for the fiscal year were \$13,-730.69 and the disbursements \$10,880.55, leaving a balance on hand of \$2,850.14.

An employe of the Big Four road at Benton Harbor found a wallet containing \$5,000 while sweeping a car. He turned the cash over to the company.

Probate Judge Norman A. Reynolds, of Branch county, 12 years in office, returns to private life with the esteem of the people for efficiency and probity in the care of a public trust. Such, however, is his fame in connection with probate business, that the people insist that he open an office so that heirs-at-law can have the opportunity of consulting a trusted home attorney familiar with every detail of their business. He will do business in Cold-

SONG OF THE WIRES.

TALES TOLD BY THE TICKERS OF THE TELEGRAPH.

The Secretary of the Navy Says We Have the Finest Navy in the World of Nations.-The Famous Rahway Mystery Cleared Up at Last,-Items.

Secretary of the Navy Tracy in his annual report sets forth the fact that when the present administration came in, March 4, 1889, besides old and obsolete wooden ships only three modern war vessels were in com-mission. During the administration 19 new vessels have been added to the navy, with an aggregate tonnage of 54,832 tons, mounting two 12-inch, six 10-inch, 16 eight-inch and 82 six-inch guns. Three new steel tugs have also been constructed and put in ser-

in an Awful Wreck.

of Conductor William Nickey and En gineer James Maloney, approached the switch the engine was shut off and brakes called for. There was no per ceptible decrease of speed and Conductor Nickey climbed out of the caboose and began setting brakes, but the speed was too great to stop. When within a train length of the caboose When the engineer and fireman saw the track was full ahead and jumped. The engine struck the wreck train, threw the caboose on top of the next car, setting both on fire.

There were 14 men in the caboose, One jumped off, five were hurt, three were burned beyond recognition and four were killed. One was totally consumed, not a sign of his remains being

"MURDER WILL OUT."

The Famous "Rahway Murder Mystery"

About to be Cleared Up. James Frouatt has been arrested at Rahway, N. J., for the murder of a comely young woman whose body was ound on the morning of Saturday. March 26, 1887, in a lonely road leading to the village of Milton, five miles west of Rahway. The body was never identified although viewed by thousands from all parts of New Jersey and New York. The murder is commonly known as the "Rahway mystery." This is not Frouatt's first connection with the murder. He was one of the first arrested on suspicion, although there was then evidence that would have warranted holding him, he was allowed to go. He has been under surveillance ever since then, however.

It is said that Frouatt's 12 year-old daughter has made a confession as to the actions of her father on the night of March 25, 1887, when there was a party at Frouatt's house. The Frouatt girl tells of a strange and pretty young woman who was at the party, and her description tallies with that of the murdered girl.

A Great Boat Race for the World's Fair. One of the most interesting possibilities of the World's Fair year is a boat race for the championship of the world between the winning crew of the Oxford-Cambridge boat race and the winning crew of the Harvard-Yale race. A. G. Spalding, of Chicago, a prominent men in athletics says: "The event men in athletics says: would, in my opinion, prove to be the greatest athletic event ever held anywhere in the world."

One person was killed and several in jured by a boiler explosion in a gin mill in Fort White, Fla.

Secretary Foster has assured Chairman Springer that there will be a balance of \$20,000,000 in the treasury at the end of the fiscal year. The Illinois delegation in congress are inclined to recommend Col. Mor-

rison, of the interstate commerce commission, for the position of secretary of the treasury in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet. The silver men in the house want to bring the Bland free coinage bill to a vote should the international monetary conference fail to accomplish anything. Those who favor the bill to repeal the Sherman act are inclined to concede this if the rules committee can agree

IN CONGRESS.

What is Being Done by the Lawmakers at the Nation's Capital.

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Senate.—Sixth day—A bill, to provide for the punishment of offenses on the high seas, was passed. A house bill was passed to allow the secretary of the treasury an additional assistant during the illness of Gen. Rosencrans, register of the treasury. The secretary of the treasury was called upon for copies of correspondence regarding cholera and immigration. The bill, providing for a commission to treat with the civilized tribes in the Indian Territory to induce them to take homesteads in severalty, was discussed and laid over. Executive session. Adjourned. House.—When Speaker Crisp entered the House and ascended to his chair, there was a spontaneous outburst of applaise from all parties on the floor and from the occupants of the gallery—a tribute of sympathy with the speaker in his unpleasant connection with the Reform Club dinner in New York City. A joint resolution, which passed, gives the secretary of the treasury authority to appoint a register of the treasury such or serve during the Illness of Gen. Rosencrans. The army appropriation bill was received and referred. A bill to prohibit the employment of convict labor on public works was placed on the calendar. Bills were passed abandoning certain military reservations in Wyoming and creating additional land districts in New Mexico.

six 10-inch, 16 eight-inch and \$2 six inch guns. Three new steel tugs have also been constructed and put in service. There are in process of construction 18 new vessels, certain to be completed next year, should armor be delivered, of aggregate tonnage of 93,497 tons and mounting 12 13-inch, six 12-inch, 30 eight-inch, 32 six-inch, 32 six-inch, 32 six-inch, 32 six-inch, 32 six-inch, 32 six-inch, 33 five-inch and 34 four inch guns, all of which have been or are to be manufactured in this country. Not to ships alone has the development of the past few years been confined. Armor, torpedoes, heavy rapid firing guns, armor-piercing shells, smokeless powder and high explosives.

It has been demonstrated that the United States in constructing its new navy, which 10 years ago had no existence even on paper, is enabled to place upon each and all its armored vessels material the like of which the world has not up to this time seen, and while vast sums have been spent plating the sides of foreign men-of-war war with inferior material this country will enjoy for the purpose an armor which is not only far more efficient but which represents unquestionably the highest development of modern science and development does not recommend any present increase in the number. Nor is it desirable to add to the number of heavily armed gunboats of the Yorktown type. Torpedo cruisers, from \$500 to 1,000 tons, with speed 22 knots, sufficient coal capacity, rapid fire guns and powerful torpedo armament are the type of vessel most desired.

KILLED WHILE ASLEEP.

Eight Men Burned and Crushed to Death In an'Awful Wreek.

A frightful accident occurred on the Great Northern railroad at Nelson

In an Awful Wreck.

A frightful accident occurred on the Great Northern railroad at Nelson Station, five miles east of Alexander, Minn. There had been a collision the morning before at Nelson and a number of cars were wrecked. The wreck train had been there clearing and was making up preparatory to pulling out for the east and the caboose was left standing on the main track with a number of cars. An east bound freight was due, but the engineer had orders to sidetrack for the passenger train due there at the same time. There is a heavy grade west of the station and as the freight with 36 cars, under charge of Conductor William Nickey and England a Nelson the Garrahan claim, which was passed at the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President who recommended its reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to by the President via reference to the last session and was objected to be considered to the last session and was the subject of co

Senate.— Ninth day—The McGarrahan claim was again up for discussion and several strong points were made in its favor, but it went over without action. The Washburn anti-option bill also came in for its share of discussion, but it also went over and will not be acted upon until after the holiday recess. Executive session. Adjourned. House.—The committe on Indian affairs occupied the day after some unimportant preliminary business had been transacted.

SENATE—Tenth day—no session. House.

—A bill was introduced to establish the national floral emblem of the United States; the bill names the pansy as the floral emblem and the inauguration is to be celebrated May 1, 1893. Secretary of the treasury sent a deficiency estimate aggregating \$50,000 for the quarantine service for the fiscal year 1893. The committee on military affairs succeeded in passing a few minor bills and the remainder of the day was consumed in considering the \$500,000 was consumed in considering the \$500,00 Florida claim. Adjourned.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

One thousand and sixty immigrants rrived in New York Sunday.

Two boys were drowned in a pond at Watertown, Mass., while skating.

The schooner Electric was wrecked at Bonaccio. Two lives were lost.

A bitter fight is being waged against the anti-cigarette bill in Alabama.

Twelve Chinese immigrants must return to their native land from Platts-

burg. N. Y. Fire destroyed the Sumpter, S. C. opera house during a performance. No lives were lost.

Mr. Cleveland will be asked to make a speech and touch the electric button that will start the machinery in the

World's Fair on May 1. Twenty-five inmates of the Knox county, Tenn., workhouse overpowered

the guard and escaped. They were mostly colored. A number of citizens were soon after held up and robbed in the suburbs by these outlaws. Mrs. H. Clay King and her two

daughters are urging Gov. Buchanan to pardon Col. King, now serving a life sentence for the murder of David H. Poston at Memphis. The Denver & Rio Grande Railway round-house and the machine shops at

Salida, Col., were destroyed by fire. Seventeen engines were destroyed in the round-house. The loss is estimated by the railroad officials at \$400,000. F. Edwid Elwell, the Sandwich, Mass., sculptor, has been awarded the

contract for an equestrian statue of Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock to be erected on the battle field of Gettysburg, for which he will receive \$22,000. Mason is progressive, and as an evidence of it maintains in luxury a

hustling woman insurance agent. Prof. Briggs, in his defense said the Presbyterian general assembly had perverted the statements in his inaugural address, had misrepresented his meaning, and had violated the constitution of the church. He called them an arrogant party of self-con-structionists, who sought to make of the church only a sect. He quoted a large number of biblical scholars to prove that the bible was not written by infallible pens, but was full of human errors showing lack of knowl-

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Center county, Pennsylvania, has a natural curiosity in the shape of a twenty-acre pond which appeared in a single night on ground never known to be covered with water before.

What a prosperous country this must be when a New York horse sale can command a total of \$223,250 in one evening, comparatively unknown horses selling for \$30,000 and \$25,000 apiece!

There has been but one total eclipse of the sun at London since the year 1140, that of 1715, and, according to Prof. Holden, there will not be another until after the opening of the twentv-first century.

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GRAINS OF GOLD.

What shadows we are and what shadows we pursue. The best preparation for the future is the present well seen to, the last

duty done. Gold that is the price of blood was never yet blessed to him that gave or

him who received. One of the grandest things in having rights is that, being your rights, you may give them up.

Let no man measure by a scale of perfection the meager product of reality in this poor world of ours. How soon the millennium would come if the good thing people intend

to do to-morrow were only done to-Never purchase love or friendship by gifts; when thus obtained, they are lost as soon as you have stopped pay-

Ah, how happy would many lives be if individuals troubled themselves as little about other people's affairs as about their own.

A new game is to be introduced. It is called eye peeping, and the fun consists in trying to guess the unknown owner of an eye which is shown to the spectators through a hole in the

A carriage bag is a pretty gift for

carriage people. It is made of cloth, lined and wadded, into which the feet are slipped and the mouth drawn up nearly to the knees, insuring comfort on a cold day. A woman's tombstone is the only one in England upon which the epi-

taph is written in shorthand. If a

woman wrote the epitaph it probably

had to be put in shorthand to get it all on the tombstone. Physical Director Stagg - that's what they call him-has decided that the students in the Chicago University shall kick ball three times a week for exercise—at least, the young men. The young ladies walk an hour, and

take fifteen minutes' exercise in the

gymnasium. "Sonny, is your mother at home?" isked the minister, addressing the little boy who was standing at the door. "Yes, she's at home," was the reply, "but she doesn't want to see you. I heard her just tell pa that she hated fools, and that she never saw a man yet that wasn't a fool."

So many delightful women are late in loving, so many are true to some buried love, so many are single from choice and from no neglect of the stronger sex, who have the asking of the question, that to them should be given all the dignity which is supposed to accrue to the married.
Yale college has about 30 female students.

After all Jay Gould died of consumption. The doctors said he had neuralgia and Jay offered a million dollars to any one who would cure him of his trouble. It turned out that he did not have neuralgia at all, but simply consumption. Don't you make his mistake. If you feel that your lungs are weak, or that you are subject to coughs or colds, or that your throat be sore and tender, get a bottle of Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure and take it freely. It contains no poison and it is the only cough remedy on the market that ministers to all of the excretory organs. The small bottles are twenty-five cents, large size fifty cents. Every druggist has it.

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maidens, hearts that feel affect tion's blaze, Listen to a Christmas story of our old ec lonial days;

When the Yule log east its crimson over periwig and sword,
And the children danced "Sir Roger" to the duleet harpsichord.

In a thrifty little village stood a mansion and

a forge; m the former dwelt a soldier high in favor with King George.

Colonel Geoffrey was large hearted, and his doors were opened wide. But he drew the line at blacksmiths save at merry Christmas tide.

But true love will scale the barrier 'twixt the wealthy and the poor:
Isabel, the Colonel's daughter, ne'er could

pass the smithy door But a tear would tell the secret that no maiden lip could speak, And poor John would say "Good morning"

with a blush upon his check. He had much of manly beauty; from his honest brow were rolled Yellow curls that in the sunlight seemed a

crown of richest gold. On his tongue was merry music, humo sparkled in his eye,
And his only times of sadness were when Isa

bel passed by.

In the late days of December, one, a stranger, sought her hand; Means were his and noble station in the far off motherland.

Flattered was the soldier father, and his thanks he searce could tell; Christmas eve, he told Lord Curtis, he should wed sweet Isabel.



"JOHN WOULD SAY GOOD MORNING." Maiden pride was sorely wounded thus so cheanly to be sold. And she longed to teach his lordship how she

Hope unto her heart gave promise father's purpose to defeat When the broken hearted Vulcan poured his

sorrows at her feet. She would brave her father's anger, but her lover must reveal In the winning of her favor ready wit and heart of steel.

Said the smith, "I vow to kiss you first be neath the holly green, Though the friends of noble Curtis draw dozen swords between!"

There was dancing in the parlor, there was

courting on the stair. There was plenty in the larder, there was pleasure everywhere;
And the parson preached a sermon which the people could enjoy When he romped around the table with the

miller's little boy. Rustic wives and dames of polish in their ad miration vied,

As the Colonel bade them welcome, on his arm the lovely bride; And Lord Curtis tapped his snuffbox with a

smile of pure delight. For a score of guests had promised to be cowards-for that night!

Laughter at the bald deception strove against a visage grim When the father told the party of his daughter's merry whim; How, to gain a valiant husband, Isabel had

made a vow To espouse the first to lead hor underneath the kissing bough.

Forward stepped a dozen gallants, but Lord Curtis thundered "Stay! I will yonder lead the damsel, though my sword must cut the way !"

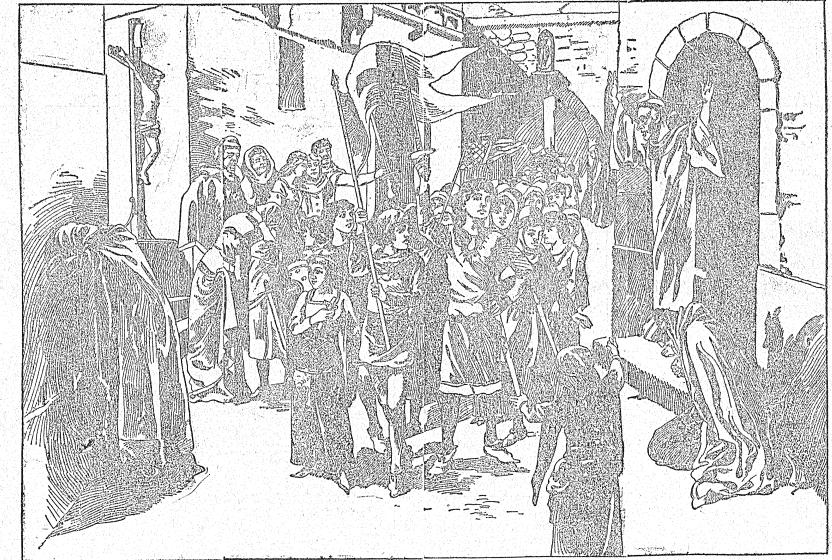
"Catch her first, my Lord Fine Feathers!" cried the smith; "my horse is fast!" And with strong arm thrown about her swiftly from the room he passed.



NEVER DID SUCH CONSTERNATION. Never did such consternation on a Christman gathering fall!

Out into the nipping night air rushed the party one and all: But the only sight to greet them was a gaping village crowd

Pointing to a speedy horseman flying dowr the frosty road.



THE CHILDREN. CHRISTMAS CRUSADE OF

Quickly every steed was saddled; father, guests, with hue and cry
Tore along the frozen highway neath the moonlit winter sky.

"Tis a madman has my daughter!" bitterly the Colonel cried, "Daft or sane, his life is forfeit!" hissed the lover at his side.

On they spurred, and soon the caitiff, beaten in a hopeless race, Reined his sorry beast and waited Colonel

Geoffrey's charge to face. Well in front of all rode Curtis, shricking, "Draw, you scoundrel, draw!" And he plunged his thirsty weapon through a hideous thing of straw!

Underneath its hat, tied firmly, teeth of snow white paper grinned:
On its coat sleeve, idly flapping, was this note,

securely pinned:—
'As you read this modest billet, (how, Lord Curtis ground his teeth!)
Isabel and I stand, wedded 'neath the festive holly wreath!"

When the valorous pursuers galloped up, the game to bag, Nothing saw they in the moolight save a

broken winded nag. Soon they found a prostrate figure hacked by an infuriate sword. And they found a crumpled letter, but they

never found my lord! Geoffrey trotted home in silence, he-a soldier to the core-Could but like the elever fellow who'd out-

generalled a score.

First was he to reach the parlor, first to east chagrin aside, First to pledge an honest bumper to the bridegroom and the bride.



THROUGH A HIDEOUS THING OF STRAW. Often when the Christmas laughter rang far out upon the snow

Would an old man seek the portal, with his face and pipe aglow; And whene'er his fancy pictured pointing

orowd and crouching pair,
He would mutter, "It was lucky that none thought of looking there!" THOMAS FROST.

Christmas in England.

England surpasses all other countries in the world in the observance of Christmas-tide. In that country it is the custom on Christmas eve, after the usual devotions are over, to light candles and throw on the hearth a huge log called the Christmas Block, and watch it until it has burned to ashes. At Court and in the houses of the wealthy, an officer named for the occasion Lord Misrule is appointed to superintend the revels which are generally carried on until midnight. Candles are usually kept buruing for two days. The favorite pastimes indulged in are gaming, music, conjuring, dipping for nuts, hat cockles, blind man's buff and other diversions. Of late years clergymen have discountenanced

Songs of the Christmas-Tide. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men." This is a climax, wrong end first. Let us read it as it runs. Glory will be to God, peace will be on earth, when good-will toward men has its reign. Good-will toward men! If we all had it, if its concrete Christianity held practical sway, what would be the eximes, the petty feelings of to-day?

these forms of amusement.

Crusade of the Children. On Christmas day in the year 1212, 3.000 children marched from Cologne, France, with flying banners, crucifixes and other evidences of their adherence to the Christian Faith. They were on their way to Palestine where pagan chiefs were ruling the land in which Jesus was born. For centuries the Christians had been sending crusades against the pagans, and this one became famous in history's pages as the Crusade of the Children. The saddest

fate possible awaited them. As days

passed on storms of wind and rain cut

down their ranks. So, one by one they stattered; And ever, day by day. Straying and lost and dying, The great host ebbed away.

Not for them was the battle: Not for them was the crown— The glory of siege and struggle, Or the victor's green renown

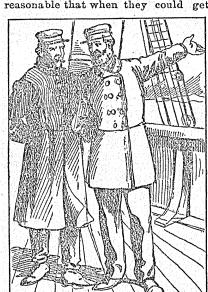
Time has grown old and forgotten: Deep buried in dust of years
Are the broken hearts of the mothers
And the children's helpless tears.

And we number the centuries seven Since they marched by the Rhine away, But to them, in the holy city, It counts as a single day.

FAITH IN GOD.

A Christmas Story by Dr. Talmage, I never like a Christmas season to pass without telling to some one a thrilling incident which happened at my house just eight years ago this coming Christmas. Perhaps I have told it to you, but I think not. We had just distributed the family presents Christmas morning when I heard a great cry of distress in the hallway. A child from a neighbor's house came in to say her father was dead. It was only three doors off, and, I think, in minutes we were there. There lay the old Christian sea Captain, his face upturned toward the window as though he had suddenly seen the headlands, and with an illuminated countenance as though he were just going into harbor. The fact was he had already got through the "Narrows." In the adjoining room were the Christmas presents waiting for his distribution. Long ago, one night when he had narrowly escaped with his ship from being run down by a great ocean steamer, he had made his peace with God, and a kinder neighbor than Capt. Pendleton you would not find this side of heaven.

He had often talked to me of the goodness of God, and especially of a time when he was about to go into New York harbor with his ship from Liverpool, and he was suddenly impressed that he ought to put back to sea. Under the protest of the crew and under their very threat he put back to sea, fearing at the same time he was losing his mind, for it did seem so unreasonable that when they could get



"CALL ME AT TEN O'CLOCK." into harbor that night they should put back to sea. But they put back to sea, and Capt. Pendleton said to his mate, "You call me at 10 o'clock at night." At 12 o'clock at night the Captain was aroused and said: What does this mean? I thought I told you to call me at 10 o'clock, and achtfest, in Scandanavia as Yule and here it is 12." "Why," said the mate, in Saxony as Geol.

'I did call you at 10 o'clock, and you get up, looked around and told me to keep right on this same course for two hours, and then to call you at 12 o'clock." Said the Captain, "Is it possible? I have no remembrance of that." At 12 o'clock the Captain went on deck, and through the rift of the cloud the moonlight fell upon the sea and showed him a shipwreck with one hundred struggling passengers. He helped them off. Had he been any earlier or any later at that point of the sea he would have been of no service to those drowning people. On board the Captain's vessel, they began to band together as to what they should pay for the rescue, and what they should pay for the provisions. "Ah," says the Captain, "my lads, you can't pay me anything; all I have on board is yours; I feel too greatly honored of God in having saved you to take any pay." Just like

Oh, that the old sea Captain's God might be my God and yours. Amid the stormy seas of this life may we have always some one as tenderly to take care of us as the Captain took care of the drowning crew and the passengers. And may we come into the harbor with as little physical pain and with as bright a hope as he had; and if it should happen to be a Christmas morning, when the presents are being distributed and we are celebrating the birth of Him who came to save our shipwrecked world; all the better, for what grander, brighter Christmas-present could we have than heaven?

> Christmas Music. "Or is it the nuns who are chanting, Chanting sweet and low, A rhyme of forgotten childhood, Lost so long ago?

"Or is it the waifs at my window, Out in the dawning gray, Singing of Bethlehem's manger. And the Child that was born to-day?.

Yes, it is the sweet childish treble of the waifs, seasonably returning, like the birds of spring, with carols on the wintry morn of the birth of Christ. The snow lying white on the folds, the frost flowers on the pane, sparkle in the early sunlight. Oh! what a thrill to be awakened by those joyously chanted words:

"Hark! the herald angels sing Glory to the new born king; Peace on earth and mercy mild. God and sinners reconciled

Then there is another sound outside the door—a sound not so melodious as the chorals, but just as merry and sweet. It is the children in their night dresses, rushing about the house proclaiming the generosity of the good and jolly St. Nick, who has slyly visited the open-mouthed stockings over

The morning having flown on wings of sunlight, we find ourselves in the dim church aisles, with the evergreen trimmings and bright hollyberries overhead, and the rich tones of the organ pervading all the place.

More divine music! It is the fullvoice choir, now and their words, "Gloria in Excelsis Deol" fitly crown the glad devotion of Christ-

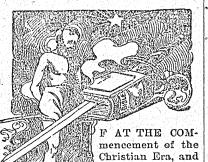
mas day. Date of Christ's Birth. The date, Dec. 25, which is celebrated in Christian countries as the anniversary of the birth of Jesus Christis really not the anniversary of his birth. The precise date of Christ's birth has never been fixed and it is safe to say never will be. December is the rainy season in the land of Judea, and shepherds could not have been in the fields at night in the vicinity of Bethlehem as is related. It is altogether likely that the event took place later. Many Christian churches only celebrate Dec. 25 as a day in memory of the nativity of the Redeemer.

Christmas in Different Lands. Christmas day as we call it in English speaking countries is known by other names where our language is not spoken. In France it is called Noel from Dies Natalis, in Germany Weihn-

THE DAY IN HISTORY.

NOTABLE ANNIVERSARIES THAT FALL ON CHRISTMAS.

The Day That Is Made Merry by the Good, a Day for Crime Among the Wicked-Some Chapters from the World's History.



and with no intermission through the long line of the coming centuries up to the present 0 had been pub-

lished, and had there been anything like the ambitious rivalry now existing in the matter of getting news, it would be very easy to give a recapitulation of the most notable Christmas day events since the first celebration of the nativity in ancient Judea. On this memorably merriest day of

all the year it is sad, however, to think that the records of notable Christmas day events coming down to us are so largely made up of records of bloodshed, and the savagery of war and riot of the most human passions let loose. Some of these, the most readily recalled, are given below. History happily is sparse in these recitals. The earliest on record runs as far back as the close of the third century, and it is well for our faith in humanity that history furnishes no Christmas day event parallel to this act of atrocious barbarity. A few words tell the tragic story. It was in the reign of Dioclesian. On Christmas day a church in Nicomedia was filled with Christian worshipers. Dioclesian gave orders to bar every egress and set fire to the building. The order was carried out with fiendish ernelty, and not a single worshiper was spared the devouring flames

Skipping over many centuries we come to the eleventh century in the history of ancient Briton, which, with the history of that country following the Norman conquest, is particularly marked by notable Christmas days. Yuletide in the year 1066 was not a happy one for the English, Harold, the King, had fallen but a few weeks before in the one great battle on which he staked his crown. In the meantime the people had found what it was to have a Norman conqueror for their master. were stunned by the shock of Harold's overthrow. The coronation of the new King was on Christmas day. The scene of the coronation was Westminster Abbey. The ceremony proceeded. There were soldiers outside to repress any hostile demonstration. When the people in the abbey were asked if they would have William for their King they answered with so loud an acclaim that the soldiers outside, supposing the tumult inside was caused by an attack on the Normans within the church, forthwith set upon the unoffending people of Westminster, killed large numbers of them and burned and plundered many houses before they could be stopped. Another Christmas day, two years

afterward, was to be still more doleful to the Britons. The people of the northern counties, taking advantage of the disaffection of some powerful northern Barons, rose in arms with the intention of throwing off the Norman yoke. They surprised several garrisons and put them to the sword. William marched in person against them. He directed a universal slaughter, that not a human being should be

left living, or beast, and that not a house should be left standing. These orders were carried out with fiendish exactitude, and over 100,000 men, women and children perished by the sword. A mark was set on that Christ mas in the northern counties that it took a hundred years to efface.

It was on Christmas day in the year 1170 that Thomas a'Becket, the first Englishman who had been promoted to any great office since the conquest, ascended the pulpit of his Cathedral church at Canterbury and preached what may be described as his own funeral sermon. He alluded in terms of repreach and indignation to the treatment the English people were receiving at the hands of their Norman conquerors. The rest is well known. "In the name of Christ and for the defence of my church I am willing to die," were his last words to his murderous assailants.

Turning to another Christmas day scene in the year 1214 is a more agree. able picture. In it there is no bloodshed. There is an assemblage of knights, prelates and a primate. They have set their hear; s on winning a vic-



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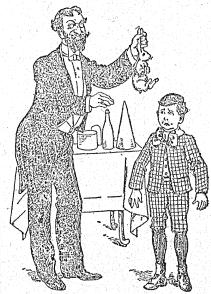
tory, the greatest the nation had won since the Norman conquest-to obtain the signature of King John to the great charter of English liberties. were before the King in a body. How they plead with the King, how the King temporized and put them off till Easter and tried every trick to thwart them, and how finally he was forced to sign the charter, are matters familiar to every one. All in all, England has never had a more creditable Christmas

After Richard II., described as The skipping king, who ambled up and down With shallow jesters and rash bayin wits, had been supplanted by King Henry, a plot in which the Earls of Huntingdon, Kent, Surrey and Rutland were the principal conspirators, they having been the special favorites of the day throned monarch, was concected to seize and murder, "under pretense of jousting," as historians put it, the new King at Windsor castle, where he was to spend Christmas. Everything was arranged, but the plot was dis covered. King Henry was not mnrdered on that Christmas day, but the heads of the leading conspirators garnished the gates of the principal towns of England. The spirit of conspiracy, however, survived, for it is recorded that shortly after "there was found in the King's bedclothes an yron with three sharpe pikes, slender and round. standing upright, laid there by some traytor, yet when the King should have

At the Christmas Entertainment

himselfe upon them."

lain him downe, he might have thrust



Prestidigitateur-Ha! what have wo here? A live rabbit in this boy's pocket! Now, let us see what else he has concealed about him.



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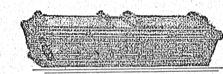
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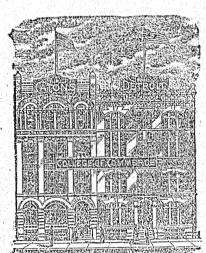
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DEFORD.

Geo. Queensbury, of Troy, Oakland county, visited old chums in this locality

last week.

A Wilmot youth who gave his reckoning at twenty-six summers, circumnavigated this precinct last Friday, striving to exchange a pale equine for clothes

Order of Recerng.

State of Michigan, county of Tuscola, ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for said county, heid at the Probate office, in the Village of Caro, on the twentieth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred to exchange a pale equine for clothes to exchange a pale equine for clothes

Boney Daugherty's health is rather poor at present.

A neighboring paper gives us surprising news. Here is what it says: "Within the past summer one-hundred and fifty families have left Huron and Sanilac counties and moved to Canada to better their condition." We conceive that some one has been giving the editor, "wind."

sell the real estate of said lamb, the ment. Therefore it is ordered, that Monday, the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence, he assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at have of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate of said estate of said in the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence, he assigned for the hearing of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate. Therefore it is ordered, that Monday, the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence it is ordered, that Monday, the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence it is ordered, that Monday, the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence it is ordered, that Monday, the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence it is ordered, that Monday, the twenty-third day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forence in a said estate. The forence is a said petition, and that the heirs at heavy of said petition, and the present interests of said petition, and the treat estate of said said said said said estate, and all other persons interests of said deceased, and all other persons interests.

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West McCain is Frank Terry's right handed man at present.

Benjamin Sharp and wife will leave on the 24th to spend the holidays in the vicinity of Imlay City.

Frank McCracken and Clint Osborn are home again after a three weeks stay at Grassmere, Huron county.

Last week A. W. Sole received a letter from Daniel white, of Orogon. Nine years ago Dan was a resident of this locality and sold out, going to Dakota. Since that time he has tested the virgin soil of seven different states, none coming up to the standard of his agricultural ideas, 'till at last he thinks he has reached the spot where he can cry out 'Ereuka!" with a loud voice.

Villa Pallson, of Hurd's Corners, who has been coufined at the home of his friend, Mrs. Wills, by a broken limb for some weeks, is on the gain.

Two of our youths, who fear not darkness nor dangerous highways, attended an oyster supper in Wells on the evening of the 19th.

D. A. Sole visits his brother, A. W.

Jim Hanes, of Dryden, called on Jessie Sole last week. L. W. Vorhes' family are all sick with

hard colds. Geo. O. Rourk suffers with lame back. He was cast from a gungalo while driva spirited team hauling shingle bolts.

The wife of our new merchant will spend Christmas with her parents in Goodland, Lapeer county.

All will be admitted to behold the

Nothing yet heard from Miss Hopeful

What Mecca is to the true followers of mahomet, and Jerusalem is to the deoted Jew, Deford is to your humble serant. When her children stray to strange cities our heart goes with them. Huron county, though absent from us, is present with us in our thoughts by day and our dreams by night. We see them as they go fourth in the morning to fell the giant evergreen, with "push" O. in the advance commanding his docile bullocks to sway to the right or to the left with sonorous voice that makes the wilderness ring. We behold him again as a bare-back rider, performing feats that would make an Arabian Knight icalous. And, again, we see him holding his auditors spell bound relating hair preapth escapes of by-gone days. But ye have talked long enough of the capain let us speak of the rank and file of he company. Two youths are shaking he dust of Grassmere from the soles of The Deford colony at Grassmere in the dust of Grassmere from the soles of their feet and setting their faces Defordward because the voice of the "push" falls harsh upon their ears. And, still mother of the company has the gout rom high living, which he terms sideche. So we might continue to relate our dream, but space will not permit. But take them all in all, "as the fellow aid." they are men cast in finest mold and intended for a higher sphere.

TURCOLLA COUNTY.

Owing to the removal of street lamps ro's marshal salary has been reduc-

d from \$300 to \$100. The ladies of the Presbyterian Church

or Caro are holding their annual fair at the opera house at that place this week. Circuit Court Proceedings-Peoples vs. Harry Lakes, assault with intent to do reat bodily harm, verdict of guilty. People vs. Jacob Vinson, charge of atremped robbery, verdict, not guilty. People vs. Theo. Hessler, defendant oleaded guilty to charge of assault and battery, and Judge Beach by request gave him time to thresh his beans before imposing fine or sentence. The case against Roe Beechcraft for larcency was but over until the February term as was also the case of Wm. R. and Dovid Conley, charged with assault the People vs. Harry Wright, verdict of acquittal. The court adjourned Satur-day.

WEST GRANT.

Everybody is lively. Some people have bad colds.

Karr's Corners and West Grant meet at the county line.

Our people are helping with the program for the Canboro Christmas tree.

The teacher had the tonslitis last week but kept at work. Going to Mud Lake when the ice isn't solid doesn't

The debate will be Dec. 27, instead of Dec. 20 as we stated last work. It is on account of the absence of source of the speakers.

Come now, brother of Canboro, cease your being a silent brother and, if there sn't any news at Canboro, rattle out a long one at Karr's Corners or West Grant, We'll make you say something,

LEGAL NOTICES.

Order of Mearing.

Present, and the matter of the estate of James Orials Playford, minor.
On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Jane Darling, guardian of said minor, praying, for reasons therein set forth, that she may be authorized, empowered and licensed to sell the real estate of said minor for reinvestment.

And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Cass City Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, four successive weeks previous to said day

JAMES M. VAN TASSEL. Judge of Probate.

Order of Mearing.

State of Michigan, county of Tuscola, ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for said ounty, held at the Probate Office in said ounty, on Monday the twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight undred and ninety-two.

Present, James M. VaaTassel, Judge of Probate

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In the matter of the estate of James Outwater, deceased, J. H. McLean, administrator of said estate, comes into Court and represents that he is now prepared to render his final account as such administrator.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday the ninth day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forencon, be assigned for the examining and allowing such account and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in sale estate are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office in the village of Caro in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed.

And it is further ordered, that said administrator give notite to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Cass City Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

JAMES M. VAN TASSEL,

[SEAL.]

Order of Hearing.

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State of Michigan, county of Tuscola, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate Ottos in the village of Caro on the sixth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-

Present, James M. Van Tassell, Judge of Pro-

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In the matter of the estate of Edwin A.

Weaver, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Henrietta S. Weaver, widow of said deceased, praying that administration of said estate may be granted to Charles West, or some other suitable person. Thereupon it is ordered that Thesday, the third day of Jannary next, at ten o'clock a. m. beassigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be helden in the Probate Office, in the village of Caro, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. And it is further ordered that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Cass City Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of Leaving.

[SEAL.]

Administrators Saie of Real Estate.

Administrators Sale of Real Estate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, SS COUNTY OF TUSCOLA, SS In the matter of the estate of Arthur Shoe

smith, deceased.

Bated December 9th, A. D. 1892.

1 ORTGAGE SALE—Default having been III made is the payment of memey secured by a certain mortgage hearing date the 22nd day September, A. D. 1890, made and executed by Thomas J. Parker and Ann A. Parker, his wife, to John Heffelbower, and recorded in the ollice of the Register of Daeds for Tuscola county. Michigan, on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1890 in liber 65 on page 169 of mortgages, Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by reason of said default the whole sum secured by and remaising unpaid upon said mortgage. Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by reason of said default the whole sum secured by and remaising unpaid upon said mortgage. That there is duand unpaid upon said mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of two hundred, forty-three dellars and seventy cenus; that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and in pursuance of the statues of the statues of the statues, and seventy cenus; that by virtue of Michigan, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of mortgaged premises at public vendue to highest bidger on the 27th day of February, A. D. 1893, at 1 o'clock in the alternoon at the westerly front door of the court house, in the village of Caro. Tuscola county. That said premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the ownship of Elkinud, county of Tuscola and state of Michigae substantially as follows: All that certain piece or parcel or land situated in the ownship of Elkinud, county of Tuscola county. That said premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the ownship of Elkinud, county of Tuscola county. That said premises are described premises, running thirteen for the not and ten inches, to the passed of Michigae substantially as follows: All the and the day of seen had a said mortgage, the costs of foreclosure and interest that may accrue on said mortgage

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sacred morn To our spirits tired and worn, Bringing with the chant and chime Memories of that after time to sinful man was given Pledge of peace and love from heaven and angel throng

Echoed forth the rapturous song—Welcomed in the holy ray
Of the first glad Christmas day.

Joyful let us greet it now, With light hearts and cheerful brow, Bright warm hearths and mirthful bands, Kindly eyes and clasping hands; Greetings frank and words of cheer, To the friends and kindred near.

Meekly, humbly lay aside Angry tone and look of pride. Memory of wrong or woe— Treacherous friend or cruel foe— All that chills the heart below.

And round cheerful board and hearth, 'Midst words of joy and songs of mirth, Let each grateful spirit be Fraught with holy charity; Nor envy, care, nor malice find Resting-place in heart or mind; But kindly tone and open hand, And the deed of mercy planned, To our suffering neighbors prove Our Christmas faith and Christmas love, Worthy of this solemn time, Hallowed by His love sublime. Who bore with patience wrong and blame, Poverty and want and shame— All that earth's poor wanderers fear Of mortal pain and suffering here.

So with faith's best prayer and praise Shall we hail the day of days; So with charity benign,.
Bend before its hallowed shrine,
And the heart's best tribute bring To the altar of our King.

So with meet and harmless mirth Gather round the social hearth, And the spirits free from care, And the welcome uttered there And the kindly glance and tone. And the prayer for loved ones gone, And the clasp of friendship's hand, And the greetings, frank and bland, And the kindly word and deed, Shown the suffering in their need. Shall be pleasing in His eyes, Whose dear human sympathies, From His throne beyond the skies. Reacheth, in their joy or woe,
All His creatures here below.
—N. Y. Ledger.



THE REPORTER'S CALL The Ladies Enjoyed It, But the News

paper Man Didn't. The city editor was just giving out the assignments. It was New Year's day and the reporters one and all had gone to the office in the hope that they would be given a day off or at least some easy task. Harold Roberts rather crowed over his fellows, for he thought he had won the prize. Perhaps he had.

A request had come from a lady in a fashionable quarter of the city to have a reporter sent to her house that evening at eight o'clock, but no hint of what

was required was given.
At the hour named, Mr. Roberts was at the number given and was presently ushered into an extremely pleasant room where sat two charming young



HE WAS RECEIVED MOST AFFABLY. ladies. He was received in the most affable manner possible.

refreshments, and everything indicated that he was expected and was to be

grandly entertained. He was. He found the ladies charming talkers, and he was much interested, thinking every minute they would broach the matter for which they wanted a reporter.

Not a word on the subject came, however, and at length Mr. Roberts was obliged to ask for the information.

WORTH CONSIDERING. Is Christmas Degenerating Into a Mere

Festival for the Storekeepers? Our Christmas of to-day makes me sometimes fear that the Christmas of our youth is degenerating into a festival of the store-keepers. Once there was merry-making at home, trimming of the church with evergreens, listening for the bells of Christmas eve pealing through the frosty air, interchange

become a burden, and no one of merely moderate means can maintain it without serious self-denial. So it has come to pass that many give what they really cannot afford, and what no one wants; have bought for themselves, and what frequently entails increased expense by demanding other things to correspond.

year for a tired needlewoman; or would give a young girl, with a talent for pencil or piano, the beginning of the education in art she ought to have; or send a poor boy through one year of college; and receive what they never should or stock a little haberdashery for some one who cannot work, and to beg who is ashamed; or procure surgery, clothing and countless comforts and turn the

Would it not be an experiment worth dreariness of poverty-stricken homes trying, if in every household there were into sunshine. Is this not really some-



ful evening, "why I have been sent for.

a cousin who is going to marry a rehow one acted out in company." JOHN J. FULLER.

Buy your holiday presents early and

ing he was about to end a most delight- handiwork. Now we are in danger of presents of less cost than heretofore, your pocketbook will avoid the rush later of course that things of price winter for an invalid who would die in later on.—Chicago Tribune.

Miss Cottedge—No; I told him that the custom has been price winter for an invalid who would die in had better save the money.—Puck.

"May I inquire, ladies," said he, feel- of gifts whose value was chiefly in their a compact made to give and receive thing for many of us to consider?—Har-

riet Prescott Spofford, in Ladies' Home

Encouraging.

Miss Lovina Cottedge—Oh, Mr. Squeer am so pleased with your beautiful Christmas gift!

liked it. (Thinking of his rival.) Er-r-r, did you get anything from Shippen Clarke?



been buying Christmas presents, Roving from shop to shop; I've a troop of friends to plan for,
And I never know where to stop. I began to save for December

Before the first of May, And I'm bankrupt till the spring returns, After each Christmas day,

I take my dearest dear ones First on my Christmas list— My rosy, dimpled darlings, With faces made to be kissed. And the lovely bright-eyed mother— Wherever she sets her chair, In the nursery or the parlor, The center of home is therc.

For her should be spoils of jewels, Velvet and lace galore, Raiment to trail its splendors Over our homely floor. But her frown of grave discretion Still holds my zeal in check, And her gentle "Dear, be careful!" Is strong as monarch's beck.

And Tom, my sturdy first-born, And my roguish, manly Fred,
'Tis little to think of skates for one,
And the other must have a sled. And my dainty baby Margaret, And my winsome maiden Ruth, I'll see that their Christmas stockings Are full to the brim, in sooth.

Next comes a host of cousins-We are rich in kith and kin, Their numbers muster bravely, With the babies counted in. Beyond these are the needy Our Christmas feast to share And the worn and heavy-hearted. Who are ever in our care.

In flock the joyous children, Laden with fir and pine, And the scarlet holly berries, Their stars and wreaths to twine. I sit and watch and listen Till I almost fall asleep, And over my weary senses

And somehow, this Christmas fading, I am back in the long ago, When I was a jolly youngster Trudging to school in the snow.



I SIT AND WATCH AND LISTEN. The dear old farm-house kitchen And the old brown district school Come back like an angel's vision, Though stern I thought their rule.

I have lost the sweet old mother, And the father strict and kind, Whose word was law to the children— A law they loved to mind. They are not on the earth for loving; They have left the weary road, And they hear the Christmas music
On the golden hills of God.

But I'm better for their teaching, And on to the very end
I will try to walk as they did,
With the Christ for my blessed Friend. I will try to teach the children That love is the best of creeds, And that he who cares for his neighbor His own cause ever pleads.

Yes, dear, it is "Merry Christmas!" And you really should not scold
If a man forgets at Christmas
That he is not made of gold. Why, I saved for my Christmas presents
Quite since the first of May,
And I like to be bankrupt for awhile After the Christmas day

-Margaret E. Sangster, in Harper's Bazar. CHRISTMAS IN BOSTON.



"Oh, baby, how delightful! Here's a new volume by Ibsen."-Once a Week.



A side table was loaded with elegant later on .- Chicago Tribune.

allowing curiosity and acquisitiveness and to use any balance of money, that If it is a matter of news—"

"Oh, no; not all," broke in one of the girls. "Not at all; the fact is we have gradually the increase of wealth to drown out all the simple and sacred might otherwise have been expended, in some way that shall add real value to gradually the increase of wealth the life of those who are unable to give has brought about an unwise increase in the cost of gifts for The money that is unwisely spent in porter and we merely wanted to see crease in the cost of gifts for special and recurring occasions; and many families of not very large in-the storekeepers, quick to take a hint, comes for things that are presently set the world aflame every year with their advertisements, as if it were a in one sum would provide a southern

Journal.

Madison Squeer—I am very glad you

Miss Cottedge-No; I told him that he

He ne'er brings me expensive toys-He never brings a sleigh. A rifle or velocipede Or soldiers blue and gray

He leaves no trains of cars at all. And I just think it's mean, He fills my stocking to the brim With apples red and green.

Now, there is Mr. McAdoo-He's rich, all people know, And Santa Claus brings lovely things Each Christmas eve for Joe.

He brings him hobby horses, skates And boats that go by steam. And hollow, spotted pasteboard cows All full of chocolate cream. And then upon his Christmas tree

He hangs red candy dogs. Gold cornucopias, rubber cats, And wind-up jumping frogs. And I know other rich men's sons With whom it's just the same:

The high-priced presents left for them
Are more than I can name. Another poor man's son like me

Is little Jimmie Pott,
And fifty cents would pay for all
The Christmas that he got.

Now if our fathers were so rich They didn't know what to do. Would Santa Claus bring to us boys Such costly presents, too?



WAS New Year's Eve on Jack Ralston's ranch, and the family and

guests were all gathered about the huge open fireplace in the living-room, drinking their coffee after a late dinner. The strength and lights were not lit and the party sat in the flickering light of a big fire of We didn't know crackling pine logs, which threw out quaint shadows in every direction. This party was the usual one that yearly gathered at Jack Ralston's to spend the Christmas holidays with him and his family. As they sat in the cheerful warmth and glow of the fire they listened to the fearful storm that roared outside. A blizzard had been raging for the past three days; the wind howled and shricked through the mountain horse, and, holding peaks, driving the fast-falling snow before it and piling it up in immense drifts against every obstruction. It was a bitter, biting, cold wind, too, as it tore through the valley like a demon our last horse seeking whom it might destroy, doing its utmost to completely bury the house from view in the snow; but, sheltered as it was by two giant rocks, one on each side, with the mountain-side at its back, the house was safe, in its snug little spot, even from the storm's greatest fury. The inclement weather had kept the men indoors, and they were grumbling over their enforced idleness, and bragged about the amount of game they would have bagged had they only home forced me on. don't know how

been able to get out. "Say, Jack, it's some time yet before midnight. Can't you spin us a yarn?" finally said Bobby Caruthers, after a long pause in the conversation.

"Well, I was just thinking," said Jack, "of just such a night as this, fifteen years ago, when, if it had not been for the pluck of that little woman yonder, I would not be here to-night to see the New Year come in," and he gazed fondly at his wife, who still looked like a young woman as she sat in the flickering light, although on one side sat her son, a fair young giant, and on the other her daughter, a beautiful girl just blossoming into womanhood. 'Let's have it," came in a chorus from

the party. "Well, fill your pipes, and I'll tell ago, I wasn't as prosperous as I am now. I was just starting out ranching, had only been here some three years, then, and where this house now stands we only had a small log cabin. Young Jack over there was only six years old round, a young three-year-old. The come very early, and with it bitter cold under the snow, so that we had to dig a morning, about two weeks before

some time; also, as our grub was getting pretty low, we were going to push through to Dolores, to provision up for the rest of the winter in case we couldn't get through again for some time. I also wanted to get the Christmas presents for the kids; so I told the little wife not to be anxious if I didn't

show up for several days.
"Well, we all started, only leaving one of the boys behind, who had been sick and wasn't quite well yet. We had the deuce's own job fixing up the cattle and getting through to Dolores. It took us over a week, and several of the boys were badly frost-bitten. We were ready in a few days to push back again, but another heavy snow-fall came, and another, and another, until really it seemed to be snowing all the time. The days slipped by, one by one, until Christmas came, and there was snow-bound in Dolores, getting more and more anxious about the folks at home. I knew their grub must be getting low; and, besides, here was Christmas day, and nothing for the kids. I was nearly wild, I can tell you. Well, two days before New Year's there was a let-up, and I made up my how brightly it burned before. Selfish- sources of joy and strength. But these, mind to push through at any cost. I could only induce one of my men to Our hearts are warm. come with me; the others flatly refused. They said it would be sure death; that another storm was coming up—this time a regular blizzard. At any rate, or the bright and unusually kind smiles, where I have been since I made the rewe started on our fifty-mile ride. The trails were simply one succession of immense drifts, so we made mighty slow

only gone twenty-five miles, and a new

storm was coming up; and it proved a regular snorter, too. We dug a hole in the snow and lay down for a few hours' sleep, for we were dead beat; but it was so cold that we were only able to get about forty winks, and started again, so as not to freeze to death.

"The storm in-

ereased, getting

worse and worse as

we went on: the

snow, driven by the

fierce wind, cut our faces like so many needles, while the bitter cold seemed to numb every faculty and to be slowly freezing out our ery lives. My horse then gave outcouldn't move another step, so I let him go and mounted the pack horse. Night then came on. and our whisky, that had given us some warmth, gave out. where we were, but thought we couldn't be many miles from home if only we were on the right trail. My man's horse next gave out, and, as I was stronger than he. I made him get on my on to the saddle. walked along by his side; but only a mile or so further and dropped down exhausted. What were we to do? I don't know where I got the strength, but I shouldered the pack myself and we both plunged on. I would not give in - the thought that they might be starving at

far we walked; I hardly knew in what direction we were going; my one thought was to keep moving. The poor fellow near me was completely gone, and lay down to sleep. begged him to get up, to try to move. ing good enough for mother? Did these beat him; I dragged him along; but he only begged to be left alone. I grabbed him by the collar and just pulled him

along, stopping to rest every few minutes. I couldn't see; I couldn't feel; I myself longed to lie down in the soft snow and go to sleep. Then I thought of the dear ones at home; I would never see them again. This gave me he looked over the little piece of bronze renewed energy, and, dragging my half-lifeless comrade, stumbweight of the you my story. You see, fifteen years | pletely done; I couldn't go another | burdens. How long will it last? Ah,

ling under the pack, I plunged on. Finally I was comstep; I felt that death couldn't be far off. Oh, the utter misery of despair of that moment! I sank down and cried in utter helplessness. I don't know what made me, but I struggled to my feet once more and called again and at the time, and Miss Ruth was trotting | again, but the storm only mocked me, and I sank down once more. I was so winter had opened badly; snow had sleepy and tired, and it was so nice and about "joy" and "happiness," you say? soft lying in the snow. The next We had plenty of fuel, so we thing I remember I was feeling some managed to keep warm enough. The whisky being poured down my throat, cabin was in the same spot as this and then that I was being dragged house now is, so the two big rocks through the snow and that I was home helped to keep off the fierceness of the and safe. Well, boys, do you know wind; but we were completely buried who did it? Why, it was that little woman sitting so quiet by the fire, tunnel from the front door out into the there. It appears that she somehow open air. Myself and all the boys were had a presentiment that I was out in the kept mighty busy taking forage out to storm and she kept going to the mouth spots where the cattle could get to it, of the tunnel every little while, as she and so not starve to death. Well, one had been doing nearly every night. me? Let my worth or want be for-When I gave up to die I was nearer gotten-lost sight of in service. Have Christmas, after a heavy snow-fall, I home than I thought, and she heard started out with all hands on one of my call. She got some whisky, and, aging? Let me take hold with another these trips, intending to gather all the making the man hold a torch so that more heavily burdened than I am, and cattle together as much as possible, and to build some large hay-stacks, so that plowed through all that snow and companionship will lift many pounds of to build some large hay-stacks, so that plowed through all that snow and they would have plenty of food for storm until she found me, and then by pressure. Am I intoxicated with joy? there is such a person.—Life.

house. Not only that, but she went poor fellow. What do you think of that New Year I ever had. It's nearly twelve o'clock; so fill up, all, and make ready to drink the New Year in when the clock strikes, and one toast that I know you'll all join with me in drinking will be: 'The Heroine of New Year's Eve -My Little Wife.' "-V. D. Charlier, in Once a Week.

THE TRUE SPIRIT. Not to Be Ministered Unto, But to Min-

ister. The New Year has overtaken us and carried us on with it. Those who stop to question ask: "Where?" and

'How?" The first question no one can an-

What has

LOST IN THE SNOW.

Grandma does not answer, but we | mean. How do you treat them? We

will see what mother will say. Was it must not scorn them or shudder before

the pretty potted plants from that kind them. Familiarity, remember, blunts

friend, or the duchess lace handker- the keenest edge. So it is best to con-

heard one of them saying that the any way; not even the poorest prepara-

that is what we must decide, and I want filling up our lives with works of love,

chief sent by the boy who thinks noth-

presents lift all that pressure from your

heart? Mother shakes her head and

we know what she is thinking of. Now

let us ask one of the boys about it. I

bronze ewer his aunt gave him was just

what he wanted and had been waiting

for, for eighteen years. Now we think

-beyond that and discovered some

The grand contagion of self-forget-

tulness which rages at the Christmas-

tide warms all hearts and lightens all

to ask all to join me and take this motto

for the New Year: "Not to be minis-

tered unto, but to minister." This will

insure us our Christmas feelings for all

the year round, and a sweet peace will

settle down upon us besides. How

Well, we cannot be sure about them,

but peace is better-best of all, really-

quiet, restful happiness, joy under con-

trol, activity without friction-peace.

"To minister"—this resolve will unlock

Have I felt slighted? Here is the anti-

dote, I am not to be ministered unto.

Have I felt lonely? Let me go to work.

I am to minister unto others. I must

be idle to be lonely. Have I felt un-

worthy of the blessings life has brought

my burdens become heavy and discour-

any door which opens upon peace.

thing else which made him happy.

warmed them? Tell us, grandma, was it the warm that warmed your heart most? Could ten you, which made you happy?

main force she dragged me back to the Let me mete it out to others that it may endure. Nothing must be allowed to back again and brought in the other stop with us. We must pass it on, for we ourselves stagnate when our feelfor pluck? It was weeks before I got ings and experiences do. Let us not over the effects of that night; but I tell | confound peace and rest with stagnayou what, boys, that was the happiest tion. They are sweet and beautiful; it is something to be avoided, even if not

ed." If we take a view of American life, we shall recognize how much need there is of this rich endowment. People cannot be "cheaply diverted." The fault lies largely in our education. We must learn to divert ourselves more by ministering unto others. Let us turn more often and more lovingly to nature. She is a never-failing source of delight and instruction to those who are able to receive what she can give. Then let us revive the sweet and real friendships that used to be in the "good old times" when swer, but the other is for us to reply to the world moved slower and the people by our acceptance of what the year had more time. Now the idea of friendbrings us. Our feelings are particular- ship is degraded to mean an acquaintly keen just now. Love seems to burn ance of variously modified degrees. We up brighter on the hearth, no matter all need friends that are true, deep ness has for a time been conquered, too, must come through ministration. If we would gain the greatest friend-

ship we must be the greatest friend. I cannot turn my thoughts to other shawl which you received at Christmas, things without taking you with me solve above. We have read the kind it have been the card case from the wishes of many friends for a "Happy thoughtless granddaughter who knew New Year," and thoughts grouped

An old Italian proverb says: "He is

progress, as we had to lead a pack-horse. After one day's riding we had sweet thought that she had not forgot-back as we might, persisted in being

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS.

Some of the Many Things We May Confidently Expect with the Day

Another Christmas day is about to dawn, and the customary thanks are awaiting the customary presents, and everybody is prepared to criticise the Christmas sermons, and compare the weather of this year with the weather of last year, and we are all ready to richly endowed who is cheaply divert- wish all our friends a "Merry Christmas," and a good many more of them.

We speak softly of those who are gone, and recall with tenderness the gracious memory of their sweet presence; we wonder where we shall be next year at this time, and we all hope for something better and more satisfactory as time goes on.

The young people sigh because Christmas comes but once a year; the old people are sad because it comes so often.

The man of large family and lean pocketbook wishes it did not come at all, and the hungry boy, with his growing appetite, welcomes it as an epoch of plum pudding and turkey, with all the 'stuffing" he can eat, and pound cake in unlimited quantities to top off with.

The churches hang their walls with graceful ferns and evergreens; the choir practices for a week beforehand on some noted anthem with zigzag quavers and trills in it, and the good and hard-worked pastor changes pulpits with a brother in some adjacent town, and by this arrangement the two manage to work off their last year's sermons on the new and unsuspecting congregation. And who can blame them? For if it does not require genius recognized. Yes, sorrowful thoughts I | to say something entirely new on the same theme for fifty-

two days in the year -something that somebody else has not said before something that will not displease a goodpaying member, something that will be thoroughly within the old orthodox standard - if you think it does not require genius, then you had better try to do it, and if you succeed you can name your own sal-

About the time when Christmas puts in an appearance you can safely expect cold weather. Your aunt from the country will come on a visit and stay all winter, and every

dark at four p. cury, and all the coal and on their fingers.

All creation will and advertised it a bigger income than the president of the United States.

flame on the streets as the pretty girls and the fashionable women go by to look into the shop windows and note the cut prices and observe with compla-

cency the numbers of merchants who are ready to ruin themselves by selling their merchandise ten per cent. below cost! A strange philanthropy which prevails about the time the demand for

Christmas and New Year's goods is over. The merry sleigh—we have always heard it called the "merry sleigh," so we thus dominate it-skims along, if there is snow enough, filled with people who enjoy having their ears and toes frozen and their eyes knocked out with snowballs; and the horses like the fun as they toss their heads and jingle their bells and seize the first opportunity to upset the whole business into the deepest drift on the road .- Kate Thorn, in N. Y. Weekly.

Maxims for the New Year.

I do not point out this fact to you that you shall this year be mournful. Make it the best year of all your lifethe brightest, the happiest and the best. Imbue your heart with the freshness of the morning, your soul with the sparkle of the dawn. Resolve by good deeds and thoughts to make this the most triumphant year of your life. As a series of short maxims to carry with you through this year, let me give you

Make every day begin and end with Be content with what you have. Have a hearty, joyful family altar in

our family circle Fill your home with as much good eading and bright music as your means will allow.

Think ill of none, but well of all.

If fortune favors you, think of others Don't sham; be real. Keep busy and you will keep healthy. Respect all sacred things. Love God.—Talmage, in Ladies' Home

THE stock-king is monarch of Christmas day.-Brooklyn Life.

ournal.

AT THE CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT



Prestidigitateur — Ha! what have we here? A live rabbit in this boy's pocket! Now, let us see what else he has concealed about him.



Frightened Youth (producing cigarettes and dime novel)-Here they are, mister; that's all I've got-honest!

Make the New Year a Happy One. Every one of our actions finds its reflection in the life of some one else. No

matter how humble may be our surroundings, we have an influence on some other life. Individual good cheer means general happiness. If we are bright we brighten our neighbor; the neighbor is an emissary to the community, and the community, in turn, to the great world at large.

Thus in the year before us we have it pretty much in our own hands. National advantages are ours; we need all winter, and every only supply the individual elements. day she will tell you The past is valuable only for the lesthat there is not sons it can teach; the present for its opmoney enough in portunities; the future for its possibilthe world to tempt lities. Whatever the past year may her to live in the have meant to you make it dead history. But let the new year be a living The shortest days issue. With a big, fresh sponge, dripin the year will be ping with the clear water of forgiveupon you, and it will ness, wipe clean the slate of your heart. Enter the year with a kind m., and the gas bills everyone. You need not kiss the hand will be frightful, that smote you, but grasp it in cordial and the coal bin will good feeling, and let the electricity of lower with the mer- your own resolves find its connecting current-which very often exists where dealers will be build we think it not. An ill-natured thought ing brown-stone often makes us unhappier than the perfronts, and their son to whom it is directed. A happy wives will wear dia- mind is an elixir, and as are the spirits monds in their ears of the wife in the home, so will be those of the husband, who in turn will carry them into the outer world. Dohave colds, and the mestic happiness often colors commerman who has pat- cial prosperity. The hearthstone is the ented a cough sirup corner of the counting-room. An unhappy wife makes a blue merchant. As well will be sure of | we men live at home, so we work in the outer world.

Therefore, to the thousands, yea, I may say the million and more of women Bright colors will to whom I speak with these words, let me say: Make the new year a happy one in your home; be bright of disposition; carry your cares easy; let your heart be as sunshine, and your life will give warmth to all around you. And thus will you and yours be happy .-Ladies' Home Journal.

A SAFEGUARD.



He remembers his letterwriting experiences of last year.—Chicago Mail.

A Suggestion. 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

Like a Woman.

out with a telegram, and I don't think

he will get back by Christmas.—Brook-

lvn Citizen.

Wife-I must have some more money, my dear. I find that the Christmas tree itself costs very little, but that it takes a great deal to fix it up. Husband-That's just the way I've found you all these years.—Epoch.

No Faint Heart About Him. Jennie (reprovingly)—But we're not under the mistletoe now, Jack! Jack (unabashed) - So much the



sider calmly the possibilities of the

greatest grief and suffering. A heart-

broken mother told me once she had

never thought it possible her child could

die, and then I understood her grief

better. She was not prepared for it in

tion had been made. Do not, by any

means, be morbid, but let us give re-

signed recognition to all possibilities.

We shall be happier and more thankful

if we see the sternest forms of sorrow

turned away from us and standing in

the background. But we must be ac-

quainted with them, or else we shall

not be able to discern their distance

even. We must be hopeful and cheery,

and then whatever comes we shall be

prepared to meet it-prepared by a

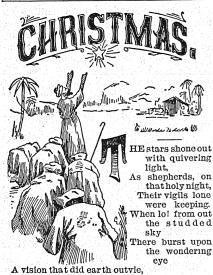
charmed life, the secret of which is "not

to be ministered unto, but to minister."

—Country Gentleman.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

Father-Why, Tom, what are you dong on the roof, this time of night? Tom-Well, I've got my doubts about that Santa Claus story, and I came here



From Heaven's portals sweeping

The shepherds all were sore amazed The snepherds all were sore amazed.
As tremblingly they upward gazed
At form angelic flying.
But hark! they hear the angel sing:
"Good tidings of great joy I bring,
They have the bear a Vision." For unto you is born a King, He's in a manger lying.'

Melodious rang the seraph's voice:
"Fear not, but evermore rejoice,
And cease fore'er your sighing, For unto you is born this day, In David's city, blest for aye, The Saviour, Christ, the living Way, Exult, with angels vying.'

And now a host, a heavenly throng, weeps all the air and earth along, Triumphant chorus raising. "To God be glory," now the cry,
"And praise to Him who reigns on high,"
"Good will to men," rings from the sky From choir celestial praising.

A star more bright than all the rest Shone out, that holiest night and best, The wise men safely guiding. And lo! the star before them went. And to their path a radiance lent
To lead them where their steps were bent In worshipful confiding.

And as they came to lowly inn, And found the new-born Babe within,
They joyed with joy exceeding.
And when they saw the holy child Within the arms of virgin mild, They praised, with lips pure, undefiled, The Lord's most gracious leading

Low at His feet they humbly fell, And sought, in vain, their joy to tell, But opened out their treasures. Rich frankincense and myrrh they brought, And gifts of gold with jewels wrought, To lay before the Babe they'd sought,

Outspread in fullest measures Then let the bells their carols ring, To praise the manger-cradled King The Christ of sacred story.
Let every heart, with men of old,
Pour out its frankincense and gold, In loyalty and love untold,
To God, the King of Glory.

—Mrs. J. T. Greenleaf, in Good Housekeeping.



a few friends to take dinner with us on day?" said Mr. Elmore to his wife about a week before.

"Who is there in this little town that we would care to have?" was the reply. "As far as I know, we would only be bored by the presence of any of the families whose acquaintance we have formed."

"There's Lawyer Barker, and Mr. Benton, and old Judge Windom. They

are all pleasant."
"Yes, but Mrs. Barker would talk about nothing but what she did, and how she lived, in Boston, and how unkind fortune is to east the lot of sorefined and delicate a person as herself in the west. Mrs. Benton would entertain me with her troubles with the hired girl and an enumeration of the children's ailments, and old Judge Windom would gurgle the soup, and put the turkey stuffing in his mouth with his knife. I would really rather just have a good dinner all to ourselves, since we cannot go home to eat it."

'Well, Mary, just as you feel about it," said Mr. Elmore, as he put on his sible she was, how correct her language,

overcoat preparatory to going to his office, "only I think it looks a little unsociable in us. We owe something to society here, even if it is a small western town. I think, dear," he added, as he kissed her fair cheek, "that you would be happier and more contented if you could only take a little more interest in people.'

Mrs. Elmore sat thinking over the matter after her husband went out. He was a railroad official holding a very important position, and in receipt of a very large salary. His duties required him to be stationed at a small western town on the line of the railroad, and it was a great trial to himself, as well as to his beautiful and accomplished wife, that she was deprived of the pleasures and advantages of a city life to which she had been accustomed. She had always looked upon her stay as temporary, and to be endured as a period of waiting only. The people of any pretensions in the place who had called on her had all been uncongenial to her, as she really was a woman of very superior cultivation and accomplishments; and she had gradually withdrawn herself from social intercourse, and occupied herself with her books, her drawing and painting, and in keeping up a very extensive correspondence. Not that she felt herself above or any better than the people of the town—she was too genuinely a lady for that—but they were uninteresting to her; they appealed neither to her sympathies nor her taste, and she preferred her own society to theirs.

Mrs. Elmore was interrupted in her thoughts by the arrival of the pretty little seamstress, whom she had employed for several days. After she had given her some general directions about her work, a sudden thought struck Mrs. Elmore.

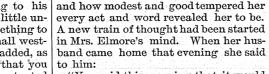
"What are you going to do on Christmas day?" she said.
"I suppose I shall just mope around all day in the boarding house; there is nothing to do and nowhere to go, and I have no acquaintances

"Where is your home?" said Mrs. Elmore, with genuine

interest. And then the pretty little seamstress told the rich and beautiful Mrs. Elmore all about her home and her childhood. It was a commonplace story, because there are so many thousand similar stories. Her father and mother had had a good start in life, were prosperous and respected. They had moved to the west just when the period of inflation began. She and her sisters had been sent to good schools, had taken music lessons and known every comfort in life. Then came the general financial crash; then the death of her father; then the hopeless struggle of her mother to keep the family together, ending in their going back east to her mother's HALL we invite | family. There the seamstress had found a life of dependence unendurable, and she had taken up the occupation Christmas of sewing, and gradually day?" said Mr. worked her way westward till she had come to this place. She was bravely at work supporting herself and sending some money home to her mother regularly. But home life and the gay pleasures of youth she had been obliged to forego, and she did it with an uncomplaining cheerfulness that seemed really wonderful to Mrs. El-

> All morning Mrs. Elmore kept thinking over the story of the little seamstress. She wondered how she herself would feel placed in similar circumstances. Then she observed her more narrowly, and noted how refined the young girl was, in her personal appearance; how soft and pretty and well kept was

her hair; how neat her linen hands. Again and again she drew her into conversation, and noticed how sen-



"You said this morning that it would look a little unsociable in us to have a Christmas dinner all by ourselves, and also that I would be happier if I took more interest in people. I have been interesting myself in people to-day, and want to have a company to Christmas dinner of people in whom I am interested."

"And who are they, pray?" said Mr. Elmore, opening his eyes very wide.

"They are some young persons who work hard, and are good mannered and virtuous and intelligent, and yet have no homes of their own nor any social advantages. I want to invite of married people only the good old clergyman and his wife; then I shall ask the two young ladies who teach in the public schools; Miss Green, the telegraph operator; Miss Ray, who keeps that lit-tle book store, and the little Miss Morris, whom you have seen sewing for me this week. Then I want you to invite all the clerks in your office. They are nice young fellows, and I am sure they will enjoy it."

Great was the joy and delight of all the aforementioned parties to receive in due time an invitation to dine on Christmas day with the beautiful and rich Mrs. Elmore, who was generally supposed to be so aristocratic and exclusive. There was a fixing over of garments, and a buying of neckties and ruches, and a flutter of happy hearts in preparation for the unusual occasion.

Mrs. Elmore found an unexpected interest and delight in arranging for an

as he styled the locality. But there was no help for it, and he was soon doing his best to make himself agreeable to the company.

After a delightful evening, when the hour for breaking up arrived, Mr. and Mrs. Elmore were quite surprised to notice that Mr. Longley was preparing to accompany some one of the ladies home, and they scarcely knew whether to feel pleased or embarrassed on finding that little Miss Morris was the lady thus honored.

"I fear we have misled Fred by this party," said Mr. Elmore. "I don't exactly know how he would feel if he knew he was escorting a little seam stress home. At all events we must tell him. His magnificent mother and fastidious sisters would be horrified if they knew it."

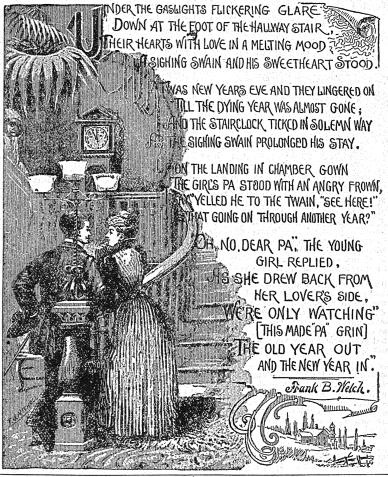
"Miss Morris is both prettier and more of a lady than his haughty sisters. However, I will explain my Christmas party when he returns," was Mrs. Elmore's reply, "so that he may fully understand matters. He shall not be the victim of any misunderstanding."

Mr. Fred Longley soon returned, and as he took off his gloves and furs he said:

"Well, I declare, you have some nice sensible and pretty young ladies in this little burg. Pray, who is Miss Morris? I really am quite captivated by her."

Mrs. Elmore explained at length her idea in giving the party. She wished to show attention and afford some really refined social pleasure to worthy young people who were earning their own living, and whom society too often neglected. For her own part, she said, she had been surprised to find such refinement and intelligence in the little company of faithful workers. She liked them far better than pretentious | Happy Effect of a Generous Wish Sent to





A RECONCILIATION.

an Estranged Friend.

Christmas eve the dull sky was roofed with leaden A noticeable hush seemed to voice, as it were, a snowstorm. Snow birds came flocking from everywhere-little homeless creatures welcoming the coming storm. Along after dark flakes began falling and the ground was soon white with winter's bloom. Next morning, when I looked forth, my eyes beheld a forest of pearl. The trees had grown old in a single night, as if from the fright of the storm. At midnight the wind blew and awoke me, when I heard the trees moaning, and gazing through the window I saw a tall elm, which grew near, throwing his limbs about as would a wild man his arms

But a blue sky followed this night of storm, when the stars one by one melted into the blaze of the sun as he, next morn, pressed his warm kiss of light upon the world's white cheeks. It was a happy Christmas. The spirit of a Nazarene, who, when He fell asteep, woke up the world seemed to possess all hearts, whose good will overflowed

all speech.
On the first day of Decem ber a friend and I fell out, and it seemed at the time we would never be able to fall in again. Time went on-never knew him to do otherwise; that is why so many people are behind time.

On Christmas day I kept thinking of my estranged friend; so I made up my mind to send him some token to let him know if our friendship were dead its memory still lived. Now, what should I send him? The value of a gift Its appropriateness was far Judge.

more important. There was danger of destroying the delicacy of our mutual estrangement, which formed the ground of hope for a reconciliation. After awhile I took a card and wrote on it: "Though I need blessing more, God bless my friend."

l signed this card and sent it to my friend. The day after Christmas I met him. He said: "How do you do?" I said: "Pretty well," though I seldom do so. The tears came into my friend's eyes and we parted without saying a word more than our greeting.

In a few days he wrote me a letter, saying he had planned to get even with me. "Now, the debt of our offense is settled. You taught me that a little generosity and kindness to a foe is more powerful to overcome him than would be all the hatred of the world." I read this and then thought how grateful the world ought to be that it has had one disinterested lover, the influence of whose example grows in power and magnitude with each returning Christmas.—Lee Fairchild.

A RAILWAY KING.



Aren't you pleased with all these lovely cars Santa Claus has brought? Jimmie-Boo-hoo-I want anuzzer one!—Harper's Young People.

SANTA CLAUS is almost as blind as his little friend Cupid. The old man selwas not the consideration. dom sees the chimneys of the poor. -



"SAY! AIN'T WE IN IT?"

collar, how white and beautiful her elegant Christmas dinner. She had a people of fashion, and she meant in the chance to use for the first time since she had been in the west her whole dinner set of china. She took unusual pains in arranging her parlors so that there should be everything to amuse and entertain her guests-cards, portfolios of engravings, games, stereoscopic views, books, etc. When the happy company assembled a more polite and agreeable set of young people could scarcely be found. With rare tact did Mrs. Elmore play the part of hostess, making them all feel at ease and acquainted. Mr. Elmore had heartily entered into her plan, and his clerks were delighted to find that the somewhat severe business manager could be the most jovial of hosts. There was not the least air of condescension in the manner of either host or hostess, and it was a cheering oasis in all their hardworking lives to be made to feel that the rich and fortunate took a kindly interest in them. But the prettiest and most attractive

lady in the crowd was little Miss Morris. Her dress was only a soft black cashmere, but she had a white illusion bow at her throat, with a red carnation and a geranium leaf fastened in it, which set off well the fineness of her complexion, while a few geranium leaves adorned her soft, brown hair. Just before dinner, while the whole company were engaged in lively talk

and mirth, there was a knock at the door, and Mr. Elmore was called to welcome an old college chum, Mr. Fred Longley, whom he had not seen for years, and who had stopped off on his way to the far west to spend a few days. He was quite an old bachelor, and expressed himself as greatly dismayed at happening in on a party of gay young people, instead of finding his friend alone in "the western wilds,"

future to cultivate their acquaintance. Mr. Longley listened with great interest but made no comment. However, the Elmores noticed that in a day or two he made an opportunity to call on pretty little Miss Morris. On his way

'to see his friends, the Elmores.' "I really believe that Fred Longley is only making this an excuse," said Mrs. Elmore to her husband. "I am impressed with the idea that he wants to see Miss Morris again."

back from the west he stopped off again

"Well, he is of age," was her husband's reply, "and has an independent fortune. He can certainly do as he pleases.

And the upshot of the whole affair was that on the next Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Elmore took dinner at the elegant city home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Longley. Little Miss Morris as Mrs. Longley was a beauty in her handsome toilet and with her happy face. And her mother was there, too—a sweet-faced old lady in black silk—who took Mrs. Elmore aside and said: "All this happiness and good fortune we owe to your kindness a year ago in asking my Mary to your house to a Christmas din--Chicago Saturday Evening Her

> Ingratitude. I walked some dozen miles or so Up to my waist in drifting snow, And got myself frost-bitten, To get a maid a Christmas tree And then she hung on it, for me, What do you think?—A mitten.
> —Brooklyn Life.

Buying for the Holidays. B. Troth-Shall it be the jeweler's or the milliner's next? Miss Feaney-Well, you go to the

jeweler's and I'll visit the milliner.-

Jeweler's Weekly.

POOR JACK.

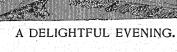


you press on the locks I jump out and do all the rest. I'm owned by a boy who takes wonderful joy in making you practice the test. From a stocking that hung by the chimney I sprung. St. Nick put me "in it," they say; so if I am bad, or my looks

make you mad, it isn't my fault, anyway. The girls big and small don't like me at all, and scream when I show them my face; the babies, oh, dear, get spasms of fear and yell when I pop from my case. For giving such shocks I am squeezed in my box to squat in the dark without air. Now, how would you feel if you had such a deal? I guess you my

anger would share. Of all the queer jokes that are played by some folks I think I'm the poorest about. It's tough on my pride in my prison to hide, and yet I'm ashamed to come out. Some time I'll get square with my owner. I'll scare the little boy when he's abed. In spite of his cries I'll shoot out my eyes and bite him until he is dead 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

-H. C. Dodge, in Goodall's Sun.





hours and days Peer out, like pictures, rich in tint, Somber, or bright with sunny glint; Brief visions of past joys and woes-They call me at the old year's close-

Call me once more to turn and dwell On days gone by. The sad farewell Comes slowly from my aching heart And silently the tear drops start.
A picture here of merry times
When life rang out its golden chimes, When friends and welcome, home and power Filled with delight each passing hour.

Succeeding this in swift array The dawn of sorrow's tearful day
Breaks through the sullen shade, and lo!
A vision of distress and woe:
The home forsaken, friends untrue, Old treasures swept from longing view. While anguish tolls each solemn knell

Joy and distress, delight and pain, Come surging o'er my heart again; Back through the moments bright and drea I live again the vanished year. One fleeting year-and yet I dread To name the griefs—to count the dead; On joys alone my thoughts would dwell— Thy joys are past-Old Year, farewell! -Lurana W. Sheldon, in Springfield (Mass.

TOMMY TO SANTA CLAUS.

Each Christmas you come at midnight Across the billows of snow To fill to the brim my stocking With candies that richly glow

You know how I prize the presents You hang on my Christmas tree, For you once were a little fellow, And of playthings fond like me.

You woke up long before daylight, And greeted the Christmas morn By pounding your red drum madly And blowing upon your horn.

You sat on the bed delighted, To play with each pretty toy.

But who was it filled your stocking
When you were a little boy?

—R. K Munkittrick, in Harper's Young People



three days before Christmas, "does my nose serve me aright? Can it be possible that you have put sage in the dressing of that turkey, and Jarvis' brother John and his wife, from Boston, coming to help eat it?"

"Why, yethem," lisped the cheerful, efficient, middle-aged maid of all work, nearly dropping the wide, white tray on which rested in state the corpulent yellow gobbler. "What should I theson the drething of a turkey with, I should like to know?"

"Sage, in this day and generation!" ejaculated the discomfited housekeeper dropping into a chair and fanning herself with her stiff, white muslin apronfor the kitchen was warm and Mrs. Whitman was very stout.

"Now, Mary Jane," she went on solemnly, "look here! I want you to go to the barn and tell Sam to knock over another turkey, the largest of the flock-although that one was the biggest of them all—and you'll have to pick and dress it all yourself, Marv Jane. Before you go put a pinch of coffee and a pinch of sugar on the stove to smoke out the smell of the sage. I should be mortified enough to have any one come in and find that old-fashioned sagey smell hanging about the house on Christmas week. And, dear me! I must get that fowl out of the way as soon as possible, or all your fumigating will do no good. What can I do with it? O, I will tell you, Mary Jane. I will send it to the city to Mr. Whitman's cousin, Mrs. Heath. She was out here one day in strawberry time, with her whole brood, you know-pretty children, too. I remember how she went on about her grandmother's herb bed here in the garden. I wasn't over cordial to her, and didn't ask her to stav over night or come again. She is a good woman, only poor and set her doors and windows open so and plain, and my conscience has pricked me ever since. amends, somewhat, I hope. I don't dwelling there was getting up a Christwant to snub anybody, but I can't have | mas dinner.

Jarvis' poor relations liable to come in any time, as sister-in-law Elizabeth is; but she is so different. She knows the very latest style in everything, from decorating the house to seasoning the food. When you get the next fowl ready, Mary Jane, you may call me and I will instruct you how to stuff it with oysters and season it with something

summer savory."

"Modern? My goodness!" repeated heart. Mary Jane Titus to herself as she sped along the narrow slippery snow path, with a thin, faded Highland shawl over her hood. "I wonder what fashion won't turn up in next. Sam said last | hall, in a way as if he smelled somenight they were going to have a new cupola on the big barn, because this one | brought up where he had a grandwas out of fashion, and now sage has mother and friends, and a turkey on gone out! If my memory serves me right, oysters were made before sage, I will invite him to dinner, for every time. Well, I'm thankful that such Christmas.' things don't trouble me, and I'm glad I stuffed the old gobbler with sage, as glad as I can be, for Mrs. Heath, dear, good soul, will get him by the means, and when the box is packed I will slip in a little note of my own, and tell her just how it came about."

Mrs. Heath, who with her husband and her children lived in a narrow, tucked up flat in the city, had so many knickknacks to buy for the little ones, that they might not be disappointed in their gifts, that she couldn't afford a turkey for Christmas, and decided cheerfully to tide over the day as well as she could with a plain roast of meat and a pudding. The parents were trying to lay by something for their children's schooling, but any small lack in the dinner should not spoil the festival for

"Christmas in Massachusetts wasn't made much of when I was small," she explained to the children as she went on with her simple preparations. "And now I believe more in the Christmas spirit all the year round than I do in the hurrah of one day's special observance. To my mind the best thing about the day now is that at Christmas, sensitive, poor, proud people can receive things they really need without feeling hurt. To be sure I have never been remembered much in that way. Thank the dear Lord, however, we are above real want, even if we have few luxuries, and we have no relatives left on the earth to think of us at holiday time. It was different when I was young and lived at the dear old roomy homestead in the country. But Thanksgiving was then the day of days," and the good mother gave the children, who were greatly interested, a detailed description of the observance of that festival at the old home.

"O what flocks of fowls we saw there last summer!" said the oldest little girl. "How fine it would be, mamma, should they remember to send one of them to you, and it would never be missed among so many."

"They have a great many things to think of," replied Mrs. Heath, "and so ally grave face. did my grandmother, for that matter, but she always thought of those who she had herself, and in vited her guests accordingly. I remember, as if it were only yesterday, how she used to stuff the turkey two or three days beforehand, and set it away in a cool place so that it should be thoroughly seasoned through."

Just then Mother Heath was broken off from her pleasant retrospection by an expressman, who set a large covered basket into the neat room, saying with as pleasant a smile as if the gift had been from himself: "All charges paid!"

"With Cousin Jarvis Whitman's compliments," it said on the label, and when with eager, trembling fingers the lid was removed there was the plumpest, yellowest turkey Mrs. Heath had set her patient brown eyes upon for many a day.

Tied to one of the skewered legs was fancy card on which was written: "Owing to the old-fashioned ignorance of yours truly, in putting sage in

the dressing!" On the opposite side under a wreath of blue forget-me-nots was printed in

gilt letters: "Mary Jane Titus." Mrs. Heath laughed a little, and then she cried a little as she took out the turkey, finding beneath it a bag of cranberries, a ball of golden butter, and all the chinks filled in with big rosy apples

and plump hickory nuts. "I don't care," she said, "if it did come about through a mistake of Mary Jane's. I am just as thankful as I can be to the Lord, and to my cousins, and to Mary Jane Titus. It was the most wonderful thing it's being brought just as it was when we were talking about the old farm. I will make the most of it that I can in every way, for it is the first time in my life that I have had a turkey on Christmas."

She did indeed make the most of it. She showed it to the neighbors, and away." told them it came from the very farm where she grew up, and that the dressing was seasoned with sage from her grandmother's bed of herbs. But Mary Jane's card she kept carefully out of sight.

On Christmas morning she put her turkey in good season into the oven, that any passers in the narrow cross This will make street might know that one family

peculiar middle-aged man, who for a front room from week to week, and who very sedulously minded his own business

The night before, however, after the children were in bed he passed in a large bundle labeled: "For the best bemore modern than sage or thyme or haved little people I ever knew," thereby quite winning the gentle mother's

On this eventful morning, Mrs. Heath said to her husband: "Leonard, I want you to keep watch now, and if that lodger sniffs, as he passes through the thing agreeable, and as if he was I will invite him to dinner, for every or somewhere along about the same | family ought to entertain some one at

"All right," said Mr. Heath, who was one of those agreeable men who always said "all right" to anything his sensible wife suggested, and he forthwith stretched himself out on a lounge near the open doorway of the narrow little hall to watch for the appearance of the lodger.

He came presently. They heard his footfall on the stairs, and Mrs. Heath ran to the lounge and seating herself the past and look the future squarely in

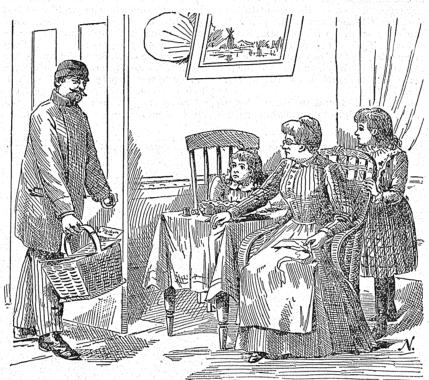
The Heaths had a lodger, a somewhat pie, the children being in bed, they heard the lodger let himself in with his long time had rented their furnished latch key, but instead of going to his own room as usual, he came directly down the hall to their sitting-room and ushered in Mary Jane, whom he introduced as his wife.

"We were engaged two years ago," he said, "but a trifle parted us, and somehow the very sniff of that dressing brought her to mind, and seemed exactly like a message begging to me to come back to her.

"And," lisped Mary Jane, "I was thinking how hith mother taught me to make drething when I stuffed that turkey, or I shouldn't have done it without consulting Mrs. Whitman. She and her sister-in-law Elizabeth both said it was awful unfashionable to be married in such a hurry, but I told her we had been engaged fifteen yeath, and I didn't call that a hurry at all."

"It seems a good while to me," said the lodger, "when I think of the fourteen sage-seasoned turkeys I've missed!' -Mrs. Annie S. Preston, in Christian at

Keep Your Resolutions. New Year's day has long been the one on which men have resolved to turn over a new leaf. It is a day that naturally stands out as a milestone in life. It is a vantage point from which to review



"ALL CHARGES PAID!"

fray on the cuff of his Sunday coat. She glanced up at the lonely man,

quite accidentally of course, just in time to see his nose wrinkle, and a pleasant, surprised expression steal over his usu-

A vigorous sniff, sniff, sniff followed,

ouple, he called out, heartily: "Good day, good day. A merry Christmas to you. The turkey in your ven is giving notice that you are New England people. I always thought the smell especially of sage-seasoned dressing was a very good part of a turkey dinner.

Thanks for the children's gifts and the invitation to dinner followed promptly, and was as promptly acepted; but Mrs. Heath, being a concientious woman, could not appropriate the extravagant praises of her dressing.

They were on such good terms with the lodger by this time that she did not hesitate to relate the history of the turkey, and in the laugh that followed Mary Jane's card was produced and dis-

played. "So you see, sir," went on Mrs. Heath, while her guest studied the name beneath the blue forget-me-nots, that, although I cooked the fine fellow and browned it to a turn (and if I do say it the browning is half in cooking a turkey), the dressing is none of

 $_{
m mine."}$ "Mary Jane Titus," repeated the stranger. Mrs. Heath fancied his voice trembled, and, glancing at him, was sure his face was flushed.

"Goodness!" she thought, "I hope Mary Jane's sage dressing isn't giving him apoplexy," and as he went on: How old is she? How does she look?" she decided that the dinner had warmed him up and drawn out his sociability wonderfully, and she re

"A nice, plump, rosy, curly-headed little body of five-and-thirty, with a friendly, sociable way, and the dearest little lisp when she talks, that somehow makes anyone take to her right

"And where do you say she lives?" "Down at Greenville Center. Not ery far out, you know."

"Yes, yes, I know," said the lodger, finishing his dessert, "but I have business, very important business to see to at once, and you will have to excuse me," and before any of the family had collected their wits enough to expres regrets, he was up and away.

Late in the evening as Mr. and Mrs walnuts and apples and a slice of mince | Y. Mail and Express.

beside her husband began to look for a the face. Those habits which have led to failure or a retrograde existence should be reformed. The man whose extravagance has embarrassed his financial success should adopt the les- ner in the firm of Withers & Co., picked son of economy. The man who has neglected business for pleasure should arrival at the office, an unstamped letter gird up his loins and move forward to on the top of the pile at once caught and, looking up and seeing the amiable his proper place in the rapid race of his eye. life. The drunkard, a sad disappointment to himself and his friends, should

the laws of health and decency. The young man who is wasting his time letter. should devote himself to mental, moral, physical and financial improvement. Aside from adherence to pure and honest convictions nothing can do more to make life pleasant and successful than good books and good associations. Stick to your New Year's resolutions. Time past is irrevocable and your one hope lies in the proper improvement of opportunities as they present themselves. Have the courage of your convictions and stick to your resolutions.-Detroit Free Press.

MODERN CHILDHOOD.



Charlie (to Ethel)—Now you want to act as if you really believe in Santa Claus, if you want to make mamma and papa enjoy Christmas.—Demorest.

The Truth About It.

Stuffer—What do you think? Jones has actually invited me to dine with him on Christmas day at his boarding

Dashaway-Ha! ha! Did you ask him if he had a grudge against you?

Stuffer—Yes. He said no; that he Heath were finishing up the day with had a grudge against the landlady.—N

HOUGH the "old folks" talk of the good old times When land was plenty and cares were so

Yet the "young folks" listen with doubtful smiles, Convinced they were not as good as the new

Those were gay sleigh rides, grandpapa, I know; While lassie ne'er danced lithe as dear "grandma'r:" But some things could be said 'bout a modern And a cozy jaunt in a palace car.

Those were wonderful loaves dear "grandma'r made, And she broidered your socks with a wondrous

darn: Yet she wondered sometimes, I'm sure, if it (Would have left had she dared for a promenad And enjoyed to have spun a little street yarn.

No doubt her papa, great-grandpa, you know, Really frowned when she purchased her wedding dress. And sighed as he wished for the "good old times," When bonnets were cheaper and dresses took

While his great-grandpa, I've heard it said Wouldn't spare the wool for his daughter t

But sighed for the fashions of Paradise, And longed for the fig leaves of Mother Eve

Soon forgotten is pain, when pleasures are o'er, "Distance enchants us," the poet was right; Who wanders his memory back to deplore The collar too high or the boots all too tight?

The maiden who lingers o'er past hours of bliss, Forgets as she day-dreams of heroes and rings, How her hair wouldn't crimp and her gloves

For "deeply depraved are inanimate things."

There are bountiful times in these good nev days; There are lives as beautiful, pure and true, As any who moved to the simpler ways:

And it may be a trifle better, too;-Since God with infinite, loving design, Is raising the nations nearer to Him; and the steady sreep of the centuries

Ever chants a progressive, happier hymn Then a glad New Year, this my earnest wish, I send in hopeful, jubilant tone; That the coming year, rich-freighted with love, May prove the best that you ever have known. —Elizabeth B. Harbert, in Chicago Saturday Evening Herald.

A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS. mmy Withers' Clever Scheme and Its

Admirable Results. On the twenty-fourth day of December, as Abner Withers, the senior partup the mail that always awaited his

writer for prepayment of postage," bravely put the tempter behind him above the address; and the firm's busiand not only abandon his besetting sin but do works meet for repentance. The of the envelope showed where the post earth. He has inspired love in saint debauchee should live more closely to office people had obtained the informal and sinner, in devotee and skeptic alike. tion that enabled them to return the

"The boy has evidently been careess," thought Mr. Withers. "He has stamping it. I've no doubt it's an im-

portant one, too—what's this?' Mr. Withers had taken the letter in his hand, and the break in his meditations had been caused by the address it bore, which was simply: "Santa Claus,

"Huh! some tomfoolery of the office boy, I suppose," he continued. "He is always wasting my time. Let's see.'

The letter read thus: "DEAR SANTA: We are Affraid you have forgoten were we Live. you dident bring me or bertie Any thing Last cristmas Like you use to. we dont want you to forget us this time. Pleas bring me A pare of Skates and A big drum and A Safty and bertie wants A choo-choo car that will go wen yeu wind it up, And you might bring him some pictcher books too, and A Set of bilding blocks. dont forget us, dear Santa claus "Your friend, SAMMY WITHERS."

As Abner read the letter he grew thoughtful. The hard lines of his face relaxed. When he reached the signature, a moisture had gathered in his

"Poor Sammy and Bertie," he murmured! "my own motherless little ones! Bless their hearts! I have neglected them shamefully. To think they had to appeal to Santa Claus for Christmas presents when their own father is so able and willing to get them! Indeed, they shall have what they want, "safety," "choo-choo cars," and all.

As soon as the business of the morning was disposed of, Mr. Withers went to the toy-stores, and carefully filled the commissions which had been intrusted to Santa Claus by Sammy, and the work gave him greater pleasure than he had known in a long time. He ordered the things to be delivered

hat night at nine. Mr. Withers was unusually accessible to his boys that night. He told them stories, and he romped with them until Sammy cried, gleefully:

"Why, papa, this is just like the good old times we used to have.

But Abner could not help smiling to nimself at the uneasiness the children evidently felt. Once Bertie even went so far as to ask Sammy in a loud whisper if he supposed Santa had their letter yet; and the father had to turn his back to hide a laugh, as Sammy pinched the little fellow and whispered energetically:

"Hush up, quick! Next thing papa 'll hear you.

But the children were sent to bed promptly at half-past eight, and the packages arrived soon after. Abner received them himself, and then noiselessly entered the boys' bed-room, and disposed about the chamber the articles he had purchased. When Mr. Withers went to bed, he

said to himself: "I do hope I'll wake in time to hear

them get their presents." But there was no danger of his not nearing them, for their cries of delight at daybreak would have awakened Rip

Van Winkle himself. He tiptoed to the door, however, and peeped through the key-hole. Sammy was mounted on his bicycle, and leaned against the wall for support while he tried to put on his skates.

"Ain't they just boss?" the boy exclaimed.

"Oh-h-h! ain't dey dust boss?" quealed Bertie, watching his choo-choo cars careering over the floor. Then his great blue eyes filled with satisfaction as he murmured:

"Santa Tlaus mus' 'a' dot our letter,

pruvver. Don't oo s'pose he did?" "You bet he did!" And over Sammy's face spread a look of tender retrospect a look as we see on the chubby faces of Raphael's cherubs—as he added: 'You bet he got it! I put it in one of his own envelopes a purpose."—William Henry Siviter, in Puck.

Christmas Aphorisms.

Christmas has gradually evolved out of its theology and has come to stand for a festival of love. Therefore all men love it, for throughout the universe love is born of love and is worshiped for its own sake.

No conscientious person can enjoy his Christmas dinner if he knows anybody else within reach to be hungry. The consciousness that we have given food to the needy provides us with the

finest appetite. Of late years Christmas has become far more a domestic and merrymaking holiday than a religious one. But it is religious in the best sense, since it is a day of peace and rest, and opens the heart to human needs and human

sympathies The most satisfactory way to observe Christmas is to do at least one good act to some of our fellows.

Christmas was formed, in the era of theology, from Christ and mass. In these practical and luxurious days it might signify that we should try to imitate Christ in dealing with the mass of mankind, who are usually more or less unfortunate. By so dealing with them we should make all days Christ-

the good Jesus, who, whether regarded as God or man, was the purest, kindest, Men may wrangle about creeds; but about Jesus and His beautiful life there can hardly be any difference of opinion, for He pitied all who suffered and strove dropped that letter in the box without to heal every aching heart.—Mail and

A WILD MAN.



Freddie-Mamma, when are we gong to see the Indians? I would really ke to see a wild man once. Mamma-You would like to see a

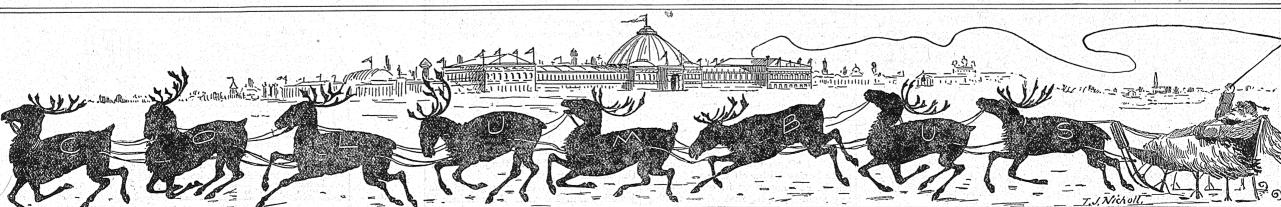
vild man? Well, wait a few minutes until your papa comes in and sees these bills for Christmas presents.—Demorest.

Her Lifework.

Mrs. Bingo (who has invited the Slimson family around to Christmas dinner) -There, Mrs. Slimson, does this pumpkin pie remind you of the pumpkin pie our mother used to make? Little Willie Slimson - Grand-

nother didn't make pumpkin pies. Mrs. Bingo-Indeed. Why, Willie? Vhat did she do? Willie-She took in washing.-Brookyn Eagle.

It is supposed that Charles Dickens wrote "Hard Times" directly after 'Christmas Stories."-Life.



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organ Monday.

will be a gray one.

Palmer, the past week.

sister, Mrs. Ed. Mass.

GAGETOWN.

Judd Brown will be home Sunday.

O. Rosebrook is convalessing now.

J. M. Young went to Saginaw Monday

Mrs. II. Fuller received a new \$140

From present out looks Christmas

Wm. M. Harris is home from Toronto

Dr. Wm. Morris and R. S. Brown were up to Winsor on the 19th, on business.

Prof. J. D. Hood was chosen instruct-

Mrs. A. Segar, of Akron, has been

visiting with his neice, Mrs. A. J.

H. A. Gifford went to Davidson, Wed-

nesday, to attend the funeral of his

H. A. Gifford received a telegram Mon-

day morning, that his sister Mrs. Ed.

Mass of Davidson had died that morning

after lingering illness of nervous disease.

his hunting expedition in Sanilac County, and brought with him a large quantity of

rabbits' feet for the Thompson troupe

At the regular meeting Saturday eve-

ning last, O'Neal Circle, Ladies of the G.

A. R., elected the following officers for

President-Mrs. Wm. Proudfoot.

Sec'y-Mrs. L. Burden. Conductor-Miss Minnie Brown,

Treas.-Mrs. J. Comstock.

Guard-Mrs. J. R. Moe.

Sen. Vice Pres.-Mrs. R. S. Brown

Jr. Vice Pres.-Mrs. J. B. Nicholson.

RESCUE.

The dedication at the new M. E. Church last Sunday was a decided suc-

cess. More money was raised than was

Thore will be a Xmas tree at the

Baptist Church at Canboro on the 23rd,

inst. A good program has been prepared.

not make the seats in the new M. E.

Church, as some have erroneously re-

OWENDALE.

J. D. Owen is doing a rushing busi-

ness with his new hay press; also pur-

chasing all the hay within his reach at

Mrs. Hillacker passed through town

Miss Cameron, of Marlette, is at pres-

Charley Morse was in Cass City Satur-

George Cross has purchased a forty of

where he will lumber the present winter.

Parties wishing to purchase a pair of

not diposed of shortly.

of Gagetown.

part the past week.

labors, so says Nero.

in town one day the past week.

the eastern part of Grant Sunday last.

H. D. Hager and a gentlemen from De-

troit rusticated the immediate vicinity

in search of birds a few days the past

week. As both sports were good marks-

men they were fairly awarded for their

ent the guest of Mrs. H. D. Hager.

J. W. Turner wishes to say that he did

use, in making up their toilet.

the ensuing year:

really needed.

ported.

J. Newman Brown has returned from

or of the bible class Sunday at the P.

to spend the holidays with his parents.

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9-12-tf J.C.LAING,

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12-18 E. H. PINNEY.

34 ONEY TO LOAN oureal estate. For furth Al eriuformation address J. C. LAING EAL ESTATE—Farm lands and village lots to sale. 4-2-9 J. L. Hirchcock.

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MUEDE COUNTY.

The young ladies of Bad Axe will give the last leap year party for a period of the highest figure in the market. four years.

Mrs. Daniel Borden, of Bad Aze, was Sunday enroute for the northern part of badly hurt last week by being thrown the state. from a buggy.

Thos. Casey, the veteran hotel keeper of Elkton, is charged with recently awakening in church and shouting "roast day evening last on busisess. beef, corned beef or chicken."

While plowing along the river flats the Elkton Saturday last and report times other day, Peter Bushey, of Pinkebog, brisk in that burg. ploughed up a stone that in every way esembled a sheep. It had a head, legs, body, backbone and tail and weighed sixty pounds. It is indeed a rarecuriosity and no doubt is a petrified sheep, having lain where found a great many years.

SANILAC COUNTY.

Christmas tree at Cumber on the evening of the 30th.

Sheriff Alexander will reside in Lexington after January 1st.

Lexington will dedicate a fine new

school house on January 2. Alfred Pasberry, the 17-year old son of Jno. Basberry of near Downington, was accidentally killed last week by the

A few nights ago a couple of young men living near Carsonville attempted to cisturb the revival meeting in M. E. church. They were arrested and brought I only wish to be secure, and before Justice Cleland who fined them a will make terms to suit purchaser. small amount which they promptly paid with promises of better behavior in the

stay away.

Jno. McGillvary and Jno McCaller

GREENLEAF.

tween town Saturdays evening with a

oad of gallant, undaunted youths.

are home from their cruise on the likes and two of Greenleaf's fair day was smile once more.

Saturday morning the house of Mrs Livingston was discovered on fire, but was promptly put out by Dan'l before any serious damage was done.

Business seems to be booming with our blacksmith, and John is now able to work from twelve to sixteen hours

Dame Rumor says that George

Brown has gone to spend the holidays in Canada, where he expects to see many of his old friends and acquaintances.

We are glad to know that Alex. McLellan's children are recovering from a rather serious illness.

Duncan Morrison is home from Wisconsin and reports lots of snow and good times, and judging from the glad light in the eyes of a certain young lady his coming home at this time of the year must mean something.

Judging from the frequent trips nade worthward by Dr. McEachen something other than his patients must be the attraction.

Miss Mary Gillies is home from Ohio where she has been for the past two

Miss Rebecca Chisholm met with quite a serions accident in getting out of a wagon last Thursday, but we believe she is now able to move around again.

We are glad to see the much needed improvement that has lately been done on a bad piece of road on the line leading north to Ubly. Some other parties might take the hint and make some needed improvement.

Finley Ross and Thos. Dayis, of this place, have contracted with parties in Port Huron to ship wood direct, and we understand that they are going to employ quite a number of men. They have purchased a large tract of green timber known as the Creighton estate. They also talk of purcuasing a steam engine and sawing machine to facilitate

Our merchant, James McNeil, has been more busy than usual this week, his clerk, M. Ternes, having been to Sand Beach.

CANEORO.

Eli Britt, near Rescue, has taken unto himself a better half.

Christmas tree in the new church Friday night, Dec 23rd. The K. O.T. M. Goat was on his ear

Sat. night, Two new candidates. Oyster supper on the night of Jan

4th, to be given by the K. O. T. M All are invited. Some bad colds in these parts.

Cold wave is in progress. Walter Richard's trial comes off the

3rd of next month. Report has it that the Rescue doctor

has taken unto himself a wife. West Grant, we will be with you now in the columns of the Exterense

Wish it success. Don't you, J. M? D. A. Freeman has a nice trotting Our road commissioner, W. W.

Parker, has been having some needed work done on the highways. Miss Myrtie Jerome gaye a birthday

party. An enjoyable time was had,

KARR'S CORNERS.

We feel better. The weather is cold, but nice. More sickness this week.

Mrs. Muma is quite ill at present. Geo. Is arr was in Caro one day las

Some of our citizens were over to the Grant church dedication. Mrs. Mark is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Masters, of Caro.

Levi Muma is doing chores for James Wright and attending school in district

R. Ballagh and A. T. Hughes were in Mr. Charles Karr is in Detroit having his eyes doctored. His wife went to see him last Wednesday.

Parmer Karr, Jr begins working for A. Coon, 2 miles south of Gagetawn, togreen timber in the west corner of the day. Good luck, Parm. town and is building camps thereon

The people are preparing to celebrate Christmas Eye with a Christmas tree and an interesting program. John Muma is getting the stone on the exencan make a fine selection at the ground for his house wall to be built in the spring. Now is the time to do such large farm of T. Cosgrove at present, as

Thomas has now no less than six pair work. of fine cattle which he will ship east if T. W. Dunn lost their baby last Wednesday. It was ill only a few days with bronchitis. The funeral took place

Jerthro Ross is doing a neat job of on Friday. raming on the residence of Wm. Burress John Landrigan lost a valuable horse last week. The animal appeared alright in the evening when left but was dead Billy Barago, of Berne, was in this the next morning.

Bethel churchites had a bee last Tues-Richard Hughes purchased some stock day, Wednesday and Thursday getting tunber and building a shed to protect horses at the church. Sam Holden and his best girl visited

Nathan Knight took a load of beef, pork and poultry over to Fairgrave last Thursday and sold it. He was going to Bay City, but the roads—oh!

Our brother of Rescue is yet alive, but pshaw! we hear more news in an hour over there than he gets written in a week. Why didn't you tell us about the wedding, Rescue?

The little twin babies of Thomas Cos-Jas. Wright accidentally wounded his future. This should be a lesson to other young men who, if they cannot behave themselves when in church, had better little kopes at present of their recovery. Thomas Philips made a flying trip be chores.

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CHRISTMAS ?



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LASS CITY, MICHIGAN

It is beginning to become fashionable to build pianos into the walls of new residences. If the fashion will take the quirk of making it the cellar wall, there will be few protests from the generality of mankind.

WHENEVER a hen lays an egg, so set up is she in self-glorification as to feel that the whole universe must be summoned to take note of the momentous had got through with his little local fight was modesty itself to the hen's private consciousness.

THERE are prospects of a change in the base-ball world. The southpaw twirler of great renown will probably hereafter receive less salary than a bank president. The prizefighter is still able to earn more in an hour than a minister of the gospel can in ten years. Perhaps reform will next strike a balance between pugilism and the pulpit.

ONE of the murderers just now at-One of the murderers just now at-martyrs was the seed of the church.' tracting attention on the Pacific coast It is possible that through the blood of first hit a sleeping boy with a hatchet, then threw him overboard, and finally shot him in the water. The murderer's confession is several hours old, but as yet the waves of sympathy do not seem to be surging in his direction. The supply of murderers possibly is overtaxing the supply of sympathy.

One good service performed by the cholera has been figured out, and every one ought to be willing to give the scourge its due. It is claimed that its presence makes a European war impossible, as nothing spreads this disease as an army does and nothing destroys the efficiency of an army as cholera does. Until it disappears the war cloud must remain in abey-

THE fact has been made known that Cream, the prisoner recently hanged in London, was guilty of more than murder. The day before his exodus a guard asked him if he had swept out his cell. He replied that he had only swept out the dust, as to sweep out the cell would be impossible. The grim look that settled then upon the face of the guard was not dissipated until the drop fell.

Ir was the famous Knight of La Mancha who told the wandering Sancho Panza that when he saw him in some battle cleft asunder he should proceed to take up softly that part of his body which had fallen to the ground, and with the greatest nicety, before the blood was congealed, place it upon the other part that remained in the saddle, taking special care that the law—providing for a 10 hour day the parts tallied exactly. Then Sancho in New York state—the troops were was to give the dissevered knight two | called out and the men treated as draughts of the balsam of Fierabras, and fastantly his body would become the choice of greatly reduced wages or as seed as an apple. This is the kind of balsam that the surgeons now use on the foot ball field, with like re-

in every department of business, in politics and in literature. They do not at first gain the ripened reputation that is conceded on all sides to the older men whom they supercede. But as they do the work better than the old men the reputation is only a question of time. The only way for an old man to hold his own with the new comers is to be as young in heart as they, and if possible even younger. Having then the experience which only age can give, and a heart as young as the youngest, they need not fear the supersedure until they voluntarily drop their work, because no longer physically able to do it. Keep the heart young, and there will be no trouble in keeping pace with the thoughts and feelings of successive generations of younger men and

THE great advantage of electrical power at present is that it can be stored. Neither steam nor water power in their old-time form can be kept for any length of time without entire loss. Steam becomes cold water when the fire goes down. As days. for water-power, there is a familiar song which utters what used to be thought almost a truism, "You cannot run the mill with the water gone by." That used to be true, but it isn't true any longer. Put the water power into the form of electricity and it can continue to run the mill, even after the stream has reached the ocean, and may be there used again to store electricity from the power of the tides. The possibilities of this new electric power are among the things that might well make a man wish to live a hundred years hence, or, like Benjamin Franklin, wish to revisit earth a hundred years after his death, as Franklin expressed a wish to do.

THE fact that young men have little chance in Canada as compared with older men is said to be the chief reason why so many Canadian young men leave for the states. Is not something like this the fact on most farms? Does it not explain why the boys and girls seek other work than the farm provides as soon as they are of legal age, if not before. In the city the boy can get a place, earn money and be able to spend some part of it at least as he pleases. Would it not be better for farmers if they allowed their boys at home the

GOMPERS HAS GRIT.

PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

"Talks Out Loud in Meetin" on the Subject of the Wrongs of the Workingman and the Base Use of State and Government Troops-"Homestead Martyrs."

President Samuel Gompers opened the twelfth annual session of the American Federation of Labor in Independence Hall, Philadelphia. Among event. Joshua commanding the sun vention besides President Gompers,
Treasurer John H. Lennon, of New the prominent labor men in the con-York and Secretary Evans, of New York, were Samuel Goldwater, representing the cigarmakers; P. J. Maguire, of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America; John J. Byron, Quarrymen's National Union; W. B. Prescott, of the International Typo-graphical Union; Ex-President Weihe, of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers and W. A. Carney, his successor, came in for a share of attention, as did all the men who are engaged in the Homestead fight, who occupied seats together. An address of welcome was delivered by George Chance, of Typographical Union No. 2, in which in part he said: "It is said 'that the blood of the men who died on the banks of the Monongahela river last July there may come a realization of the true condition of affairs, and that the legislation of the future will be in favor of the masses rather than for the aggrandizement of the few."

President Gompers replied and later delivered his annual report, a portion of which is, in substance, as follows: Events have transpired on the field of labor within the past six months which have aroused public attention because the incidents connected with them have been more or less of an unusual character. In each of those labor struggles the employers, the corporations, have simply made a request and the armed forced of the states and the United States were at their bid-

At Homestead, where the iron and steel workers were offered a wholesale reduction in their wages, an armed band of marauders, sailing under no flag, owing allegiance to no state or country (and consequently by the law of all nations considered pirates) was brought by the corporation to invade that peaceful town, to overawe and intimidate its citizens and workers, to aid in the effort to supplant their labor by a poorer and demoralized set of

human beings.

In the coal mines of Tennessee, where the miners were being gradually but surely supplanted by the labor of convicts, the miners pleaded in vain to the legislature of the state to stop this nefarious traffic. Instead of having their wrongs redressed they were

At Buffalo 350 switchmen asked to be relieved from long hours at work which was made dangerous to both the men and the traveling public by the long and continuous strain. These men were treated with contempt and slaves.

At Couer d'Alene the men were given giving their work to the horde of cheap, foreign contract laborers, and when they stood for their manhood the United States sent her troops to do the bidding of the mine owners. The com-Young men are coming to the front | manding general of the United States | forces issued an order that any em-ployer who would operate his mines with union men would not be allowed to continue work. A United States judge issued an order prohibiting the union miners from holding a meeting. In other words, the constitutional right of free assemblage had been violated by a United States judge and a general of our army declaring and enforcing an edict that the employer shall not carry on his business because he dare employ union men. I believe that an investigation by Congress should be asked for by us.

It is plainly evident that the militia of our several states are now never utilized except for purposes of ostentatious show or as an element in labor struggles. There is not even a pre-tense that they should be what they were originally designed for "an arming of the people, a citizen soldiery, a national guard." Instead of being the popular organization in defense of homes and firesides it has drifted into a machine of monopolistic oppressions against labor. What the toilers need at this time is to answer the bitterness and vindictiveness of the oppressors with organization.

Mr. Gompers urged the restriction of immigration and the repeal of the law closing the World's Fair on Sun-

Ireland Defends the Negro. Archbishop Ireland with great pomp and ceremony dedicated the new church of St. Peter Claver in St. Paul, Minn,, for the special use of colored Catholics. The congregation of colored Catholies was organized five years ago with a membership of seven. now counts several hundred all converts to the Catholic faith. The arch. bishop in his discourse denounced in strong words the social ostracism from which the colored people suffer, declaring it contrary to humanity, to the Christian religion and to the American

The Lake Superior ranges have shipped 8,485,210 tons of ore this year, 2,000,000 tons more than last year and 125,000 more than the record of 1890.

Michigan ex-prisoners of war will hold their annual meeting at Lansing Tuesday, December 27.

Dr. Charles Schenck has been elected president of the Swiss confederation and A. Frey vice president. A passenger and a freight train col-

lided near Junction City, Tenn. Several passengers were slightly hurt. Chris Shepard, a plasterer, residing in West Bay City, returned home roaring drunk from an all night "iamboree." He had a pistol and was opera house, Hillsdale, the whole proso demonstrative the family fled. ceeds, with no deduction for expenses Finally he shot himself in the head or lecturer's services, were sent as a testimonial to Mr. Fuller. and died from the wound.

FOSTER OF CANADA

is Severely Criticised for His Country's Sake by Foster of the United States.

Secretary of State Foster has made a reply to the criticism of President Harrison's message by Minister Foster, of Canada. Secretary Foster says that representatives were to Canada's blame for the unsuccessful ending of the reciprocity negotiations between that country and the United States; that the unreasonable demands of Canada have frustrated the harmonious solution of the fishery question; that that when the seal controversy had reached a complete basis of settlement between Lord Salisbury and Minister Phelps in 1888 the remonstrance of Canada defeated the arrangement and precipitated a bitter discussion between Great Britain and the United States; that Canada's demand of the free navigation of the Hudson riverone of this country's most important inland avenues of communication—before she will observe that portion of the Washington treaty (supposedly ratified decades ago) which refers to the use of canals; that Canada's attitude toward our railway traffic is utterly wrong and indefensible, in fact it is a defiance by its great and overit is a defiance by its great and overshadowing corporation of our national policy of railway control in the interest and for the protection of the public; that while our American railways are under the restrictions of the interstate commerce law the Canadian Pacific is reaping the benefits of its exemption therefrom at great inconvenience, if not serious loss, to the treasury department, and to the injury of American interests, and our toleration of the system thus far has been one of the many instances of the forbearance of the executive, and a distinguished mark of a desire to cultivate friendly relations with Canada.

A VACANT SEAT.

Senator Gibson, of Louisana, Passes Away at Hot Springs, Ark.

After a lingering but apparently painless illness Senator R. L. Gibson, of Louisiana, died at Hot Springs, Ark. He had been confined to his bed there since Nov. 12, since which time his death had been expected daily. In accordance with his wishes his remains were buried in Lexington, Ky., by the side of his wife, who died some years

Randall Lee Gibson, of New Orleans, senior senator from Louisiana, was born Sept. 10, 1832, at Spring Hill, Ky.; was educated at Lexington, Ky., in Terre Bonne Parish, La., at Yale college and in the law department Tulane university of Louisiana. He declined the secretaryship of legation to Spain in 1855 and was aide to the governor of Louisiana at the commencement of the civil war. During the war he commanded a company, regiment, brigade and division in the confederate army. He was elected to the 43d congress but was denied admission, but was a representative in the 44th and 47th congresses. In 1883 he took his seat as senator and was re-elected in 1888. His term of office would have expired March 3, 1895.

An Interesting Exhibit.

London cable: It is officially announced that the queen at the request of the government at Washington has British Museum have agreed to permit he copying of any documents bearing on the early history of America for exhibition at Chicago.

THE MARKETS.

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WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW. NEW YORK, December 19.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: The hipment of more than \$3,000,000 of gold to Europe early last week has caused some Europe early last week has caused some-natural apprehension in speculative mark-ets. It is true that the gold is demanded by Austria under such circumstances that an exceptional premium is paid for it, but neither Austria nor any other country could draw gold from the United States at neither Austria nor any other country could draw gold from the United States at present unless there were heavy sales of American securities by foreigners. The exports of breadstuffs cotton, provisions, cattle and petroleum in November amounted to \$72,660,392, indicating aggregate exports of about \$95,000,000, per month and an excess of merchandise exports over imports not less than \$29,000,000. At the same time silver has been froing abroad in large amounts. It is clear that unless securities had been moved this way in unusual amount, gold could not be taken abroad in the settlement of international exchanges. But the conditions of domestic trade are decidedly healthy and the approaching close of the year will find a larger volume of business, both foreign and domestic, than has ever been known before. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the past seven days number 304. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 335.

Marquette has a young sculptor named Sigvald Asbjornsen, whose work is given high rank by north country art critics. One statue, entitled "A Pilot on the Lookout," has won great admiration.

When Will Carleton was a student at Hillsdale college Harvey A. Fuller was classmate, whose efforts were ter- to be used as an icehouse. ribly handicapped by total blindness While the poet has gained fame and riches Fuller has not prospered. Carleton lectured in Underwood's testimonial to Mr. Fuller.

CONFISCATED WAR MAP

GAVE THE LOCATION OF THE UNION FORTS.

An Accurate Drawing of the Nation Capital Fell Into the Hands of the Confederates_Only One Namo Survives.

Probably one of the rarest maps of the District now in existence is a little folding sheet about three feet square, dated .1862." It was the work of a New York syndicate under the management of E. F. Arnold, a civil engineer, and shows the original area of the "ten miles s uare." with the adjoining bits of Montgomery, Prince George's, and Alexandria counties. But the feature of the map was that it showed as well the position of all the fortifications around the capital, and the location of all the roads leading thereto. In this last respect, in fact, it is said to be one of the best maps of the region that has ever been published.

It's career was short-lived, says the Washingt n Post. It was issued without the knowledge or consent of the government, and two days after the first copy had been put on sale. the rumor of its existence reached the ears of the war department, and the officers of the law swooped down on the bookstores and gobbled up every copy in stock. An edition was probably never exhausted so quickly before. Not only were all the bookstore copies taken, but the names of those who had bought copies of the map were learned, and those individuals were promptly called upon and given the alternative of surrendering the purchase or going to the Old Capital, which was then the political prison of the city. The plate from which the map had been printed was confiscated as well and thereon hangs another part of the tale.

The projectors of the map were allowed \$8,000 indemnity for their loss soon after the war, but in some way or other the record of the payment of this claim was either lost or never registered in the warrant division of the treasury. About ten years ago it was presented for payment again, and the government came near having to pay it over with interest added, but a search of the files showed the original check by which the claim had been paid with the indorsement of the attorney of the syndicate on the probably pocketed the proceeds at the time of the lirst payment.

In spite of the care of the government in suppressing the issue of the map a few copies still remained in private possession, and it is said that the most of these found their way much farther south of the Potomac than it was ever intended that they should go.

The construction of the defenses around the city was placed in the hands of three civil engineers. Almost every point of vantage was ocdecided to loan for exhibition at the World's Fair, Leonardo da Vinciq's original drawing of the first map of structed, till at last the city was America, now in the queen's collection | encircled by a chain of fifty-two ramat Windsor Castle. The officials of the parts, ranging all the way in importance from a mere battery to earth forts of considerable dimensions. Few of these ever saw any active hostilities. There were skirmishes around some of them, especially on the Virginia side of the Potomac and demonstrations were made at times against Fort Buffalo and Fort Ramsey on Oak and Upton Hills, but the works that saw the liveliest times were Fort Stevens and De Russey up in the northern point of the district. where the timely arrival of the old Sixth corps stemmed the tide of Early's advance on the capital.

The first of the works that were constructed are shown on the map by three little red dots up in the northwestern corner of the map, ust beyoud the district line. They crown the top of a saddie back hill, and are nothing to do but to surrender or labeled kipley, Fr. nklin and Alexan-

The approaches of the chain bridge were commanded by Battery Martin Scott on the north side of the river and ort Ethan Allen on the south. At the Virginia end of the aqueduct bridge four forts were ranged within a short distance of each other. They were Corcoran, Hagerty. De halb and Bennett, of all of which traces still remain. Fort Myer is not shown on the map as it was constructed later in the war.

On the hills back of Alexandria. which was quietly loyal only under stri t compulsion there were forts Taylor and Ellsworth, the latter named after the ill-fated young martyr of Alexandria. Farther up the road toward Washington Fort Runyon commanded the railroad, and this, by the way, is the only one of the fort names on the map which is now in use to designate a locality. The end of the Long Bridge was commanded by Fort Jackson, named after the settlement whose corner-stone was laid with such pomp by old Hickory in the expectation that the young city thus started was to be the rival of the capital itself, an expectation which up to the present moment has not been realized:

Traces of nearly all of these works may still be found, in the most cases overgrown with blackberry bushes. and a haunt for quail, rabbits and the other wild denizens of the region, who seek a quiet retreat from the constantly encroaching settlements; but the only practical use of the works that once made the little faded map sheet famous is in one or two cases where the fort is near a dwellinghouse and the powder magazine has been roofed over and dug out afresh

Why Russians Do Not Eat Potatoes. "The Muscovite is the most doggedly conservative human being on God's earth." said Clifton R. Sanders, a Boston globe-trotter. No wonder he dies of cholera like the sheep with the | launched yet - Harper's Bazar.

rot; he not only won't learn anything new, but he doesn't want to. Here it is now going on nearly 400 years since that greatest of all peculiarly American products, the Irish potato, was introduced into Europe, and though it has added brawn to the iaded masses of every other nation of the old world, the Russian stubbornly refuses to incorporate it in his diet.

I refer. of course, to the great bulk of the hundred millions of the czar's subjects. They don't stop at refusing to eat the potato, but they look on one who does cultivate it as in league with the devil, and in fact always speak of the potato as devil's fruit. They have a legend which runs something like this: The devil comptained to God once that he had no fruit, whereupon the poor devil fell to digging in the earth and found potatoes growing therein."

SOME WEATHER LORE.

The Sun Is Supposed to Forecast the State of the Weather.

Among the people of all countries and ages the sun's redness on rising or setting has a ways been regarded as ominous. These notions have furnished material for many proverbs. An old English adage informs us

If red the sun begins his race. Be sure that rain will fall apace.

Even Christ alludes to the same popular idea of the sun's color and its relations to wet or dry weather, where he says (Matthew xvi., 2.3): ...When it is evening, ye say, it will be fair weather: for the sky is red. And in the morning, it will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowering." It may be remembered, too, how graphically Shakespeare puts forth this same proverb in his "Venus and Adonis:"

Like a red morn, that ever yet betokened Wreek to the seaman tempest to the fields; Sorrow to the shepherds, wee unto the birds.

Gusts and foul flaws to herdsmen and to

If we turn to European observations we find that the Italians say: ·If the morn be red, rain is at hand.' and, again, if the sky be red ween the morning star is shining there will be rain during the week." As is well known, however, a red sunset is just as propitious as a red rising is unlucky- 'a red sky at night being a shepherd's delight' and according to a saying very popular when the writer was a child-'red sunset and a gray rising sets the pilgrim a-walk-At Malta the stable boy back of it indicating that he had will tell you that a red sunset says: Get your horse ready for to-morrow." In Richard for to-morrow." In Thierard proverb in different words:

The weary sun hath made a golden set, And, by the bright track of his fiery ear, Gives token of a goodly day to-morrow.

Indeed, there are numerous proverbs on this sub ect all to the same purpose. an ancient Scotch rhyme being as fol-

The evening red and the morning gray Is a sign of a bright and cheery day; Evening gray and morning red— Put on your hat or you'l wet your head. In Germany it is commonly said that Evening red, morning gray, Sends the traveler on his way.

ON A LOG WITH A SNAKE, A Union Spy Who Faced Drowning, Cold

Lead and a Moccasin. "I believe I got into the closest place during the civil war that a man ever got out of alive." said E. N. Harper the Mulhatton of Michigan. to a Globe Democrat reporter. had been detailed to obtain information regarding the strength of a detachment of confederate troops stationed on the Tennessee river, near Decatur, Ala. I got the information. and was working my way back to camp when I was discovered and pursued by a scouting party. I had concealed a skill in the brush on the had swept it away, and there was

banks of the river but a sudden rise swim the swollen stream. I plunged in, but the current was stronger than I had anticipated, and by the time I reached midstream my strength was about exhausted. I managed to get hold of the end of a floating log and drifted down stream, while the Johnnies made the water around me boil with their bullets.

I soon drifted out of range and crawled upon the log only to discover that it was already occupied by a big water moceasin who was inclined to dispute possession. I had no weapon but a water-soa ed pistol. stayed on the log I would get hit: i! I got off I would be drowned. While debating what I should do the log drifted within range of the union pickets, and they appeared to think I had been raised up by a special providence as a practice target. The first volley killed the moccasin, and before they could reload I made them understand that I was not trying to pull any feathers out of the tail of the American eagle. Since my escape from that position of fourfold peril I have been something of a fatalist."

A Solemu Hush.

The queer boarder had been at the Cass avenue boarding house for three weeks and in that time had averaged two eccentricities a day, right along. ·By gum," said the man across the table, when he had gone out, . that fellow is liable to do anything."

·The landlady sighed. · From the indications," she said, in a tone of deep discouragement. .I don't think he is liable to pay me his last two weeks' board," and then a solemn hush pervaded the diningroom.

Far Ahead.

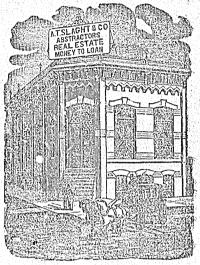
Optimist-I'm not going to worry about things. It will be all right when my ship comes in. Pessimist-But when does the ship

come in? Optimist-Haven't the slightest idea. Don't believe she's even

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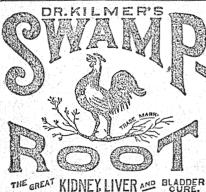
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The Sandycroft Mystery.

CHAPTER X-CONTINUED. Enna might have overheard his words, seeing that when she spoke

'That is more than I can say." He felt that it would be better for both their sakes that their meetings should be few and far between, but how was it possible to tell her so?

Equally impossible was it for Enna to press him on such a point.

"You will at least leave me an address at which a letter will find you in case of necessity," she said. Then as he seemed to hesitate: ·How can one tell from day to day

what need may arise?" ·I will send you an address tomorrow where a letter or message will always find me." he said.

They were walking slowly toward the house. In the darker shade of a clump of evergreens Enna came to a stand. The moment for parting was at hand.

·If you could but come indoors with me!" she said, with sweet pleading in her tones. 'If you would but

trust Uncle Godfrey!" "It cannot be." he answered with a ring of sharp pain in his voice. "Good by then, and God bless

you !" she said. laying both her hands in his.

'Good-by and Heaven keep you!' he responded. . Now that I have been there again, I dare say that on fine evenings I shall often find my way to the leads of the

tower," said Enna in a low voice,

feeling her cheeks flame in the darkas she did so. For sole response Roden lifted the which rested in his and pressed them one after the other to his lips. Then he drew back a pace and lifted his hat. A whispered 'Farewell' floated through the sum-

alone. CHAPTER XI.

mer eve. A moment later he was

What Lord Senlac Had to Tell.

Miss Penleath's chance interview with Roden Bosworth left her in even greater perplexity than before. It was an infinite relief to have the assurance from his own lips that in no shape or form was he personally implicated in Darvill's death, and yet that he should allow the guilt of it to lie at his door, and make no effort whatever to disprove it, could point to but one conclusion-that he was sacrificing himself in order to screen some other person. But who could that other person be?

All this time no word from Ivor Penleath had reached any one at the Crost. But that was a fact which gave rise to no alarm, scarcely even to surprise, in the mind of either his sister or his uncle; they were used to such vagaries on his part. It was only one instance the more added to he long list of his eccentricities. His sister had not failed to ask him for an address at which letters and newspapers would find him, or from which they could be remailed to him, while he on his part had not failed to go away without giving her what she had asked for. Thus they had no means of knowing at the Croft whether any particulars of the tragedy which had followed so closely on his departure had reached him. Still, though he might be beyond the reach of English newspapers, except any which might be sent specially after him, it was unlikely that he woul not have seen one or other of the American journals containing, in however meagre a form, a notice of the peculiar circumstances connected with Darvill's death. In the face, however, of Ivor's continued silence,

nothing could be taken for granted. It was about a fortnight after the meeting on the tower when Colonel Bernage and Miss Penleath received each a pressingly-worded invitation to the dinner, to be followed by a ball, about to be given in honor of the coming of age of young Alan Cunliffe,

of Urswick Manor. One of the first people on whom Fnna set eyes when she entered the drawing-room at Urswick Manor was Lord Senlac, a fair-haired, shortsighted little man, with a fluffy mustache and a very obtrusive eyeglass, who saw her at the same moment and came forward to shake hands with her.

· Can it be really you. Lord Senlac?" demanded Inna. in unfeigned surprise. I thought that you were five or six thousand miles away at the very least. Pray, sir, what have you done with my brother?"

"As far as I am aware, Ivor Penleath is at the present moment in New York. At least, that is where I left him a fortnight ago."

· But why are you back so soon? thought your expedition, or whatever you called it, was to last till late in the autumn. And why did not Ivor return with you?

· Some special family business compelled my father to cable for me and brought me back before my time. The reason why Ivor dar't come back with me was, I suppose, because he didn't want to. But when did you hear last from your brother?"

. We have not had a single line from him since he left England with you in April." Queer fellow! Then you haven't

heard about his accident?" .Accident? Good gracious, What was it?"

·He broke his arm within a few hours of landing. But don't be was evidenced by the wound over alarmed; he's as right as a trivet Ivor's eye and the overturned lamp. hours in New York before he met

knocked down and run over. He was carried to the nearest hospital, and when he came to himself he sent for me."

"Poor Ivor! No wonder we never heard from him," said Enna. .Of course he could not hold a pen. But it would have been kind of you, Lord Senlac, to have dropped me or my uncle a line."

"I proffered to do so more than once, but Penleath forbade me in the most, positive terms, and you know how very positive he can be when he likes. Well, the other fellows of our party went on next day; but, although Penleath was wild with me for not going with them, I stayed in New York upward of a week, seeing as much of him as the hosp tal people would allow of my doing, and did not leave till he was fairly on the way to recovery."

"That was very good of you. But did not Ivor go west and join you as soon as he was able."

He never got farther than New York. When I called on him on my way back, in the hope that he would return to England with me, I found that he had taken rooms, engaged a man to wait on him, and was living there en garcon."

·Had he cuito recovered from his accident by that time?" "To all appearance. He had to be

careful how he used his arm, and will have to be so, I dare say, for a considerable time to come."

"He declined to return with you?" · He did. He said that he had taken quite a liking for the republican institutions and ways of life, and would stay and study them a little longer. But, entre nous, Miss Penleath, I'm inclined to believe, from one or two little things which came to my ears. that it's not the republic's institutions. but one of its fair daughters, that is at the bottom of Master Ivor's disinclination to guit the New World. This sounds a little like telling tales out of school; but if I had not been some. what anxious about him I should not have taken the liberty of speaking as I have. If you have any influence over your brother, Miss Penleath, now is the time when it would seem desirable that you should bring it to

"I understand, and I thank you. You will give me my brother's address in hew York?" "With pleasure."

·Did Ivor ever say anything to you bout Captain Darvill's death?" asked Enna presently, in a low voice.

Lord Seniac bogitated for a moment or two, then he said: "As far as I recollect, the sub ect was never mentioned between us. During my first days in New York I was greatly concerned about Penleath, and I don't believe I as much as glanced at a newspaper. I found a lot of papers wait. ing for me at Denver, and then, of course. I read all about the affair. When I got back to New York I, had only a couple of hours with your brother, and I don't think the subject cropped up between us. By the way. it's rather singular when you come to think of it-I mean as an illustration of the complexities of modern lifethat Ivor should have been at the Croft within an hour of the time the murder is said to have been committed, and yet that neither he nor I should hear a syllable about it till we were more than five thousand miles away.

Inna stared at him with startled

"I fail to understand you," she said ·Ivor left the Croft that evening to join you at Broom Hill station, in time to catch the 9 o'clock train for Liverpool, whereas-"

'Just so; but aren't you aware that he went back to the Crost again in order to get something he had left behina?'

.No. I am not aware of anything of the kind," answered Enna, faintly,

with a shiver at her heart. "Anyhow. that's what he did." answered Senlac. "We met at the station, as agreed upon, and Penleath had sent back the dog-cart, when all at once he discovered, and very much put out he seemed, that he had left behind something of great importance (what it was he never told me, which it was imperative that he should go back in person to fetch. Accordingly, he hired a fly, and was away a little over an hour. Of course we missed the 9 o'clock train, but we got away you say you knew nothing of this?"

"No-nothing." Did she speak the words aloud, or only ancy that she

did? She could not tall. "Penleath won't be likely to forget that evening for some time to come." resumed Senlac. When he got back to the station he had an cabulary, save recent acquisitions supugly cut ust above the left eye. had tripped and stumbled in the dark he said. I'm afraid he'll car- universal with the young; and it is ry the scar as long as he lives. But good gracious, how ill you look. Miss Penleath. What can I do for you?

What can I get for you?" ·I shall be better presently. Give me your arm as far as the terrace. It is cooler the c.

Dancing began a few minutes later, and Lord Senlac who was engaged for the first waltz hurried away in search of his partner. Enna was glad to be lost alone.

The whole terrible story was now made clear to her. I or, for some purpose of his own, had gone back to the Croft and had there encountered Darvill. A quarrel had ensued (she remembered that her brother had never disguised his dislike for the captain), there had been a struggle, as was evidenced by the wound over again. I give you my word. He and in the heat of passion Ivor had hadn't been more than five or six stabbed Darvill to the heart. Roden had somehow become cognizant of the with his accident. He was mooning fact, and in order to screen her brothabout the streets by himself, being, as | er, had allowed the burden of guilt to I daresay you are aware, a bit un- be laid upon his shoulders. Times let it go; it's cheaper to get a new sociable at times and fonder of his over since the interview with him she carpet -Harvard Lampoon.

own company than that of other peo- had asked herself for whose sake he ple, when he was unfortunately had allowed himself to be made a scapegoat. Now she had her answer.

> CHAPTER XII. Explanations.

As uncle and niece were on their way home from Urswick manor, the colonel said: "I suppose Lord Senlac did not fail to tell you about Ivor and his accident, and how unaccountably he seems to be lingering on in New York?"

The colonel had been as surprised as Enna at finding his lordship at the Kemp's Balsam stops the cough at once. manor, and had not failed to question him as to his unexpected return. "Yes, he told me," answered Enna,

in her most matter-of-fact tones. "If it were any other than Ivor." went on the colonel. 'I should say it was uncommonly ungrateful (net to use a harsher term) on his part never to ha e dropped a line to either of us remedies. all the time he has been away; nor even to send us a message by Senlae; but I have grown so used to your brother's peculiarities that I am never surprised at anything he may do or

unsaid. As nothing further was said, Enna concluded that Lord Senlac had not thought it worth while to say anything to the colonel about Ivor's return to the Creft on the night of the murder, of which not a creature about the house seemed to be aware, or of the wound over his eye when he got back to the station. To his lordship they doubtless seemed matters of trivial

say-or rather, as in this case, at

anything that he may leave undone or

import, while to her they were replete with the most tragic significance. This reticence on Sonlae's part, all unwittingly though it might be, was a great relief to knna. Although by nature one of the most unsuspicious of men, might not those two little facts had they been told her uncle. ha e opened up a train of suspicion in his mind, the following up of which might have led him no one could say whither? Yes, she told herself as she alighted at the Crost, it was better. infinitely better, that her uncle should be left in ignorance, at least for the present, and until she herself should have had t me to think over what had been told her and make up her mind as to what step it behooved her to take in view of the unexpected light thrown by Lord Senlac upon what had hitherto been to her an impenetrable mystery.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

A JUDGE'S ROBE. Chief Justice Chase and His Missing

Gown. Have you ever seen the supreme court of the United States during one of its sittings? Unlike judges in most lower courts, the supreme court justices wear black gowns, that are much like cassocks or church choristers. Arrayed in these somber black gowns, the justices, a row of seven or eight very large and very learned men, present an appearance of official dig-

nity that is most striking. -The supreme court convenes at 12 o'clock. One day Chief Justice Chase was unable to find his robe. He searched every part of the robingroom, and even lighted & match to go deeper into his closet than usual in search of the missing gown, because the day was a dark and rainy one.

It wanted but a minute or two of twelve, when the chief justice, almost beside himself with long searching. appealed to Ben Wade, the famous rough and ready senator from Ohio. who chanced to enter the room, to help him find the lost gown.

Wade had just come in from out of doors, and so, thrusting his umbrella under one of the settees to see if the missing garment was there, he fortunately fished it out Holding it at arm's length on the end of his dripping umbrella he shouted: 'Here, Chase—here's your old shirt."

The learned chief justice reached his seat in the middle of the row just as the clock struck the last stroke of twelve, but the spectator from the front would never ha e guessed that the gown which clothed so much dignity had been, ten seconds before, dangling at the end of a very wet umbrella. - Harper's Young People.

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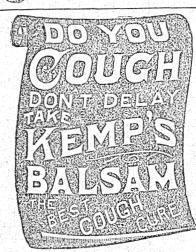
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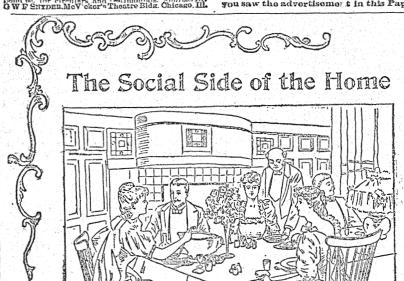
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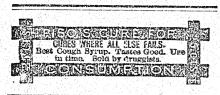
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MLLINGTON.

A dance at John F. Brock's last week, Friday night. John F. Brock has moved into his new

house to winter. John H. Hoy returned here last Fri-

day night from Bay City. Miss Matin Colwell went to work for Oliver Rhodes Sunday night.

Isaac Thoyne has got his new house so as to move into it. It was such needed. Miss Lucinda Whipple has finished work for John Partlow and returned home Sunday, Charles Alexander, of South Bay City,

was at his sister's, Mrs. J. H. Moshier, over Thursday night. Reuben Alexander, of Denmark, was visiting with his sister, Mrs. J. H. Mo-

chier, from Saturday until Monday. There will be a Christmas tree at the M. E. church in Ellingtongon Christmas

Eve. A good program will be given, All are cordially invited to attend. Mr. Peters, who moved from Detroit last fall, has not his new house pretty well along and will be able to move into it soon. W. W. Campbell is building it

Ormond Mallory left for the north woods last week where he expects to remain during the winter and work for some lumberman up thers. And should all things work to suit him and he likes the country he may move his family up there in the spring.

Mrs. Martha May and Misses Emily and Ethel, and Wesley May, mother, sisters and brother of Mrs. Sarah G. Gould, are expected here to-day (Tuesday), as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Darius Gould for a time. They are from Escott, Ontario, and may locate here permanantly. ently.

The year 1892 is fast passing away. Soon it will be numbered with the past and we will have to write it down 1893. Thus time passes away. It seems but a abort time since, as I look back, that I first came into Tuscola county, although it is past forty years, and the mighty wilderness has massed away. wilderness has passed away.

A merry Christmas unto all the read-A merry Unristmes unto an the reactors of the Externise and to the publisher and office help, and may all be blessed with turkey, or something better, for that day, and may the Externion that day, and may the Externion to the reactors of the reactors. PRISE continue to improve for the year to come as it has for the year past, is what I wish to see, and may its numer-ous subscribers be doubled during the ment year, is just as bad a wish as I have to give you at this time.

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lishment of Eugene H. Marvin at 482 Eighth avenue, New York, last Saturday and captured three truck loads of "green goods" literature. Marvin the proprietor of the place was not caught but three of his men were arrested. Marvin is said to be the man who had the printing for all the big green goods men in the country. Within the building two big cylinder presses were in operation. Big stacks of circulars were already piled up about the room and the presses were realing off many more at a rapid rate. At least 175,000 circulars were found in the press room. Many electrotypes and forms were found ready for use. On the ground floor above, stored and ready for shipment, vere circulars, telegrams, imitation typtwritten letters and bogus newspaper clippings; in fact, all the paraphernalia of the trade to the number of at east a million.

The following from the Marlette Leader may serve to put some of our farmer friends on their guard: "For a few weeks pasta concern in Detroit has had agents through here selling groceries direct to farmers. They have been agreeing to take butter in payment at 24c per pound, but when the goods were delivered this week a different story was told. They could not pay that price for the butter, but would take it to Detroit and allow the farmers all there was init. It was a regular dodge to get orders for goods and they had no intention of paying such a figure. There is always some new scheme to catch the unwary and generally there are plenty to bite at the bait. Why should farmers take the stories of these smoothed-tongued individuals, who have no responsibility, in preference to that of the regular merchant who has his money invested here, is more than we can understand, but the fact remains that they do and they get bit nine times out of ten."

School Report.

Report of school taught in Dist. No. No. 2, Elmwood, for month ending Dec. 9, 1862:

No. days taught... No. pupils enrolled... Aggregate attendance... Average daily attendance... The following are the names of pupils who have been neither absent or tardy during the menth: Ada Coon, Frances Martur, Rosalia Mall, Flossic Smith. Charley McComb. Nellie Turner, Arthur Dalby, Boyd Bingham, Tilla Mall, Collin Bingham and Arthur West..

LIZZIE WILLS, Teacher.

School Roport.

Report of school taught in district No. 4, township of Grant, Huron Co., for the month ending Dec. 9, 1892.

No. of days taught... Grand total No. of days attendance... No. of pupils enrolled. Average daily attendance... Names of those who have not been absent during the month: Lucy Thompson, Christena Thorupson, Fred Knight, Herman Maharg, Donald Thompson,

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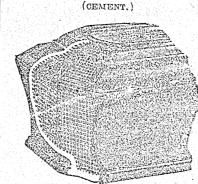
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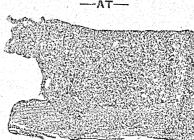
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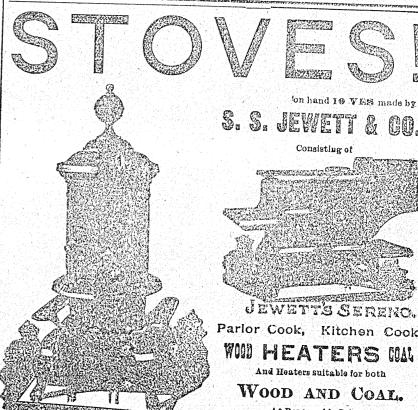
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