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# WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. Washington, Nov. 23, 1901.

"Senator, what will be the Democratic policy in the fifty-seventh Con- 1 sand men at an annual cost of \$45,gress?" I asked Senator Vest, of Missouri, in his comfortable home on P. St. yesterday. "Watch and wait," was the reply. "What else can we be a source of assistance in establishdo? The Republicans have a majori- ing an Asiatic trade and altogether ty of two to one in the Senate and a he considers our Oriental acquisitions large majority in the House. No, the a very bad bargain Democrats will not attempt any obstruction methods. The people have sent a large Republican majority to Congress, they have the privilege, and the responsibility of sending whom they please to represent them and it Hitchcock, of his division of forestry, is only right that we should abide by and the appointment at its head of the results."

"Will the people be pleased with the results?" "That remains to be seen. Everyone knows that the Republican high tariff policy has built up the trusts and that those trusts are selling the same goods to foreign consumers for from twenty-five to forty per cent less than to the American consumers; but if the people enjoy it, it is their privilege to perpetuate this Secretary Hitchcock's division, and condition of affairs. Ot course, the weak spot in the Republican armor is the trusts. Mr. Roosevelt, who is more fearless and more honest than his party, appreciates this and he would like to curtail their privileges and curb their rapacity but, mark my words, there will be no change in tariff schedules and no reciprocity treaties ratified. The manufacturers and the large capitalists who control the Republican party will not permit ed under the civil service classificait. Sooner or later the people will realize the injustice that is being done to them, and when they do, there will be a revulsion of feeling. Until then, the Democrats have nothing to do but to watch and wait."

Senator?" "Simply by removing the conditions that have produced them. The trusts are the natural product of of competition by high protection has ence. The fact that 26,000,000 resulted in trusts. Restore competi- board feet of lumber and 21,000 tion, and the trusts will fall. They cords of wood were sold last year for tell us England has trusts. It is not so. Mr. W. L. Wilson went to Engand he assures me they have no trusts. The paper manufacturers once organized one and put up prices, but the newspapers promptly placed their orders with French and American pieces. When the American trusts charge exorbitant prices the consumer cannot buy elsewhere because of the tariff, and the trusts know it and naturally they use their powerful influence to perpetuate the party that

makes their existence possible.' The Reciprocity Convention, which is now in session in Washington, is the Republican position on reciproci- understand that his resignation would system.

Colorado, has just returned from the Philippines and brings with him a tale ot woe. He predicts that for years we will be obliged to maintain there

an army of not less than thirty thou-000,000 which is more than the islands will afford in the form of taxes. He does not believe they will

An example of the extravagant methods of the present administration is shown by the present reorganization by Secretary of the Interior, Professor Filibert Roth, a former subordinate of Mr. Gifford Pinchot, Chief of the Bureau of Forestry of the Department of Agriculture. The Bureau of Forestry was already in existence, thoroughly equipped and conducted by an eminently competent chief. It had already done a large amount of preliminary work on the fifty million acres of forest reserves which will be the chief care of was more capable of properly conducting the work than the Interior division can hope to be for years. Every consideration of economy favored the transfer of the vast area of forest reserve to the care of the Bureau of Forestry. An effort was made to accomplish this end during the last Congress, but was defeated

by the Republican spoilsmen because the Bureau of Forestry was conducttion and the division of forestry has the disposition of a "lump fund" of \$300,000 which is distributed entirely on the lines of patronage to about five hundred appointees.

It is a common report in Washing-"How would you prevent the trusis, ton that the gravest abuses exist in the alleged care of our forest reserves and some of Secretary Hitchcock's recent orders give evidence artificial conditions. The distruction that he is acquainted with their exista total of \$30,000, which means that the government received about \$1 land and made a careful investigation per thousand board feet for lumber and about 15 cents per cord for fire wood, is in itself indicative of a condition which requires correction.

Professor Roth is an earnest and manufacturers and the trust fell to capable man, but, restricted as he located, or at Johnstown, the locawill be in his new position by the red tape of the Land Office and the spotls system which governs his subordi he will be able to materially remedy existing conditions.

The remarkable meekness with presenting, in a ludicrous manner. President and his absolute refusal to be necessary on all divisions of the ty. Mr. Charles Heber Clark ex- be more appreciated than his pres-

### A Christmas Legend-

Ever since that first Christmas Eve

first martyr, whose day is December bridge will cross near the dividing 26, close by his dear Lord's. Saint Stephen was King Herod's side borough. A tower will also be

the kitchen and at table. One night give the Pennsylvania road an outlet as he was bringing in the boar's head on the other side of the Susquehanna for his master's dinner he saw the Star shining over Bethlehem. Immediately he set down the huge platter

and exclaimed,-"No longer, Herod, will I be thy servant, for a greater King than thou is born.'

"What aileth thee?" cried the King wrathfully. "Do you lack meat or drink that you would desert my service for another's? "

"Nay," answered Stephen. "I lack is all right, if you are too fat neither meat nor drink. But the Child that is born this night is greater than all of us; and Him only will I serve."

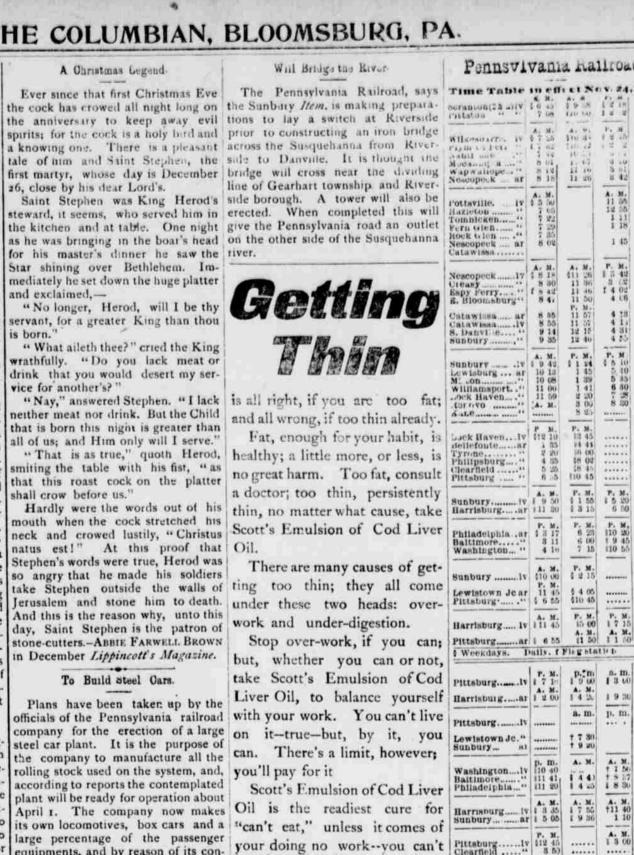
that this roast cock on the platter shall crow before us."

Hardly were the words out of his mouth when the cock stretched his neck and crowed lustily, "Christus natus est!" At this proof that Oil. Stephen's words were true, Herod was T so angry that he made his soldiers take Stephen outside the walls of ting too thin; they all come Jerusalem and stone him to death. under these two heads: over And this is the reason why, unto this day, Saint Stephen is the patron of stone-cutters.-ABBIE FARWELL BROWN in December Lippincott's Magazine.

### To Build steel Cars.

Plans have been taken up by the officials of the Pennsylvania railroad company for the erection of a large on it--true-but, by it, you steel car plant. It is the purpose of the company to manufacture all the rolling stock used on the system, and, you'll pay for it according to reports the contemplated plant will be ready for operation about April 1. The company now makes Oil is the readiest cure fo its own locomotives, box cars and a "can't eat," unless it comes o large percentage of the passenger equipments, and by reason of its control of two of the largest steel com long be well and strong, withou panies in the country is enabled to some sort of activity.

take up the manufacture of steel freight cars. The location of the proposed plant is a matter of doubt. It will be built either at Steelton, where the works of the Pennsylvania steel company are greeable taste will tion of the Cambria steel works. The Pennsylvania railroad company controls both these concerns. It is estinates, it is not to be anticipated that mated that \$2,000,000 will be spent in establishing the works, which will have a capacity of not less than 1,000 cars a month. This action on the part of the company is consistent with which Secretary of the Treasury Gage the general tendency to supply from receives the continued snubs of the its own plants all equipment that will



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