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"INDEPENDENT IN ALL THINGS. NEUTRAL IN NOTHING"

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LOWELL, MICHIGAN, DECEMBER, 15, 1898.

WHOLE NO. 285.

#### FIRE SALE!

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OF MRS. CARR'S

Millinery Goods,

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Saturday, December 17. OVER COON'S CLOTHING STORE.

#### Greenville

#### Feed Cooker.

We sell the Greenville Feed Cooker, that we know by experience is the best feed cooker made. The kettles are made uniform in thickness and are not liable to break and we sell them as cheap as the inferior grades.

#### For the Next Twenty Days

We will close out a fine line of Cooking and Heating Stoves at reduced price.

I wish to state that Our Pocahontas Coal Will Not stop up your stove pipe with soet like high grade soft coal, nor burn out your grates nearl as quick, no matter what ex-druggists or grocerymen say. A trial will convince you I am right.

Yours for square dealing.

R. B. BOYLAN.

# now Crade.

#### 100 Watches

to select from. Tea Sets, any number of

Siver Novelties, Rings, Chains and Bracelets. Childs Sets. 1847 Rogers Bros. Tableware

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HIGBYS, The progressive Jeweler.

Our Fall Snitings Suit of Clothes,

PAIR OF PANTS

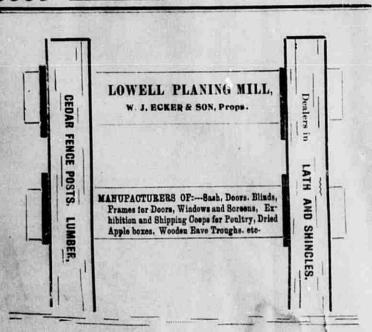
PALL OVERGOAT.



I can fit you out in finest goods at prices that are right.

B. C. Smith.

"If Smith makes 'em they fit."



#### That Vergennes Lost Money.

Peter McPherson and other Vere gennes taxpayers filed a petition in Gossip and Chat about People and the Circuit Court Thursday asking the court to issue a writ of mandamus compelling the township board of that township to institute proceedings against John O. Dennis and his bondsmen to collect \$690 claimed to be due the township. Dennis was treasurer of the township in 1896 and deposited the money in the Lowell bank that failed. The township board settled with him at the time and took his account against the bank in full payment. The petitioners now want to go back of the settlement.-[Grand Rapids Democrat.

#### Notice to Tax Payers.

The township taxes are now due and payable at my office in the store of A. L. HARVEY J. COONS, Township Treas.

#### Our Holiday Number

Next week the LEDGER will issue a large holiday number, elegantly ilustrated and with a great amount of reading matter appropriate to the occasion. This will be a good number to send your distant friends. We will sell extras wrapped ready for mailing at 5 cents. Supply limited. Get your order in early. Advertising matter for this issue must be in the printer's hands by Monday, Dec. 19. Everybody take warning.

#### Dancing School Opened

at Music hall by Miss Daisy Crawford of Grand Rapids. The series will be opened by an assembly dancing party Tuesday evening, Dec. 27. Class for children Tuesday afternoon, 3 o'clock.

Excursion Rates for Christmas

#### and New Year.

C. & W. M. Ry. and D., G. R. & W. Ry. agents will sell tickets on December 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31, January 1 and 2 at one and one-third fare on account of boilday season. Ail tickets good to return until Jan-

d21 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

#### To Whom it May Concern

ELMDALE, MICH, Oct. 10, 1898. To whom it may concern:

We are prepared to pay highest cash price for Wheat, Rye and Oats, at Elm-dale Elevator. A No. 1 Flour, Mill Feed, seeds and Salt constantly on hand at A WEBSTER & Co. L. F BROWN, Mar. lowest prices.

#### Special train Excursions to Mexico January and February.

On January 24th and February 27. 1899, special train excursions under the management of the American Tourist Association will leave Chicago for tours through Mexico. Tourists contemplating a trip this winter will do well to consider the delightful experiences to be enjoyed on such an excursion as this. Full information furnished by agents of the C. & W. M. or D., G. R. & W. Rys, or by Geo. DeHaven, General Passenger Agent, Grand Rapids.

#### No Right to Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all ran down, she will be nervous and ir-ritable. If she has constipation or kid-ney trouble, her impure blood will cause vitrales, blotches, skin seguritions and pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s Drug Store

> A pickle dish, a butt r dish, A dish that is short or tall, A cracker dish, an olive dish: Yes, Williams has them all.

Geo. M. Winegar's great closing out sale of footwear still continues and great numbers of people are taking advantage of the fact that George is going out of business and must close out his stock at most any price Just call and see what he can give you for sensible Christmas presents.

H. S. Schreiner has moved into the corner store of Train's opera house block. Some of his stock was badly damaged by water and a portion was burned. He is going to sell 25c whips for 10c and will give great bargains in robes and blankets after his insurance is adjusted. A peculiarity about Mr. Schreiner's misfortunes is that they mostly occur on the 7th of the month He was washed out Feb. 7, parents for a short time, 1887, moved out on account of high water on the 7th since; and burned out on the 7th of this month. His fire of July 4 1992 was an exception. bridge?

#### HOME NEWS.

Things You Know.

Albums cheap at Alexander's.

Genelli stamps given with holiday purchases at Look's. Skating is in order on Flat river

above Main street bridge. Those nut crackers and picks are beauties at Boyland.

We are informed that scarlet fever is raging at Ionia and Lyons. Rogers 1847 biller K and F are the cest at R. B. Boylan's.

Lapeer county people are enjoying a splendid run of sleighing. Mrs. Carr will have a fire sale of

millinery goods over Coon's store next Saturday. We hear complaints that the janii

tor of the East ward school neglects his duties. Miss Madge Giles is sick with the

la grippe and unable to go to school for several days. Palmer's name on a package of

perfumes is a guaranty of purity. Sold only at Look's. Advertised letters-Mrs. Ida Kil-

burn, L. L. Howe, Dr. Logan, C. A. Palmerton (2), M. Poingler. For Christmas presents see R. B.

Boylan. The school board is deliberating upon the matter of placing a furnace

in the West ward school building. Best line of box papers, purses, children's books, bibles in town at

Look's drug store. The marriage of Miss Lenna E. Rouse to Wm. H. Taylor, of Pittsburg, Pa., was solemnized at Grand Rapids, Saturday, Dec. 10th.

On Xmas morn when you awake And presents from your stocking take, You'll find a bracelet, key and lock:

It came from Williams' jewerry stock. The Good Templars, of Grand Rapids will give an entertainment in Lowell, Dec. 23. O. W. Blain is one of the speakers and will be assisted by

Miss Grace D. Blakeslee. Look's drug store for perfumes, millions of books or nice Christmas presents of any kind. We not only give satisfaction but the most change

back.

The lecture of Miss Olof Krarer on Friday evening will commence at 7:30 standard or 8 o'clock tast time. The ladies will be requested to remove their hats. Harvey B Coons, pres. If your hubby stays out late at night, Buy him a watch that's atways right. He will stay at home and roam no

more. They're sold at Williams' jewelry store. F. M. Johnson returned Monday from a three days visit with old friends at Almont. Mrs. L. S. Dickerson of that place came with him and will spend the winter with her daugh-

ter, Mrs. F. M. Children's toys all kinds Alexander

Miss Carrie Potter wishes to inform the ladies of Lowell and vicinity that she is now prepared to do dressmaking in the latest styles. Prices reasonable. 1 door east H. Nash's res.

Subjects at the M. E. church next Sunday: morning, "Things which cannot be removed"—Heb. 12, 27; evening, "Go and search diligently for the young child and when ye have found Him bring me word again, that I may come and worship Him also."

Dolls all kinds at Alexander's

The Phila Clark Union will meet with Mrs Adams Tuesday, Dec. 20, to finish packing the Christmas box for the home and hospital in Grand Rapids Any one wishing to contribute can leave their mite with Mrs. Adams before above date.

One hundred watches at Higby's. The Fourth U. S Infantry with which Alge Gardner enlisted has been ordered to the Philippine islands and will leave for that distant place as soon as transports are ready. Capt. E. H Browne, brother-in-law of F. M. Johnson, is with this regiment.

Silverware galore at Higby's.

Married, Monday, Dec 5, by the Rev. J. T. Husted in Grand Rapids, Miss Milford Ernst and Charlie Barnes both of Lowell. The bride is one of Lowell's most highly esteemed young ladies, and the groom is one of



#### We Don't Want the Earth

-To Illustrate-

#### Cross-Cut Saws, 6ft - \$1.65

Henry Diston & Son, extra thin back tuttle tooth saws, fully warranted, that means neither to soft or to hard, free from flaws and ground perfectly, or Atkins saws (not warranted) at the

#### Pocahohtas Coal-\$4.00 a Ton

We have a car in transit and make the above price delivered from the car. Leave your orders no ..

POCAHONTAS COAL is not a smokeless coal but a strictly high grade of Soft Coal. We do not wish to mislead the public and want to warn them that Pocahontas Coal will smoke and burn out your grates the same as other "high grades" of soft coal such as Laup Creek, Empire, New River and others. Our aim is not to mislead you in our advertising or when selling you goods. We want every article and will make it so, just as repre. sented.

#### Holiday Goods.

Skates, Sleds, Sleighbells, Silverware, Stoves, Carving Setts, Cutlery and many other articles which makes a present to your friend "which is not for a day but forever."

Best Goods, Best Prices.

#### KLARK & KLARK.

K-K-K-K HARDWARE.

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### Holiday Candies.

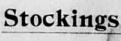
Newest of Novelties.

Largest Stock.

Lowest Prices.

#### \*\*\*AT RICKERT'S. \*\*\*

#### People who Fill



Are invited to seek their gifts here. Certainly, there is everything in sight which one could possibly think of for CHRISTMAS.

Oranges, Nuts, Dates, Figs Candied Cherries, Liberty Bell Seeded Raisins (The finest made, put up in packages of One Pound each.)

#### Bon Bons, Fine Souvenir Chocolates.

Christmas Candies of all kinds at prices that will astonish you.

#### RICKERT'S.

THE PERSON NAMED IN THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2 IN CO

It will pay the reader to read over loading takes place and people who make their home with the groom's over his stock and finds he has too ity. many goods of the sort advertised See Highy's holiday stock.

Have you seen Blain's Brocklyn

There was only one thing to do—nese the big knife and shaughter the prices.
Perhaps it was a mistake on Marks'

Island City Rebekah lodge, I. O. O.
F., will hold its next meeting, Wednesday evening. Dec. 28. All mempart to everload so; but now the un bers requested to be present. 25,20

Mark's mammoth announcemen in want to save m ney so clothing necesour popular young men. They will this issue. Marks has been looking eties will find this a golden opportua-

An actor is naturally spiritless when the ghost fails to walk.

The new woman usually meets her match in the new servant.

of his arguments.

pray for the country.

the accredited list of the University of Illinois. A large number of these are to be re-examined this year, and the high school visitor is crowded with work as never before. Schools are being accredited for whatever were hare being accredited for whatever were hare being accredited for whatever were hard being accredited for whatever who have a sound of the tempest, they did not for hard being accredited for whatever who have a sound of the will make you everlastingly young and when the door of the ark shut to will make you aches and pains?

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buildings, but did not injure the buildings, but did not injure the buildings. They are ugly. They cut off light from the streets and are otherwise objectionable. Nevertheless, thus far they have shown all needed strength. What earthquakes and the corroding What earthquakes and the corroding teeth of the atmosphere will do to them is yet to be made manifest.

When is yet to do not make so touches the pillow, do not make so window. At the right time he will put window. At the right time he will put the right time he will quy up. If yet the for your misfortunes will dry up. If yet the decirion of limitation, repain and privation and incapacity to move? Shall I tell you the secret? I will tell you the secret? I will tell you the secret? I will tell you: The Lord shut her in.

When in the final to the window. At the right time he will put that silent sermon had on me. What deluge of your misfortunes will dry up. I preach the doctrine of limitation, repair and privation and incapacity to move? Shall I tell you the secret? I will tell you the secret? I will tell you: The Lord shut her in.

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with specimens of zoological and or- say: "That is splendid! Now, that is

swept over Chicago stopped many of every breath of air is a tonic and a storm as that, he could stop any storm She gave me a very little motion of Madge?" the clocks in the upper stories of such buildings, but did not injure the build- within five minutes after our head in sound sleep meets us body was paralytic. The sermon I had time when a girl gets nine bunches worn in London low with much pride. ings. They are ugly. They cut off touches the pillow, do not make so stop a summer bat that files in at your preached that morning had no power of holly and only one box of candy."

TALMAGE'S SERMON, tried." But when one goes out and bondage will drop, the imprisoned will reports to the world that that morning be liberated, the fires will go out, the on his way to business he called to body and mind and soul will be free see you and found you, after being Patience! An old English property re "THE SHUT IN" LAST SUN- see you and found you, after being Patience! An old English proverb rekept in your room for two months, ferring to long-continued invalidism, cheerful and hopeful, and that you says, "A creaking gate hangs long or had not one word of complaint, and its hinges," and this may be a pro-From Genesis vil. 16. as Fellows: "The asked all about everybody, and rejoic- tracted case of valetudinarianism; Lord Shut Him In"-Address to a cd in the success of your business but you will have taken the last bitter Class of Persons Perhaps Not Before friends, although your own business drop, you will have suffered the last had almost come to a standstill misinterpretation, you will feel the through your absence from store or gnawing of the last hunger, you will Cosmogony has no more interesting office or shop, and that you sent your have fainted the last time from exhauschapter than the one which speaks love to all your old friends, and told tion, you will have felt the cut of the of that catastrophe of the ages, the submersion of our world in time of submersion of our world in time of Noah, the first ship carpenter. Many of the nations who never saw a Bible have a flood story—Egyptian flood story, of which men would be afraid of the police.

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always a good plan to give him the though I could have wished that these last had been shut out of the ark and drowned.

Some people are inclined to mind the selection of the ark and drowned.

What I call religion!"

It is a good thing to preach on a Sunday morning, the people assembled in most respectable attire and seated to mind. Some people are inclined to mind All of these flood stories represent on soft cushions, the preacher standtheir own business, but lack the ability to do so.

All of these flood stories represent the ship thus affoat as finally stranding in neatly upholstered pulpit, surrounded by personal friends, and after an inspiring hymn has been sung, and in his Testimony of the Rocks, thinks

The Texas steer is a profit touch. The Texas steer is a pretty tough that all these flood stories were infirm that sermon, if preached in faith, will him swear right out. The mightiest Each Christmastide I set his chair beproposition—when you meet him in a traditions of the Biblical account, and do good; but the most effective ser-I believe him. The worst thing about that great freshet was that it struck

Nochle Correllation of the Biblical account, and mon is preached by one seated in dressing-gown, in an armchair into Thomas Carlyle scolded at everything. The man with the narrow mind us- Noah's Great Eastern from above and which the invalid has with much care His seventy years of dyspepsia were ually makes up for it in the length beneath. The seas broke the chain been lifted, the surrounding shelves enough to make any man sceld. When The rose has faded on the mead, and of shells and crystal and rolled over filled with medicine bottles, some to you see people out of patience and the land, and the heavens opened their produce sleep, some for the relief of irascible and lachrymose, inquire into And in the village Christmas bells The chaplain of congress will soc. take a look at that body—and then which roared and thundered on the some for tonic, some for anodyne, and with the exploration your hypercriti-some for anodyne, and the case, and before you get through with the exploration your hypercriti-some for anodyne, and the case, and before you get through with the exploration your hypercriti-some for tonic, some for ton roof of the great ship for a month and ten days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. There was one door to the quoting promises of the gospel, telling to the days. The poor optimist gets more real skip, but there were three parts to of the glories of a sympathetic Christ, ded your own. The clouds of your inenjoyment out of his earthly sojourn that door, one part for each of the assuring the one or two or three per- dignation, which were full of thunthree stories. The Bible account says sons who hear it of the mighty rein- derbolts, will begin to rain tears of

than the wealthy pessimist.

The man who makes his wife get up and light the fire every morning of her life shows his appreciation by crecting a \$10 tombstone to her memory.

A Boston newspaper says that the part of the door of that unlimited enfranchisement of the negrow was a mistake. Thirty years ago was a mistake. Thirty years ago and making more or two to three hearers. Aye! But the part of the door of that period his family voyaged, but my text tells in that the part of the door of that period his family voyaged, but my text tells in the three stories. The Bible account says nothing about parts of the door beforements of religion. You say that the port of the such a sermon there are only one or two to three hearers. Aye! But the stances with which I think you are all familiar. I have admission through the low of the stories, and I do not know on which nooh stayed was closed after he had eatered. The Lord has a mistake. Thirty years ago was a mistake. Thirty years ago was a mistake. Thirty years ago and making more only one or two to three hearers. Aye! But the stances with which I think you are all familiar. I have admission through the low of the stories, and I do not know on which and so often blessed.

The man who makes his wife get the grand and is family voyaged, but my text tells is that the part of the door of that period or which Noah stayed was closed after he had eatered. The Lord has all the first the fire and wait for Jee, something unexpressed to some thing unexpressed. The list of the missing intence, for which I think you are all familiar. I have admission through the low of the stories, and I do not know on which floor Noah and his family voyaged, but my text tells is that the part of the door of that the repressed to such a sermon there are only one or two to three hearers. Aye! But the Jank is that the part of the door of that the part of the door of that the repressed to the trapies of the same George Sand. The traged and the hand so often blessed.

That from the tropies far away, or th Mr. Carnegie is a tremendous beneactor to the human race. He has factor to the human race. He has bermon, which I hope may do good It was not an enemy that fastened you will not let them go out of doors, and just entered a combination to increase to others, is more especially intended in that one room or sent you on to them as much as to those who hear to others, is more especially intended in that one room or sent you on to them as much as to those who hear to others, is more especially intended in that one room or sent you on to them as much as to those who hear to others, is more especially intended in that one room or sent you on the invisible and the storm king at my door?

Was that the storm king at my door?

On did I hear a hand? admitted some time age that his firm in. "The Lord shut them in." made for many weeks being from bed many of my sermons, the invisible auwas making good profits at the old Notice, first of all, who closed the to sofa and from sofa to looking-glass, dience always vaster than the visible, Notice, first of all, who closed the prices. As the railroads pay the increased price, they have te get the money back in the way of freight and passenger rates. The increase comes out of the pockets of the people and is unnecessary and unjustifiable.

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Notice, first of all, who closed the door so that they could not get out. Noah did not do it, nor his son Shem, nor did Ham, nor did Japheth, nor did either of the four married women who were on shipboard; nor did desperation of the pockets of the people and it feels to get back again to my old with a long sigh, saying, "How good to being shut in, as they were, it has been where you are shocked at the pallor some of them tossed on wilder seas than those that tossed the eight members of Noah's family, and instead of forty days of storm and five months of with a long sigh, saying, "How good to being shut in, as they were, it has been where you are shocked at the pallor of your own cheek and the pinched-ness of Noah's family, and instead of forty days of storm and five months of the pockets of the people and with a long sigh, saying, "How good the place on the pillow!" Remember who place on the pillow!" The pillow is now and place on within the vision.

The provided remember who with a is unnecessary and unjustifiable.

The present generation is the first that has known the telephone and the bicycle. There are today smore than a million telephones in use in this country. How many cycles there are no one knows. Both inventions save steps, to estimate what is the extent of the influence of such devices in bringing about social changes. We know that influence of such devices in bringing Being has shut you in, my reader or men have been prisoners? Ezekiel a broken skylights had poured in. Cap And now I know that far above the in the home land and perhaps in for-

to estimate what is the extent of the finfluence of such devices is bringing about social changes. We know that the influence of such devices is bringing about social changes. We know that the influence is sormous, and that the influence is sormous, and that the influence is sormous, and that the world becomes year by year as easier place in which to live.

As we look through a telescope and obtain a glimpse of the wonders it reveals, or as we study the results which have been attained by experts in its use, the mind is naturally impressed with the grandeur and power of the grandeur and power of the put you in an achool room, where we have the grandeur and power of the wonders it remains an obtain a glimpse of the wonders it remains the grandeur and power of the

Meanwhile you have all divine and angelic sympathy in your infirmities.

ring out the story old,

O. did I hear a hand? Who comes to wish me well today o'er

lished under the appropriate title,



MEMORIES OF CHOPIN. Tragedy and Comedy of His Life and

George Sand's. Chopin sleeps in Pere Lachaise and though the Ariel of memory will add to the rest morceaux of his own nocturnes and melodies till, if you will, the place be as full of "noises, sounds and sweet airs" as Prospero's isle, says Chambers' Journal. It is pleasant to rest awhile, listening to these things; and looking on at what fancy will do to their measures, the visions it will bring, the figures it will shape and unshape from the fugitive brain scraps you throw it. But among the pictures which come and go, like the faces overthe witches' kettle-dim cathedral, glaring opera house, twilighted draw-HEAR the winds ing room, a yellow moon over the trees that sweep the -ah, Chopin, what fools you made of moor, I know the us!-come others of an impersona waves are high, kind, biographical vignettes which And far above the these men around have left on all our stormy coast doth minds. There is the Parisian salon,

bend an inky Heine stailing over at Beilini; the fair sky; lady, amused with the mastro's curis, I'm waiting still to delicately destroying them with his greet my boy who cane. Not one of them thought that promised he in fourteen days' time poor Bellini, would come curls and all, would be under the ground at Pere Lachaise. Then apappry-eyed as Cherubini turns upon him half bitterly: "Citoven General, I perceive that you love only that music which does not prevent you from thinking of your politics," And the Italian moves away, as if adding under his breath. "Why is this man not Midas-eared?" For that little, stout man, Napoleon, had alone 'mid applauding Paris, belittled his music. And now rises a room in Florence, a

Some of the suggestions for Christ-

mas present-making in the women's

magazines might be collected and pub-

for Consumption cured me. - Amos Kelne Cherry Valley, Ills., Nov. 23, 1895. Some feminine matchmakers seem to make a pecialty of friction matches. his plane before him dreaming through his finger tips and making more dreams for his crouching listener, the It's a sad blow to the boxer when the box-

A cheap coat doesn't necessarily make a leap man, but it makes him feel that way at 

A FOOLISH SUGGESTION.

We never did; but we have seen the clothing at this time of the year so covered with dandruff that it looked as if it had been out in a regular snow-

Deafness Cannot be Cure

Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Dr. Carter's K. & B. Ten

When a man is riding a hobby it's always a sood plan to give him the road.

Mrs. Winslow's Scothing Syrup children tectning softens the gurs, reduces inflan-ion, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 centsa bottle

Art may be long at times, but it's usually too hort to make both ends meet.

y doctor said I would die, but Piso's Cure

schools to keep up with them.

No need of this snowstorm

his: it prevents their forms
It has still other proper in just ten times out of every

ten cases.

And it does even more: it feeds and nourishes the roots of the hair. Thin hair becomes thick hair; and short hair be-We have a book on the Hair

assing.

If you do not obtain all the benefits you expected from the me of the Vigor, write the doctor about it. Probably there is some difficulty with your general system which may be easily removed. Address.

### If sick you can find help. If crippled with rheumatism you can be cured. If tired you need rest and the place to make

HOT SPRINGS. SOUTH DAKOTA.

special excursions certain days this month at CHEAP RATES.

and corresponding reductions from other points



Iommy O'Dowd's Christmas,

e arning capacity fice and Thomas sent this dispatch to Thomas and his wife stole quietly takes after his father. was \$18 per week. his wife in Harlem: times his income had been re- by important business. Will be home when they reached the corner of no terrors when there's a bottle of Dr. duced to \$12. This sum, with at 11 o'clock." some little change, comprised his "Do you know the way home?" asked ing her face, which was convulsively cash capital. As he buttoned his coat Thomas as they came out of the tele- working with tender emotion, she said: about his neck he reflected ruefully graph office on Park Row again. that this was a very small sum with "Yes," said Tommy, scornfully. "I joke on Tommy?" Christmas presents. The wind blew New Chambers street till ye comes to plied.

toward Broadway, thinking of the coming rent day, the empty coal bin, and the new dress he had promised his wife. His thoughts were saddened as he remembered that his little boy would have been nearly five years old had he lived until Christmas. There was a sense of constriction in his throat as he thought of last year's Christmas tree, bright with spangles, rradiated with light and whitened with popcorn balls. Then against the walls of memory stood out clear and distinct i the figure of his little boy standing in his white nightgown in the gay dawn of Christmas day, with flushed cheeks and eyes dancing with delight, looking

at the marvelous Christmas tree. On Park row, near the corner of Chambers street, there was a toy store of most wonderful variety. As Thomas came down the street, his mind intent on his own misery, his gaze fell

"THE LITTLE FELLOW SAT UPto the personal appearance of Jesus
the box, and we have no means of
the box, and we have no means of upon one of the most pathetic figures velt till ye gets to Cherry en den y' he had ever seen. Before the window are in Middle alley." of the toy store stood a little boy, whose nose was flattened against the pane. His body shivered with the cold, but his soul was aflame with desire, pane. His body shivered with the cold, but his soul was affame with desire, which was expressed in his hungry eyes, Thomas estimated his age at 5 years. He wore an old coat, which had evidently been made for a boy twice his age. Pins usurped the place of buttons on the garment. His feet were thrust into a pair of yellow gaiters, assistance was refording excellent but the cold, but his soul was affame with desire, but his pour wear affording excellent but his soul was affame with desire, but his enements, through a big iron gate, and after a wearisome climb up crooked stairways arrived at the O'Dowd residence. Tommy went into the room, and as Thomas lingered or the threshold he heard a strident voice say:

"So that's you, you little scut! Sure of Him as a man which comes from the fourteenth century. He was exceedingly fair to behold. His stature was full seven spans. His hair was light and not very thick, slightly tending to curl. His eyebrows were dark and arched. His eyes were bright, with a dash of yellow. His beard was blond and not long. He wore His hair down and not long. He wore His h siduous wear affording excellent but cruel ventilation. His trousers, held up by pieces of string, were frayed and windowed in a manner suggestive of the fact that the how her to be fact that the hour to be fact tha

In such genial converse the time

"SAY, MISTER, LIF" ME UP." upon poveriv's knee. Thomas took in cast of the Virgin, with hands outall these details as he stopped beside spread in bened

de candy cigarettes!"

he a corker! Mister, is your little boy tween the windows stood a Christmas goin' to hav' a Krismus tree?" Heaven."

HE shadows of Thomas, gravely, putting the little fel- candles twinkled through the scant fol-

stepped down on the sidewalk in Park place on his And so, hand in hand, the strangely and the sidewalk in the sidewalk in Park place on his And so, hand in hand, the strangely and the sidewalk in the strangely and the strangely are strangely as the strangely and the strangely and the strangely and the strangely are strangely as the strangely and the strangely are strangely as the strangely way homeward. His assorted pair went to the telegraph of her face hidden in the shawl.

"What did it cost to play that little

which to meet his expenses and to buy know all de streets. Ye goes down | "Just 71 cents, sweetheart." he rebriskly down Park place as he walked Roosevelt, den ye goes down Roose- They walked on for another block. But Mrs. Thomas was bubbling over with excitement, and she stopped her husband again and exclaimed:

out and left them.

"But you haven't any Christmas present yourself." "Nonsense, Molly, haven't-" He was interrupted by two soft arms around his neck and a kiss. Then Molly began to cry. But George quickly soothed her, and as they sat in the elevated car flying toward Herlem he

"Molly, I thought I was a very much abused man last night, but I've changed my mind. I think I could walk from the Battery to Harlem on soap PATENT collamer & Co. 2345 F st., Wash. D.C. bubbles and never burst a bubble to-day."

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dered over plain and by seashore, ov-

the fact that the boy had been dandled "Come in, sir. It's little we have, but wholly erect. His complexion was of ye're welkim as if 'twace a palace, sir. the color of ripe wheat, golden hue, and Tommy, ye amodhoun, you, get the His face was not round nor yet long, gintleman a chair." "I hope you will excuse me, Mrs. just a tinge of ruddiness. As one look-O'Dowd," said Thomas, "but I saw your ed at him he was strangely impressed little boy looking in a toy store win- by the intelligence, the gentleness, the dow and thinking he might be lost I freedom from all passions therein ex-

came home with him." "Now, ain't that kind o' you, sir," exclaimed Mrs. O'Dowd. "Sure it's not many would do the same, so there." "But ye needn't be freckened about that little blaggard. Faith, he'd find his way from Harlem to the Batthery so he would."

passed, while Tommy and his mother supped on mackerel and potatoes. And when Tommy had been tucked any for the night in his mother's bed under the maniel, on which stood a plaster the boy and watched him. The in-durated expression in the little face, terrupled at frequent intervals by such The Evans Hotel will remain open and this and all other hotels and boarding houses are giving good service with low rates during the winter.

durated expression in the little late, exclamations as, "Oh, dear, may your be pinched nostrils, the blue circles exclamations as, "Oh, dear, may your under the eyes, and the wolfish look shadow never grow less!" "May your on the wan features faded away as the wife never attend your funeral," etc. child turned to Thomas and said:

At 9 o'clock Thomas was walking up "Say, mister, lif' me up so I kin see Roosevelt street with eager footsteps. He stopped at a grocery store and made Thomas lifted the boy in his strong a purchase, then hurried up into Park

more mysterious whispering. Then Mrs. O'Dowd flew downstairs egain to Future Welfare of the Continent Lies in get a bundle of kindling wood. It was well that Tommy was a sound sleeper, The rapid progress that is being as the fleeting forms of shadowy fig- made in the settlement of the fertile ures and the rustle of papers would prairies of Western Canada is leading have disturbed him to the investigation of its resources by have disturbed him.

It was 11:30 when Thomas arrived those interested in having provision at home and greeted his anxious wife. made for those living in the crowded east, for those who have been strug-When they retired Thomas said:
"Molly, set the alarm for 4 o'clock for the renter who is unable any longer tomorrow, and get your wraps ready, to bear up under the strain imposed by for I intend to take you along to help the landlord, and for the farmer who, play a joke on Tommy O'Dowd." unable to purchase farms for his sons She plied him with questions, he in his own neighborhood, has to look gave her evasive replies. At 5 o'clock around for lower priced lands. The

Sunday shawl over the opening. Besunday shawl over the opening. Behind the folds of this garment the and in a future issue will appear exthree persons watched and waited. The tracts from flattering letters contributblinds had been carefully closed, so ed to the Germania and other papers | imitations manufactured by other parthat not a ray of sunlight came into by their special correspondents. As ties. The high standing of the Care that not a ray of sunlight came into the room. Three kerosene lamps were blazing with light to their utmost capacity. It was painfully still in the pacity. It was painfully still in the pacity. Thom, room, and by listening intently Thom- For further information apply to the name of the Company a guaranty as thought he could hear the gentle Canadian Government Agent, Depart- of the excellence of its remedy. It is breathing of the little boy. As the minutes ticked slowly away the suspense was almost unbearable. A movelama Grieve M. Placeart M. V.

Lama Grieve M. ment in the bed caught the ears of the listeners. Then the bed clothes were D. L. Caven, Bad Axe, Mich. thrown aside and the little fellow sat a lot o' money, sin't it? Hully gee! upright, apparently paralyzed with with a feather—if it happens to be an Look at de dinky little tin sojer! Ain't amazement. Upon a little table be- ostrich feather. tree two feet tall stuck into the middle Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup se "I'm afraid not this year sonny," of a bundle of wood. The light was especially adapted to the needs of the reflected from a hundred pieces of red children. Pleasant to take; soothing paper tied to the scrawny boughs, a in its influence; it is the remedy of all

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"What is your name?" he continued.

"What is your name?" he continued.

"What is your name?" he continued. city as George "Tommy O'Dowd," replied the boy, Thomas, a New York city mechanic, "Well, Tommy," said Thomas, "you "Well, Tommy," said Thomas, "you vision, like a saint before a shrine, Doan's Ointment cured me quickly and

The boy with made-over trousers but because of the prevailing hard "Dear Mollie: Detained down town "George, stop," said Mrs. Thomas Ordinary household accidents have

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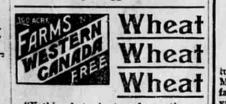
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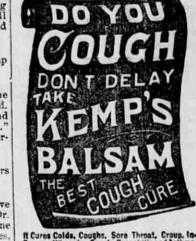
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Thomas and his wife arrived at Middle investigation shows that it is impossible to meet these conditions success-

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duction of tariff taxes have gone Morse Lake school Monday.

THE request that ladies remove ted his parents M, Thomas and wife Thurstheir hats at the lecture course entertent ments is eminently right and proper. There is no good reason, and
per have been many people who nay

ted his parents a, 1 nomas and all the day. Baturday evening to recte a
day. He left Friday morning for Okemos,
where he has accepted a position in the
depot at an increase of salary. to witness entertainments should be compelled to torture themselves into wry necks and squint eyes trying to ook around a stack of ribbons and feathers. Oh, woman, lovely woman!

PREVIOUS to Thanksgiving, Miss Lampman, teacher of the East ward worthy of emulation. The pupils were requested to bring in articles of food, provisions, etc., suitable for a thankoffering for the poor. The re- illas, Bitters, etc., and use Royal Li sult was very gratifying to the proplaced with Supervisor White for distribution served to help and cheer many needy ones. Christmas is near, Let the above idea be worked out in a manner suitable for the occasion with all the schools participating; and thus teach the children that the best way to secure happiness is to make others happy. We hope the Lowell teachers at their weekly meeting, Saturday, will act upon this matter and arrange to have it carried out in detail.

Don't be so 'tarnation' aggravating.

IN THE Forum for November Maj. S. N. Clark deplores the defeat in the pensions should not be granted to any seldier's widow unless she married him | James Hurley and wife of Parnell spent prior to 1898. He asserts that the Sunday with Otis Bibbler and wife. expectation of receiving life pensions Mrs. Wallace Snyder is on the gain. after the lapse of a few years leads Mrs. John Jakeway and daughter Lillian to the marriage of many young women every year to aged and decrepit where they have been visiting relatives.

The party at Jack Byrne's Wednesday in time to live, and in fact, in the party at Jack Byrne's Wednesday in time to live, and in fact, and an infact, a possible motive of the brides must been visiting the past week.

Lave been to qualify themselves to reQuite a number from this vicinity attenpossible motive of the brides must have been to qualify themselves to receive pensions as soldiers' widows."

Grand kapids, Indreday, where they have here they have been visiting the past week.

Quite a number from this vicinity attended the dance at Lowell Thursday, where they have have and USE A ROYAL NEURALGIA CAP which gives you ask month's treatment an positive cure for only ONE DOLLAR. Used the dance at Lowell Thursday evening. He says further that the above mentioned bill was "defeated in the House Committee on Invalid Pensions by a wote of 8 to 7, solely by the efforts ing polatoes to fielding. agents." This abuse of the people's ing potatoes to Belding.

\*\*rs. R. A. Weekes and son Willie made generosity should be stopped at once; a business trip to Grand Rapids last week and the bill to remedy the evil should Tuesday

IT was our great pleasure last week joy, Charles. to attend a re-union of the "Old David Walsh intends to move to Grand Men's' Debaring Society, organized at Almont by school boys twenty three at Almont by school boys twenty-three years ago. Out of a membership of abut forty, only eleven responded to roll call. At leas three are sleeping in their graves; and the others are ideliverance from a frightful death. In the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the less earned the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence of the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the others are deliverance from a frightful death. In the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the lessence from a frightful death. In the society held regular meetings for seven consecutive years; and the others are seven the society held regular seve with them the benefits received. Through them others will be influenced; and who shall say where that influence shall cease? So far as we know, the example set that in the hand by z horse.

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The war has settled the tariff question for some years to come. A large tion for some years to come will be required to support to the presidency.

D. Wood and daughter, Mrs. R. Haskin, were in the Valley City Monday.

Miss Ethel Findlay of Cascade is giving winning and cascade is giving in the work, is a very eloquent speaker and an earnest Christian worker and the people of Alto should encourage him by their attendance.

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Devenue will be required to support the large army and costly navy nemade a business trip to Freeport Friday.

Little Bessie Curtiss has recovered from her illness and visited her schoelmates of her illness and visited her schoelmates of bered by their friends who departed at a The Water's school will give a shadow Morse Lake school Monday.

Clarence Thomas who has been telegraph ful voyage through life.

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Edmund Lee while doing his chores

ple would give as much time to intel. brother who has been taking care of him,

lectual pursuits as they devote to has returned to his home in Ionia.

dancing and card parties, they would B. H. Blakeslee of Grand Rapids made Groves, the lowest'.

Bergin, the reliable grocer. 254cf secure pleasures and derive benefits his parents a visit last week and was presthat would not pale with the paying ent at the installation of officers in the Everybody knows what Bergin's of the fiddler; but would abide with Good Templars lodge at Lowell.

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issue curity. With all due respect to those who want to fight all the time, we line say, let up for a while. Take a good Mrs. Royal Rickert and baby have been The second entertainment of the

Lowell, Mich. people do not turn out better to the meetings as Brother Westbrook gives us some window window

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derful blessing is wished him in his efforts Murray. John Livingston has moved into his new his bride.

of the state grangers Saturday.

L. J. Filkins went to Chapel Monday:

a kettle of boiling water, scalding herself so bad that she is unable to use her right ship began suit in the the Circuit lector. Over Boylan's store, Lowel' Josie Van Dyke has given up her position arm yet. Last Friday their house and Court yesterday against Herbert E.

ing wood for Uriel Snow. X.RAY. Stauffer makes his living by day's work.—[Grand R.pids Democrat, Strings for violin, banjo, mandolin

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moved to her brother's, Mr, Miller's, home Lecture Course, Dec. 16. Course tickets still on sale at A. L. Coons'

The L. & H. 11:30 train returning at 6:20 from Grand Rapids still seems to be the favorite as it allows

the people to get their meals at home. Rev. S. G. Anderson will take for his subject next Sunday morning, "Standing by a purpose true," in the Rev. S. G. Anderson attended a mee.ing of the workers conference of the Grand Rapids Baptist association at that city Thursday and Friday of

W. C. Shepard's lecture on "The Regnant Race." at the Baptist church, was attentively listened to by a large and intelligent audience. It is well spoken of by those in attendance.

Frank Lee Kitchen, the 5-year old son of Thos. Neil Kitchen and wife (nee Nellie Hine) and grandson of M. N. Hine, died at the home of his parents in Columbus, Ga., Dec. 12. James Gulliford who had to quit work in his blacksmith shop ias February on account of rheumatism, stand again. A years loss of time

from work is quite a set back and Mr. Gulliford would be glad to see Sherman Reynolds has returned from all his old customers again. Call at city bakery for your lunch Married at the home of the bride's Mrs. Bert Wilson of Lowell has been parents, Mr. and Mr. Soloman G. McCabe, of Milwaukee, to Idah

revival meetings at West Bowne. A won- spending a few days with Mrs. George Coopere, Wednesday, Dec. 7. Marion Zack Lewis came home Sunday with L. Coopere. The ceremony was per-L. race who lived on the river road a presence of a small party of the imcouple of miles west of the town line has mediate friends of the contracting ance. Lowell, Mich. the postoffice at Caledonia.

John Livingston attended the meeting weeks ago his wife slipped and fell with their home in Milwaukee.

In Grand Rapids and is now at her home.

Frank Bren was in Freeport was saved from the house and the horses damages for alienating his wife's afterney and Counselor at Law, Train's Hall Block, Lowell, Mich. Special attention rescued from the burning barn fections, White's wife died in 1896 Block, Lowell, Mich. Special attention ing' and returned home Monday. In the the time and often when he returned Munson-Porter will case, the jury was out home late at night he found White from Friday noon until Monday noon. | and his wife occupying the same bed. Ira Wesbrook and Joe Batey are cut- Waite is a wealthy farmer, while Stauffer makes his living by day's

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guests of their brother William and wife,

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The slaughter of birds has almost en- outside world. Naturally many of the tirely removed one of the delightful acompaniments of life in the rural east
ompaniments of life in the rural east
ompaniments of life in the rural east
ompaniments of the feathered songsters.
-the music of the feathered songsters.
is questions asked by the "rusticators" The music of the reathered songsters.

Apropos of this, it may be said that one of the most pleasant features of the drive through the Yellowstone National park is the apparent intimacy between man and the animal and bird life in the the old sait, who was sharpening a and to do this the more insight one has park. Thanks to the wise and stringent . knife.

about or peered at the passing coach all"- But he interrupted me. There are dozens of little signs which, from the roadside. The squirrel did not "Lau! I know folks eat all sorts of of sight, showing only curiosity, not more a an nour?

Not knowing any better way to read fawn grazing by the road. Not ungain his good opinion, I purchased the seek the shelter of the woods, yet not Your's Companion. we give ourselves away are involun- to fly They simply moved aside. Here tary, and hence their value. Supposing, for instance, you are telling something friend—one who could be trusted. The Marital relations in Ireland are as a only animal who can keep his countenance only animal who ran away was a brown bear. He turned tail at the sight of a non-countenance only animal who ran away was a brown bear. He turned tail at the sight of a non-countenance only animal who ran away was a brown bear. He turned tail at the sight of a non-countenance only animal who ran away was a brown bear. He turned tail at the sight of a non-countenance only animal who ran away was a brown bear. He turned tail at the sight of a non-countenance only animal who ran away was a brown bear.

a clear comprehension of the real sig-nificance of these face signals will, be-

The old price of making a man year. The control of the making and the policy in the control of the policy in the policy in the control of the policy in the

betray his excitement only by the back of his pack which gets crimson, and to see the way has to look behind him.—

Pearson's Weekly.

"What do you think he will have a will be back mamma.

"What time did she go?"

"I really can't tell," was the reply.

"She took my watch with her."—Ross.

Pearson's Weekly.

The residents of Nantucket are said to Remarkable Tameness of Animals to be so well satisfied with their small is

one's fellow men the better.

Regues, as a rule, get on because they are shrewder observers than the people they cheat. This article, among other they cheat. This article they cheat. They cheat they cheat. The cheat they cheat. They cheat they cheat t they cheat. This article, among other of little chipmunks, with their gaudy things, gives the honest man the power things, gives the honest man the power things, gives the honest man the power things. Hundreds of little chipmunks, with their gaudy striped backs, scampered impudently ask, you know. They are caught in

so you but know them, give you the key | bolt for the nearest tree, but nodded a thing. I hear about 'em eatin frogs to a man's thoughts and betray him | welcome. All bird life treated us like- and callin them fish. Folks are strange without his being aware of it. This pa- wise. Even the lordly eagle hovered in their eatin, same as shey be in their per is the last paper in the world to as-tist the private detective mania or enwere fortunate enough to see a fine ought to eat can be caught right round specimen of the wolf tribe. He stood, a these shores. Can't I sell you a nice beautiful creature, and watched us out bluefish, that ain't been out'n the water

til we were within a few feet did they bluef h and went meekly home .in selling goods cheap for that means pleased customers and a customer pleased is ver sure to return. We have customers that have traded with us for thirty years an

bles your news or not. In the ordinary continue tail at the signt of a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows mon thing for bears to approach close to the hotels at evening to feel on the to the hotels at evening to feel on the to the hotels at evening to feel on the to the hotels at evening to feel on the to the hotels at evening to feel on the to the hotels at evening to feel on the to the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels at evening to feel on the total and if a husband and wife do fall out occasionally and even resort to blows the hotels are evening to feel on the total and the hotels are evening to feel on the total and the hotels are evening to feel on the total and the hotels are evening to feel on the total and the hotels are even feel on the feel on the feel on the hotels are even feel on the fe mover it; but if you know where refuse thrown out. It was an after din-locality in Dublin, which might with ner relaxation for the guests to watch some with the described as the Billingsthem feeding. They munched and disputed the light metropolis. "That's a puted the choicest morsels, for the most fine black eye you've got, missis," said There are certain muscles which Darpart indifferent to the company. Only a man to a woman sitting over her win called the "grief muscles," for the reason that when any one hears information he does t care about these animals were perfectly free and unfettered in their movements. It may read like a fairy tale, but it is solid fact."—Troy Times.

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Alaborer, out of employment, applied for outdoor relief for himself and his wife at the North Dublin union. when we became inquisitive and ap-

Inside ends will for an instant arch ably Crushes the Breed.

Through all time men of genius have come across the brow. Then, though the rest of the face be wreathed in smiles, you may disregard these and feel certain you have "got home." The action is so involuntary that it often escapes observation, and even those who notice it frequently take it as being indicative of pleasant surprise.

The individuals who invariably smile when you speak to them are a difficult when you speak to them are a difficult which insure virtue and honor and personal worth and beauty in those to Diseases of Memory.

Nature Likes Them Not and Invariably wife at the North Dublin union. "Well, my good fellow, we must have evidence that you are legally married," and the chairman of the relief committee. "Begor, sir, I've the best proof in the wuruld," said the applicant, and bending his head he displayed a scar on his skull. "Does yer honner think," he added, "I'd be after takin that abuse from any wan but a wife?"—Macmillar's.

Writing of diseases of the memory, a ridioulous, and so are titles.

Russian doctor gives an interesting acNobility is of blood and not of garcount of some of the eccentricities of

a way of doing it. The man who miles east of pure good nature and because he is pleased always does it more with his eyes than his lips, but the mills you are trust is that of the man phose lip goes up for a moment and hows you the pointed end of his samine forth.

Watch him in a rage and you will see precisely the same arrowment. The fact has the does it when smilling shows in gament has bad a sign as the production of a great genius is the think he does it when smilling shows it will have been to think the does it when smilling shows it will have been to think the time of the same than a possible of the same and you will not be the same and you will not be the same and you will not be the same in the same of the control of the same in the same of the control of the same in the same in

therefore that you see very much not, and she makes provision for the extent to one side, say twice in five tinction of his race.—Humanitarian. the doctor again looked in.—London Really a Kind Man.

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Chapter I.—Minard Hendricks, great detective, just returned from Boston, finds awaiting him an unsigned typewritten letter directing him to apartments in Palace hotel, where he will find remains of Mr. Weldon Caruthers—currently reported for past two weeks to be out of town. Detective seems to connect letter with attempt made on his own life some time previous Goes with friend, Dr. Lampkin, to investigate.

Hendricks looked down.

Through this opening he manages to get "Oh, is cuff out with its bloody message to the men." Chapter XIX.—Sergt. Denham, not hav- When they went into the room in the struggle Kola's shoulder pressed

Chapter XIX.—Sergt. Denham, not having known of Hendricks' connection with the affair, comes to him for advice. This brings out fact that cuff was found near pallsades. Detective is now convinced of identity of Kola and Bantinri, and with Denham and Lampkin, joined by Miss Huntington, who begs to accompany them, set out to rescue Gielow.

I have just got up," said the Indian, with a smile. "That performance last night took all the strength out of me. I hope I'll never have to go through that sort of thing again to convince ask about me every afternoon that sort of thing again to convince the struggle Kola's shoulder pressed down on the electric button. There was a crash of timbers under the lounge just vacated, and with a dull, subterranean rumble the flooring over that spot disappeared in a yawning black hole.

Hendricks was beside himself with rage as he towered over the now passive Indian.

"Oh you dirty scamp!" he sizeulated. called to ask about me every afternoon that sort of thing again to convince during my absence, and he never let a anyone of my ability in that line."

day slip during that time without dropping in this office. Why, every time he the detective. "But I want to have a

came he saw his letter to me lying unopened on my desk. Oh, the whole "I know—I know, sit down," and
ashes. g bears the imprint of the Indian, Kola waved his hand at the lounge on and I could make it clear to you if I had which he had reclined the preceding

his path. Failing in that, he may have thinking Gielow is alive and—"
decided to let me exist awhile longer, "Hold on!" the Indian broke in, with but when he had stained his bands with a laugh. "Listen to me, Hendricks. human blood he became shaky and What if I should tell you that you are "And we are going to have him," add-

of a furnace. She said nothing. Henif angry at himself. He tried to throw a

at once. It is just above Fort Lee, on the Jersey side. If we are fortunate

s and believes him guilty, yet dehelp him, and with her aunt goes
tudlo.

"I am going to ask a great favor," she
tudlo.

"I am going to ask a great favor," she
said, tremulously. "I want to go with
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that an accident had happened, and no
one would think of blaming me."

Then, although their eyes were glued
to Kola's sinister face, they obHandricks' face fell. He glanced

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As the carriage was ascending the to witness entertaint.

compelled to tort graphologist examwry neck During a call on Sergt. Denlook arctive of police department, Hen-

laid it on the seat between them.
Lampkin and Hendricks had their reHendricks, and, in the sudden shock of mearly Kola deceived him when volvers cocked rendy for use in the tells of disappearance of Bible to Kola's calls during his abbeen agreed that they were to take ton.

LOWELL, MICH.

> ring they were hesitating as to what course to pursue when Kola thrust his rug, dragging the almost inactive doctor with him. Kola wriggled in Dencourse to pursue when Kola thrust his cowled head through the curtains and called out, cheerily:
>
> "Oh helled Come right in gentle"Oh helled Come right in gentle-

awfully cold. You have met Dr. Lamp- covers some thin boards over a cavern ness. You will find enough of my elec-kin, and this is Sergt. Denham, of the 200 feet deep. With all your shrewd- trical appliances down below to amuse kin, and this is Sergt. Denham, of the detective bureau. We are all working for you."

"You say you have done spmething?" does not suit me to have you prying faltered the young lady, as she sat down hear the radiator. "Oh, I do hope—I am almost afraid to ask—"

In her agitation she seemed unable to be notlude her remark.

"We know where Bantinni is," exampled Hendricks, "and, as you know, have reasons—strong reasons, in the suit of the button."

200 feet deep. With all your shrewdness, with all your shrewdness, which all your shrewdness, which all your shrewdness, but all your shrewdness, would go feet deep. With all your shrewdness, but all your shrewdness, would go feet deep. With all your shrewdness, would go feet deep. With all your shrewdness, would gaplances down below to amuse you, but the secret vaults can be entered by no one besides myself. I learned the secret from the sole survivor of the old gang of counterfeiters, and leased the place for that reason."

Hendricks proposed to Lampkin to go with him downstairs. "Get your gun ready," he said. "He has a dark-skinned assistant somewhere about here."

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"I think he has skipped," said Dentit, for believing that Mr. Gielow was "I can ask only one thing," said ham. "I saw a fellow in foreign clothes his power only a few days ago. You have the state of the side door. I was afraid it was your man giving you the slip, so I have a few good borse for safe h. Nash.



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ranean rumble the flooring over that spot disappeared in a yawning black Sterling

pocket and fastened them on Kola's

The Indian's face was the color of "Downed me, after all," he said, re- seals, blotters, stationery sets,

human blood he became shaky and made another trial at my windpipe."

At this juncture the office boy returned with the parcel for the doctor, and they saw that he was accompanied by Miss Huntington.

"I do hope you will pardon my intrusion," she said, humbly, to Hendricks, who had hastily risen to meet her, "but it seemed impossible to wait longer at home. Won't you tell me if you have made any progress?"

"We've made some in the right direction," said Hendricks, reflectively.

"Come, sit down a moment. You look awfully cold. You have met Dr. Lamp-

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and I could make it clear to you if I had time. In his role as psychic adviser to the rich set he got acquainted with their ways, and, being desirous of getting rich suddenly, he resorted to the Italian nobleman ruse. He felt that I into the pocket of his overcoat and I talian nobleman ruse. He felt that I into the pocket of his overcoat and I talian nobleman ruse. He felt that I into the pocket of his revolver. "Kola," he said, firmly, "we want sterling mounted chony brushknew him better than anyone else in grasped the butt of his revolver.

New York, and tried to blow me out of "Kola," he began, "I have reasons for He had grown calmer, and now a sort assortment to choose from.

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In an unanimous opinion written by years old. The three men started out light company and has been in dark-Justice Hooker, the supreme court holds to cut wood, and it is evident that they ness for 10 months. An understanding the oleomargerine law to be invalid, had not long been at work when has been reached and all night light the oleomargerine law to be invalid.

The merits of the law are not discussed in the opinion, the court simply holding that the law is defective inasmuch as the legislative journals show that it was without an enacting clause when Young Hayward turned and ran in health when he collisted and the discase recorded—averaging more than \$100. was without an enacting clause when It passed the senate, and that the house terror, but stumbled and fell and the was caused by exposure. failed to remedy this defect. This madman was upon him in an instant | Jonathan McGee, of Ypsilanti, clause was inserted previous to the and crushed his skull at a blow. The is over 108 years of age, applied at signing of the bill by the governor, two died almost instantly. Hitchings Arbor for a marriage license. He and the attorney-general urged that returned to Hunt's body and dragged got the lady's name and went bac this was a sufficient compliance with it to a brush heap where he carefully Ypsilanti to ascertain it. this was a summent comprised with the constitution. This contention is covered it up, but Hayward's body was Wm. Vanlente, aged 30, while he denied by the court, on the ground only partially hidden, that the constitutional provision is not The insane man then ran hastily of his gun on a log. Gun slipped merely directory, no part of the legis- to the house, grabbed his sister and discharged, and the top of Va lative power being vested in the gov- with a big, dull jack knife terribly head nearly blown off. He d ernor. The court says: "It will stashed and cut her in several places stantly. be much better that the legis-lature shall correct its mistake than throat. That the poor woman made a

is otherwise constitutional.

whether the pupil can be compelled to attend religious exercises, nor necessarily whether the reading of the Bible or an extract from it constitutes a teaching of religion or amounts to a list awful work and lay at the foot of the cabinet is most gle exception, 1880, though the population of the cabinet is most gle exception, 1880, though the population of the rushing of successarily whether the reading of the Bible or an extract from it constitutes a teaching of religion or amounts to a list awful work and lay at the foot of the cabinet is most gle exception, 1880, though the population of the rushing of successful against the rushing of successful against the rushing of successful and that the resignation of the been established: Jack Pine, Crawford to have been established. Jack Pine, Crawford to have been established to have been esta privileges of such students as do not to ear, and a bloody razor beside him. master's salary \$1,100.

and that the money offered by Baldwin was, therefore, not a legal tender.

Judge Smith decided that the tender of the silver in payment for the mortgage was good and accordingly ordered the mortgage discharged as paid. The case will be appealed to the supreme case will be appealed to the suprementation of the deed was committed. Ann Arbor entertained the State case into the suprementation of the suprementation of the case will be appealed to the suprementation of the case will be appealed to the suprementation of the case will be appealed to the suprementation of the case of 1998 having been \$44,707,791. The house passed the anti-ticket scaling of the case \$14,707,791. supreme court.

The Michigan supreme court has de- Fitzhugh Lee. That corps is under oragainst the American Express Co., to ner somewhere near Havana. compel the company to pay for the court, where the case was elaborately Mrs. Geo. Heimert, of Galien, has

The official crop report for December | Peter Kouing, a steward on a steam | Climax. says that the average condition of barge, suicided at Menominee by wheat in the state Dec. 1 was 100, com- drowning.

A Crazy Farmer's Terrible Deed.

A farm hand named Walter Hitchings butchered three people on the farm of while across the tracks. Lee's neck butchered three people on the farm of while across the tracks. Lee's neck Wm. Hunt, two miles west of Free was broken. The horses were unin-Doings of the Week Recorded in a Soil, Manistee county, with an ax and jured.

a knife. The murderer afterwards cut his own throat. The dead are: Wm. Hunt, Mrs. Hunt, Thomas Hayward, Martin and who shot the assistant DC CONCISE AND INTERESTING. a hired boy, and Walter Hitchings.

There are no living witnesses of the imprisonment.

There are no living witnesses of the awful tragedy, but the story is told by surrounding circumstances. Hitchings was known to be slightly demented, but he was never very violent although quick tempered. He was a brother of Mrs. Hunt and made his winter home with the farmer. Hayward was 15 Charlotte disputed with her electric light company and has been in dark-

the mortgage be discharged since the business section, under the glare of hospital nurse who went to camp the had tendered the payment to Baker. The latter contended that the congress of the United States had treated silver as a descredited and debased metal as a descredited and necestary to descredite and necestary to construct and defend a ship that a descredited and necestary to construct and defend as a descredited and necestary to construct and defend as a descr and that the money offered by Bald- wards and quarreled with him shortly succumbed to typhoid fever in Porto and Oceanica, decreased imports. Our also appropriates \$140,000,000 to consecutive seem to indicate that he will be ap-

at August, Ga., that the 35th Michigan ton, Grand Rapids. would be transferred to the Seventh

Perfection.

Davis O. K. Rocket.

he had escaped she shot and killed her bycar-old daughter, Bernice, and then suicided. The husband and father suicided. The husband and father suicided. The husband and father suicided to the Presidents in the decrease of the present detector water to prevent detector water to prevent detector water to prevent detector water to prevent detector. So, notice to the Presidents in the sage Senator Hoar introduced a resolution for a committee to prepare and a total loss. The barge Aurania went stitution and laws of the U. S. locally suicided. The husband and father suicided to the Presidents in the sage Senator Hoar introduced a resolution for a committee to prepare and a total loss. The barge Aurania went stitution and laws of the U. S. locally suicided.

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The husband and father beautided. The husband and father found the dead bodies of his loved ones when he returned from his work.

Seven Albion Stores Burned.

Fire broke out in Rosseau's harness store at Albion and the whole block of seven stores were destroyed. The loss is about \$6,909, with \$2,500 insurance.

The Automatic Sweeper Co, with a capital stock of \$30,000, was organized at Marine City to manufacture the King carpet sweeper. The factory will begin operation at once.

The coroner's jury in the inquest over the men killed in the new Wonderland disaster, at Deronterland sources are successed by the coroner's pair in the inquest over the men killed in the new Wonderland disaster, at Deronterland sources are successed as the provided that the Constant bas wife while he county jull at Western and also provides that the constitution and laws of the U. S. locally applicable shall have the same force in the territory of Enwaii as elsewhere in went aground on Bar point. The steamer aground on Bar point, the statem and also provides that the constitution and laws of the U. S. locally applicable shall have the same force in the territory of Enwaii as elsewhere in went aground on Bar point. The steamer went aground on Bar point, the statem are applicable shall have the same force in the territory of Enwaii as elsewhere in went aground on Bar point. The steamer went aground on Bar point, the statem aground on Bar point, the county jull the west was from Dultuh, went the territory of Enwaii as elsewhere in the territory of Enwaii as elsewhere in the training of the turn the county of Enwaii as elsewhere in the training of the training of several of the U. S. locally aground on Bar point. The steamer count and laws of the U. S. locally aground on Bar point, the statem aground on Bar point. The steamer count and the work of the U. S. locally of the U. S. locally of the U. S. locally aground on Bar point. The statement of the U. S. locally of th

News of the Day as Told Over the Slender Wires. STIC AND FOREIGN NEWS

peets have been phenomenal. The 000,000 per month, the total being \$1,231,482,330, against \$1,050,993,556 in 1897 and \$1,030,278,148 in 1892. The value of agricultural products exported reported. The report of the Hawaiian The Treaty is Signed. Our manufacturers also made their

the bed. He then went up stairs and tried to cut his throat with the jack knife, but it was too dull so, with blood ago that he was going to die at certain Nearly all classes of the great agriculture. The books and shoes, and mineral oils, ago that he was going to die at certain Nearly all classes of the great agriculture. The books and shoes, and mineral oils, ago that he was going to die at certain Nearly all classes of the great agriculture. In a case appealed from the Wayne flowing from his backed neck, he becircuit court—which granted an order gan to search for a razor. At this last week he died within an hour of cord of exports in the past year. The to go beyond that principle. Senator columns. compelling the board of education of Detroit to discontinue the use of "Bible Readings" in the public schools—the Readings" in the public schools—the ran over in response to Mrs. Hunt's limited and response to Readings" in the public schools—the supreme court reversed the order, declaring that the use of such book is not unconstitutional. The court says she caught up the one-year-old baby of the supreme court reversed to unconstitutional. The court says she caught up the one-year-old baby of the subject at length to show wherein the subject the precise question involved is not from the floor and ran out, slamming reached him he was burned to death. than in any previous year, with a sin- bills Senator Vest (Mo.) protested the position of the cabinet is most

teaching of religion or amounts to a restriction of civil or political rights or privileges of such students as do not to ear, and a bloody razor beside him.

The sum of religion or amounts to a his awful work and lay at the foot of the postmaster. Postoffice at Manton to be raised to presidential Jan. 1, with postmaster of the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader, and to ear, and a bloody razor beside him.

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Supreme court

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President McKinley has handed to The bill was framed at the war deventures. congress the report of the Hawaiian partment and is not the bill framed by icans have made a proposition show-Express Companies Must Pay War Tax. army corps, now commanded by Gen. OF INTEREST TO HOUSE- commission together with three bills Gen. Miles. It gives a total of 14 regi- ing what concessions they can make, KEEPERS. drawn by the commission for the gov- ments of artillery, 12 of cavalry and 30 but it is said to fall short of what the The Michigan supreme court has decided the case brought by Atty.-Gen.

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The principles of infantry.

Senators Hale (Vt.) and Hoar (Mass.)

The Inasmuch as the World's Fair and the Inasmuch as the World's Fair and the Inasmuch as th of Health, condemned baking powders into a territory of the United States to their states, remonstrating against the or fall. It is expected that the lumber

containing alum it will be of use to our be styled the territory of Hawaii. A extension of American sovereignty schedule will be the principal point of ping receipts. The Wayne circuit court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court, where the company appealed to the higher court, where the contact where the court where the court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court, where the contact is a court granted such a mandamus and the contact is a court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such a mandamus and the company appealed to the higher court granted such as a court granted such granted such granted such granted such readers to have an official list of some governor, secretary of territory, U. S. over the Philippine islands and against difference.

the company appealed to the higher court, where the case was elaborately argued. The main question in the case related to the construction to be placed upon the revenue act, and the court concluded that as the shipper has nothing to do with issuing the receipt, it was the clear intent of the law that the company shall give such a receipt as will bring the government the revenue provided, and therefore the company what in Excellent Condition.

The total season's shipments of iron ore from the Crystal Falls district was Growing Wheat in Excellent Condition.

The contraction of Galien, nas and the pure and wholesome cream of that an an internal revenue district and a customs district.

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New Yer.—Cattle Sheep Lambs Hogs and the court concluded and an internal revenue district and a customs district.

Section 4 provides that "all white depression, including Portuguese and persons, including Portuguese and persons, including Portuguese and persons, including Portuguese and persons descented from the Hawaiian race, on either the paternal or mater and suctoms.

Louise E. Bahle has been appointed by the president, and an internal revenue district and a customs district and a customs district and a customs district and a customs district and a

States."

Provision is made for a legislature to consist of two houses—a senate of 15 members, and a house of representation of Darien.

It interferes with the United States constructing, owning or controlling an inter-oceanic canal across the isthmus of Darien.

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A control of the state was 88.
Fall pasture was remarkably good until late in the season. The condition of live stock is practically a full average. The figures are: Horses and east the, 97; sheep, 98, and swine, 98.

Detroit Woman's Terrible Deed.
While temporarily deranged, Mrs.
Frank D. Brooks, 1657 Russell street,
Detroit, shot and wounded her attending physician, Dr. O. S. Bell and after the had escaped she shot and killed her by-peer-old daughter, Bernice, and then the season were completely wreeked.

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CONGRESS AT WORK AGAIN. PEACE TREATY SIGNED.

During the second day's session Sen- Spanish and American Commission ator Vest, of Missouri, opened the bat Finish Their Work at Paris. tle in opposition to expansion by in- The United States and Spanish peace troducing the following joint resolu- commissioners concluded the work and tion:"That under the constitution of the finally settled the terms of the treaty United States, no power is given to the of peace. The Spaniards are exceedfederal government to acquire terri-tory to be held and governed perma-observing the forms of friendliness nently as colonies. The colonial sys- and courtesy to the end. One of the tem of European nations cannot be es- Spanish commissioners said: "The Eutablished under our present constitu- ropean nations have made a great misance of Trade With All Countries tion, but all territory acquired by the take is deserting Spain and leaving her the government, except such small to spoliation by the brute force of a amounts as may be necessary for conscienceless giant. They all know he report of Secretary of the Treas- coaling stations, correction of boun- that in the Philippines America has Gage shows that our foreign com-rce of the fiscal year 1898 in many daries, and similar governmental pur-poses, must be acquired and governed will ultimately sell the islands to Engwith the purpose of ultimately organ- land or Germany, and when the trans-

was \$853,683,570, surpassing by \$54,- commission was laid before the house As soon as the treaty of peace was was 8853,083,570. Sirrpassing by \$54. 355,338 the highest record, that of 1892. Our many facturers also made their fered by Mr. Hitt to carry out the final meeting and signed the document, highest record, \$290,607,354, against recommendations of the commission. which contained 17 articles. After the ris \$277.285,391 in the preceding year. For the first time also in the history of our his resolution declaring it to be uncon- and English two copies were passed foreign commerce, the exports of domestic manufactures were greater than quire foreign territory except for coal- signing them in the order of their the cians in of the total exports of the year were twice as great as the total imports a condition, hospitals as the total imports as condition, hospitals as the total imports as conditions as the total imports as the total import that the courts shall sanction the irregular correction in this case."

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The court's reference to the legislature correcting its mistake is taken as an indication that it believes the law ozed and then pushed the body under that the poor woman made a desperate fight for her life was evident, but her strength failed. The murderer most prominent Democratic polit cians of the state and a business tan of Grand Rapids, died in New York City and two prominent Democratic polit cians of the state and a business tan of Grand Rapids, died in New York City and two prominent Democratic polit cians of the state and a business tan of Grand Rapids, died in New York City and two prominent Democratic polit cians of the state and a business tan of Grand Rapids, died in New York City and was buried in his native town, but her strength failed. The murderer made two gaping wounds in the back of her head, from which the brains of the state and a business tan of Grand Rapids, died in New York City and two prominent Democratic polit cians of the state and a business tan of Grand Rapids, died in New York City and was buried in his native town, Madison, Me.

restriction of civil or political rights or privileges of such students as do not care to attend upon the exercises. The conclusion of the court after a review of the authorities and laws is that the reading of extracts from the Bibic without comment, is not in violation of any constitutional provision.

Justice Hooker wrote the decision and only Justice Moore disserted.

Silver Dollars are Legal Tender.

About a year ago Fred A. Baker, of Detroit, refused to accept 364 silverdollars from Stephen Baldwin, of Portica, in payment of a mortgage. Baker took steps to foreclose the mortgage and Baldwin filed a bill in chancer; the water of a mortgage beginning a boller in the wagon shops, the without comment, is not in payment of a mortgage beginning a boller in the wagon shops, and the lock of the basis factory conditions to investigate and report to cook steps to foreclose the mortgage and Baldwin filed a bill in chancer; the states of the business section, under the glare of the states of the state of t

LIVE STOCK.



Christmas tree in England. The pictured trees were undoubtedly sym- of Christ, the Light of all Lights.

"Wascall bob," a number of holly or bols) is the central spot of the earth, day it was, but he was off in the clouds roton river, near Stamford, Conn. The other evergreens on a pole, decked with while its fruits—obviously the stars— thinking of William the Conqueror, neck of land I sought is composed of gether with a two-cent stamp, he will HIS world has ribbons and bung with oranges and are of brilliant crystal and reach into and did not hear a word Miss Mary rich, soft ground, and covered with a send you what it calls for.

framework covered with ribbons, flow-Wept over us His ers and peacock feathers, on which were hung jewels, coins and other articles of value, loaned by the local gentry. Hutchins' history of Dorset states in 1803 that the decorations of this besant," or "byzant," or "bezon," as it was variously called, were sometimes worth as much as £1,500.

Where God's light shone upon His

Thrills on the wakened heart, Who led us to His Heavenly Fold, Who walked from men apart. Awake today, in spirit strain, The song that never dies!

The scales dropped from our eyes! For God's dear love is potent now As when His reign began; The chanting of the seraph band

THE CHRIST-CHILD.

the golden star

By the Judaean rill.

That on that night stood still

And wise men seek the path today

The mother heart of womanhood

Makes that, Earth's holy ground.

Above the humble village inn,

The crowned Magi found-

The singing angels hover now

The Prince of Peace so fair!

The wondrous story, never old,

Above the manger, there.

in Love,

Seeks an eternal rest; Descending from His throne above To hide within each breast.

Wake! Better Natures, sleeping long! Cast off the thralls of sin! List to the choiring angels' song And let the White Dove in!

Mute by the graves of vanished hates, Greet all in love today! Lift up your brows with hearts elate. And meet Him on our way! -Richard Henry Savage.





These and kindred customs prevail-

Shames restless heart of man. Here, in our midst, the Heavenly Dove



ince Bethlehem's escorted by a procession with music at and other objects, and there are sacred know, for he never knew anything of of marsh marigold.

ing in the England of a century ago are generally regarded by archaeologists as survivals of tree worship. which seems to have existed every-

Germany probably received the tree rom Scandinavia, where the ancient egend tells of "Yggdrasil," the ash, which binds together heaven, earth and hell; its branches spreading over the whole world, and reaching above the sky; its roots running in three di-

AL JAN Find out that glittering star again.

rections, one to the Asa gods in heav- the place of my sanctuary."

roots on the mountain Kager the Saka

tree, on the branches of which they

hung jewels, a mirror and blue and

FROM A BASRELIEF.

THE YULE LOG.

heavenly hosts.

relate how the gods pulled up by the at Christmas time.

and a bull standing beneath, ready for

Pictures and other votive objects were attached to the laurel of Apollo.

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Summing up all the evidence it certainly seems that the Christmas tree "It is a day," said Miss Mary, with low.

holding out a truncheon. nest and eggs. The custom of decorating the church- "One hundred and twenty years ago es with greenery at Christmas had its today," continued Miss Mary. origin in a pagan ceremony. The "Oh—oh, my! it ain't!" cried Bobby A lady was walking homeward from I procured Doan's Ointment. I had

rections, one to the Asa gods in heaven, one to the Frost giants, and the en, one to the Frost giants, and the third to the under-world.

In the far East, Japanese sacred books, written a dozen centuries ago.

The holly, or holy tree, is called third to the under-world.

Christ's thorn in Germany and Scandinavia, from its use in church decorations, one to the Asa gods in heaven the place of my sanctuary."

Come here, my little boy. I wish you very happy returns, Bobby, dear. But —but I was speaking of the battle of Bunker Hill."

"Mamma is tired, too, and Willie must help her to get home. She is glad she has such a brave little man to take care of her and help her to carry the bundles."

Satan smiles every time he sees two men trying to trade horses. books, written a dozen centuries ago. tions and its putting forth its berries

A number of years ago, before any reached for the offered parcel, saying Try Grain=O! railway came into Chicago, they used stoutly: white peace offerings to the shining Christmas day in the primitive to bring in the grain from the western "I'll tarry 'em all, mamma,"

aree of all the seeds."

At cremation ceremonies in Budtree of all the seeds."

At cremation ceremonies in Buddhist Siam a framework representing a tree, to which are tied limes and nutshells containing money and lottery tickets, occupies a prominent place, and after the rites these "fruits," which are called "karaphruk," are scrambled for by the crowd.

In Upper India the scavenger caste carry in processions, in honor of their seeds. The processions in honor of their seeds. The processions in honor of their seeds of an uncommon size, called a Yule log or Christmas candles, and lay a log of wood upon the fire, called a Yule log or Christmas block, to illuminate the house, and, as it were, to turn night into day. This custom is still kept up in the north of England. The size of these logs of wood, which were in fact great trees, may be imagined from found that he had been there and got the money for his grain; then he carry in processions, in honor of their wars of the last century, Capt. Hosier seed and the condition of the carry in processions, in honor of their seeds. The called a Yule log or Christmas candles, and lay a log of wood upon the fire, called a Yule log or Christmas block, to illuminate the house of money for his for the did not come home. At last he could wait no longer, so he saddled his horse and rode to the place where his son had sold the grain. He don't come home. At last he could wait no longer, so he saddled his horse and rode to the place where his son had sold the grain. He don't come home. At last he could wait no longer, so he saddled his horse and rode to the place of these logs of wood, which were in fact great trees, may be imagined from found that he had been there and got the money for his grain; then he been there and got the money for his grain; then he been there and got the money for his grain; then he been there and got the money for his grain. He don't care the dult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that the did not come home. At last he could wait no longer, so he saddled his horse and rode to the place of the more three th carry in processions, in monor of their god Zahir, a bamboo framework deck-christmas tree originate? This is cock feathers, and hung with fans and cock feathers, and hung with fans and cock feathers, and hung with fans and cock feathers. This is cock feathers are did to lear that his soy had been to lear that house of Mr. Barker of the aid of a detective, they tracked him to a gambling den, where they found by setting fire to the Yule log. At that he had gambled away the whole that had gambled away the whole the to lear that his soy had been the tempting cakes their mouths fairly watered to take them. After counting the aid of a detective, they tracked him to a gambling den, where they found by setting fire to the Yule log. At that he had gambled away the whole that had been the to set that had been the to set that he to set that he to set that house of Mr. Barker of the tempting cakes their mouths fairly watered to take them. After counting the aid of a detective, they tracked him to a gambling den, where they found by setting fire to the Yule log. At that he had gambled away the whole the to set that he to set that he to set that he to set that he to set that the to set that he to set the to set that he to set that a question that bunches of cocoa nuts.

Lucian described trees covered with by setting fire to the lucie log. At that he had gambled away the whole of his money. He had fallen among would taste so good! doubtless would buzzle most people to answer, It came to us from England, and it is pretty well settled that it was taken there from Germany, for the custom of setting up a tree hung with gifts at Yuie-tide was by no means universal in Britain until after the marriage of Queen Victoria to a German prince.

But prior to this there was a sort of Christmas tree in England. The

get the ministers to let him preach, SOME GOOD STORIES FOR OUR and at the close he would tell his Darting from one point to another, stiff and JUNIOR READERS.

Nest-Loving Service. A Little Boy's Trouble. I thought when I'd learned my letters, That all my troubles were done;

But nothing like learning to write. I'd be sorry to have to tell it, But my copy-book is a sight, The link gets over my fingers, The pen cuts all sorts of shines; And won't do at all as I bid it, The letters won't stay on the lines, But go up and down and all over,

There'd be some comfort in learning If one could get through; instead Of that, there are books awaiting, Quite enough to craze my head, There's the multiplication table. And grammar, and-oh, dear me! There's no good place for stopping When one has begun, I see,

My teacher says, little by little. To the mountain top we climb, It isn't done in a minute. But only a step at a time: She says that all the scholars And all the wise and learned men, Had each to begin as I do:
If that's so-where's my pen!

They are there in all shapes and elzer

They have only just begun.

"Children," asked Miss Mary, the teacher, "do you know what day this is?"

"Yes, ma'am!" cried Bobby Wilkins, looking up with sparkling eyes.
"Does any one else know?" asked Miss Mary.

"Boes any one else know?" asked Miss Mary.

"Children," asked Miss Mary, the fashion, come to grief; but a new and innocent form of that occupation has come into being, whereby one may carry off a nest and eggs without breaking the mother bird's heart. A writer in Forest and Stream tells how he goes on this quest.

"A simple go-between am 1. Without a thought of pride; 1 part the gathered thoughts of men, And liberally divide. I set the soul of Shakespeare free, To Milton's thoughts give liberty. Though through all learning swift I gilde, No wisdom doth with me abide."

If you can solve the foregoing, and conditions the covery through all learning swift I gilde, no wisdom doth with me abide."

If you can solve the foregoing, and conditions the covery through through all learning swift I gilde, no wisdom doth with me abide." on this quest. No one spoke.

whirled on in apples, and sometimes bearing a pair the liquid vast."

its way of dolls, was carried about in York—

For nineteen kunder of cybele and Attis is still shad been reproved for chewing gum in class, and was in the sulks, and sometimes bearing a pair the liquid vast."

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ly, and took him home once more.

left him but he has followed you.

Stealing a Bird's Nest.

Nobody wants to hear about the van-

reciting. So Bobby Wilkins was the swung in the wind. At short intervals he uttered a joyous "Kong-querree!" | band sometimes liquidates. only one who spoke.

"It is a day," said Miss Mary, lookwhich was doubtless a signal to his ing round rather severely, "which mate, and has been humanly transought to awaken joy in the heart of lated as "All's well!" As I approached every American, young or old." Bob- his confident announcement was by felt his cheeks glow, and his heart changed to a suspicious "chut! The Most Patient People Must Show An swell. He thought Miss Mary was chuck!" and then he launched himself into the air with a shrill and pro-

"It is a day," she went on, "to be celebrated with feelings of pride and celight." Bobby felt of the bright new celebrated with feelings of pride and celight." Bobby felt of the bright new celebrated with a shrill and prolonged cry of alarm.

I pushed my way through the undergrowth and had not gone far when contains the contains half dollar in his pocket, and thought there was a flutter of bird's wings on of the splendid kite at home, and of my left, and the hen blackbird hung the cake that mother was making poised in air above me. There in a when he came away. He had not wild rosebush, perhaps four feet from wanted to come to school today, and the ground, was the nest, and in it now he was glad he had come. He were four beautiful blue eggs, curious-had no idea Miss Mary would feel this ly streaked and spotted with black. way about it. He looked round to see I cut two straight poles and slung makes you worse. how the others took it, and they all them up horizontally, a few inches | Such miseries are daily decreasing

Summing up all the evidence, it cer- lumined with the joy of victory. and by bracing them with stakes behung with gifts has descended to us kindling eyes—for the children were I then placed my camera on the ness of the skin. from the times when decorated trees laden with offerings were worshiped really very trying today—"which will be remembered in America as long as between them at the nest, and climbas representatives of the abstract freedom and patriotism shall endure."

"Universe tree," whose trunk was the Bolby fell as if he were representatives of the abstract freedom and patriotism shall endure."

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West Main street, Battle Creek, says: "Universe tree," whose trunk was the Bobby felt as if he were growing cosmic axis, whose roots were in the taller. He saw himself in the presi-

great feast of Saturn was held in December, when the worshipers hung the seven."

Wilkins, springing it. "It's only a shopping excursion, carrying two or three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while by ple but as I thought it would act like three packages in her hand, while the package in her hand, while the package is the package in her hand, while the package is the package in her

bundles." Instantly the little fellow straightened, his step quickened and he

white peace offerings to the shining goddess of the heavens.

The Hindoo Parijata and Kalpavrisksha yielded all the objects of the desires of gods and mortals, and so, too, did the Iranian Harvisptokhm, "the did the Iranian Harvisptokhm, "the collection of the primitive church was always observed as the Sabbath day, and, like that preceded the lakes. There was a father who sires of gods and mortals, and so, too, did the Iranian Harvisptokhm, "the children may drink it without to bring in the grain from the western prairies in wagons for hundreds of miles, so as to have it shipped off by the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without the bring in the grain from the western prairies in wagons for hundreds of miles, so as to have it shipped off by the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes. There was a father who light the homeward way weary? Try to light end of the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes. There was a father who light end of the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes. There was a father who light the homeward way weary? Try to light end of the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes are laked to preach the gospel as well as the lakes are laked to preach the laked to preach the lakes are laked to preach the laked to

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS. boy got No; he went from town to Sharp Pains

story. "I have got a boy who is a swollen joints, inflammation, intense sufwanderer on the face of the earth fering, are characteristics of rheumatism. somewhere." He would describe his All these painful symptoms are cured by "A Great y' his Week's Story boy and say: "If you ever hear of him Hood's Sarsaparilla which purifies the blood Sketch of a Boy Who Took Editor or see him, will you not write to me?" and neutralizes the acid which is the cause Greeley's Advice-Stealing a Bird's At last he found that he had gone to of rheumatism. Why continue to suffer California, thousands of miles away. when you may be relieved by

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preached he told his story, in hopes that the boy might have seen the advertisement and come to the church. When he had done, away under the walley, there was a value man who called the control of the church. When he had done, away under the walley, there was a value man who gallery, there was a young man who all other points on this system and on waited until the audience had gone the Union Pacific Railroad, within 200 out; then he came toward the pulpit. miles of the selling station, at greatly The father looked and saw it was his reduced rates, December 24, 25, 26 and own boy, and he ran to him, and press- 31, 1898, and January 1 and 2, 1899. ed him to his boson. The boy want- good until January 4, 1899. Apply to ed to confess, but not a word would agents Chlcago & North-Western R'y the father hear. He forgave him free-for full particulars.

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I was out on a little expedition the gend the correct answer to George H The boy John knew very well what other day, along the banks of the No-Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Rall-

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A lazy liver makes a lazy man. Bur

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under-world, and whose branches, lifted aloft into the skies, bore up the
ed aloft into the skies, bore up the the spots being tender they itched intolerably. I tried everything I could hear about or get hold of to stop the temple with such green things as they could find; and the Christians adopted the same method to celebrate the birth of the Savior, giving it an emblematic turn by referring to the "righteeus branch," and justifying it from Isaiah 55: 13—"The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree and the box together to beautify "Come here, dear," said Miss Mary, as the place of the parcels of of the come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine

"Come here, dear," said Miss Mary, tree and the box together to beautify holding out her hand very kindly.

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