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Not even dreaming that could be

His own fat fowl but yesterday,

The Eleventh Commandment.

Crockery people who were always either moving in the library. or out and in the summer time, when the C. G. Tiffany & Son, windows of the great mansion were open, and the cream of society holding its anything for a year. revels, such hilarities as these would be tobacco-wafted through the India mull

"Whack de fidel? Pass the cratur this way, an' don't be kapin' the bottle idle." "Sure vees hev had mor'n's good for

vez now. "Sthand oop and foight like a man!" "Murther! don't interrupt whilst I'm injoyin' myself!"

And similar dialogues of a domestic

But for some month's preceding Christold house—two young people who lived Christmas, and this year he makes the had nothing to do. He was a slim, pale, sickly-looking young fellow and some one Every day he went out looking for work thing that had been acquired on the bor- rich. der-land between respectability and vagabondage—a turkey won at a raffle or a measure of potatoes that he had acquired

erything. In the first place there were head of that much maligned ancient old mark, a bit of poetry; even an affection- as old and young "tripped the light fanonly two people in the great house; they gentleman was level up to the time he ate letter will bring a ray of sunshine to tastic toe," to the squeaky strains of had neither chick nor child, nor bird, nor met the ghost of his late partner. The the most troubled. A pair of sweet little Uncle Jake's antique fiddle. Not till the Then they both had indigestion, and lived want and then get from him something representations they can rely, than to pay the expenses of some peddler of whose reliability they know nothing, to Their young lives had been smothered able when the receivers are children who

order entrusted to us, and by the enviable reputation we have attained for good taste in design and honorable dealing with all, we have rendered our business entirely independent of any necessity to employ methods so offensive to every self-respecting person.

This Christmas morning when the militionaire got up he looked out of his plate glass window and cast an envious glance at the corner opposite. Jack Frost had been playing tricks there. He had sent a soft white fall of snow, which had wrapsoft white fall of snow, which had wrapped its beneficent arms about the unsightper; if you get a return, then you merely y pile, and it was now transfigured in the swap goods with him without the excitesilver flood. The frost king had made ment of dickering, and the chances are each tiny pane of glass resplendent with you both think you ought to have a boot.

An Unreliable Precedent.

the rich man acknowledged to himself grudgingly that it was a pretty sight; he But heaven had given his own little ones cask into the yard. a play-ground on which he had no title or "It's to put the slippers in, my dear," pre-emptions. While he stood looking, said the good man, as he opened the barhis family physician, a wealthy man, who rel and leaned upon it. had almost retired from the profession, came out of the old house. He was hubby?" walking briskly past, when Mr. Markham

UNCLE BEN'S CHRISTMAS DINNER. castle and turret and feathery palms, and

'Twas just before a Christmas eve, Old Andrew studied to deceive

His neighbor, Uncle Ben.

He wanted what most people say

Goes well upon a Christmas day-

A good, plump turkey-hen.

I have no cash to buy, he cried;

Egad? oh no; I must have one.

Of helping eat, at least.

And at the turkeys wildly stared, At loss which one to take.

His honest neighbor wake.

Old Andrew one expedient tried.

And housed beneath the barn.

Concluding all the while,

Without impairing his own thrift,

By strategem and guile.

So o'er he goes, and thus began,

As good as ever warmed a nest;

I guess the "critter" had a plan

And I am sure the very best,"— Said with an artful scowl.

"My good old neighbor—honest man, I've lost my finest fowl!

"I thought, for sure, I'd take a look

While Andrew, with a knowing leer, Said, with deceitful smile,

That I tied on her. Yes, she's mine. I thought so, all the while."

"And yet, she looks like my old hen,

But then, she's yours; I had no twine

Tied round the legs of one of mine.

Yes, take her, if you please."

So Andrew took the fowl, well paid,

As e'er I saw two peas.

That he should make a decent shift,

Around a turkey's leg he tied A piece of scarlet yarn;

Then Andrew to the roost repaired,

While all my neighbors feast?

Must I of turkey be denied

I'll be partaker in the fun

He feared that some among the brood, "Good morning, Dr. Farnham. Merry Would, in their quitting, gobbling mood Christmas! if you can find one, ha! ha! way." Returned to practice, I see," with a con-

emptuous glance at the old corner. "Yes," said the physician, gravely, "it is rather a sad case. Four mouths to feed homeward hied, and went to bed, Well pleased that his firstchoice was fed and nothing to put in them. However, the same God who sent the ravens to feed Next morn he rose with deacon grace,

Elijah lives to-day." Combed down his hair, washed his face "Doctor," said Mrs. Markham, reaching lace breakfast-capped head out beside her husband's, "come in and eat breakfast with us. My appetite is worse and I want

a prescription." "Dyspepsia be blowed!" growled the doctor, who was as gentle as a woman in ket?" the sick-room. "If you want to be cured of all the ills of life, observe the eleventh ommandment."

"Eleventh commandment? Why, there 'Mong yours; perhaps she has forsook Her home, in rambling play With other hens. But now, "I van," isn't any. Doctor, you must go to chool."

"Isn't there any?" said the doctor To save her head on Christmas day. gruffly. "I thought you didn't know it. The turkeys, as they talked, came near, pepsia, if you do your whole duty." "Look, Uncle Ben; the same red twine

"Peace-on-earth-good-will-toman!" chimed the bells. There was a confusion of tongues over "Yes, there's the yarn, I see," said Ben; in the house on the corner. When the good doctor had announced to the young He thought, for all his toil; then said, "Come, Uncle Ben, come o'er and dine

Obtained through Yankee Trick.

the case, and is trustworthy." Mrs. Markham, the millionaire's wife

It was one of those unequal balances and was wrapped in soft blankets. which we are always finding both in the wicker cradle lined with white musling world of architecture and the world of hu- and tied with blue ribbons had come down manity, a great, splendid residence upon from the dust of the mansard roof to hold down dwelling on the other, which the warmth and comfort in the old house. law protected from the covetous eves of When late at night Mrs. Markham returnthe rich speculator, and reserved for ed from a late visit, prior to retiring, she minor heirs. Meanwhile it was rented, found her husband standing pompously for what it would bring, to a class of before the open fire on the tiled hearth in

> "And how are they now?" he asked, with more interest than he had shown in

> "Doing nicely; but, Hiram, they would have died if I-if-we-had't looked after them. Two such sweet babies-they remind me-"

And then the poor mother broke down and cried. Mr. Markham cleared his throat,

full," he said. He never thought of hearts; but that was just what it meant. With neither

### The Merry Christmas Time

WHY WE EMPLOY NO AGENTS! patrician people who lived in splendid do to say so, but as this is a free country nuch to cheer parents' hearts.' On the true African, an exciting "possum there can be no harm in my thinking so. Christmas day they can present them with hunt," while in the evening the negro What was the matter with them? Ev- I sympathize with old Scrooge. The some little token of their love—a book- quarter was a scene of boisterous revelry,

any living thing about them, except their system of present giving is about as vases bought by my eldest daughter, with night was far spent did the fun subside, own two dry-as-dust selves, and they got idiotic a custom as ever was invented.

money saved for this object, and given and closed with a "Cake Walk," when in me last Christmas day, were received with stiff and silent pairs the dusky belies and own two dry-as-dust selves, and they got idiotic a custom as creating he don't inexplicable pleasure. I never see them mighty tired of each other sometimes. You give somebody something he don't inexplicable pleasure. I never see them without emotion. they pay their own expenses to go and inspect and select from a large stock of finished work, and negotiate directly with the principals of a firm upon whose with the principals of a firm upon whose them systematically, and finally their chilfor yourself that you want and let him do come and tease an order for something out under the cap-frills and embroidered they would not have could they see the article itself.

to still remain a subject for discussion, of grace and beauty. Certainly she was and what is in two names should have a stomachers, and they had gone to a place is a delight to both giver and receiver. If you don't think so, article itself. where there were no yelvet carpets, or It is certainly in that case more blessed BECAUSE, finally, by persistent and careful attention to the interest of our customers, by careful execution of every play on.

where there were no velvet carpets, or it is certainly in that case more blessed to give to them than to receive a present from some one of your own size. Present

"Well, now in the name of goodness, old house and do what he chose with the barrel?" said a newly married preacher's Where Christmas gifts are only want and care, lot; his neighbor had bought one next to wife to her husband on the day before him for a play ground for his children. Christmas, as she saw him rolling a new

"To put the slippers in-what slippers,

"Why, the ones I'll get from the conthrew open the window and called to gregation to-morrow, my dear. I don't

> "And did you expect to get a barrel of slippers, David?" "Certainly, my dear. I got more than that last year, and being then but a new comer among this people, they were not of course so strongly attached to me as

"David, you're an old goose." "What do you mean, my dear?" "Don't you know, you poor ninny, that you wasn't married then, and that girls don't fool away their time working slippers for a man after he's out of the mar-

"Out of the market, my dear?" "Yes, out of the market."

"Haven't you, though? Why, you poor old dear, every girl in the church was setting her cap for you, and that's how you happened to be snowed under with slippers. You'll not get a slipper this merry Christmas to you both, and no dysmight as well roll that barrel into the after they have retired to bed on Christwoodhouse. It will come handy to put mas Eve—which presents are said to be Springfield Republican. vour sermons in."

As everybody likes to turn over a new ausband in real Christmas phrase, "Unto leaf at the commencement of a new year, you a son is born," the news had been re- a good plan is to settle before Christmas ceived at first with a natural spasm of deall business that one does not care to The custom is founded upon a tradition, light, and then the dejected query, "What carry into it. Debts ought to be paid according to Brand, that St. Nicholas, in news of Western Massachusetts and the on earth am I going to do with him?" first of all, money being acceptable to his lifetime, was in the habit of throwing neighboring parts of other states, Con With me. To-morrow's Christmas day. But when later the doctor went to him, every one at that season. Letters ought with his face beaming with mischief, and to be answered and winter clothing put poor maidens to be used by them as marof this region such as can be found in no said, "Unto you two sons are born," the in perfect order. Garrets and closets riage portions. But whatever the origin other paper. consternation he caused would have been should also be inspected, as many pieces of the custom, it is one that is a source of amusing, if it had not been so real. There of discarded apparel will be found that was a gloomy outlook for the pale young can be put up in bundles for the poor; of happy reminiscence to most English are progressive, independent and liberal. mother and her beautiful babes, even and, besides being out of the way, will children. Then there is the Christmas It is devoted to the interests of the whole mother and her beautiful babes, even and, besides being out of the way, will though the good doctor had left some twee pleasure and warmth to many pertemporary relief.

"Will she live?"

"Yes; care and nourishment are all she preparations are completed one can enter whole and, besides being out of the way, will children. Then there is the children than to those of any party. Recognizing the good and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning the evil represented in the child pool and condemning th needs; now I can leave her in your hands, the holidays with a feeling of rest and even to old people, than to watch the Mrs. Markham. The nurse understands ase which can never be experienced with eager expression on the faces of the little purer government and happier, more everything pell mell and in confusion. ones as they stand around it awaiting the equitable social conditions.

church; it will be a comfort to both rich and poor. As during school days children have little leisure to indulge in amusements, the mother should do all she can one corner, and a poor, shiftless, tumble- the two babies. There were light and to make them happy and joyous during the holiday vacations. Takingsthe little ones out to ride or to attend a matinee or prove both recreative and instructive. Those happy moments will be remembered during many months and anticipated for uture years. People in moderate circumof dress will be just as much appreciated, clothes. My heart bleeds for the very poor mother who cannot even fill the are able spare what they can for the "A-hem! I expect we've got our hands

them up differently and see what they are.

For instance:—

gown, gorgeous bandanna, and glittering beads and earrings, which can be beads.

can you find two other names of two ther men whose official lives and whose

#### OHRISTMAS EVE.

Happy hearts who dwell in pleasant homes to-night wanted to buy that spot, tear down the David, what are you going to do with that Think of those homes where gleams no fire, no light, Where the mother sits in sadness and despair. And pale-faced children weep the weary night away And dread the coming of a giftless Christmas day Go to such homes, speak words of Christian cheer By goodly gifts, make life to them less drear, And crown thy Christmas day with happines

good-will that the world can hold.

Origin of the Christmas Tree.

ristmas tree is from Egypt,

Christmas on the Old Plantation.

"Bang, snap, fizz, bang!" When first I

beaux paraded two by two, and in the end

Maum Chloe proudly carried off the cake;

for, in negro vernacular, "She never bat

an eyelid, and wore a death-like look on

her face," two peculiarities which the

company evidently considered the height

of grace and beauty. Certainly she was

ounded with hearty cheers, from many isty throats, for "Ole massa, ole missus.

Little Presents.

"But I've never been in the market, my

A Mother's Idea of Christmas.

anterior to the Christian era. The palm month, and a spray of this tree with a concert will fill them with delight and of the year completed. ances need not necessarily give costly opened my eyes in the gray December to their children; any useful article dawn, I almost believed it to be Fourth of July, for surely it could be naught but they do not possess an abundance of firecrackers that were thus noisily saluting my ears. But as the cobwebs of sleep stockings of her loved ones. Let all who that this was my first Christmas in the needy. A few pieces of cake, a few that in some places it was a custom of the apples, or oranges, will prove a treat to light-hearted Africans to welcome the

the unfortunate children and brighten happy day with the gay and festive Chitheir little hearts. We mothers should nese crackers. mever care for our own personal disap- With considerable curiosity, then, I pointments, but feel thankful to God if sprang from my couch and hurried to the children nor grandchildren of his own, he Christmas finds our family circle unbrok- window, to gaze down upon the courtmas there had been a new family in the has two pairs of stockings to fill every en; with all our precious children by our yard below, where dozens of black and side. So let all in our power be done to shining little "pickaninnies" were squabalone and were out of sorts. The man same objection to filling them that he did make that day one of unalloyed content- bling and tumbling over each other in a last year. They will not hold half he ment for them, so that if God sees fit in perfect frenzy of delight, and occasionally wants to put in them, and he will not His all-wise providence to transplant any being brought to order by a well-aimed divide, either with his wife or the good of our darlings from our hearth stones to cuff from some fat, good-natured "Mamwell educated and of good family, but doctor, that annual pleasure. There is a heavenly home above, we can be commie," who, however, seemed to enjoy the poor as poverty itself and likely to starve to death as he was proud as well as poor.

shining path worn to the old house, and forted with the remembrance that their now when the rich man's covetous eyes last Christmas on earth was a happy one. watch it, there is no commercial value in The Christmas joys of my childhood still the master appeared bowing and smiling in that aimless way a man gets into when its remodeled walls; he is looking for linger before me. The sparkling tree prehis overcoat is gone and he has to button what gold cannot buy—the smiling faces pared by my devoted parents, covered stant arose such a chorus of "Cris'mus his other coat to the chin, and every day of two happy Christmas children, who and surrounded with toys and keepsakes gif', massa, Cris'mus gif'!" as speedily branite he came back empty-handed or with some love him just as much as if he wasn't for children and friends that assembled in brought a shower of small coins scatterour parlors that night. No one was for- ing among the crowd. Then what a frangotten. My brothers disguised as Santa tic scrambling ensued, while for two Claus would generally come in with im-mense baskets, where, blindfolded, all had her hands full, giving out extra ragrab. Later in the week a dinner for tions of butter, sugar, tea and tobacco, to Life was at this low ebb when Christmas are came—Christmas, bringing cheer and light, music, warmth, presents, hope and light, music, warmth, presents, hope and low bear and light was at this low ebb when Christmas. In the olden time he would have been ducked under the Square pump:

| A grad. Date! In the week a difficulty of the poor always took place. A number of bags were made days beforeliand, each one containing provisions and useful artijollity to nearly everybody, but certainly The papers are full of gush over the merry cles, for some fifty persons, who carried The whole day, then, was one of feastnot to the poor family in the tumble-down house on one corner, nor to the deal of humbug about Christmas. It don't bountiful treat. Children can also do

As Queer as Donnely's Cipher.

and what is in two names should have a "sight for gods or men," as with shouldouble interest. If you don't think so, take two names as well known as any in American history and look at them. They are Lincoln and Hamlin. Nothing peculiar about them as they stand, but set gown, gorgeous bandanna, and glittering gown, gorgeous bandanna, and glittering

ead up and down and then across. here's something in that, isn't there?

#### For the Farmer.

In a warm barn or cellar a few hens and raise a few good winter fries or earl spring lavers. The foulest meat or cider barrel may be thoroughly cleansed by putting into it a kettleful of hot boiled pumpkins and let-

ting them remain in until cooled. That wet farm land can be improved by under-draining is true. It is also true that moist land will produce more grass than dry land; hence, due caution should be exercised in the matter of drainage.

It is wrong to skim milk and churn at once. Cream should not be put in the Make little presents if you cannot make cream-pot for twelve hours before churnwant to have them scattered all over the great ones. Many there are who stand on ing, as the cream will not ripen in less house. They would be so much in the the false pride of not giving at all unless time, and by so doing the butter will be slower in forming. they give largely. A little knick-knack costing little will often fill the heart of the ed orchard is in the spring, before the

receiver with as much pleasure as though a small fortune had been spent upon it. large branches that must be removed, and It is the beauty of the season of gifts that it will need a whole year's growth to enable the wounds to heal over. it gives value and vital meaning to a thousand things that in the dull round of the year bear no significance. It may be

a ribbon or a trinket, a bit of china or a and six inches wide, laid up like open book; it will become a memory, a link be- brick work. A little paint will add to the tween man and man. If it prove a link appearance and durability. Land that has been expensively fertibetween a fair young girl and a brave ized with commercial fertilizers will be young man, why, all the better. If from found inferior to that which has received boy to boy, why, it may cement a true a liberal turning under with vegetable friendship for life. In any case it is an matter. The land requires decayed vegetation, without which it will become ex-

addition to the sum of human happiness. hausted. and just now we want all the joy and Sawdust has little, if any, fertilizing value by itself, but it is a splendid absorbent, and after having been used for bed ding horses and cattle contains very much that is valuable to the soil and may then be considered excellent manure. Christmas has come to be regarded, too.

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#### LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Good Christmas weather. Schools close to-morrow for two weeks'

The days begin to lengthen and the cold

begins to strengthen. Remember the Firemen's ball a week from to-morrow night.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers appear at Franklin hall next Thursday evening.

Chrismas gifts. H. J. Ladd of South Manchester, formerly of this place, has opened a branch

ing columns before you select your

store at 40 Pleasant street. The prize turkey to be given away at B. Bright's market is attracting attention. Every visitor is entitled to a guess wheth-

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold a meeting in the chapel of o'clock. All are invited.

ably be a public affair and if so a commit-strawberries and garden sauce of various as you live." As he addressed a few kind tee will be appointed to make arrange- kinds, that roses and other flowers are in and earnest words to those present, the ments next Monday evening.

in the chapel of the First Presbyterian locality. He states that that section of ties existing and that the parting was full church next Sunday afternoon at three the country is fine and a very desirable of sadness. At the close of his remarks MISS POMEROY will appear in the Great o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended place to live. Among the fruits in season he led the people in a short prayer. to any who may wish to become mem- he includes lemons, oranges and bananas.

tablishment about Jan. 1st. People who desire work done will do well to speak

the first time Jan. 8.

Saloon" will be delivered in Parsons' hall employ and is drove early and late and tor. In his noble, kind-hearted acts he next Tuesday evening by Prof. F. C. Croy business is increasing. The many former has taught me plainly that he has not of Springfield under the auspices of Pro- friends of Niles Pease and family will be been least in encouraging the pleasant gressive Lodge of Good Templars, to pleased to hear thus of his prosperity and feeling existing between the various which the public are invited.

Rev. Mr. Maxham of Monson, Mass. will occupy the pulpit of the Universalist church Sunday morning. There will be the evening. Services at 10.30 and 7 on the 10.08 train Tuesday forenoon for a Christmas concert with special music in o'clock. All are cordially invited.

The primary department of the First Presbyterian church Sunday-school will have a festival, Christmas tree, stereopticon entertainment, etc., in the chapel next Thursday afternoon, Dec. 29, commencing at 4 o'clock and closing promptly at 7

Rev. R. N. Hammond leaves for Boston school. All are cordially invited.

an opportunity to visit southern Califor- to concur with his request, as he felt that from his Sunday-school class, Dec., 1887." Port Huron. Rev. Mr. Barnum, before this field and this locality. After words bered.

Wm. R. Baker, S. C. R.; Thos. A. Poole, present the resolutions. F. Sec.; Oliver N. Love, R. Sec.; F. O. installed Friday evening, Jan. 6.

town this year in search of a turkey or other poultry and game, as there seems to be an unusual effort being made among our various marketmen each to out do

groom were the recipients of many valuable and useful presents. They made their wedding tour to New York city, re-

Treas., J. Love; Sec., Fred. Clee. The behalf of this congregation and people, to grescition numbers 115. On the death of a member they pay \$50; on the death of a member's wife, \$30. Each member was greater. In presenting this check to bytery.

Entered at the Post-office in Thompsonville, Reliable Tooth Powder can be obtained On this occasion the school will make the participated in this kindly act. Please offerings of their barrels of missionary accept these, Mrs. Barnum, as tokens of

have ever sold, and while you keep it at have ever sold, and while you keep it at Sunday, next Monday will be a legal holi-United Presbyterian, are arranging special indicate the desire of your scholars that services. The First Presbyterian church you, when in other fields, will still cherish has arranged a printed order of exercises a love for them and by continued corresfor morning and evening. The music at pondence keep those precious ties ever the morning services will be as follows: Variations and fugue on Playel's Hymn,

Organ. [J. B. Calkin

"Behold I bring you Good Tidings,"

Choir. [Sir John Goss
Solo by Mr. Steele, "Nazareth," Gounod
Hallelujah Chorus, choir, "Messiah" Hallelujah Chorus, choir, Postlude, organ. The following Christmas music will be

Don't forget to look over our advertist rendered at the M. E. church Sunday: MORNING O Come all ye Faithful,'

"Nazareth, Arranged by Dudley Buck. EVENING.

'Glory to God in the highest," Gerrish "Praise ve His Name," Solo by Eliza Reed, supported by choir. "Out from the Depths of the Starry Sky" Chorus of Children.

He writes that the land boom is still rag- gospel hymn "Jesus Lover of my Soul," Shepard & Willey announce in an ad- ing and that in order to purchase a build- Rev. Mr. Stenhouse, pastor of the Methsnepard & willey announce in an advertisement to-day, that they expect to remove their feather-bed renovating estled, although every train brings thou- his wife: but as I have sat

and will occupy the pulpit as pastor for tablishment will compare favorably with I, also, am saddened, for in the short while A lecture entitled "The Home vs. The like nature. He has 15 to 20 men in his love the very deeds of your retiring pasperhaps will nearly covet a like success.

### Without a Pastor.

Rev. F. S. Barnum, with his wife, left Kingston, N. Y., having completed, on in wishing the retiring pastor and his wife that date, a pastorate of thirteen and onehalf years, and retiring with the very which was for \$500, were placed on the best wishes of the entire congregation. piano at the corner of the chapel and all Thus, in accordance with the dissolution of pastoral relations granted by iewel case was an elegant affair, both in the presbytery Oct. 4, the First Pres- interior arrangement and construction byterian church is now without a pastor. Just three months have elapsed since Rev. Mr. Barnum declared to the sesto-morrow morning and will return on sion of the First Presbyterian church his Monday. The pulpit of the United Pres- intention to retire from his charge at the word "Souvenir." It contained \$125 byterian church will be occupied on next this place. It was on Friday evening, in gold. The traveling case was verily Sabbath by the Rev. T. W. Hodgdon, a Sept. 22. A meeting of the congregarecent graduate of Hartford divinity tion was held on the following Wednesday evening in the chapel and was pre-O. S. Barnum, recently secretary of the sided over by Rev. J. A. Hodge of Hart-Young Men's Christian Association at ford. The pastor then stated to the con- a handsome alligator skin covering and Port Huron, N. Y., has been favored with gregation his intentions and urged them bearing the imprint, "Rev. F. S. Barnum, nia as companion to a young man from his health demanded that he retire from Thus closed an event long to be remem his departure last Tuesday, received a of sympathy and expressions of kindly card from him stating that they would feelings, the meeting adopted resolutions to be presented to the presbytery asking First Presbyterian church. Nearly every Court Enfield, Order of Foresters, at that the pastoral relations be dissolved. their last regular meeting elected the fol- A committee was also appointed to repre- the other societies of the village having lowing officers: John M. Kelly, C. R.; sent the congregation at presbytery and closed their churches that all might have

Previous to the close of this meeting Hammond of the United Presbyterian Mathes, Treas.; Adolph Holstien, Sr. B.; Hon. J. L. Houston, president of the church and Rev. Mr. Stenhouse of the Chas. Lockwood, Jr. B.; G. C. Meyers, ecclesiastical society, suggested the ex-Sr. W.; Chas. Kirkwood, Jr. W.; Dr. pediency of presenting to the retiring platform and took part in the opening ex-Geo. T. Finch, Court Dr. They will be pastor some substantial expression as a ercises. token of their appreciation of his labors No one will be obliged to go out of of love. This suggestion was coincided the 22d verse of the 3d chapter of 1st with and by a vote taken at a meeting Corinthians.

of the society held October 7 the cash Last Friday evening Rev. Mr. Barnum | congregation. At its close Rev. Mr. Barnum said: "I have now preached my value of the token determined. our various marketmen each to out do the other, and the display at S. H. Holcomb's or Creelman's market will be well worth the trouble of going a mile to see. Each has an advertisement in our columns and we trust each will receive a full share of your patronage.

In spite of the unpleasant weather of Last Frioay evening Rev. Mr. Barnum and we received a reception in the chapel by the adult portion of the congregation. The first half hour was spent in hand-shaking and general sociability, after which the assembly was called to order by Elder David Brainard and the meeting formally opened by prayer and song.

Hon. J. L. Houston was then called upon connected with the congregation had died: In spite of the unpleasant weather of last Thursday evening a cheerful party gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Chillson to witness the marriage of the church is about 265.

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The membership of the Sunday-school is The membership of the Sunday-school is the church is about 265. H. Chillson to witness the marriage of their oldest daughter. Della I., to John H. Frew. The ceremony was performed near to a close. He said: "You came first year to \$721 the past year. In closh. Frew. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. N. Hammond, after which the happy young couple received the congraturations of all present. The bride and platforms of all present platforms of all present platforms of all present. The bride and platforms of all present platforms of all platforms the golden epoch of your life. You have been unsparing of yourself. In the times wonder then that as I have come before of our sorrow you hastened to console and comfort, us In scenes of our toys you at the communion table I have appeared sad at heart; for there has hardly comfort us. In scenes of our joys you a quarter passed but what some family have been as ready to mingle and participate and your presence has done us good. At a meeting held in Firemen's hall by pate and your presence has done us good. ells Weavers' Association the Now you are about to separate from us. officers were elected: Pres., These seasons of intercourse must soon Wm. Clee; Vice-pres., Samuel Downton; end; and it is now my pleasant duty, in in his ardnous duty as passing

of the American Sunday-school Union, to give an address at their Christmas con- life. I come in behalf of the ladies of this Large bottles 50c and \$1.00.

M. Pease and get a free sample bottle that you may test for yourself its power. Gloves, Corsets, Notions, cert next Sunday evening: subject; "How | congregation. We have appreciated your to Keep Christmas all the Year Around." work for the Lord among us. Your quiet, The church choir will be enlarged for the unostentatious acts have not gone unoccasion and will render a Te Deum in noticed. We have felt your kindly influ B flat by Ilsley; also an anthem "Sing, ence among us, and now as you, with our O Heavens," by Tours. A chorus of pastor, are about to leave us, I, in behalf young ladies will sing a new Christmas of the sisters, present to you this purse carol, "Brightest and Best," by D. King. and its contents; it is a free will offering. Purchase Honest Tooth Powder of Noel The primary department will present in- Accompanying it is this album, which teresting Christmas exercises and songs. | contains the names of the sisters who have

money, each making a choice of the object | the love and esteem in which you are held for which their money shall be used. A by the sisters of this congregation." has not yet taken Kemp's Balsam for the programme with hymns, etc., printed in Superintendent H. K. Brainard was then full will be furnished to the congregation. called for. He said: "Mr. and Mrs. Service will commence at 6 o'clock in- Barnum, it is my double pleasure to-night stead of 7, the usual hour. All are in- to present to you each a token from your ly given to you free by Druggist Noel M. vited. The Christian Endeavor society Sunday-school classes. This traveling Pease, and the large size costs only 50c will hold their monthly consecration ser- case, Mr. Barnum, is from your class, so vice in the chapel at the close of the con- long under your servant's charge but FROM THE GULF COAST.—The leading cert. Subject: "God's best gift; is He which I left in your care when you called me to become superintendent. The class Christmas falling as it does this year on have learned to love and honor you and day and the manufacturing industries of esteem. And you, Mrs. Barnum, will the town will close their works, in order please accept this elegant jewel case from BARNES—In South Windsor, Dec. 18, at that their employes may enjoy Christmas your class. You will see that it also has without being obliged to celebrate it on apartments for stationery: there are en-

Sunday. The churches, other than the velopes and paper. These, I apprehend, bright. As I now bestow this handsome gift upon you I also voice the kindly wishes of your class." Rev. Mr. Barnum then came forward

laboring under deep emotions, and addressed the gathering. He thanked Mr. Houston in behalf of the people for their manifestation of respect and good wishes. "Though absent from you I still expect to be your pastor. During my visits among Novello you I have heard you refer to my prede- Monday Ev'g, Dec. 26, cessors, the venerable Dr. Harvey, Dr. Adams and Rev. H. F. Lee with touching words, and it is one of my great comforts to know that I shall also be remembered with love by this people." Turning to Elder Sloane and Mr. Brainard he said, "I thank you as representatives of the Danks ladies of the congregation and the Sunday-From a private communication to THE school classes over which Mrs. Barnum PRESS from Theodore Pease, president of and myself have presided. In behalf of The Favorite and World-Renowned Trathe First Presbyterian church Wednesday The T. Pease & Sons' Company, who, Mrs. Barnum I thank you for these genafternoon, Dec. 28, commencing at three with his daughter Leora, is spending the erous and most valuable remembrances. winter in southern California, written I thank the ecclesiastical society of the Samuel Brown Post will install officers under date of Dec. 8, we learn that church, and to you all I say, may the Louise Pomeroy the second Monday in July. It will problamong the delicacies of the season are blessing of God be your pertion as long bloom, and that the weather compares many moistened eyes indicated as plainly A Bible class for men will be organized favorably with June or September in this as the gifts bestowed had done the tender

After the singing of two verses of the climate is what is inducing people to rush to find an informal gathering and to mininto that section, there is a large territory gle with you for a few minutes in your in southern California that is yet unset- social reception to your retiring pastor and

says he is doing a fine business. His es- that there is a sadness at this parting. the best Springfield or Hartford affords of I have lived among you I have learned to church denominations of this village. I certainly am one with you in your sorrow at this parting." His very able remarks

were continued to some length. This

closed the formal part of the exercises. The succeeding half hour was occupied present invited to inspect them. The purse was no less elegant. It was constructed of a delicate tint of satin, handsomely fringed at one end and bearing ing wanting to make the toilet outfit complete, even from the looking glass down to a pair of tweezers, and all enclosed in

Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Barnum preached his final sermon as pastor of the seat in the entire auditorium was filled, an opportunity to attend. Rev. Mr. Methodist church occupied seats on the

Rev. Mr. Barnum's text was taken from able exposition of the verse and was lis-tened to with deep interest by the large

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#### DIED.

ABBE—In Enfield, Dec. 17, Caroline Markham, wife of William Abbe, aged QUINN-In Enfield, Dec. 13, infant child

of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Quinn. the residence of her grandparents, Minnie A., daughter of Lieut N. H. Barnes, U. S. N., aged 3 years and 10

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Mrs. William Abbe died of catarrhal pneumonia, on Saturday morning, after an illness of only one week. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 two months, the work of frescoing the

A blue plush pocket-book was found on Thompsonville.

The Christmas festival for the Sundayschool will be held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 28, at 7 o'clock. Music, recitations, distribution of gifts and brief remarks will fill up the time. A simple asked to contribute sandwiches and cake. The supper will be free.

#### KING STREET.

Henry Derwig has sold his tobacco. Frank Pease has recently fell heir to \$1,000. It's a boy.

It is reported that one of our citizens

Tobacco is now nearly all ready for the

been removed to a more lucrative position tion and will have, after next Friday eveat Waterbury. His brother, C. R. Warner, will take his place at Rockville.

A number of our people, arrayed in their best apparel, attended the stockholders' meeting of the Consolidated road at New Haven, Wednesday. Quite a number attended the stockholders' meeting of the Boston & Albany road at Boston last week.

WALLOP. Albert J. Terry and S. H. Wells have be a nice crop.

sold their tobacco.

There will be a Christmas tree and enevening.

#### HAZARDVILLE.

The schools have two weeks' vacation for the holidays.

F. W. Parsons finished last week the roadmaking for the season. Miss Ida E. Chapin is visiting friends

in Boston, Mass., and Portland, Me. A. D. Bridge is enlarging the building formerly used by E. J. Bridge as a sort-

Pierce, the painter, is doing a job of painting for G. E. Markham of East Longmeadow.

The Chautauqua circle meets with Rev. W. A. Luce next Tuesday evening, and pper is to be provided

Miss Bertha Crowningshield, who has been very sick with typhoid fever, is so far recovered as to be able to sit up a part Schools closed Friday the 16th for the

Mrs. F. A. Sunderland of Somersvill has been visiting friends in this place. Mr. and Mrs. Justin Bardwell of Enfield

Mrs. Lucy Pearl, an aged resident of tertained that she will not recover from

the church, as they have been for the past church not being yet completed.

the street yesterday. The owner can gravel from a bank by the roadside he and everyone who goes speaks highly of have it by addressing R. K. F., box 276, came upon 42 young snakes, of different Prof. Hamilton's manner of teaching. He

supper will be served at 51/2 o'clock. For was tastefully dressed in white cashmere this all friends of the Sunday-school are this all friends of the Sunday-school are dress suit, and seemed remarkably happy. The best wishes of a large circle of friends attend this young couple whose united ages do not exceed thirty-seven years.

second degrees at the last meeting of the grange, Friday evening, Dec. 16. The fourth degrees, at which time a feast will will soon leave for California to be absent be enjoyed by the patrons of this and neighboring granges. The grange room presents a much improved appearance in its new dress of paper and paint. A new buyers and the first one in the field will platform has also been built across one hung at the windows, and the light from Alfred Warner, formerly of this place, seven double-burner lamps has been addbut lately station agent at Rockville, has ed. The grange is in a prosperous condi-

The first sleighing of the season was on

Christmas services will be held in the different churches next Sunday.

hall Tuesday evening to a small audience. D. W. Griffin's tobacco, raised on H. S. Chapman's farm, is not sold and is said to

The Gleaners' Mission circle will meet holiday vacation. A musicale was given under a newly-painted fence at the cemewith Mrs. Milo P. Henry, Saturday, Dec. in the afternoon by the pupils, under the tery. direction of Prof. J. W. Barrington.

tone, and Miss Mary Beeman, violinist. The concert was very fine and a good audience was present. It is understood that another concert will be given later in the season.

### ZION'S HILL.

Sleighing is poor.

dressmaking

The little house, known as the William chimney only remains as a reminder of its ce being a place of habitation

n in the employ of Gordon Bros., has ory—was

#### MELROSE. Miss Mamie Avery of Heightstown, N.

J., is visiting her uncle, Francis Allen. carloads to Boston.

the winter. Mrs. J. M. Pease has a very thrifty calla

·lily on which are three blossoms and two buds. Four blossoms have been cut from it since November. About one-half of the tobacco raised in

this vicinity is sold. John Pease and S. J. Allen have sold their Havana for 13½ Jewett City, Ct., a brother of the groom. cents in the bundle; Francis Gowdy, The impressive service—Episcopal form— Havana, terms private; Eli G. Stiles, Luman Allen and Mrs. W. Allen, Conn. seed, assorted, 11 cents.

### SCITICO.

James McElroy is sick with diphtheria. Thomas Taylor has laid away his famous horse known as "Old Tom." Stowe Brothers' paper mill will

closed for repairs next week. George Taylor killed a porker last Saturday that tipped the scales at 534

L. S. Johnson has graded and improved the driveway to his store, also the sidewalk, much to the benefit of passers-by. Michael Leary, an employe of the Hazard Powder Co., has not been able to work for a few days, having fractured three of his ribs by falling.

Work at the mill, which has been rushing lately, will be suspended on Monday, December 26, to celebrate

Claus cantata will be given by the children of the Congregational church; there will be a Christmas tree for the little ones of the Episcopal church, and where they commence life's journey in housekeeping in the house of Dea. J. G. vesper services will be held on Christmas evening at the Catholic church.

#### WAREHOUSE POINT. The American house has again changed

W. A. Schwab paid a visit to Boston for a few days last week.

Joseph Bassenger is reported as on the sick list with many others.

Mr. Cutler is having his residence painted at the hands of Mr. Doane. The wedding bells will soon be ringing

for several parties who are seriously thinking of matrimony. A Christmas concert will be given in

fine programme has been arranged. A number of our citizens will dispose Lyceum next Monday night. It is hoped of their claims against the late proprietor of the American house at a sacrifice.

The Rev. Mr. Sanford of the Episcopal urch closes his labors next Sunday and |co to Clinton Nelson. will soon leave for southern California to The Presiding Elder will preach at the ssume the rectorship of a church there. M. E. church next Sunday. In the eve-

recently spent the night with friends in

While Mr. Billings was lately taking kinds, that were burrowed up for the

The marriage of Newton Driggs and The marriage of Newton Driggs and so many soprano singers but more bass Carrie Harvey at the home of the bride in and alto than at East Granby. The two Vernon Centre was witnessed by a large places united would make a fine school company of relatives and friends the 14th inst. The bride, who is a pretty blonde,

A class of sixteen received the first and 23d they will be initiated in the third and end of the room, new shades have been spring. ning, a membership of 82.

Sunday but it is rather poor now.

Mrs. Nellie T. Brigham lectured at Town

The C. L. I. closed Tuesday for the

Tuesday evening a concert was given | Thompsonville, billed to play"The Streets tertainment at the school-house, Friday in the Second Baptist church by the of New York" on Saturday under the Choral Union, assisted by the Cecilia leadership of Harold W. Grey of New chorus of Windsor Locks, Mrs. Charles York, on their arrival found that he was O'Donnell, soprano, N. H. Spencer, baridrunk. After a long search he was found

Etta King has gone to Westfield to learn

Three foxes were run down and killed Wednesday on the west side of the hill by some parties here.

Granger place, has been removed, the

HASTINGS-SHELDON.

moved with his family to Hartford, where matrimonial event of interest to a large he will resume his labors at the tinners' number in this part of the town. About ninety relatives and friends assembled in this pleasant home, and sharp 71/2 o'clock in the evening the signal of the approaching ceremony of marriage was given by the entrance to the parlor of Mr. E. Gerry J. A. Thompson has 2000 barrels of Hastings, youngest son of Dea. J. G. Hascider on hand. He recently shipped two tings, bearing on his arm Miss Lucia M. eldest daughter of Mr. L. C. Sheldon.

J. Burdett Pease has sold his team and They walked slowly across the parlor, cream route to George Lark and has started for the "Sunny South" to spend East Windsor, Allie Bates of East Grancharming scene amid the splendid assemlage of guests. The contracting parties halted on the opposite side of the room and there listened to the prayer and solemn marriage service as appropriately given by Rev. S. Goodwin Hastings, of

was most solemnly read and with deep feeling, adding sacredness to the hallowed custom. Then followed the pleasant congratulations, with the wish that the love gratulations, with the wish that the love that blessed them to-day would only grow the more stronger and deeper during the coming years. The bride was richly dressed in cream-white cashmere, brocade satin and lace trimmings, wreath of white roses and smilax decking gracefully the right shoulder. The wedded parties were well and favorably know in this vicinity. Among the many bidden to the marriage feast were from Hartford, Springfield, East Windsor, dranby, and other places, and nearly one half the number present bore the name of Hastings. The gifts were numerous, beautiful and valuable, the tables fairly groaning beneath their weight. Special nention may be made of a purse of \$25 from the father and mother of the bride-groom; an elaborately-bound pictorial family Bible from the father and mother of the bride; a purse of \$25 from the 1st Baptist church and society, in appreciation of Miss Sheldon's services as church organist for many years: a beau-tiful wedding souvenir, in which all the invited guests present wrote their autofrom the groom, and a hundred

Christmas.

Preparations for Christmas are being made in the different churches. A Santa comfort and enjoyment of the guests had been provided for with exquisite taste and tack, and the banquet was an honor to the occasion. The bridal couple Hastings, the groom's father. Many of the guests lingered till late into the even-

ing, some enjoying games, others in mis-cellaneous conversation, and all had a grand time and felt that it was good to WEST SUFFIELD.

The W. C. T. U. meet with Mrs. Nellie Thrall to-day (Thursday). The Mission Circle will be held thi week Friday at George Root's.

The young people who have been away at school begin to arrive at their homes. Rev James Strong preached in the Congregational church again this week. Morgan Haily's house caught fire Sunhe Methodist church Sunday evening. A day and Monday by a defective chimney. An attempt is to be made to hold another

> with better success. Henry Rose, for 21c, Ros Griffin and Chas. Root for 18c, have sold their tobac

## The society hold their Christmas tree Saturday, the 24th, in Academy hall.

A surprise party was given last Friday night to Miss M. Owens, the popular teacher. The party was spicy and the talking energetic, and could the Lyceum and temperance societies get such enthusiasm they would surely succeed.

The United Templars are to hold public meeting Wednesday, Dec. 28. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance as those who stay at home waiting for others could easily influence others that a speaker will be present from Feeding Hills. As this is the only temperance

that the people will sustain it. The singing school progresses finely East Granby, Crooked Lane, Southwick and this place. The master reports not Report says the teacher is very polite and accomplished. The school will be held Tuesday and Thursday next week.

GRANBY. Alfred H. Griffin has purchased a hors of A. C. Greene.

Miss Clara Griffin is visiting her sister at Westfield, Mass. Chas. W. Ruick is home from Williams

College sick with a fever.

Miss Gertie Griffin is on the sick list. Dr. Stratton is attending her. Singing schools are in progress at West Granby, led by Prof. E. A. Hamilton. Arthur M. Griffin is making prepara

tions to build a commodious barn in the The young people are preparing a literary entertainment to be given in the near

future at Library hall. M. A. Griffin has his tobacco-warehous weed the first of the week.

The personal property belonging to the estate of the late Moses Tibbetts was sold at auction, Thursday.

POQUONOCK. About \$200 was netted by the Benevolent society at their fair.

Christmas exercises will be held at the church Saturday evening. It is now believed that the cows lost by Eli Hough were poisoned by grazing

The amateur dramatic company from asleep under a tree in the churchyard, about 10 o'clock at night.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Visit Noah's Ark when in Springfield. Allen Pease of Windsor Locks is offer ing a large line of holiday goods. Go

For real worth in washing and cleaning there is nothing equal to Spot King. Costs 10 cents. Visit Noah's Ark when in Springfield.

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THOMPSONVILLE, B. F. LORD

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Thursday, Dec. 29th. This is the original company that devoted over \$150,000 of its earnings to the building of Fisk University, that made

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Rey. Chas. H. Spurgeon.
"That music touches—it takes hold."— Crown Prince of Germany.

'Their songs open the fountain of tears.' Rev. Theo. L. Cuyler, D. D. Admission, 25 and 50c.

### NOTICE!

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Relief of the town of Enfield will be in session at the Town Clerk's office,

days.
All persons claiming to be aggrieved by the doings of the assessors of said town, and those claiming offsets, must make appeals and claims to said board at one of their meetings, as the time for appeals is limited by law to twenty days

rom the first Monday in January.
WILLIAM B. COVIL,
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We would invite every Lady and "Gen-tlemen also," to visit Noah's Ark soon as possible, as many fine pieces go first, and we have no duplicates. If there is a lady or gentleman in Springfield or vicinity who has not visited Noah's Ark, they can-not afford to let it pass.

We are quite sure they will be delighted

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Turkeys, legs off, Venison, Chickens, Prairie Chickens,

Ducks, Partridge,

Geese, Rabbits. Sucking Pigs, Jack Rabbits,

Christmas Beef, Mallard Ducks.

Quail CELERY. CELERY, CELERY.

Christmas Mutton

Everybody invited to the great Poultry Exhibition at the Union Market, on

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We have spared neither time nor expense in selecting our Christmas Goods, and shall make the finest display of Meats, Poultry and Game, ever seen in New England. Do not engage your Christmas Dinner until you have seen

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Which will be given to the person guessing its weight.

Do not fail to see our exhibition as we have got the first selection from a lot of 2800 Fancy Turkeys, and all orders left with us will be chosen from this.

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The Best Beef, Mutton and Lamb, Salt and Smoked Meats, and the Largest Stock of Canned Goods to be found in a first-class-Market.

give us a call and see the Great Attractions, Great Decorations, Great Illuminations.

Before making your purchases for Christmas, don't forget to

The Greatest Event of the Suson of 1887.

-DON'T FORGET THE DATES-FRIDAY EVENING AND SATUR-

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THIS WEEK,

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 23 & 24,

## S. H. HOLCOMI

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A great variety of Useful and Ornamental

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At your own price—For Cash.

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Ladies' Fancy White Aprons.

Gent's Neck Wear.

Gent's Fur and Sealskin Caps. A large Stock of Gloves and Mittens.

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The Waterbury Watch & Chain, \$2.

Splendid Value in Family Bibles.

Ladies' Fancy Skirts, Table Linen in Sets, Cloth bound 12 mo., Books by noted and popular Authors, 25c. Dolls, Games, Books, etc., to amuse and instruct the children.

BOTTOM PRICES. Plush and Fur Carriage and Sleigh Robes. Our sale has been large on these goods and we have just received another lot of them. A fine line of Clocks, with or without ornaments, from \$1 to \$14. An Estey Piano or Organ, or even a Demorest Sewing Machine would make a very acceptable present. The above is not nearly all the new goods we have.

ROCHESTER STAND AND HANGING LAMPS AT

We have lately received OVER \$6,000 WORTH of New Goods in our different departments. We feel as though with our very large stock of goods and low prices we ought to please you. It is our endeavor to keep good goods and to sell them at as low prices as we can afford. If our goods and prices suit you we would very much like your trade.

Hazardville,

Conn.

On Christmas Eve the right stocking

As the Christmas tree is bent so are the presents inclined.

Churches and turkeys are now undergoing interior decoration.

Merry Christmas we wish to thee. There will be fifty-three Saturdays this

Cold or warm, whatever it be, a right

year. What a lot of half holidays!

Christmas comes on Sunday. The better the day, the better the present. There are lots of men in the world born

to rule, but their wives get there all the Christmas greens-The people who pay

double price at stores which never ad-In England, the other day, a baby was

sent by mail. He was nearly covered Miss Parloa will give a series of cook-

ing lessons and lectures in Hartford during January and February. Nearly \$500,000 in deposits is lying unclaimed in the savings banks of Boston.

Money is literally of no use to some folks. John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, the greatest merchant in the country, never advertises except in the newspapers, and

those he patronizes the year round, liber-

Dubuque, Iowa, has a man who asserts that he is the devil, and there are some who are inclined to believe him; but, as

he has no horns and no tail, the Dubuque police have locked him up as an imposter. Struggling Husband-You were always fond of books, Minnie. What can I give you for a Christmas present? Innocent

Dear-Give me a check-book, darling. Whenever I sign your name I shall think A West Rutland man named Monday has discovered a silver deposit on his

farm. He sent a small lot to New York to be assayed, and a favorable report was rendered, with a request to forward a

Christmas is a joyous season. If you don't believe it, ask the man with a boil on the back of his neck, his house rent two months over-due, the butcher and the grocer waiting for him around the corner, and seventeen children to buy presents

Notwithstanding the boasted salubrity of the climate of California, the death ere especially prevalent and fatal. diph theria and typhoid fever being the leading forms. Bad drainage is charged with

"Yes, I'm saving up for Christmas, I am," said a Thompsonville little girl. "I've got fourteen cents now and I'm going to buy papa something, mamma something, auntie something and everybody I know something." "I am afraid, my dear, your purse will hardly hold out." That's just what papa said about your purse yesterday." We are all in the same boat about these days.

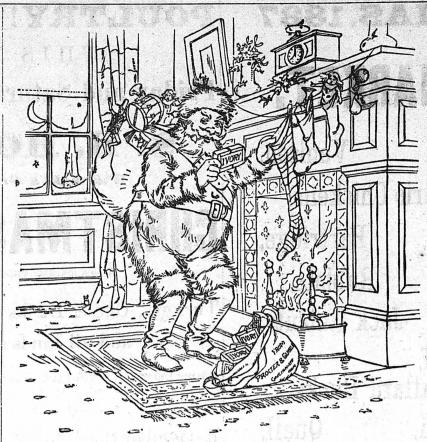
Fifteen letters containing about 78 checks and drafts were stolen from the post-office box of the Tradesmen's bank at New Haven, the other day. The police traced the theft to two small Russian boys about six years old, who finding the box open, took the letters, opened them and distributed the checks among their juvenile friends. A few of the checks have been recovered. The boys were too young to be arrested.

Mrs. Charlotte Augusta Astor, wife of John Jacob Astor, died last week at her residence, No. 338 Fifth avenue, New York. She was 61 years of age. Mrs. Astor became sick during her stay at Newport last summer. Though her malady was not then considered dangerous, it was found necessary to remove her by easy stages to her home last October. Since then, with slight changes, she has been getting gradually worse.

We can always find something to be happy about at this time if we try to make others so. Alice Cary said "How blessed 'tis to give. And they who think of others most are the happiest folks that live." Christmas is the children's happiest time of the year, and their faith in "Santa Claus" is unbounded. If you know of any whom he does not visit, remember that "the poor man's child learns early just what it means to be poor," and act the part of "Santa Claus" yourself.

Mr. and Mrs. Blimmer, loaded with good things for the stockings of the two little Blimmers, paused on the threshold of the bed-chamber to reconnoitre the ground. It was quite still and their bosoms swelled with the emotions peculiar to Santa Claus on such happy occasions. "The darlings are asleep," said Blimmer, "and we can go in." But they had not advanced three steps before there was a creaking of the bed, a rustling of clothes and the half-smothered accents of a small boy's voice saying-" Wake up, Jimmy; it's almost time for dad to be coming down the chimney."

The jury in the case of John H. Swift, who shot his wife Katie at Hartford, July 7, brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree Monday night. When the verdict was announced, Swift's mother, who had been present through the trial, New Things for the HOLIDAY TRADE. Whether they buy or not, all sprang to her feet and pointing to the state's attorney screamed: "You are a murderer." Swift lighted a cigarette and said, "That's better than imprisonment for life. It is over in a minute." Swift, who is only 22 years of age, had been separated from his wife several months because she would no longer stand his abuse. On the evening of the murder he lay in wait for her in a saloon, and when she passed by on her way home from work, he went up and asked her to go back to live with him. She refused and he shot her through the back.

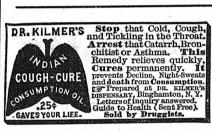


THOUGHTFUL SANTA CLAUS.

"I've traveled through the sleet and snow, Across the country high and low, To fill the stockings small and great That here in line my coming wait. In creeping baby's tiny hose The india rubber rattle goes; A handsome doll, with staring eyes, Will much the little miss surprise; And what will more delight the boys And now, before I climb the flue, I'll bear in mind the mother true, Who works so hard by day and night To keep the clothing clean and white, And in her stocking, long and wide, Some cakes of Ivory Soap I'll hide.'

A WORD OF WARNING.

There are many white soaps, each represented to be "just as good as the 'Ivory':" they ARE NOT, but like all counterfeits, lack the peculiar and remarkable qualities of the genuine. Ask for "Ivory" Soap and insist upon getting it. Copyright, 1886, by Procter & Gamble

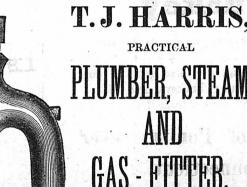


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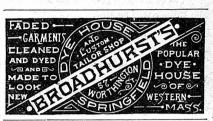
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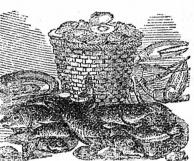
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