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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec., 19 '99.—The select committee of nine members of the house who are investigating the Roberts case, will report unanimously in opposition to his being seated. There never has been a reasonable doubt that Roberts would be expelled, even if seated temporarily. All the members have felt the force and pressure of their constituents, in petitions, against the apparent approval of polygamy which would come from seating Roberts. But the manner in which the case was disposed of when Roberts appeared to take the oath of office as a representative has not been satisfactory to many of the members who voted for the Taylor resolution, authorizing the committee to investigate and report upon the prima facie and ultimate right of Roberts to admission to the House. The members feel now that a great mistake was made in the method taken to reject the polygamist, and that precedent was set which may turn to plague the minority at a critical time. It is a very general comment that had Reed been Speaker, instead of Henderson he would not have lent himself to the arbitrary and indefensible course adopted by the majority.

Roberts presented himself at the clerk's desk to take the oath as a representative. His credentials had previously been filed, and recognized by the clerk as regular, and salary had been paid Roberts before the organization of the House, as was done with other members, and his name was entered in the official Congressional Directory as a member. No question has been raised as to his credentials. He was not there by courtesy of any member or officer of the House, but by warrant of election and certification.

Note the result. The House passed the single gold standard bill, a measure of vital concern to the sovereign state of Utah, and by action of the House, that state has had no power to vote either for or against the measure. Matters of legislation concerning Utah have been acted upon, if at all, without that state itself having power to record a vote thereon. It has but one representative, and he was without trial refused admission.

It will occur to an observant person that this is lynch law, pure and simple; and it must be regretted that law makers, who it was fair to presume were able and strong enough to reach a just decision in a legal and regular manner, have been swept from their feet by popular clamor, precisely as communities are wrought up to do violence to a man suspected of, but not tried for murder. The issue of polygamy was not in any sense before the House on the day Roberts was refused admission. There was but one question then presented to that body, namely, the right of an accredited representative to be admitted, with credentials unquestionably regular and authentic. Not a member questioned the prima facie right of Roberts to be sworn in; and a few of them doubted that he would be expelled, after investigation of charges of polygamy; but there were few who had the courage to vote their conscientious judgment, regardless of confusion of issues. One Republican, Loud of California, voted against such action and a handful of democrats, including the leaders, however, stood with him. The democrats who did not so vote now regret it openly. They realize that they are on record in a manner that certainly will injure the minority in some future House. It is not a trifling question. It was far more than the danger of encouraging polygamy, or doing to Roberts personally that was involved. It was the fact that the House, under popular clamor, without investigation, would venture even for a month to deny a sovereign state a voice in making the laws of the United States.

There has been a good deal of comment in political quarters here, recently upon the probable effect of the scarcity of money in the commercial centers following the passage of the gold bill by the House. The Republicans are somewhat concerned that an hour after the bill passed that body, money on call was loaning in New York at as high as one-half of one per cent a day. That rate never has been exceeded in Wall street, and has been equaled but once in fifty years past. Of course it was not the result of the gold standard bill. It had not then become a law, and it will not be passed by the Senate before the latter part of February. Nevertheless the majority of the people see an important action taken, and another serious matter occur, and, thoughtlessly, the latter is taken to be the result of the former. And so it is that Republican leaders fear that panicky times now threatening Wall street, prices demoralized and shifting with unusual wideness every day, may be taken as an unsettling effect of the new gold bill soon to be finally enacted; and they fear the loss of votes in many quarters in consequence. The matter has been discussed considerably, but it must be said that the democrats have not made the claim that present conditions are because of republican legislation. Their position always has been to the contrary. They have maintained that high prices for wheat were caused by shortages abroad, and not because of republican methods, and logically they would go to more substantial reasons than a single republican act of Congress, to explain unsettling of certain lines of business. They may not do so however. They may dwell in the campaign on the gold bill and commercial demoralization as being necessarily identified.

LIST OF PATENTS.

Granted to Minnesota Inventors this week. Reported by E. G. Siggers, Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.:

C. J. Abbe, Alden, adjustable milk-can holder and protector; E. A. Barns, St. Paul, combined truck and carrier; H. G. Dittbenner, Minneapolis, plow hammer; L. S. Hogeboom, Minneapolis, dust collector; C. B. Holmes, Minneapolis, bicycle chain; F. C. Jaeger, Belview, wrench; B. J. Knapp, St. Paul, lubricating journal bearing; A. H. Loring, Minneapolis, and H. L. Clark, St. Paul, Electric transformer; R. Russell, Stephen, weed-puller; A. Tucker, Hassan, clock winding indicator; H. Whomes, Winona, Power hammer.

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An entire new glass covering has been ordered for the roof of the Crystal palace, in London. The total glass area to be covered is about 15 acres.

The results of preliminary surveys for petroleum on the island of Sumatra are so encouraging that the land examined by a Russian engineer from Baku has been leased and workings will shortly be commenced. The petroleum thus found will probably be shipped to Japan and China.

There is a zinc and lead mine in Davidson county, North Carolina, which is in the control of an English syndicate, which is doing well. This mine carries copper in its ore, while the other zinc and lead mine in the same county, which is down 600 feet, shows similar ore, but without any copper.

There were only 31 ballots in the package containing the soldier votes sent from Cuba to the New York police board and opened late the other day. As each ballot is for a different election district there will have to be 31 polling places rented and 31 boards of inspectors will have to meet. Each vote will cost $30 by this method.

Corn would still be standing in the fields of Marshall county, Kan., if the women had not turned out and helped to gather it. The crop was unusually large this year, and help was not to be secured at any price. The women, seeing that men could not be secured, and that the crop was going to waste, turned out and husked the corn themselves.

The French war office is rejoicing over a new civilizing influence which may outdo even our dum-dum bullets. It is a rifle, and experiments have proved how deadly a weapon it is. At 2,000 yards the bullet went right through a horse placed obliquely to the line of fire, the bones in the track of the bullet being shockingly smashed.

There are places where it is dangerous to wear a ring on one's finger. A workman in the Augusta cotton mill got his hand too near a pulley, on which was a hook, and this hook caught a ring on the man's hand. He knew that if he did not break the ring or finger his arm would go, and he threw himself backwards, tearing the finger entirely from his hand, but saving his arm.

Since the report that Miss Josephine Drexel was about to renounce the world and enter a convent—a report that was promptly denied—the young woman has been overwhelmed with letters from people who would be willing to burden themselves with a part or the whole of her fortune of $10,000,000 which she would not be likely to need after taking the veil. She has recently joined a swell dancing club of New York city.

To enable travelers to cross the channel without suffering from sea sickness, a Frenchman has designed a submarine boat to be compelled by cable traction, the motive power being electricity. The boat will accommodate 240 passengers and perform the journey in one hour. Should the cables become fixed in going over the drums, the boat can be detached so that it may rise to the surface and continue the journey like an ordinary vessel.

Several of the largest abandoned copper mines in Eastern Maine will again be operated. The Maine copper mines were in successful operation in 1879, and showed good profits while copper was quoted at 14 cents. The mines could also be operated on a paying basis with copper at 12 cents, but the crash came when the Wisconsin mines put down the price of copper to eight cents. Now that copper is so high, it will be very profitable to mine it.

Paper teeth are the latest thing in dentistry. For years some substance has been sought for which could replace the composition commonly employed for making teeth, and a fortune awaited the man who was lucky enough to hit upon the right material. Although paper has some disadvantages, they are small compared to its many qualifications, and paper teeth are likely to be used exclusively, at least, until a more perfect material is found.

The rapid development of Africa is due to the gold, iron, coal and other mineral deposits. The Kimberly mines are located in British territory, just outside the boundaries of the Orange Free State, about 600 miles from Cape Town, and supply 90 per cent. of the diamonds of commerce. The existence of these mines was unknown prior to 1867, and since their discovery $250,000,000 worth of rough diamonds have been taken from them, which, after cutting, were easily worth double.

Vegetarians who are so strict that they do not care to wear an article of clothing into which any animal properties are introduced are catered for in the boot line by a London bootmaker, who is the inventor of a vegetarian shoe. For some years he has been experimenting, and as a result he has produced a boot, in the construction of which there is absolutely no paper or leather of any description. Not only this, but, according to his assertion, these wear one-fourth longer than leather shoes, and the upper material is always soft.

FORMS NEW DANGER.

Glanders Breaks Out Among Cavalry Horses in South Africa.

THIS MAY PROLONG THE CAMPAIGN.

Both British and Boer Animals Suffer from the Disease—A Boer Account of the Battle of Tugela River.

London, Dec. 26.—Nothing has arrived from South Africa that would indicate any change in the military situation there. The war office is issuing lists of further deaths and wounded, as well as accounts of sickness. The most serious report of the last class is that horse sickness has broken out in both British and Boer camps in Natal. Four hundred British cavalry horses, it is said, have already been shot, owing to the occurrence of glanders. The disease is likely to spread with much greater rapidity among the British horses than among the hardy Boer ponies, and this may mean a considerable prolongation of the campaign.

Horse sickness in South Africa generally appears during the latter part of January, and lasts three months. The present outbreak is unusually early.

Boers Draw Nearer.

A dispatch from Chieveley, dated Tuesday, December 19, says: The British naval guns have destroyed the Colenso foot bridge, thus preventing the Boers holding any position south of the Tugela river. The enemy are taking up fresh positions on the eastern side, nearer the British camp. The British position at Frere is being strengthened. The Tugela river is rising and there is a prospect of heavy rains. A two-hour bombardment of Ladysmith has been heard from here. According to reliable native reports the Boers had 200 killed in the fight at Colenso.

The news that the Colenso foot bridge has been destroyed seems to show that Gen. Buller is more anxious to keep the enemy at bay than to attempt a further advance.

The Dutch Disaffection.

Despite the severity of the censorship, hints are being continually received of the serious spread of Dutch disaffection in both the Queenstown district of Cape Colony and Natal. A correspondent of the Daily Mail at Pietermaritzburg says: The extent of Dutch disaffection should make the imperial authorities realize the magnitude of the task before them.

The mails are just arriving from Ladysmith. All the correspondents comment bitterly upon the superiority of the Boer artillery. The Times correspondent says: It is impossible to evade the opinion that if British gunners were in the Boer positions the loss of life and damage to property in Ladysmith would be ten times greater.

The first batch of Boer prisoners has arrived in England. It is announced that the government has accepted another offer of a squadron of Canadian rough riders.

A Boer Account.

Pretoria, Sunday, Dec. 17.—Over 500 British prisoners, captured at the battle of Stormberg, have arrived here. They have been taken to Waterfall to join the other prisoners.

An official account of the Boer casualties at the battle of Tugela river says 30 men were killed or wounded.

Gen. Schalkberger's report of the battle, dispatched from the head laager, December 16, says:

"Friday, at dawn, the day long-expected arrived. The Pretoria detachment of artillery gave the alarm. Gen. Buller's Ladysmith relief column was in battle array, advancing on the Boer positions, close to the Tugela and Colenso. The centre consisted of an immense crowd of infantry, flanked on each side by two batteries, with strong bodies of cavalry supporting. The Boer artillery preserved absolute silence, not disclosing its position. Two batteries came within the fire distance of our central position, and the Boers then opened fire with deadly effect. Our artillery also commenced, and, apparently, absolutely confused the enemy, who were allowed to think the bridge was open for them to cross. Their right flank in the meantime attacked the Boer southernmost position, but the musser rifle fire was so tremendous that they were rolled back like a spent wave, leaving ridges and ridges of dead and dying humanity behind. Again the British advanced to the attack, but again fell back, swelling the heaps of dead. The cavalry charged to the river, where the Fremole commando delivered such a murderous fire that two batteries of cannon had to be abandoned, which the Boers are going to bring here. Twice the British cavalry charged to bring horses to remove them. The first time they succeeded in hitching onto one cannon, and on the second trial the horses and men fell in a heap.

"Then the British were in full retreat to their camp, whence they sent a heavy shrapnel fire on Bulwer bridge across the Tugela, to prevent the burghers from recovering the cannon. The French attaché, Villebois, and the German attaché, Braun, say the Boer fighting could not have been improved upon by the armies of Europe. Gens. Botha and Trichart were always at the most dangerous points of the fighting. Eleven ambulances removed the English dead and wounded. Such a tremendous cannonade has seldom been heard. The veldt, for miles, was covered with dead and wounded. It was a most crushing British defeat. Nine of the cannon we were unable to bring across the river. The British asked for and were granted a 24-hour armistice."

Worried Over Churchill's Escape.

Pretoria, Sunday, Dec. 17.—The government is much concerned about the escape of Winston Churchill, and the officials are doing their utmost to discover how he got away. The officials have instituted a house-to-house search for incriminating papers. The Volksraad asserts that he escaped disguised as a woman.

A Total Loss.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 26.—Capt. Baines, of the British steamer Ariosto, which ran ashore four miles south of the Cape Hatteras life-saving station Sunday morning, reported to the agents here that his ship will prove a total loss.

IN ASHES.

A Christmas Day Fire Destroys Property Worth $200,000 at Hastings, Neb.

Hastings, Neb., Dec. 26.—Nearly three blocks of buildings in the business portion of the town, principally fronting on Vermillion street, were burned early Monday with a loss of about $200,000. The fire broke out in R. C. Libby & Co.'s sawmill, evidently the work of an incendiary, and the entire plant, with planing mill, storehouses, lumber, office, sheds, etc., was consumed. One million and a half feet of upper grade lumber were also burned. A strong northwest wind was blowing and the flames spread rapidly to St. Johns hotel, owned by John Kleis, and the saloon of Kleis & Grub, both buildings being laid in ashes. The flames then swept across Second street and laid low business houses for nearly a block, including the agricultural implement store of F. A. Engel; Charles Knockes, tailor store; W. E. Van Auken, sewing machines and musical merchandise; W. J. Zuzek, harness; Magnus Olsen, gunsmith, and Mrs. S. J. Truax, millinery store, besides badly damaging Theodore Schall's jewelry building on the west, the residence of Matthias Reuter, two additional store buildings of R. C. Libbey & Co. and tenement dwellings occupied by Bert Paulson, owned by Libbey & Co. Sparks finally extended the fire to the four-story stone building of W. R. Mather in the adjoining block to the south, which was quickly enveloped in flames, and nothing but the walls of the old landmark remain. It was occupied by Mr. Mather as an agricultural implement store and residence. The blacksmith shop and paint shop of Cavanaugh & Currier was totally destroyed. Most of the buildings burned were only partially insured and the loss upon the owners will fall heavily. The firemen engaged in a desperate battle to keep the fire from passing Vermillion street, but sparks set fire to the roofs of the courthouse, the Church of the Guardian Angels and other costly structures and residences, but were extinguished with little damage. The city seeming in imminent danger, Mayor Fred Busch wired the mayor of St. Paul for aid, and as soon as possible two steamers and supply wagons were sent down, which materially aided in subduing the spread of the flames. Many people are thrown out of employment and others are rendered homeless.

A CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.

Quarrel Over a Game of Cards Results in Murder at Weldon, Ill.

Clonton, Ill., Dec. 26.—At three o'clock Monday afternoon a murder was committed at Weldon, 10 miles southeast of here. Harry Summers, Jr., of Weldon, a carpenter, and "Doc" Marcum, a farmhand near Deland, in Piatt county, engaged in a quarrel in a poker room, when Marcum shot and killed Summers. Marcum, who was drunk at the time of the killing, is a Kentuckian and is about 25 years old. His victim is about 30 years old and peaceable. He has a family. Marcum is unmarried and had been in Weldon but once before. He was placed in jail here at five o'clock Monday evening. The citizens were greatly excited and Marcum was hurried to Clinton, as it was feared an attempt would be made to lynch him.

Emperor's Christmas.

Berlin, Dec. 26.—Emperor William celebrated Christmas in the usual manner at the palace, Potsdam. At three o'clock he attended as bescheerung for the members of the imperial family and the court entourage. There were seven trees for the children, graded in size according to their ages, that of Princess Louise being very small. A large, fine tree for the emperor and empress had been cut from the adjacent wild park. Upon all the trees and tables there were presents. Emperor William entered with keen enjoyment into the celebration. Their majesties attended church in the morning and in the early afternoon the whole imperial family made up a sleighing party.

Sad Fate of a Young Girl.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 26.— Maggie Drayer, the 14-year-old daughter of John Drayer, was shot and instantly killed at six o'clock Monday afternoon by Mrs. William Taylor. A number of children, including Maggie Drayer, were at the Taylor house playing with popguns, when Mrs. Taylor, saying that she had something that would beat popguns, picked up an old musket, which she accidentally discharged. The entire load of shot entered the girl's breast. Death resulted instantaneously. It is feared Mrs. Taylor will lose her reason.

Suspected of Murder.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—The man believed to be H. J. Hannan, who has been arrested in this city, at the request of the chief of police of Pittsburgh, Pa., is wanted in Greensburg, Westmoreland county, 31 miles east of Pittsburgh, for the killing of his former partner, John Craig, a member of a prominent Johnstown family, during the Westmoreland county centennial celebration. The Pittsburgh police officials have wired to Chief Lees to hold the prisoner until an officer arrives here to take him back to Pennsylvania for trial.

Ex-Governor Weds.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26.— Former Gov. Robert V. Furnas, now in his seventy-fifth year, and Mrs. S. M. Jamison were married Monday at the home of the bride at Brownville. For fifteen years Mr. Furnas has been secretary of the state board of agriculture and is well known in central and western states as a successful fair manager.

ARE WELL PLEASED.

Situation in the Philippines Suits Washington Officials.

BELIEVE WAR WILL SOON BE ENDED.

Gen. Young Is Made Military Governor of Northwestern Luzon—Civil Municipal Governments Being Established.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Washington officials are very much gratified at the existing situation in the Philippines. The insurgent army, which dominated the northern part of the island up to November 5, when the American campaign began, has disappeared; American garrisons are established at more important points, promising peace in the surrounding territory, and the general condition has so improved that Gen. Otis considers it feasible to open all the ports of northern Luzon to trade. Gen. Otis will now turn his attention to the rebels south of Manila, and, it is expected, will begin active operations against them in a few days. Just what the strength of the insurgent force in southern Luzon is the authorities are unable to say, but it is likely many of the insurgents under Aguinaldo in the north have joined the rebels in the south. The authorities would be glad to know that their conclusion is correct, for in the south there will be a good opportunity to cut off the armed Filipinos, and if a large number could be captured at one time it would mean the death-blow of the revolution.

Aguinaldo Dodging.

Aguinaldo has not yet reached the southern territory, but is believed to be in the northern mountains, trying to elude the American columns, which are scouring the country. Aguinaldo is undoubtedly working his way south, in order to gain command of a large force.

A foreign officer, who is familiar with the Filipino methods of fighting, said that the government should not be too certain the rebellion in northern Luzon had been quelled. Before the war with the United States Spain had experienced no difficulty in sending columns from one end of the island to the other, but the natives organized guerrilla bands and continued the war, and the greatest difficulty was met in suppressing them, peace usually being secured by liberal promises. This officer said the police of garrisoning important points would tend to minimize guerrilla work, but he believed that until Aguinaldo was captured or killed the war would continue.

Young Appointed Governor.

Manila, Dec. 26.—Gen. Young has been appointed military governor of the provinces of northwestern Luzon, with headquarters at Vigan. His command includes the Thirty-third infantry, under Col. Luther R. Hare, and the Third cavalry. He will establish permanent stations at San Fernando and Lasong, with outposts wherever needed. The Sixteenth infantry will proceed to Aparri, garrisoning such towns as may be deemed necessary in the provinces of Cagayan, Isabella and Nueva Vizcaya, of which Col. Hood has been appointed military governor. Gen. Young and Col. Hood are establishing civil municipal governments, and the ports in northern Luzon will be opened for trade about January 1.

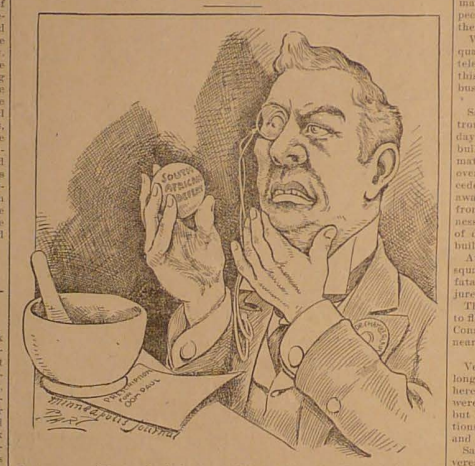
Death of a Famous Scout.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Bushrod Underwood, who achieved fame as a scout in the army of Northern Virginia, died here Monday, aged 56 years. Many deeds requiring great coolness and courage were credited to him by Gen. R. E. Lee and Col. John O. Mosby, of the Forty-third Virginia cavalry, to which command he belonged.

A Young Hunter Killed.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 26.— Frank Moore, aged 14, son of William Moore, of Blue Mound township, while hunting on I. R. Gordon's farm in company with his cousin, Cecil Baldridge, aged 13, of Illiopolis, accidentally discharged his gun, killing young Baldridge instantly.

A BITTER PILL.



Doctors never like to take their own medicine, neither does Dr. Chamberlain.

A SAD CHRISTMAS.

It Is Experienced in the Humble Homes of Victims of the Mine Disaster.

Brownsville, Pa., Dec. 26.—Work at the Brazzell mine is progressing very slowly. The country roads from Brownsville to the mine are almost impassable, and there is no telegraph or telephone connection with Brazzell. So all news from the mine has to be brought overland. Four more bodies have been recovered, but not identified. Some of the families of the doomed men are in a suffering condition and provisions are being sent out by the Brownsville merchants, as well as from Uniontown. The men who have been working since Saturday to recover the bodies are almost exhausted, yet they refuse to give up and keep at the grim work doggedly, though more dead than alive. The fact that last Saturday was pay day at the mine and that there were no empty wagons to load accounts for many not going into the mine that morning. Had the accident occurred any other day there would have been more than a hundred men in the mine and the result would have been even more appalling than it is.

The scenes about the morgue were such as to bring terror to many a stout heart. As the burned and bleeding bodies were carried from the shaft wives and children would fight frantically to get to the corpses, and when held back by strong arms would weep pitifully and plead to be allowed to enter the morgue and find their lost ones. It is an occurrence that can never be forgotten by any who witnessed it. Some of the bodies have been removed to their homes and will be buried to-day.

Sad, sad is the Christmas day to many a family about Brazzell. In fact, the excitement caused by the terrible accident has driven all thought of holiday festivities from the homes of all who live in the neighborhood, even those who have no friends killed. The search for the bodies still goes on. The mine officials admit that two or more bodies are still in the mine, but representatives of the Slavonic society have made a house-to-house canvass and report that eight of their number alone are in the wreck, and how many others they do not know.

French Miners to Strike.

Paris, Dec. 26.—At a meeting of 2,500 miners held in St. Etienne a resolution was adopted in favor of declaring a general strike in the coal basin of the Loire this morning. A sympathy movement involving 50,000 men is feared. The prosperity of the coal trade led the miners to demand an increase of wages, shorter hours and a formal recognition of the Miners' federation by the companies. The latter made an offer of five per cent. increase, but this was refused. Twelve thousand five hundred lace workers are on strike in St. Etienne for higher wages. Their idleness involves that of 35,000 other dependent workmen, making, with the miners, if the coal strike spreads, as is expected, nearly 100,000.

Sells Valuable Mine.

Wabash, Ind., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, the celebrated prohibitionist orator and organizer and leader of the women's Christian Temperance union in Indiana, has made a large sum in the sale of her mining property in Joplin, Mo. The boom in ore prices and the discovery of rich leads made the mine, which she christened the White Ribbon, valuable, and in disposing of the mine to the Great Bonanza & Zinc company she has realized a handsome margin.

Automobiles for Ranch Use.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 26.—Several of Victoria's stockmen have jointly purchased an automobile, which is now en route to that place. If it meets their expectations more will be ordered built, especially for use on the ranches in this section.

Killed in a Mine.

Greenwood, B. C., Dec. 26.—By an explosion in the Snowshoe mine at Phoenix camp, caused by drilling into an old blast that had missed fire, John Nelson was killed and Stanley McLeod fatally injured.

TOWNS ARE SHAKEN.

Southern California Visited by an Earthquake.

SHOCK SEVERE AT SEVERAL POINTS.

A Number of Buildings Damaged, the Loss at San Jacinto and Hemit Being Estimated at $50,000—Six Indians Killed.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26.—At 4:25 o'clock Monday morning a severe earthquake shock was felt over a large portion of southern California, the undulations lasting about 12 seconds. The entire center of the shock appeared to have been at San Jacinto, a small town in Riverside county. The business portion of San Jacinto consists of two blocks of two-story buildings, some of which are built of brick. Ten or 15 buildings were damaged, chimneys being topped over and walls cracked and shaken. The total damage at San Jacinto and Hemit, a small town nearby, is estimated at $50,000.

The large tourist hotel at Hemit was damaged and the hospital at San Jacinto also suffered. The rear wall of the Johnson block at Hemit fell. The shock was heavy at Santa Ana, Anheim, San Bernardino, Riverside and other places, but no particular damage is reported except from San Jacinto and Hemit.

In this city no damage was done, though the shock was particularly violent. The houses here are well filled with eastern tourists and they were in many instances terrified at the unexpected disturbances and rushed from their rooms in fright.

Wild reports concerning the earthquake soon spread like wildfire and the telegraph and telephone wires between this city and adjacent towns were kept busy handling inquiring messages.

Six Indians Killed.

San Jacinto, Cal., Dec. 26.—A disastrous earthquake occurred at 4:25 Monday morning. Nearly every two-story building was wrecked and it is estimated that the damage will aggregate over $50,000. The main shock was preceded by a loud, roaring sound and awakened many just in time to escape from the doomed buildings. The business street was such a wreck that tons of debris had to be removed before buildings could be entered.

At Saboba Indian reservation six squaws were killed by falling walls, two fatally injured and many seriously injured.

The shock caused dry artesian wells to flow larger streams than ever before. Considerable damage was reported in nearby villages.

At Other Points.

Ventura, Cal., Dec. 26.—A heavy prolonged earthquake shock was felt here Monday at 4:24 a. m. Houses were badly shaken and clocks stopped, but no damage resulted. The vibrations were followed by a high wind and a heavy sea.

Santa Ana, Cal., Dec. 26.—The severest earthquake in years visited this section Monday morning at 4:25. Third-story hotel guests were almost rolled out of bed. Clocks were stopped all over the city and the walls of several brick buildings were badly cracked. Hundreds of people were on the streets a few seconds after the shock, some appearing in night clothes and remaining up until daylight.

Anaheim, Cal., Dec. 26.—The heaviest earthquake shock ever known here occurred at 4:25 Monday morning. It lasted fully ten seconds and was violent from the beginning. Lodging houses were emptied and the streets were filled with shivering people. A number of buildings were cracked, but no serious damage was done.

A Quiet Christmas.

Washington, Dec. 26. — Christmas day, always quiet in the nation's capital, was unusually so this year. All of the executive departments were closed, and practically all the members of both branches of congress are out of the city. Services were held in many churches, and, as the dinner hour approached, the streets were deserted. At the white house a quiet day was spent. About ten o'clock the president took a walk alone through the grounds at the south of the mansion, and then joined Mrs. McKinley in the family living rooms. There were no callers and at noon they attended church, and at the usual hour they dined alone.

Dropped Dead in Church.

Tiffin, O., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Hiram L. Roberts, residing on Mohawk street, went to the Methodist church to attend Christmas services. She had just greeted the minister and started up the aisle to her pew, when she fell forward, and expired a few minutes later. Those who had assembled to attend the services were greatly excited, and it was some time before the minister could proceed with the services.

Out of Prison.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 26.—John S. Hoshall, who was sentenced to about eight months ago in the United States district court to ten years' imprisonment in the city jail for a violation of the postal laws, has been released from jail, his sentence having been commuted by President McKinley. Hoshall was a medical student at one of the colleges here at the time of his arrest.

Heavy Snowstorm.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 26.—A furious snowstorm, accompanied by a 45-mile gale, has been raging throughout northern Ohio and over Lake Erie. The thermometer registers 16 above. In this city street car traffic is badly impeded as a result of the heavy snow drifts piled on the tracks. Trains on the trunk line railways are nearly all late.

MANY MINERS ENTOMBED.

Awful Disaster Occurs at the Braznell Coal Works Near Brownsville, Pa.

DOCTORS ARE RUSHED TO THE SCENE.

Explosion So Great That Tipple at Mouth of Mine Is Wrecked—Sixty to Seventy-Five Men in Mine—Eleven Bodies Recovered—Little Hope for Rest.

Brownsville, Pa., Dec. 25.—An explosion occurred at the Braznell coal works, four miles from here. Sixty men are reported entombed. The tipple is wrecked. Messengers have been sent here for doctors.

A Uniontown (Pa.) dispatch says 75 men were entombed and probably killed by the explosion in the Braznell mine.

Heart-Rending Scenes.

As soon as it was learned that an explosion of such force had occurred, the relatives of the entombed miners crowded around the mouth of the drift. The scenes were heart-rending to witness. Wives were crying in despair and children were weeping for their fathers.

A rescuing party immediately set to work. Volunteers were numerous and word was sent for the best mining engineers in the district.

It is thought that the road will be made into the mines in a few hours.

At present there is no idea as to what caused the disaster.

Worst Explosion Yet.

The explosion is likely the worst since the Hill mine disaster at Dunbar. The explosion was terrific, and was plainly heard at Brownsville, three miles distant. The main shaft was totally wrecked and rendered helpless. About four cages of men had gone down to work. Mr. Thomas, the cageman, on his fourth trip, went to the bottom with 14 men and gave the signal for the cage to rise when the explosion occurred. The cage was blown with terrific force to the top of the shaft, and fell to the bottom, completely blocking access to the mine. Timbers were hurled hundreds of feet, the lower ring of brick work in the air shaft was completely wrecked and had to be tunneled to get into the mine at all.

Eleven Bodies Taken Out.

Eleven men have been gotten out. One, Albert Meese, aged 14, died after reaching the air. One hand, a foot and a shoe were blown from the mine and found on top of the shaft. After tunneling the wreckage of bottom of air shaft, two men in the underground mule stable were found alive, but almost suffocated from bad air. The mine is supposed to be on fire, as a dense volume of smoke hinders the entrance of the rescue parties into the mine.

Mine Inspector Henry Louttit, of Monongahela, is on the ground, as is also Mr. Seddon, of the Albany mine, and S. H. Pearsall and James I. Thornton, of the Kob coal works.

Drs. Smith, Reichard and Shoemaker, of Brownsville, are there ready to relieve the suffering.

Rescuer Rescued.

One man of the rescue party went to the bottom of the air shaft and was brought out by a rope almost dead, so there is very little, if any, hope for the 40 or 50 men yet in the mine. The machinery is in such shape that the fan cannot be worked, which prevents forcing fresh air to the entombed men. It is thought they are all dead, as the bad air and smoke issuing from the mine indicates a terrible condition inside.

Work of Rescue Slow.

The work of rescue is necessarily slow, as the rescuers have to dig their way in to the men, so great was the force of the explosion. A thousand people are about the mouth of the mine awaiting anxiously any bit of news that may come from below, and wives, fathers, mothers and children weeping for loved ones make many pathetic scenes. One year ago just the day before Christmas a number were killed in a mine explosion at the Umpire mine, and again many homes will be saddened on Christmas day under similar circumstances.

Six Bodies Recovered.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 25.—The Stockdale company, with offices in this city, received a report from Braznell that six bodies had been recovered from the mine and that 40 men were still in the mine.

Lyncher Gets Life Sentence.

St. Louis, Dec. 25.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Palestine, Tex., says: The jury in the case of Ed Cain, charged with conspiracy in connection with the mob that lynched the three Humphreys on the night of May 23, 1899, in Henderson county, returned a verdict of guilty. Cain's punishment is fixed at life imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Given a Life Term.

Muscatine, Ia., Dec. 25.—The jury in the case of George Wright, tried in the district court for shooting Mrs. Nellie B. Crippen last July, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, fixing punishment at imprisonment for life.

Gomez Will Aid Wood.

Havana, Dec. 25.—Gen. Maximo Gomez has assured Gen. Wood that he will cooperate with him in obtaining a successful administration and in preparing Cuba for independence.

Tod Sloan Returns.

New York, Dec. 25.—Tod Sloan, the American jockey, and E. C. Bald, the professional bicycle rider, arrived Saturday on board the Cunard liner Campania from Liverpool.

THE FUNERAL SHIP.

The Texas Reaches Newport News with Bodies of the Men Who Lost Their Lives on the Maine.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 26.—The battleship Texas, in command of Capt. Sigsbee, arrived here shortly before noon Monday with the remains of the men who lost their lives by the destruction of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor. The bodies of the Maine heroes which were brought up on the Texas will be transferred to a Chesapeake & Ohio train to-day at 12 o'clock and will be taken to Washington for interment in Arlington cemetery next Thursday. The Texas left Havana last Thursday. She encountered a gale off Hatteras, but had good weather until she reached that point. Rev. Father Chidwick, who was chaplain on the Maine, is in charge of the remains of the dead heroes and will accompany them to Washington. Not more than a score of the bodies on the Texas were identified. The names of these were inscribed on the coffins which inclose their mortal remains. There were no ceremonies in honor of the arrival of the Maine's dead, but impressive exercises will take place today when the bodies are transferred from the ship to the train. The funeral train will arrive in Washington at midnight.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The remains of the dead of the battleship Maine will arrive here to-day and be interred at Arlington cemetery Thursday at 11 o'clock in the presence of President McKinley, most of the members of his cabinet and a large contingent of army and navy officers and others. The funeral rites over the dead will be performed by Chaplain Chidwick, who was attached to the Maine when she was blown up in Havana bay. The chaplain of the Naval academy will assist him. A pretty grassy knoll near where the Santiago dead rest has been selected as the final abiding place of the remains of the dead seamen. Relatives and friends have claimed 22 of the bodies and will give them private interment under an arrangement with the navy department, which has taken charge of the burial of all the bodies, either unidentified or unclaimed.

Assistant Secretary Allen, in explaining the course of the department, said:

"It is the desire of Secretary Long that the wishes of all the relatives of those who died on the Maine to give them a private burial be complied with, and Chaplain Chidwick, who superintended the disinterment of the bodies, was instructed to prepare lists of the identified remains in order that this might be done. There are 166 caskets, and many of them contain bodies which have been identified, and will be sent to those claiming them. The unidentified and unclaimed bodies will be buried at Arlington, and the graves of those identified will be marked with headstones."

THE LAWTON FUND.

Committee Desires to Have It Reach the Sum of $50,000—Of This About $30,000 Has Been Raised.

New York, Dec. 26.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: Adjt. Gen. Corbin estimates that the Lawton fund, including subscriptions received and pledged, amounts to $30,000. It has been decided by the committee having the fund in charge to have the fund reach $50,000. It was originally intended to only raise a sufficient sum to pay off the mortgage on the Lawton homestead in California, but it is now believed that the people of the country will be willing to contribute an amount which will place Mrs. Lawton and her children above want. In the mail Sunday Gen. Corbin received $3,500 in checks and cash, bringing the total amount thus far actually received up to $14,000. Telegrams have also reached Gen. Corbin from prominent persons showing that at least $16,000 more is assured, and he is satisfied that no difficulty will be experienced in bringing the total up to $50,000. Among the new contributors are William K. Vanderbilt, $1,000; J. Pierpont Morgan, $1,000; C. P. Huntington, $1,000; Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, $1,000, and Helen Gould, $500. It is the expectation of members of the committee that ten subscriptions will be received amounting to $1,000 each. Secretary Root and Adjt. Gen. Corbin sent personal appeals to 150 residents of New York, all of whom have signified their intention of making contributions. Thus far the contributions from the west have been comparatively small, but this is due to the distance. No doubt is expressed that the mail from western points, where Gen. Lawton was well known, in a few days will bring contributions which will rapidly increase the fund to the desired amount.

Must Apply to Rome.

New York, Dec. 26.—Archbishop Corrigan has transmitted to the clergy of the diocese a decree from the vatican bearing on the celebration of the jubilee of the holy year. One effect of the decree will be to make difficult the marriage of a Catholic to a Protestant by a priest in 1900. Mixed marriages, as they are commonly termed, are customarily allowed only by dispensation of the bishops, but for the holy year this power is suspended. In his circular Archbishop Corrigan says that the pope suspends special faculties to the ordinaries of dioceses, "so that, at this season particularly, Rome should be the great fountain of mercy and spiritual favors for the Catholics of the entire world."

This is understood in Catholic circles to mean that only by applying direct to Rome shall dispensations be granted during the year 1900.

Spanish War Pensions.

New York, Dec. 26.—A special to the Press from Washington says: Pension attorneys are piling up cases against the government as a result of the war with Spain. Already 25,000 applications have been filed on behalf of the soldiers of the recent war.

HIS LIFE WORK DONE.

Death of the Noted Evangelist, Dwight L. Moody.

Passes Away at His Home at East Northfield, Mass.—His Demise Brought on by Overwork.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 23.—Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, whose fame was world-wide, died at his home here at noon Friday. His family were gathered at his bedside and the dying man's last moments were spent in comforting them. Early in the day Mr. Moody realized that the end was not far off and talked with his family at intervals, being conscious to the last except for a few fainting spells.

As the noonday hour drew near the watchers at the bedside noted the approach of death. Several times his

EVANGELIST DWIGHT L. MOODY.

lips moved as if in prayer, but the articulation was so faint that the words could not be heard. Just as death came, Mr. Moody awoke, as if from slumber, and said, with much joyousness: "I see earth receding; Heaven is opening; God is calling me," and a moment later he expired.

General Breaking Down.

The death of Mr. Moody was not unexpected, although his temporary recovery from illness was hoped for by his relatives and friends. The cause of his death was a general breaking down of his health, due to overwork. His constitution was that of an exceedingly strong man, but his untiring labors had gradually undermined his vitality until that most delicate of organs, the heart, showed signs of weakness.

Sankey Greatly Affected.

New York, Dec. 23.—Ira D. Sankey, who for 27 years was associated in evangelistic work with Mr. Moody, was greatly affected at the news of his death. To a reporter Mr. Sankey told of his work with Mr. Moody from the time they first met, of their tour through England in 1873 and of their preaching and singing in the United States. "You may say," said Mr. Sankey, "that in the death of Mr. Moody the world has lost one of the greatest and noblest men of the age. I have labored with him for the last 27 years, traveling with him by land and sea, and a nobler, braver and wiser soul I never knew. I can apply Prof. Henry Drummond's remark of a friend: 'D. L. Moody was the greatest human I ever met.'"

Slips Into the Sea.

Rome, Dec. 23.—A terrible disaster took place Friday afternoon at Amalfi, the popular tourist resort on the Gulf of Salerno. About two o'clock an enormous rock, upon which stood the Cappuccini hotel, slid bodily into the sea with a deafening roar and without a moment's warning, carrying with it the hotel, the old Capuchin monastery below, the Hotel Santa Calerina and several villas. Many people were buried in the debris, which crushed four vessels to the bottom of the sea, destroying their crews. The mass of earth which slipped was about 50,000 cubic yards.

Mrs. Sanderson Acquitted.

Marshall, Mich., Dec. 23.—The case of Mrs. Sanderson, charged with attempting to murder her aged husband by feeding him ground glass in his oatmeal, went to the jury Friday evening. Mrs. Sanderson's trial has been in progress for the past two weeks.

Just at the stroke of 12 the jury entered the courtroom and returned a verdict of not guilty.

Calls National Convention.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The American Political league has issued a call for a national convention for the nomination of candidates for president and vice president of the United States, to be held in Boston July 4, 1900. The councils of each state are directed to appoint two delegates at large.

Immigration Heavy.

New York, Dec. 21.—Immigration continues to be unusually heavy for this time of year. For the month of November 26,460 immigrants came to this port, as compared with 18,196 during the same month last year.

Found Dead.

Burlington, Ia., Dec. 23.—Dr. William H. Davis, for 48 years a leading physician in Burlington, was found dead in bed Friday morning. Old age was the cause.

Adjourns for the Holidays.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The holiday recess began yesterday, both branches of congress adjourning. The sessions will be resumed on Wednesday, January 3, 1900.

Has Passed Away.

London, Dec. 23.—The duke of Westminster is dead.

MINNESOTA NEWS.

Farmers Are Interested.

The farmers' institute just brought to a close, at Fergus Falls, has aroused a good deal of interest in a number of farming operations which are now being successfully carried on in many places, but have never yet been tried here. Perhaps the most important of these is the plan of raising wheat and flax together. Representative Bush, of Olmsted county, who was one of the instructors at the institute, dwelt at great length on this plan, which, he says, is proving very profitable in the southern part of the state. The plan of sowing flax with the wheat was first adopted in order to keep the cinch bugs out of the latter grain. This proved effective and it was soon discovered that the plan had numerous other advantages. It was found that it had a tendency to keep the wheat from lodging and that both grains were improved by being grown together. Mr. Bush recommends that two parts of wheat to one of flax be sown. This plan will produce a crop of about 45 per cent of flax of superior quality. The two grains are harvested and threshed together and then easily separated by a flax cleaning machine. A great many farmers here contemplate trying the new plan next summer.

Cycle Paths All Right.

In a decision handed down by Judge Canty it is held that the commissioners of Henepin county have not only the right to segregate a part of a highway and improve it as a cycle path, but they have a right to protect it from use by those other than cyclists.

The court, in a test case brought in the district court of Hennepin county, decides that the party against whom the charge of violating the ordinance, which prohibits the driving of teams across the path, can be properly prosecuted, as the law is constitutional, but in the particular case at issue there was a flaw in the indictment. The court therefore grants a new trial.

The case is of interest to wheelmen generally as it involves the question of the board's right to set aside part of a highway for cyclists, and decides that as it has that power the ordinance which protects the path from trespassers, is valid.

Carnival at the Capital.

The St. Paul carnival will be held during the first and second weeks in February, the directors of the association having decided that the dates should be Feb. 3 to 10, both inclusive. This will make the opening date Saturday, and bring the close on a week from the following Monday.

Incidental to the fixing of the date it was also practically arranged yesterday that the annual meeting of the Farmers' Alliance Association will take place during carnival week, and the championship meeting of the National Amateur Skating Association will also be held.

Last year the state grain growers' convention was held in St. Paul, and arrangements were made for the national convention to be held there the coming year. J. C. Hanley, secretary of the grain growers, who is also secretary of the National Farmers' Alliance, yesterday notified the secretary that if the carnival association would announce the carnival date he would arrange his dates in accordance.

Two Men Shot.

The Palace saloon, in Moorhead, was robbed and the burglary was traced to two men who were located in a cheap lodging-house in Fargo. Chief Murphy, with two Moorhead citizens, went across and without consulting the local police, arrested the suspects and started over the bridge into Minnesota.

One man, known as Collins, who was in personal charge of the chief, resisted on the bridge and refused to go further. Pulling a gun he shot Murphy through the abdomen.

After firing he started to run, but was tripped by W. T. Larrabee. In the fall Collins lost possession of the revolver, which Chief Murphy caught up and fired a shot into the burglar's head as he lay on the sidewalk. Both men were taken to Dr. Larrow's hospital in Moorhead.

Murphy's injuries are said to be of a very serious nature, as it is thought several intestines were cut by the bullet.

Souvenirs for President McKinley.

President McKinley and members of his cabinet will receive as a New Year's gift from Minneapolis beautiful souveneirs of the home coming of the 13th regiment. At the time President McKinley was here he expressed admiration for the many and beautiful souveneirs that he saw. J. F. Calderwood and members of the committee have secured the different badges, and these are being gotten together in unique book form. The front cover of the book will bear the inscription "Welcome Home of the Thirteenth Minnesota Infantry of Volunteers, Oct. 12th, 1899." Miss Pauline Kruger is carrying out the ideas of the committee.

News in Brief.

Contractors working on the piers for the new Wabasha street bridge, St. Paul, are disturbed over the slight rise in the river, an unusual thing in December.

W. S. Tuttle has received the appointment of engineer for the Hastings asylum.

Several drug store employes at Fertile have been indicted for selling liquor illegally.

The proposition to bond the town of Slayton for $20,000 for electric lights and waterworks was defeated fully two to one.

FUNNY FOLKS

Chance to Begin Training.

"Jack," asked the father, "are you going in for any of the school sports this year?"

"Yes, daddy," replied the unsuspecting boy. "I'm going to try for the mile race."

"Good," returned his father. "I have a letter to be posted, and it's about a mile to the post office and back. Let me see what time you can do it in."—Stray Stories.

Too Small.

In my hand a small hand rested,
Small and fair.
Light my fingers firm did hold it,
Light as air.
Then I dropped it, for 'twas only
Just two pair.
—Harlem Life.

AN EXPLANATION.

Rasmus—Say! granmammy, what makes de moon shine so bright sometimes, while some nights is so dark?

Granmammy—Well, chile, I reckon dat de good Lawd made dem dark nights so dat poor colored folks kin have chicken dinner 'ithout de formality ob payin' foh de chicken.—N. Y. World.

Meandering Mike's Dilemma.

Is it wuth while—dese questions fill
Dis life wit doubts on every hand—
To walk down south to shun de chill
When dere's a good, warm jail at hand.
—Washington Star.

Had Done Well.

"Well, when I die I shall at least have the consolation of knowing that I have made one person supremely happy."

"How did you do it?"

"Gave Miss Flasherleigh a chance to decline a proposal of marriage from me."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Self-Evident.

"What is the title of your essay?" asked the kind father.

"The Value of Time."

"I'm afraid it won't do. Anybody with a proper comprehension of that topic would know better than to sit down and write essays about it.—Washington Star.

Experience with an Amateur.

"Cease, cease your flattery," she cried,
"I'll hear no more of it!"
And then she sat and sadly sighed,
And wondered why he quit.
—Chicago Times-Herald.

A POLITE DEBTOR.

"What can I do for you, sir? Won't you take a chair?"

"Thank you, I think I'll take all the furniture—you see, I'm a constable, and I've an attachment to serve!"—Unsere Gesellschaft.

The Cure.

Weary of life, she yearned to die.
Why live and with each moment sigh?
Home came her new frock—just the style—
Her exit is postponed awhile.
—Chicago Record.

An Attack of Conscience.

Coal Dealer—We'll have to stop mixing slate and stones and old iron and things with our coal.

Yard Man—Phwat's th' matther, sor?

Coal Dealer—The stuff won't burn, and one ton lasts a customer all winter. —N. Y. Weekly.

A Clinching Argument.

Wife—Now, John, you know very well that if I don't get that bonnet I shall cry and worry myself into an attack of nervous prostration, and the doctor's bill will be ten times the price of the bonnet.—N. Y. Journal.

The Chief Offense.

"'Tis bad to bet," the wise ones sing.
Yet faults men oft excuse.
There are degrees to everything.
It's worse to bet and lose.
—Washington Star.

Smokeless Tobacco.

"You haven't any smokeless tobacco, have you?" asked the smart young man.

"Lots of it," said the matter-of-fact tobacconist, producing a bag of snuff. "How much do you want?"—Answers.

Those Black Feathers.

"Nan, how does my hat compare with Kitty's?"

"Yours looks more like a hearse coming around the corner than hers does." —Chicago Record.

Charity.

"My wedding presents were splendid," the sweet young bride was saying, "particularly the silver service from the Astorbilts. Wasn't it good of them?"

"Indeed, it was, dear," replied her best friend; "but, then you know, they always were charitable." — Catholic Standard and Times.

Adulteration No Advantage.

Customer—You sell these cigars for a dollar a box? How do I know they are not made of cabbage leaves?

Dealer—I'll be honest with you, mister. Where these cigars come from they can raise tobacco a little cheaper than they can raise cabbage. If it wasn't for that I couldn't guarantee them, sir.—Chicago Tribune.

Observing Little Mortal.

"When I grow up," she said, with conviction, "I intend to have a good time."

"Oh, do you?" returned her elder sister, inquiringly.

"Yes, I do," was the reply. "I know just what I'm going to be."

"And what do you intend to be?"

"A widow," answered the observing little one.—Chicago Post.

His Own Opinion.

"A great many men are never taken at their true value," said the philosopher.

"That's right," answered Senator Sorghum. "I have seen the littlest men in the legislature hold out successfully for the biggest figures."—Washington Star.

Cur Ridet.

"I'm in favor of trusts, and I hope they may win,"
Said the poor little much-abused pup;
"For the one that's controlling the output of tin
Keeps the price of tin cans away up."
—Catholic Standard and Times.

AT BOARDING SCHOOL.

Teacher—Elsie, what is a volcano?

Elsie—Something you feel in your heart!—Fliegende Blatter.

An Earnest Seeker.

"Man proposes"—began the parson
But a spinster waved her fan,
And the congregation giggled when
She inquired: "Where is the man?"
—Chicago Daily News.

How She Knew.

"Poor thing!" exclaimed one young woman at the theater. "That girl is beautiful, but she is very deaf."

"How do you know?"

"She has sat all through this French farce without blushing once." —Washington Star.

Not Easy to Tell.

"Miss Nixy told me always to ring her doorbell twice."

"She must think a good deal of you to honor you with such a friendly arrangement."

"I don't know; maybe she wants a chance to escape."—Chicago Record.

Never Satisfied.

Oletimer—Why don't you get married?

Bachelor—I'm afraid I couldn't support a wife in the way she would like.

Oletimer—Don't let that stop you. It would be just the same if you were worth ten millions.—Puck.

A Love-Test.

Darling, my love grows day by day,
I hope and pray it ever will;
I've heard you sing; I've heard you play—
Yet spite of that I love you still.
—Judge.

AN ACCOMMODATING HEAD.

Hatter—What size hat do you wear?

O'Toole—Any size from a five to a tin. —Chicago Daily News.

A Myth.

A poet scribbles verses,
An artist draws some curves;—
That's all that really happens
When Alice cans preserves.
—Puck.

Reporting Progress.

Police Captain—Did you catch that murderer last night?

Detective—No; but I dreamt that I had a clew.—N. Y. Weekly.

In the Good Old Way.

Wabash—Poor old Mr. Casey was driven to his grave.

Talmage—How?

Wabash—In a hearse.—Harlem Life.

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PINE CITY, MINN., DEC. 29, 1899

The Pine County Pioneer is fifteen years old and still growing in health and prosperity.—Rush City Post.

Within the past two weeks 50,000 to 100,000 men employed in various industries in the East have had their wages raised ten per cent.

Editor Mitchell, of the Alexandria Post News, says:

"When the Minneapolis preacher prayed that our soldiers might not have success but might be brought home safe, he proved himself a worthy anti. It is a brilliant sample of their logic. When two armies are fighting, the one that does not succeed is usually brought home 'safe'."

The encouragers and supporters in this country of Aguinaldo have won another victory. The Minnesota anti-expansionists who pray for the success of the Filipino arms at their public meetings have had their prayers answered. By the side of John A. Logan lies the dead body of Maj. Gen. Henry W. Lawton, one of the bravest and the most popular soldier in the Philippines. Indeed, Filipino bullets are doing their deadly work.

Martin E. Tew was a private in the famous 13th, was special correspondent of the Minneapolis Times; was made a lieutenant by Gov. Lind (what for we never found out;) came to San Francisco an expansionist, but has now developed 'anti' sentiments and calls our soldiers 'ruffians and freebooters.' Gov. Lind pats him on the back and says it is a great pleasure to him to hear such sentiments. Draw your own conclusions.—Fairmont News.

Keener sarcasm than what is contained in the following from Ex-Senator Fuller's paper, the Little Falls Transcript is hard to find:

"Gen. Pope is engaged in checking over Warden Wolfer's books at the Stillwater prison. If Wolfer has taken and retained any of the public funds for private use Pope will know just how to detect the crime. He would probably then insist that Wolfer retain the office, on the ground that no guilty man should resign."

There is strong talk in Washington now of a Minnesota candidate for president in 1904, and that man is Cushman K. Davis. Not only do all the Minnesotans in the capital city, official and otherwise, agree that he would be an admirable candidate, but hosts of admiring citizens of the nation agree with him. Mr. Davis has shown himself not only able and willing, but a man of the times and the great northwest would rally for him to a man, says the Benson Times.

After the memorable anti-imperialist meeting was held in Minneapolis, at which Rev. Mr. Riley made himself famous by praying for the success of Filipino arms, and the press of the state spoke in thunder tones in condemnation of the proceedings, even Gov. Lind, who was one of the dignitaries at that meeting, perceived that the heathen temple of anti-expansion was falling. He took the earliest opportunity to clear himself, first of Mr. Riley's prayer, and then of all other responsibility in connection with the meeting. A few days afterwards a Democratic organ came out with a leading editorial and claimed that Lind was not an anti-expansionist and at the same time repudiated the stand which it had taken itself upon a hundred occasions. If you want consistency you may find it in big chunks wherever there is a con-fusionist who wants to run for office at the next election.

Minnesota is well represented in congress and the influence of our members there made itself felt at the very opening. Those who participate in the debate on the currency bill, Messrs. McCleary and Morris, won the hearty approval of public and press while those who did not make speeches made themselves felt in other ways. This is shown by the important committee appointments [illegible] ... to the North Star state. There are several reasons why the Minnesota delegation is recognized in Washington. In the first place all its members are old and experienced in national legislation while yet they are young and energetic and ambitious. Another reason is that the whole delegation is republican which gives them unitedly an influence which they could otherwise never hope to exercise. In the senate our members are leaders. Senator Davis is an acknowledged authority on international affairs while Knute Nelson has no superior as a practical man of keen insight into the needs of the American people in general and the people of Minnesota and the Northwest in particular.

1899 Will Soon be Gone.

1900 is at hand, have you made up your mind to what resolutions you are going to make? If you have, see that they are ones that can be kept, do not make so many that you cannot keep them all, one resolution made and kept, is better than a dozen made and broken. How about those you made January 1st 1899? Did you keep any of them? And are you benefited thereby.

Our little village is full of good people and undoubtedly do not need any good resolutions. One resolution that our business men should make that would be a good one, is to pledge themselves not to allow one dollar to leave this town if enterprise, push, low prices and a good market would keep it here. They can do it we are sure, as they have made a good start during the past year and can make greater strides in the year to come by using a little more push and energy, and keeping in touch with the markets of the four great cities of the Northwest. There is not a thing that a farmer raises but what could be handled from this place, and we are pleased to say that more business has been done here during the past year with the farmer than ever before, and it will not be long before the farmer can come to this village with anything he has to place on the market and find a ready buyer. There is one thing that the farmers must get out of their heads, and that is, that they are not doing the merchants a favor by coming to this village with their produce, and not want more for it than the market price as a large number of them are doing at the present time. One new comer here asked us if we always had to give our farmers a premium to get them to bring their produce to our village? It has always seemed that way to us, from personal experience, but we are pleased to say that most of our new settlers have come from places where they knew how to deal with the merchants, and the old settlers will have to get in line or be left behind in the rapid progress our county is making.

During the year that is past our village and county has enjoyed a year of prosperity and progress. And we predict that it is but a drop in the bucket to what the coming year will see unless something unforeseen happens, and when January 1st, 1901 comes we can look back with pride on the progress made during 1900.

The Pioneer wishes its many readers and friends a prosperous and happy New Year.

Blaze At Mora.

A serious fire occurred in the village of Mora about 2 o'clock Tuesday morning, causing a loss of about $15,000. The whole business portion of the village narrowly escaped disaster. The fire started in the general store of Oscar Sundin, burning it to the ground with contents. The flames spread to the Serline block, totally consuming it with the furniture store of R. W. Safford. County Treasurer Serline and family, on the second floor, escaped but their entire household goods were lost. The new postoffice building was reduced to ashes, but everything pertaining to the postoffice was saved. The postoffice has been opened in the old Nyquist saloon building for the present.

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Get Dr. Miles' Laxative Cold Cure.

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure.

Default having been made in the conditions of a mortgage dated October 25th, 1891, made and delivered by Mary Sexton and John Sexton, her husband, mortgagors, to John Y. Breckenridge, Guardian of minor children of Hugh Cox, deceased, mortgagee and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Pine County, Minnesota, on the 26th, day of October 1891, at 11 o'clock a. m., in Book "D" of Mortgages, on page [illegible], etc., on which there is claimed to be due and is due at the date of this notice the sum of Four hundred and Twenty and twenty-one one-hundredths dollars ($420.21) principal and interest, and the sum of three (3) dollars paid by said mortgagee for [illegible] ... hereinafter described, and no action or proceeding at law or otherwise having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now Therefore, notice is hereby given, that pursuant to a power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed and the following premises described in, and covered by said mortgage and lying and being in the County of Pine and State of Minnesota, to-wit: All that part of Lot seven (7), in Section thirty-three (33), in Township thirty-nine (39) Range twenty-one (21), lying east of the Chengwatana road, south of Eighth avenue in the Village of Pine City, and west of a certain small creek connecting Cross lake with small lake south of Cross lake, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder therefor for cash, by the sheriff of said Pine county, at the front entrance of the Court House, at Pine City, in said County and State, on the 22nd, day of January 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day to satisfy the amount which shall then be due on said mortgage, with the interest thereon, and insurance paid as above stated, and costs and disbursements allowed by law and twenty-five dollars ($25.00) Attorney's fees, as stipulated in said mortgage in case of foreclosure.

Dated December, 8th, A. D. 1899.

John Y. Breckenridge,
Guardian of minor children
of Hugh Cox, deceased.
Mortgagee.

S. G. L. Roberts,
Attorney for Mortgagee.
Pine City, Minnesota.

First publication Dec. 22, '99, 14

Order for Hearing on Claims, Etc.

State of Minnesota, County of Pine. } ss

In Probate Court, Special Term, Dec. 18, 1899

In the Matter of the estate of Samuel V. Merrick, deceased.

Letters of Administration with the will annexed on the estate of Samuel V. Merrick deceased, late of the City and County of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, being granted to S. G. L. Roberts, of the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, and said administrator having made and filed in this court proper proof by affidavit that there are no debts against said estate.

It is Ordered, That three months be and the same is hereby allowed from and after the date of this order, in which all persons having claims or demands against the said deceased are required to file the same in the Probate Court of said County, for examination and allowance, or be forever barred.

It is Further Ordered, That the 19th, day of January 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m., at a Special term of said Probate Court, to be held at the Probate Office in the Court house in the Village of Pine City, in said county, be and the same hereby is appointed as the time and place when and where the said Probate court will examine and adjust said claims and demands.

And it is further ordered, That notice of such hearing be given to all creditors and persons interested in said estate, by forthwith publishing this order once in each week for three successive weeks in the Pine County Pioneer, a weekly newspaper printed and published in said county.

Dated at Pine City this 18th day of December, A. D. 1899.

By the Court,
[Seal.] E. VEENHOVEN,
Judge of Probate

Order for Hearing and Notice of Application for Appointment of Administrator.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, County of Pine. } ss

In Probate Court, Special Term, Nov. 23, 1899

In the Matter of the estate of Charles Rabsteinek, deceased.

On receiving and filing the petition of Thomas L. Rabsteinek of the County of Pine representing, among other things, that Charles Rabsteinek late of the County of Pine in the state of Minnesota, on the 18th day of November A. D. 1899, at the County of Pine died intestate, and being an inhabitant of this county at the time of his death, leaving goods, chattels and estate within this county, and that the said petitioner is the son of said deceased, and praying that administration of said estate be to him the said Thomas L. Rabsteinek granted.

It is Ordered, That said petition be heard before this court, on Monday the 18th day of December A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the probate office, in the court house in the village of Pine City in said county.

Ordered further: That notice thereof be given to the heirs of said deceased, and to all persons interested, by publishing this order once in each week for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing in the Pine County Pioneer, a weekly newspaper printed and published at Pine City, in said County.

Dated at Pine City the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1899.

By the Court,
[Seal.] E. VEENHOVEN,
Judge of Probate.

First publication Dec. 8 1899.

Order for Hearing Upon Petition For Determination of Descent of Land---Law of 1897.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, County of Pine. } ss

In Probate Court, Special Term.

In The Matter of The Estate of Chauncey L. Highbee deceased.

The Petition of C. J. Soderberg having been duly made and filed in this Court, representing among other things that one Chauncey L. Highbee who resided last prior to his death at Pittsfield, Pike County, in the State of Illinois, died intestate at Pittsfield in the County of Pike, State of Illinois, on the 7th, day of December 1884 seized of an estate of inheritance in certain lands in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, described in said petition, and that more than five years have elapsed since the death of said Chauncey L. Highbee deceased, and that administration has not been granted or had of said estate in this State, and praying that the descent of said lands be by this Court determined, and said lands assigned to such persons as may be entitled thereto by law.

Now, Therefore, It is ordered that the said petition be heard at a term of this Court to be held at the Court House, in the Village of Pine City in said County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on Saturday the 30th, day of December A. D. 1899.

It is Further Ordered, That notice of said hearing of said petition be given by the publication of this order for three successive weeks in the Pine County Pioneer, a weekly newspaper printed and published in said Village of Pine City, County of Pine and State of Minnesota.

Dated December 4th 1899.

E. VEENHOVEN,
[SEAL.] Judge of Probate.

An Extraordinary Chance for a Bright Man to Secure a Steady Position the Year Around in Pine City and Vicinity.

Dear Editor:—We want a clothing salesman to take orders for our men's custom made-to-measure suits, pants, overcoats and ulsters in Pine City, and adjoining towns and country. Any good, bright man, especially if he has had experience as a salesman in a store, agricultural implement house or where he has come in contact with people, as solicitor for tailoring, insurance, nursery stock or other goods, can make big money with our line the year around, but any good, bright man, even without previous experience, can make $150.00 a month and expenses with the big outfit we furnish him and the opportunity we give him if he will devote his time to the work; or, if we can get a good man in Pine City whose time is partly taken up with other work and who can devote his spare time to our line even if only an hour or so a day, he will do exceedingly well with our agency. We have men in real estate, loan, legal, lumber, grain, railroad, express and other business who give their spare time to our line with big results. No experience is absolutely necessary, no capital required. We furnish a complete line of cloth samples and stationery; have no commission plan, no house-to-house canvas, no catchy conditions, but offer a rare opportunity for some man in this vicinity to secure high grade employment at big wages.

We are the largest tailors in America. We make to measure over 30,000 suits annually. We occupy entire one of the largest business blocks in Chicago. We refer to the Corn Exchange National Bank in Chicago, any express or railroad company in Chicago, or any resident of this city. We buy our cloth direct from the largest European and American mills, we operate the most extensive and economic custom tailoring plant in existence, and we reduce the price of made-to-measure suits and overcoats to from $5.00 to $18.00 (mostly $5.00 to $10.00), prices so low that nearly everybody will be glad to have their garments made-to-measure, and will give our agent their orders.

We will furnish a good agent a large and handsomely bound book containing large cloth samples of our entire line of suits, pantaloons, overcoats, etc., a book which costs us several dollars; also fine colored fashion plates, tape measure, business cards, stationery, advertising matter and a rubber stamp with name and adress and pad complete, also an instruction book which makes it easy for anyone to take orders and conduct a profitable business. We will also furnish net confidential price list. Agent can take orders and send them to us and we will make the garments within five days and send direct to agent's customer by express C. O. D. subject to examination and approval, collect the agent's full selling price and every week we will send the agent our check for all his profits. The agent need collect no money and deliver no goods, simply go on taking orders at a liberal profit. We deliver the goods, collect all the money and every week promptly send him in one round check his full profit for the week, and nearly all our agents get a check from us of at least $40.00 every week of the year.

We will make no charge for the book and complete outfit, but, as the outfit costs us several dollars, it is necessary to protect ourselves against anyone who would impose upon us by sending for the outfit with no intention of working, but merely out of idle curiosity, therefore, we will ask as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the reader who decides to take up this work, that he cut this article out and mail to us, with the understanding that the big book and complete outfit will be sent to him by express, he to pay the express agent $1.00 and express charges for the outfit, with the distinct understanding that we will refund the $1.00 as soon as his orders have amounted to $25.00, which amount of orders he can take the very first day.

Don't compare this with any catchy offers made to get your $1.00. The genuineness of our offer and our reliability are proven by the bank reference referred to above, or you can easily find out by writing to anyone in Chicago to call on us.

This is a rare chance for some man in Pine City or vicinity to take up a work at once that with reasonable effort on his part is sure to net him from $5.00 to $10.00 a day from the start, and we trust that from among your many readers we will be able to get a few good representatives in Pine City and adjoining towns.

Cut this notice out and mail to the AMERICAN WOOLEN MIELS CO., West Side Enterprise Building, Chicago, Ill., and the book and agent's complete outfit will be sent to you at once, you to pay $1.00 and express charges when received, the $1.00 to be returned to you when your orders amount to $25.00.

COUNTY DIRECTORY.

SCHOOL CLERKS OF PINE CO.

Dist. No.	Name	Postoffice
1	John F. Holler,	Pine City.
2	J. M. Currie,	Hinckley.
3	P. Knudsen,	Pine City.
4	Olof Erickson,	Rock Creek.
5	Angus Gunn,	Sandstone.
6	T. J. Brennan,	Rutledge.
7	J. P. Davis,	Pine City.
8	Adolph Anderson,	Mission Creek.
9	W. E. Smith,	Pine City.
10	Adam Johnson,	Rock Creek.
11	O. A. Nelson,	Sturgeon Lake.
12	Mats Peterson,	Rock Creek.
13	Geo. L. Stevens,	Rock Creek.
14	Andrew Nordquist,	Danewood.
15	J. E. Bjorkman,	Pine City.
16	J. D. Wilkes,	Sturgeon Lake.
17	Henry Studt,	Rush City.
18	A. Gilberg,	Kerrick.
19	Chas. Upgren,	Sturgeon Lake.
20	J. F. Wilkins,	Finlayson.
21	D. H. Driscoll,	Willow River.
22	August Asmus,	Pine City.
23	John N. Peterson,	Rush City.
24	W. H. Davenport,	Brook Park.
25	J. B. Butler,	Beroun.
26	F. R. Shelorgen,	Willow River.
27	Peter Overum,	Sturgeon Lake.
28	Wm. Nicholl,	Pine City.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Auditor	Douglas Greeley
Treasurer	G. J. Albrecht
Register of Deeds	James Wandel
Clerk of Court	H. J. Rath
Judge of Probate	E. Veenhoven
Sheriff	R. J. Hawley
Attorney	R. C. Saunders
Coroner	Dr. R. L. Wiseman
Court Commissioner	J. P. Stone
Sup't of Schools	Robt. Blankenship
Surveyor	Frank Brockett

Commissioners—Angus Gunn, chairman; Frank Chmielewski, R. C. Simmons, Otto Kowalke, O. B. Whitney.

PINE CITY DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Services every Sunday morning at 10:30; evening at 7:45. Everybody invited.
REV. H. TAYLOR, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Services every Sunday. Morning at 10:30; evening at 7:30. Everybody is cordially invited.
REV. P. KNUDSEN, Pastor.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST.—Regular services every Sabbath. Sabbath school at 11 o'clock a. m. Other services immediately following. No regular pastor.

GERMAN EV. LUTHERAN.—Services every alternate Sunday at 10 a. m. Evening services every third Sunday in the month at 7:30 p. m. Ladies' Society last Sunday in each month at 2:30 p.m.
C. ABEL, Pastor

ST. MARY'S CHURCH—Services each Sunday. Low Mass at 8 o'clock a. m. and High Mass at 10:30 a. m. with the exception of High Mass on every fourth Sunday at St. Joseph's church, Beroun. Sunday school at 2 o'clock p. m. Evening and week day services according to announcement.
REV. T. L. RABSTEINEK Priest.

SOCIETIES.

LAKE TENT NO. 83, K. O. T. M.—Meets on first and third Tuesdays of each month. All visiting brothers are welcome.
A. E. WEBBER, Com.
R. L. WISEMAN, R. K.

POKEGAMA LODGE NO. 77, K. OF P.—Meets every Wednesday evening in Herzenecker's hall. Visiting Knights are welcome.
D. GREELEY, C. C.
A. H. LAMBERT, K. R. & S.

PINE CITY LODGE 167, A. O. U. W.—Meets on second and fourth Saturdays of each month in Helzenecker's hall. All visiting Workmen are welcome.
A. H. LAMBERT, W. M.
H. J. RATH, Recorder.

PINE CITY CAMP NO. 3179, M. W. A.—Meets on the first and third Saturday evenings of each month in Kowalke's Hall. Visiting Neighbors always welcome.
W. J. GOTTRY, C.
R. L. WISEMAN, Clerk.

TEUTONIA AID SOCIETY.—Meets on the last Saturday evening of each month, in Kowalke's hall.
CHRIS. VOSS, Pres.
FRANK GOLTZ, Sec.

B. F. DAVIS POST 137, G. A. R.—Meets on the first Monday of each month, in G. A. R. hall.
ROBT. GREIG, Com.
J. F. STONE, Adjutant.

RIVERSIDE CIRCLE, LADIES OF THE G. A. R.—Meets in G. A. R. hall on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.
MRS. SARAH WILCOX, President.
MRS. NETTIE MILLER, Secretary.

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PINE COUNTY PIONEER

TERMS: $1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

PINE CITY, MINN., DEC. 29, 1899

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS.

Local Chips Picked up Around Town and Shavings Clipped From Our Exchanges.

—Go to Madden's for your oatmeal.

—Step in and see those reefers at Vaughan's.

—Matz Peterson of Royalton did business in Pine City last Saturday.

—Notice the "Hub" advertisement this week.

—Sheriff Hawley transacted business in Sandstone Thursday.

—Don't forget to call at Carlson's when at Rush City.

—German School reopens second Tuesday evening in January.

—Have you seen that line of men's sweaters at Vaughn's?

Landlord Ingraham and wife are at Menominee Wis. this week.

—Enterprising people advertise in the PIONEER. Try it.

—Now that the cold weather has come all that is needed is snow to make winter complete.

Farm wanted—Send full particulars, price etc., at once. A. H. Russel, Akron, O.

—Dr. Wiseman spent Christmas under the parental roof at Merriam Park.

—People having cattle or hogs to sell, can always get the full market value from me. J. J. MADDEN.

—Attorney Poferl transacted legal business in St. Paul Tuesday and Wednesday.

—Christmas passed off very quietly in this place no disturbance of any kind being made.

—Remember when in need of job work, that the PIONEER competes with the cities.

—Services at the Lutheran church Sunday evening and New Year's morning.

—Have you seen those vestee suits for children at Vaughan's?

—You always get good flour at Madden's.

—Miss Amber Rice, who has been spending the past two or three weeks in Minneapolis, came home on Saturday morning.

—Money to patent good ideas may be secured by our aid. Address THE PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md.

—Keep your boys warm with one of those fine sweaters at Vaughan's.

—J. J. Madden and Miss Dodo McLaughlin took in the Opera at St. Paul, Saturday evening, returning on the night train.

—Holiday goods, Wines, Liquors etc., at wholesale prices at J. Hetzenecker's.

—Frank Putman and family arrived here from Dickens Iowa, last Wednesday and will this his future home.

—The play in course of preparation by local talent, will be presented about January 12th.

Jos. Thomas and A. Morriset laid aside the compass and "Jacob staff" long enough to spend Christmas day at home.

—Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schleusner, spent Christmas at Little Falls with relatives and friends.

For Sale—A good farm of 227 acres within one mile of this village. A snap for some one—Enquire at this office for particulars.

—Positively the finest line of men's and boy's clothing between the four big cities at Vaughan's.

—Miss Georgia Buttrick is advertising a clearing out sale on millinery and fancy articles, to continue until Jan. 1st.

—John M. Ingraham, wife and son Grant, departed on Saturday for Menominee, Wis., to spend the holidays and attend to some business matters.

—The best assortment of mens shoes and rubbers ever brought to this place, at Vaughan's.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Slipka, of Minneapolis, came up on Saturday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Slipka's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stochl.

—Sleep warm and comfortable during the long cold winter, in one of those fine night shirts at J. D. Vaughan's.

—Riverside Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., will meet at the home of Mrs. F. A. Hodge, Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 9th, at two o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

—Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Stephan, of Hinckley spent Christmas in town.

—The "Hub" the new Rush City clothing store, is right in line with new goods and right prices.

—The week of prayer is being this week observed in the Adventist church.

—Come in and look over our line of ladies' and misses wool underwear and hosiery, at Vaughan's.

—Frank Brackett came down from Cloquet to spend Christmas with his family.

—G. A. Carlson, the Rush City clothing merchant, is offering some nice bargains in clothing and gents furnishing goods, give him a call when in Rush City.

—John Chalupsky and wife, of Beroun, spent Christmas with Mrs. Chalupsky's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kothera.

—In another column we publish an "Ad" from the Burlington Northern, in which they offer to send a map of the United States, printed in four colors, mounted on a roller, for the small sum of 15 cents. Read the "ad." and act accordingly.

—Miss Louse Brackett finished a very successful term of school in the southwestern part of the county, on Friday last.

—Beginning Monday I will have a clearing out sale of everything in my store, which will continue until January 1st. Special prices on ribbons and trimmed hats. Call and see me, GEORGIA BUTTRICK, Pine City, Minn.

—Miss Maud Brackett came down from Mora the latter part of last week to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

—Melzer Brackett, who is working in the woods for M. H. Nason near Rutledge, spent Xmas at his home in this village. He returned to camp on Monday night.

—For Battenberg lace, embroidered centerpieces, and doilies, sofa and pin cushions, photo frames, table covers, children hoods and bootees; machine needles, notions, silk, wools, linens, cottons etc., for all kinds of hand work call on SUSAN SHEARER.

—Mrs. R. J. Gilmore and children, of St. Paul, arrived in this place the latter part of last week to spend the holidays with Mrs. Gilmore's parents Mr. and Mrs. Furstenburg.

—Mr. and Mrs. Norris Atchinson, of St. Paul, came up on the night train Saturday to spend Christmas at the residence of Mrs. Atchinson's parents Rev. H. Taylor and wife.

—Miss Alvina Brandes returned the first of the week from Mora, where she has been spending the past few weeks visiting with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Staples.

—How many of our little folk saw Santa Claus on Christmas? He was at almost every house in the village, and if he did not stop at yours there must be some mistake.

—Arthur Brandes, who has been at North Branch for the past few months, with his brother Emil, came up on Christmas to spend a week visiting relatives and friends.

—Jos. Thomas who is at work for the St. Paul & Duluth railroad company, spent Christmas shaking hands with old friends. He departed for the north on the two o'clock train Monday night.

—Miss Vernie Griffith arrived home from Kerrick on Saturday to remain until the spring term of school, when she will return to Kerrick, having secured the school for another term at an increase in wages.

—Paul A. Tomeheck, our new merchant departed on Tuesday noon for cities below to purchase a large stock of dry goods, notions and ladies and gents furnishing goods. He expects to be away until tomorrow. Miss Alice Brandes has charge of the store during Mr. Tomeheck's absence.

—Will Lambert, who spent Christmas in this place, departed for Duluth on Tuesday's limited, where he has a position as book-keeper for the hardware firm of Welland & Wade. Will has made Duluth his home for the past two years and says he has a good position, but is always glad when he can get down home.

—G. A. Carlson, of Rush City, has the largest and finest stock of Clothing, Dress Goods, Ladies' and Gent's Furnishings, Carpets, Rugs, and in fact everything that comprises a first-class dry goods stock, which he is selling at great bargains. Do not go to the cities to buy before you look over his stock and get prices.

—Dance tonight. Don't miss it.

—If the chicken thief could be caught hanging would be too good for him, or at least a charge of buck shot might be of some benefit to him. Elsie Morrisett lost half of his chickens the latter part of last week.

—Miss Tillie Mortenson of Moose Lake is visiting Miss Vernie Griffith.

—We understand that Rev. Father Smiers has been appointed by the Bishop to have charge of the Catholic churche in this village, Hinckley and Sandstone, with headquarters at this place. He will move here as soon as the repairs are completed on the parsonage.

—Don't forget the dance at the Hetzenecker Hall, tonight. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

—Among those who came home to spend Christmas, were: William, Lillie and Robert Lambert, Louis Kline, Fred McKusick, Mike and Mamie Horley, Paul Perkins, Custer Seaver, Hattie Taylor, Lillian Perkins and Allie McKusick. Their many friends were pleased to see them at home again.

—A parlor match and some cotton batting were directly responsible for a lively fire scare at Tomcheck's store Sunday morning. Mr. Tomcheck while standing near one of the decorated windows, attempted to light a parlor match and the head flying of fell among some cotton batting and celluloid goods, and in a flash the contents of the window were ablaze. The prompt use of a pail of water and a bystander's overcoat, soon conquered the fire fiend. Mr. Tomcheck was the loser of about $40 worth of goods.

—FOR SALE—I have for sale a farm consisting of 160 acres four miles east of Rock Creek. The farm is divided 40 acres on the north side of the road being all cleared but about 10 acres with good log buildings. The 120 acres on the south side is unimproved. Enquire at this office or write to, Nick Baum, Rock Creek, Minn.

Notice!

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Common Council of the village of Pine City, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of January 1900, for the construction of a bridge across Snake river, in said Village. Each of such bids must be accompanied by a satisfactory bond or certified check therefor in the sum of $300. The plans and specifications for said bridge are on file in the office of the Recorder of said Village.

The Common Council of said Village hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

ROBT. WILCOX,
Recorder.

Christmas at the Churches.

(M. E. CHURCH.)

On Saturday evening the M. E. Sunday school had their entertainment and tree. At about seven o'clock the doors were opened and by seven thirty the church was filled to suffocation by an expectant audience. At this time the entertainment was began by the little folks assisted by the Epworth League choir and Messrs. Whalen and Davis. The little ones all did very nicely, those deserving special mention being Bert Parish and Ione Albrecht's recitation of welcome, and the song lullaby by Sadie Pennington. The school wishes to thank Messrs. Whalen and Davis for their valuable assistance in carrying out the program. The tree was lighted at about nine o'clock and the little ones hearts were filled with joy at the good things they received.

(ST. MARY'S CHURCH.)

Sunday evening Rev. Father Smiers, of Hinckley, came down on the afternoon train and held vespers at 7:30, and at midnight high mass was celebrated. The church was very nicely trimmed.

(GERMAN LUTHERAN CHURCH.)

On Sunday evening the German Lutheran Sunday school had their tree with appropriate exercises. The church was very nicely trimmed and a large congregation gathered to see the little folk enjoy themselves.

(PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.)

The Presbyterian Sunday school waited until Monday evening to have their tree. At an early hour the congregation began to assemble and in a short time the church was filled to its utmost capacity. The tree was very beautifully trimmed, and a Santa Claus distributed to the scholars gifts from the school and friends.

STURGEON MILL COMPANY.

This is the Name of the New Firm That Opens in Sturgeon Lake About January 15th, 1900.

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St. Paul is to have a winter Carnival. The announcement will be received with pleasure by thousands of people, who retain pleasant memories of the carnivals of previous years. The St. Paul Carnival Association, incorporated, which includes in its membership thousands of St. Paul people, has the project in hand, and the Minnesota Capitol is aflame with the Carnival spirit. It will be framed around a grand central feature, the nature of which has not yet been announced. The town is already in Carnival attire and by the middle of next month the streets of the whole city will be brilliant with the colors of the Toboggan and Snow Shoe Clubs' picturesque costumes. Nearly every person one meets is decorated with the Carnival badge, a large button bearing the legend "St. Paul Winter carnival, 1900," surrounding a seething fire stirred by two imps, and the motto "Make it a hot one." The Carnival Association intends to make it a hot one. A thorough organization has been effected, dozens of committees are at work, headquarters have been opened in the Endicott Building, and the work of organizing the Carnival Clubs is getting on rapidly. Larger houses, wholesale and retail are organizing their employees, and brilliant costumes are being planned by the thousand. The central features of the Carnival will be novel, giving the assurance of fun, combined with splendor, and calculated to arouse widespread interest. Clubs from all over the Northwest will be present, and for the sporting events the best known ameteur and professionals in the world have been or will be engaged. Arrangements for reduced rates on all roads are pending and St. Paul expects to entertain 100,000 visitors during Carnival week, which will be the first or second week in February, the date being not yet set.

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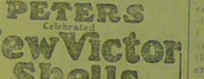

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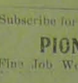
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THE PARROT FISH.

Some Points of Interest Concerning Denizen of Bermudan Waters.

Among the fishes in one of the tanks at the Aquarium are two parrot fishes from Bermuda. Both are strikingly colored, but in one of them green predominates, while in the other the tint most prominent is blue, says the New York Sun.

The great thing with captive fishes is to get them to eat. A fish with a good appetite, that will eat the food provided, is likely, other conditions being favorable, to get along; and every effort is made to give the fishes food such as they have been accustomed to in nature or such as will tempt their appetites.

In applying this treatment the parrot fish, which in nature subsist on mollusks and crustaceans, are fed here on shrimp, cut-up herring, cut-up clams, and killies. Pretty much all fishes like live killies; and in fish circles the shrimp also is commonly esteemed a delicacy. And it is customary at the Aquarium to supply these things in such quantities as may be best for the fishes' welfare; most commonly, especially in the case of shrimps, in limited quantities, as a sort of relish or dessert. Thus after the hearty meal, of chopped-up clam or whatever the principal food furnished to the various fishes may be, the man who feeds them goes along with a deep pan containing live killies, which he gives to the fishes that care for them in the several tanks according to their desires or his own discretion.

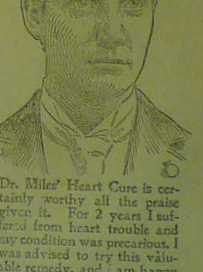
When he comes to the tank where the parrot fish are the green parrot sweeps around and takes in the first killie dropped into the water. It is not ravenously fond of them, but it likes them well enough to come for them. But the stay made here is not very long—the green parrot's wants are very easily supplied; it will eat one big killie or two small ones, and that is all.

SCARED INTO APPENDICITIS.

New Orleans Man Read All About the Disease and Then Came Down with an Attack.

"I had appendicitis the other day," said a St. Charles street business man, reports the New Orleans Times-Democrat, "that is to say I had it to all intents and purposes. This is the way I contracted it. About a week ago I borrowed a medical work from a friend to look up a point about which I was curious. It was a work on diagnosis, and among other things it gave a minute description of the symptoms of appendicitis. I have always been much afraid of the malady, and that chapter had a hideous fascination for me. I read it and reread it, and as I did so it seemed to me that some of the premonitory symptoms coincided exactly with certain aches and pains I had felt for several days. I got alarmed at once, and that night was panic-stricken with a severe cramp a little northeast of my right hip bone. That I knew to be the fatal spot, and needless to say I didn't sleep a wink. By morning I had all the symptoms of a typical case, and could scarcely get around to see the doctor. I began to tell him my story when he stopped me. 'How do you come to know so much about the disease?' he asked. I replied proudly that I had been reading up on it. 'The dickens you have!' he replied. 'Well, you get right out of this office, confound you! and don't waste any more of my time!' Then he explained that every medical student always had all the diseases on record in regular order, just as he studies 'em, and I began to feel better. I went home, returned the blasted book, and am now entirely out of danger, thank you. It was the quickest recovery on record."

Editor of "The Forum."



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DANCE TONIGHT.
Hetzenecker's Hall.

The old year and the new.

HARK, how the bell's strong pulses throb and beat!
Is it from grief and pain
Because the dear Old Year, with hours so sweet,
Will never come again?

Or is it restless joy that thrills and leaps
From the dizzy spire and dome
That though the Old Year shall soon lie asleep,
A glad New Year will come?

Look! as the Old Year sinks in dreamless rest,
With weary sigh and moan,
The New Year, all in regal splendor dressed,
Ascends the vacant throne.

The light of hope is gleaming in his eyes
As sceptered there he stands.
A scroll with strange unspoken prophecies
He bears within his hands.

"Tell me, New Year," I ask, "of paths unseen
That wind far on ahead—
Those shadowy regions where no foot hath been
Except by fancy led.

"What waits beyond? Will bloom and sunshine lie
Where'er those pathways tend,
Or are there mountains towering grim and high
Before the journey's end?"

Ah, though again I question eagerly,
With mingled hope and fear,
He opens not the scroll of prophecy;
No answer do I hear.

The New Year only smiles; I may not know
What future hours may bring,
If o'er me hope's sweet presence shall bend low,
Or sorrow's sable wing.

Old Year, how fair the country I have passed,
What golden hours were they!
Will not their radiance be softly cast
About my onward way?

Good-bye, good-bye, as music faint and clear
Reechoed o'er the sea,
Shall be the joyous memories, Old Year,
That shall return of thee!
—Alice Jean Cleator, in Ohio Farmer.

One New Year's Eve

IT WAS late in the afternoon when Mrs. Townsend saw the last piece of furniture transferred from the mover's wagon to the parlor of her new home, and now, as the clock struck 11, she looked around her bedroom in a dazed and bewildered way. Was there ever such a jumble of boxes, trunks and furniture as met her gaze!

"How can Jack leave me alone so long when he knows what a lot there is to do," she said aloud, as she sank into a chair before the open fire, the only cheer-inspiring object in the room, and looked about again, as the last stroke of the clock died out.

"Ugh, will I ever get this muddle into anything like order," she muttered. "How I hate it all, and oh, how I hope we will never move again, as long as I live—I'm tired of packing and unpacking, of arranging and rearranging. What a chaos in which to begin the New Year!" And visions of brilliantly-lighted parlors, glittering tables, pretty girls and handsome men passed before her by way of contrast.

Then the baby stirred and she rose to place it more comfortably in its crib. Coming back to her chair by the fire she caught sight of a small blue box in a corner of one of the open trunks.

"Ah, I'll burn you now," she said, softly. "It is sentimental nonsense to carry you around any longer. This is just the fire for you, and I'm too worn out to do another stroke of work."

Lifting the lid she took out a bundle of letters addressed in a flowing business hand to

"MISS ROSE WINSTON,
"100 West —— Street,
"New York City."

Somehow her heart beat a little faster as she recalled how happily it had throbbed at sight of these same envelopes three years ago. Three years! Was it only three?

A log slipped and rolled to the edge of the hearth, sending a shower of sparks before it. It aroused the musing woman, who leaned forward for the tongs with which to push it back in place. Then she slowly drew forth a letter and read:

"New York City, May 1st, 18—."

"My Dearest—

"Darling, is how I think of you, and I might as well own up. Just a few moments ago I left you, yet it seems so long—I want to be with you always.

"Do you know, dearest, that you have become more necessary to me than anyone or anything in life? I never dreamed I could love anyone as I love you, and yesterday, when you said that you were fickle, you awakened feelings that have made me sad. To-night when I said that I should try to destroy your fickleness I meant it, for the thought arises—Should she be fickle with me, what then? I am sure I don't know.

"You are my ideal in face, form, disposition and character. The more I see you the more I love you—and why? Because we think alike on many subjects, because you would make the loveliest wife man ever had, because you would make for me that for which I long—a home."

She raised her eyes to look around the disorderly room, and her heart smote her. Then she went on with the letter:

"I have not words at my command, to tell you what I think. I only know that I love you, and that if you were mine you would 'make the man.' You are superior to me, and have strength, where I am weak.

"If you had not said that you were not sure of yourself, I should ask you to be mine—but I must wait. May I not think of you as mine? May I not hope that some day you will be mine? Tell me truly, dearest. If I might only hope I should work so hard to make myself worthy of you—you are a perfect treasure. You may always believe me to be, Your own,

"JACK."

With a deepening flush on her cheeks and a tender light shining in her eyes she opened a second letter with fingers that trembled slightly—such a sea of memories was surging over her.

It began without date, but that she could easily supply:

"My Darling:

"To-day you have made me the happiest of mortals, for you promised to become my wife! Who would not be happy under the circumstances—for the man who gets you gets a prize, indeed. I shall not say what I shall try to do for you except that if love and devotion can make you happy, sorrow and sadness shall never know you.

"To-night you looked so pretty—your eyes were brighter than ever I have seen them. You looked happy. Oh, that you may always look as you did to-night!

"Sweetheart, I love you so much more than I can tell—more than I ever thought myself capable of loving anyone, and when I think it over, I wonder how it all came about. You did not try to make me love you, neither did I try to make you love me, until I found myself loving you—found that I must be with you to be happy.

"Now I am going to answer the precious letter my own sweetheart wrote me to-day. How lovely it is! It is just like her from beginning to end.

"If, as you say, my love makes you happy, it must be because you love me. If it were only love that you love, then you would be happy in the love of any one of your many admirers.

"Nothing that you say can hurt me, dearest, for I know that you speak for the best interests of us both.

"Yes, my darling, I want you to be sure of yourself, for I would not blight your life ever so little.

"Should I lose you, life would be little worth the living, yet I would rather lose you than ever see you unhappy.

"You are unjust to yourself in many ways and rate yourself too low. You say that you don't understand yourself. Did you ever know any one who could say: 'I know myself?' Dearest, others know us best—others see our faults and virtues in a clearer light than we can see them. I shall not pretend that I understand you, for it has long been conceded that the mind feminine is incomprehensible to man, but, oh, my sweetheart, all the faults you confess to are dearer to me than other women's virtues. You are you, my darling, and I love you as you are. That is clumsy, but at best I can ill express how dear you are to me.

"Your heart pleads for me, but your head does not. That shows good sound sense, and I can only hope that the heart will get away with the head.

"And now, my sweet, as a guard against fickleness I want you to give up to a certain extent your male admirers. I don't mind their calls, I rather like them, for I am proud to have my sweetheart a favorite, but you must let them know that you belong to me and that I am a monopolist. I can love you enough alone, they may like you. I can love you as much as you love to be loved—so remember, no trifling.

"I know, dearest, that you might have chosen many men handsomer, nobler, richer than I, but you will never find one who will love you more than does

"Your own devoted
"JACK."

The third letter ran:

"My Own Darling:

"I believe the happiest day of my life

"I'LL BURN YOU NOW," SHE SAID, SOFTLY.

has just ended. To-day another begins, though I will never be thoroughly happy until I hear the words which make us man and wife—then how happy I shall be and oh, how proud! When we are married I shall always try to be the best of husbands and my first aim shall be to make you happy; then I am happy.

"You are the one to make me—make more of me than the ordinary man. There is nothing that I would not try to do for your dear sake. As a beginning I shall try to have my business hours changed, so that I may have my evenings for my sweetheart. I can say of her as someone else has said of his love:

'She's more than diamond, ruby or pearl,
She's a dear little, sweet little, neat little girl!'

"You are all that and more. You are more precious to me than are jewels—you are invaluable—they are not.

"It is after two—and I still have writing to do.

"Good-night, sweetest, dearest, best! My beautiful Rose—I love you, I love you, I love you!

"JACK."

Long the tired woman stared at the loving words—could they have been written to her? Why had she not read them oftener? Why was it that all the beautiful romance had died out of her life? Whose was the fault? Again her eyes devoured the dear words before her. How her heart warmed with tenderness toward the writer. How she hungered for the kisses and caresses he used to lavish upon her. If only to-night he would take her in his arms all tired, nervous and unstrung as she was, and pet and comfort her. If she could hear him call her by the old, fond, foolish names how it would lighten her heavy heart and rest her weary body.

Then she thought of the time she had repulsed his loving advances—of her petulant retorts, her irritable complainings under misfortunes and reverses. How far, far below his ideal she had fallen. Would he ever love her so well again? Could she ever get back to her throne?

Solemnly the bells began to toll for the dying year. They sounded deep in the heart of the waiting wife.

"Oh, God," she prayed, "for the New Year's fight, grant me patience, gentleness, love. Help me reinstate myself in my husband's heart for the dear Christ's sake."

And tears trickled slowly through the fingers which supported the tired head.

A step, a hand on her chair, a cheery voice saying: "A Happy New Year, little wife! What, crying? Why, my darling—my poor little, pretty little drowning white Rose—what a brute I've been to leave you so long," and she was gathered to her husband's heart.

He held her close till the storm of tears was over, soothing her as a mother might a tired little child, with tender words and caresses—the very words she had longed and prayed to hear.

"Oh, Jack," she whispered when she had grown calmer, "do you think you can ever love me again, as you did when you wrote these?" And she pointed to the letters scattered at her feet.

"So you have been going over it, too;" her husband replied, somewhat irrelevantly, and looking down at the letters. Then taking her tear-stained face between his hands, he said, tenderly: "My foolish child, are you not my precious wife? Have you not borne hardships that a better husband might have spared you? Have"—

"But, oh Jack," she interrupted, "how have I borne them? Think of the recriminations, the reproaches, the complainings—even if you are good enough to forgive I can never forgive myself."

"There, there," said Jack, laying his warm, loving lips to her quivering, self-accusing ones, "you shall not abuse my wife. Now I shall put you to bed, but first wish me a Happy New Year and we will begin all over again."

With her arm about his neck and the old love-light shining in her eyes she murmured, obediently:

"I wish you a Happy New Year, my husband!"—Mary Wright Davis, in Every Month.

OLD-TIME NEW YEAR'S CALLS.

They Held an Important Place in the Observances of the Day—Origin of the Custom.

Among the festivities of old New York the observance of New Year's day held an important place, says Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, in the Atlantic. In every house of any pretension the ladies of the family sat in their drawing-room, arrayed in their best dresses, and the gentlemen of their acquaintance made short visits, during which wine and rich cakes were offered. It was allowable to call as early as ten o'clock in the morning, but the visitor sometimes did little more than appear and disappear, hastily muttering something about the "compliments of the season." The gentlemen prided themselves upon the number of visits paid, the ladies upon the number received. Girls at school vexed each other with emulative boasting.

"We had 50 callers on New Year's day."

"Oh! but we had 65."

This perfunctory performance grew very tedious by the time that the calling hours were ended, but apart from this the day was one on which families were greeted by distant relatives rarely seen, while old friends met and revived their pleasant memories. In our house the rooms were all thrown open, and bright fires burned in the grates. I recall a New Year's day, early in the thirties, on which a yellow chariot stopped before our door. A stout, elderly gentleman descended from it, and came in to pay his compliments to my father. This gentleman was John Jacob Astor, who was already known to be possessed of great wealth.

The pleasant custom just described was said to have originated with the Dutch settlers of the olden time. As the city grew in size, it became difficult and well-nigh impossible for gentlemen to make the necessary number of visits. Finally, a number of young men of the city took it upon themselves to call in squads at houses which they had no right to molest, consuming the refreshments provided for other guests, and making themselves disagreeable in various ways. This offense against good manners led to the discontinuance, by common consent, of the New Year's receptions.

A Sure Enough Example.

Teacher (giving lesson in natural history)—An extinct bird or animal is one that no longer inhabits the earth. Willy Green, give us an example of an extinct bird.

Willy Green (smacking his lips)—Why, that turkey dad killed for our New Year dinner!—Puck.

BODKIN AND THE MOUSE.

The Disasters of a Determined Campaign Against Four-Footed Household Pests.

"There's no use in talking," exclaimed Nehemiah Bodkin, banker, philanthropist and economist, the other morning after breakfast, at the same time glancing knowingly at his wife. "There's no use talking," repeated Bodkin, in a patronizing manner, "this house has got to be rid of the multiplicity of perambulating, little four-legged cusses, otherwise known as mice, that infest this place from cellar to attic. I tell, you, Mrs. Bodkin, there has got to be a stop put to this nonsense, or else the neighbors will accuse us of running a rat incubator and doing our best to infest the neighborhood. But, madam, this rat problem is about to be solved and at the hands of Nehemiah Bodkin."

"Why, my dear," interrupted Mrs. Bodkin, who knew only too well the results of following her husband's economical streaks, "were you not aware that there are men who hire out as professional ratcatchers who could clear our house of the pests in a few hours, and—"

"Not another word," broke out Nehemiah, at the same time endeavoring to increase his stature and casting withering glances at his wife he almost roared: "Do you expect me to pay out good money to professional good-for-nothings, who couldn't catch a rat after it had been stricken with the blind staggers? No, Mrs. Bodkin, I have decided to attend to this matter myself, and shall not call in any outsiders either."

With this remark, Bodkin arose from the table. He crossed to the opposite side of the room and opened the door into the vestibule just in time to see a tiny mouse dodge through the grating in the hall register. All the ire in Bodkin was at once aroused, and rushing over to the register he slammed the shutter to with such force that he nearly lost his balance. Resuming his equilibrium, Bodkin surveyed the scene with a look of evident superiority. He had trapped one of the little pests and now he had a chance to get square, and also to show Mrs. Bodkin that when Nehemiah Bodkin said he was going to rid the house of rats there was no fooling about it.

Closing the doors leading into the vestibule, Bodkin donned his overcoat and gloves, the former to keep out the cold and the latter to protect his hands from gore. He considered that that particular mouse would be past history in about the smallest fraction of a second. Then seizing a poker from the kitchen he repaired to the scene of conflict. Mrs. Bodkin had in the meantime discovered what her husband was up to. She had heard the racket in the vestibule, and surmised that operations were to be begun at once. Taking up a position at the head of a stairway, Mrs. Bodkin had a commanding view of the situation from behind a convenient portiere.

With a look of determination on his countenance, Bodkin stalked over to the register and prepared to dispatch the offender on first sight. He removed the grating quickly, out jumped the mouse, and kerwhack sounded the poker as it came in contact with the hardwood floor, where the mouse had been a short time ago. But his mouseship hadn't given up the ghost by any means. It just whisked about that vestibule like a streak of greased lightning, finally taking up a position in the shelter of one of the massive legs of the hall stand.

Bodkin, finding that he had not knocked the mouse into smithereens at the first whack, became furious, and swore that the next blow would put the finishing touch on that mouse and no mistake. Turning about, he espied the mouse under the stand, the animal being in the act of winking the other eye, or at least Bodkin thought so. Holding the poker high above his head, Bodkin prepared for a magnificent finale. The poker descended with terrific force, struck one of the carved legs of the stand, rebounded into space and proceeded to knock over the chandelier globes. Bodkin, in the meanwhile was performing an acrobatic feat on the floor with a fleeing mouse and Mrs. Bodkin as the only witness.

Bodkin recovered himself in an instant, grasped the poker from a mass of broken glass and hurled it at the fleeing mouse, the only result being to smash the umbrella holder. Now, Bodkin was mad in earnest. Great beads of perspiration stood out on his brow and sulphur laden currents of atmosphere were being exhaled in all directions, while the poker was whacking here and there, breaking the glass in the hall stand, hacking the paint and plastering and leaving destruction in its wake. Just then, however, the mouse got in the way of a piece of flying debris, and it was all over.

Bodkin was triumphant, and waving the dead mouse aloft, he called for his wife, who thereupon emerged from her position at the rear of the portiere and came timidly down the stairs.

"Behold what might hath done," was his salutation. "And now Nehemiah Bodkin can depart for the office in peace. Meanwhile, my dear, you can send for a man to straighten out a few things which I have disturbed. Good-by."—N. Y. Sun.

Spaghetti Mexican Style.

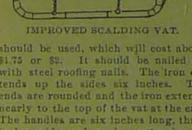
Put a tablespoonful of lard and butter in a porcelain saucepan. When hot add one-quarter pound of spaghetti broken into desired lengths, half an onion sliced, one large tomato sliced, pepper and salt and a dash of cayenne pepper. Stir to prevent burning and allow to brown slightly. Then add one large cupful stock or hot water and boil until the water has been absorbed, being sure the spaghetti is tender.—Detroit Free Press.

LIVE STOCK

SAFE SCALDING VAT.

A Great Improvement Over the Old Barrel Method Which Has Been Practiced Too Long.

The accompanying cut illustrates a scalding vat we have used for ten years. It is a great improvement over the old method of scalding in a barrel. I will describe it so that any person can make and use one at a very small cost. The body of the vat is made of 1½-inch lumber, poplar or oak, six feet long, 2½ feet wide and 14 inches deep on the inside. The end boards are mortised one-half inch into the side boards and just inside of these one bolt is put across each end. The bottom is galvanized sheet iron No. 20. It is eight feet long and 42 inches wide. One solid sheet



IMPROVED SCALDING VAT.

should be used, which will cost about $1.75 or $2. It should be nailed on with steel roofing nails. The iron extends up the sides six inches. The ends are rounded and the iron extends nearly to the top of the vat at the end. The handles are six inches long, three inches wide, and are just extensions of the sides. Two bands of iron are needed across the bottom. These are fastened on the sides. Old wagon tires are used to good advantage. The vat is used at end of sled the same as the barrel is generally used. Two or three armfuls of wood will be all that is needed to scald six or eight hogs. A trench is dug 18 inches wide and 12 inches deep under the vat the entire length. An elbow and joint of stovepipe are used at the end of the trench to carry the smoke and produce a draught. There are four hooks, two on each side 24 inches apart. Two chains are used to turn and lift the hogs out of the vat by hooking one end of each chain to the hooks on the side where the sled is placed. Four hooks are needed so you can set the sled on either side of the pan. Two men can handle the largest hogs in this pan, and in one-half hour after you start the fire under the pan you may begin scalding. You need not stop to heat the water, as you can replenish your fire under the pan and keep the water hot as long as wanted. Not having seen anything of this kind in any of the farm journals I submit this so that those who wish to make the work of butchering much shorter may make and use one of these at a very small cost.—E. C. Dray, in National Stockman.

SHEEP VERSUS COWS.

The Contrast Between Them Is So Great That the Difference Is Simply Immeasurable.

The average value of cows on the Brighton (Mass.) market of late has averaged about $40; a good-sized herd, say 30 head, would be valued at $1,200 at the above rate. For $1,200, about 300 good, serviceable ewes for breeding hothouse lambs can be bought. Cow stables are just the thing for sheep, of course with partitions, etc., removed. The food that will keep one cow will keep ten sheep, so the expense of keeping 30 cows and 300 sheep is about equal. At a moderate estimate the lamb and wool of each ewe will bring $8, or $80 for 10 ewes. This is far better than the returns from the average New England cow. As to the labor part of sheep rearing, there is no milking, milk peddling or can cleaning.

Sheep are put in the fold in December. One man can look after 300 and attend to 15 cows, too, and lie down or rest in an easy chair in the fold half the time and read papers, with lambs skipping all about him, for the fold is always warm, kept so by heat emanating from the sheep, it being more trouble to keep the fold cool enough than warm enough, even in zero weather. In going to and returning from my country seat, and seeing dairymen driving cows to or from pasture, then returning home and looking across one field from my desk window and seeing a peaceful flock of sheep grazing or lying in the shade, which had grown hothouse lambs last winter, their owner at home on general farm business, with no thought of the sheep only to salt them once a week, the contrast is so great the difference is immeasurable, says Dr. Galen Wilson in an exchange.

The Question of Pedigree.

The value of pedigree in an animal depends upon the management given. In the hands of a poor breeder and a poor feeder it is of little value, while with a skillful breeder and feeder it becomes invaluable. There is no economy in a farmer purchasing a well-bred animal, paying the price necessary to secure such an animal, and then neglecting him. Better save the money and invest only a part of it in a scrub, as under neglect a scrub will prove as profitable as a finely pedigreed animal. It is the combination of good breed, good feed and good care that gives the best profit, and a failure in any one essential will affect the results materially. The well-bred animal gives the best returns for good feed and care, but with neglect will prove less profitable than the scrub, because costing more, and because it will not stand neglect as well.—N. J. Shepherd, in Ohio Farmer.

THE VICE OF SHYING.

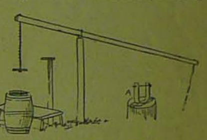
Why It Is So Difficult to Break Many Horses of This Evil and Dangerous Habit.

The vice of shying is one of the most annoying and dangerous, and many farmers cannot understand why horses shy in the first place, and why it is so difficult to break them of this evil and dangerous habit, says Wallace's Farmer. They do not stop to reflect that shying is simply a revival of an old habit essential to the very existence of the horse when it ran wild on desert or plain. Every horse from colthood up was obliged to be on the lookout for an enemy. Were it not for its speed the horse would be almost as defenseless as a sheep. It must depend on its legs for safety, and its eye and ear to warn it of danger. Its eyes are so placed that it can see on each side and can turn its ears in all directions, so as to catch the slightest sound. When a wolf is seen or the sound of a wolf heard, or a snake trailing through the long grass, it was ready for flight, and that habit through all the generations still continues and is strongest in the horse nearest to the original wild type and weakest in horses of the draft type, out of which it has been almost entirely bred. The horse seldom fears any object unless it appears suddenly; therefore, the way to break a horse of shying is not to whip it when it obeys the instinct of its ancestors. This only makes it worse, for it is sure to remember that if there had even been no reason for this involuntary motion, it is liable to get a whipping for it anyway. The only reasonable way to break a horse of this habit is to require it to stop, whenever it shies, and let it see that there is nothing to be afraid of. Man himself is not much afraid of anything he clearly sees and understands. It is the unknown, the mysterious, that which comes suddenly and takes us unawares, of which we stand in fear.

HANDY HOG HANGER.

The Advantages of This Contrivance Are Made Plainly Apparent by the Illustration.

The illustration shows a very complete arrangement for hanging hogs when scalding, etc. It is made by taking a large pole about 50 feet long for a lever and another about 16 feet long for a post. Set this post four feet in the ground, and have made a clevis-shaped iron (A) to support the lever on the post. This clevis is about one foot long and wide as the post after squaring, with a cross-piece welded on near the middle of the bottom or round part. A three-quarter-inch hole is made through the bottom of the clevis and



HOG HANGING DEVICE.

center of the cross-piece, through which an iron pin is run, and driven into the top of the post, so as to permit the clevis to revolve on the post. Make a five-eight-inch hole in the long pole or lever about 12 feet from the large end. Raise lever up, and hang in clevis. Attach a strong chain to the large end to hang hog on, and have the scalding vat directly beneath this chain. Set a bench or platform beside the vat about one-half height of vat, to scrape hog on, and next to this platform erect a post with four cross-pieces on top to hang hogs on. Fasten a small rope to small end of lever to pull it down with when lifting the hog in and out of scalding receptacle, on bench, and to hanging post. The advantages of this arrangement are apparent by the illustration.—J. G. Allshouse, in Ohio Farmer.

HORSES AND FARMERS.

No matter what your horse and team may do, never get angry.

To abuse a horse is inexcusable and expensive, and must be paid for in dollars and cents.

Make all his loads proportionate to the colt's age and strength, and let them be in position easy to start.

Train a colt to know that you are his friend, as well as master, and you will never need to whip, except in rare instances of fright or backing.

Remember the horse is the dumb beast, you the intelligent being ordained to own and control him; but not as a tyrannical master without feeling or appreciation.

Smooth and pet your colt with the hand, speak to him, pick up his feet often as the smith does; halter him young, and never throw a harness on colt or horse, but lay it on gently, that he may know you do not intend to hurt him.

Be sure that every part of the horse's harness is safe to use, for one runaway may be more expensive than sets of harness; make the latter to fit him, that is, not a buckle or a part too tight or too loose, and see that no part galls him.—Farm Journal.

Horses Will Not Disappear.

The automobile still continues to forge ahead, to the displacement of the horse—on paper—but nobody who is interested in the horse seems to be at all disturbed. The horse has been relegated to the shades so often by the railroads, the bicycle and electricity—and has so steadily refused to disappear and become a memory that people are not moved by prophecies of the animal's disappearance. The horse will be with us long after the man who is riding across the continent in a horseless carriage, except when he is walking while his carriage is being repaired, has been forgotten.—Agricultural Epitomist.

Specious Tales of Fish

Dinny Gewgan Surprised by a Thin Gray Pamphlet.

"WHERE'S Dinny Gewgan?" asked Prof. Coggins, coming into Casey's with a thin gray pamphlet under his arm. "I've got something to show him."

"He's out in the court hitting up the ball," said Joe, the steward of the Handball club. "Come in here, Dinny. You're being asked for."

"Am I, now?" said Dinny, trotting in. "Is it yersilf, John? I'm limberin' up to cilibrate me sixty-fift' bert'-day, come nixt Chuesda'. Lave me take tin aces an' I'll give yez a game."

"I'm to play the new man from the old country this afternoon," said the professor, "and I'm saving my hands. It wasn't for a game that I called for you. I want to show you this book a friend of mine sent to me."

"A boo—ook, is ut? Sure, thin, I've lift me spic-taycles at home," said Dinny, cunningly. "What might ut be about, thot book?"

"It's a fish book, Dinny, issued by the United States fish commission, and sent to me by my political friends in Washington."

"Some o' thim fish stories the polly-tishuns do be tellin'? What fer wud they sind thim to you, I dunno? Why wudn't they sind ut to me thot has caught more fishes av more kinds than anny mon in Brooklyn?"

"That's the very reason I'm bringing it to you, Dinny. It's a scientific book, and there are some parts of it that I don't just understand, and I thought that you, knowing so much about fishes—"

"Sure, thin, you kem to the right pless thot time, John," interrupted the old man. "I know ivery bone in ivery fish's body in these waters an' have swallied most av thim. 'Tis a sorrow that I lift me spic-taycles behind, but do you rade ut out, an' rade slow, thot I can di-gist the substantiousness av the skientifical portions. Who writ the book?"

"A man named Herrick; Prof. Herrick."

"Av coorse," said Dinny, heartily. "I know um well. He used t' wave a shtick in front of the orchestry at the Shtar the-ayter. Thot's how he's a proffiser. So, becuz he belongs to a Sout' Brooklyn fishin' club he thinks he can write a book about ut! The consate of the baste! He dunno th' diffrunce bechune a sandworm and a lead sinker. What does he say?"

"Perhaps it isn't the same man," suggested Prof. Coggins, but Dinny waived away that suggestion and bade him read ahead.

"The title of the book," said Prof. Coggins, "is 'The Peripheral Nervous System of the Bony Fishes.'"

"Saints difind us, John!" said Dinny, with his eyes wide. "What language is that, I dunno?"

"That's the kind of English they speak down in Washington."

"No, no, John," said the old man, solemnly. "Av that's English I'm a dago, an' I'll sell paynuts on the coorner."

"Oh, you'll recognize it when you get a little further along," said Prof. Coggins, reasurringly. "I'll skip the first part and get into the heart of it."

"Skip ahll av thim worruds wit' joints in thim," Denny requested. "They hurt me ears."

"Well, how's this?" proceeded the other. "He says here: 'In view of these facts, the present demand, it seems to me, is for a minute and exhaustive study of the exact relations of the several nerve components through the entire course of the several cranial nerves in a few typical fishes. The common silverside, Menidia, so abundant about Woods Holl and other points along the Atlantic coast, was chosen as the first type to be examined. These little fishes stand about midway between the physostomous and the physoclystous types of fishes' (here Dinny was observed to wince) 'and may be regarded as relative, generalized form.'"

"That's what comes av Sout' Brooklyn fishin' clubs," mused Dinny, in self-communion. "It makes a felly like Herrick regyard that sort av thing as bein' relatively simple. May I be skint for a neel av I don't belave the mon had ought t'be arristed."

"What's the matter, Dinny? Don't you understand it?" asked Prof. Coggins.

"Av coorse I understand ut," said Dinny, angrily. "He's talkin' about porgies an' he's kafoozled on his facts."

"Probably it will straighten out later on," said the professor. "I've lost my place with all those hard words. Oh, here we are: 'Though the organs of special sense (eye and ear) are very highly developed—'"

"Hould on!" shouted Dinny. "Rade that again. Oye an' what?"

"Eye and ear," repeated the reader.

"John, av ever I caught a fish wit' ears on um I'd teck the Father Matthew pledge that day. Sure, Herrick has got barnycles on his brain. Av he'd said thot the nose was very highly diviloped, now, I'd know what kind av a fish he was talkin' about."

"What kind is that, Dinny?" asked Joe, the steward, unsuspectingly.

"The shmelt; he-he-he," snickered Dinny. "Shkip the rist of thot about the fishes' ears. He'll be discribin' th' coorns on the toes av a clam nixt. G'wan wit' th' porgies."

"Menidia is a favorite type for such study," continued the reader, "not only on account of its central position and small size, but the tissues seem to react histologically better than those of some other fishes."

"Thot might be true av the small size wans, I dunno," observed Dinny, judiciously. "I always trun them small ones beck before they had a chanst t' react hysteriologically or anny other way."

"Moreover the nervous system of the family Atherinidae has not before been examined even by gross dissection, and several points have been brought out in the topography which are either new or teleosts or shed light on vexed morphological questions, such as the discovery of a prehistoric branch of the facial nerve, a ramus opthalmicus profundus of the trigeminus, and a true spinal accessory nerve emerging with the vagus to supply the trapezius muscle."

"Count tin, Johnny," said Dinny, faintly. "I'm near out. What was that about gross diciption?"

"Gross dissection," said Prof. Coggins. "I'll read it again also while you get your wind."

At the conclusion of the second reading Dinny said he was on his feet and able to continue.

"I'm onto that felly Herrick," said he. "I know what ails um. He's ate a dickshinary an' it made um seasick. What is thot picture in the book, a map? Leave me see ut."

Taking the pamphlet he studied carefully a diagram of the cranial nerves of the fish under discussion. Presently a look of satisfaction overspread his puckered features and smoothed out the wrinkles.

"Now I'm gettin' to th' soobstance av ut," he exclaimed. "Here's where I git a hand in, an' toss out a few aces, John. Thot's a map av Newtown Creek, an' if Herrick thinks there's anny fish there, bar pollywogs, he'll be catchin' porpusses out av th' city hall fountin' next, wit' Profisser Herrick av Sout' Brooklyn; he's ahll right wit' his little shillaly treatenin' t' break th' hids av his orchestry av they play out av choon, but whin it comes t' drahin maps av Newtown Creek an—"

"Down brakes, Dinny; your pole's off the wire," interrupted Prof. Coggins. "That isn't Newtown Creek."

"Now may I turn into a toad an' niver git back to Ould Ireland," said Dinny, "av I don't know more av geography than Herrick does av fishes. Does he mane that map fer a picture av his fishin' taykle after a reel got troo wit' ut, I dunno."

"It isn't a map, Dinny, it's a diagrammatic view of the sensary components of the cranial nerves of the Menidia, as seen from the right side," said his friend, reading from the book.

"Lave it go at that, John," returned Dinny, bitterly. "Don't go around th' other side or I quit yez."

"Well, here's something about the acousticolateral system," said the professor, trying the next page.

"Acushla machree; faugh-a-ballagh!" cried Dinny. "He's takin' t' th' Irish langwidge in his confusion."

"He gets out of it again, then. How's this? 'The facial nerve contains viscero-motor, communis, and lateralis fibres. The communis fibers form the whole of the preauditory fasciculur communis, are provided with a specia ganglion—'"

"Shtop there! I hov a bite! Ganglion; ganglion. Thot's wan of them hooks thot grows in families. I know um. No dacent mon wud use um on a tommy cod. Niverthelis, I'm gettin' onto his service. Toss me out another."

"'The ventral lateralis root has a separate ganglion'" (Dinny nodded), "and supplies organs of the operculor and mendibular canals, via the truncus hyomendibularis.'"

"Wherro!" cried Dinny. "Thot was a soaker! Is thot a rale worrud or did yez bite yer tongue?"

"It's real," asserted Prof. Coggins, looking at it earnestly. "Truncus hyomendibularis."

"In my time," said Dinny, impressively, "I hov been to many polittycal gatherin's an' heard speeches in English, Dutch and Ginny, but av I iver encountered th' aquil av thot worrud thin I'm a wriggler an' live in a soor. Av there's an ind to thot thing let's hov ut an' see what th' feller is after."

"Here's the finish," said Prof. Coggins: "'I am under very special obligation to the United States fish commission, which has freely furnished all things needful for this work, and particularly to the director of its laboratory for many unusual courtesies.'"

"Is thot all?" asked Dinny, after a pause.

"All except the date."

"Didn't he return thanks to the poobfishers ov the dickshinary or th' encyclepeder britisher?"

"Nothing about it here."

"Or to th' doctors thot let um go befoor he was cured an' while he was still ravin'?"

"I can't find it."

"Th' felly has no dacency," declared Dinny, with profound disgust. "He's a panooden, an' that's five times as bad as bein' a lobster."

"Yes; but how about Dinny?" asked Prof. Coggins.

"How about what?"

"Why the explanation. I brought the book around for you to explain it to me, you being so well up on fishes."

"John," said Dinny, solemnly.

"Well?"

"Do you belave th' felly that wrote that book ever caught a fish?"

"He talks as if he had."

"John, you take my worrud fer it. A felly thot wud write such languidge as thot Herrick was niver a fisherman. You cud give him a barrel av bait an' a shtore-full av lines an' hooks an' trapshins an' lave him in th' middle av th' aquarium fer a week an' whin he kem out there wouldn't be as much as the shmell av fish onto his hands. We will now unmix our confused mintal processhes wit' a little ale. Joe, did you iver find anny hyomandibulars er medlscineras in th' ale here?"

"I never did, Denny," said the steward.

"You swally enough av it, Joe," said Denny, "an' you cud write a book nigh as bad as thot yourself. Drink hearty!"—N. Y. Sun.

HER ASPIRATIONS.

A Kansas Girl Who Took a Practical View of Educational Advantages.

There was little of the idealistic about the essay of a Kansas girl at her recent graduation. Her teacher had given her for a theme the phrase: "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy." She astonished her preceptress and schoolmates by these emphatic words:

"I do not care a cent whether Italy lies beyond the Alps or even in Missouri. I do not expect to set the river on fire with my future career. I am glad I have a good, very good education, but I am not going to misuse it by writing poetry or essays about the future woman. It will enable me to correct the grammar of any lover I may have, should he speak of 'dorgs' in my presence, or say he went somewhere. It will also come handy when I want to figure out how many pounds of soap a woman can get for three dozen eggs at the grocery. So I do not begrudge the time I have spent in acquiring it. But my ambitions do not fly so high. I just want to marry a man who can lick anybody of his weight in the township, who can run an 80-acre farm and who has no female relatives to come around and try to boss the ranch. And I will agree to cook good dinners for him that won't send him to an early grave and lavish upon him a whole lot of wholesome affection and see that his razor hasn't been used to cut broom wire when he wants to shave. In view of all this I don't care if I do get a little rusty on the rule of three and kindred things as the years go by."—Chicago Chronicle.

Woman in Finance.

A Detroit man, whose wife was coming to San Francisco on a visit, accompanied her as far as Chicago and put her on the overland train. Before leaving her he gave the porter half of a five dollar bill that he had torn in two, telling the man that his wife had the other half and would give it to him at the end of the journey if she were properly looked after. When he got home he found he had neglected to give his wife the other half of the torn bill, and a few days later he received a letter from his wife reminding him of the fact, and saying she had torn a dollar bill in two and given half of it to the porter. Somewhere along the line there must be a wild-eyed darky with the halves of two worthless bills in his possession and a firm conviction that he has been worked by some sort of a new flimflam game. Meanwhile, the Detroit man is anxious to find out what sort of reasoning his wife used when she gave that porter a half instead of the whole of that one dollar bill.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Prosperity for 1900.

Indications everywhere point to great prosperity for the coming year. This is an invariable sign of a healthy nature. The success of a country, as well as the success of an individual, depends upon health. There can be no health if the stomach is weak. If you have any stomach trouble try Hostetter's Stomach Bitters which cures dyspepsia, indigestion and biliousness. It makes strong, vigorous men and women.

An Extinguisher.

Thump, thump! Rattle, rattle, crash! Young Percy Stonebroke rolled down the steps of the palatial residence of Mr. Goldbands.

Mr. Goldbonds returned to the house, rolling down his sleeves.

"Papa, O, papa, what have you been doing?"

This question came in anguished tones from the ruby lips of Arabella Goldbonds.

"Putting out the light of your life," answered papa, who had done a little eavesdropping in the hall the night before.—Baltimore American.

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Ambiguous.

An Irish cyclist was bitten on the leg by a savage bull terrier. He wrote a long complaint to the local paper, the communication closing with the sentence: "The dog, I understand, belongs to the town magistrate, who resides in the neighborhood, and is allowed to wander on the road unmuzzled, and yet he sits on the bench in judgment on others."—Philadelphia Call.

After all, the question which disturbs men most, is how to earn more and work less.—Atchison Globe.

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They Are Finer Than Ever.

House-cleaning, in most homes, comes but once a year—in the spring—but it comes twice a year for the North-Western Limited Trains. Twice a year both these famous trains are run into the shops for thorough overhauling and cleaning, and such a cleaning as they receive. Every bit of woodwork, nickel and brass is rubbed and polished, all the mattresses and springs are made over, the upholstering is done over, new paint and varnish, and many skilled mechanics finally turn out two brand new trains. In fact, the daily cleaning these trains receive in Minneapolis and Chicago is much more thorough than the most tidy housewife gives her home.

These two famous trains of the North-Western Line have just received their annual house-cleaning and are fresher, brighter and finer than they ever were. They run every night between Minneapolis, St. Paul and Chicago—one going, one coming—and still are worthy the common and well deserved opinion that they are the most comfortable, elegant and easy riding trains in the world.

A Slight Misunderstanding.

She—I suppose you were presented at court while in London?

He—Yes, twice, but I was acquitted both times.—Chicago Evening News.

Her Modest Hint.

He—Were you ever caught beneath the mistletoe?

She—Perhaps you had better come around on Christmas and see if I act like one who has had experience.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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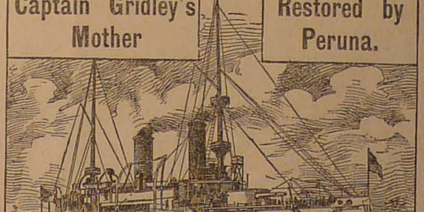

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