

THE weather man is again talking through his Medicine Hat.

SANTA CLAUS is about due, the children are expectant, while their elders are shopping.

To bad we cannot unload that Dry Plant on some other community as a Christmas present. Won't someone please take it?

AGUINALDO is in disguise, but all the same Otis will not go around hunting for some one who looks like Geo. Washington.

REMEMBER the poor during this festive season. There is no other time in the year when the worthy poor feel their poverty so keenly as during the holidays, when joy is all around them.

GEN. WHEELER says the war would have been ended long ago if it had not been for the anti-imperialists. There is a general belief in this country that Otis should share the responsibility

THE young man who starts out on life's journey at the age of twenty-one, with a good education and a library of good books worth \$100, starts several notches higher up than the young man who has \$10,000, a \$50 dog and a \$100 gun, and no education.

HIGH LIGHTS.

It is the expected that happens under the mistletoe.

Contentment is the feeling that things might be worse.

When a woman doesn't talk she is dull; when a man doesn't talk he is deep.

A pessimist is a man who won't spend more money than he can afford at Christmas.

Even when a woman needs useful Christmas gifts she would rather have pretty ones.

Woman's most effective weapon used to be a tear; now it is a smile and a becoming frock.

A man's most flinty-hearted creditor is his own small son from whom he has borrowed a nickel.

The truth should be spoken at all times, and held back when you are acknowledging Christmas gifts.

We detest people who meddle with our affairs; and then, again, we detest people who don't notice us at all.—Chicago Record.

THE DOMESTIC FILIPINOS.

An anti-imperialistic meeting at Minneapolis this week was interesting as an exhibition of the weakness of the cause and the intensity, almost malignancy of the feeling of the anti-imperialistic party. In the large city of Minneapolis, at a well-advertised meeting with Governor Lind and others as star attractions, about 500 were gathered. A minister who led in what was more of an address to the throne than a prayer said in it, "God grant not to give our soldier boys success, for we believe it not Thy will, but preserve them and bring them safely home." A speaker, who followed the gentleman who modestly claimed to know the di-

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Made of good quality lawn, with alternate reversing and tucks; broad hem at bottom, and is neatly gathered at waist; a very superior and stylish article. Size, 36x40 inches.
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vine will, was wildly cheered as he said, "God strengthen the arm that strikes for freedom, whether it be here at home or in the jungles of Luzon." The minister prayed for defeat to American soldiers, the layman prayed that the insurgents' arm might be strengthened to strike heavier blows at our soldiers. In some mysterious way, such prayers have been answered for the encouragement to Aguinaldo from similar meetings, has strengthened and lengthened the insurrection and caused the loss of many an American life.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The REPUBLICAN PROGRESS wishes every friend, reader and patron a most enjoyable and merry Christmas. A newspaper as old as this has many readers who have spent Christmas after Christmas loyal to it, and to these especially we wish most happy returns of the day. This festive season is a time of good cheer and good feeling. We become nearer

the ideal brotherhood of man with each recurring Christmas festival, the heart softens, it is a time of forgiving and forgetting wrongs and being imbued with unbounded charity for all. No better people than the supporters of the REPUBLICAN PROGRESS exist anywhere, and on such an occasion there are none so happy as the good. May the Christ-child whose birth we celebrate enter into your hearts and lives, and may your Christmas partake of that holy peace, which the angels sang about, on that memorable first Christmas, "Peace on earth, good will to men."

God bless you, and again a merry Christmas.

—Look here, dear reader, if you come in and subscribe before Feb. 1, 1900, we will present you a subscription for one year to "The Pilgrim," the best dollar magazine ever printed, free of charge. This offer will also apply to all who pay up arrearages and renew.

Col. John R. East has returned from Bedford where he has been attending court this week.

Robert Crea dangerously ill at his home southwest of the city the past two weeks with pneumonia is greatly improved.

Some miscreant whose identity is at present unknown shot a valuable hunting dog, the property of Link Browning this morning. While the animal will not die it is badly wounded.

A Post Master's View of it.
BLOOMINGDALE IND., Feb. 20, 1899.
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A. W. Hanson is visiting at Indianapolis.

Dr. J. F. Potts has returned from a business trip to Louisville.

Joseph Durham of Bedford is transacting business in the city.

M. E. Forkner, of Newcastle is visiting his daughter who is attending the university.

Mrs. Elizabeth Applegate has returned to her home in Corydon from a visit to Mrs. Vanzant.

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