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Lo! at our doors He waits to take

The gift none is too poor to make-A heart which will His love receive, And humbly say, "Lord, I believe!" For this—the bells of Christmas ring! Good tidings of great joy" they bring

For "whose will" at length may see

Him who once walked in Gallilee!

Belegted Story.

The Blessed Christmas Time.

IN TWO CHAPTERS.

"'Twas the night before Christmas." "Christmas Day to-morrow! Christmas giving. day to-morrow, and I am going to grandpapa's," sang happy Joey. "Tristmas Day amorrow! Tristmas Day "Sure, they of many blessings sho

amorrow an' me doin' adrandpa's," mimicked little three-year-old Tommy, dancing along behind Joey, as he ran to open the door for his cousin Charlie.

"Oh! boy's clothes. Did Santa Claus bring them to you?" "No sir. 'Taint time yet for him; tomorrow's his day. I got these just a pur-

You're too little to drive." Poor Joey's spirits fell away below Christmas heat; no knee-breeches or the front sout withjacket or polo cap, too little to drive, and had his turn at driving. The bells we only five years old! but he screwed up the nicest bells ever heard, and the sn

e was only a little fellow-began to hind him.

clothes, but instead you are tormenting snapped and sent up showers of sparks as For the gift without the giver is bare, these little fellows and then crying like a good as any fireworks. baby! I'm ashamed of you. And you,

will think of you?" Klaws come to-night cause I've cried?"

he sees such sad faces. Don't you want had not received. to hear about his sleigh and his reindeers? Do you know their names? Let's have treated calls to my mind a Christmas them," and in a moment the crying was story." turned to laughing as they shouted together after mamma:

"Now Dasher, now Dancer, now Comet, and Vixen: On Cupid, on Prancer, on Dunder and

communications. Whatever is intended To the peak of the roof, to the top of the

sleigh and all the chairs were used for the no father, no mother, no home, out in the entirely. But as he was leaving he called reindeer, with Joey and Tommy for lead- dark and bitter cold, without money to "Moses" aside and handed him fifty dolers. Charlie, as Santa Claus, drove in buy any supper, for everybody was too lars, saying, "you may want it for toll grand style and the bells on the reins busy to buy her matches, the children or other expenses." Probably "Moses" jingled, and the "dash away" nearly drove could almost see her in her old tattered knew what that meant when translated

him news of the good children."

"No, he does not care to hear of the hab any drandpa!" friend and neighbor of his is the Winter King, who hangs the evergreens around perhaps there will be something left for ing behind the roar of the falls, and the

"Not the naughty ones, mamma?"

instead of candies and heaps the snow Claus did not find out where they lived." our boat goes through 'Longmeadow duce at that day, and they proceeded to Jack Frost steals out on cold nights and Carrie, giving him a kiss on top of his We pass Springfield on a close haul, and by a Mr. Brown, where they made thei touches them with his wand until every white hair, and all the children looked at soon reach the foot of Williamsett. Here headquarters, adjoining the state line point is hung with a glittering crystal. In him with loving eyes. the morning the sun shines on them and "Then you like my p they are the most beautiful sight ever was think Christmas Day should mean some- one hundred feet long, and draws us were soon joined by many citizens of

to-morrow the tree at grandpa's presents on, and its going to have angel on top with wings and, andwords failed to utter the fullne Charlie's feelings and he took him

day would not let her own boys si a moment; they followed her into the kitchen while she told Mary where this girl?" the basket for the children's hospital to be sent, and not to forget the bun woman when her son came in the m ng; then back to the sitting-room, v bundles were neatly tied and care labeled and Joey pretended to read one, "Merry Christmas with much from Joey to papa?" He had to k where everything was bought, and w and where and how; chatterbox To had to try his little tongue on all words, "Merry Tristmas," "much lov

Tommy," "dear dranma." And so

Eve were passed in learning the jo

delightful hours of the Holy Christing

Christmas morning arrived without accident; the stockings were full, b there's no use describing them; anybog "Hullo, Charlie! Christmas Day to- who knows anything knows what morrow! You going to grandpa's! I am stocking should be like on Christman and so is baby," but Joey stopped just morning. Breakfast next, which doi here and gazed breathlessly at Charlie. count much on that day, and then off the cars for grandpa's. He was at the depot, looking surely like Santa Clau himself in fur cap and mittens, with re nose, rosy cheeks and frosty beard Whi pose to go to grandpa's. I'm seven now, a big sleigh he had, with two strong and I'm going to drive grandpa's horses prancing horses. The papas and mammas to-morrow. Won't the bells jingle! and little girl cousins, bundled themselve up in the buffalo robes, but grandpa to

ourage to say, "My 'velos' is as big as balls from the horses' feet were lot fun. The big people laughed and grand-

whimper. Tommy, who imitated him in Lots more relations at the house who everything, took up the cry, "Me want to came the night before; best of all, grand-afterwards, but everybody was perfectly or wind was more available. The down drive hosses. Tant I, mama?" Charlie ma, ready to hug and kiss everybody. happy and that Christmas will not be forforgot that because he was oldest he The next best thing was the dining-room, gotten for years. ought to be best, and called them cry- where they all soon found themselves; it babies; Joey scratched Charlie's face for wasn't the table alone, with its great turaround him after the others had been was not an easy thing to handle in a wind. this, who, in spite of the dignity of his key roasted such a lovely brown; its tall tucked up in the sleigh and sent home. new suit, bellowed like a little bull. Busy bouquets of celery; its dishes of rosymamma had to leave her Christmas work cheeked apples, the glasses filled with and close to his heart he looked on them place Harry Robinson held this responsiand come to set matters right. Tommy sparkling cider and the dainty Christmas all with shining eyes. "I've a little more was taken into her lap and cuddled close, rose at everybody's plate, that made it so Christmas poetry for you, my dears. Ely was his successor. Joev was held off at arm's length by way lovely. It was just the room to make Only a few lines; they've been with me of punishment and Charlie had to drop people feel happy—long and wide and not all the evening while I watched you. A ahoy!" was heard at Widow Wright's tavhis big brown eyes under her reproachful too high, with dark, oaken rafters and poor man had shared his crust with a ern, at short intervals, as they arose deep windows and a glorious fireplace beggar for 'Christ's sweet sake,' and from the river, through each boating sea-"Why! I thought you would act like a where the big, black log burned steadily Christ tells him: man when you began to wear boy's and the lighter fuel around it flamed and

When dinner was over nobody felt able Joey, what do you suppose Santa Claus to do anything but rest, so grandpa drew up his chair to the fire, and the little folks "O mamma, mamma! won't Sandy crowded around him to be petted and amused. That was the time to bring and the distressed boy buried his face in their Christmas gifts to show him and tell THE PARSONS PRINTING COMPANY. his mamma's shoulder and wept; Tommy about the ones so big they had to be left joined for company's sake, and even at home. As grandpa looked about him Charlie was not quite big enough to pre- he thought Santa Claus had emptied his pack just there; he was sorry to hear "Come, come; this won't do," said some of the older children mentioning namma; "Santa will run away surely if several things they wished for that they

"Seeing how generously you have been

"Tell us the story, grandpa.

please." The little ones climbed into his lap, the girls sat on the arms or leaned on the reading; but all of them were trying to back of his chair and the bigger boys "woo the southern breeze," which gave piled themselves on the floor in front of signs of immediate action. At this point Now dash away, dash away dash away children while he told them, in such siming the mare-tails in the southern sky, and

dress, shivering as she clung to the rail- into Conn. river English. The captain to be the first to make Thompsonville "Come and I will tell you where Santa ing while she looked into the beauti- then returned to Bartlett's hotel, took a Claus lives. Here, sit down on the floor ful, brightly lighted rooms, where happy glass of "pep'mint," called for his horse in front of me. No, I can't take you on children enjoyed their Christmas Eve in and carriage, and drove twelve miles to my lap, for I must have every stitch in all sorts of lovely ways. Before he had Windsor Locks, where he found his boat this dressing-gown before papa comes finished telling how she wandered off in and mentrying to persuade Mr. Wood, the fun. home. You know reindeers like cold the darkness and finally sat down on the toll-gatherer, to let them through the countries, so Santa Claus lives far away cold pavement with a hard, brick wall for locks. The men were not dismissed for in the North countree where the snow is a pillow, and her poor, bare feet drawn disobeying orders against breaking the Editor Press: piled as high as the house and the sun up under her, some of the gentle eyes Sabbath, for they had a "glorious south hardly ever is seen, but the stars shine filled with tears. When he had told them wind." very bright and the skies glow with a how her lighted match had shown her the

but of many blessings." "We could teach them some games."

still Becca.

"Why, of course; everybody likes to be at a Christmas tree.' "Not if they don't have nuffin on it."

"It's too late to buy anything now asked grandpa.

"I haven't hardly seen my presents ashamed, as if he felt what might be

would not be right to give them away," said Carrie with dignity. All found good reasons for not sharing

straight into grandpa's eyes while they

nd patted his shining curls.

en and loving." He spoke solemnly; other children took his words to

I'm getting presents all the time.

"Hurry and choose and we'll make a love-And so they did. When the sleigh good week's work, but it has been done drove up to the house the village boys "That aint' nothing," said Charlie. pa laughed loudest of all. Charlie and we're on the best of terms with grandpa's boys who had gone with him to get "Mamma, can't I drive? I want to drive Santa Claus' home; they did want to get acquainted. Those who stayed at home randpa's horses," and Joey, poor boy— out to see if he had left a toy or two be- met them with a welcome that set them quite at ease. It is useless to try to describe the feast and the games and tree done in the latter years of boating, as steam

Grandpa gathered his own happy flock

"Not what we give, but what we share; Who gives himself with his alms, feeds

Himself, his hungry neighbor and me."

THE CONNECTICUT. Navigation of the River—Steamboating

Flat-Boating, and Rafting—Inter-esting Reminiscences. PART VI.-WHAT AN OLD BOATMAN HAS

TO SAY, CONTINUED.

One Sabbath morning, in the spring of 837 or 1838, the boat of one of the oldest rivermen, whose destination was Old Hadley, lay at the foot of Ferry street, ter time afoot and on land than any pilot some washing their clothing, and others man was badly beaten.

"Go with me from Hartford up the town, with his company of infantry, perlovely light. His home is inside a grove Christ child whose suffering, cold and river," says T. M. Dewey," "on one of formed escort duty to Lafayette in Hartof pine trees, high up on a mountain sorrow had been greater than her own, our best cabin boats, in a good south ford, in his last visit to the United States," peak, where all the winds can bring to they were very sorrowful. It was a relief wind, or by steam. First get under Hartto them to hear little Tommy say in piti- ford bridge; then up mast, hoist sail, and for him, as a civilian, on the occasion of ful tones, "Poor 'ittle gell! Didn't she we leave Pumpkin harbor gushingly. On his passing from Boston to Hartford. At Windsor flats and Scantic, we stir up the that time the most feasible stage route "Well, dears, I told you this story, not sand, but the wind increases and away we from Boston to Hartford was through AT ENFIELD St., the Press will be for sale by F. J. Sheldon, at the Post office. Stafford. On that occasion the citizens of them, he only goes to the ones who the winds have told him tried to be good. reason. I know boys and girls, down in off that brace; round with 'em; down sail. Hartford had appointed a committee con-And they bring him messages from all the village, about three miles away, who Jo, run along and get a horse ready sisting of Henry L. Elisworth, afterwards Noel the different countries where the newest are almost as poor as Gretchen. Grand- while we operate through the locks.' And Commissioner of Patents at Washington, toys and presents are waiting for him to ma and I thought it would be nice to bring so we pass through Enfield canal, six Daniel Wadsworth, a particular friend of gather them up in his pack. A great some of them here this afternoon and miles, by horse power; operate through Lafayette and a third, name not recol-

Santa Claus's home with shining icicles them to take home, for I know Santa still louder roar of 'Old Country' Allen, and horses as good as Hartford could pro-"What a lovely grandpa you are," said reach' kiting with a 'bone in her mouth.' the last house in Connecticut, occupied

an and grandpa repeated softly, "Sure they should be described. On account of the mained and kept a sentry on the road to "I'll tell them your Christman story, water. Of course the current is swift, tice. When he finally arrived I happened "Do you think they would enjoy it, dear

said Joey. Nobody answered; his words

world for its salvation, and ever since has made the foot of Montague canal. Then the cavalry escorted Lafayette to is the little ones who keep our hearts And so on through the canal and Miller's Stafford Springs hotel where he siept that upper locks, and thence plain sailing to night. This hotel was then kept by Eli-jah Johnson, then sheriff of Tolland coun-

the 'foot of swift water,' at Hinsdale. ty. This was in September, 1824, when I take in a few 'swift-water men for

in less time."

At Enfield the signal strains of "Pilotson, either for boats or rafts. This call brought out Jack Burbank, Alv Alien, Old Country Allen, Bill Burbank, and Capt. Burbank, Sr., who would go aboard and draw cuts for the chance. \$1.50 was the price usually paid for piloting any sort of craft over. The boat was put into trim for 'going over,' oars and poles all handy, rigging properly coiled, and every man ready for any emergency. The channel is as difficult to run as that in the St. Lawrence from Montague to Laprairie, but the aforementioned pilots seldom touched a rock. This run of six miles was quickly made, when the pilot would sometimes get a chance to ride, but generally walked or ran back for the next boat. It was laborious work. A man once laid a wager that he could make bet-

loaded and ready for starting. The men could make in a boat or raft over the falls. were variously employed, some smoking, A day was set apart for trial, and the But the old pilots have mostly all gone 'over the river' for the last time, except possibly Adna Allen, who last lived in him until grandpa was hidden in a nest of the old captain came down the river, eye- Springfield, and who for twenty-one years piloted passenger boats running between ple words that even baby Tommy could told his men not to start if the wind did Springfield and Hartford, and Wm. H. This was glorious; the sofa made a fine understand, the story of "Little Gretchen;" blow, as he was opposed to Sabbath work Burbank, who still lives here. There was at one time great rivaly between the passenger boats plying between the two cities when the two steamboat companies were in existence, and great efforts were made by the captains of either rival boat dock and gather in the passengers. This contention lasted for some time, and a crowd generally would gather about the time the boats were due here to see the

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Capt. Ingraham hitches on his big team where the town of Stafford joined the "Then you like my plan? But don't you of six oxen and two horses, with a chain town of Holland in Massachusetts. They seen. Then Old Santa sends to the papas thing better than a good dinner? I am through the swift canal, called 'drawing Stafford in their best turnouts and a com and mammas dreams of those beautiful able to give that, but you can do sometrees, and that is how on every new thing for them that I cannot."

over Willimansett.' We then cross over pany of cavalry in full dress uniform, their to the foot of South Hadley canal (now swords at their sides and pistols in their "We don't know them." "Maybe they no longer a canal), operate through the holsters, commanded by Capt. Orrin Holt, are not nice." "They'll spoil our after locks, after paying toll to uncle Si; then of Willington. There we waited till after that noon." "They are not used to gentle through the canal, two miles, and, if the sundown and threatening to rain, the cav-Ill be manners or play; they are ragged and wind is strong enough, sail 'out at the alry and many citizens retreated to Stafthe beautifullest tree that ever was it's awkward and will feel very strange. You head,' and on up the winding river. The ford Centre. The delegation from Hartto be so big for everybody to purtheir think you would rather not help them," operation of getting out at the head for a and some of the Stafford citizens rerocky shore, the canal was begun a half- watch for the coming of Lafayette and be mile below the commencement of quick- sure to prevent his passing without no-

home, to the sorrow of his cousin and grandpa." Everybody seemed ready to and in high water it sometimes used to to be doing sentry duty, and gave notice do their best." "Couldn't they stay for require from fifteen to twenty men to get of his approach. The Hartford gentle-The joyful anticipations for the co. ing our tree in the evening, grandpa?" asked a boat out. This was mainly done by men and others rushed out and stopped 'tracking.' A number of men go ashore the coaches, and Mr. Ellsworth inquired with a long track-line hitched to the mast, for Gen. Lafayette, and finding him, in and, with yokes or collars over the shoul- vited him to take a seat in the Hartford ders, trudge and clamber along, and 'haul coach, assuring him it was a very easy her over,' with inside polesmen to aid. coach to ride in. Lafayette declined, say These extra men were put on at the ex- ing he was very comfortably situated and pense of the canal corporation. In later did not wish to change his carriage. Mr. years this hand work was avoided. A Ellsworth then said to the General, "Mr machine was invented by Harry Robinson Wadsworth, of Hartford, is here." La-Could anything else be done about it?" for drawing boats 'outatthe head' of this fayette inquired "Is Daniel Wadsworth. ganal, which did the work successfully. of Hartford, here?" Mr. Wadsworth ther The boatmen called it a 'fandango.' Upon advanced and affirmed that he was, whereyet," said Charlie; but he looked a good staunch boat were placed two up- upon Lafayette clambered out of his carright timbers, firmly braced fore and aft, riage as quick as his age and infirmities one on each side of the boat. By means would permit, and such hugging and kissof timbers reaching from this axle to the ing between old men I have never witstern these floats could be lowered into or nessed before or since. As soon thereafraised out of the water. An inch and a ter as the son and other companions of quarter rigging was made fast to the Lafayette were introduced the whole com

> Well, they'll enjoy their dinner and let the floats down into the water, and the them several Revolutionary soldiers. Lahe games. But it would have been nice current will carry them around, winding fayette was stationed in one of the parto have them stay for the tree and get the riging around the drum. So away lors, and the crowd passed through and something on it. Poor things! they may goes the majestic fandango up the stream, pever have another chance in their lives." taking along a boat made fast to its stern, Wheeler by name, had "kept up his spir-"Dranpa, I'll div a poor 'ittle gell my and the faster the water runs the faster its by pouring spirits down," and had be ig hossy. Poor gell! don't know Santa ig hossy. Poor gell! don't know Santa if have been describing this machine our boat has sailed on around Hockanum, and boat has sailed on around Hockanum, and with a little aid from "white ash,' around grand affair." Wheeler then says: "Do big hossy. Poor gell! don't know Santa will go the flotilla against it. But while come pretty nearly full, who when he go The children were horrified, but grand- with a little aid from "white ash, around grand affair." Wheeler then says; caught the generous baby in his arms Old Hadley turn, and now, after you remember Colonel ---funning the gauntlet of School Meadow officer." Here the crowd behind became Darling, long ago a child came into flats, which would puzzle an eel, impatient and Wheeler was hustled off.

> > Here, if the wind is not very strong, we was 25 years old. same over and over to Queeche and White River locks up to Wells River. This is a

A day's work with the poles, however, would be from Hartford to Windsor Locks-with a good south wind, from Hartford to Montague canal. Between enware, hops, and other bulky articles, Pilots were necessary over the falls at ble position for many years, and Joseph

The statement in THE PRESS of December 10th that "Capt. Jabez King of this pleasure to show our yoods

their treasures, but they did not look head of the shute, and, reaching to the pany proceeded to the Centre tavern, then 'fandango' (some two thousand feet) was kept by Jasper Hyde, where we found the attached to the drum. Now cast off and company of cavalry and hundreds of other

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READING NOTICES.

CAUTION!—We would caution the public to beware of dealers offering Kemp's Balorgan, sam at less than the regular price, 50 cents Anthem, and \$1, as oftentimes imitations or inferior articles are sold as the genuine in order to enable them to sell cheaply. Noel M. Pease is our agent for Thompsonville. Sample bottles given to you free.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Merry Christmas to all. Marriage bells are ringing.

The days begin to lengthen. Excellent weather for weddings.

"'Twas the night before Christmas,"etc. Firemen's ball next week Thursday night.

Exposition of Spiritualism at Franklin hall this evening.

resume work again Monday.

Tobacconist Wiesing is putting up a brand of cigars called the "Knights of

The Board of Relief of the town will be in session at the town clerk's office the first three Mondays in January.

quietly settled Monday without a trial.

Willie Young resigned his position as clerk at the Bridge store last week to accept a position as traveling salesman for a wholesale crockery house of New

chased through Denslow King.

It is rare that a photographer succeeds in getting a more perfect view of any ob-

was er that they are meeting with a ready sale.

Endeavor of the First church will hold a tion and this artist shared with Mrs. hour, thanksgiving and praise service; siasm. His encore, "Austria," from second half hour, prayer and confession; Haydn, with variations, (better known to lining all sides of the room, and were very

ing on King street Friday evening, col- rendered as to captivate everybody; and lided with Robert Abbe's team. Mr. Abbe to say that it alone was worth the price was thrown out and somewhat injured. of admission is small praise for so ex-His wife and child, who were in the team quisite a piece of work. The trio-for at the time, were badly frightened. Both piano, violin and 'cello-Adagio, Prestoteams were somewhat damaged.

learn of the death of the wife of Rev. C. harmony characteristic of the great com-W. Adams, D. D., for many years pastor poser Haydn. Compared with the last friends here, both among the old and of the First Presbyterian church of this concert the management had made a great young. Her noble qualities of disinteresvillage. Mrs. Adams died about two advance in meeting the popular taste. We tedness, unaffected kindness and frank weeks since at the home of her parents at are sorry there was not a corresponding and generous friendships, which so many Stockhold, L. I. She was a woman loved advance in public interest when it was so have experienced, have added their own by all who ever knew her and her friends richly deserved. in this village were many.

The oldest son of W. H. Whitney, while attempting to stop his father's horses, any further accident.

tions will be made for the aid of state neither tardy nor absent.

among the scholars and parents of the Upson were each absent one-half day. district by bringing out a Christmas enaffair a complete success and more enjoyable to the scholars and teacher.

An interesting Christmas service was given by the Sunday-school at the M. E. the most head-marks in the first class in church last Sabbath evening. The pro- spelling. gramme, varied in its rendering, was comtor and school, singing by the choir un- following scholars were perfect in attendder direction of Mr. H. King, recitation by ance: Annie Maddock, Lizzie Townson. Miss Georgie Duncan, and dialogue by the Minnie Hargey, Georgie Darby, Clark two Misses Tryon; a Christmas carol was Hamilton, Freddie Marks, Allie Bartley. very prettily sung by the Misses Reed, One day absent: Mable Weaver, Edith with chorus by some sixteen or eighteen Lassey, Edna Morrison, Jessie Weaver, little ones, none over ten years old. Ada Downton, Florence Morrison, Emma Santa Claus gives a reception to the chil- Baurrassa, Harry Houston, Harry Barton.

dren in the chapel Christmas night. Hundreds of people witnessed the Moir. Prizes for best reading were

The selections were made rapidly and before the hour for closing had arrived a large per cent. of the game bore the names of the purchasers.

The frequently adjourned trial of P. J. was supposed would be very interesting, Loring, who found for the defense

The following music will be rendered at the First Presbyterian church next Sun-

"Brightest and Best," Buck 'Nazareth,'

'ostilude, Coronation March" Le Prophete' Organ, "He shall feed his flock, "Messiah" Adam—Buck

Anthem, Te Deum Kotzschman Postilude Dr. E. F. Parsons, director: Densloy King, organist

Prof. W. W. Dayton, the spiritualistic The carpet works close this evening to the stage to do the 'tying up' and to dis- friends and invited guests took carriages ple of Plenty," and they are warrant-The assault case referred to last week, as imposters, but executes many strange 2.19 p. m. train. Their farewell to her People at The Temple of Plenty. between Ingraham and Bement, was and weird tricks with perfect nonchalance. home was full of tender feeling by reason He holds forth at the hall again this eve- of the shower of good wishes that rose A boy took a cold bath near Freshwater | ning, and proposes to perform something | over their heads, and was made merry bridge yesterday afternoon but the report wonderful in the magician's line, and chal- also by the many showers of rice that dethat he was drowned was an exaggera- lenges all believers and unbelievers to be scended on their heads. We understand present and test the phenomena.

Second Subscription Concert.

The United Fresbyterian church Sun-Franklin hall Friday night; and the day-school will celebrate the advent of opinion came from one well able to judge the new year with a festival and enter- in the matter. It is certain that the with him the sincere good wishes of many tainment in Parsons's hall New Year's lovers of good music in the village who personal friends here, who appreciate him trade. And we therefore invite him Robert Davis, who has just completed program covered a range of classical music as well as for his successful conduct of an extensive job of remodeling the house adapted to satisfy the most varied taste. as wen as for his successful conduct of the village High school for two years. on a shopping tour through "The of Frank Allen of Longmeadow, yesterday This is as it should be. There was no Among the guests present from out of Temple of Plenty." The little girl raised the frame for a new house for L. filling in of inferior pieces but each per- town were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nelson, Hiller by her father, Chas. Hiller, pur- not free from faults. There was, how-

The Young People's Society of Christian from "Martha" won a very close attenconsecration meeting New Year's Eve, Allen in the favor of the delighted audicommencing at 10.30 o'clock. First half ence. Mr. Allen, violinist, awoke enthuus as "Glorious thinge of thee are spoken, W. A. Furey of this village, while driv- Zion, city of our God") was so delicately rendered by Mrs. Smith and Messrs. Allen Many of our citizens will be pained to and Fries, well illustrated the delicate appreciation for her. Miss Houston is and "elegant" Silverware at The

THE SCHOOLS. which had started to run from H. K. teacher, the following pupils were not in company with her father, spending Brainard's warehouse yesterday, fell under absent: Charlie Gaskell, Harry Howe. several months in the British Isles and on the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. No honor of the wheel and was run over. the wheel and was run over. No bones Those not tardy were: Ada Barton, Edith the Continent. On her return she con- business man to make room for the were broken and he fortunately escaped Dealtry, Nellie Logan, Ellie McAdams, tributed quite a number of letters to our Christmas Goods which are pouring with but slight injuries. The horses Clara Remington, Agnes Smith, Lillie paper entitled "European Sketches," which were stopped by William Alcorn without White, Katie Duffy, Bertha Hayward, were greatly enjoyed by our readers. In any further accident.

Edith Haythorn, Lena Jager, Lizzie Monther Fall of 1882, she accepted the position as an assistant in the village High Glassware, the fancy Hanging and entertainment occurs New Year's Eve and Walters, Emma Zauche, Mary O'Brien, school, which place she filled to the apwill consist of a festival for the young. Albert Chandler, Archie Taggart, Frank proval of the school board, and to the adpeople. In place of receiving gifts dona- White, Robbie Mills. Lester Harris was miration of her friends, until her resig-

missions, for Straight University of New In No. 2, North school, Miss S. R. Orleans and for the Home of the Friend- McCray, teacher, the following scholars her school-work, and the untiring zeal less of New York city. Music, reading have been perfect in attendance during and devotion to the duties of her posiand magic lantern will be among the the term ending Dec. 18: Jennie Mallard, tion, contributed largely to the success other interesting parts of the entertain- Mabel McCready, Lottie Barton, Effle which has uniformly marked the High Miss F. M. Booth, teacher in district Allie Mouillerat. Etta Poole, Nellie of love, and will make a pleasant memory No. 10, has labored to create an interest Calderwood, Flossie Fowler and Carrie to her for the coming years, as it will

In the third primary department, North tertainment at the school in place of the school, taught by Miss Mary E. Pease, the afternoonsession to-day. A Christmas tree following scholars were neither absent was provided and the room tastily trimmed nor tardy during the term: Sarah Boardwith evergreens and the scholars invited to man, Nellie Smithson, Fannie Hayward, give each other presents. The presence Emma Seiler, Bella Mills, Susie Pilkinghave been under her instruction. of the parents was necessary to make the ton, Laura Harris, Lulu Jager, Mary Walters, Arthur White, James Calderwood, George Remington, James Tilden and Willie Barton. Nellie Smithson had

In the first primary department, South posed of responsive readings by the pas- school, Miss Mary Willson, teacher, the Cerdic Sleeth, Bertie Galloway, Joseph

Christmas exhibition of poultry made at awarded to Peter Davis and Katie Moir. Christmas exhibition of poultry made at Bright's market yesterday afternoon and evening as advertised in last week's South school, Miss Alice Ely, teacher, the evening as advertised in last week's Press. The Michigan turkeys were remarkably fine, weighing from 26 lbs. down

South school, Miss Alice Ely, teacher, the following scholars were perfect in attendance: James Barton, Abie Horsfall, John

Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, which is sold on a guarantee and is giving general variety of Crockery, Cutlery, entire satisfaction. It is a standard family remedy. Price 50 cents and \$1. Trial to 714, only one weighing less than 8. Kelly, Charlie Hudson, Nellie Reed, Rosa size free. The display outside was grand, including Holstein, Addie Davis, Mabel Davis, Clara turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens, par- Downton, Lottie Barton, Annie Cothe, tridges, rabbits, squirrels, pickerel, suck- Lottie Maddock, Emma Maddock. One ling pigs, bologna, celery, etc., etc., the day absent: Eliza Reed, Eddie Cope, Max whole tastily arranged amid hangings of were awarded to James Barton, Clara on hand and photographed the scane.

New wish, through the columns of the and lunch baskets, and a hundred other things that are beautifully useful at the scane.

Downton Mahel Dayle Rose Heleksing. on hand and photographed the scene. Downton, Mabel Davis, Rosa Holstein.

MITCHELL-HOUSTON.

The most interesting event in the so-

ciety circles of our village that we have had the pleasure of recording for some Sullivan charged by James Hartley with years past, is the marriage of Miss Hattie to stroll through the Temple of Plenassault, also on another charge for viola- A. Houston, second daughter of Hon. J. tion of the liquor law called on Monday L. Houston, to Mr. Frederic B. Mitchell ty in quest of a suitable gift. morning. Hartley, who had returned of Thomaston, Conn., which took place after nearly a month's absence, was put in the First Presbyterian church yesteron the stand, but his evidence, which it day morning. The church was hand-propriate Holiday Presents will strike somely decorated with tastefully arranged proved to be decidedly weak and of little evergreens and camellias. About five value. After his evidence was given no hundred guests were present to witness doubt will melt away "like ice in and our prices are reafurther witnesses were called on either the ceremony, which was performed by side and the case was submitted to Justice the Rev. F. S. Barnum, pastor of the church. The groom was attended by Mr. got George D. Seymour of New Haven, as his best man, and the ushers were the three Messrs. Kenyon of New York, cousins of the bride, Mr. Harry Seymour, also of New York, and Messrs. Noel M. Pease and Fred "Hallelujah Chorus," "Messiah E. Hunter of our village. While the company was assembling at the church, the accomplished organist, Mr. Ira P. Allen of Enfield, played several choice selections Precisely at eleven o'clock, the appointed hour, the organist struck into a beautiful wedding march, the groom, attended by

his best man, entered the door at the left and leaning on the arm of her father, preexposer of "medium" humbuggery, gave ceded by the ushers, advanced up the some clever tests in the conjuror's art and aisle and was received by the groom. propriate for a newly-married pair legerdemain in a seance at Franklin hall The full Episcopal marriage service was than spoons? As a friend of ours once ast evening, and completely mystified the used and very impressively rendered by remarked "it is a 'spoony' suggeswhole audience present, including a the minister, and the pleasure of the aution of sweet lips and sugared sentiommittee, composed of Messrs. L. H. dience was much enhanced by the dis-ment." We've got several dozen of Pease, John Loring, and E. O. Wilber, tinctly heard responses of the bride and the silver-plated kind at the "Temfirm unbelievers, who took position on groom. After the ceremony the family cover, if possible, his method of executing to Mr. Houston's spacious mansion, where ed to stand years of constant use. the wonderful cabinet tricks, but the com- a reception was held by the bridal pair. mittee left the stage at the end of the The feelings of the guests were in full Hanging and Stand Lamps, Decoraperformance as much in the dark as ever sympathy with the happiness of the bride, as to how the "spirits" done their hidden and the occasion was one of universal mysteries. The professor denounces all pleasure. Refreshments were served to Glassware, Easy Chairs, Rattan and so-called "spiritual" agency in the mat- the company about one o'clock and Mr. Upholstered, and a General Abunter, and also denounces all "mediums" and Mrs. Mitchell left for Boston on the dance of Useful Presents for Useful but a few days, returning here to complete arrangements for their future home in "That was the finest concert ever given school. Mr. Mitchell, who is a graduate Thompsonville," said one on leaving of the Law department of Yale college,

formance richly merited the unstinted Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cass, Miss Mary H. The finest Christmas present we have applause it received. Mrs. Allen, soprano, Kenyon, Miss Maggie Doig, of New York; yet heard of is a grand upright Ivers & was in glorious voice and appeared a Gen. Alex. Harbison, Miss Jane Harbison, Pond piano, presented to Miss Emma matured artist and yet her manner was Mrs. John Harbison and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Evans and Mrs. Charles ever, much force and dramatic fire evi- P. Robinson, of Hartford; Mr. James generation are welcome at dent, particularly in Verdi's aria, from "II Houston, of Norwich; Mr. and Mrs. Wil-Traviata." For a richly deserved encore lis Upson and Miss Upson, of Westfield; she sang with fine sympathy "Way down Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitchell and Mr. The grey Robert Muchell, of New Britain; Mr. and annumillar Mr. 24: C. Mitchell, of Forestville; Rev. performance of a 'cello solo at once se- and Mrs. B. W. Lockhart, of Suffield; cured the interest of the audience in Mr. Mrs. Charles F. Hurlburt, of Brooklyn; Wulf Fries. His choice rendition of airs Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, of Cromwell, Ct.; Mr. James Allyn and Miss H. Allyn, of That the present Holiday Season will New London; Miss Ella Warner, Springfield, Mass.; Miss Tilly Ulrich, Greenfield, Mass. The bridal gifts, which were tation of being the greatest Holiday

much admired. Their very number and we are going to enhance the beauty beauty prevent any particular mention. is altogether lost in that of Mrs. F. B. margin of profit. Mitchell, we are sure it will give great satisfaction to her hosts of friends in Thompsonville and vicinity, if, in their name, we express a few words of special attractiveness to the accomplishments she In No. 1, North school, Miss F. E. Lay, seminary, Miss Houston visited Europe cost. This is not a holiday "freak. nation in view of her approaching mar-

riage, Miss Houston was an enthusiast in Pilkington, Angie Miller, Freddie Mogue, school. Teaching was with her a labor alsobe to the youth whom she has taught; and of the numerous beautiful presents doubt whether many of them will give her greater heart pleasure than the gift of her associate teachers in the schools, and the two gifts from the classes which

MARRIED.

CLEE-KELLY-In this village, Dec. 23 by Rev. R. N. Hammond, Frederick Clee and Miss Maggie Kelly, all of this

MITCHELL-HOUSTON - In this village. Dec. 23, by Rev. F. S. Barnum, Frederic Brainerd Mitchell of New Britain and Miss Hattie Allyn Houston, daughter of Hon. J. L. Houston of this

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WM. MULLIGAN.

Heretofore. that Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell will be absent In our advertisements, we have rath er neglected that important individ-Thomaston, Conn., where Mr. Mitchell is ual to whom our country must look now engaged as principal of the High for its future great men, viz: The Small Boy. But he was not overcontemplates entering upon his chosen looked in our purchase of things use ful and beautiful for the Holiday were not present lost a treat indeed. The for his fine abilities and social qualities, to accompany his uncle or his aunt should come, too, for she will find much to interest and instruct her Sleds for the Boys and lots of 'nice things for the Girls. The rising

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ENFIELD STREET.

January 1st N. F. Allen will be employed by Harbison & Loder, 377 Broadway, New York.

Mrs. H. S. Woodward and daughter very much to be regretted that any change were in New York last week visiting a is made. The post-office has been in the school which Harry is expecting to at-

Albert H. Potter has purchased the property located on the corner of King and River streets, known as the Roderick White place

Services will be held at the Catholic Apostolic church Christmas eve, and Christmas day at 10.30 A. M. Christmas Jackson's celebrated Te Deum

Next Sunday will be observed as Christmas Surday at the South church with an appropriate address by the pastor and handing in to The Press office to-day a a half we were at our brother's, where we concert in the evening. The musical delicate flavor. Thanks. selections for the morning service are: Organ prelude, - Christmas Offertorium. Carol, ------ Borrow. Venite, (Antiphonal; Pastor and Choir). Anthem, "Glory to God," - - - - Cooke. - - - - - - - - - Battiste. - - - - - Gloria Excelsis.

The pink tea at Miss Hattie Sheldon's last Thursday was a decided success both travel, giving special attention to minersocially and financially. New and inter- als, of which he has a fine collection of esting features of the entertainment were many rare specimens. recitations and readings by the children Mrs. G. N. Booth. Strawberry ice-cream, pink cake, home-made confectionery, pink cheeks and pink ears abounded. Music time in the church parlors. and singing by the children, Miss Mattie Pollock-a child of rare musical talentplaying the piano accompaniment, completed the programme. Such a feast is not spread every day.

The marriage of Miss Gertie M. Boothe, daughter of Mr. John R. Boothe, to Mr. Griffin B. Drisbrow, of New York city, was celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents last (Wednesday) evening, Rev. G. W. Winch officiating. A large number of guests were present, including city, Meriden, and other places. The bride was handsomely attired in white ottoman silk, en train, and veil twined with rosebuds, and carried a bouquet. Misses Jennie and Isabel Tryon acted as bridemaids and wore cream white albatros with pink bud bouquets. The groom's present to the bride was a set of solitaire morning for New York city, their future home, and carried with them the hearty congratulations and best wishes of many friends.

WALLOP.

formal call on George Pease last Thurs- him in the erection of the hall. day evening. Refreshments were furnished by the guests, and a merry time was enjoyed by all.

EAST WALLOP.

weeks' vacation.

sales to report as yet.

The younger portion of the community

HAZARDVILLE.

\$90 last week.

ments of powder. James Ryan is putting up an iron fence C. L. I." in front of his house on Christian st.

· The M. E. revival meetings still continue and with considerable degree of suc-

milk every day from the vicinity of Terry street. The Albert Olmstead mansion, for the last evening (Wednesday).

first time since it was built, is now un-The repairs on the powder mill, which mas trees this (Thursday) evening.

was blown up last week, are being pushed with all possible speed and it will soon be ready to run again. Patrick Sheean has moved into his new

from the corner, making a great improvein the looks of the premises.

Winter seems to hang back very persistantly, not a sleigh having dared to show itself on the road as yet; but the coasters have been doing some business on Christian street to the great delight of the small boys.

SOMERSVILLE. The schools are closed on account of

scarlet fever. The farmers are generally busy getting

their tobacco ready for market. Julia, youngest child of James May-

nard, is sick with scarlet fever. The house occupied by F. Jennings, and owned by Mr. Hancock, has recently been sold to J. Wood.

The roof to the new factory is being covered with slate, and the building, as it nears completion, presents a solid strueture, that combines both the useful and

ornamental WAREHOUSE POINT. Corbin Bassinger's new house is nearly

The Young Men's social club give dance Christmas eve . Tobacco is nearly all down, and is being put in condition for buyers.

The embankment leading to the east end of the bridge is nearly completed. R. Abbe is on the retired list for a few days, owing to collisions with another

team Tuesday evening. The ferry-boat will carry no more teams, as the building of the embankment is now progressing and prevents all traveling, but it will continue to carry passengers

No one is now allowed on the bridge since the recent parties had their cold water bath A Christmas concert at the M. E. church

--- St. John's church is being tastefully the consignment.

decorated for the season of the nativit and services will be held on Christmas

The announcement vesterday of the appointment of Albion K. Matthews as postmaster caused quite an excitement in town. No one had any idea that any movement was on foot for a change. E. K. Colton has held the position since March, 1869 and has done the work well: not a word of fault has been found with him, he is always pleasant and willing, and it is store, the only one in town, for many Where it will be with the new postmaster no one knows, as he does not own any place, but rents.

SUFFIELD.

Calvin E. West has lately taken a position as teacher in a school at Glastenbury,

Two sales of '84 crop of tobacco are reday the choir of eight voices will render ported in the northern part of the town, the selling parties being H. K. Wright and C. H. Wright. N. N. King remembered the printer by

Mrs. Leverett Norton, mother of Mrs.

Suffield grange held its monthly literary read an interesting paper on notes of

The Baptist society are to have a Christin attendance, under the management of mas tree. Exercises will be held this (Thursday) evening at the Cong. church. A cantata will be rendered by the chiltea set, pink socks, pink ribbons, pink dren, followed by a collation and a social

A union temperance meeting was held in the chapel of the Cong. church Sunday afternoon, Dr. Kellogg presiding. Remarks were made by B. W. Lockhart, Albert Clark, E. A. Russell, Geo. F. Kendall, and others. Among the latter the venerable Mr. Pierce, of 85 years, lately moved here from Vermont, made mention of what he had observed in regard to this cause, since his coming here, and as he has been interested in temperance reform for sixty years, was listened friends from Harrisburg, Pa., New York to with marked attention. Public sentiment in Suffield, as elsewhere, is gradually strengthening upon this subject.

We note with pleasure the hanging in Central Hall, Crooked Lane, last Saturday, of a fine portrait of our worthy townsman, Cecil H. Fuller, Esq. The picture is a life-size bust crayon portrait,

The fall term of the Conn. literary inplause. The art exhibition in the stu-Elder, presented a tasteful and workmanare expecting a visit from Mr. S. Claus like appearance. Though the term has sometime Thursday night or early Friday been long and the number of scholars less than last year, yet the final examinations show good work done by those at-The H. P. Co. have been making ship-chances of improvement that it does to-

FEEDING HILLS.

Miss Mary Leonard is very low and her cocovery is doubtful.

Dr. J. W. Hastings has put up a storm-We have a new milkman who brings door at the front entrance to his house. Rev. Mr. Burnham, of Springfield preached in the Congregational church

> The Congregational and Methodist churches are to be adorned with Christ-

Miss Sarah A. Johnson has gone to her brother, Warren Johnson, at Clinton, Frank H. Scott seeks health in New Mex- the state. A regiment of cavalry passed ico, stopping at Los Vegas.

GRANBY. Tobacco is about all down in town, eady for buyers.

Alfred E. Holcomb and Charlie W. Ruic are home for Christmas.

There are rumors of a marriage or two for Christmas or New Year's. There will be a Christman tree at the

South church Christmas Eve. The Christmas exercises at the North church will be held Friday evening, Dec. 25. Young and old are invited.

Loomis Bros.' store was entered by burglars Sunday evening. They took some boots and shoes and a few articles of clothing. This is the second time

within a few months. COPPER HILL. Misses Emma Griffin and Anna Clark

have returned to West Granby. The Ladies' Aid Society met with Mrs. W. Clark Thursday evening of last week. Charles Stevens has returned to Hom-

his friends. Hiram and Samuel Viets, students at spending Christmas holidays with their

Christmas exercises are to be held in the church Thursday evening, consisting of recitations, singing, and the distribution of presents from two gift trees.

WINDSOR LOCKS.

at Burnap's hall. H. C. Douglas has contracted to fill in the approach to the bridge.

If Senator Beck could have his way, inon Monday evening, Holy Innocence eve. silver, if it took a freight train to deliver period."

For The Press. A Letter from Kansas.

CONWAY SPRINGS, Sumner Co., Kan., Dec. 16, 1885.

Editor Press : bade our friends in Connecticut adieu and turned our faces towards the setting sun, we thought a few lines from our home on the distant prairie might be of interest. Buffalo we took the Lake Shore R. R., we struck the tide, seeking to find the was we can assure you. At 10.45 P. M,. May 7th, we left this city with crowded bearance, forgetfulness of resentment ta, a town of about twenty thousand inpartner spent some time prospecting, visof a trifle over a year's growth numbers well towards one thousand inhabitants loan them out at high rates of interest. A | teen hundred years, and will, no doubt, fine graded school draws the young with- remain the great holiday season of the

in its walls where they can obtain that civilized world while the world stands or priceless heir-loom-a good education. Four churches-Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Dunkers-are doing a good work. The town derives its name partially from seven mineral springs found here; the waters of which are said to be a sure cure for many ills. It is situated on rolling prairie and from our yard one can range the eve north or east over twenty-five miles of prairie. Of late prairie fires have been plainly visible at night, but none near us. At this season of the year the dry prairie grass if once it takes fire burns with great rapidity and is mastered with difficulty. By one fire recently in a handsome bronze frame, size 31x35 a farmer had twenty-five hundred tons of diamond ear rings and pin. The newly-inches, made by E. P. Waite & Co., the hay burned. The weather through the married couple started this Thursday well-known crayon artists, of New York summer has been quite warm, but it is city, which firm has also filled several seldom there is not a good breeze and the other orders for crayons recently, notably nights are always cool and comfortable that of Prof. Kelley, which now hangs in calling for quilts and blankets. Rain fell the Public Library. Mr. Fuller's picture in abundance except through the months Godey's Lady's Book, who recently made

was placed in the hall by a few of his of July and August when the ground be- an assignment for the benefit of his credi-The Gleaners Mission Circle will meet friends and neighbors, not only as a to- came somewhat dry. The soil is a mix- tors, was arrested Tuesday afternoon at with Mrs. C. Hayes on Saturday, Decem- ken of the high esteem in which he is ture of sand and clay and is very produc- Philadelphia upon a charge of obtaining held, but also in consideration of the very tive. The fall has been pleasanter than by false pretences papers worth \$6000 A party of young people made an in- valuable and munificent aid rendered by any we ever experienced in New England. from A. G. Elliott & Co. and goods worth As for cyclones, tornadoes, etc., they \$1800 from W. H. Butler. He was held seem to have moved eastward if reports in \$1800 bail. stitute closed Tuesday afternoon. The are correct, as we have seen nothing of programme, varied in its rendering, con- the kind, though there are days when Old ferred credit both on instructors and pu- Boreas bears down upon us with consid-Miss Lucy A. Taylor is home on a two pils. Rhetorical exercises by members of erable force. A drive over these prairies the school were interspersed. Miss Carrie fills one's soul with wonder at the vast ex-The tobacco in this vicinity is nearly all Loomis, of Suffield, gave selections on panse spread out before him, and, comtaken from the poles and stripped. No the violin, which were answered with sp- paring it with the hills, mountains and valleys of New England, leads him to exdio, under the direction of Miss A. Marie claim: "Truly, the Hand that made them is Divine." We made a drive of twentytwo miles in two hours the other day without urging the team. The country and the way towns are built up must be seen to be comprehended. Pen cannot do The Episcopal fair netted the society tending, and as long as the institute can justice to a description. All is bustle and offer to young people of both sexes the activity. The people are mostly from Indiana and Illinois with a sprinkling from day, we may well say "Long live New England and the south, and are intelligent and enterprising. They are very kind-hearted, social, and welcome strangers in a way that makes one feel at home. The principal occupations of the people are agriculture (wheat and corn), stock, hog and sheep raising, though this section will, without doubt, soon become great fruit-growing region, for which it is so well adapted. Apples, peaches, pears, apricots, plums, and the small fruits do well. You will remember the Indian scare early in the fall, when the settlers in the southwestern part of the state left their claims and rushed for the North Carolina to spend the winter with cities, expecting every time they looked back over their shoulders to see an Indian and Frank L. Johnson finds employment with raised tomahawk in close pursuit. house and has moved the old one away for the winter at Jacksonville, Fla., while Suffice it to say no hostile red man was.in

> the woods for the broad treeless prairie with its beautiful flora, to leave home and friends and endure the privations of life in a new country for a few years, the past warrants us in saying that he will be

abundantly compensated. J. E. K. R.

through town on the way from the fron-

tier to Fort Reno in the northeastern part

of the state. The emigration to Kansas

this year has been unprecedented, and the

government land, which is all in the west-

ern part of the state, is being rapidly ta-

ken up by settlers. To one seeking to

live by day labor there is little room; to

one who is willing to exchange the hills,

True even unto Death. That was a touching story told by Mr. Gladstone when announcing the death of the Princess Alice in Parliament. She had been cautioned by the physician not to inhale the breath of her little boy, who was ill with diphtheria. The little fellow was tossing in his bed in the delirium of fever. The Princess stood by the side of er, N. Y., after several weeks' visit with her child, and laid her hand on his brow and began to caress him. The touch cooled the fevered brain and brought the Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, are wandering soul back from its wild delirium to nestle for a moment in the lap of mother's love. Then, throwing his arms around her neck he whispered. "Mamma, kiss me." The instinct of a mother's love was stronger than science, and she pressed her lips to those of her child. And yet there is not a woman in all the world but would say she would not Christmas services will be held in all have had a mother's heart if she had not kissed her bairn. And so it will be to the The mother will kiss her A variety show is booked for the 30th, child, the wife her husband, and the lover his sweetheart, though death in a thou-

Good meteorolgical authority announces have their festival and Christmas tree terest on the public debt would be paid in that "the sun is entering a more tranquil Look out for fine winter saleand exchange stable, Maple street, Thompsonville.

sand forms lay concealed beneath the vermilion coloring of the pouting lips.

ue of the great Christmas holiday, wheth-Several months having passed since we er the "year of our Lord" began with the twenty-fifth day of December in the twenty-eighth of Augustus Cæsar, or another day of the same year, or four vears earlier-as is by no means improb-On May 4th we gave the parting hand to able—or whether it ever began at all unour friends and at Syracuse, N. Y., at 1.45 der the circumstances that create the re-P. M., stepped on board the train. At ligious interest in it, so long as Christendom accepts it as the season and symbo skirted the Great Lakes on the south, of "peace and good-will." It has no passed through Cleveland, Toledo and sanctity by divine appointment, or there Chicago, crossed the Father of Waters at could be no uncertainty about its date, Davenport, Iowa, thence down across but it has the sanctity of all human com-Iowa and Wisconsin to Kansas City, where pliance with the spirit of divine direction. we passed over the muddy Missouri. Here | Slowly, through many ages, the Christian world has come to regard Christmas as Kansas El Dorado, and a motley one it the Saviour's birthday—a day of universal benevolence, hospitality and kindly forcars and the morning found us at Wichi- and all personal unkindness-aud it is habitants, with large brick blocks, whole- generation. It has grown, and its value sale and retail stores, and in an hour and in the moral direction given it will not be impaired, while its impressiveness is unselections by the choir. There will be a package of well-preserved fall pears of received the Kansas grip of welcome in dcubtedly enhanced by the universality of the midst of a snow storm. Mr. R. and its acceptance. There was no general concurrence in the date of the nativity Albert Austin, fell down stairs Monday iting different cities, hoping to find a place during the first three or four hundred night and broke her collar bone, and died where the people were starving for goods. years of the Christian era. When the pershortly after. She was over 90 years of At length they decided upon this place, secutions raged under Diocletian at Nico so here we are upon the broad prairie, media, among other acts of barbarous midway between the Atlantic and the Pa- cruelty, he, finding multitudes of Chrismeeting Monday evening. C. A. Durfee cific. This portion of the state was set- tians, young and old, met together in the tled eight of nine years ago, and our town church on the day of Christ's nativity, to celebrate that festival, commanded the church doors to be shut up aud fire be with stores where every kind of business put to it, which in a short time reduced is well represented. In the edge of the them and the church to ashes. The 25th town is the sod house built and occupied day of December seems to have been the until the past year by the man who took Christmas of the Roman or wertern the claim on which the town is located. church from the first and to have sup He now owns the finest residence in the planted Epiphany in the eastern church, place. Three hotels see that the hungry but a little while before the establishment are fed, providing said hungry ones have of Christianity as the state religion by pocket well filled with gold dust. Three | Constantine. It has been the Christmas banks look out for the stray nickels and of all Christondom now for nearly six-

> A western paper contains the following advertisement: "Wants a situation a practical printer, who is competent to take charge of any department in a printing and publishing house. Would accept the professorship in any of the academies Has no objection to teach ornamental painting and penmanship, geometry, trignometry and many other sciences. Is particularly suited to act as pastor to a small evangelical church, or as a local preacher. Would have no objection to form a small but select class of young la dies to instruct them in the higher branches. Would cheerfully accept a position as bass or tenor singer in a choir."

J. H. Hanlenbeck, formerly propietor of

Secretary Manning and some others in Washington have formed a "syndicate" for the consumption of fresh venison, which will be sent them regularly all the way from Fort Worth, Texas, as long as cold weather lasts.

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AT

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We respectfully ask our patrons to call as early as possible and make their selections while the assortment is full.

Any purchaser so desiring can have their goods packed in a box and put aside till wanted.

We are better prepared than ever before to meet the wants of all our friends, both in variety and price, and solicit the favor of a inspection of our goods before you buy.

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lands are on every bar.

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THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 24, 1885.

Congressmen must be home in time hang up their stockings.

A good Christmas gift would be a year's subscription to THE PRESS.

James Gordon Bennett is said to be seriously ill at Monte Carlo.

Garfield's memorial window at Williams College has been finished at a cost of \$3645.

'Tis hard to draw the line which defines "holiday goods" from all others, just

Oats are so cheap in Winnipeg that even an editor's horse had spunk enough to run away the other day. Canon Farrar came to this country for

a rest and took away \$25,000. He will take the rest on his next visit.

away one cent, you would be doing in den. just the same proportion as Vanderbilt

The Chicago Inter-Ocean speaks "East Lynn, Conn." Not in this state, at least not since "East Lynne" was played

Says an exchange, "Buy your presents

Christmas buyers will find prices low and the assortment something wonderful this year. Santa Claus will shine in cheap

When the lid of Jay Gould's coffin is Wall street.

Ferdinand Ward is now keeping books \$600. in Sing Sing. By the time his term exthe corner stone.

But no man can eat an onion and hide his crime for fifteen minutes.

Bandaging the legs with wet cloths is no matter what he may do.

the playthings they have bought for their fork. children and renew their youth, while the "kids" are abed and asleep.

The Singer Sewing Machine Company at Elizabeth, N. J., closed its shops Friday because the city sought to collect two women. The thermometer stood fif- secure the bargains. taxes. It throws out 3000 people.

dents say, is always in the front rank. water until a depth of four feet was Prince Milan is also in the front rank, but the column is going the other way.

There is satisfaction in the reflection that although a man may never have justice done him during life, he is bound to get his rites when he goes to his own funeral.

ed from under old-traditions." Yes, in- instruct the trustees to pay her \$6,090, deed; we've noticed it. A man can't get the amount accumulated since a year after a suit of clothes nowadays unless he has the alleged time of Averill's death. This

bill Friday granting a pension to Gen. disappearance. Grant's widow. The only negative vote

gayest winters Washington has ever He rushed home for his gun and brought known. New times, new powers, new the animal to the ground by the first shot. faces, new houses all combined are ex- The cat then furiously attacked the dog. pected "to make things hum!".

A Nevada editor has been fined for sprang upon him and tore his clothes to thumping a barber. It appears that the tatters and scratched him fearfully before barber tried to tell him how to run the he could kill it with the barrel of the gun. paper, and he was accordingly pulverized. The animal weighed 26 pounds. The editor paid his fine cheerfully.

on freights.

A brakeman who was caught between two freight cars the other day was describing his sufferings to his wife. "Why," she exclaimed, "that's just the way it feels when you are breaking in a new pair of corsets."

The price of a young giraffe is \$2,500 and of an old one \$25,000. Any young man with a yearning desire to start a paper to fill a long-felt want-in his pocketbook-will do better to buy a young giraffe and let it grow.

According to Senator Joe Blackburn, the California theatre manager who put up a sign saying, " Please do not shoot the pianist, she is doing the best she can," expressed the feelings of the Democrats toward Cleveland exactly.

My son, if you think of presenting any young lady with a pair of gloves, Christmas, be sure and pick out a pair at least three sizes smaller than she is able to wear, especially if she happen to have a very large hand. No matter how cheap the gloves be, my word for it, she will love you as she never did before, and will declare that she can't see how you knew exactly what she wore. Of course she will ascertain, in a careless sort of way, where you purchased them, and equally. of course, she will take early occasion to exchange them for handwear of more lib

never better than at Christmas, when its mighty founder was a child himself.

yards by a wind over in England the other day, and it is commented upon as "most extraordinary." Our English cousins should go west where a meeting-house or should go west where a meeting-house or two is often met in the air on a cyclonic Still at the Front.

An exchange speaks of a young lady Thousands of young women have their "heads turned" every day by a showy bonnet in the window of a millinery store, but the operation is not painful, we

Robert H. Coleman, the wealthy iron nan of Lebanon, Pa., will throw open his esidence on Christmas Day to all of his workmen and their families. An enormous Christmas tree in the parlor will contain a present for each of the workmen's children.

THE STATE.

Hog cholera has broken out in the pig-If you had two dollars and should give gery of the reform school farm at Meri-

> The strike at Warren Mill, Stafford Springs, has been compromised, and the works are running again.

S. S. Gordy, principal of the Ansonia high school, has been fined \$7 and costs for whipping a pupil with a rattan. He appeals.

Karl Gerhardt, of Hartford, has been Thank you, we don't buy our awarded the contract for a statue to Napresents; we prefer somebody else should than Hale, "the martyr spy," to be erected by the state of Connecticut.

A party of twenty-seven young men, said to have pledged themselves to work three years for \$6 a week, have started from Duxbury, Mass., to take the place of the Derby silver-plate strikers.

The employes of the New Haven postfirmly screwed down it will be time office, except the postmaster, have reenough to believe that he has retired from ceived notifications from Washington of a reduction of their pay, aggregating \$1700 per annum. The chief clerk is "cut'

Dr. John P. Phillips, of New Haven, pires he will own the institution, down to the well-known writer on economic questions, has writen Senator Hawley inviting Gents' Hose in Wool, Cotton and Merino. him to a discussion of the silver coinage It is possible for a man to commit mur- question during the coming recess of the der and then keep his secret for years. Senate. The doctor favors coinage and Those Celebrated Geo. H. Gilbert Manu the Senator opposes it.

Deputy Warden Powers, of the State prison at Wethersfield, was terribly beaten by a convict names James Cahill last the latest remedy for insomnia. A man week and narrowly escaped with his life. can seldom go to sleep when he tries to, Cahill refused to come out of his cell, and when Powers went in to take him out the prisoner struck him a flerce blow on the This evening the old folks will get out head with a bottle and stabbed him with a

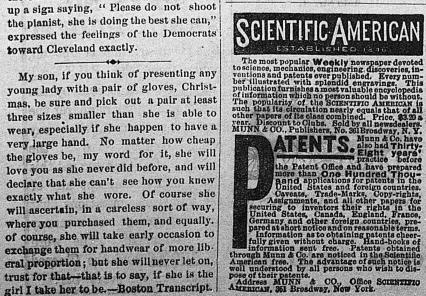
of Naugatuck river, near the West Main
patronage.
ONE PRICE to all and that the lowest, street bridge in Waterbury, to witness the is our motto, for we believe that the hon-immersion of five adults—three men and est way to do business. Come early and teen degrees above zero at 2 o'clock, when Rev. Mr. Baker, pastor of the 2d Advent- P.D.WILLIS&CO. 73 Main st., Barber's Block, Thomp Prince Alexander, the war correspon- ist society, led the subjects out into the reached, when one by one they were im-

mersed, hurried into a hack and carried The supreme court of Hartford, in the suit brought by a niece of James R. Averand warranted to work single or double. ill, the Hartford journalist who disappeared ten years ago, to recover an annuity of \$900 left-her in his will, from the "One by one the props are being knock- date of his disappearance, has decided to decision establishes a precedent, as Con- For the HOLIDAYS.

necticut law presumes a man to be alive Both branches of Congress passed the until seven years have passed since his Wesley Clark, of Chester, had a desperin either branch was from Mr. Price of ate fight with a wild-cat last week. He has to go through a piece of woods each morning to his work, and his dog treed a Preparations are making for one of the great yellow cat on one of the journeys. and Clark broke his musket-stock over the animal to save his dog. The cat then

A brutal looking tramp called at the house of Thomas James, in Seymour, last A girl in Lock Haven has given it out Thursday morning, and demanded a breakthat she has a piano and a parrot, which fast of the servant girl, who refused to the lucky man can have who wins her give him anything. He went away muthand. The combination seems to have tering. He then went to the house of scared everybody away up to the present Mrs. Shaw, of whom he demanded breakfast, and while she stood in the door the dog, a good natured animal, walked up to It is authoritatively stated by the anthracite coal companies that prices and freights will be advanced on January 1. the tramp as if to lick his hand, when the fellow drew a knife and plunged it into the dog's neck, nearly severing his head. freights will be advanced on January 1. the dog's neck, nearly severing his head The advance proposed is twenty-five cents and then turned to Mrs. Shaw and told a ton, fifteen cents on coal and ten cents her he would serve her in the same way She went into the house, locking the door behind her. The fellow then went away.





Christmas is the only holiday of the year, said Dickens, that brings the whole human family into common communion. It is good to be children sometimes, and

A row-boat was blown three hundred P. D. WILLIS & CO. LACKAWANNA OF LEHIGH SOUTH MAIN ST. (Stove, Egg, and Nut), at

'whose head was turned by over-study."
Thousands of young women have their the day to be a chough the standard work as the standard wor into our winter's work with a will. Believing that the people appreciate a large assortment to select from, we have made heavy purchases in all lines of goods. We are prepared to show the most complete stock of goods

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DAMPHLETS,

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