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THE SPIRIT OF WAR.

It Manifests Itself in President Cleveland's Latest Message.

Ringing Utterances on the Venezuelar Question-Monroe Doctrine Must Be Upheld, by Force of Arms, If

Washington, Dec. 18 .- The president sent to congress Tuesday the Venezueplan correspondence, accompanied by the following significant message:

To the Congress: In my annual message addressed to the congress on the third instant, called attention to the pending boundary controversy between Great Britain and the republic of Venezuela and recited the substance of a representation made by this government to her Britannic majesty's government, suggesting reasons why such dispute should be submitted to arbitration for settlement and inquiring whether it would be so submitted.

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The answer of the British government, which was then awaited, but has since been received, together with the dispatch to which it is a reply, is hereto appended.

Such reply is embodied in two communications addressed by the British minister to Sir Julian Fauncefote, the British ambassador at this capital. It will be seen that one of these communications is devoted exclusively to observations upon the Monroe doctrine, and claims that in the present instance a new and strange extension and development of this doctrine is inssisted on by the United States; that the reasons justifying an appeal to the doctrine enunciated by Iresident Monroe are generally inapplicable to the state of things in which we live at the present day," and especially inapplicable to a controversy involving the boundary line between Great Britain and Venezuela.

The Mouroe Doctrine Strong and Sound.

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Without attempting extended argument in reply to these positions, it may not be amiss to suggest that the doctrine upon which we stand is strong and sound tecause its enforcement is important to our peace and safety as a nation and is essential to be integrity of our free institutions and the tranquil maintenance of our distinctive form of government. It was intended to apply to every stage of our national life and cannot become obsolete while our republic endures. If the balance of power is justly a cause for fealous anxiety among the governments of the old world, and a subject for our absolute non-interference, none the less is an observance of the Monroe doctrine of vital concern to our people and their government.

Assuming, therefore, that we may properly insist upon this doctrine without regard to "the state of things in which we live," or any changed conditions here or elsewhere, it is not apparent why its application may not be invoked in the present controversy.

If a European power, by an extension of its rights, it is difficult to see why, to that extent, such European power does not thereby attempt to extend its system of government to that portion of this continent which is thus taken. This is the precise action which President Monroe declared to be "dangerous to our peace and safety," and it can make no difference whether the European system is extended by an alvance of frontier or otherwise.

A Place in Internstional Law. The Mouroe Doctrine Strong and Sound.

A Place in International Law.

Practically the principle for which we contend has peculiar if not exclusive relation to the United States. It may not have been admitted in so many words to the code of international law, but since in international counsels every nation is entitled to the rights belonging to it, if the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine is something we may justly claim if has its place in the code of international law as certainly and as securely as if it were specifically mentioned, and when the United States is a suitor before the high tribunal that administers international law the question to be determined is whether or not we present claims which the justice of that code of law can find to be right and valid.

The Monree doctrine finds its recognition in those principles of international law which are based upon the theory that every nation shall nave its rights protected and its just claims enforced.

Of course this government is entirely confident that under the sanction of this doctrine we have clear rights and undoubted claims. Nor is this ignored in the British reply. The prime annister, while not seamitting that the United States would resist any such enterprise if it was contemplated, President Monroe adopted a policy which reveived the entire sympathy of the English government of that date." A Place in International Law.

The Proposition to Arbitrate.

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In the beinef that the doctrine for which we contend was clear and definite, that it was founced upon substantial considerations and involved our safety and welfare, that it was founced upon substantial considerations and involved our safety and welfare, that it was finite applicable to our present conditions and to the state of the world a progress, and that it was directly related to the penning controversy, and without any conviction as to the final merits of the dispate, but anxious to learn in a satisfactory and conclusive manner whether Great Britain sought, under a claim of houndary, to extend her possessions on this continent without right, or whether she merely sought possession of the territory fairly included within her lines of ownership, this government proposed to the government of Great Britain a resort to arbitration as the proper means of settling the question, to the end that a vexations boundary dispute between the two contestants might be determined and our exact standing and relation in respect to the controverse might be determined and our exact standing and relation in respect to the controverse might be made clear.

It will be seen from the correspondence herewith submitted that this proposition has been declined by the British government upon grounds which in the circumstances seen to me to be far from sainfactory. It is deeply disappointing that such an appeal actuated by the most friendly feeling towards both nations directly concerned a larressed to the sense of justice and to the magnanimity of one of the great powers of the world and touching its relations to one comparatively weak and small, should have produced no better results.

The Course to Be Persaced.

The course to be pursaced by this government in view of the present condition does not appear to admit of serious doubt. Having labored fallithrilly for many years to induce Great Britain to submit this dispute to impartial arbitration, and having been now incidy appried of her refusal to do so, nothing remains but to accept the situation, to recognize its plain requirements and deal with it accordingly. Great Britain's present proposition has never thus far been regarded as admissible by Venezuela, though any adjustment of the boundary which that country may deem for her advantage and may enter into of her own free will cannot of course be objected to by the United States.

Assuming, nowever, that the attitude of Nenezuela will remain unchanged, the dispute has reached such a stage as to make it now incumbent upon the United States to these measures to determine with States to the emasures to determine with sufficient certainty for its justification what is the true divisional line between the republic of Venezuela and British Guiana. The inquiry to that end should of course be conducted carefully and judicially, and due weight should be given to all available evidence, records and facts in support of the claims of both parties.

In order that such an examination should be prosecuted in a thorough and satisfactory manner. I suggest that the congress make an adequate appropriation for the expenses of a commission, to be appointed by the executive who shall make the necessary investigation and report upon the matter with the least possible delay. When such report is made and accepted it will in my opinion be the duty of the United States to resist by every means in its power as a willful aggression upon its rights and interests the appropriation by Great Britain of any lands or the exercise of governmental jurisdiction over any territory which after investigation we have determined of right belong to Venezuela.

In making these recommendations I amfully alive to the responsibility incurred and letently realize all the consequences that may follow.

i am nevertheless firm in my conviction that, while it is a grievous thing to contemplate the two great English speaking peoples of the world as being otherwise than irrendly competitors in the onward march of civilization and strenuous and worthy rivals in all the acts of peace, there is no calamity which a great nation can invite which equals that which follows a supine submission to wrong and injustice and the consequent loss of national respect and honor beneath which is shielded and defended a people's safety and greatness.

GROVER CLEVELAND, Executive Mansion, December 17, 1895.

HOUSE COMMITTEES.

List of the Chairmen Appointed by Speaker Reed.

on Saturday announced his committee | president on the subject of bonds: appointments. The list of chairmen is

Rules-The speaker. Ways and Means-Nelson Dingley, Jr. (rep., Me.).
Appropriations—J. G. Cannon (rep., Ill.).
Foreign Affairs—R. R. Hitt (rep., Ill.).
Banking and Currency—Joseph Walker rep., Mass.). Coins. Weights and Measures-C. W.

tivers and liarbors-W. B. Hooker (rep., N. Y.).
Public Buildings and Grounds—S. L. Miliken (rep., Me.). Pacific Raffroads-H. H. Powers (rep.,

Railways and Canals-C. A. Chickering (rep., N. Y.).
Immigration and Naturalization—Richard Hartholdt (rep., Mo.).
Indian Affairs—J. S. Sherman (rep.,

Military Affairs—J. A. T. Hall (rep., Ia.).
Interstate and Foreign Commerce—W.
P. Hepburn (rep., Ia.).
Judiciary—D. B. Henderson (rep., Ia.).
Elections—No. I, Charles Daniel (rep., N.
Y.): No. 2 Robbinson (rep., Ind.); No. 3.
S. W. McCall (rep., Mass.).
Post Offices and Post Roads—E. T. Loud
(rep., Cal.).

(rep., Cal.).
Territories—J. A. Scranton (rep., Pa.).
Public Lands—J. F. Lacy (rep., Ia.).
Invalid Pensions—J. A. Pickler (rep.,

8. D.). Labor-J. M. Phillips (rep., Pa.). Agriculture-James Wadsworth (rep., Mississippi River Levees-G. W. Ray

(rep., N. Y.). Mines and Mining-D. D. Aitken (rep., Irrigation and Arid Lands-B. Herman (rep., Ore.).
Merchant Marine and Fisheries—S. E. Payne (rep., N. Y.). Militia-B. F. Marsh (rep., III.).

Patents-W. F. Draper (rep., Mass.). Reform in Civil Service-M. Brosius (rep., Manufacturers - L. D. Apsley (rep.,

Mass.).
Education—G. A. Grow (rep., Pa.).
Claims—C. N. Brumm (rep., Pa.).
Printing—G. D. Perkins (rep., Ia.).
Pensions—H. C. Loudenschlager (rep.,

N. J.).
Alcoholic Liquor Traffic—E. A. Morse (rep., Mass.). Revision of Laws-W. W. Bowers (rep.

War Claims-T. M. Mahon (rep., Pa.). Election of President and Vice President -N. M. Curtis (rep., N. Y.). Private Land Claims-G. W. Smith (rep., Enrolled Bills-A. T. Hager (rep., Ia.).

District of Columbia-James A. Babcock (rep., Wis.). Acoustics-W. S. Linn (rep., Mich.). Accustics—W. S. Linn (rep., Mich.).

Expenditures—State department, L. E.
Quigg (rep., N. Y.); treasury, C. H. Grosvenor (rep., O.); war, W. W. Grout (rep.,
Vt.); navy, H. F. Thomas (rep., Mich.);
post office, H. H. Bingham (rep., Pa.); interior, Charles Curtis (rep., Kan.); justice,
W. R. Ellis (rep., Ore.); agriculture, C. W.
Gillett (rep., N. Y.); public buildings, T.
Settle (rep., N. C.).

AMERICAN COMMERCE.

The Centennial of Its Liberty Is Ob-

New York, Dec. 21.—American com-merce celebrated the centennial of its liberty Thursday night by a banquet effort by executive action to relieve the New York, Dec. 21.-American comliberty Thursday night by a banquet at Delmonico's. Thursday night was chosen for the banquet because it marked the 100th anniversary of the full approval by the president and senate of the treaty negotiated with Great Britain by John Jay, then chief jus- can be found who care to express an tice of the young republic of the United opinion for publication either upon its States. The feast also inaugurated the merits or as to the course which conannual observance of December 19 as "Commercial Day" by all organized ly, republican members of the house commercial bodies of the country, and severely criticised the president. It it was held under the auspices of the was contended by a number of these editors of and contributors to the re- gentlemen that the measure was illcently completed history entitled "One advised and unnecessary; that Hundred Years of American Com- its effect would be

ALL FOR PEACE.

Oospel in various Chicago churches on dent's sanction. On the other hand, Sunday referred to the warlike appear- the house, they assert, will not agree ance of affairs between the United to any measure looking to the retire-States and Great Britain in their ser- ment of the greenbacks and the submons. Without exception all insisted stitution therefor of gold interest-that there was no need of war to settle bearing bonds. Speaker Reed declined the matter in dispute.

the possibility of war between the this he declined to talk. United States and England. Ail were strong in their utterances against procoeding to the extreme, and in protest against war talk by press and public.

The War Is Costly.

New York, Dec. 21.-President tral & Hudson River railroad, said Friday: "The war has already cost the country \$1,000,000,000 in depreciated values, and it has been going on for only three days. I met the man Friday who owns most of the swamp in Venezuela which is in dispute and he said he would sell it to me for \$25,000.

Signed the Venezuelan Bill. Washington, Dec. 23.—The president The infant's body has been recovered agned the Venezuelan comm'ssion resolution Saturday and it is now a law. According to the wording of the reso lution authorizing the commission, the commissioners are directed to ascertain

Venezuela and British Guiana. Green Bay, Wis., Dec. 23.-For the past three days farmers adjacent to this city have been engaged in plowing. the ground since the last thaw being found in excellent condition for that Monday, February 17.

the true divisional boundary between

ANOTHER MESSAGE.

The Financial Situation in Danger, Capital Says the President.

Congress Urged to Enact Legislation for Its Betterment Before Recess_News from New York Precipitates Matters.

Washington, Dec. 21.-In the senate Speaker Reed.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Speaker Reed cial message was received from the

"To THE CONGRESS: In my last annual message the evils of our present financial system were plainly pointed out a.d the causes and means of the depletion of gold were explained. It was therein stated that after all the efforts that had been made by the executive branch of the gov-ernment to protect our gold reserve by the issuance of bonds amounting to more than \$162,000,000, such reserve then amounted to but little more than \$72,000,000: that about \$15,000,000 had been withdrawn from such reserve during the month next previous to the date of that message, and that quite large withdrawals for shipment in the immediate future were predicted.

Immediate Action Necessary. "The contingency then feared has reached us, and the withdrawals of guid since the communication referred to and others that appear inevitable threaten such a depletion in our government gold reserve as brings us face to face with the necessity of further action for its pro-tection. This condition is intensified by the prevalence in certain quarters of sud-den and unusual apprehension and timidity in business circles. We are in the midst of another season of perplexity caused by our dangerous and fatuous financial operations. These may be expected to recur with certainty as long as there is no amendment in our financial system. If in this particular instance our predicament is at all influenced by a recent insistence upon the resistion we should occur in our rethe position we should occupy in our relations to certain questions concerning our foregn policy, this furnishes a signal and impressive warning that even the patriotic sentiment of our people is not an adequate substitute for a sound financial policy.

Nation's Solvency Unquestioned. "Of course there can be no doubt in any thoughtful mind as to the complete solreney of our nation, nor can there be any just apprehension that the American pa-ple will be satisfied with less than an honest payment of our public obligations in the recognized money of the world. We chant recognized money of the world. We should not overlook the fact, however, that aroused fear is unreasoning and must be taken into account in all efforts to avert public loss and the sacrifice of our people's interests. The real and sensible cure for our recurring troubles can only be effected by a complete change in our financial scheme. Pending that, the executive branch of the government will not relax its efforts nor abandon its determination to use every means within its reach to maintain before the world American credit, nor will there be any hesitation in exhibiting its confidence in the resources of our country and the constant patriotism of our people.

"In view, however, of the peculiar situation now confronting us, I have ventured to herein express the earnest hope that the congress, in default of the imaguration of a better system of finance, will not take a a better system of maket, recess from its labors before it has by leg-

Asks Congress to Act.

hensive among our people that the re-sources of this government and a scrupu-lous regard for honest dealing afford a sur-guarantee of unquestioned safety and soundness, but to reassure the world trut with these factors and the patriotism of our citizens the ability and determination of our nation to meet in any circumstances every obligation it incurs do not admit of any question. I ask at the hands of the the power to give to prevent in a time of lear and apprehension any sacrifice of the test to represent the University of

"GROVER CLEVELAND."
"Executive Mansion, Dec. 20, 1895." How It Was Received.

dangers of the present emergency.

The message is received with widespread astonishment on all sides. Few gress would probably pursue. Privateto the gravity of the situation and that congress is in no position at the present time to afford the relief de-Miristers of the Gospel Say There Is No sired. Leading republicans say that no measure satisfactory to them can either Chicago, Dec. 23.-Ministers of the pass the senate or receive the presito express an opinion respecting the New York, Dec. 23.-Ministers in near-message. He thought it not unlikely ly all of the churches in this city made that congress might remain in session references in their sermons Sunday to with a view to assisting the executive the Venezuela boundary dispute and as far as lay in its power, but beyond

Iowa Legislature.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 26.-The 26th general assembly will convene in this city at 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday, January 13, next. The senate will consist of 43 republicans and seven democrats Channey Depew, of the New York Cen- the house of 80 republicans and 20 dem ocrats, giving the republicans a majority of 96 on joint ballot.

Drowned While Fording a Stream. Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 23 .- News has just reached here of the drowning in Forchee creek of Mrs. Tennie Whitard, of Bismarck, Mo., her infant and her sister, Ada Hardage, while attempting to ford the stream on Thursday last

Omaha Banks Consolidate, Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.-An arrange ment has been entered into by the officers of the American national and Union national banks whereby the business of the former is merged into the

latter.

Will Meet in Bultimore. New York, Dec. 21,-President Willison, of the League of American Wheelmen, has decided that the national assembly shall be held in Baltimore, on OWELL STATE BANK-

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> Chas. McCarty, Vice President M. C. Grisweld, Cashier.

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Chas. McCarty F. T. King Geo. H. Force eral Banking Business Transacted Money Loaned on Real Estate Securi y

KALAMAZOO'S SUCCESS.

A Year of Financial Prosperity Enjoyed in That Balliwick. Kalamazoo, Dec. 20.—Kalamazoo has

not been having a boom the past year, but a retrospective view has made it evident that the city has been steadily growing so far as commercial matters are concerned. Among the important manufacturing plants which have been constructed together with their cost, are the following: Bryant paper mill, \$125,060; Humphrey manufacturing and plating plant, \$30,000; G. J. Bremer, foundry and machine shop, \$10,-000; Clark & Dunton, foundry and machine shop, \$8,000; Dewing & Son, rebuilt, plant, \$125,000; total, \$309,500. The new business blocks erected cost \$500,000; residences, 200, \$200,000; grand total, \$559,500.

SLATTERY WILL FIGHT. Evicted Priest Will Invoke the Law Upon

Lansing, Dec. 20 .-- The 23 men who visited the Catholic parish house here and ejected therefrom Father Slattery and his six clerical guests will soon be called upon to defend themselves on is his intention to remain in Lansing. notwithstanding the efforts of the disaffected members of his congregation to drive him away and that if there is spare no means to enforce it.

DROWNS SELF AND CHILD.

Ann Arbor, Dec. 20. - Mrs. Mary Grossman, wife of a prominent business man in this city, committed suicide by drowning herself in a cistern. When she sprang into the water she carried year-old daughter. No reason can be assigned for the rash act, as her life is known to have been a happy and contented one. Her husband on returning

ANN ARBOR DEBATERS.

To Meet Chicago University Men in Ora-

Ann Arbor, Dec. 21.—Charles G. Vert, '96 law, of New York; Edmand Block, '96 law, of Tennessee, and Paul Y. Albright, '98 law, of Pennsylvania, bave Pork been selected by an intersociety con-Michigan in a debate with the Chicago university to be held here next February. The question to be discussed is: "Is the principle of a graduated property tax one that should be adopt-

to the plaintiff, a Mr. Ostrander, caused by the alleged failure of the city to operly shore up the sides of a sewer on Madison street, in which the plaintiff was working. By reason of the failure it is claimed that the sewer caved in, burying Mr. Ostrander up to the hips. In his fear that another cave-in would occur and bury him completely, Mr. Ostrander claims to have struggled violently to get out, and in doing so to have injured himself.

A Coaster Killed.

year-old lad residing west of Rockford, while coasting was struck by a single sled descending the hill. He was thrown ten feet into the air, falling upon his head and crushing his skull. He died 12 hours afterward.

Christmas and New Years Excursion|Rates via Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Raliway.

The Detroit Grand Haven & Milwau- 6 lb. Raisins 250 kee Railway, and Toledo Saginaw & Muskegon Railway, will make cheap excursion rates to all points and via all lines in Michigan, east, west, north and south also to points in Canada west of and including Toronto, Niagra Falls and Buffalo.

Tickets will be sold for Christmas on December 24th and 25th, valid to return 1 lb. Elegant Coffee 25c to January 2nd, 1896. and New Years tickets will be sold December 31st and January 1st valid to return to January 2nd 1896

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Good Silesias	8c	Flannels	38 c
Best A. C. A. Ticking	HC	Ladies Wool Hose	110
Everett Denim, Blue,	90	Mens Heavy Uuderwear	29C

a criminal charge unless the priest recedes from the position taken by him in a card published. He says that it BELOW ALL OTHERS.

any law to punish the persons who were concerned in the affair he will We have one lot of last years' Cloak's sold for \$10 to \$23. Now selling for \$5.

Ann Arbor Woman Jumps Into a Cistern An Risgant Eine of Faneg Handkerebiefs and Stamped Einens For Holidays.

in her arms her only child, a three- We Have a Potato Price on All Our Stock. : - : Dry Goods are Cheap.

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from business found a note written by her directing him to search for her in A. W. WEEKES

the negative. Lansing Must Settle. Lansing, Dec. 19.—The city has been defeated in a damage suit for \$2,500. The case is the one for negligent injury

Potato Prices Are Not In It!

Rockford, Dec. 19,—Dick White, a 15- We Are Here to Stay and Mean Business I

i lb. of Dunham Cocoanut 30c 8 lb. Rolled Oats 250

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5 lb. Ginger Snaps 250

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International gifts. The literary programs were infused to accept it—without giving any teresting and well rendered. Dictionary

others who may be thoughtless but who are never the less inhuman was tried in Justice Hick's court last week when Zeno H. Post and Orlin Williams were arraigned on complaint of Humano Officer Pickard. Post pleaded guilty and was let off with a fine. Williams in default of a fine will spend Christmas in Grand Rapids. We dislike very much to give publicity to the many troubles that are aired in cur courts, on account of the humiliation to the irresponsible relatives, but this case was so aggravating that it seems necessary to call public attention to it.

mide yesterday to see Bishop Richter, but he had gone to Cincinnati. It was stated, however, by very good authority that the bishop is not always in a point on accept a resignation or make a change among the pasters of his diocess. It is one of the rules of the cuurch that a pastor cannot be removed from a parish to one inferior even though he may resign the present pastorate.

The Rev Father Crumley was appointed to the Gratian parish about the treen years ago. At the time of his appointment the nearest store or postoffice to St. Patrick's church was at Cannonsburg, a hamlet four miles distant. THE BEST FOR EVERYBODY

Notice.

The attention of the citizens of Lowell is respectfully called to Sec. 3 of an ordinance passed Jan 4, 1886, the first part of which reads: "No person shall throw or cause to be thrown the contents of any bed, or any straw, or any rubbish, whatever, into any street, lane or alley or on any sidewalk the church which affords academy at the church which affords t

Try our "Farmer's Want" column, if violation of the above ordinance is a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or three months in the county jait,

Samuen F. Edmonds,

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Village Marshal. Bishop to accept his resignation and ex- Hood's Pills are purely vegetable. 25c.

DISCORD IN GRATTAN, pects to leave in a few weeks. Father Cheap Rates to Cotton States and International Exposition at Atlanta, Ga. MUNYON'S PROOF. town not only as a priest and christian | The Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaubut as a gentleman with whom associa- kee Ry, are now offering cheap rates to Public Praise from Eminent Citizens

A case which we dislike very much to notice, but which for its influence on others who may be thoughtless but who may be thoughtless but who into the men who hustled around and secured the cash. An attempt was made yesterday to see Bishop Richter, but he had gone to Chroscopati.

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Amos Vandebroek and children are visiting their grandmother, Mrs Centures.

Rev Armstrong delivered an abic and interesting Christmas sermon at the church Sunday. Subject: "Birth of Phrist."

Joseph Gardner has gone to Grand apply to general and family.

Mrs R. Record and Mrs Carter of Labara and the last Sunday morning is at the family a control for the convenience of the brobate Court for the Condon hill and anothmore two boys were coming from Lowell and when on the condon hill and anothmore two boys were coming from Lowell and when on the condon hill the neck yoke broke and team an away, spilling Mrs Ca. and the last Sunday morning is at the family residence today (Tuesday) at two closes together I have placed on sale at the above office a full stock of tickets to all local and through points so that pass pre-ents and totally demoralizing the bulgay.

L. H. Ainsworth and sister of Plainsell residence today (Tuesday) at two closes for the convenience of the Probate Court for the County of the Probate Court for the County of the Probate Court for the County of the Probate County of the Probate Court for the Probate Court for the County of the Probate Court for the County of the Probate Court for the Probate Court for the Probate Court for the County of the Probate Court for the Probate Court fo

Rapids to spend Christmas with his son, John and family.

The singing school concert was post- of the funeral of Grandpa Proctor.

Or. P ice's Cream Baking Powd

Wurld's Pale Highest Award.

Town Line Tidings.

vergennes visitor.

William Roots and Miss Maud Free man, of Grand Rapids, were recent guests of Mr a d Mrs Lute Bailey.

Will Harris is home from Gd. Rapids wish him success in his new field of labor.

The Carey mill is closed until after the holidays, on account of the accident to spend the holidays.

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Wm. H Parker's house came very near burning up recently. The family were away for the evening and when they returned they found as good a fire | Sherman Reynolds visited friends in out side the stove as in. There was a Rockford last week. spot in the floor and carpet about a yard square, where the sparks had fallen. School closed Friday for a two weeks the rainbow last week.

Snow last Thursday.

Suits and many other things to suit at Owing to the rainy weather Archie Mr and Mrs William Rittenger have Veiter's furniture store Austin Wright and wife visited a few and its readers.

Mrs M. Denny has been sick the post week.

Mrs P. Bozung entertained her mothWells, cisterns and cellars have more

We had the pleasure of attending the evening session of the Sunday school to spend the holidays.

Little Mary Bollar is very sick with typhoid fever.

Jay Pinckney grinds feed and has a cob crusher, opposite McQueen's barn.

Char es Winks and wife were in South were in Lowell Saturday. Boston the first of the week.

The green condition of the wheat and guest of her parents, Mr and Mrs R. S.

I Lenna VanNatter closed her school friends, who hope and pray for a speed friends, who hope and

Christmas is almost here and if there is anything in the jewelry line you need Sunday with F. J. Streeter and family.

William Watterson and family spent Wilcox, of Kalamazoo, are visiting Wm.

Mrs William Sears is numbered among Bemer and family. East Lowell.

and a Happy New Year,

Mrs King is failing very fast. Her many friends are very anxious.

Born to Mr and Mrs Fred Conklin. a daughter.

Her and more goods for less money than you ever got before. Call on us and let us hold your holiday selections until you want them.

Alanson Salsbury and wife of Grand Rapids are visiong relatives at this place, also Campbell.

The Xmas tree at this place Monday eve, was one of the grandest events of the left over hold of the left of t Mr and Mrs Wisner and son, Don,

have been visiting Gd. Rapids friends.

quit sick, is improving. reported a very pleasant time. Our school is having a vacation this W. J. Dollaway spent Monday in I shall have another one assortment of pictures suitable for holiday presents. Mrs Allen Godfrey spent last week at Frank Pant and wife and Mrs Wood Alton visiting her parents. Mr and Mrs S. A. Ware were recently Thomas Pant. visited by their son and family.

enty third year. She was a sister of T. B. Hastings, and was formerly a resifor the old country last Saturday. The club dances at Smyrna are pros-periog finely, they now have eighty-two

Mr and Mrs Henry Epley, residents of this vicinity for the past fifteen years, A. J. Ring spent part of last week at have gone to spend the winter with Orlo Weekes spent Sunday at Mrs Vergennes. Orrin Evans went to Grand Rapids Frost's in Keene. Ray Pentler of Entrican Sundayed Monday with a load of produce and

with Mr and Mrs Geo. Ring. We wish the correspondents and the Mr and Mrs Harry Courtright spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs Mr and Mrs Chauncey Miller of Alton spent Sunday in Keene. Gregory's tie mill moved to Geo. Will- The church social at East Curtiss' a iams' woods Monday. Henry Compton made a business trip | There was a surprise party on Curtiss

Mr and Mrs F. Vandenbroeck visited W. Johnson went to Grand Rapids at Geo. Gender's of Grattan Sunday.

Closing out sale of guns at R. D. with Christmas trees last Saturday and again Monday. Last weeks rain seriously interfered with the sale of Christ-. Stocking's.

Alto Dashes.

Rev. Wesbrook, Robt. Nash and Mr Year to the Ed., Cors., and readers of swamp and got two fine Christmas trees the Journal.

Mrs Effie Clark is very ill. Just received, holiday novelties in meckwear, Chas Althen.

One of the most successful surprise parties ever planued came off, Monday, Dec 15 and the one surprised was Lafe Bryant. About 50 were present and the Court Ford and family last week.

Mrs Effic Clark is very ill.

M evening was pleasantly spent in games and mother in Sanilac Co., in the near fuand music. Lafe received a lovely ture.

Sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each is and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh.

run his mil.

South Lowell. Sweets school is taking a weeks vaca | S. D. Godfrey sowed rye Monday, The rain descended and the flood Wheat and grass looks healthy.

came, and we longed for a glimpse of Mrs Kate Purdy has a bad cold and is considerable worse. Parker, you better let Annie fix the fire after this.

We wish the Editor, Scribes and all and relatives in this vicinity last week.

School closed Fludy for a two weeks the rainbow last week.

When and Mrs William O Jury of Grand Rapids are visiting their daughter, Mrs and relatives in this vicinity last week.

J. H. Rittenger and family. readers of the Journal, a merry Xmas | Rev J. J. Findlay called on Uriel | We are sorry to have been so tarty in | Brooches at all prices at H. A Snow last Thursday.

Urel Snow doesn't like the nickname has been very sick, but is better at pres

Ross did not move last week

A merry Christmas to the Journal

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The Description of a week has taken to be sleighing and now lots of mud.

William Murphy is reported Mr Proctor, an aged pioneer, passed from earth to rest last Sunday morning May Hatters is very sick within fever,

Austin Wright and wife visited a few days last week with Mr and Mrs Wm. Mrs Adelade Morse of Grand Rapids Funeral from his residence Tuesday after John Walch and James Loughlin are is visiting her sister, Mrs O. Reynolds, ernoon.

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Aldrich and family of Grand Rapids. | carriage, standing the M. E church with a fair amount of infamily.

Mrs. D. A. Wood and daughter. Mrs. Dr. Van Amburg, of Ada. Drs. have hopes of saving the arm, if the terest. Maynard Bowen of Fowlerville is vis- Mrs Jasper Johnson is visiting her considering his weak condition, the Mrs George Brink of Colorado, is the Master Harry Johnson.

Mrs William Sears is numbered among Bemer and family. Wren McDiarmid and sister Effie, of man'-; do not fail to look at them be-

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We have exchanged our cutters for Week,

Miss Bessie McNeal of Alaska was the guest of Ola McGregor a few days last Diarmid and wife.

Hattle Salsbury, of Grand Rapids is visuting by Largella of this place. Our claim is to give better val- Alanson Salsbury and wife of Grand visiting her parents of this place.

Down the River.

first of the week.

George Eyre, of Grand Rapids.

week ago was a great success.

mas trees.

Morse Lake Ripples.

Parkhurst, Monday evening, Dec. 23rd.

the kind ever held at this place. The trees were nicely decorated with pres-John Engle and wife made a business ents. The programme was a complete Mesdames Mary A and Aiva Rolf, of West Lowell, and Will Minty, of South Boston, were recent guests of J. N.

John Engle and wife made a business success, especially the male quartette week.

When the exercises began there were no vacant seats in the large church and Mr and Mrs Adelbert Coonrod enter in fact all the standing room was occu-Little Rena Vanderwall who has been tained about thirty of their friends and neighbors last Saturday evening. They with the turkey that Santa fetched him. ----

of Ada spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs The Swiss have a Christmas tree at Luther Sweet and wife of Keene took the church tonight (Wednesday). The For sale, or exchange for wood, a Sunday.

dinner with Alonzo Coonrod and wife Band will be present and assist in the program. good driving herse.

GEO. L. Wifson John Carpenter of Carleton Centre Lewis Fitchett, of Grind Stone City, was a guest of Adelbert Coonrod the 18 visiting his aunt, Mrs Orrin Ford.

J B. YEITER.

Mr Arnold, who has been spending the summer at A. Vandebroeck s. started Rockford, Honor VanSyze, in her sev-Highest Honors-World's Fair,

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We have had the much needed rain

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FRANK J CHENEY makes outh that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J.

Sa tree o'clock Dated, Grant 1895. visit relatives over Christmas.

guests of Mr a d Mrs Lute Bailey.

It thundered and lightened Tuesday of last week and a dark dismal week.

The Sunday School Convention was almost a failure, on account of the weather.

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The rain of a week has taken our fin good health to Dr King's New Discovery and knows it to be t e best in the world William Murphy is reported worse Hunter & Son's Drug Store. home from school to spend the holidays.

recovery. Later, this Tuesday, he is de

fore buying.

Gold rings at all prices at H. A. Sher

Ur. Price's Cream Baking Powder

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So Mr Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had lung trouble, following Typhoid Malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy four doltars with doctors, who finally gave him upsaying: "Your boy wont live a month." He tried Dr King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to Dr King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to Dr King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and the health and the health and the health is to be a cheet in the many distance of the foremon of said day, I. the subscriber, one of the Circuit Court Commission of Michigan, shall sell at varied court front door of the Court House of said County, a do that certain plees or parcel of land situate and bed gint the Court house of said County, a do that certain plees of Michigan, shall sell at varied fount to the lighest bidder, at the north front door of the Court House of said County, in the State of Michigan, shall sell at varied court, in the State of Michigan, shall sell at varied fount to the lighest bidder, at the north front door of the Court house, and of that certain plees of Michigan, shall sell at varied for Michigan, shall sell at varied for Michigan, shall sell at varied to the fixed the foremon of said day, I. the subscriber, one of the Circuit Court Commission of Michigan, shall sell at varied for Michigan, shall sell at varie

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Mrs P. Bozung is very sick.

Henry Fallan of Gd Rapids, visited there over Sunday

Burt Richmond and wife visited at M. C. Denny's Sunday.

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goods for sale cheap. O. A. BLUME.

Save You Time ad Money. Little Glenn Orr, of Grand Rapids, has been visiting his uncle, Dan T. Bush.

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Remaining in the Post Office at Lowell Mich., week ending Dec. 21, 1895: Miss Carrie Dickenson, Miss Anna

GENTLEMEN. William Chinidth, A. Glastic, H. B

MARTIN N. HINE, P. M.

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LOWELL JOURNAL, last week with friends in Grand Raplos.

Mrs S. A. Bush visited a couple days last week with friends in Grand Raplos, visited with James Shepard, last week.

Miss Kittle Mason is spending the last week.

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1895.

plateno cabinets. Call and see samples of work at the studio.

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If you are in need of a silver butter dish, cake basket, castor or any silver ware call on H. A. Sherman.

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that furniture you promised your wife interesting and have been largely at-while this sleighing is so fine. interesting and have been largely at-tended. The views are the finest ever Dell Tarleton of Grand Rapids was in

he finest line in town.

Mrs O. B. Harris, aged 74, suffered a stroke of paralysis Tuesday, Dec. 17,

Mrs Sandell will spend Christmas at Embroidery silks and roman floss, Belding with her son, W. F. Belding with her son, W. F.

Some nice madolins at R. D. Stock-ing's, very cheap, make nice Xmas

You can get a trimmed hat at from

Holidays with their mother, Mrs I. S.

Herriman.

fifty cents up to any price to suit at Mrs

J. O'Heron's.

E. M. Hubbell of Correction

Mrs Jas. Carr was the recipient of a box of Christmas gifts from California among which was a nin condition.

Mr and Mrs Wm. Pullen and son, Wil- Lowell & Hastings excursion, Christ-

Pocket Kodaks can be bought at R. Lowell has been the scene of a dry g Rapids, are visiting their parents.

Now is the time to buy an organ, R. 1896.

The band was out last Friday night and Mr and Mrs R. J. Flanagan were the A coal stove and a lot of house hold serenaded the members of our common council who had advocated the bonding of the village for lights.

Mr and Mrs R. S. Franagan

pleased victims of about fifty of their friends who dropped in upon them last Friday evening to remind them that the S. S. Lee is spending his vacation of the village for lights. with his parents, Mr and Mrs J. E. Lee.

does not prove that the war is over, it is that they, the friends, proposed to help only the lull which preceeds the greater them, Mr and Mrs Flanagan, to storm. say "Advertised" and give date of this tion in town, remember.

Have you heard about it?

About what?

For Photos there is no better place in Michigan to get your work done than at Harvey J. Coons attended the Swan-sale of trimmed hats and bonnets and

Holidays with her brother, Fred at Mrs J. Maynard made this office a present of a beautiful bunch of pansies. Just the thing for Christmas, the new doors and picked that morning. If you are in need of a silver butter

winter. Enquire of Newt Coons.

Will McCarty is home from Big Rapids, where he is attending Business College.

Mrs Harriet Peck has been visiting her Mrs Ward and Dr. Towsley spent daughter, Mrs W. F. Brooks, of Grand Christmas with relatives and friends at Rapids. Mrs Peck expects to start next nonth for California, where she will The lectures given by the Rev. James

Robert Hardy is able to be out again after being confined to the house for three weeks.

G. Arthur Brown, of Marquette, is spending Christmas with Dr. and Mrs O. C. McDanneil.

It takes more than one Jonnie Jumptup to make a spring, so also does it take something besides a couple of cheap pianos to make a reputable Music Store. I am in the music business harder than ever and stand ready to fill your wants

Jay Cain and wife, of Chicago, Mabel

E. M. Hubbell of Coopersville was in town the first of the week and spent Christmas with his brother. Jap Miss Nellie McCarty is home from then dies. This cushion is made from Ohio, where she has been attending college, to spend her holiday vacation.

Albion, is home for the Holidays.

Best table oil cloth, 12½c per yd. at A.

W. Weekes.

Silk and linen umbrella's. silver mounted at Althen's for \$2.00 worth

\$\frac{4}{2}\text{ month's visit at the Atlanta Exposition.}}\$

Get and Eastman Kodak and take pictures of your friends. R. D. Stocking has them.

Mr and Mrs Wm. Pullen and son, Wilder Wiley, returned last Friday from a month's visit at the Atlanta Exposition.

Get and Eastman Kodak and take pictures of your friends. R. D. Stocking has them.

Devell & Hastings excursion, Christimas and New Year rate, one and one-thing fare for round trip. On sale Dec. 24, 25, and 31, and Jan. 1st good to religious form the month's visit at the Atlanta Exposition.

Get and Eastman Kodak and take pictures of your friends. R. D. Stocking has them.

W. H. Clark, T. M.

Pocket Kodaks can be bought at R. D. Stocking's as cheap as at any place.

Vergennes W. C. T. U. will hold a tea meeting at the home of Mrs Luther Bailey, on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 2d, 1896.

Lowell has been the scene of a dry goods war the past month and just now there is a little full in the fight but it is only to give M. Ruben & Co. time to catch their second wind, sharpen their knife to make deeper and more telling knife to make deeper and more telling the second wind. Now is the time to buy an organ, R.
D. Stocking is offering great bargains at present.

Mrs Harry Lake, of Trinidad, Col., who has been visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs D. Ranney, returned home last there are plenty of great chances for the treaty.

with his parents, Mr and Mrs J. E. Lee.

No clothing as good as the best and

No clothing as good as the best and spent with cards, music and conversa-tion, and some very acceptable remind-Miss Bertha McCarty came home from Chetroit Saturday to spend the Holidays.

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stand on the Monroe doctrine, is one that meets unive sal approval, the Conthat meets unive sal approval, the Congress now in session will hold him straight in line. We append the prominent editorial opinions from the prominent papers of the country.

New York Sun (Dem.)—It is beyond any man's power to determine conclusively whether the possibility of war now confronting us in the legitimate developement of the inevitable. Or the company in the parlor on New Year's and then they ran an alone idea to be at variance with me!"

We was "Greeing her weird" in the solitary keeper has struck for higher wages and be thinks a wife would be better economy. But we can wait, Paul and I. We will wait."

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squarely American than any of his pre-

Grand Rapids Press (Rep)-If it must toped some arrangements can be, made

has had frequent occasion to condemn Grover Cleveland's foreign policy. We ever, to commend thin.

Say that we believe he is exactly right tion in time, and prevented a wreck. A girl scarcely dared to think for berself. stamping her foot vehemently. "I must in the stand he has taken with respect man named Hayes, whose home is in Could she live thus flyways? she asked go home! I expect company topeorrow."

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New York Mail and Express (Dem).—
In this patriotic declaration President
Cleveland will have the support, not
only of Congress, but of the patriotic
people of these United States, who over-

President's position will be enthusiastic-ally supported by the whole American people without regard to faction or It is the American position. And Great Britain may be assured that so long as there are any Americans left that position will be upheld.

f it does, we must defend our rights,

accepting less, to any indesendent state on this continent. To that principle or this continent. To that principle or this continent. To that principle or the consideration of a silver quarter, Reefs. So she made haste to don ber ignomizionsly turned state's evidence.

LOWELL JOURNAL will assent. By that principle in any event, the American nation will stand. The promises are broken, too, The hopes lies are broken, too, The hopes lies it withered, crushed and Not one of all but proved untrue. New York Morning Advertiser (Rep.) New York Morning Advertiser (Rep.)

—It is entirely safe to guess that it.

Johnny Bull had been doing it himself he would not have selected Mr. Cleve land's Venezuelan message as a. Christ-land's venezuelan messa

the country all in a heap. From his record of supine acquiescence for three cord of supine acquiescence for years, to any dictate of Great Britian
his awakening has been extreme and
startling. While his position, a square

see that there is but one sentiment on
the part of the people whom he serves,
and with or without additional counsel
he has taken the only position which

nent editorial opinions from the prominent papers of the country.

Detroit Tribune (Rep.)—The Rubicon has been crossed, and there is no back ward step to take. There is no time for arguments, either in Congress or among the people, touching the sufficiency of the casus belli It is the one duty of Congress to stand firmly in support of the President, and the duty of the people to sustain both to the uttermost dollar of money and drop of blood.

In the legitimate development of the inevitable, or the traditional American statesman-ship. Mr. Cleveland has borrowed a said Mrs. Vane, "when the quilting is behindhand and there's such a deal of sewing to be done."

"It's a sinful, wicked waste of time," and the country of the boat, looking up at the flery eye in the lantern above.

"Give me the bag and the back in one minute."

St. Paul Pioneer-Press (Rep.)—There is no time for the lighthouse, for the tidle, spectral cylinder of the lighthouse, and became Paul Clif-tall, spectral cylinder of the lighthouse, for the took wall all, spectral cylinder of the lighthouse, and beautifules.

"It's a sinful, wicked waste of time,"

It is the tall, spectral cylinder of the lighthouse, for the tall, spectral

lar of money and drop of blood.

Nashville Americin (Dem.)—Uncle
Sam to John Bull: "Hands off, old man!
Clieveland seems to have a sudden accession of right patriotic feeling, he should still further commend himself to the American peeple by promptly respond to the American peeple by promptly respond to the American peeple by promptly respond to the same and least of all just now. She has a sudden and the way from the city in his sleigh to see me. Oh, mother, please let me have a loaf of homemade cake and some tred apples and real cream for the confee!

Just for this once! It's only one day in the way from the city in his sleigh to see me. Oh, mother, please let me have a loaf of homemade cake and some tred apples and real cream for the confee!

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Just for this once! It's only one day in the way from the city in his sleigh to see me. Oh, mother, please let me of the sea.

Indianapolis Journal (Rep.)-With the possibilities of the President's sensible and American Venezuelan policy it would be wise for Congress to increase "Mother," cried Muriel, in an agony thing the matter? Because I couldn't revenues whether he asks for it or not of wounded pride, "do you mean to say leave the light if it was ever so"-

with Ambassador Bayard to induce him to obey the neutrality laws.

Rochester Democrat and Chronicle (Rep.)—President Cleveland's special (Rep.)—President Cleve

vention at the courthouse in this city joinder, but there was a world of mean-sonant laugh that was like the croak of e man loves the thought of strife, on Friday and Saturday, December 27

large down in this message there can be nothing but approval from all true Both wish to build a new bridge, but distance to concoct.

Marinette and Menominee councils, and chicory as he could bring himself lighthouse, with the melancholy sea to concoct.

And that night at the White Beefs and chicory as he could bring himself lighthouse, with the melancholy sea lapping the foot of the tower and the

prince of the Roman Catholic church. | came into the room.

American government and people on this question, and give Lord Salisbury an opportunity for reconsidering his construction of the Monroe doctrine.

New York Mail and Express (Dem).—

Death of Isaac Bassett.

Death of Isaac Bassett.

"Muriel," said she, "I want to send for your own good. You'll thank us one dressed chickens and a peck of these days. Girls oughtn't to have those golden pippins to your Aunt Dora keeper of the senate, died yesterday, at the lighthouse. Jenkins' boy is ready with the boat, but he's such a limb that to be comforted. ice of the government 64 years.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20,-A fire-damp was a worthy scion of the family tree-nearer

New York Times (Dem)—As the Mon-roe decirine stands today in the message of the President it is a clear grave as

THE DYING YEAR.

He came to me in merry guise,

and to draw on the scarlet woolen mittens, which she herself had knitted dur- you come with me?" My door stands open wide tonight In token of a parting guest, Who twelve mouths since, with keen delight, I welcomed to my homely nest. ing those long, dreary winter evenings when she and her mother sat in silence advods there now, wan, wasted, old, opposite each other, for Mrs. Vane never His race quite run, his mission o'er, And when the midnight hour is tolled nvited any company, and gave her

neighbors but scant welcome when they of tyranny was broken up. My little came of their own secord. "Jenkins' boy" was ready with the With horse and promises not few.

Ah, who sould look within those eyes

And dee a that they were all unfree. boat, a small, ferret eyed youngster, wift an intensely freekled face and a fm ve. sidewise glance, which Muriel always distrusted; and as they glided

out over the water, already dyed with time to shriek an ineffectual summons the crange reflection of sunset, in the direction of White Reefs lighthouse, Muriel leaned her chin in her hands ing a long breath. "When a girl is in What would her mother say if she knew it all—that Paul Clifton loved her I've done the best I could. Mehitable

-that he was coming to ask for her at | can't blame me!" the maternal hands the very next day.

"It will be of no use," she thought sadiy. Alother will say no. She desires me to marry Squire Sedley, who is bald and deaf and twice my age, and who only wants me because his house-keeper has streak for light. adly. "Mother will say no. She de-

When I was a young girl I wasn't setting my cap at every fellow that came along."

Company every nour in the day. She was darning stockings by her own especial little lamp, and the teapot already simmered on the hob for her tea. "Any-"

Soutland," such as:

M. C. Griswold, Cashle was darning stockings by her own especial little lamp, and the teapot already simmered on the hob for her tea. "Any-"

Notary Pu "No nothing is the matter," said "You think a deal too much of the Muriel "I have brought you a note They also beg for cheese, which they THE FARMER SEEKS

McGrath, democrat, retires; Judge

J. B. Moore takes a seat, and Judge

It was with difficulty that Muriel

Vane, naturally a high tempered girl,

The she hekery nuts."

Aunt Dora read the note once, twice,

Then she regarded

Get up, gude wife, and binno sweir;

Deal cakes and cheese while ye are here,

For the time will come when ye'll be dead comes chief justice. Three of the checked the indignant retort that rose Muriel in a sinister fashion from under undges, Long, Moore and Montgomery, to her lips. Surely, surely, it was not her thick, black brows, while the girl As the children on these forays are received.

The Best Fence on Earth.

The Best Fence on Earth.

The following letter is a specimen of hundreds received.

ment of the American people, and the stern declaration of purpose will awaken a responsive thrill in every loyal heart.

New York Recorder (Rep.)—Lord SalisNew York Recorder (Rep.)—Lord SalisN

But the docume has not changed with them, as he will find out.

St. Paul Globe (Dem)—We can have no European rule on this side of the seas. By the consequences what they may, there we take our stand, the guardian of own future, willing to abide by any fortune to preserve the integrity of this Nation against insidious advances as well as assault by force of arms.

Toledo, O., Dec. 20.—A suit has been filed in the United States court by the Central Trust company of New York asking that a mortgage of \$4.500,000 to the Cincinnati, Jackson & Macking uardian of own future, willing to abide by any fortune to preserve the integrity of this Nation against insidious advances as well as assault by force of arms.

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In cases of burns, sprains, scalds, or any of the other accidental pains likely to come to the human body. Dr. Thomas "In cases of burns,

one by one, and the pippin apples for Muriel uttered a little shriek.
her lunch dealt sparingly forth, as if "And how am I to get home?" she each one were molded in gold. Mrs. cried. Niles, Dec. 21.—An attempt was made | Vane took | her lamp away at 9 o'clock "You ain't to get home at all," said wreck a Michigan Central passenger every night. She dictated to poor Mu- Aunt Dora. "You're to stay and spend ain Friday morning a few miles west riel as to the very color of her dresses the New Year with me. That's what of Niles by placing obstructions on the and the number of yards which she your mother said in her note."

"But I shall not!" exclaimed Muriel.

Fruit Growers to Meet.

Grand Rapids, Dec. 20.—The West Michigan Fruit Growers' society will hold its annual meeting as a joint control of the society of th

silk dress and bought a new ribbon sash around like a newly caged bird, then and baked a great, golden New Year's she burst into tears and sobs. Menominee, Dec. 18.—The city coun- and herself bargained with the grocer might have known it! I might have il has condemned the second bridge, for two pounds of real Java coffee with known it!"

And that night at the White Reefs

New York Tribune (Rep)—The President has spoken straightforward, many words, which are worthy of, and which we believe will command, the approval and enthusiastic support of the people of the United States.

Indianapolis Sentinel (Dem)—The President's position will be enthusiastic.

Death in a Mine.

In the Nelson mine entry No. 10, near Dayton, 7enn., by an explosion of firedamp.

Will of Allen G. Thurman.
Columbus, O., Dec. 20.—The probated will of the late Senator Thurman shows he was worth \$170,000, all of which was left to his heirs.

Death in a Mine.

In the Nelson mine entry No. 10, near Dayton, 7enn., by an explosion of firedamp.

"Is that a boat coming?" she asked herself. "With one man in it? Is it toold submissive way. "But isn't it rather late?"

Nearer and nearer came the boat, waves, and presently Muriel started up, back long before dark if Jenkins' boy is spry with the oars."

Death in a Mine.

Death in a Mine. Aunt Dora, Mrs. Vane's only sister, band to her, as he came ever nearer and

tall, masculine and hard featured. She

had always taken the entire charge of he called out, as the boat touched the White Reefs lighthouse, even although stone steps. "I am the enchanted knight Lansing, Dec. 20. - Commissioner the official appointment was conferred come to rescue you from the prison tow-

C. L. SEVERY, Prop. even a pair of fowls and a few apples—receiving company. But I was fortunate this the wonted manifestation of sisterly enough to meet Tommy Jenkins, who,

wadded cloak and little for edged hood, | And here I am, my sweetheart! Will "Of course I will," said Muriel, springing lightly into the boat. "But

> "To be married, "said Mr. Paul Clifton. "It is high time that this system My husbard had two cancers taken Muriel must be mine and mine alone rom his face and another was coming henceforward. Do you not agree with He took two bottles of Bu

dock Blood Bitters and it disconcared.

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Two hours later Muriel walked int REPORT OF THE CONDITION

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tre for round trip. Return limit Jan.

wave will sell excursion tickets on Dec

But Paul and Muriel were serenely Surplus fund .. happy. And what mattered aught else?

the American people by promptly recalling Ambassador Bayard.

Denver Times (Rep.)—President Cleveland's message to Congress upon the Venezuela dispute is more particle and least of the United States.

United States in an unjust cause, women who make up their minds on the least possible grounds and then as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing on hand to risk any serious rupture with the United States.

United States in an unjust cause, women who make up their minds on small towns still beg on New Year's eve from door to door at the houses of wealthier families for a dole of oat thread, calling out "Hogamanay" or land and was in the habit of seeing company every hour in the day. She has the least possible grounds and then as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing company every hour in the day. She has to company every hour in the day. She has to company every hour in the day. She has the least possible grounds and then as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing company every hour in the day. She has to least of all just now. She has the least possible grounds and then as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing company every hour in the day. She has to least of the least possible grounds and then as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing company every hour in the day. She has the least possible grounds and then as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing land and was i Scotch children of the poorer class in

Give us of your white bread And none of your gray!

E. R. Collar's

cake filled with plums and studded all "It is all a stratagem of mother's!" WE ARE RIGHT IN IT!

HERE ARE A FEW PRICES:

lapping the foot of the tower and the Men's Heavy Underwear 25c Americans. Congress should give the President the heartlest support to carry out by force if necessary, the policy out by force if necessary, the policy of the location of the state boundary line.

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Washington, Dec. 20.—Mgr. Satolli, appostolic delegate to the United States, became Cardinal Satolli, a member of the little parlor with laurel leaves and long, dark green trails of prince's pine on New Year's eve, when her mother cried Murrel. "You ain't good company tonight," said Annt Dera, glancing at her nicee ever and anon between the stitches of her darning.

"Because you have deceived me!" Cried Murrel. "You and mother!" Cried Murrel. "You ain't good company tonight," said Annt Dera, glancing at her nicee ever and anon between the stitches of her darning.

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"Because you have deceived me!" Cried Murrel. "You and mother !" Cried Murrel." Ladies' Wool Hose. Death of Isaac Bassett.

Washington, Dec. 19.— Capt. Isaac

Washington, Dec. 19.— Capt. Isaac 36 in Dress Flannel 22c I don't, for the life of me, dare to trust | She went down to the foot of the him with the apples and the bag of tower, the next day, and sat there, her Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 21.—Twenty-nine mine entry No. 10, near
in the Nelson mine entry No. 10, near

Dec. 21.—Twenbedquilt—the 'Philadelphia pavement,'

Table oil cloth...

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BARGAINS IN

DRESS GOODS BARGAINS IN

OAKS AND CAPES.

Shawls at Wholesale Prices.

"Wash me and I know I shall be whithher Aunt Dora regarded her as a "poor, "Your mother was entirely noncom- Job lot of Cloaks at \$1.00 Each and Upward, "Your mother was entirely noncom-

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TIME OPTICAL GCODS.

As the dusk of the evening was coming on Tom was seen by Farmer Slack far down the street advancing at a jog ter.

and made him promise that he would not. This ended her anxiety, for Jakey would as soon have forgotten his military honors as break a pledge to his sister.

The dust is private any longer. I command this brigade. And it's a splendid body of men. I'm proud of it."

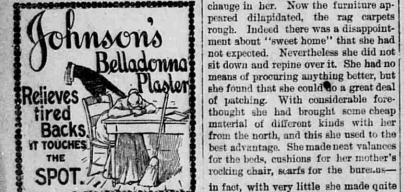
When Colonel Maynard came to salute Souri, there was an unspeakable in the street advancing at a jog ter.

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The U. S. Gov't Reports | a revolution in the house. Her great anxiety was her brother. superior to all others.



Jakey pursued his course meditative ly.

"Reckon that warn't me done thet.
It must 'a' ben som un else. I air a Union boy, I air. She un's Confederate.
Like nuff some un got s'picion o' her. Reckon I can't be Union of I helped her out. Waal, she likes Souri anyway.
Reckon she won't do no harm."

Reckon she won't do no harm."

Notwithstanding the view taken at the close of Jakey's solifoquy, he felt very much dissatisfied with himself. He close of those who had noticed that when under any externment or when her feelings were deapty to come of thoughtfully, wondering what Colonel Maynard wonid say if he should come more the "poor white" girl of the concernment of the coming of his advantages. Sonri knew that there was no hope for improvement in her father and mother. Instead of troubling them when their ways of acting and speaking shocked her, she refrained from comment, but when Jakey dropped into his old ways she tried hard to cheek him. Besides she felt that it was necessary to keep a strict guard over herself, for she had noticed that when under any extincement or when her feelings were deapty to tonched she was apt to forget herself and be once more the "poor white" girl of nothin."

Mall when we met her outen thy reach o' you uns (Souri gave a despair read not though into Into 120 days to return. This long limit and yery low the usual long limit of 20 days to return. This long limit and yery low rates is to need the usual long limit of 20 days to return. This long limit and yery low reach o' you uns (Souri gave a despair read not hough to though the usual long limit of 20 days to return. This long limit and yery low the usual long limit of 20 days to return. This long limit and yery low the usual long limit of 20 days to return. This long limit and yery low that with the usual long limit and yery low the said nothing) she talked peart nuff, 'n she knowed me, too, but when she passed me on th' road t'other day no'th o' th' Union army she only the swell at methrough be regarded at me through her goggle eyes '

Colonel Maynard's staff. It was con-



"RECKON THEM UNS HEZ GOT IT BAD."

them uns chasin thet woman in the bug-boy after his few hours of service on But there were others to engage the

far down the street advancing at a jog trot and on him Jakey, bobbing up and down, his elbows stuck out on each side and his little legs at an obtuse antoward Chattanooga. One of the routes toward Chattanooga. One of the routes toward Chattanooga. One of the routes toward Chattanooga. Under the Cumberland was interest, sympathy, even tenderness, in her expressive eyes.

'Why, Souri, you're a woman. How and down, his elbows stuck out on each side and his little legs at an obtuse angle with the rest of his body. Riding up to the little porch in front of the body style at moderate prices. Artificial Eyes, to guite ever asse, Adjusted Without Pain. Extracements of Every Description to Penefit the Command on descending from such a height. The whole household, including the Chattanana of Every Description to Penefit the Command on descending from such a height. The whole household, including the Chattanana of Every Description to Penefit the Command on descending from such a height. The whole household, including the children, was there to receive him, and Jakev was about to give them an all Jakev was about to give them and the Jakev was about to give them and the Jakev possible route toward Chattanooga. One of the routes taken by the Union army lay through taken by the Union army lay through the Sequatchie valley and directly past the Slacks' little farm. One evening the Soundand or give the give the Jakev by the Union army lay through the Sequatchie valley and directly past the Slacks' little farm. One evening the Soundand or give the give the Jakev by the Union army lay through the Sequatchie valley and directly past the Slacks' little farm. One evening the Soundand or g

and Jakey was about to give them an account of how he had served on Colonel Maynard's staff when he caught his fother's area. Maynard & Chase,

Attorneys at law,

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Whar y' ben?'!

We are making a

Maynard's staff when he caught his father's eye.

"Y', Jake," said Mr. Slack, "didn't livence ways on horseback. Each man and horse the critters last night, 'n now yer been ridin all over, nobody knows whar?

Whar y' ben?'!

"You're a perfect paragon at seemed the same animal. Their subers clanked in unison, and they were chatting and larghing as if they had come to the south with only the most peace-ful intentions. When they reached the readily, "I foun Tom loose, 'n I foller-grate where Souri stood one of them.

"You're a perfect paragon at trooper who becomes used to being always on horseback. Each man and horse seemed the same animal. Their subers clanked in unison, and they were chatting and larghing as if they had come to the south with only the most peace-ful intentions. When they reached the readily, "I foun Tom loose, 'n I foller-grate where Souri stood one of them.

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Was goin through the will contain the state of the containers who had withdrawn to that place and there interested themselves. Meanwhile the Jakey at this many state of the containers who had was goin through few weeks ago."

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Jakey at this many state of the containers who had the was goin through few weeks ago." trenched themselves. Meanwhile the Jakey at this moment came around one week's honeymoon in recognition of Slack family had arrived at their home the house in a fashion at which he had service rendered the cause." near Jasper, in the Sequatchie valley.

Much to Souri's surprise, everything about the place looked uncouth. When she left it a year before, it was all she had ever known. A ten months, residual and service rendered the cause.

"And yer wife's gone back onter the plantation?" said Mrs. Slack.

"She has. You see, in June a recruit entered our family quarters in the shape are remembered his dignity as former voluntered our family quarters in the shape of a ten pounder boy. Before that hap-She left it a year before, it was all she had ever known. A ten months' residence in the north, surrounded by every comfort, associating with the daughters of refined people, had made a great chauge in her. Now the furniture appeared dilapidated, the rag carpets rough. Indeed there was a disappointment about "sweet home" that she had not expected. Nevertheless she did not sit down and repine over it. She had no sit down and repine over it. Sh sit down and repine over it. She had no way. Approaching the fence, he climbmeans of procuring anything better, but ed it and sat with one leg on each side her. And that must account for my she found that she could to a great deal of it. of patching. With considerable fore- "Do ye know me, me boy?" asked leaving you so soon. I owe you all a thought she had brought some cheap Ratigan. material of different kinds with her from the north, and this she used to the

best advantage. She made neat valances

in fact, with very little she made quite

Ratigan.

"Does I know one o' them signal that our forces occupy the country, if

"e should have remembered ter a year?" show Royal Baking Powde: Jakey had attended well to his studies that." And the corporal chuckled good while at school, but his teachers had naturally

"Mebbe y' remember some un's C. & W. M.-D. L. & S. Holiday Excursions

days, the C. &. W M. and D L & N

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ines will sell tickets at one and

"Miss Baggs." "Certainly I do," said the corporal, somewhat startled and confused. "I sor her t'other day."

"Ye don't mean it?" "Reckon I do." "Where?" "She war a-trottin thet ole critter o' International Exposition, the D. L. & N here, goin no'th like shot from a squir-

oral, evidently much interested.

"Upon me word!" ejaculated the corfollows: For tickets good twenty days \$25.70 and good until Jan'y 7th \$35.00 poral, evidently much interested.
"Reckon she war up ter somep'n."
| \$25.70 and good until Jan'v 7th Ask agenes for full information of the property of the poral "What makes ye think so?" And Ratigan changed his position in his sad- Canadian Excursion at Half Fare.

the corporal's embarrassed laugh. He opened the gate, and Ratigan rode into the yard, followed by his troopers. Use for a method of rescue which would sold by druggists. Book sent free. Address

opened the gate, and Ratigan rode into the yard, followed by his troopers. They refreshed themselves from a gourd which hung in the wellhouse; then, filling their canteens, they rode away.

But Souri and Jakey were destined soon to meet one who was of far more consequence to both than Corporal Ratigan. The next morning while Soari was setting the house to rights she heard the beating of innumerable horses' hoofs. Going to the window and looking up the road which stretched northward for a long distance, in full view she saw a column of cavalry approaching.

Before the head of the column had reached the house the whole Slack family were standing in the yard gaping. Two regiments passed, though each seemed like an army, for cavalry occaspies three or four times the space of infantry. Between the second and third regiments was a gap of a few hundred.

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readily, "I foun Tom loose, 'n I follered him all over th' United States."

"I'm glad y' got him," replied the father. "Go in 'n git yer supper."

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"Would ye mind me goin to the well remember how she hid me when my neck was in a halter on that very planfather. "Go in 'n git yer supper." for a little water?" neck was in a halter on that very plantation; how I came north in disguise. vealed by the lifting of the man's hat with her; how I came here one night,

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-after letting her go thorugh, though, he would run away and join the Union like a fool—when the trick was discovered."

"Waal, reckon they'll ketch her," and made him promise that he would "Not Mark Malone—that was a fictitious name—but Mark Maynard. No, I'm not a private any longer. I command this brigade. And it's a splendid mand this brigade.



S. O. LITTLEFIELD,

CHAPTER VII.

OLD FRIENDS MEET.

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GEO. W. ROUSE,

"Does I know one o' them signal that our lorees occupy the country, it you require anything, let me know it. "Oh, J fer!" sighed his sister.
"There was silence for a few moments, which was broken by Mrs. Slack.
"Waal, now, colonel, d'ye know I First Door North of Giles' Store, Lowell

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A new \$10,000 church will be erected \$2.822 for bounties on English spar-THE WEATHER.

An old fashioned "watch light in Who served in the state registrative for New England or the middle states was two terms, died Thursday at the nduntil recently one of the institutions of vanced age of 79 years. He was probable to the Saginaw river is frozen over at th

winter.

Big Difference in Age.

Traverse City is to have a new free Niles, Dec, 21.—Thomas F. Bradbrook.

as the weather is during each of the 12 more fervent than usual, and the anthem that follows it is more like a dirge.

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tain divinations with reference to many events affecting the future. In North-amptonshire the master of the family then tempts fate by opening the Bible with his eyes shut and obtaining from the passage first touched with his finger some indication of the events of the coming year.

Among the Wends young maidens hasten the advent of the advent of the advent of the hense we striking the perch right among the hens, while repeating to themselves the following doggerel:

brat, not unfrequently becoming idiotic.

—New York World.

Dekey club. It will run from June 20 to July 4. The event of the meeting will be held the Derby stakes on the opening day. The blue ribbon meeting of the Derby the following doggered in the development of the events of the threshold to exorcise evil spirits who may be about.

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Mr. A. E. Wing resides at 612 N. Jackson, Mich. He is a harbor deep enough for the largest by a fall meeting the week of September 14-19.

May Run Thelr Own Boats.

Benton Harbor, Dec. 20.—Owing to the learners are cight enter jubi end of the year, for ready money is the the refusal of the Vandalia railroad this year put out over 600 gallons of a swelling of my groins, which began to Trains run week days.

Parlor cars on all trains between Grand Rap and Detroit, seats 25 cents.

Certain observances are supposed to observances are supposed to obtain luck for the year following. In the OHICAGO & WEST MICHIGAN RY.

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Farmer Stebbins as Santa Claus.

By WILL CARLETON.

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We went to Pegtown visiting, my good old wife an' me, An' thought that we would bathe ourselves in Chris'mas joy an' glee; For Sarah Ann, a buxom dame, an' daughter, too, of mine, Resides there with her older half an' children eight or nine; An' so we gathered gifts enough to make 'em all content An' took the train an' landed there the very day we went.



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The children warmly greeted us an' crowded round my chair, With four a-perchin' on my knees an' young uns still

to spare; asked about my spectacles, an' how I growed

my wig, An' if my papa bought my teeth before I got so big. An' how my whiskers come to bleach an' other ques-

To make a mortal realize that younger days have

An' if I ever looked it up how fur I was around, An' when I run if it would shake the whole adjacent ground,

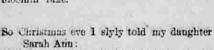
An' if the your-correct-weight box didn't think I was a lot, An' if I wouldn't have to put two pennies in the slot, With other questions well designed to give a hint to me That I was not a first class sylph so far as they could see.

An' when I told 'em fairy tales they wouldn't be-An' said the Sin'bad sailor things could never have occurred;

An' all the pleasant little lies that used to cheer my They set upon without delay as destitute of truth.

An' when of Christmas mysteries in solemn tones I

They laughed an' said that Santa Claus was all "a bloomin' fake."



"I'll show the tots a little sight to laugh at if they can. You rake the fireplace clear o' fire, not tellin' them the cause An' I'll come down the chimney way dressed up as Santa Claus. It isn't very fur to climb-the weather's pretty mild, An' I would do three times as much to interest a child."



I went an' clad in hairy garb, with whiskers long an' white

An' other things to paralyze the inexperienced sight An' had some sleighbells bright an' new a-hangin on my arms

An' pockets full o' Christmas things to add unto my charms, with the strongest ladder rope that I could find

in town I entered in the chimney top an' clambered slowly

My goodness sakes! Who ever heard of such untimely luck?

The chimney narrowed all to once, an' suddenly I stuck

An' hung there like a roastin' hen a-waitin' to be brown, For spite of all my effortin' I couldn't get up or down. An' then the chil'ren heard the noise an' run distressin' fleet An' looked an' yelled: "It's Gran'pa Steb. We know him by his feet"

An' then their mother had to tell what I had tried Whereat their little fancies sprung the subject to

They asked me if I'd traveled far, if chimneys in-

inred coats,
An' where my span of reindeers was, an' if they'd like some oats, An' told me, with a childish greed for Christmas

gathered pelf, If I would throw the presents down, I needn't come myself;

An there I bung for quite awhile, with fury

Until they brought a mason in, who took the bricks apart; An' though they made the children stop, an' sent 'em off to bed, I knowed what they was thinkin' of an' what they prob'ly said, An' when the mornin' did appear an' breakfast time occurred, They set around the table there forbid to say a word;



A-sufferin' so to laugh at me, afraid that I'd be

An' longin' for their presents, too-I knowed it well enough. An' then a tear come in my eye, an' like a fond old

I went an' dug'the presents out an' give 'em all to once. An' then I says, "If Santa Claus is what you call 'a

These pr'tty things he brought fur you is real an' no

An' then they up an' danced around an' kissed me,

one by one, An' hugged me harder than the blamed old chimney just had done, An' with a thousand looks of love incumbered me with thanks An' made me like 'em more an' more in spite of all their pranks. An' one, the prettiest of the whole, who always took my part, She smiles an' says: "It's Gran'pa Steb. We know him by his heart!"

AN EPISODE.

CHRISTMAS OF THE JOLLITY THEATER STOCK

(Copyright, 1804, by James L. Ford.) Three weeks before the holidays, and the outlook for a merry Christmas was a gloomy one, at least so far as the members of the stock company of the Jollity theater were concerned. Salary day had come and gone, and as yet the ghost had shown no disposition to walk, and it was because of the nonappearance of that most welcome specter of stagehand that the rumor had started and was rapidly gaining ground that Messrs. Hustle and Hardup, proprietors and managers of the Jollity theater, were "in a hole again."

The piece which occupied the boards had proved a flat failure, and receipts at the box office had fallen in consequence to a plane never before reached in the history of the house. Moreover, no new play had as yet been put in re-hearsal, and an atmosphere of unmistakable gloom and apprehension per-vaded the region behind the footlights and weighed heavily on the spirits of every one there, from Pearl Livingstone, the talented emotional actress who play ed the leading female parts, down to little Kitty Sullivan, who was only 7 years old and was in the depths of despair because for fully three weeks she had been out of the bill. In short, every member of the company was in a condition of mingled uncertainty and curiosity in regard to the future of the playhouse and the projects of its managers, who as yet had given no sign of their intentions and had, in fact, been invisible to the members of their artistic staff ever since the last day on which salaries became

On this particular night, which happened to be one of storm and rain, two or three of the principal actors had gathered together for a serious talk about the situation, when Tom, the programme boy, appeared suddenly before them in an almost breathless condition and exclaimed: "Mr. Freelance ingstone out to supper just as she was is back from Chicago. He's in the office with Mr. Hustle. They've got both doors locked "

"Mr. Freelance!" cried Miss Livingstone, ber face lighting up with joy, precisely as it does in her scene in the second act where her lover comes back from India, or rather as it did light up in that scene before the business became so bad "Are you sure it was Mr. Freelance, Tommy?

"Sure!" rejoined Tom, with emphasis. "I seen him meself when he come in." "Then, Tom, you be sure und see him when he comes out and tell him that I am particularly anxious to see him back here as soon as the curtain goes down on the second act. Here's a quarter for you, Tom, and you'd better keep it as a curiosity, for it's getting to be a very rare sort of bird in the Jol-

lity theater preserves."
"Thank you, mum," said Tom as be pocketed the coin, with a grin.

"I fancy I see a gleam of light on the distant borizon," remarked the venerable Mr. Borders in a tone similar to that which he assumes in the great melodrama called "The Ocean Blue," in the scene in which he is discovered sitting on a raft in midocean on the lookout for a passing soil. "In the meantime," he added, "I think we had better wait and hear what Billy has to say before we take any further action in the matter."

Up to that moment they had taken no action whatever, but the phrase sounded well, and so Mr. Borders employed ft.

Now, Mr. William Freelance, called by his intimates Billy, was and is today one of the best known figures in the theatrical affairs of the town, and, as every member of the stock company knew, he had on more than one previous occasion come to the rescue of his old friends, Messrs. Hustle and Hardup, and that, too, when they were in even more deplorable financial straits than

they were at the present moment. It was his reputation as a mascot fully as much as his remarkable talents which caused the whole avant scene to brighten up at the news of his presence in the theater, for playfolk are notoriously superstitious and have an unbounded and childlike faith in the efficacy of a mascot as well as in the destructive qualities of

a "jonah." Just as the curtain fell on the second act Mr. Freelance appeared behind the scenes and received the rapturous greetings of the company. Then Miss Livingstone took him by the arm, detached him from the little group which surrounded him, led him gently but firmly into her dressing room, placed him on

with folded arms said, "Billy, what's

to come back here and tell you so. We are going to put on a new piece, and there's a part in it that's simply great tening?'
—out of sight, in fact. We are not quite "Yes, sure who'll be cast for the part because it's a very beavy emotional one, and if we put a woman in it who didn't know



THE PHEELANCE IS BACK." pieces and the bostom would drop out of the whole play. I thought I'd speak to you about it because Hardup has caught a new 'angel' and said something to me about Kitty Bracebridge"-

"If that welf puts her foot in this theater"- b gan Miss Livingstone, but Mr. Freeluse interrupted her by placing his hand over her month and sa ing: "Wait for me after the curtain goes down, Pearl, and I'll talk to you about it. Shadruch's waiting in the office, and I've got to give him a 'jolly' so as to get the costumes out of him, but I'll be back bere after the last act."

In spite of the storm ontside and the dispiriting atmosphere within the performance given that night by the Jollity stock company was a notably brilliant one, for the news had spread that there was to be a speedy change of bill, and hope was once more in 'every member's on the point of declaring that she would not go on again unless she received every cent of the back salary that was due her, and before they left the restaurant she had meekly agreed to study the great emotional role which had been intended for Miss Bracebridge and to say nothing more about back salary.

The next morning, in accordance with a call posted in the stage entrance, the company assembled to hear the new play read by the gifted Mr. Freelance, and such was that gentleman's elocutionary power that when he laid the manuscript aside expressions that ranged from mere satisfaction to rapturous enthusiasm were heard on every hand, and there was senreely an actor or actress present that did not feel confident of a personal success in the new production.

The reading over, Mr. Freelance took Miss Livingstone, Mr. Borders and one or two other rebellious spirits sside, and, as he expressed it in a subsequent inter-view with Mr. Hustle, "stiffened their backbones" with the assurance that everything was all right and that the piece was to be done on Christmas eve in order that they might have a really merry Christmas on the prospects of its success. After that, he assured them, their back salaries would pour in upon them in a perfect avalanche.

As Mr. Freelance was leaving the theater he felt some one tugging at his cent, and on looking down saw little Kitty Sullivan standing beside him and saying, in curnest tones, and with a sad, wistful face, "Billy, isn't there

any part for me in the new piece?" The child called him by his first name because she had always heard him spoken to in that way by other members of the company, and Billy ruther encouraged her in the idea because it sounded funny to him to hear kimself addressed in such familiar terms by an infant of her size.

Kitty was a veritable child of the avant scene, and had been an actress from her very earliest infancy. She was now about 7 years of age, and was just beginning to comprehend the difference between the real things of life, such as houses, trees and streets, and the painted imitations of stageland. And yet it was only two years and a half ago that she beheld the ocean for the first time, and it is related of her that on that becasion she stood with Billy's hand tightly clasped in hers, watching the waves as they broke upon the beach, and finally turned to her companion and said in her serious way, "Billy, how do they

work 'em?" And now she was here beside her old friend, with her small, pathetic face

there were a role for her in "The Giant's

going to happen?"

"My dear," replied Mr. Freelance
permasively, "everything is all right,
and I just left Hustle for five minutes
"I'll tell you what I'll do for you, and "I'll tell you what I'll do for you, and what's more, I wouldn't do it for any one else in the company. Are you lis-

"Yes," said Kitty, turning her head

around. "Well, I'll write in a part specially for you, and that's something that an author like Sardon or myself rarely does for any one except a Bernhardt or a Duse. Now, run along and be here tomorrow at 11 for rehearsal."

The child darted away, wiping the last tear from her cheek as she ran, and Barney said approvingly, "That's the best deed you'll ever do in your life, Mr. Freelance, and, mark my words, the child'll bring good luck to the house."

How Billy succeeded in personding the economical Hardup that the piece would prove a failure unless a child were introduced into it and how be contrived to write the part in for her that very night are matters that had best be left to conjecture, but the very next day Kitty received the typewritten copy of her lines, and rehearsnls of "The Giant's Consewsy" were carried forword under Mr. Preelance's direction with the energy and spirit that mark all of that gentleman's undertakings.

The opening n'sht. I'c. 24, found the house well filled with an audience which made a favorable impression on the venerable Mr. Borders us he looked out through the peophole in the curtain, while behind the footlights feverish excitement and anticipation prevailed.

As for Kitty, she had become so wrought up over her role—the longest one she had ever been intrusted withthat she scomed in danger of losing her balance and forgetting every one of the lines that she had, by diligent study, crammed into her small head. She was standing in the first entrance, with her hand clasped in that of Mr. Freelance, when her cue came, and as she walked out on the stage, the ideal of childish through every part of the crowded house. 'They're going to foreclose the mort-

gage on the old mill tomorrow night, and if that child lives I am a beggar, said the polished, cigarette smoking villain, and then a youngster in the parquet set up a pitiful howl of despair, which was followed by a general ripple of merriment that might have proved fatal to the piece had not Kitty gone on with her lines with the coolness and gravity of the born and experienced urtist, which she was displaying there by a presence of mind which won for ber, on her exit, the first real applause of the evening.

Kitty Sullivan was, as the eminent dramatic critic had observed, an old hand at the business, despite the fact that she was but 7 years of age, for she had been born and brought up on the stage and was as much at home in the presence of a great andience as an ordinary child is before a nursery. As the piece went on she realized that she was making a hit-a far greater one than she had ever made before-and, young



HE PELT SOME ONE TUGGING AT HIS COAT. as she was, she was enough of an artist to appreciate the importance of keeping a restraint on herself and not overdoing

She was looking forward to a certain scene in the last act-a scene which she had rehearsed with much deligit, and in which she firmly expected to make a great impression. Billy, who had been waiting with some anxiety for the same scene, came down and took a seat in a proscenium box, and as the child stood in the wings waiting for her one she saw him smiling encouragement to her. her zinc trunk, and standing, before him upturned, and inquiring earnestly if The scene represented a barren, wave

washed rock near the coast of Ireland, and on this rock was standing the virtuons heroine, just where she had been left by the villain. The lights grew dim, the moon arose from beyond the scene, and the Philadelphia quartet, stationed behind the scenes, warbled plaintive Irish melodies.

"Must I die here alone?" moaned the heroine as the tide rose higher and higher about the rock on which she stood and heavy clouds began to gather above her head. And just at this mo-ment, a rowboat, propelled by childish arms, came swiftly around the rocky point at the left of the stage, and Kitty Sullivan, throwing aside the oars, stood up in the boat with her foot on the prow and exclaimed in a clear, infantile treble, "I have come to save you for the sake of old Ireland!"

Commonplace as it was, with its old, well worn melodramatic effects of soft music and moonlight, nevertheless the situation had taken a strong hold on the audience, and the sudden appearance of the sweet faced child, who had charmed every one during the earlier portions of the play, sent a distinct thrill through the entire flouse, and then came such an ontburst of spontaneous applause as had not been heard in the Jollity theater for

Even Billy Freelance felt a touch of a magnetic current with which the at-



KMTY MAKES A HIT.

been heard to remark half audibly, "The kid's knocked 'em good this time, sure, for a thing's got to be good if it gets

And as the audience dispersed that night it seemed to Mr. Freelance, as he stood alert and watchful in the lobby, that there was but one name on every tongue, and that Kitty's sweet face and infantile art had made their way into the very heart of an always fickle public. "You were right about her, Billy," said Hardun.

"I told you the young one would bring us good luck," said old Barney at the stage door.

"The idea of making such a fuss over a 7-year-old brat! That shows what act is coming to in this country!" exclaimed Miss Livingstone as she swept through the drafty passage, leaving an odor of sealskin, tuberoses and sachet powder behind her.

The members of the stock company had their Christmas dinner in the was robe room between the matinee and the evening performance, Messrs. Hustle and Hardup footing the bill and Mr. Freelance presiding, with Miss Pearl Livingstone on his right hand and the vener able Mr. Borders on his left. And it is a matter of record that no toast offered that evening was drunk with heartier applause than was the one proposed by Mr. Freelance to Kitty Sullivan, "the mascot of the Jollity theater and the founder of this feast."

JAMES L. FORD.

Tom to Sue and Sue to Tom 'Can you guess, my sweetheart," queried Tom 'Can you fathom by love's art what I'll buy

Pretty Susan bowed her head, made a pretty frown,

"Why, certainly not. But I'm dying to have Christmas eve come so that I can find out. I know it will be something frightfully expensive-something that will cost lots more than you can afford. You men are so reckless with your money!"

Poor Tom next day ran in debt for a diamond. he hasn't paid up yet, for he's "shy of

And he says that if he ever asks Sue such a question again it will be after he has arranged in advance for a year's board in the nearest insane asylum. By the way, Sue gave Tom a piece of

neckwear that cost 75 cents.