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Immigration. Rev. C. E. McKelvey, of Pine Grove Mills.

When we consider how many foreigners are coming annually to our shore, there is occasion for alarm. Many men would say there is no occasion for alarm today, there are few men foresighted enough to see the danger. Dr. B. O. McIntire, of Dickinson College, says there is danger, there is occasion for alarm.

Josiah Strong says : "Political optimism is a vice of America." "Political optimism is as senseless as pessimism is faithless." the one is a foolish attitude, the other is a wicked position to assume.

There are at least two things which cause so many people to come to our shores. First, the attractive influences of America; second, the repellant influence of the East.

America offers many inducements. The geographical situation is one. We have a large sea coast. We are approached from the north, south, east and west. This at tracts the seaman who desires to be a com mercial man of the sea.

Commerce has been a very important fac tor in the development of every colony. It was commerce that developed Greece and made Carthage that great commercial city. Commerce developed our own colonies and made them the United States of America. Now she has lusters that are envied by many and paralleled by few.

Commerce drives away isolation, the mother of barbarism. Commerce joins the hands of nations in bonds of peace and prosperity. It is commerce that is opening the barred doors of Africa, the closed gates of China, and the once closed doors of Asia.

Note the second inducement: There is plenty of unoccupied land. In some of the Eastern countries this is not the case. Compare the extent of land in our west with our east, or the far east. Note the size of some of our western States. Montana would stretch from Boston to Cleveland on the west, and for enough to include Richmond on the South. Great Britain and Ireland would not occupy all of New Mexico. If Texas were placed over Norway, one side would cover London, the other side would include Denmark, Germany and Austria, while the foot of Texas would be bathed by the Mediteranean sea.

Another inducement is the fertility of the western lands. The soil is rich in most places and there are few places that have not abundantly repaid the labor of man. If we have the ear to catch the past. No through, and unto Christ, an of years past is now blooming like the rose and new and powerful industrial operations are now working.

Then think of the vast mineral resources and the abundance of valuable ores. We are told that the vast supply of mineral wealth is not yet known.

Note the repelling influences of Europe. Consider how Europe drives her people westward to America. We mentioned the fact that much of Europe was crowded. German people seem to have one desire; that is, to make enough of money to come to America. The Italians are better cared for here than they are in Italy. They get more food, of a better kind, and in larger amounts than they do in Italy.

Great Britian demands tax. This we realized when our colonies objected to pay more tax. If Great Britain continues these unresourceable demands, we must yet expect to receive many thousands of her peo-

What are the results of all this in the rush of people to our shores? We do not, in the first place, wish to be depreciative of what some foreigners have done for us. Our fore-fathers were foreigners. We are proud of such courageous, liberty-loving men. We land the liberty that the Germans has put in our breasts. But not all of the im- ever heard. Shall our century get but the migrants are such types of men. They have not all possessed that tireless activity, that see some faint gleam of "the morning dral, this adoration and gratitude are loftiness of aim, and they have not all had light," the beginnings of that blessed conthat sacredness for our institutions which summation, when every loving American holds so dear.

Immigration, in the first place, is demoralizing. Dr. Strong asserts: "Immigration the "people and realms of every tongue." He manifested by making the earth, furnishes us with thieves, criminals, social- Listen again. Hear the angel messenger through age-long processes a fit home for ists, mormons and Catholics." We cannot speak: "Fear not: for I bring you good His dear child, immortal man. He further discuss here the problem of Catholicism. | tidings of great joy, which shall be to all manifested this Divine love by sending His Suffice it to say our constitution grants its people. For unto you is born this day in only son to become one of us, that we subjects freedom of speech and liberty of the city of David a Saviour, which is mig't always understand how sacred is the schools and institutions of learning.

Pope Pius IX may have said that "lib-Bismark, Lafayette and a Roman priest, to me, to the world? To hear the true are worthy of note. Gladstone said, "The Christmas message, and to realize its true life of the Heaven born child teaches us daimoral and mental freedom." Bismark in the heart. When the real Christmas messaid, "The Pope is more powerful in our sage finds a true interpretation by humanicountry than any other person." Lafayette ty as a whole, then this old world shall sacrifice the self for altruistic aims and said, "If ever our liberties are taken from have its real Christmas, world-wide, and causes.

Mormonism is a very deadly foe. It is a political power, no longer a church, that is this message from the Christmas record in destroying sacred homes, institutions and the phonograph of Father Time. character. Its growth is alarming. Our people our waking to the disgrace it has danger, nor do they stop its acceleration of in some parts of the county. People in growth in our western States.

There are two kinds of Socalism. The Tuesday.

one does not directly aim at the destruction of the home, institution and individual. The other aims at this destruction directly.

In face of the above results of immigra. tion ought we not be more careful as to the kind of immigrants we are to receive. Ethnologists claim that mixed races are the hest and by far the superior. But while day? Let us consider briefly the answer this is true ought we not to some extent given in Collessians 1:15-18. restrain the in-rushing tide of all kinds of

beneath the shadows of the Pyramids, "Re. their tyrant hands have caused.

'We are living, we are living, In a grand and awful time, In an age on ages telling-

Rev. Jas. B. Stein, Bellefonte. Its records still entertain and instruct, but of error and uncertainty. rarely now excite amazement or wonder. now all familiar with the interesting "talking-machine," yet to the thoughtful and arouse the deeper sensibilities.

This may serve as an introduction to a Christmas message to you, dear reader. If the master-English poet was right in say- him. ing, that we may find "songs in trees. books in running brooks, sermons in stones, keen-edged soythe, the hour glass, and the honor at Christmas. proverbial fore-lock, the "up-to-date" presiding genius of the passing years now carof our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, "very | thought he can afford to be patient. God and very man," for the redemption, 3. We have considered the exalted staties of the season to obscure, or confuse, salvation. the message of the real Christmas record? Do you now hear the silent message from the unseen record, as the revolving year tells out the glad, good news of that first

Christmas day, "mark ! the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King ; Peace on earth, and mercy mild;

God and sinners reconciled." That was the first "glory song" this world, full of strife and sorrow,

"Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun does his

us they will be taken from us by the Roman full as the deepest needs of the human soul. May true Christmas peace and real Christmas joys come, this year, to all who read

--- Though it is decidedly rough owing brought, but our people do not see the to the sudden freeze up there is sleighing

The Pre-eminent Christ.

Rev. W. Henry Schuyler, Centre Hall

Who is he whose advent the angelic choir announced in the first Christmas anthem, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men," and whose birth Christendom celebrates next Tues.

1. He "is the image of the invisible above evils to be sown and nourished into seen me hath seen the Father." God canlife at so great an accelerated rate? If we not be seen by flesh and blood. "Thou tory. do our future is easily determined. Our canst not see my face : for there shall no It is sadly true that even yet in Chris- come and almost gone, and most of us are reason, as well as for the feat that a sketch country will not be the "land of the free man see me, and live." But so far as man tian lands one shell from an angry cannon obliged to say that of the many plans made of the life of such an extraordinary woman and the home of the brave" very long. Our can look upon God in this life he sees him will drive Christ and all the prophets country will not be the dominant power in Jesus Christ. Something of the Deity quickly off the field, but in an age mad for in all the world, civilizing and christianizing may be known in other ways, but the vis- war, and screaming for fight, the optimist the world. The expression, "we live in an ion is dim, distorted, uncertain; but he still has hope, because, when the wonderful exceptional age" of Emerson will fade as who beholds the power, the love, the wis- progress of the marvelous country so releaf.

Napolean said to his army as they rested

Napolean said to his army as they rested member that from yonder heights forty generations look down upon you." Men of this
age, if these evils are not controlled we shall look hask to our present pyramids of
shall look hask to our present pyramids of prosperity, liberty and enlightenment upon the flesh." Moreover we need expect no brave talk, yet has he done more than any which God has placed ue, and see what further revelation of God than we have in living man to accomplish the Christian's could see all men thoroughly grasp the learn war any more." thought that Jesus Christ is the only infal- It is just because men never before since lible revelation of the supreme being, and time began felt so kindly toward each oth-The Phonograph of Time-A Christmas that all otherwise acquired knowledge of er as the men of today feel that we are God must be brought to the test of the rev- very sure peace will one day reign over all elation made in him, great would be the the earth. The phonograph is no longer a novelty. strengthening of faith and the dissipation | The most significant movement of the

2. He is "the first-born of all creation." Well do we remember, however, our first Not that he was created, but the first-born the inferior races and nations. experience with the phonograph, then con- in comparison with all creation, or as in

In him as its source lay all, "like seeds the wealth or hurt of all. in a seed vessel," and through him "as the more than simply please, entertain, and in- comes the beginning, the means, and the united that we are one America but, fur- have lived. struct us. They grip our very soul and end of all things; and still more "in him ther, we are in accord and concord with all things consist." The continuance of Europe, the Orient and South America as ready to forgive and help us to begin over this wonderful creation, all its varied never before. movements and manifestations are due to

and good in every thing," then truly may the various manifestations of matter by the to not seen. the phonograph furnish us a text for a "thumb-nail" sermon for this Christ- way as to make God unnecessary. In that the phonograph furnish us a text for a operation of unintelligent forces in such a mas-tide. Father Time has revised they cannot succeed so long as we believe sad soul hear the echo of the angels' song Jesus. his familiar equipment. In addition to the what inspiration here says of him whom we by some token of good will, sent cherrily

each year, each century, has its record, and new methods till science itself comes to our happiness, we also think of you." we may hear, at each returning Yule-tide, substantial agreement. The Bible simply if we have the ear to catch the silent voice, tells us that all things were created in, sweeter, more blessed message than that of him ; but does not tell us how all this is. "The bulwark of our nation is the pubthe first century of the Christian Era; than The Christian can accept any method that lie school system." This is an expression that of "Anno Christi;"-than that of the does not thrust the Son of God down from often heard in our midst. A true saying ; first Christmas Day, -the day that records the lofty place given him here and else- it ought to be truer than it is; it would be the advent into this old sin-cursed world where in Scripture ; and holding on to this if the all important office of school director

the regeneration, and restoration of the tion of our Lord with regard to the mate- fice that should be beyond the reach of reworld to righteousness and peace. Can you, rial creation. There is also a Spiritual cre- ligious, social and domestic influences. In my friend, hear the Christmas record in ation, and in the 18th verse Christ is given this sense, those influences should in no the phonograph of time? Amid the discordant notes of our modern strenuoue it. Matter and Spirit include all oreated or the appointment of teachers. Men (or Christmas shopping, and burdensome existence. Hence in all things he has the women) who are known for their intelli-Christmas toiling for this joyous (?) event, pre-eminence. Now, he who is thus ex- gence and breadth of vision are the amid all the worry, and anxiety, and some- alted above all things, who made all, both ones we should seek to fill that all importtimes excessive financial considerations, material and Spiritual, in himself, through ant position, yet in many of our rural diswhat is the message you hear from the himself, and for himself, who must there- tricts they are men who can scarcely read Christmas record of Time's phonograph? fore be divine, humbled himself to be born and write intelligibly and whose homes

> "All that see and share his love: Earth to heaven and heaven to earth, Tell his wonders, sing his worth : Age to age and shore to shore, Praise him, praise him, evermore."

The Song of the Christmas Augels. Rev. Edwin G. Richardson, Bellefonte.

Glory here means recognition, thanks-

giving : therefore, today, in public worship with the words of inspired men of old time, and the best music genius has proecho of that heavenly authem? Can we not duced, from village church andgreat cathepublicly expressed by millions of the faith-

The world rejoices today to know that When the Prince of Peace shall rule God is, and that He is Love, which love conscience. We aim to express this in our Christ the Lord." Hear the "Magnificat" family, how divine is childhood, that heavof Mary (Luke 1 : 46-55.), and the "Nane | en rift in the earth cloud, that dream of Dimittis"of the aged Simeon in the temple Paradise perpetually realized before our erty of conscience is an error of pesti- (Luke 2:29 32,). What do these mes- eyes, whose innocence makes us good, lence," but the expressions of Gladstone, sages of the Christmas record mean to you, whose charming helplessness keeps alive all sweet human sympathies, even as the Pope requires his convert to forfeit his meaning, is to have the genuine Christmas ly how we ought to live the Heavenly and ideal, the noble and unselfish life, while

> Therefore, this Christmas anthem should | physical sense but in a moral sense as well. be our daily hymn, reminding all how near heaven is to each-"it lies about us the Eternal Life.

There was little, and that short-lived places. peace anywhere when that beautiful music er, everywhere the soldier marched, all will take up the study of medicine.

lands were marred by altars built to the

But that song and the child have bestowed upon mankind the fair ideal of a Golden Age

"When the war drums beat no longer, And the battle flags unfurled, In the parliament of man, the federation of the

world." This is no iridescent dream, no hopeless vision of hapless seer, but an ideal strong people? Shall we permit the seeds of the God," as he himself said, "He that hath and glorious, destined, in fact, on this sinstained earth to achieve triumphant vic-

ter; and, unless Jesus can be effaced from stand out clear and luminous above all Jesus except that he was "God manifest in he he at times with his "Big Stick" and expected. Christ: the image of the invisible is all hope of peace "when nation shall not lift that we can look upon. If this Christmas up sword against uation, neither shall they

sidered "the wonder machine." What a the 17th verse "He is before all things." ly conflict, but when the work is done husense of the marvelous, what feelings of Then follows the comprehensive statement manity will become one and harmonions. sense of the marvelous, what feelings of Then follows the comprehensive statement manity will become one and harmonious. awe, this latest triumph of scientific genius that all conceivable things not only on the Rapid transit, electricity, trade, religious inspired in us! To hear a voice, as it were, earth, but in the entire universe, visible toleration, are making the whole earth tofrom the dead, a voice from that "undiscov- and invisible, not only creatures but insti- day every man's home, and are compelling again. But how many times of doubting ered country from whose bourn no traveller tutions, all the multitudinous forms and us all to realize that we are one family of returns," to say the least, was suggestive kinds of existence of which we know so litof the uncanny and supernatural. We are the—all was created in him, and unto him. meshed that the weal and woe of one are find us so impatient as we were at times. the army in the war of 1812. Then came

And the sense of a universal social unity expresses itself through the large gifts of God takes everything into consideration. Here is something to think of these days the prosperous for education, philanthropy when some men are trying to explain all and charities such as the world has hither-

to the cheerless abode of poverty, bearing That is not to say that we are to hold this message : "You are not forgotten on on to the exact method of creation taught this bright day, that makes your sullen lot ries an imaginary phonograph, in which centuries ago; neither should we accept appear more sombre, for, in the midst of

An Important Issue

was filled by men who appreciated the responsibilities of that position. It is an ofway govern the management of our schools Shall we permit the popular conventionali- of woman and partook of our nature for our and farms are an illustration of their executive ability. Too often this is the type of citizen we choose for school director, to manage our taxes and the state appropriation for schools; the latter ought to be conditioned on the people choosing capable men to apply it. In addition to this it Europe. They contributed to the needs of should also be required that the instruction given should reach a certain standard, especially so in our country schools. In too many instances it is decidedly low. In fact, it amounts to nothing but the undoing of the home training of the child in self discipline and habits of promptness and tidi-

Many parents never stop to think that during the school term their children spend more of their waking hours under the influence of a teacher whose character and babits of life, in many instances, is questionable. Who hold their position by

virture of their family, religious or social connections. There is on the part of parents entirely too much indifference in regard to the condition and discipline in their school. The writer could cite an instance where the diphtheria spread through an entire community because the directors neglected to properly fumigate the room and supplies. The only thing they, in their narrow vision, could see, was the expense attached to it. It was finally done because the parents demanded it. It is the duty of parents to stand back of the school board and see that they throw proper safeguards about their children when at school. Not only in a

We have many reasons for being proud of our school system, but a little more inevermore the spiritual which, indeed, is the spring election for directors, might give us more reason to be proud of it, in some

The New Year.

Rev. C. F. Garrett, Millheim. the beginning of 1906 that after the exper- nesday in the very best of health. ience of the past years we should lose so

year, very few have been carried out. We expected when the year began to Wednesday: takes of the past. But here we are again Pa., in 1772.

We have not been as ready to forgive as we ought to have been; we have seemed to he in the stream rolling balls and five daughters.

March 22ud, 1831, Miss Moore was united taking the name of God in vain.

We have held hard bitter grudges against moved to Williamsburg.

Mrs. Stalker's memory is remarkable, The most significant movement of the present is the determined advance of the whole civilized world against savages, and the inferior races and nations.

We have field naid ditter grunges against some one, and we never thought another year would come when we should do so much criticising, so much fault finding with other people, and yet while looking since been gathered to the fathers. She has

After what God had previously done for us we thought we never should doubt Him and distrust there have been in the past Impatience has cropped ont in this place There is good will today, perfect, com- or that, and, indeed, it is surprising when serious mind it has not lost its peculiar medium of the Divine energy" all came plete, between north and south, east and we look over the past year to see how alcharm. We confess the record-messages into being, and that for him. Thus he be- west, for not only is our country at last so together inconsistently we as Christians its prosperity and decline during another

If God were not so patient with us, so again, it would indeed be a discouraging it was published by John McCaban a hunoutlook when the past is considered. But dred years ago. She can tell numberless Knows every thought and purpose and plan and failure, and so gives us a new command to forget those things which are

While the past is discouraging, let us ask forgiveness for our failures and start anew the year 1907.

Christmas and the Poor Rev. H. I. Crow, Hublersburg.

in the year of jubilee it was restored to him. The prisoner was released. Christmas is man's jubilee. Christ's coming into the world tends to equalize things. Man was steam boat was built. She was lour years created in God's image. Sin alienated man from God. Every day saw the breach growing wider. God desired that man should attain more and more unto His likeness. To impress man with His love and to attain this end, God came to man in the person of His son. He came to the poor and lowly. He came to those who were living true lives according to the light of their day. The year of jubilee has come for the whole world. Jesus was cared for by the poor. He ministered to rich and poor alike. He at their homes on Second street. It is only within the last year or two that she healed their diseases. He taught men respect for others. He taught them to live right lives. He broke with the ruling class only as they failed to be governed by this inner principle of life. Because of this new life, men sold their possessions and distribution was made to the needy. This spirit of others. She has never been sick except actuated the mission churches of Asia and the poor in Jerusalem and Judea. God's gift has caused man to become a giver. There is much in this old world that shows the power of evil; but one must be blind. indeed, who does not see the good. The from the Williamsburg band, also complipoor are being ministered unto. Public ments and congratulations from some dis schools and hospitals, orphanages and homes for the aged, the response to appeals in time of fire, flood and earthquake, all bear witness of a spirit abroad which means a sumptuous dinner is served. She is almore for the world today than did the year of Jubilee to the Jews. Christmas revives this spirit. It keeps it alive in the hearts of men. It brings deliverance to the captive. Employer gives expression of his love to employee and employee to his employer, parents to children and children to parents. Phose in far distant lands as well as the poor and the stranger at home are remembered. The year of jubilee has come. May we all catch the spirit of the Christ and be the means of lifting the burden from shoulders and give joy and gladness to the poor and needy; then it will be our year of

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

-John D. Sourbeck will this week about complete the manufacturing of his boliday orders for clear toys and other candies and his factory will then be closed for the present. He has had a busy time of it during the past six weeks or more in our infancy"—summoning all to live terest on the part of the voting parents, in stuff. One Altona firm alone took ten ing gave us another real touch of winter and has manufactured many tons of sweet - Dunn, State's big football captain that Mr. Sourbeck gives a guarantee that degrees below according to location, while came floating down from the cloudless for '06, has decided to devote his life to all his candies are pure and will stand the in some parts of the county it was even Halfmoon valley were using sleighs on Syrian sky, for all men hated each the oth- medical missionary work and to that end most rigid test of the pure food de- colder, though at Snow Shoe it was only

ONE HUNDRED AND SIX YEARS OLD. -All the older residents of Ferguson and New Year is fast approaching; there is College townships very well remember Mrs. not much time left for us to do anything Elizabe h Stalker, widow of John Stalker. this year. In one way our heart will be who years ago was a farmer near Pine sad when we think over the past year of Grove Mills, and will be pleased to learn mistakes, failures, misspent time, lost op- that she celebrated the one bundredth and portunities. It did not seem possible at sixth anniversary of her birth on Wed-

The writer of these lines feels more than many opportunities of speaking a word for a friendly interest in this good old lady's Christ, so many chances of speaking a help- health because it was on the Stalker farm ful word to some one, and yet the year has he first saw the light of day and for this and pledges given for special work for the is in itself interesting, that we publish the following from the Altoona Tribune, of

spend more time in prayer; we thought we Mrs. Stalker's maiden name was Elizashould learn to love the Bible more; we beth Moore. Her father, Joseph Moore, was born in Ireland in 1757, and emigrated

sixth of a family of ten children, five sons

be in the stream rolling belplessly along in marriage with John Stalker with whom and almost powerless to resist the tide; we she moved to Warriorsmark, Huntingdon have not stood up for Christ when we have county, where Mr. Stalker followed the heard His name ridiculed and scoffed at; many times when we have not wanted it to was engaged in farming until his death in was engaged in farming until his death in be known that we are Christians, we have 1865. Two years thereafter Mrs. Stalker, kept quiet while those around us were with her family, moved to Duncansville where she remained until 1882 when she

fore there were any stores in Hollidaysburg. She remembers the days when preachers wore knee breeches and plaited their hair, when borseback was the chief means of traffic, and arking was the mode of river transportation. She remembers seeing a squad of soldiers on their way to the building of the Philadelphia and Pitts-

burg tumpike. average lifetime and has lived another similar period since. The first newspaper which she read in girlhood was the Huntingdon Gazette and Weekly Advertiser, when other things of which the present generation can have no knowledge, either from faded annals or historic legend.

Mrs. Stalker's family consisted of six children, two sous who died in early life, mother. She has also three grandchildren

and three great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Stalker's life covers the period of the most marvelous material development in the history of the world. Her memory goes back to the time when Napoleou was first consul of France, when Thomas Jefferson purchased the Louisiana tract, when there were only sixteen States in the The Jews had their year of jubilee. This union, when the population of the United occurred every fiftieth year. If any one was States was less than 6,000,000, when Lewis the wealth of the union. She has lived during the terms of all the presidents of the old when Burr and Hamilton fought their fatal duel. She was nine years old when Lincoln was born and 19 years when Queen

Victoria was born. Mrs. Stalker is wonderfully well preserved for one of her age and retains all faculties to a remarkable degree, being able to read newspapers and the Bible each day. Her voice is strong and audible and her hearing is good favorable she walks from her home to church service in the Presbyterian church almost a square distant. About a month ago she called on several of her neighbors has desisted from reading the presidents' messages entirely through. She still takes an active interest in political events. She has always been a firm believer in the principles upon which the republican party is She has always and frugal, very generous and thoughtful some trival indispositions in recent years incident to her extreme age.

Many people come from a distance to call upon Mrs. Stalker and consider it a her. The people of Williamsburg are very proud of her and lovingly call her "Grandna." She has received several serenades linguished people. Each year, on the anniversary of her birth, a number of her most intimate friends gather at her home to congratulate her and celebrate the event when ways bright and cheerful with an abiding faith in Him whose divine precepts have guided her through life.

Being informed of the date of her anniversary and on receipt of her card written by her on December 14th, 1906. President Roosevelt sent his "Hearty Congratula ' to Mrs. Stalker.

All who know her love her and hope she may be spared to celebrate many birthdays.

-Bellefonters had to go without any Philadelphia newspapers or mail last Saturday until 5.30 o'olock in the evening owing to a big wreck on the P. & E. railroad near Halifax. Two trains, one of which was a fast freight running at a speed of thirty-five miles an hour, came together. All the trainmen jumped and escaped

injury. Eleven cars were piled up and reduced to a mass of wreckage. The majority of the wrecked cars were loaded with sugar. It was ten hours before the road was cleared for the passage of trains.

-Just for a change Wednesday morntons of clear toys and paid just double the when the thermometer went considerably price for them this year that they paid below the zero mark. In this place the last. The advance was owing to the fact instruments registered from ten to thirteen from two to four degrees below zero.