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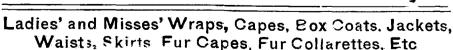
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trunk which served him for a seat there sat on a packing box, well wrapped in furs, a young, beautiful and well dress-

Tailor-made Cloth Capes, \$2.50, on his vocabulary and cracked his whip Plush Capes, \$5, \$6, \$8.50, \$10,

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Pete hurried ont, came a blur of light and a wrangle of voices. It was astonishing how much noise the few worthies who frequented Black Pete's could make, perhaps to defy the eternal still-SOUTH BEND. ness of the mountain. The lady shrank back with an added pallor, yet in her

eyes shone dauntless courage. THE CHRISTMAS BABY. "Whar's Silent Bill?" shouted the

Dear little baby, winsome and gay-Our joy in serrow this Christmas day— Little thou knowest, in thy wild glee, What rain another endured for theel Two thousand years ago this morn, In manger, babe like thee was born. For him no stocking by the fireside Who was to be of ages all the pride; For him no gifts, no trivial joys, With clapping of hands and happy noiso; For him dark night and mystery cold, With stately praise from wisest men of old; For him was danger and a hurried flight
With Mary, mother, in secret and in night,
Yet babyhood through him is glorified,
Through him who for thee suffered all and

And this the myst'ry shining from your eyes—
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BILL'S CHRISTMAS.

Half way up the slope of the mountain, at the edge of the timber line, was a forlorn group of cabins, perhaps a dozen in all, grouped around a somewhat larger shanty, called by courtesy a "hotel." In truth, it was the ever present whisky dive, carrying as a matter of accommodation a side line of such absolutely necessary articles as the primitive character of living in those solitudes called for, and rejoicing in a spare room for the use of a chance proswas in any of its branches but three four of the cabins were empty then, and population was shifting and uncertain at the time of year. But Black Pete and his hair me of wife tranquilly held on their way,

while prospectors came and went, finding their "hotel" a surer source of income than running frantic races after fortune. The ground under their feet and around them was supposed to be rich in ore of various kinds, but of all the desperate, feverish men who climbed those lonely heights in search of the secrets locked in nature's calm bosom few had any luck. Once in awhile a shallow vein of silver had been struck. but not enough to justify sinking a shaft. They had kept coming, however, refusing to believe that the abundant signs of mineral wealth which Dame Nature cunningly spread on every side could mean nothing.

And luck had turned at last. Two

men, partners, had in the late fall located a rich vein and staked out a considerable claim. They had begun work on it, but finally decided to wait till spring before going farther. The camp all agreed that the find was a sure thing this time, and the stream of men hoping to find similar luck had given Black Pete a great run of custom till winter

In one cf the outmost cabins a man stood in his open door gazing forth into the thick yellow gloom of the Decembe: twilight. He was rather slight in build, thin and discontented looking. His light brown beard was cropped rather short, and his blue eyes held a world of sadness. He gazed moodily down the white, still side of the mountain and shuddered as the soughing of the pines wailed in his ears. Then he banged the door and stormed angrily to himself, kicking over the few articles of furniture in the room. The quiet was exas-

"I shall go stark mad in this hateful bole. Christmas! Heavens! And a man can't escape from it. If I could make myself believe it was any other day! If I could die just now, which I can't-I'd as soon be in purgatory as here. I won't stay here. Better that drunken, gambling mob down at the station. It don't matter much; I ain't got anything left to Le decent for." He bowed his head, with a sharp groan, as he said this, but a moment later he was pulling on his fur coat and leggings, aud his face carried its usual half sad, half defiant

expression. Silent Bill his limited circle of acquaintances called him. He was not really popular among the rough set that assembled at Black Pete's. But, on the other hand, he was not disliked. He "didn't put on airs," and it was his own business what he was or where he came from, according to the unwritten etiquette of the west, where a man has a right to tell his name or not, as suits him. It was even possible that he might be an escaped convict, but that, too, was his own business. But little as Silent Bill liked his companions in solitude in return, it was deadly dull when most of them left in the winter for more lively places. Even his "pard" was gone. To be sure, he had urged Silent Bill to accompany him when he set out for Denver, but the effort was of no

"Ye'll be a stark luny by spring, Bill," he protested. "I hope so," was the grim reply. But a fortnight of loneliness had made him desperate. It gave him too much time

to think, and he felt that any company was preferable to this maddening silence. "Whar ye p'inting far?" called

Black Pete as he halted a moment at the botel. "Goodby, Pete," he said with a "You're too still here. I'm off for the station." Pete's face fell. One

more customer gone.

"I'll be back in a few days. Hello, Mrs. Petel" as the woman stuck her head out of the door, disappointment in her little, beady, black eyes. "Take a Christmas present, won't you? I shan't be back in time to bring you one." He tossed a goldpiece toward her, and as she caught it her sullen expression changed to a hideous grin of delight. Silent Biil struck a foot trail straight down through the underbrush and rocks. It was nearer to the station than by the half broken road over which Black Pete hauled his supplies. And while he went swiftly on his way in the fast falling night, filled with unutterable thoughts of rebellion and bitterness, a nondescript vehicle, tugged by two sullen bronchos, was toiling up that snow choked road bearing Christmas and paradise to him, and he knew it not. The heavy wheels creaked and groaned through the snow, and the driver used expletives as freely as he dared, considering his freight, for beside a great

sleepy, cross little wail broke on his ears, and, to save him, he corld not

help turning sideways to catch a

glimpse of a little yellow head cuddled

The lady did not speak during the

entire ride. Her face was very pale and

rigid when at last they stopped at the

"hotel." Through the open door, as

to its mother's breast.

it longingly, and ever and anon he piped out: ed woman, holding close in her arms a 2-year-old boy. The like of them had never astonished the vicinity before. Therefore Bob Mahaffy drew sparingly part of her plan. with unusual force to explain his meaning to the bronchos. Once in a while a

How she lived through that long lonely evening she never could realize after-ward. It seemed as if the concentrated misery of almost three years rent and crushed her soul as she sat there before

Down at the station Silent Bill had passed a day utterly revolting to his teracious better nature. It was a small

"Roosts down in the last shanty, but he's p'inted fer the station to hev his Christmas with ther boys. Jes' gone." "Oh, when will be come back?" asked the lady, with a breathless gasp. Pete started. He had not made out the passengers before, though he had been vainly peering into the darkness. His husky voice took on, or tried to, a softer tone, and he came eagerly to the edge of the sleigh.

"He'll be in town in a few days, ma'am. No-blame it-he'll be hyar at onct. Bob kin go right back and tell 'im. Air ye lookin fer 'im, ma'am?" "I am his wife," she said faintly. "No! He know ye was comin?"

"Waal, that's too darn bad. But you jes' come right in, an we'll have 'im hyar 'fore ye wake up in the moinin.'' She half rose in the wagon and then sank back, overcome by a fainting sensation. How long-how much longer, could she be brave? She fought down her weakness in the moment of silence and girded up her weary nerves to enter that noisome room. But before she reached the door the noise was hushed, and she passed, with her baby, through the startled group like an apparition of the Madonna and the Child. Every head was stretched out to catch a glimpse of the sleeping baby. Even Mrs Pete's hard face softened as she took him in her arms, and she bustled about in her heavy fashion to make them comfort-

The lady revived somewhat after a somewhat coffee and the kindly meant if soon as possibleh hospitality and as

Meanwhile the group bed. were quenching their thirst harroom curiosity at the same time, for BK Mahaffy staid for refreshments, and indced staid so long that he was in no condition to drive back that night, and so staid till morning. And he gave minute details of the landing of the lady and child at the station, all of which was welcome as shade in the desert to the news starved loungers.

Above in the little attic room Mrs. John Allison dropped to sleep after a long struggle with disappointment and nervousness. The sun was already high in the winter sky when she awoke. She was sad, but still her own brave self again, and quivering with the hope that her long, weary search would be ended today. After a hasty breakfast she left the baby, still sleeping, with the half breed woman and asked Black Pete to show her the way to Silent Bill's cabin. The crisp, bright air raised her spirits and did her good, and she forgot to be shy of Pete, who was agonizing in his

endeavors to be civilized and polite. Her plans were soon matured and in operation. Action was imperative nov or she could not stand the suspense; so Mrs. Pete and a man from the hotel set to work under her orders. The heavy box contained some materials for the renovation, which, though meager, were riches to her now. She had known something of the condition of things which she should be likely to find and had done the best she could to prepare for it. It was an astonished cabin, that hard-

ly knew itself, late that afternoon. When all was done, the kindly helpers had left her, at her own request, and she gave one more comprehensive look about, well pleased with the result. First it was clean. That was the most astonishing thing. She had brought a quantity of pretty chintz and red calico. The bed, made of pine posts, was curtained off from the room. She had made inroads into Pete's stock of baled hay for ticks and pillows, and her box had furnished linen and quilts. The hard bunk had been draped with chintz and made into the softest couch for baby that the means at hand could provide. A rude but artistic mantel over the fireplace held some pictures and a little clock, ticking away as cheerily as in the New England home from which it came. There was a broad, red lounge with cushions in one corner and a big armchaira wonder of contrivance, with calico concealing its dry goods box origin. Other boxes bloomed forth as cupboards and bookcase. The old table was covered with a crimson spread and had a hauging lamp above it. There were shades and white curtains at the windows. The floor was scoured and had rugs laid down, some of bearskius and some that she had brought with her. She had obtained a number of bright hued blankets of Pete, with which she had draped the rude walls wherever possible, and pine boughs and sprigs of evergreen were everywhere in honor of the Christmas she had come so far to keep. There were books and papers in plenty. Her cupboard had an abundance of food in it, and to the eyes of the admiring inhabitants at Black Pete's the place was a bower of luxury. But when at last she was alone the sickening fear which had dogged her all day overcame her, for Jack had not come. What if he did not want to see her? What depths

t summe and anguish had not been pened to her? Then her eyes fell on a small wooden box, still unpacked, which she had brought with her. She broke into hysterical laughter. What a fond fool she had been, for in that box was a Christmas turkey, ready roasted, which she had bought the day before in Deuver! What crazy ideas had filled her brain that she could descend on him with peace and plenty, just as if he were expecting her! "Forgiveness in one hand and a turkey in the other," she cried between her bursts of laughter. Then the anguish of the whole thing was borne in on her again, and she turned

from her laughter to sobs till the baby pulled at her dress in alarm and added his wail to hers. She caught the boy in her arms—the boy he had never seen. Surely his heart could not hold out against his son. "Never mind, baby darling," she cried softly; "he's got to come some

time, and we'll have everything ready for him so." She unpacked the turkey and put it in a cold place. The baby eyes followed

"Mamma, div boy some schicken." "Tomorrow, tomorrow, boy," she answers gayly, for she can't bear to see his face, her only sun, cloud over. She diverts him at last, though he is hungry and sleepy, and—last touch of satire -hangs up his stocking. It had been

the fire waiting. It grew to be 9 o'clock -10-11. And still she sat and listened -listened, fearing not the strange and unaccustomed sounds about her, but listening ever for a step at the door. Half past 11. She had fallen into a doze, when there was a sound, and she sprang from her chair.

town and more brutally degraded than most of the camps of the west. People who expected any good never came there. A. missionary had tried it once or twice and had been obliged to leave, sadly, with no good accomplished that

he could see. When Silent Bill had reached there, he had felt a deliberate, reckless longing to efface himself as the man he had known. He almost felt that in coming there he had entered into some compact with the devil, but he could not throw off the training and traditions of his life in a day. Misfortune, not crime, had made him a wanderer on the face of the earth, and, in the midst of the debauchery in which he had placed himself, his conscience and tastes uttered continual protest. Before morning dawned he had lost in gambling every cent of the \$300 which he had brought with him. He never left the table at which he first seated himself till it was gone. He did not greatly care whether he won or not. He was playing for the fierce fever of the game and stimulated his interest by hard drinking. He was not used to this, and never knew how he got to bed, or whether he had lost his money fairly or had it stolen from him. But when he weke late next morning his whole soul was protesting against his degradation. He could not endure it, and as soon as he could be drank more whisky. He had no trouble in getting trusted. Was he not the man who had discovered the Poor Man's Luck?

not lose his head again. He did not mean to. He drank only enough to keep his edious conscience from stinging him too deeply. And all this time Bob Mahaffy was lying unconscious in the corner of a saloon, his message untold. And up the mountain, in the lonely cabin, a woman

And before night he had won back half

as much money as he had lost. He did

and fear heart out with anxiety It was night aga... Christmas, when Mahaffy cricht before his corner and partially from his sva por. And finally he ran against Silent Bill in the shadow of a building. As he righted himself after the collision he stood and stared at Silent Bill.

"D-d poor taste," he said at last thickly, "when a man's got pretty wife waitin fer 'im to home. Why doncha go home?' Silent Bill looked at Bob fiercely,

standing out on his face. "You brute, how dare you speak like that to me? What d've mean?" Mahaffy slid back a couple of steps and tried to assume an air of dignity. "Be'r look out, Bill, 'n not trifle wi' me. Mean wha' say. Why dencha go

with his hands clinched and the veins

home? I jes' gobback. Pete tol me t' tell ye." Scmething in his tipsy gravity sobered Bill a little. He seized the other by don't tell me what you mean," he said sternly, "I'll choke your d-d breath out." Mahaffy tried to strike him, but

did not succeed. "Go home to yer wife," he snarled. "She's to Pete's. I took her. Now lemme 'lone.''

John Allison turned as if he were shot and plunged on his homeward way. There is no other word for it. He only half believed Mahaffy. He asked himself why he should hurry to meet the woman who had not trusted him, who had not cared to write the few words which would have held them together? He kept muttering that there was no nurry about it. If she was there, she could wait. He had waited. It was late in the day to come to him now. And all the time he was fleeing as if for his life

up the rough mountain side. He reached the camp at last, near his old cabin, and dropped exhausted on the snow for a few moments. He was afraid now that she was not there, and mixed with that fear was an intolerable sense that if she were he could not forgive ner at sight for her fancied fault. Strange that Le could cherish Litterness at such a moment, when paradise was opening to him, but in spite of his effort to smother it the grievance of years would not down. "At Pete's," Mahaffy had said. He

would go to the cabin first and rest and consider. His haste had changed to a nervous timidity. The shaded windows still gave a hint of light within, but he did not notice it. He flung open the door and as it closed behind him staggered up against it. What dream, what vision of a maddened brain was this? The hovel which he had left, dark and mean and desolate, was changed into a home. The blazing logs in the fireplace sent out a glow that brightened every corner of the room. The bits of crimson color, the books, the comfort, the Christmas greens, and, ah, the little figuro in the red armchair by the fire that starts up in alarm and then springs toward him with arms outstretched—it is not a

She cannot speak at first. She waits to hear his voice, but his look chills her, and her arms drop. "Jack," she murmured at last desper-

ately, "aren't you glad to see me? Don't

you care for me any more?" He takes a step toward her. "This is an unexpected pleasure," he says huskily, yet with a chilling inflection. "It has taken you a long time to make up your mind that I was fit for

you to associate with." She trembles so that she cannot stand and sinks back into the chair. He comes nearer, his eyes devouring her like a flame, Lis face working convulsively, but she does not know that he is fighting with all his pitiful pride the mad desire to clasp her in his arms. Her voice is cold and controlled when she speaks.

only true to you. I never doubted your innocence, never rested till your name was cleared of all stain. I have suffered and toiled and sought for you all these years, and this is my reward." Her quiet words, her listless attitude, bore conviction to him, and self reproach welled up in his heart.

"This is indeed a fit welcome to the

wife you deserted, and yet she has been

"Margaret." he said more pleadingly "why didn't you write to me? It would have made so much difference when I was wild with misery and begged of you to believe me, and I had never a word from you. Maybe I was a coward to run away—but I couldn't stay and be dragged through the mire of a scandal.' "No," she said bitterly, "but you could leave me to be dragged through it. And I wrote to you, Jack, several

times, and got no reply. Yet," more

kindly, "I did not accuse you and hate

you, as you have done by me. I have

worked hard to support myself, to clear your name, to find you; for I believed in you still. Only three months ago my detective found the right clew, and I have journeyed in search of you ever since. I could not start sooner; I had no money and-there were other reasons." Her face flushed a little here, but her tone and attitude were still wearily indifferent. She felt as if her heartstrings had broken. Even if he believed her now she could not be happy. The strain

and disappointment had been too great.

"I will go back again," she contin-

ued. But she did not know herself. The next instant there was a wildly repentant man at her feet. Overwhelmed by the sin of his previous injustice to her and by his great unworthiness, he abased himself to the depths. He poured out his love, his misery, his remorse, with sobs that he could not control. The revulsion of feeling was like a flood, sweeping everything before it. He dared not even touch her with his unworthy hands, but he kissed her feet. And her heart was not broken. It was giving great throbs of joy. What did anything

his bowed head and pressed it against A few moments later, as the stroke of the little clock on the chimney shelf had just ushered in Christmas day, into a moment of peaceful silence dropped a little sleepy, piping voice from the bed: "Mamma, div boy some schicken

matter if he still loved her? She raised

Jack Allison started to his feet. Something choked him so that he could not speak. His wife ran to the bed, where the baby was sitting up, blinking sleepily, his yellow hair all in a fuzz about his bead. 'Come here, Jack," she said shyly.

all he could say as he knelt by the bed and gazed reverently on the chubby face of his firstborn. "Unto us," murmured Margaret tenderly, "a son is given." So Christmas found Silent Bill .-

"Oh, Margaret, I didn't know?" was

Mrs. Paxton Duard in Romance. CHRISTMAS GIVING.

The Poor Were Not Forgotten In the Days of Long Ago. There is an ancient custom for the rector of Piddle Hinton, in Dorsetshire, to give away on old Christmas day, the 6th of January, annually, a pound of bread, a pint of ale and a mince pie to every poor person in the parish, and this distribution is regularly made by the rector to upward of 300 poor persons. providifierd there is an old charity for their Christmas people with plums for hearted man at Burnhamad a kind sufficient to provide the inmates or ten poorhouse of the parish with a Christmas dinner, followed by a proper supply of ale, tobacco and snuff.

At Prince Risborough, in Buckinghamshire, there was a very singular Christmas usage. Up to about 1813 a bull, a boar, a sack of wheat and a sack of malt were given away to the poor by the lord of the manor at about 6 o'clock every Christmas morning. This practice was then discontinued, and for about five or six years beef and mutton were distributed in place of the above articles. Mr. Grubb-fit name for the dispenser of what Rittmaster Dugald Dalgetty would call "the provend"-of the parsonage house, the then lord of the manor, whose father first stopped the above customary distribution, produced to the commissioners of charities a case which his father had laid before a justice, relative to this custom, with a view of obtaining the opinion of counsel as to whether it could be sustained as a custom at common law, and whether he should be exbject to legal process if he omitted to make the distribution.

It appears from the document that the custom had then prevailed for a considerable number of years; that it was mentioned in the local histories, but that its origin was lost in obscurity. The practice, while it lasted, seems to have been productive of much intoxication and rict. The poor are said to have paraded the town during the whole night preceding the distribution with an incessant clamor, effectually banishing all repose. On the following morning they marched in crowds to Mr. Grubb's house, and these assemblies often comprised many strangers as well as parishioners. On the doors being opened they all rushed to the feast prepared for them with so little decorum and forbearance that often in their zeal for priority they inflicted wounds on one another with their knives. The whole remaining portion of Christmas day, it is stated, was spent by many of them in the public houses. The justice before whom the matter was heard was of the opinion that this custom was not sustainable as a common law right, and the charity commissioners reported that they had received no sufficient evidence that the custom could be considered as a charitable donation the continuance of which could be enforced. -Selected.

SWISS CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Roast Goose Occupies the Place of Honor. Geneva Fritters the National Dish. In this beautiful country, where the laws and the customs vary in every canton, the mistress of the kitchen has a wide variety of German, Italian and French cooking to select from. But on Christmas day, although all these styles may be united on one table, there is an invariable although unwritten law that roast goose shall be the chief dish. The dessert is a marvelous mixture of Swiss confectioneries, comprehending everything from little cocoannt cakes to elaborate structures of flour and sugar interspersed with all sorts of nuts and small

fruits. But between the opening goose and the closing patisserie is introduced the really national Christmas dish called the Geneva fritters. These fritters are

made after the following recipe: Put into a saucepan a dozen pears cut into quarters and the cores taken out, with enough water to cover them. Let them stew till they are quite tender, when the water will have evaporated. Put them into a colander and crush them with a wooden spoon. Add half their weight of sugar, a little lemon and a pinch of powdered cinnamon. Put the saucepan on the fire for eight or ten minutes and then let it cool. Take two handfuls of raisins, seed them and put them on the fire with enough water to soften them, then add them to the above, with a little glass of rum or kirsch.

Take a thin flour paste for a dozen pears of moderate size and make them into a roll about the circumference of a dollar, cover half the surface of the naste with marmalade and cut the fritters into convenient sizes. Serve with the yolks of eggs, after cooking them before a hot fire and powdering them with sugar.—New York World. Hungary's Christmas Feast.

Goulasch is the national dish of Hun-

gary and consists of meat cut into small

pieces and cooked with onions, toma-

toes and the powerful paprika, a species

of pepper peculiar to the country. This

dish is naturally the most attractive in the Christmas dinner, and with it are fried cabbage, fish soup, farina cakes and cakes made from the poppy seeds. Dividing the honors with the goulasch there will be found upon the table a roast pig invariably decorated with toses between its teeth. This meal is eaten as an evening dinner before midnight mass, and when the worshipers return from their church after midnight the table is set with cold pork, bonbons and corn brandy as a drink. - Exchange.

GOLDEN MISTLETOE.

THE WONDERFUL TREE IN A BEAU-TIFUL GROVE.

Legends of the Gloomy Vale and Death of Balder the Beautiful-Ancients Believed That Trees Could Feel Pain-Roman and Greek Mythology.

Und grun des Lebens goldner Baum. —Faust.

The sacred books of the Buddhists prove that in the early days of their religion a question which deeply agitated the minds of the learned was whether or not the trees had souls, says a writer in the Philadelphia Ledger. The controversy raged strongly, for the belief was widespread that in injuring or mutilating a tree proportionate pain was inflicted on its spirit's nature.

The same idea creeps out again and again in Greek and Roman mythology, and the folklore of every country and people in Europe is full of it, and at such seasons as Christmas these primitive customs are actually practiced. The numerous German and English

songs and offerings to the apple trees are still heard and seen on every Christmas. Ovid in his "Metamorphoses" tells the beautiful story of Erisicthon's impious attack on the grove of Ceres and how the Greek dryads and hamadryads had their lives linked to a tree, and as "this withers and dies they themselves fall away and cease to be. Any injury to bough or twig is felt as a wound, and a wholesale hewing down puts an end to them at once. A cry of anguish escapes them when the cruel ax comes

It was this established belief that produced such lines as: Loud through the air resounds the woodman's

Stroke,
When, lo! a voice breaks from the groaning oak,
Spare, spare my life, a trembling virgin spare!
Oh, listen to the hamadryad's prayer!
No longer let that fearful ax resound.
Preserve the tree to which my life is bound.
See, from the bark my blood in torrents flows.
I faint, I sink, I perish from your blows. Accepting, then, this prevalent faith the actual life and soul of the trees,

tiful and his death by the mistletoe shaft are in touch with the ancient doctrines of tree worship. It is often stated that Virgil gave this name of the golden bough to the mistle-

—the guasa on to the subjects on hand

classic gloomy var ar mistletoe—the wherein the legend of Balder coality

toe, whereas he only compares it with the mistletoe. In the sixth book of the "Æneid" he tells us how two doves, guiding Æneas to the gloomy vale, in whose depth grew the golden bough, alighted upon a tree "whence shone a flickering gleam of gold. As in the woods in winter cold, the mistletoe—a plant not native to its tree-is green with fresh leaves and twines its yellow berries about the boles. Such seemed upon the shady oak the leafy gold, so rustled in the gentle breeze the golden leaf." Virgil does not say it is the mistletoe, and yet what

else? Its identification is perfect. The poet locates the gloomy vale in the neighborhood of Lake Avernus, but Italian tradition, as recorded by Servius, points to the grove of Nemi, Aricia. Now the story of this Arician grove is embodied in Macaulay's lines:

The still, glassy lake that sleeps
Beneath Aricia's trees—
Those trees in whose dim shadow
The ghastly priest doth reign,
The priest who slew the slayer
And shall himself be slain. In days of antiquity in this beautiful grove grew a wonderful tree, round which a prowling figure, sword in hand, seemed to be constantly expectant of an attack from some enemy. Yet he was the priest of the grove, and, by the order of his office, he would some day be killed by the claimant who wished to succeed him. To gain his position he had slain his predecessor, and, in course of time, must himself be slain. Such is a brief context of Strabo's version. The branches of the tree might not be broken, except by a runaway slave. This bough gave him the right to challenge the priest, and, if successful, to assume the title of "king of the wood." Tradition tells that this was the bough

which Æneas plucked before he journeyed to the lower world. In the familiar story from Norse mythology of Balder the Beautiful we recall the facts that he first dreamed and had great foreboding of evil, yet he belonged neither to earth nor heaven. His fellow gods, anxious to protect him, took an oath from fire, air, earth and water, stones, trees and plants, sicknesses and poison, birds, creeping things and four fcoted beasts that they should

not injure Balder. Being thus invulnerable, the gods amused themselves by throwing stones and logs at him. Then Loki, the mischief maker, discovered that east of Walhalla grew the mistletoe "that seemed too young and innocent to swear." Pulling it, he placed a branch in blind Hodur's hands, who threw and struck Balder dead. Then his body was placed on his great ship Ringhor, the funeral pyre was lit, his faithful wife, Nanna-whose tears had fallen on the fatal branch and been turned into pearly berries—and his warhorse were burned with him as the ship drifted Now, when we recall that the sacred

away toward the northern sky edge. sacrificial fires were kindled periodically, we can read plainly and clearly the myth of Balder. He was the tree spirit, the beautiful sacred oak which could not be injured or wounded by the axes or weapons of mortals. But the oak must be cut down for the sacred fire, and only in its heart life—the mistletoe -could it be wounded. When it was plucked, the mighty tree tottered and

Two special dishes mark the Christmas dinner of Spain-almond soup, obtained by boiling sweet almonds in milk and passing them through a sieve, and, above all, a dish called besugo, which is nothing more than a large

Spain's National Dishes.

Christmas Greens. The leaves proper to use in Christmas decorations are those of the holly, bay, mistletoe, laurel and rosemary.

goldfish garnished with lemon, chopped

garlic and oil and roasted before the

fire —Selected

French Christmas Carol. Noel! Noel! Thy heavenly brightness, Blessed Child. Be this night fair about thy bed, And around it may the winds blow mild. Noeli Noeli

For us thou chosest poverty, For us all mortal woes didst share. Noel! Noel! An angel band, with harps of gold, Descend, O Child, to give thee praise, Thy manger with their wings infold And chant for thee their heavenly lays.

Fast fall our tears as here we see Thy cradle rude, thy chamber bare.

Noel! Noel!

O Christ, upon my grateful heart
Pour out the fullness of thy grace.
In life to love thee be my part,
And after death to see thy face.
Noell Noell

BOOKS!

BOOKS! BOOKS!

Most desirable presents, never cheaper, never more beautiful than now. A good book is a constant

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NEWS CONDENSED.

ummary of Happenings All Over the

Great World. The Wooster avenue car barns and 130 cars of the Akron, O., Street Rail-

and social circles at Arcola, Ills., drank a quantity of carbolic acid and died. She has been despondent over troubles.

maginary or real. Mass., has given his \$1,000 salary to the local hospital.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts, whom Bobs," has written a two-volume work called "Forty-One Years in India." The Emperor of China is systematically studying the New Testament, and is at present reading the gospel of St.

Frank Cunningham, alias F. S. Fox, was fined \$100 and sentenced to five days in the county jail at Decatur, Ills., for attempting to defraud the Citizens' National bank of \$450 by a false draft.

Santa, Argentina, is reported to be in G. W. Elliott of Sioux City, Ia., was fatally shot by "Little Billy" McDon-

hunting. J. W. Miller, a Goshen (Ind.) furniture dealer, has failed, with assets of \$1.500: liabilities unknown.

cutting his way through a brick wer. He was caught six miles from town. Louis Watts, master of exchequer of the Knights of Pythias lodge at Whit-

The proposed dockers' strike at Glasotland has col

ing, Ind., was sentenced to the peniten-

The Spanish cabinet discussed the proposed reforms in Porto Rico. which have been approved by the chambers. but without reaching any decision. The body of George Lautenschlager,

Nov. 15, was found floating in the Illinois river. He had threatened to com-Cyrus Nolan, aged 84 years, was picking up coal along the Rock Island rail-road at Wichita, Kan., when a freight train ran over and killed him.

for Genoa, Italy, has been made from Birmingham, Ala. The foreign inquiries for Alabama iron continue. Sixty-one thousand two hundred and twenty-six immigrants landed in the

The coal shed of the wharf at Caren, Mass., collapsed, killing one man and injuring several others. The Kentuck Republicans will contest the election of Kentucky's single Bryan

A mob of white men made an attack on the negro laborers employed at a sawmill at Canfield, Ark. The whites fired on the blacks, and twenty negroes were wounded and left all night without medical attention. Philip Hines, 106 years old, and his

feeble. thought rest and treatment will cure

in fairly good health, though somewhat

by a passenger train on the Wabash railroad at Magee, Ind. George Elliott, an employe of a gambling house at Sioux City, Ia., died of

injuries inflicted in a quarrel with

Billy Young, a negro gambler. Mrs. Susan Kendall and her sister. Mrs. Mary Paddock, died in the same house where both lived together for many years. They were buried together.

endow a home for Jewish consumptives in England. Jacob Fromme has just brought suit against a New York dentist to recover damages for pain suffered while being put in readiness for false teeth. Miss Laura Trammell of Hartsburg.

Baroness Hirsh has given \$250,000 to

his family has had no tidings of him

ness soon. Gambling rooms at Kenosha, Wis., were raided by the police and twentyeight inmates were taken into cus-

falling down stairs in a saloon at Milwaukee, Wis. He broke his neck and died instantly. W. N. Morrison of St. Louis, a guest at the Waukesha hotel in Hot Springs,

tians—one an Armenian, the others Greeks—as deputy governors of different provinces in Asia Minor. Jacob McKee, a carpenter, was building a house at Martinsville, Ind., when a beam fell upon him. He died in half

Wisconsin Inaugural Ceremonies. Madison, Wis., Dec. 22.-The commit-

tee appointed by Governor Upham to arrange for the inauguration ceremonies Jan. 4, met yesterday and Senator R. M. Bashford was chosen chairman. A sub-committed was appointed to assist him in selecting members of the com-mittees. It was decided that the intugural ceremonies shall be similar in character to those held two years ago. - N. N.

friend. See them and get the prices.

way company burned. Loss \$10,000, insurance \$8.000. Mrs. N. Harry, a leader in-church

Mayor Houghton of North Adams,

The wheat crop of the province of

ald in a gambling house. George Wagner, Jr., of LaPorte, Ind., was accidentally shot and killed while

A twelve-inch steampipe at the Sylvan Steel company's mills at Joliet, Ills., exploded. Claus Swan was in-killed and several others were Gus Thom. ty, Tenn., moonsning affardin coun-

tiary for two years for appropriating \$900 of the lodge's funds. the Atlantic line steamships are con-

who disappeared from the home of his uncle, George Vetter, in Pekin, Ills.,

A shipment of 1,200 tons of pig iron

Argentine Republic during the year

wife, Rebekah, 96 years old, of Delaware, O., celebrated the 78th anniversary of their wedding. They are both

L. C. Martin, pastor of the German Reformed church at Waukegan, Ills., was tried by jury, found insane and taken to the Elgin asylum, where it is

Thomas Griggs of Tornoto was killed

The bill to restrict the immigration of the colored races has passed the egislative council of South Australia.

Mo., has filed a breach of promise suit against Edward G. Vaughn for \$10,000.

Vaughn is a wealthy bachelor, aged 25.

Lawson Steffy, a farmer, started to

Vincennes, Ind., Monday with \$500, and

She is 27 years old.

Carter & Mason, grocers of Oakland, Ills., resently assigned, have effected a settlement. About \$15,000 will be paid. It is expected they will resume busi-

tody. Ernest Balzer was instantly killed by

Ark., blew off the top of his head with a double-barreled shotgun. The sultan has appointed five Chris-

Theodore Johns, a farm hand. committed suicide by shooting at Monticello, 1lis.

To the Public.

As I have started in the Grocery business on a cash basis it is my purpose to continue business on this plan in the future, as I positively will not let my goods go out on credit. By this method I will have no bad debts, and can thus give my patrons the benefit of a cash trade. To those who have traded with me since I opened I would say that I thank you for your patronage, and trust to receive a continuance of the same. Should any mistakes occur I will take pleasure in correcting them, for they will be of the head and not the Call and examine my goods and

ISAAC C. SHAFER

FOR -

CHRISTMAS

GEO. WYMAN & CO.

you everything in the store for Christmas presents. We have marked down a lot of things.

Japanese ware 10 Astrachan and Eleccric Seal Capes, worth \$30, we will sell for \$15.

One Beaver Cape, worth \$120 we will sell for \$50.

One Black Martin Cape, worth \$115, we will sell for \$50.

One Mink Cape, worth \$125, we will sell for \$70.

The above are all 30 inches deep. We have special values in jackets for \$5, \$7.50 and \$10.

We offer dressed dolls for less than dolls not dressed.

cut glass, the finest made way under price.

Dd you ever buy a Christmas present for some one and then think so much of it you want to keep it vourself? Well, the stuff we sell is that kind-you buy it and when you get it home it looks so much better than it did at the store.

We have reduced the price of embroidered handkerchiefs about 25 ner cent.

We offer Japanese screens very low on third floor.

While you are buying stuff to give away suppose you select something for yourself.

COME AND SEE US.

GEO. WYMAN & CO,

South Bend, Ind.

TO THE CASH TRADE

20 pounds Granulated Sugar
1 pound Corn Starch
I pound Mixed Candy, 10c or 3 pounds for 25
I pound Baking Powder
3 cakes Buttermilk Soap
1 dozen Cakes
1 pound Good Rice
A good broom for
decorated Cnp and Saucer
45 different kinds of Tobacco. A fine lin
of Fine Cut and Smoking Tobacco. Bananas 10
and 15c per dozen. California and Domesti
Frnits.
Just received a fresh barrel of Table Syrup
Oranges and Lemons, and a new supply of Buck
whear Flour. Minnesota S ring Wheat, Cassop
lis Genuine, Lucky Hit, Golden Wedding, an
lis Genuine, Lucky Hit, Gorden Wedding, an Best Patent Flour, and a full line of everythin
kept in a first-class Grocery.
Fresh Bread, Pies and Cakes.
W. H. KELLER.
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D. W. BURT, V. S. Honorary Graduate of the Ontario

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Treats all Diseases of the Domesticated Office at Batchelor's Day's Avenue Livery Barn.

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OFFERS THIS WEEK.	dise of almost every sort intaginable,
One 10c bottle Machine Oil 5c	from old shoes to jewelry. As a rule,
Washing Blue, per box 1c	these articles are not very valuable,
Clothes Pins, per dozen 1c	but the idea of buying a package
Santa Clans Soap, 4c per bar, 7 for 25c	which might contain something valua-
Corn Starch, per pound	ble instigates bidding, and many of
Bird Seed with Cuttle Bone	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Clear Salt Pork 6c	the package sold for double what they
7 pounds Rolled Oats	were worth.
Navy Beans, per pound21/20	Among the prominent people who
A large assortment of Confectionery and Nuts.	visited Washington, the past week, was
DEL. JORDAN.	Abner McKinley, brother of the presi-

D. N. SWIFT D. D. S.,

Graduate of Dental Department University of Michigan. DENTIST Office, Treat & Redden block. Successor to S

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BUCHANAN RECORD.

D. H. BOWER. PUBLISHER AND PROPRIETOR.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1896

that a soldier who deserted, and sub-Only 166 out of a possible 573 of the weekly newspapers in Michigan are accorded a circulation in actual figures by the American Newspaper Directory for 1896, and the publishers of the Directory will guarantee the accuracy of its rating by a reward of one hundsed dollars to the first person who successfully assails it. Advertisers should note the fact that the Buchanan Record is one of the 166 that are not afraid to let their customers know just what they are buying.

The RECORD wishes its readers Merry Christmas.

We are in the receipt of a handsome booklet entitled "Virginia Maud's Birthday Party." This booklet is being sent out by the Michigan Trust Co, of Grand Rapids and is a handsome and seasonable holiday gift. The illustrations are especially designed for the book by Eleanor Withey Willard.

The recommendation of Railroad Commissioner Billings in his annual report to the effect that steps should be taken to have electric roads placed under the supervision of the Commissioner is a good idea, and should be carried out by means of the proper legislative action at the coming meeting

Editor F. R. Gilson of the Benton Harbor Palladium, is desirous of a consular appointment of the first class, and this desire should be granted by President McKinley. Mr. Gilson, as President of the Michigan Republican Press Association, and as chairmar of the Congressional committee, has done able work for the party. In addition to this Mr. Gilson has spent much time during the past campaign making speeches, and his editorial work on the Palladium was a strong factor in seuring votes for the Republican ticket in the "north end." Mr. Gilson's appointment would give great satisfaction, as well as make a fitting recognition of his services.

R. G. Dun & Co's Weekly Says: Cuban reports, unusual closeness of money in Germany, and the decision that there will be no action on the tariff at this session, have not really changed the situation, but have been talked about as it they might a trom it. A sudden demantial close of the Germany. Lausual, nor does it count years the No tacts, but only desires or fears, have led some to look for a change of tariff before March, and considerable speculation based on that idea has been arrested, but other business waits for the gradual improvement of the consuming demand. The holiday trade is generally large, though at some points more confined to cheap goods than usual, and the influence of an increase in the working force is felt in other ways. But until the new year the only material changes expected are such as prepare for large businext year. In the from and steel industry these appear of the utmost importance.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

From the Record's Special Correspondent. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21, 1896. A bill restricting immigration, simi lar to the one which passed the House at the last session, passed the Senate last Thursday. This bill prohibits admission to all emigrants over the age of sixteen who cannot read and write. except such emigrant be the wife, parent, or grandparent or minor child of

a person who has been admitted. The Senate committee on Foreign Relations has taken favorable action on the Cameron resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba. The Senate, however, will deter action until

after the holidays. Another question of considerable interest considered by the Senate during the week, was the retorcession of that part of Virginia which formerly belonged to the District of Columbia. This District was formerly ten miles square, but the thirty-six square miles on the Virginia side of the Potomac was ceded back to Virginia. This

vides for a raise in the Speaker's sal-

ary from \$8,000 to \$10,000 per year.

The legislative, judicial and executive

appropriation bill was also reported to

the House. This bill provides for the

salaries of government officials and

clerks. The amount estimated to pay

such salaries during the year is \$21,-

Congress and the Supreme Court re-

alizes the fact that Christmas is com-

ing The Senate and House have agreed

to adjourn tomorrow until Jan. 5, and

Chief Justice Fuller has announced

the Supreme Court will adjourn today

to take a recess until the first Monday

Mr. Venzey of Vermont, a member of

the inter-state commerce com nission,

resigned his position, recently. Mr.

Charles A. Prouty of the same state

was appointed by the President to fill

the vacancy, and his appointment con-

The annual dead letter office sale

was held last week. The number of

articles which accumulate at this office

during a year is almost increditable.

Three or more articles are generally

tied up in a bundle, for purposes of

the sale. This year there were about

four thousand of these packages, be-

sides and thousand books. The mis-

cellaneous articles included merchan-

dise of almost every sort imaginable,

Abner McKinley, brother of the presi-

dent elect. Simon Soliver Buckner,

one of the recent vice presidential can-

didates, was also in the city. "Gener-

eral" Jacob S. Coxey, who earned his

title by commanding the commonweal

667,869 80.

in January.

firmed by the Senate.

When the city of Louisville tied up at the dock in St. Joseph, Sunday thirty-six square miles is what it is de morning one of the passengers, a wellsired to have re-annexed to the Disdressed man, stepped out on the gangtrict. plank and deliberately jumped into In the House, Mr. Sherman of New the water with the evident intention York introduced a bill, to abolish the of drowning himself, but the icy water office of Commissioner of Indian affairs. quickly brought him to his senses and and constitute therefor a board of he was glad to be helped out. He apcommissioners. Mr. Beatner of Louis peared to be suffering from delerium ana wants the salaries of the Representremens, and was taken to the jail. tatives increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500 per year, and has put his request in the form of a bill. This bill also pro-

BERTRAND TOWNSHIP. From our Regular Correspondent.

Dec. 24, 1896. All of our schools will close for a two weeks' vacation during the holi-

Mr. Willie Wells, of Dowagiac, visited his cousin, Chas. H. Wells, last Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. Will Steiner, of Summerville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rough, Sunday.

Miss Cora Wilt and Miss Mattie Wirtz went to Bristol, Tuesday, to remain over Christmas. Miss Isabel Powers, of Niles, was the guest of Miss Myrtle Rough, Sunday. Misses Jeanette and Emma Kuhl-

meier will spend their vacation at their home in Centreville, Mich. Las. Sanday L. F. Cauffman was presented with a silver cup and saucer, a Christmas gift from his Sunday

school class. Our Sunday School will elect officers next Sunday.

Miss Blanche Arney, of Plymouth, Ind., is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Arney, and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rough.

Claude and Dorcy Smith left Wednesday to drive to Colon, Mich., to spend the holidays with their uncles. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller left today for Marshall, Mich., to spend the holidays with Mrs Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wagner.

If He Wants It. F. R. Gilson, editor of the Benton Harbor Palladium, is out for a consulate appointment under President Mc-Kinley, Mr. Gilson would like to be consul general to Glasgow, Sco land, a position now filled by Allen B. Morse, of this state. Mr. Gilson has the support of the Republican editors of Mich-

igan.-Niles Dally Star. Long ago the opinion was given out at Gilson's home, Benton Hirbor, that whatever he choose would undoubtedly fall his way. Editor Gilson's place as the first among the editors of the army on its march to Washington, sev-al years ago, appeared before the House ister,

PERSONAL.

to present arguments in favor of his Mrs. Slocum was over to Niles, yes scheme for the issuance of non-interterday. John R. Bishop was in Three Oaks, A ruling on the pension law was Monday.

committee on banking and currency,

est bearing bonds of the government.

and got an honorable discharge after

his last enlistment, is not barred from

receiving a pension under the law

On January 12th next the Civil Ser-

vice Commission will hold an examin-

ation for the position of mechanic in

the engineer branch of the government

service. These examinations will be

conducted by mail so there will virtu-

ally be no expense to the applicant

connected with it. There seems to be

a scarcity of desirable candidates for

such positions. Should any reader of

this article desire to take this examin-

ation, he should address the Civil Ser-

vice Commission in this city for blanks

and instructions, which will be sent

Information has been received by

the State Department from the United

States legations in Brazil and China,

that certain rules for the prevention

of collisions at sea, has been adopted

by these countries. These rules were

framed by a maritime conference held

in this city some time ago. Almost all

of the civilized countries have now

The beautiful Marquett statue at the

Capitol, which was Washington's con-

tribution to Statuary Hall, bas been

seriously marred by relic hunters. The

Capitol police keep a close watch in

that hall to prevent such acts of van-

dalism, but notwithstanding the care

taken, such acts are occasionally com-

Last Thursday Representative Bab-

himself, but his carriage was damaged.

Tar Correspondent.

The electric light plant was started

Mr. Cole, an old soldier, died Mon-

day night. He has been a resident of

Mrs. Lincoln Philips, formerly of

Three Oaks, died in Florida, last week

Wednesday. The remains were brought

here for burial, the funeral being held

Saturday afternoon. She leaves a hus-

There will be Christmas exercises at

the Methodist church, this evening,

and at the Congregational church to-

BENTON HARBOR.

This city has about thirty secret

Byron Allen and family will spend

Mr. Deam, of the tunnel road, still

The Oberlin college glee club will

The Temple Quartette gave one of

W. G. Newland has begun the erec-

tion of a brick block next to the News

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Nash expect to

On account of ill health Miss Dora

Robinson has been forced to return

from Albion before the close of the

spend Christmas with his brother

Emory, in Goshen. Ind.

the finest entertainments ever enjoyed

give a concert in St. Jcseph tomorrow

insists that work will begin the first of

Christmas with Buchanan friends.

band three small children.

From our Regular Correspondent.

These are the shortest days.

morrow evening.

January.

in this city.

building.

night.

Three Oaks for a number of years.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Monday.

FRANZ HUB.

Dec. 23, 1896.

Dec. 22, 1896.

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adopted this set of rules.

him free of cost.

known as the act of June 27, 1890.

made by Assistant Secretary Reynolds W. G. Blish, of Niles, was in town of the Interior Department. He holds Sunday. Miss Agnes Slocum is visiting in sequently enlisted in the army again. Marshall.

> Miss Mary Grover visited in Niles, Mrs. N. A. Bliss is in New Troy for a few weeks' visit.

D. V. Brown was a Niles visitor, Thursday evening.

H. F. Kingery went to St. Joseph. Tuesday, on business.

Chas. Redden is spending the holidays with his parents. Mr. O. E. Pagin of Chicago was in

Buchanan, over Sunday. Scott Whitman and D. E. Hinman were in Niles, yesterday. Miss Laura Haggert will spend her

vacation at Clinton, Mich. Rev. E. R. Black and family will spend Christmas at Dowagiac. Miss Pearl Pray of Dowagiac visited Miss Adah Kingery, over Sunday.

mas with his family, at Ann Arbor. County Clerk-elect John W. Needham returned to St. Joseph Tuesday. Messrs, Frank Corey and Will House returned on Saturday from Lakeville,

Rev. O. J. Roberts will spend Christ-

Mrs. George R. Scott and son, Harry V., are visiting relatives in Dexter, lowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fluke are visitng relatives in Sumnerville, Cass

Mr. Harry Helmick of Chicago visited nis many friends in Buchanan, over Sunday. Miss Gertrude Hanley is home, from

St. Louis, to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Raymond leave

today for a short visit with friends in cock, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, had an accident which might have proved serious. As Mrs. Fred Weisgerber and children of Jackson visited Buchanan relatives.

he was crossing an electric car track over Sunday. in his carriage, a car ran into the vehicle. Mr. Babcock jumped out of the Lewis F. Paul returned home on Wednesday from a business trip to carriage in time to prevent accident to

Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Fnan friends. The Republican national committee rien Springs visited has established headquarters in this

the past Timboff came home from Missouri, Saturday, to spend Christmas with his family. Mr. aud Mrs. Henry Blodget visited,

ast week, at the home of Mrs. S. E. Bolton of Niles. Misses Mary and Emma Grover went to Chicago, Saturday morning,

for a few days' visit. Miss Winifred Higbee, Principal of the schools at Port Huron, is at home to spend her vacation.

the Champion mowers and reapers, was in town Monday. Miss Mary Swain, who is attending Albion College, came home Tuesday

A. D. Isobel, the general agent of

to spend ber vacatiou. Miss Elsie Kingery went to Sangatuck, Tue-day morning, to spend her vacation with friends

Henry Marble, formerly of this place. now of New Paris, Ind., spent a few days in Buchanan last week. Mrs. M. Bolton and nephew, Master

Richard Hamilton, of Niles, visited Buchanan relatives, over Sunday. Mr. Will Magoon of Philadelphia arrived here Tuesday, and will spend the olidays with Buchapan friends.

Mrs. Mabel Bosworth and daughter of P.ymouth, Ind., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. French.

Mr. Roger Reed of Saugatuck visited Buchanan triends, over Sunday, returning home on Monday morning. Mrs. Lou Smith and son, Master Ward, went to Chicago, this morning, to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Lesbia Beardsley, a teacher in the public schools at Bryan, O., came home Saturday to spent her vacation. Misses Alda and Georgia Emery. teachers in the schools at Muskegon, came home Saturday to spend their vacation.

Henry Johnson went to Laporte, Ind., on Saturday, where he will spend the winter with his daughter. Mrs. Chas. Sawver.

Mrs. Ed. Benedict and infant son, of Chicago, are spending the holidays with Mrs. B. nedict's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Richards.

Mrs. L. F. Petty of Union county, Ind., visited her aunt, Mrs S. L. Van Zant, whom she had not seen for over thirty years, over Sunday.

The Ann Arbor students who came home to spend the holidays are: Chas. Montogue, Claude Roe, Frank Sanders, Elmer Reistle, Herbert Bacchelor, Geo. Conrad and Martin Steele.

Mrs. Stella Walsh of Ingersoll, Ont., who came to Buchanan a few weeks since to visit friends, was called home. on account of the serious illness of her sister, Friday morning.

Dr. J. C Snyder, wife and children, Master Jonnie L. B. and Blanche Ethel, of Ohio, will spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Snyder's mother, Mrs. A. M. Bainton, on River street.

Loran S. Fleming, of Ann Arbor, has been visiting in Buchanan, the guest of Claude Roe. They left for Chicago today, where they will spend the remainder of their vacation.

LITERARY NOTES. Last summer, George W. Smalley,

the famous correspondent and man of letters, went abroad in the interests of The Ladies Home Journal. His commission was to write two articles; one on "The Personal Side of Bismarck," and the other on "The Personal Side of the Prince of Wales." Mr. Smalley personally knows both men, and he had no difficulty in geiting in close touch with them, while other men would have found insurmountable barriers. The first of these articles will be printed in the January issue of the Journal. Unpublished portraits will illustrate the papers.

McClure's Magazine will begin in the January number a series of "Life Portraits of Great Americans" with reproductions of all the existing portraits of Benjamin Franklin known to have been made from life. There are fifteen such portraits, and some of them have never been published. Mr. Charles Henry Hart, probably the highest authority on early American portraits, is collecting the material for series, and will and introduction and notes, giving the history of the several portra whatever is interesting in the circumstancees of their production. There will also be an article on Franklin by

the South. A profusely and beautifully illustrated article on the famous Horse-show held annually in New York City appears in the January number of Demorest's Magazine. Notable among the illustrations are a full-page and several other spirited drawinge by Max F. Klepper. The show as a social function, and as an exhibition of horses is interesting and described in the text,

Professor Treat of the University of

SUNDAY SCHOOL EVANGE,

REV. O. J. ROBERTS.

This column is open to any who has any communication bearing upon practical Sunday School rork, or has any news concerning the progress of the work. We solicit correspondence along hese lines from all workers.

Paper Read at the State Sunday

School Convention.

Mrs. L. DeLamater of Kalamazoo read an excellent paper at the State Sunday Convention, on "Temperance How teach it in the Sunday School?" We favor our readers with it:

The word temperance has, in late years, taken on a far more radical meaning than has yet been incorporated Webster's International. There It is "moderation," while it now comprehends the very different idea of total abstinence from intoxicants for the individual and also the spirit of opposition to the liquor traffic with a view to its final extinction. It has been a question in some quar-

ters whether such radical sentiments can appropriately be treated in the Sunday school at all, with the result that temperance instruction has largoly been relegated to the W. C. T. U. and the Prohibition party-whereas, if intemperance is the formidable foe to christianity it is claimed to be, all christendom should be active in seek ing its overthrew.

Tha habit wrecks individuals, destroys family relations, curses children and rains homes. It invalidates a man for life insurance, and prevents his employment in responsible positions. It is excluded in athletic training because of its disastrous effect on muscular action. It is the cause of much existing poverty, makes up most of the c iminal docket, and is an enemy to life itself. (These statements were established by quotations from authorities on these points.)

Christian people are not arorant of these facts have pressed themosther of Unite selve. The region in June, 1894, "Resolved, That we regard the liquor traffic as the overshadowing curse of this nation; an enemy to the peace, purity and prosperity of the home, the church and the state. To license this traffic is a sin against God and a crime against humanity. Being morally wrong it can never be made legally right. We believe that the time has fully come when Christians cease to be indifferent and should unite their efforts, regardless of previous party affiliations for its complete suppression." (Sations declarations were cited from the Friends, the Christian Endeavor, the Unitarians, the Baptist, the Catholic, Bishop Waterson, and the Methodist Episcopal church.) Now, if the forgoing facts and declarations are of any value, do not they fully demonstrate that the drink habit and liquor traffic are encrmous evils in themselves and are so regarded by christians of differ

Can the Sunday school measure up to the moral sentiment of the church at large or be considered adequate to the needs of the age unless it seeks to equip and fortify the men and woman of tomorrow against a foe so menacing

ent denominations.

and relentless. Temperance is taught in the public schools throughout the union, with the exception of three states; also in several foreign countries. The Sunday school should supplement this secular instruction along physical lines by adding to it a sense of moral and

religions obligation. Temperance instruction was introduced into the international lessons in 1876 with a single selection for that year. The present plan of one temperance lesson for each quarter should be faithfully followed. Precede or supplement the lesson with brief public exercises bearing on the subject. Let

a physician demonstrate the effect of stimulants and narcotics on the tissues aud blood. A lawyer may speak of legal phases wholesome for the knowledge of boys. Object teaching is most efficacious. Chalk talks are valuable, illustrating the various effects of intoxicants. Pictures, songs and illustrated papers are of value,

The pledge, including cider, tobacco, cigars and cigarettes, should be signed and kept in permanent shape with other Sunday school records.

Thus our own boys and girls may be saved. But one half of the American children are not in the Sunday school. We should reach them, if possible; but for their sakes especially use the Sunday school temperance hour to encourage and strengthen a purpose in the rising generations to eliminate the sa-

loon from our public and social life. The Sunday school is and should be the training ground for the church militant, and its young recruits should be so disciplined that they may effieiently respond to the call for menhighminded, incorruptible dauntless men, when the civic conflict rages, as it must rage surely, sooner or later, around the open saloon.

TO REGULATE DOCTORS.

Features of the New Medical Bill to be presented to the Legislature. The meeting of the Michigan medical legislation league in this city yesterday resulted in the formation of a bill to be submitted to the legislature for the purpose of regulating the practice of medicine in the State.

The bill as agreed upon was mainly the same as that passed by the legislature two years ago with all objectionable and unconstitutional features eradicated. It provides for a board of registration consisting of nine mem bers from the different schools of medicine, for the registration of all doctors now practicing in the State, and for four ways in which doctors may be admitted to practice in the future as follows:

First—By being already in practice in the State and registering. Second-By a certificate of registration from another state.

Third—By passing an examination before the Board. Fourth-By possessing a diploma

from a recognized medical college having at least a four year's course. The bill does not contemplate the requiring of the examination of any doctor already practicing in the State, but simply those who wish to begin

NEWS OF THE STATE.

MICHIGAN ITEMS THAT WILL INTER-EST OUP READERS.

some of the Important Happenings of the State Picked Up Here and There and Reported by Telegraph - Summary Events of the Past Few Days,

Detroit. Dec. 18 .- At an early hour

Little Diversion at Homer, Mich and the store in general.

Honor to a Retiring Editor. Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 18 .- The Hesperous club, of this city, a select the Morton House last night as a compliment to Colonel M. A. Aldrich, who from Detroit and other Michoan Citics The banquet was forwed by a gramme of too with responses.

New Bridge Across the Menominee Menominee, Mich., Dec. 18.-The contract for building the new Menomines and Marinette bridge across the Menominee river has been awarded to the Wisconsin Bridge and Iron company of Milwaukee, the lowest bidders, the price of the steel structure of fifteen spans complete with tube and pile substructure, being \$9,599.42. Of this amount Menominee pays \$8,583.72 and Marinette \$1.015.70.

Marquette. Mich., Dec. 18.-Papers have been filed here by the Farmers Loan and Trust company of New York against the Escanaba Waterworks company in beginning of foreclosure suit on a \$100,000 mortgage, the third one of three aggregating \$275,000 held by the trust company for the protection of bondholders. During foreclosure and sale a receiver is asked for, Prom Pulpit to Stage.

Saginaw, Mich., Dec. 18 .-- Rev. Benjamin T. Trego, rector of St. John's Episcopal church at this place, has tendered his resignation, to take place Jan. 1, 1897, when he will leave the ministry and enter the study of dramatics, pre-

Detroit, Dec. 17.-The National Cash Register company of Dayton, O., has brought suit in the United States court here against the Victor Cash Register company of this city. The National company claims that the Victorette eash register, which is made by the Victor company, infringes its patents.

Strike at Iron Mountain. Iron Mountain, Mich., Dec. 22.-Yesterday morning 300 men employed in the Aragon mine at Norway went on strike. They had been receiving 10 per cent, less wages than are paid at any of the neighboring mines and their de-Acquitted on the Insanity Plea.

the crime of murdering his sweetheart Emma Moeckel. The jury was out for twenty hours. The defense was temporary insanity at the time of the commission of the act. TAKES HIS SLEEP STANDING.

nel Box and Never Lies Down. who claim to have done it under compulsion during the last war. Jake also says that the reason he is so healthy is

The place where Jake has his home that the reason he took up his present abode was to get rid of neighbors. He is not of a very good disposition, and an effort to get him to talk about anything but himself will surely result in

It is safe to say that Jake's house is the only one of its kind in the world. It is built to sleep standing up in, and it would be impossible for a person to sleep in it any other way unless he curled up like a bear. Jake built the house himself out of boards and logs that he picked up in different parts of the country. It is a queer looking affair, having greatly the appearance of a chimney with a roof on it, and a very dilapidat. ed roof at that. But the shanty is a strong one and keeps out the wet, and that is all that is required. Even the latter is not required the greater part of the year in that section. There is only the door and no windows.

While the outside of the house may look queer the inside looks queerer. There is only one piece of furniture, and that is what Jake calls his bed. It really looks more like a coffin standing on end, for it is a sort of box tilted back only a few inches from the perpendicular. It is nailed at the bottom and also at the top, so that it is immovable. The inside of it is lined with straw covered with cloth, to give it a little comfort in

cold weather, Jake says. When Jake wants to sleep, all he does is to lie back in his box and close his eyes. He says it doesn't take him long to forget his troubles. In the next breath he will tell you he has no troubles since he took to sleeping standing

culinary department is located under a tree a short distance away. His food consists of anything he can get by begging, borrowing or finding. But he doesn't do much borrowing since the neighbors have grown to know him. "The way I sleep is the only right way for anybody to sleep," said Jake,

he sleeps standing up. How did I come to find out that it was the right way? Oh, that is easy enough to answer.

You see, I was sick: as a boy way back in Massachusetts, about 70 years ago, and nothing I did done me no sort of good. There always was something the matter, and as soon as I laid down in bed my head began to ache. But, do you know, I stood that for half a century before I got any sense into me? And then I was out in California digging

for gold. "One night my head ached so bad couldn't stay in bed, and I had to stand against the wall to get relief. Without knowing it I fell asleep, and when I woke up I felt like a new man. I made up my mind to sleep that way all the time, but had trouble to find a place to do it. That is the reason I moved out to this place. It's over 15 years ago. and I have never had a sign of the old trouble and am convinced that sleeping in bed is the cause of all the pain and disease in the world. Sleep standing up, and you will be a new man in a short

The strange thing about Jake's theory is that he admits that he doesn't rest when he sleeps standing up. He has to do that under the trees the next day. He says that has nothing to do with his idea, though, for most people do too much work anyhow.—San Francisco l Call.

Professor Max Muller in Cosmopolitan says that Arthur Stanley actually suffered from listening to music. One evening, at his father's palace at Norwich. Jenny Lind had been singing Handel's "I Know That My Redeemer Liv-Stanley, as usual, had left the room, but he came back after the music was over and went shyly up to Jenny Lind. "You know," he said, "I dislike

music. I don't know what people mean by admiring it. I am very stupid-stone deaf, as others are color blind. But," he said with some warmth, "tonight, when from a distance I heard you singing that song, I had an inkling of what people mean by music. Something came over me which I had never felt before; or, yes, I had felt it once before in my life." Jenny Lind was all attention. 'Some years ago," he continued, "I was at Vienna, and one evening there was a tattoo before the palace, performed by 400 drummers. I felt shaken, and tonight, while listening to your singing, the same feeling came over me. I felt deeply moved.'' "Dear man," she added, "I know he meant it, and a more honest compliment I never re-

ceived in all my life.''

Hayfie. ... ' ptian Plains To properly the or hay has always been a hard problem for the rancher of Jalifornia. The danger of spontaneous combustion being great made it unwise to put it in a barn, as the advent of fire only made the less that much greater. Covering it with turpaulins and leaving it in the field has long been the accepted method, although sure to cause some loss on account of rain producing mold on the top of the stack. But it was the best known and the loss less than the loss of a barn and possibly several head of stock.

The method adopted by the ranchers of Alameda county is to construct a sort of framework of scantlings and cover it with thin canvas. This method keeps the canvas some distance from the hay, and at the same time sheds the water as well as the roof of a barn. It also has the advantage of being cheap.

The effect produced on the landscape by this method, however, is most startling and calculated to make a man rub his eyes the first time he sees a field covered with the strange looking white pyramids. Houses are scarce down that way, so that there is nothing to jar on the impression. For 20 miles along the bay shore almost any part of it looks like the plain of Egypt. Only the trees and the strange looking haystacks, shaped exactly like the great pyramids, are to be seen.

They are scattered all over the fields and large enough to dwarf most of the other objects in the landscape. Some of these stacks are at least 40 feet high, and few less than 30. The small oaks and young eucalyptus trees help out the il-

In the early evening, when there is just light enough to make out the different objects, the effect shows to the best advantage. The canvas ceases to be canvas and becomes stone. The different pyramids seem to rise to twice their real size. Nothing is wanting to make the beholder think he is in the land of Presents at a Lumber Yard? Look at 'em the Nile, and if he has ever been there | for 1896. he will instinctively stop and listen, expecting to hear the cry of the donkey boys urging their unwilling beasts to A New Roof to Stop the Leaks. action. - San Francisco Call.

How Population Has Moved Westward.

Nothing illustrates the marvelous growth of our country more graphically than the rapid yet steady pace which the center of population in the United States has made in its westward march. In 1790, the time of taking the first census, the center of population was 23 miles east of Baltimore, in the upper end of Chesapeake bay. Between that time and 1800 it moved 41 miles, or to a spot 18 miles directly west of Baltimore. During the decade which ended with 1810 the westward movement was not so rapid, being only 36 miles, which located the center of population at that time 40 miles northwest by west of Washington. Between 1810 and 1820 it | made marvelous strides, landing 16 miles north of Woodstock, Va., which was 50 miles from the spot occupied by the center in 1810. During the decade which ended with 1830 it moved only 39 miles, this taking it to a spot 19 miles west southwest of Moresfield, W. Va. By 1840 it had moved west by south a distance of 55 miles, or to a place 16 miles south of Clarksville, W. Va. Between 1840 and 1850 another move of 55 miles was made, and the census report of the latter year informed the curious reader that "the center of population is now 23 miles southeast of

Parkersburg," which is now in the state of West Virginia. When the census of 1860 was taken, it was found that the center of population was at a spot in the middle of the Scioto river. 20 miles south of Chillicothe. O. In 1870 it was still in Ohio. but had climbed out of the river and moved to a spot 48 miles east by north from Cincinnati, Between 1870 and 1880 the center of population passed almost directly through Cincinnati, moving west by south, and when the census was taken in the latter year it was located eight miles southwest of the city above named. Between 1880 and 1890 it moved into the Hoosier State and was found, when the last decennial census was taken, to be 20 miles east of Columbus, Ind.—St. Louis Republic.

Sun Plaiting. "Sun plaiting" is a new Parisian fashion of widening and "fulling out" skirts. It is new and very stylish. Instead of accordion plaiting a skirt, the plaits are put in at the waist in tiny laps, widening out to the bottom until at the hem they are from 1 to 11/2 inches wide. This holds the top skirt out beautifully.

Well fitting, well made, pretty flannel shirt waists are the thing just now

Winter Shirt Walsts.

for cyclers, golfers and other women who affect out of door sports. A cotton or linen waist is too cool, so the flannel and lightweight cloth shirts take their place. The newest and prettiest flannel shirts are made without linings so they can be easily washed. Delaine, corduror and velveteen are all made up into regular shirt waists these days, and when they fit well they are pretty and appropriate for the fresh air girl.

To Fix Up Furs. Furs, when taken out in the fall, are often found to have a marred and crushed appearance. They can be made to look fresh and new with little trouble. Wet the fur with a clean brush dipped in water and then shaken, brushing the hair up the wrong way. Let the fur dry in the air for half an hour and then give it a good beating with a rattan. After beating it comb the fur in the right way with a coarse comb.

Women Coal Miners.

In England a number of young women are regularly employed in coal mines and are perfectly satisfactory in their work. They do not go down into the deep shafts, but work at the months of the pits and shovel coal as easily as men. They receive 28 cents a day. They wear heavy trousers made in knickerbocker style, blouses and short, heavy skirts turned up like the washerwoman over-

Mrs. Charles Dalton is superintending the stone carving for the internal decorations of St. Cuthbert's church, Kensington, London. The stone and wood carving is being done entirely by the ladies.

The elegantes of Paris have taken to washing their hair with paraffin, which is a splendid cleanser and takes the place of water, but precautions are necessary on account of its inflammable na-

The national farmers' congress, recently held at Indianapolis, adopted a resolution recommending an amendment to the United States constitution granting suffrage to women.

"Don't get a lace bolero," a dress critic advises, "unless you have it heavily jeweled. This gives it individual-

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TABLETS AND ALL SCHOOL SUPPLIES. RUNNER'S

Thursday morning an explosion occurred at the Detroit College of Medicine and immediately following the explosion flames broke forth from the third-story windows, and less than two hours later the building was a mass of ruins. The janitor of the institution and his wife narrowly escaped with their lives. The loss on building will reach \$75,000, partly insured. Besides the building itself valuable instruments, such as microscopes, etc., and costly furniture have been destroyed. The cause of the fire is as yet not fully cleared up, but incediarism is strongly suspected.

Homer, Mich., Dec. 19 .- A patent medicine man has been egged by one of Homer's well-known young ladies. The medicine man had been at one of the local drug stores the past two weeks advertising a new patent medicine by giving a treatment. He had large signs in front and he claims that certain young women disfigured and tried to tear down these signs. He accosted them on the street at night and threw a little oil of citron or them to even up matters, it is said. The next night the girl on whom the citron was thrown procured a bag of hen fruit, walked into the store and opened fire on the young man. She threw fourteen eggs at short range and daubed the young man

social organization, gave a banquet at recently retired from the managing editor's chair of The Democrat, after filling the position for nearly six years. Nearly 100 members and guests were present, the later including gentlemen

Service on the Detroit River. Detroit, Dec. 18.—The importance of the marine mail ser to on Detroit river appears from the report of Postmaster Enright, just submitted to the department, and the factor it has become in the extension of the convenience and usefulness of the postal system is shown therein. Something like 175.850 pieces of mail were received from vessels during the year and 138,036 were delivered, an increase of 128,000 pieces over the business of 1895. The number of vessels served was 19,387.

Foreclosure Suit Begun

paratory to going on the stage next August to star jointly with Clay Clement in a repetoire of Shakespearean Charges Infringement of Patents.

mands for an advance were refused.

Jackson, Mich., Dec. 21 .- Louis Heydlauff has been acquitted by a jury of

A California Man Who Lives In a Senti-Jake Rogers says that he is the only man in the world who sleeps standing up. And most likely he is right about it, although there are many men living

because he sleeps the way he does. Most people, however, would prefer to have a little less health and a little more comfort. is not a very well populated one. It is in Mendocino county, only a few miles northeast of Los Robles, and the nearest neighbor is some distance from his place. But, then, Jake doesn't want neighbors, so that feature is really an inducement for him. In fact. Jake says

failure.

Jake does no cooking in his house, simply because there is no room. His

practice in the State hereafter who are not provided with the required diploma "and the sooner people come to their senses and do as I do the sooner disease will be stamped out of the world. The noblest animal of all is the horse, and

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BUCHANAN RECORD.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1896. Entered at the Post-office at Buchanan, Mich as second-class matter. 'Only 166 out of a possible 575 of the weekly newspapers in Michigan are accorded a circulation in actual figures by the American Newspaper Directory for 1886, and the publishers of the Directory will guarantee the accuracy of its rating by a reward of one hundred dollars to the first person who successfully assails it. Advertisers should note the fact that the Buthanan Recond is one of the 166 that are not afraid to let their customers know just what they are buying.

Buchanan Markets. Hay-\$7 @ \$9 per ton. Lard-10c. retail.

Salt, retail-\$1,00 Flour-\$4.50@\$5.00 per bbl. Honey---12c. Live poultry-4c. Butter-14c. Eggs-16c.

Wheat-88c. Oats -o Corn-200 Clover Seed-Rye-32c. Beans-\$.80@1.00

Live Hogs-\$3.00.

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,	Harper's Weekly 4 00	4 5
d	Harper's Bazar 4 00	4 5
	The Independent (New York). 3 00	3 5
	Detroit Semi-Weekly Journal. 1 00	16
	Will Carleton's Everywhere 50	1.8

The express office and postoffice are doing a rushing business just now.

Mrs. Roe's Home Bakery is enjoying large and increasing patronage.

National Tribune.... 1 00

The Park photograph gallery is turnng out some very nice platinotypes.

Miss Daisy Emery is assisting in Harry Binns' store during the holiday trade.

Buchanan Lodge No. 68, F. & A. M. will install officers on Monday evening,

George H. Richards has been appointed local consul of the League of American Wheelmen.

with delight by all who desired to have sleighing for Christmas. The Ann Arbor students from this place came home for their holiday va-

cation Saturday morning. John C. Dick moved into his new residence on Day's avenue on Monday.

and will eat Christmas dinner there. F. A. White, of Niles, father of Clar-Have just received a large ence White of Buchanan, is very low

and is not expected to live. E. J. Elson, the photographer, was in Galien and New Carlisle, yesterday,

delivering work from his gallery. H. A. Hathaway has received a flattering offer from the Champion Mower and Reaper Co., and will accept the

same, beginning work on January 1st Dr. L. E. Peck has opened an office in the Noble building and has placed his card in the RECORD. His residence

is at H. N. Mo wrey's, 11 Lake st.

The light fall of snow made fine rabbit hunting. A party comprising "Beno" Smith, George Chase, Nelson Boyer, Will Silver and George Dillingham secured 17 fine ones, yesterday.

Many of our merchants bave their windows very tastefully trimmed for the holiday season, and show up handsomely. RECORD advertisers as a rule have the finest dressed windows.

The regular meeting night of the Common Council will be tomorrow evening, but that being Christmas

night it is probable that the meeting will be adjourned to some other even-Chas. E. Babcock, of Dowagiac, who

has been running the electric power plant of the Beckwith estate at La-Grange, will remove to Buchanan to take charge of the power plant here, during the day.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Grace, only daughter of Mr. W. A. Palmer, and W. N. Brodrick, only son of Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Brodrick. The marriage will take place on January fifth, at high noon.

The next meeting of the Buchanan Assembly of the International Congress will occur on Monday evening Dec. 28th, and will be the regular election of officers for the ensuing year. A full attendance of the members is

A hop will be given one week from Monday night by the gentlemen of the town in return for the "leap year hop" given last winter. Arrangements are being made to make the hop a very swell affair, the music being furnished by the Apollo orchestra of Elkhart.

A GREAT PAPER.

The Detroit Journal's Great Work The Detroit Journal was without question a great factor in the recent campaign in this State. The able editorial work of this paper, together with the unflinching devotion to the principles of the republican party, has endeared it to all republicans of the state, We take great pleasure in announcing that we have completed arrangements whereby we can furnish the Semi-Weekly Journal in connection with the RECORD for the nominal price of \$1.60 for the two papers. Don't wait,

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Drafts and Exchange made on all points, and a General Banking Business Transacted. HERBERT ROE, CASHIER.

SCHOOL NOTES.

HOLLYWOOD DISTRICT.

Report for the month ending Nov.

High room-Number enrolled, 40;

average daily attendance, 35; pre cent.

of attendance, SS. The following pu-

pils have not been absent or tardy dur-

Primary room-Number enrolled, 62:

average daily attendance, 48; per cent

of attendance, 78. The following pu-

Alvin Critchfield, Hugh Shearer.

DISTRICT NO. TEN.

weeks vaccosed last Friday for two

The box social was not very well as

tended, Friday evening. There were

having had a good time. Miss Harriet

Feather of Hinchman was among those

BUCHANAN, DIST. NO. ONE.

FIRST GRADE.

ance and punctuality during the month

The following were perfect in attend-

Grace Fowler,

Grace B Fowler.

Richard Henderson

Floyd Gardner.

Myrtle Jepson,

Julia Long,

Susie Fiss,

The First and Second grades had

their closing exercises together, Friday.

in the First grade room. The first of

the program consisted of sentiments.

select readings and recitations from

Whittier; the second part related to

Christmas and "Santa". When the

treat which had been provided was

brought in, the enjoyment of the little

people knew no bounds. About twen-

We are quite sure the children of

Mrs. T. J. Jones, of Niles, fell down

foremost, Sunday, and the trap door

falling at the same time held her in a

perilous position until rescued soen

after the accident by her husband.

The Presbyterian Fair.

The Fair of the Ladies' Aid Society

of the Presbyterian church was a very

successful affair, and will be the means

of enriching the treasurer of the socie-

ty to quite a considerable extent. The

the dinners and suppers were a feature

of the Fair. The ladies are very grate-

County Seat News.

Carrie Mitchell was adjudged to be

an ill-treated child, and her mother

was deprived of her custody during

her minority. She was ordered sent to

Wm. Knight, the confessed counter-

feiter, was sentenced to one year's im

prisonment in the State prison at Jack-

son. He turned State's evidence, upon

pleading guilty, and furnished testim >-

ny which resulted in the arrest of Sam-

uel Brant, who was bound over to the

grand jury under bonds of \$1,300.

Tuesday night, in company with Unit-

ed States Deputy Marshall O'Donnell,

he was taken to Grand Rapids to be

Judge Coolidge has made a new as-

Jan. 4.—Geo. N. Bush vs. the St. Jo-

s-ph & Benton Harbor Street Railway

Co. Caroline Mead vs. the Village of

Jan. 5.—Robert Brown vs. Samuel

Miners. Geo. B. Tatman and Curtis

Hemingway vs. the City of Benton

Harbor. Union Banking Co. vs. Estate

of Jane E. Martin, deceased. Farmers

Mutual Fire Insurance Co. vs. Henry

Jan. 6.-May D. Pearl vs. The Pre-

ferred Masonic Accident Association

of America. Emilus Woolcott vs.

Leopold P. Husen, Dick Lanting vs.

Jan. 7.—Ada M. Franz vs. Geo. Franz

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Sticker, 40 acres in Three Oaks town-

A merchant who fails to advertise

All work guaranteed by HUBBERT,

may not fail in business, the chances

are that he will fail to get rich.—Press

West Michigan Nurseries.

Williamson.

& Printer.

the Jeweler.

signment of cases for the week com

tried in the United States court.

Coldwater and was taken there.

She was severely bruised.

the First and Second grades are pretty

well acquainted with one of our Amer-

ican poets and a few of his poems

ty-five visitors were present. It was

Ivy McGown,

Edith Simmons.

Earl Waterman,

Florence Wilson,

Virgil Schwartz.

Irene Troutfetter,

Ethyl Shearer,

Mabel Fryman,

Vinnie Shearer.

Flossie Boswell.

Edith Nye,

Otto Porter,

Nellie Spry, Robert Fulton,

Ruben Kruse,

Levi Corterille, Ella Bachtle,

Julia Brown, Ethel Fryman,

Nelson Williams, Amelia Raschski,

ing the month:

Ira Shearer,

Harry Brown,

Gertie Wright.

Rachel Kruse,

Etta Critchfield,

Herbert Brown.

ing the month:

John Corterille,

Annie Boswell,

Nina Critchfield.

Job Corterille.

Emma Luckre,

May Watson wa-

present from away.

of December:

Louise Arney, Minnie Blodgett,

Harry Beistle,

Van Brown,

John Batten,

Ross Batten, Lillie Batten,

Kelsey Bainton

Bennie Davis,

Esther Epley,

M bel Fowler

Carrie Wells,

happy time.

ceived.

Lucile Brockett,

on account of sickness.

Katie Beers.

Cora Nye,

CHURCH NOTES.

LARGER HOPE. Miss Elizabeth Allen will preach next Sunday, Dec. 27, morning and

PRESBYTERIAN. The Presbyterian Sunday school will hold a Sunday school ban quet, Tuesday evening, Dec. 29. Dr. D. N. Swift will he the toastmaster of the occasion.

CHRISTIAN. About thirty of the young people

spent a happy evening, Dec. 18, at the parsonage. Teachers' meeting Friday, at 7 p. m.

at A. C. Roe's. A social gathering of the entire congregation is planed for Dec. 31, at Jno. Conrad's.

Next Sunday evening the Sunday pils have not been absent or tardy dur school will have full charge of the service. Parents and interested Bible students, come and see something new and becoming in Suday school service Subject in the morning, "The Home be- Ella Critchfie d,

The new questrelies are ready: price, cents. Santa Claus made an early at

No. 11 No. Detroit St. ADVENTIST. Meetings as usual, next Sunday. The course of lectures on the chart will con tinue, both morning and evening Subject of morning lecture, "Pagan Rome, in History and in Prophesy". In the about sixty present, and all report as

evening, the lecture will be upon Rome divided, or Rome from its Divided State to the present." Both of these lecture; are interesting and instructive. They show by the historical facts, that Daniel understood what was to take place, even to today. Do not fail to hear both of these lectures. All are welcome.

METHODIST. The Epworth League will give a social at the home of Miss Mattie Banta, Tuesday evening, Dec. 29. The Sunday School will give a Christmas entertainment, Thursday

UNITED BRETHREN. Rev. Bartmess will preach a New Year's discourse, next Sunday. The Sunday School will have a Christmas tree and appropriate exer-

Tuesday's snowstorm was bailed cises, Thursday evening. Second quarterly meeting. Jan. 2. Rev. G. Sickafoose, P. E., will preach. Quarterly conference business, Saturday evening.

> The Modern Woodmen will have a banquet on New Year's night, at which time the installation of the newly elected officers will occur.

Geo. Papson, with his harness shop, J. M. Stettler, with his jewelry business, and Ed. Barmore, with his tin shop, have moved into the building lately occupied by Jay Godfrey, on Front street, and all think they will the cellar stairs in their residence, head have plenty of room.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Buchanan, Mich. for the week ending Dec. 21, 1896: Mrs. Lydia Kramer, Mr. John Parrd, Mr. Chas. Moyes, Charles Beardsley. L. Dempsey, E. J. Curtis.

Cail for letters advertised. JOHN C. DICK, P. M.

Among those from this place who saw Bancroft, the magician, at Niles, booths were all well patronized, and Monday night, were Messrs. Ed, Bird, Chas. Williams, Ira Boyer, B. Frank Bressler, Sam Bunker, John Lister, | ful for the patronage they have re-Walter Boone and Will House. They report a good entertainment.

Married, Dec. 23, 1896, at the residence of the bride's parents near Pokagon, Cass Co., by Rev. W. J. Douglass, Mr. John B. Tichenor of Buchanan to Miss Grace Emmons, They will reside on the Tichenor homestead, across the river.

BIRTHS.

On Tuesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McNally, a boy; weight 10% pounds. On Tuesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas.

Bates, a girl; weight 4 pounds. On Wednesday, to Mr. and Mrs Wilson Leiter, a girl; weight 7½ pounds. On Sunday, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Coop-

Dr. F. R. Belknap of Niles is a candidate for appointment as member of the State Board of Health, one of the mencing Jan 4. The assignment is as best of the honary positions of the state. Dr. Belknap is well and favora bly known in Buchanan, and has done great work for the Republican cause during the past campaign. The services of Dr. Belknap would be fittingly recognized by his appointment as a member of the State Board of Health

East Hive No. 19, L. O. T. M. elected the following officers on Tuesday even-

for the next six years.

Miss Carrie R. Williams, L. C. Mrs. D ra Marble, L. L. C. Miss Mattie Banta, R. K. Mrs. Aletha Treat, F. K. Mrs. Allie Hathaway, Ser. Mrs. Myrtle Pierce, M. at A, Miss Edith Rynearson, Chap. Mrs. Mary Wehrle, Sen.

Mrs. Flora Swartz, Picket. Marriage Licenses.

George Wallace, 23, New Troy; Edna Penwell, 18, Benton Harbor. Alfred Nordberg, 28, Benton Harbor Helma Anderson, 22, Stevensville. Simon N. Leister, 26, Buchanan; Ida ship, \$2,200. Mutchler. 27, Weesaw. Dwight Babcock, 21, Weesaw; Minnie

Hess, 17. Galien. Henry B. Slater, 22, New Buffalo; Em ma L. Waldon, 16, same. John Geisier, 26, Royalton; Ora L. Cur tis. 21. same.

Harry C. Palmer, 37, Benton Harbor Lydia Reprogle 39, same. Henry J. Keller, 25, Royalton; Laura Versaw, 22, Sodus. Jacob H. Osborn, 40, Chicago; Mary H White, 35, Benton Harbor,

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NEW TROY.

From our Regular Correspondent Schools close for holidays, Thursday. We have an excellent school this winter—three teachers.

The Salvation Army holds forth at M. E. church every night. Spencer & Barnes have their new house cone and Mr. G. F. Penwell will

The tax man is now loose in the and. Those who have not the wherewith are hid in the woods. Most of us are in the woods. THE POPE. L. O. T. M.

Special meeting on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29, at 7 o'clock, to prepare for installation of officers. Every one should be present. BERTHA ROE, R. K.

The Sugar Bowl has received a letter from Santa Claus saying he would establish his headquarters at W. H KELLER's store, where he will dispense nothing but the purest candies and a large line of candy novelties. Christmas Goods at

W. H. KELLER'S. B. R. Desenburg & Bros, agents for Banner Steam Laundry, Kalamazoo Mich. Work leaves every Wednesday: returns every Saturday. Satisfaction guaranteed.

3 sticks candy for 1 cent, at W. H. KELLER'S.

For holly-wreaths with bright red berries, Christmas-green by the jard cut flowers, vases, palms, ferns and plants in bloom in pots, call at gieenhouse of BUCHANAN FLORAL CO.

One-half off on Cabinets, through December and January. Work guar- quite extensively, and it has always ranteed to be the best in south-western Michigan. Opposite the hotel.

Send a 2 cent stamp for a handsome se of Jaxon Soap pictures.

On Sunday, Scotch Collie bitch, four months old. Color, black and tan. Answers name Donnie. Suitable re- The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by ward for any information or on her Barmore, druggist.

CHAS. THAYER, Niles, Mich. When in town, be sure and call on HUBBERT, the Jeweler.

For a good meal, go to Arthur's Restaurant. Jaxon Soap hurts no fabric.

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et. al. John W. Thompson vs David To all parts of the world can be ar-Smith. Degolier King ys. Rossina J. ranged for any day of the year, for one or more persons, upon application to any principal ticket agent of the Chi-cago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. Charles H. Green and wife to Simon Itineraries carefully prepared for ex-cursions to California, Florida, Mexico, H. Leister, 54 acres in Buchanan town-China, Japan, and to any part of Eu-Alec Watson and wife to Walter B. | rope. Estimates furnished, including all expenses. Tickets furnished for N. V. the complete journey. It is not nec cessary to wait for any so-called "Personally conducted Excursions." Don't dally with rheumatism. Purify your blood and cure it at once by taking a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla. these days of progressive enlighten ment, with the English language spoken in every land under the sun, one

does not need to depend upon the ser-

vices of guides for sight-seeing, but can

you are contemplating a trip.

The M. C. R. R. Co. will sell excursion tickets on Dec. 24, 25 and 31, 1896, and Jan. 1, 1897. Limited to return not later than Jan. 4, 1897, at one and one-third fare for the round trip, nc-

count Holidays.
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Watches, Clocks and Jewelery repaired by HUBBERT, the Jeweler. AUCTION. I will hold myself in readiness to do any and all kinds of auction work. Leave orders with J. C. Wenger, or at C. H. Baker's store, or write for terms.

Deputy Sheriff, Buchanan, Mich. HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Els. Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

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When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria. Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

How to Prevent Pneumonia. At this time of the year, a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dreaded disease, pneumoia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Renedy. We have used it

giver entire satisfaction.—Olagah, Ind. Ter., Chief.
This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventiue of pneumonia. Amoug the many thousands who have used it for colds and la grippe, we have never yet learned of a single case having resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand.

Don't be persuaded into buying liniments without reputation or merit-Chamberlain's Pain Balm costs no more, and its merits have been proven by a test of many years. Such are as the following, from L. G. Bagley. Hueneme, are constantly being received: The best remedy for pain I have ever used is Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and I say so after having used it my fami-ly for several years." It cures rheumatism, lame hack, sprains and swellings. For sale by Barmore, Druggist.

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Gloak Seling-Out Specials. To continue the wonderful selling in our Cloak department we make FURTHER

50 BOUCLE JACKETS, velvet inlaid collar and cuffs, formerly \$9.00; SELLING OUT FOR......\$6.25

collar, new sleeve, new back, satin lined, formerly \$13.50; 35 Plush Capes, of Salts indestructible plush, 30 inches long, 136 inches sweep, formerly \$13 50; SELLING OUT FOR.......\$8 98

25 CAPES of finest black kersey cloth, 27 inches long, 160 inches sweep, neatly trimmed, farmerly \$11.00; SELLING OUT FOR......\$6.98

Other light colored Furs, now so stylish for Cloaks, Dresses and Evening Wraps, from 25c up, less than one-half price.

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REDUCTIONS from the EXCEPTIONAL low prices that prevailed ONLY HERE all

35 JACKETS, box or fly front, in boucle, kersey or Irish frieze cloth, high storm SELLING OUT FOR.....\$8.00

This great cut in prices applies to LADIES' SUITS AND SKIRTS. Final Reduction of Fur Edging: GOLDEN OTTER, reduced from \$3.00 to.....\$1.25

Please NOTICE and profit by it—that every day brings us nearer the expiration of r lease and PRICE CUTTING IS IMPERATIVE in all departments.

Chase Danborn's Coffee

TREAT & REDDEN, Sole Agents, Buchanan.

LODGE BILL ALSO RECOMMENDED.

In the Proposed Bill Consuls Are to Act as Emigration Agents and Educational and Other Restrictions Are To Be Enforced -Wind-Up of the Convention at Cincinnati-What Was Done at the Last

Cincinnati, Dec. 22.-The report of the special committee on immigration of the American Federation of Labor was read Monday afternoon by James T. McBride of Philadelphia. Instead of reporting a bill, it recommends that the Lodge bill, No. 7,864, now pending in congress, be passed, and that this be the recommendation of the American Federation of Labor to congress and the president. It furthermore recommends that the executive council be empowered and directed to employ a competent attorney to draw a bill on the restrictions of immigration, to be presented to congress with the petition that it be passed.

Among the provisions of this proposed bill were these: That foreign consuls be emigration agents to pass upon the qualifications of emigrants before they set out for this country; that all immigrants received here should be required within a reasonable time to become naturalized citizens: that paupers and criminals be excluded: that an educational test be required; that penalties for violation of the alien contract law be increased.

Amended and Adopted.

This report was amended to refer it to the executive council with Instructions to the council to refer it to all the affiliated unions, and that its fate depend upon their aggregate decision. In this shape the report was adopted by 30 to 22.

The night session lasted nearly three hours. The grievance committee was first to report. It reported a resolution asking that the charter of the American Federation of Steam Engineers of Chicago, No. 6,653, be revoked as it had not been legally organized. Coupled with this was a threat that if the charter of No. 6,653 was not revoked by Jan. 1, 1897, that the Engineers' Progressive association, No. 6,614, would withdraw. Mr. C. J. DeLong of Chicago said the American Federation of Steam Engineers of Chicago was "composed of scabs." The convention passed the resolution revoking the charter of No. 6,653. A resolution declaring the sense of the convention in favor of the public ownership of such corporations as require franchises, was adopted. A resolution requesting the committee at Washington to not report the "Lorimer bill" until after a conference with a committee from the American Federa-

tion of Labor was adopted. After reconsidering the resolution already adopted to keep a Washingcommittee of two at to make a comlook afterne instead of two, Mr. John Jernseth of the Seamens' International union, was chosen as the committee of one, his headquarters to be with the national headquarters at Washington. Last Work of the Convention.

The last work of the convention before adjournment was the hearing of a grievance from Miss Florence Fairview of New York. She stated her case. She said she had been unjustly expelled from a union of the federation without a proper hearing by the central order of the state of New York. The convention regarded this hearing as somewhat irregular. There was considerable disa hearing. When she was through with giving her statement of the case the convention passed a resolution referring the whole matter to the executive council with the recommendation that they inquire into the matter and request the New York state organization

The International Label league organized with John B. Tobin, chairman, and the following executive committee: John B. Tobin, ex-officio; John C. Dernell, Harry Mason, John Phillips and W. Fox. At a quarter past 10 the convention adjourned sine die, gave three cheers, sang "Auld Lang Syne," and

AGAINST ELEVATOR MEN. Judge Holds They Cannot buy Grain on

Certain Conditions. Chicago, Dec. 22.-Judge Tuley Tuesday rendered his decision in the elevator warehouse cases which have been pending before him for several months. The action before him was in the shape of a petition for an injunction restraining the elevator men from buying, mixing, and storing their own grain with that of their customers. The action was brought on the information of Attorney General Maloney.

The court holds that the practice of the elevator men is illegal, and grants the injunction prayed. As the matter will be appealed to the supreme court. his honor said he would grant the defendants a reasonable time in which to carry on their business and perfect the appeal. The companies against which the action of the attorney general was brought are: The Central, George A. Seaverns. South Chicago; Armour, Charles Councilman, Chicago Railway Terminal, Nebraska City railway, Chicago, Edson Keith, Alexander Davis, and others.

Murdered by Robbers.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 22.—Alfred Wilson, aged 70 years, one of the bestknown residents of Andrew county, day night by robbers at his home, one mile northeast of Avenue City. Wilson was a bachelor and was rich. Some time ago he became so embittered against banks that he drew out all his deposits and was supposed to have concealed the money about his home. A bloody footprint on a newspaper in the room is the only clew the officers have to work upon.

Death of General Cullom Nashvile, Dec. 22,-General William Cullom, for years a representative in congress from Tennessee and an uncle of Senator Shelby M. Cullom of Illirois, is dead at his home in Clinton. aged 90 years.

THREE BANKS CLOSE.

Suspension of the National Bank of Iilinois at Ch. cago. Chicago, Dec. 22.—Two other failures followed the closing of the National Bank of Illinois, which occurred Monday morning, the refusal of the clearing house to longer act in conjunction with the bank having been announced in the morning papers. The banks that were dragged down by the Illinois National were a couple of small private concerns-E. S. Dreyer & Co. and Wasmansdorf & Heinemann. The head of the first house is a stockholder in the National Bank of Illinois, while the other institution cleared through the Illinois National. There are no fears of further failures. Dreyer & Co. early Monday morning posted a notice on the door of their house stating that the affairs of the firm had been placed with the Security Title and Trust company, Stock Exchange building.

A big crowd was about the National Bank of Illinois Monday morning and waited at 10 o'clock for the big doors at 115 Dearborn street to open, hut in accordance with resolutions of suspension passed by the clearing house committee the institution remained closed. A card on the door told the story of the bank's trouble. It said:

This bank is closed by order of the comptroller of the currency and is in the hands of a national bank examiner.

Depositors were talking of the action of the clearing house committee Sunday night at the residence of E. G. Keith, a member of the committee. George Schneider, president of the institution and Carl Moll, cashier, were busy men, but they were not paying out any money or making any loans. Depositors, while anxious to learn all

tnat was to be told, were not in an exciteable mocd, for they had assurance that any clearing house bank in the city would readily advance 75 per cent. on the face value of their certified

claims.
"That's better than one could get on a whole lot of securities selling at par and better," said one man, and others nodded assent. It is said that no other financial institutions are involved in the difficulty. The bank is an old concern. It is an-

nounced that it was not interested in any stock deals. It is announced that the cash resources of the bank are within the requirements of the law. A statement on the condition of the bank made Oct. 6, 1896, shows that its resources and liabilities balanced at \$14,-

The liabilities are stated as follows: Capital stock paid in, \$1,000,000; surplus fund, \$1,000,000; undivided profits, \$315,213.45; national bank notes outstanding, \$45,000; dividends unpaid, \$3,462. Deposits—individual, \$8,547,588.-48; deposits, in banks, \$3,628,178.21.

SECRETARY CARLISLE'S REPORT

Ho Predicts a Big Deficit for the Year Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Carlisle in his annual report on the state of the finances shows the revenues of

the government from all sources to have been \$409,475,46S, and the expenditures \$434,678,654, which leaves a deficit for the year ended June 30,1896, of \$25,203.-245. In addition to the ordinary revenues collected during the year, the cash in the treasury was increased by the following sums: From the sale of \$100,000,000 4 per cent.

30-year bonds, \$111,166,246; and from the issue of 4 per cent. bonds in liquidation of interest accrued on refunding certificates converted during the year \$4,130, making a total of \$111,170,376. As compared with the fiscal year 1895, the receipts for 1896 increased \$19,102,205, of which the following are the principal items of increase: Customs\$7,863,134

 Internal revenue
 3,341,192

 Profits on coinage, etc.
 1,256 512

 Postal service..... 5,512,080 There is shown to have been a decrease in the ordinary expenditures of \$4,015,852. The revenues of the government for the current fiscal year are

thus estimated upon the basis of exist-Miscellaneous resources..... 20.000 000

From postal service...... \$9,793,120 Total estimated revenue...\$407,793,120 The expenditures for the same period are estimated at \$472,293,120, leaving an estimated deficiency for the year of \$64,500,000. It is estimated that upon the basis of existing laws the revenues for the fiscal year 1898 will be:

What Would Result if the Cameron Re-From customs..........\$150.000 000 From internal revenue...... 155.000 000 From miscellaneous sources.. 20,000.000 From the postal service..... 90,227,076

quired for an estimated deficiency for the year ending June 30, 1898, of \$45,718,970.

ROSWELL G. HORR DEAD. The Ex-Congressman Passes Away at Princeton, N. J.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 21.-Ex-Congressman Roswell G. Horr died Friday night at 11 o'clock, after an illness of two weeks, with bronchitis and Bright's disease. Roswell G. Horr was born Nov. 26, 1830, in Waitsville, Vt. In 1871 he took up his home in Saginaw, Mich. from which district he was elected to congress on the Republican ticket in 1878, and served with distinction three consecutive terms. In 1890 he removed to Plainfield, N. Y., and became a mem-York Tribune, which position he has held ever since.

Costly Fire at St. Paul.

St. Paul, Dec. 21.—A very destructive fire started at 2:12 Saturday morning in Cardozo's furniture store in the Ryan annex on Seventh street, between Robert and Jackson, and despite the efforts of the firemen, spread rapidly. The Ryan annex was almost totally destroyed, and also the Schutte block. The Ryan hotel which was in the block was not damaged. The total loss will

Call on National Banks. Washington, Dec. 22.-The comptroller of the currency has made a call on national banks for a report on their condition at the close of business Dec. 17.

VALIDITY AFFIRMED. Australian Ballot Law Is Good, Says Utah

Supreme Court. Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 22.-The state supreme court has handed down its decision in the case of M. L. Ritchie vs. the state board of canvassers. The question involved was the validity of the Australian ballot law passed by the last legislature, and under which the general election in this state last November was held. It was the most important election question raised in the state since the invalidity of the law meant that all election proceedings under it would be void. But the law is good, the supreme court affirming val-

idity throughout. On the first point that the law had not been properly passed, the court said the inference was that it had been. since the journal did not show to the contrary, therefore the point was not well taken On the point of the Australian ballot and the secrecy of the same the court held that the system tended to encourage the voting of straight tickets and the discouragement of the independent voters, which some objected to: that the system had its merits as well as its demerits, and that the legislature having adopted it. having thus expressed the will of the people, the court did not feel disposed to override that will. There might be a better system of providing for contests, but this was the one the people's representative had chosen, and while it might be improved, it was not violative

of the constitution. The whole law was, therefore, declared valid and the writ asked by Judge Ritchie forbidding the canvassing board to declare the result was denied. Judge Zane rendered the opinion of the court. Judge Bartch and, Judge Miner concurred in the result. CONATY WILL EXPLAIN.

He Will Tell How He Stands in the Catholic Hiercharcy Trouble.

Montreal. Dec. 22.-Dr. Conaty of the Washington university, who lectured here Monday night, says that on the day of his inauguration he will make



REV. DR. T. J. CONATY. a statement as to where he stands regarding the conflicting schools of thought in the United States, which are archy. "I leave the people to judge me by my past record," he says. "In religion I am a Catholic; in politics an

American. He Is Coming. Yes, he, thy King, is coming To end thy woes and wrongs, To give thee joy for mourning, To turn thy sighs to songs; To lift thee from thy sadness.

To set thee on the throne,
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His best beloved one.
—Reformed Church Messenger.

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FOR CUBAN LIBERTY.

THE CAMERON RESOLUTION AGREED TO IN COMMITTEE.

Same Slight Changes Made in the Wording Which Makes It More Emphatic-Secretary Olney Appears Before the

Washington, Dec. 19.—Secretary Olney appeared before the senate committee on foreign relations Friday and was closeted with them for considerable time. Secretary Clney, it is claimed, by the members of the committee who favored action on Cuba did not have any new information to present and they say the committee knew as much about the condition of affairs in Cuba as was known by the state department. Secretary Olney urged that no action be taken at present and pointed out that there is no real government to

Decided on Cameron Resolution. Immediately after Mr. Olney left the committee it was agreed to report Ca neron's Cuban resolution to the senate. The decision was arrived at without division or expressed difference of opinion. The only division was as to the time that the resolution should be reported to the senate. Senator Cameron moved its report on Monday next. Senator Sherman suggested that the report should not be put in until after the holidays. When the question was put to the committee the Cameron motion prevailed by a large majority. The Cameron resolution is as follows:

"Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, that the independence of the republic of Cuba be and the same is hereby acknowledged by the United States of Amer-

"Sec. 2.—That the United States should use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and Cuba." The Cameron resolution as modified and agreed upon by the foreign relations committee is as follows: "Resolved, By the senate and house

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"Sec. 2 .- That the United States will use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and Cuba.' When the senate met Monday there was a large attendance. After some routine business Cameron rose and presented the report of the committee on

foreign relations to INTERVIEW WITH OLNEY.

lution Was Passede Cameron Washington. D, 11 pressed to final Cubap- 111 both houses, will constitute direct and formidable issue between the $\epsilon \mathbf{x} \epsilon \mathbf{c}$ utive and legislative branches of the government. This is clearly indicated by the following interview given out by Secretary Olney Saturday. Secretary Olney being asked his opinion as to the nature and effect of the proposed resolution recognizing the independence of the Republic of Cuba, said:

"I have no objection to stating my own views of the resolution respecting the independence of the so-called Republic of Cuba. which, it is reported, is to be laid before the senate on Monday. Indeed, as there are likely to be serious misapprehensions regarding such resolution, both in this country and abroad, and as such misapprehensions may have injurious results of a grave character, it is perhaps my duty to point out that the resolution, if passed by the senate, can probably be regarded only as an expression of opinion by the eminent gentlemen who vote for it in the representatives can only be regarded as another expression of opinion by the eminent gentlemen who vote for it in the house. The power to recognize the so-called Republic of Cuba as an independent state rests exclusively with the executive.

"A resolution on the subject by the senate or by the house, or by both bodies, or by one, whether concurrent or joint, is inoperative as legislation and is important only as advice of great weight voluntarily tendered to the executive regarding the manner in which he shall exercise his constitutional functions. The operation and effect of the proposed resolution, therefore, even if passed by both houses of congress by two-thirds vote, are perfectly plain. It may raise expectations in some quarters which can never be realized. It may inflame popular passions both in this country and elsewhere, and may thus put in peril the lives and property of American citizens who are resident and traveling abroad and will certainly obstruct and perhaps defeat the best efforts of this government to afford such citizens such due protection But except in these ways, and unless the advice embodied in the resolution shall lead the executive to revise conclusions already reached and officially declared, the resolutions will be without effect, and will leave unaltered the attitude of this government towards the two contending parties in

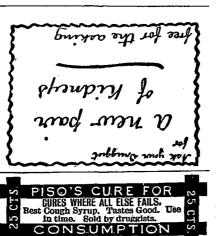
Gompers Re-Elected Presid nt. Cincinnati, Dec. 19.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor was Thursday night vindicated of the charge of having sold out, with others, to the politicians at the last election, but Secretary McCraith, who had been making vigorous charges against the leader, was retired. At the afternoon session Friday President Gompers was unanimously reelected for another term.

Sudden Death of Hermann. Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 18.-Hermann, the magician, died Thursday in his private car at Great Valley, near Salamanca. He was on his way to Bradford. The remains will be forwarded to New York. Hermann completed an engagement at the Lyceum theatre in this city Wednesday night, and had later been entertained at the Genese Valley club by a number of his friends. Death was caused by heart disease.

"What's In a Name?" The Swiss name for mistletoe is donnerbesen-thunder besom-and, when suspended from the rafters, is believed to protect the house from fire.

Old Time Mince Pies. Christmas mince pies in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries were made with a coffin shaped crust, to represent the nat. ger.

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FORCE DOWN COFFEE PRICES. Another Reduction Results from the Trust

New York, Dec. 22.—The competition between the American Sugar Refining company, generally known as the sugar trust, and the firm of Arbuckle Bros., coffee merchants, is on in earnest. Another reduction of ½ cent a pound in the wholesale price of roasted coffee was made Monday, the second reduc-tion thus far, and there is a margin yet of 4 or 5 cents, it is said, before rock bottom prices can be reached; that is, prices at which only a bare margin of profit, if any at all, can be made by the roasters.

The sugar trust people have secured the services of Herman Sielcken, a member of the firm of W. H. Crossman & Co., the largest coffee importers in the country, as manager of the Woolson Spice company. The firm of W. H. Crossman & Co., it is said, had sold the Woolson Spice company all the coffee they used for many years, and it is believed the firm was largely interested with the Messrs. Havemeyer and their friends in the purchase of the control of the Woolson Spice company. Perhaps the people who are most interested in the business competition are the smaller coffee roasters. They will be between the upper and nether millstones represented by the Arbuckles and the sugar trust and are therefore likely to be ground out of existence. Collapse of a Bridge.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 22: -- At Littleton, Wetzel county, a wire suspension bridge over a creek broke down while crowded with people returning from a church entertainment and about forty people were precipitated into the bed of the stream. One young man wask lled. two others probably fatally injured and eight or ten others hurt, from seriously to slightly. The victims are: Killed-Wilde T. Hammond, aged 18. Dangerously injured-Miss Artie Brown and Harry Anderson. Less badly hurt-Miss Cora Murphy. Simmons Fox. William Mays and son, and Newton Carman

Lil En Route to Washington. El Paso, Tex., Dec 22.-Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii passed through El Paso Tuesday, on the Sunset limited en route to Washington. She is accompanied by her maid a very dignified and stately matron The ex-queen refused to be interviewed, but appeared to enjoy being the center of attraction of the crowd of curious people who assembled at the Southern Pacific depot to see how she looked.

Football Captain Sued. Chicago, Dec. 22.-William team Thompson, captain of therub, has been of the Chicasov for breach of promise. such sniplainant is Jennie F. Hutchinson, who came here from Peekskill, N. Y., where her parents still reside. Fatally Shot by a Sheriff.

Ada, Minn., Dec. 22.-In attempting to arrest a stranger who was charged with the robbery of the Bank of Caledonia at Caledonia, N. D., Sheriff Gunderson shot and fatally wounded an unknown man at Rolette.

Railway Freight Depot Burned. Jackson, Miss., Dec. 22.-The Illinois Central railroad freight depot and contents were burned Sunday. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have been caused by a lamp explosion. The loss is estimated at from \$50,000 to \$80,000. The books and records were saved. Challenge for an Ice Yacht Race.

Madison, Wis., Dec .22.-A challenge has been received by the Madison Ice Yacht club from the Lake Pepin club for a race in the near future to be held here, provided the local club pays expenses.

Mason City, Ia., Dec. 21.-Miss Winnie Traver, deputy treasurer of Clay county, committed suicide Saturday by shooting herself four times. Desponlency was the cause

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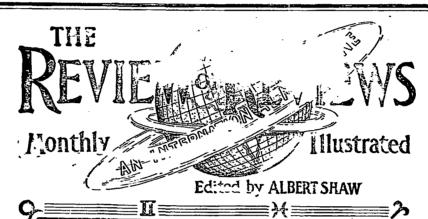
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Provate Court for said county.
At a -ession of the Probate Court for said county held at the Probate office, in said county, on Friday, the 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninery six Pres ut. Jacob J. Van Riper. Judge of Probate in the matter of the estate of Au_ust Kuhl, lecensed.
- mil Koenigshof. Administrator of said estate, comes in o Cour and represents that he is now prepar d to render his fi al account as such Adprepar d to render his fi al account as such Administrator.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Mondas, the 4th day of January next, at ten o'clock in the toremon, he assigned for the examining and allo' ing such account, and that the helfs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate office, in the city of St Joseph, in said account, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed. And it is further ordered, that the said administrator give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Buchanan Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

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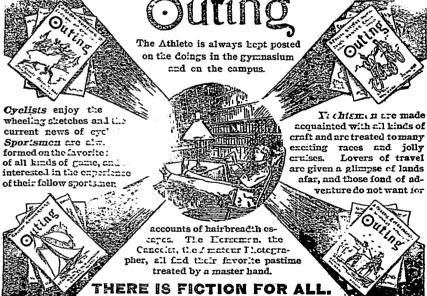
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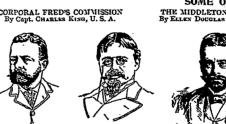
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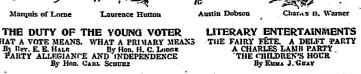
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