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AROUND THE WORLD.

INTELLIGENCE FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

One of the Roby Prize Fighters Gets Two Years—Another Wreck on the Lehigh Valley—Important Pension Rulings—Senator Voorhees Introduces a Silver Bill.

Important Pension Rulings.

Assistant Secretary of the Interior Reynolds has made four important pension rulings. He decided that the act of Congress prohibiting payment of pension after July, 1893, to a non-resident of the United States, except for actual service disabilities, applies to widows who are non-resident aliens; that where a soldier dies leaving a legally divorced wife and minor children over sixteen years old, his mother occupies a pensionable status and can apply for and receive a pension as dependent mother of such soldier upon making necessary proof, and that where an invalid pensioner dies leaving no increase or rerating claim pending at the bureau, but has accepted the rate of pension then received without demurring, the widow cannot file an original claim for rerating of her dead husband's pension.

A New Silver Bill.

There was but one matter of national importance in Friday's session of the Senate. That was the introduction by Mr. Voorhees (Chairman of the Finance committee) of a bill providing for the coinage of the seignorage, or profit, from the silver coined and purchased under the Bland and Sherman acts, at the rate of two millions a month: the purchase (after that coinage is completed) of $2,000,000 worth of silver bullion a month: the withdrawal of all notes of less denomination than $10; the withdrawal of the $2.50 and $5 gold coin, and the appointment of five commissioners to attend an international conference for the establishment of a ratio between gold and silver. The bill was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Indiana Shaken Up.

Evansville, Ind., and vicinity was considerably shaken up the other day by two earthquakes. The shocks were very distinct from West to East. Persons in the upper stories of buildings were more sensible to the tremors than those on the lower floors, and a great many were badly frightened. The tremors were accompanied by a rumbling, grating sound much like that produced by a heavy wagon passing over the streets. At the court house the audience and attorneys rushed out in the corridor.

Telephone information from neighboring points is to the effect that both shocks were plainly felt.

Ex-Secretary Foster.

Fostoria, Ohio, special: Ex-Secretary Foster is making every effort to satisfactorily settle all claims against him, provided it can be done by a payment, with the possibility of additional payments in the future.

He says that if he can satisfactorily dispose of $150,000 of indorsements by Foster & Co., the greatest obstacle to a settlement of the other liabilities of the firm will have been removed and the rest will be comparatively plain sailing. Mr. Foster is in New York, having gone there with the express intention of securing financial aid.

Fierce Flames.

The Arcade block, on Main street, Buffalo N. Y., caught fire and in a few moments the "Yerxas" block, next door, caught and both were soon a mass of flames. The spread of the fire was stopped at the "Yerxas" block by a fire wall next door. Both the Arcade and the "Yerxas" blocks were entirely destroyed and it was only by the extraordinary efforts of the firemen that other buildings were not damaged. There were a number of narrow escapes of persons in the burning buildings, but all were rescued.

Another Wreck on the Lehigh Valley.

A disastrous wreck occurred on the Lenigh Valley Railroad at the yards above the Mauch Chunk Station. A long freight train, running at a high rate of speed, crashed into an engine and caboose that were standing on the track and forced them into a preceding freight train, which was also stationary. Two locomotives, two cabooses, and three freight cars were completely demolished. No one was injured save two brakemen, who received slight cuts and bruises from flying timbers and glass.

Two Years for Prize-Fighting.

Crown Point (Ind.) special: The jury in the case of Martin Costello, the Roby prize-fighter, returned a verdict fixing his punishment at two years in the penitentiary and a fine of $5. All other cases continued until next term by agreement.

A Respite for Painter.

Chicago special: Sheriff Gilbert has received a telegram from Governor Altgeld postponing the execution of Geo. H. Painter until January 12.

Resigned the Presidency.

Civil Service Commissioner Lyman of Connecticut, has resigned as President of the commission. Mr. Lyman continues as a member of the commission.

Off for Honolulu.

Hawaiian Minister Thurston has taken passage at San Francisco on the steamer Alameda and sailed for Honolulu.

Heavy Damages Against a Railway.

There was another turn of the wheel in the Providence Road at Columbia, Mo. The County Court ordered Prosecuting Attorney J. L. Stephens to take action against the M., K. and E. Road for obstructing a public highway. The penalty for such obstruction is $5 a day for each twenty-four hours of obstruction. It was over a year ago when the railroad was notified.

Burglar Shot and Killed.

Samuel N. Clifford, a groceryman doing business at 362 West Adams street, Chicago, shot and instantly killed Frank King, a notorious crook, at an early hour Monday morning. King and two other men tried to hold up Clifford in his store, and the former fired a shot that narrowly escaped striking the groceryman.

He Stole Gold Bricks.

Henry S. Cochran, the ex-chief weigher of the Philadelphia mint, who was recently convicted of stealing $135,000 worth of gold bullion from the institution, has been sentenced to seven years and six months' imprisonment in the Eastern penitentiary.

Hoardings of a Miser.

Joseph Deitch, who died at Indianapolis a few days since, had hoarded $94,000 in greenbacks and gold, in closets of the room which he occupied, and his will calls for a $30,000 tomb in the Hebrew cemetery.

REDS FIRE ON PARIS.

Forty-eight Persons Injured in the Chamber of Deputies

Anarchy has struck its most insolent blow in Paris. It fired a bomb in the French Chamber of Deputies Saturday afternoon. About 300 members were in their seats and the galleries were filled. The house was engaged in routine business when, just after 4 o'clock, a few caught sight of something falling from the upper gallery to the right of the President. Just before the thing touched the floor there was a thunderous explosion. For a moment the air was filled with flying particles, then a cloud of dust and smoke obscured everything. Loud cries of pain and terror arose in all parts of the house and there followed a frantic rush of a thousand persons flying from they knew not what. In a few seconds the great chamber was empty of all save those whose wounds made them helpless. Within a wonderfully short time the panic was over and many returned to aid the wounded. At first it was believed that several had been killed or mortally hurt. This proved untrue, and, although nearly a hundred had been struck by flying scraps or splinters, none of the injuries is believed to be fatal. August Vaillant is arrested, and confessed to throwing the bomb. He is severely wounded, and lies in the hospital exulting in the success of his fiendish plot.

NIPPED IN THE BUD.

Attempt to Import Chinaman Is Neatly Frustrated.

The first attempt at wholesale smuggling of Chinese was frustrated the other day by the Federal authorities at Key West, Fla., and eighteen Celestials are in the custody of the Collector of Customs there. Information reached there that a large number of Chinese had made their appearance at Boca Chica, an island in the Gulf of Mexico, distant about twenty miles from the city, and that they were endeavoring to secure transportation to Key West. The Collector of Customs organized a posse from among his subordinates, chartered a naphtha launch, and proceeded at daylight to a point where the Chinese had been reported. After cruising among numerous keys in the vicinity they reached Boca Chica and there found sixteen Chinese in native costume. They presented a forlorn appearance. While they were surprised at their arrest, they neither offered resistance nor objected to going to Key West. No information could be obtained from them, however, as to how they landed or who brought them to Boca Chica, although several could speak the English language. From the keeper of the island it was learned that they were landed from a Spanish fishing sloop.

PRESIDENT UNDER FIRE.

Senator Hoar Now Wants to Know Who Commissioner Blount Represented.

Washington dispatch: Senator Hoar introduced a resolution in the Senate Monday calling upon the President for information concerning the authority under which Commissioner Blount was appointed and by what authority he took testimony and submitted his reports on the Hawaiian situation. He proceeded to comment upon the fact that information which had been given to the Senate under the seal of confidence had been supplied by the State Department to the representatives of four newspapers that were known to be zealous, thoroughgoing, almost unscrupulous supporters of the administration. The appointment of a commissioner with "paramount" authority as a representative of the United States in these islands Senator Hoar regarded as being as gross a violation of the constitution of the United States as was ever charged upon or imputed to any public official.

WESTGARTH'S "ARMY" FIZZLED.

His Call for 10,000 Mounted Men Unheeded by Chicago Poor.

Quiet ruled on the lake front, Chicago, Tuesday, notwithstanding the urgent call issued by John Westgarth last week, asking 10,000 mounted men to assemble there and prepare for a raid on Chicago's strongholds of comfort and plenty. The charitable people of the city housed and fed the unemployed Monday night and at two o'clock the hour appointed for Westgarth's meeting, most of "the army" were asleep. Reserve police, however, were prepared for any demonstration and 200 patrolmen were held over at Battery D during the night. Squads, according to a dispatch, were distributed at other points as follows: Cottage Grove avenue station, 80; Harrison street, 147; Stanton avenue, 83; 22d street, 100. At roll-call officers who reported for relief were ordered to remain on duty until further orders.

MEMBERS ARE INDIGNANT,

Mr. Outhwaite Delivers a Speech Regarding the "Railroad" Advertisement.

Washington dispatch: The members of the Military Affairs Committee are indignant because of the report that they intentionally incorporated a railway advertisement in their Cherokee strip report. Representative Outhwaite of Ohio, the chairman of the committee, said: "This report came to the House in response to a resolution asking the War Department for information. It was printed according to the rules of the House and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs. It was never submitted to the committee nor to the clerk of the committee until it was in printed form, so that the charge that the committee or its clerk is responsible for the irregularity is entirely without foundation."

WALKED 3,200 MILES.

Pedestrian Miller and His Dog Finish Their Tramp from 'Frisco to New York.

Fred Miller, the pedestrian, and Guess, his dog, who started to walk from San Francisco to New York (3,290 miles) on June 26, arrived there Tuesday. He says he met with no trouble except the want of food when he crossed Arizona and New Mexico. Miller was to complete the journey in six months and had to depend entirely upon the public for food for himself and dog. He has been tramping for five months and sixteen days. He does not look any the worse for the trip, but he says he feels weary. When he started he weighed 128 pounds and when he was weighed Tuesday he scaled 118.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Shocking Fatality Attends a Collision on the Great Northern in Washington.

On the Great Northern Railroad at Edwall, Wash., a terrible head-end collision took place. Engineer Joseph Shilsky and Fireman Joe Wallace of the west-bound train were killed and Engineer Dupew fatally hurt. Surviving crews of the wreck made frantic efforts to liberate the imprisoned men before flames reached them. Engineer Dewey was rescued from the fiery furnace, but Shilsky and Wallace were burned to death before the eyes of their horrified comrades.

Rescued All on Board.

In the midst of a blinding snowstorm, with the wind blowing a gale from the southeast and the temperature down near the zero mark, the steamer F. & P. M. No. 3, with fifteen passengers and a crew of twenty-five men, went ashore Monday morning in Whitefish Bay, five miles north of Milwaukee. Prompt and effective work by the life-saving crew, aided by the coolness of the officers of the stranded steamer, resulted in every passenger being safely landed on shore and not a single life being lost. The trip of the rescued from the boat to land was a perilous one, being made in a breeches buoy, which was carried over a line 1,200 feet long, which the gallant life-savers had carried from the shore in their surf boat and lashed to the foremast of the steamer. The work was slow and dangerous, but was successfully performed and the last passenger was landed shortly before 8 o'clock Monday evening.

Cleaning Out the Reds.

The search of the police in the northern section of Paris will probably result in the expulsion from France of thirty foreigners who are believed to be relatives of anarchists. Marchal, the husband of the mistress of Vaillant, the bomb-thrower, has vanished, and the police can find no trace of him. They have discovered, however, that Mme. Marchal was an accomplice in his dynamite plan, and she has been placed under arrest. The police learned that the woman was fully aware of Vaillant's plan to throw the bomb in the Chamber of Deputies, and that her seeming surprise when informed of the crime was assumed to throw the authorities off the scent they were following. M. Guesde, a socialist member of the chamber, has received a letter signed "One of the Bourgeoisie," in which the writer says that he has condemned M. Guesde to death. The letter continues: "I will kill you like a dog at the exact moment it suits me. Remember that you are No. 1 on the condemned list."

NO FIGHT AT ROBY.

Gov. Matthews' Determined Stand Forces a Postponement.

Once again the Governor of Indiana has foiled an attempt of the Roby Athletic Club to hold the much postponed prize fight. The Governor's emissaries at Roby have kept him in touch with every move on the part of the Roby officials. The Third Regiment of the State militia was held in readiness and as all efforts to induce the Governor to relax failed postponement was the only thing that could be done.

No Business Improvement.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Trade of all kind is waiting. There is no visible improvement, and on the whole indications are a little less satisfactory than they were a week ago. The volume of business measured by clearing-house returns outside New York show a decrease of only 12 per cent compared with last year, which is encouraging; but as the statement covers the payments for the first of the month, it may not correctly measure the volume of new transactions. The reports from the other cities show a hesitating trade almost everywhere, with a decided disposition to wait until Congress has acted on the tariff question. Hence the delay and uncertainty are likely to last for some weeks.

Robbery in the Chicago Postoffice.

A. S. Robertson, cashier of the wholesale stamp department in the Chicago postoffice, was sandbagged within his own cage on Tuesday evening, and the Government money till looted of between $5,000 and $10,000. The burglary was committed with a watchman twenty feet away, the corridors full of people and the streets packed with workingmen going home. It was planned with supreme coolness, executed with professional deliberateness, and so successful in the amount of money secured that the footpad will probably live in retirement for evermore.

Association of Cranks.

The Indiana State Anti-Vaccination Society met in convention at Indianapolis, its purpose being the following, as taken from its circular: "Owing to the oppressive attitude of the school and health boards of Indiana in enforcing vaccination upon the people—a practice eminently dangerous and notoriously useless—many citizens are determined to make a combined effort to liberate themselves from this oppression and make its continuance impossible."

Iron Works Shut Down.

The entire plant of the United States Iron and Steel Works at McKeesport, Pa., closed for an indefinite period. All of the departments of the big plant of the W. Dewees Wood Company were also closed down at the same time, a large number of men being thrown out of work. The officials of the latter plant state that the shut-down is only temporary and that as soon as the annual repairs are made operations will be resumed.

A Flag Causes Comment.

The Chinese flag which floats over the new quarters of the Chinese legation in Washington is causing no little comment and criticism in diplomatic circles. It is the first time that a foreign flag has waved continuously over a legation in Washington. The ministers of other countries hoist their flags on fete days and the national holidays of their countries, but the Chinese are the first to raise their flag as a regular feature.

Farmers in Conference.

The National Farmers' Congress opened at Savannah, Ga., with an attendance of about five hundred delegates, mainly representative of the Southern and Western States, appointed by the Governors of the various commonwealths interested in the congress. The opening session was confined to addresses of welcome by representatives of the State and municipality, and responses were made by prominent delegates.

English Opera Company Disbanded.

The English Opera Company has disbanded. The crisis came at Buffalo, when the orchestra refused to play unless they were paid their back salaries. Mme. Tavary, the prima donna, and her husband, who acted as manager, will return to New York and endeavor to reorganize the company.

Fasted Forty Days.

At Portland, Ore., Mrs. George H. Williams has finished her forty-days' fast for the purification of the body, and is now in condition to receive revelations from the Holy Spirit enabling her to predict just when the world will end.

Rosina Vokes Quits the Stage.

On account of ill-health Rosina Vokes has decided to close forever her stage career. Miss Vokes will go to Babbicombe, Devonshire, in the west of England, where it is hoped she will recover her health.

Failure Not a Bad One.

It is learned that the failure of Maquay & Hooker, bankers of Rome and Florence, Italy, is not a bad one. A statement issued shows that their assets are $261,955 in excess of their liabilities.

Admits He Used the County Funds.

In the trial of Armstrong, the ex-treasurer of Tipton County, Ind., he admits that he had at times used the county funds in his private business. In four years $69,000 have disappeared.

Caught in a Moving Belt.

Dorris Rich, a workman in the Chubbs bicycle factory at Chicago, was caught by rapidly revolving belting and hammered against the walls and roof of the building until he was dead.

Pesthouse Recruits.

Two more patients have been added to the number of sufferers in the smallpox hospital at Chicago. There are now thirty-five patients in the pesthouse.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Common to Prime	$3 80 @ 6 75
HOGS—Shipping Grades	4 00 @ 5 50
SHEEP—Fair to Choice	2 25 @ 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	63 @ 64
CORN—No. 2	36 @ 37
OATS—No. 2	30 @ 31
RYE—No. 2	46 @ 47
BUTTER—Choice Creamery	27 @ 28
EGGS—Fresh	23½ @ 24½
POTATOES—Per bu	55 @ 65
INDIANAPOLIS.	
CATTLE—Shipping	3 00 @ 5 10
HOGS—Choice Light	5 00 @ 5 50
SHEEP—Common to Prime	2 00 @ 3 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	58 @ 59
CORN—No. 2 White	36 @ 36½
OATS—No. 2 White	31½ @ 32½
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE	3 00 @ 5 75
HOGS	5 00 @ 5 25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	59 @ 60
CORN—No. 2	34 @ 35
OATS—No. 2	27 @ 28
RYE—No. 2	46 @ 48
CINCINNATI.	
CATTLE	3 00 @ 5 00
HOGS	3 00 @ 5 50
SHEEP	2 00 @ 3 75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	59 @ 60
CORN—No. 2	40 @ 42
OATS—No. 2 Mixed	32 @ 32½
RYE—No. 2	52 @ 54
DETROIT.	
CATTLE	3 00 @ 4 75
HOGS	5 00 @ 6 00
SHEEP	2 00 @ 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	63 @ 64
CORN—No. 2 Yellow	38 @ 39
OATS—No. 2 White	30 @ 31
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	62 @ 63
CORN—No. 3 Yellow	37 @ 38
OATS—No. 2 White	29 @ 31
RYE—No. 3	47 @ 49
BUFFALO.	
WHEAT—No. 1 Hard	72 @ 73
CORN—No. 2 Yellow	42 @ 43
OATS—No. 2 White	34 @ 35
RYE—No. 2	54 @ 56
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring	61 @ 62
CORN—No. 3	34 @ 35
OATS—No. 2 White	30 @ 31
RYE—No. 1	48 @ 49
BARLEY—No. 2	48 @ 50
BUTTER—Fancy Creamery	26 @ 27
NEW YORK.	
CATTLE	3 00 @ 5 50
HOGS	3 75 @ 6 10
SHEEP	2 25 @ 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	69 @ 70
CORN—No. 2	43 @ 47
OATS—White Western	36 @ 41
BUTTER—Choice	20 @ 29
PORK—New Mess	14 50 @ 15 25

KRIS KRINGLE'S CRIME

BY ALBERT EDMUND LANCASTER.

ONCE upon a time,
In a country far away,
It was made by law a crime
To carouse on Christmas day.
The king who was in power
Was all a tyrant should be—
Like the Czar, this very hour,
Or the Kaiser, if he could be!

So he spread his edict wide,
And with penalties most awful
He declared that Christmastide
From that moment was unlawful,
And that woman, child or man
Who to making gifts was wedded,
And presumed to break the ban
Should be instantly beheaded.

Then the people all grew still
In each city, town and village,
From the merchant at his till
To the farmer at his tillage;
And the hearts of all waxed hard,
(Like the fragmentary suet you'd
With pastry mingle), marred
With innocuous desuetude.

Not a mincemeat pie was made;
All plum-puddings were forbidden;
By live turkeys, unafraid,
Every farm was overridden.

Not a butcher in the land
Could be bribed his trade to quicken
(So much feared was the command),
With a Philadelphia chicken!

Every blessed toy was crushed;
Every talking doll was strangled;
Every squeaking pig was hushed;
All tin crocodiles were mangled;
And the lovely Noah's arks,
Where the cattle all are spotted,
Were snapped up by royal sharks
And to cruel flames allotted.

Not one leaf of evergreen,
Not one trace of crimson berry
Was in any corner seen;
For 'twas treason to be merry!
And one very sweet old dear
Superannuated fossil
Was imprisoned for a year
Just because he asked for wassail!

Every theater was closed,
Though the managers were active,
And, as might have been supposed,
Got up programs most attractive.
But the despot, with a frown
On his narrow visual orbit,

His imperial foot put down
When the people shrieked for Corbett!

Wretched convicts in their cell
Were denied their Christmas dinners;
For the monarch, with a yell,
Voted viands bad for sinners.
No poor children (so he said),
Mattered not whose girls or whose boys,
Should be delicately fed,
No—not even little newsboys.

But the worst has not appeared:
Upon Christmas Eve, by jimminy!
An old man, with snow-white beard,
Was discovered down a chimney.
Though his hair was stiff with frost,
Yet his eyes were soft and kindly,
As if at any cost
He'd resolve to "go it" blindly.

They took him into court,
A policeman on each side of him,
Who looked as if, in short,
They had tried to have the hide of him.
His arms hung by his side,
Where they clubbed him, in their dudgeon,
And the crimson life-blood dyed
The constabulary bludgeon.

"We come on dis 'ere cove
A kickin' up a riot
In de chimley near de stove—
He knows he can't deny it.
O, what a nerve he's got!"
(Surprised were all beholders
To hear this parting shot)—
"We found dese on his shoulders."

Accustomed to police,
And to horrors blackly painted,

The Justice of the Peace
Looked up and nearly fainted!
For there, alive with mirth
In impish protestation,
Lay every toy on earth
Invented since creation!

In that barbarian hair—
Beyond to-day's solution—
They had no easy chair
Baptized "Electrocution."
The axeman and the block
Were always waiting ready
To kill you at one shock,
If only you kept steady.

"Say, are you married, sir?"
The Justice asked, "or single?"
The prisoner, all astir,
Replied, "My name's Kris Kringle."
The Justice heaved a sigh,
And murmured "Poor old chappie!
'Too bad you've got to die
For making millions happy!'"

To death was he condemned,
And put on bread and water;
The sentence Heaven contemned,
And frowned upon such slaughter.
He disappeared by night,
Through more than mortal magic;
His reindeers helped his flight
To times and climes less tragic.

To times and climes like ours,
Where Freedom's joyous sway,
With banquets, gifts and flowers
Makes glad old Christmas Day.
So drink we now his health,
Whom spoilsports would destroy;
For happiness is wealth
And Heaven itself is joy!

CHRISTMAS AND THE CHILDREN.

It Is a Joyous Occasion for Young and Grateful Hearts.

Christmas is par excellence the children's feast. If any one doubts it, he has only to compare the holiday in a home where there are no children with the celebration where there is even one olive branch. The more of these the merrier. One of the times when there can hardly be too big a quiverful is at holiday time—that is to say, so far as enjoyment is concerned. On the financial side of the question opinions may differ. Yet, properly trained children are usually unexacting little creatures, who have as keen enjoyment in cheap playthings and inexpensive gifts as in the costly productions of the French and German toy-makers.

The wise parent, knowing how quickly the time of beautiful child-faith must pass, cherish all the sweet baby beliefs as long as they can. They tell wonderful tales of Santa Claus, of Kris Kringle, of St. Nicholas—the beneficent Christmas saint is the same under any any alias—they repeat and teach the blessed ballad of "The Night Before Christmas," they raise to the dignity of a state ceremony the business of hanging up stockings, and in a general way make the most of the sweet, merry mystery surrounding the great holiday.

There are some people who deprecate the teachings concerning dear old Santa Claus, and say that when a child learns that the saint is a myth he loses a portion of his faith in his parents' truthfulness and in their instructions concerning other and more sacred mysteries. The objection seems of little force. If the story of the Christmas saint is told, as are the tales of fairies, gnomes, and other sprites, the child's serious faith is seldom shaken by the gradual awakening to the perception that the beloved Santa Claus is only another myth, a parable, like that of Jack Frost, who paints the colored leaves of autumn with a touch of his chilly finger, and locks the lakes and streams by a blast of his icy breath. It is not wise for the father and mother who tell the Santa Claus fiction to insist upon its truthfulness as they do upon that of the Babe in the manger, but they will readily learn to grade the emphasis they place upon either story.

The joy of Christmas should never be clouded by any bitter associations in the minds of the children. Never let a switch find its way into the Christmas stocking. The punishment of such a mortification and disappointment may seem merited in the eyes of the mother. It would not, could she for a moment enter into the feelings in the depth of the childish heart wounded by the cruel rebuke. There is no fault—I say it advisedly—worthy of so bitter a penalty.

On Christmas, "the sweet o' the year" to the little ones, let there be no shadow of pain, of rebuke, of sorrow that the elders can by any effort spare to the young hearts.

EXCHANGE OF GIFTS.

Christmas Not to Be Degraded by the Mercenary Spirit.

In theory, the exchange of Christmas gifts is a beautiful custom. Christmas is supposedly a time when kindly feelings and universal good-will prompt a general manifestation of regard in the exchange of presents. It is the friendship expressed in the act that is valued. The proof of kindly feeling that is shown is the worth of the present. The cause and not the effect occasions the pleasure. All look forward to the happy holiday times when each is gladdened, and, in turn, makes others glad by tokens of honest regard and friendly feeling. The world fairly beams with good cheer. Every one has caught the spirit of the generous insight: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." The intrinsic value of the article given does not of itself express love. In fact, the simple gift that contains the loving toil of a humble giver represents far more truly the Christmas spirit than the careless munificence of a wealth friend.

But we need to keep on our guard lest this beautiful day be degraded by the mercenary spirit. It will not do to say that the pecuniary value of gifts holds no relation to their power of expressing thoughtfulness and love. The trivial gift of a very rich friend certainly does not usually express deep regard; while the slightest token may be the evidence of a poor man's real affection. But to make the giving of Christmas presents a matter of tacit bargain, to say to one's self, "Such a one gave me a present worth a dollar. I will return it with one worth 90 cents," or "I will give a present worth a dollar in hope of getting one worth two," is to soil the beauty of the day, and to degrade the spirit it expresses. In the temple of Christmas day there should be no tables of money-changers, no sale of oxen, nor even of doves.—The Watchman.

Another Side.

A city girl had spent her whole summer in trying to elevate the simple country people with whom she was boarding, says the Detroit Tribune. Now she was bidding them adieu.

"Good-by, Mr. Stiles," she said, "I hope my visit here hasn't been entirely without good results."

"Sartin not," said Farmer Stiles, "sartin not. You've learnt a heap since you first come; but, by cracky! you was about the greenest one we ever had on our hands."

DORMAN B. EATON is more prominently connected with civil service reform since the death of George William Curtis than any other American. He is now a leading corporation lawyer in New York, where he began practicing forty-three years ago.

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—AND—

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The Most Astonishing Medical Discovery of the Last One Hundred Years.

It is Pleasant to the Taste as the Sweetest Nectar.
It is Safe and Harmless as the Purest Milk.

This wonderful Nervine Tonic has only recently been introduced into this country by the proprietors and manufacturers of the Great South American Nervine Tonic, and yet its great value as a curative agent has long been known by a few of the most learned physicians, who have not brought its merits and value to the knowledge of the general public.

This medicine has completely solved the problem of the cure of indigestion, dyspepsia, and diseases of the general nervous system. It is also of the greatest value in the cure of all forms of failing health from whatever cause. It performs this by the great nervine tonic qualities which it possesses, and by its great curative powers upon the digestive organs, the stomach, the liver and the bowels. No remedy compares with this wonderfully valuable Nervine Tonic as a builder and strengthener of the life forces of the human body, and as a great renewer of a broken-down constitution. It is also of more real permanent value in the treatment and cure of diseases of the lungs than any consumption remedy ever used on this continent. It is a marvelous cure for nervousness of females of all ages. Ladies who are approaching the critical period known as change in life, should not fail to use this great Nervine Tonic, almost constantly, for the space of two or three years. It will carry them safely over the danger. This great strengthener and curative is of inestimable value to the aged and infirm, because its great energizing properties will give them a new hold on life. It will add ten or fifteen years to the lives of many of those who will use a half dozen bottles of the remedy each year.

IT IS A GREAT REMEDY FOR THE CURE OF

Nervousness,	Broken Constitution,
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Sick Headache,	Heartburn and Sour Stomach,
Female Weakness,	Weight and Tenderness in Stomach,
Nervous Chills,	Loss of Appetite,
Paralysis,	Frightful Dreams,
Nervous Paroxysms and	Dizziness and Ringing in the Ears,
Nervous Choking,	Weakness of Extremities and
Hot Flashes,	Fainting,
Palpitation of the Heart,	Impure and Impoverished Blood,
Mental Despondency,	Boils and Carbuncles,
Sleeplessness,	Scrofula,
St. Vitus' Dance,	Scrofulous Swellings and Ulcers,
Nervousness of Females,	Consumption of the Lungs,
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CRAWFORDSVILLE, IND., Aug. 20, '86.
To the Great South American Medicine Co.:
DEAR GENTS:—I desire to say to you that I have suffered for many years with a very serious disease of the stomach and nerves. I tried every medicine I could hear of, but nothing done me any appreciable good until I was advised to try your Great South American Nervine Tonic and Stomach and Liver Cure, and since using several bottles of it I must say that I am surprised at its wonderful powers to cure the stomach and general nervous system. If everyone knew the value of this remedy as I do you would not be able to supply the demand.
J. A. HARDEE, Ex-Treas. Montgomery Co.

REBECCA WILKINSON, of Brownsvalley, Ind., says: "I had been in a distressed condition for three years from Nervousness, Weakness of the Stomach, Dyspepsia, and indigestion, until my health was gone. I had been doctoring constantly, with no relief. I bought one bottle of South American Nervine, which done me more good than any $50 worth of doctoring I ever did in my life. I would advise every weakly person to use this valuable and lovely remedy; a few bottles of it has cured me completely. I consider it the grandest medicine in the world."

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this June 22, 1887.
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HARRIET E. HALL, of Waynetown, Ind., says: "I owe my life to the Great South American Nervine. I had been in bed for five months from the effects of an exhausted stomach, Indigestion, Nervous Prostration, and a general shattered condition of my whole system. Had given up all hopes of getting well. Had tried three doctors, with no relief. The first bottle of the Nervine Tonic improved me so much that I was able to walk about, and a few bottles cured me entirely. I believe it is the best medicine in the world. I can not recommend it too highly."

MRS. ELLA A. BRATTON, of New Ross, Indiana, says: "I cannot express how much I owe to the Nervine Tonic. My system was completely shattered, appetite gone, was coughing and spitting up blood; am sure I was in the first stages of consumption, an inheritance handed down through several generations. I began taking the Nervine Tonic, and continued its use for about six months, and am entirely cured. It is the grandest remedy for nerves, stomach and lungs I have ever seen."

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