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NOTES OF INTEREST.

Dagget's Worcester Brand Box candy for sale by M. L. Cummings. A nice Christmas present.

The Pennys have workmen at work laying two additional side tracks east of Broad Street Station.

Henry Aucha has moved two dwellings from his Fourth street lots, where he contemplates erecting his handsome residence.

This time a year ago, winter was on in earnest, its entrance being made with a great snow storm on Nov. 18. A year earlier, 1903, winter set in on Nov. 18, and continued with scarcely a break until spring. Therefore the present pleasant weather may be considered clear gain, and the longer it continues the more it will be appreciated.

Birmingham (Ala.) Age—Mr. Walter Bentley Ball sang last evening before a large and enthusiastic audience. Mr. Ball sings his songs with a vim and swing that is seldom given by visiting artists. He does artistic and careful work, and a fine future, no doubt, awaits him. Dec. 28, at Emporium Opera House.

New York Harlem Reporter—Lulu Tyler Gates' recitations were especially charming. Her perfect naturalness won her hearty applause. Her recitation of Elizabeth Stewart Phelps' "Jack and Jill" was inimitable, as were her other numerous selections. At the Opera House, Dec. 23.

Stockholm—Post och Inrikes Tidning—The violinist, Ebba Hjertstedt, whose home is in America and who has had there an excellent schooling, concertized yesterday in the hall of the Academy of Science and showed an extraordinary talent for the violin, with a pure and clear tone even in the highest positions, excellent bowing in all its different ways—a thing which is seldom found—not a very sympathetic execution, all of which showed that it was a real musical nature which uttered itself in the tones. Opera House, Dec. 23.

Prince Louis of Battenberg is the chief contributor to the Woman's Home Companion for January, his subject being, "Diplomacy—A New Field of Endeavor for the American Woman." Jerome K. Jerome answers the question "Why Do We Read?" and Elliott Flower begins a series of "Barney and Norah," in which Policeman Barney Flynn imitates Sherlock Homes with original results depicted by Hy Mayer. There is additional Christmas matter in "A Christmas Heart," by Owen Oliver, and "Eight New Years" features in Philadelphia's "Shooters' Day" and "How Wall Street Celebrates New Year's." In addition to a score of bright stories the magazine contains an exceptional array of household features such as, "How to Go Marketing," "Dainty Designs for Wedding Lingerie," "Twelfth Night Revels," "To Knit a Perfect Sweater," "A Stone House for \$2,600," "A Homemade Theater" and Miss Gould's new "Fashion Bureau." Published by the Crowell Publishing Company, Springfield, Ohio; one dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

A Liquid Cold Cure.
Croup, Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc., have no terrors for children or adults who evacuate the bowels with Kennedy's Honey and Tar—the Original Laxative Cough Syrup and Liquid Cold Cure. This remedy expels all cold from the system and strengthens the throat, lungs and bronchial tubes. The mother's favorite and children's safeguard. Sold by R. C. Dodson.

A Fearful Fate.
It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of Piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson of Masonville, Ia., "that for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protruding Piles, Buckle's Arnica Salve, is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries. 25¢ at L. Taggart druggist.

WANTED:—To appoint resident agents in Cameron county, Pa., to represent our full line of Lightning Rods. For full particulars address Hum & Leatherman, 103 Market St., Pittsburg, Pa. 42-41.

Mexico's Christmas Posadas

TO one who has been away from the United States for a term of years the Christmas holidays seem like a feverish rush, and the simple pleasures indulged in during the nine days of posadas in Mexico are returned to with a certain measure of relief.

A posada is an inn, and the idea pervading these festivities is that story, known to all the world, of Caesar Augustus, who, in the height of his power, wished to know the number of people who bowed beneath his scepter. In order to determine the fact he decreed that a census should be taken of all the nations composing the great Roman empire. To effect this Augustus sent twenty-four commissioners to the different parts of his world. The edict commanded that every person, rich or poor, weak or strong, should go to the place of his birth or to the original place of his family to have his or her name inscribed in the Roman registry.

Joseph and Mary, who were both of the royal house of David, went to the town of Bethlehem. They found it so full of people on the same mission that they wandered about the town for nine days seeking shelter. On the ninth day they were allowed to stay in the stable of a posada, and there the Nino Santo, or Holy Child, was born. The posadas are held for nine evenings in commemoration of those weary days.

Of course there are miserable homes where no sign of a posada is held, but Mexicans, rich and poor, are generous. No matter how dirty and ragged, every one is welcome in the churches, beautifully decorated, and at the nightly posadas held in them, though there the penatas are omitted, as the celebrations are entirely of a religious nature. To the children the penatas are very important features of the season. They



THE BABE IS PLACED IN THE MANGER.

represent men, women, goats and other animals, beautiful flowers, immense chrysanthemums, giant roses and peonies, lovely dahlias, nuns, monks in full costume and graceful musical instruments. Each figure contains an empty jar or penata of pottery, which is hidden by the decorations or costumes of colored tissue paper, most skillfully applied. The jars are filled with goodies and unbreakable toys.

When friends have been invited to a posada the house is decorated with evergreens and mosses, flowers and tinsel in all the rooms and corridors. In one room is the scene in the stable of Bethlehem—the stable yard and servants, the animals, trees and plants, groups of Biblical characters, little toy fountains. All that money can do to beautify the beginning of the "old, old story" is done according to the taste and means of the host and hostess. The little manger, amid soft lights and draperies, stands ready for the Nino Santo.

A procession of the guests and family forms in another part of the house, and the pilgrims, or peregrinos, march two and two, led by one who carries the Babe. Singing sweet hymns and the Hitanes, they go through the house, winding in and out of the rooms and galleries.

At last the wanderers stop at the door of the room in which is the manger. Two voices, representing Mary and Joseph, in a wailing hymn beg to be admitted. Voices within chant a denial. Finally a voice announces who they are that plead for shelter; then the door is thrown open, and the peregrinos are allowed to enter. The Babe is placed in the manger, often by a priest, and songs of rejoicing burst forth.

The penatas are next on the programme, the details varying with the fancy of the host.

In a convenient place the penata is suspended, and the little folk, and big ones who choose to take part in the merriment, are blindfolded one at a time, turned around a time or two, then given a stick with which to break the jar if possible. So many trials, then another tries. When one succeeds the contents fall to the floor and a scramble follows to see who gets the most. In some old families there are evenings when the numerous servants partake of the joys of the posada and share in the souvenirs and refreshments provided.—Collier's Weekly.

Anne Boleyn at the Block.
Of the execution of Anne Boleyn Martin Hume, the author of "The Wives of Henry VIII.," says: Anne herself knelt in a distraught way, as if to pray, but really gazed around her in mute appeal from a pitiless face to another. The headsman, taking compassion upon her, assured her that he would not strike until she gave the signal. "You will have to take this colf off," said the poor woman, and one of the ladies who attended her did so and partially bound her eyes with a handkerchief, but Anne still imagined that her headress was in the way and kept her hand upon her hair, straining her eyes and ears toward the steps, where from the headsman's words she expected the sword to be handed to him. While she was thus kneeling erect in suspense the sword, which was hidden in the straw behind her, was deftly seized by the French executioner, who, swinging the heavy blade around, in an instant cut through the erect, slender neck, and the head of Anne Boleyn jerked from the shoulders and rolled upon the cloth that covered the platform.

The Garibaldi.
The Garibaldi are a very ancient Ligurian family. The first who used the name would seem to have been Garibaldi, duke of Bavaria, A. D. 584. From him descended Grimaldus, king of Lombardy, A. D. 673. His son was Garibaldi. Then the name disappears, but it is early found among the nobles of Genoa, and at the institution of the Liber Aureus, in 1528, its members are recorded as of the ancient nobility. From 1528 to 1751 the successive generations of the Garibaldi are recorded in the "Libro d'Oro," and the last name but one there entered is Joseph Garibaldi, born 1792, probably an ancestor of the dictator. In 1685 Jeannetta Garibaldi was one of the four senators who accompanied the doge of Genoa to Versailles after Louis XIV. had nearly destroyed Genova la Superba by bombs to apologize to the ruthless tyrant.—Notes and Queries.

Under Many Flags.
Possibly no possession has changed nationality so frequently as the island of Santa Cruz, in the Danish West Indies. Originally the land belonged to Spain, and it was taken from Spain to be under the joint rule of England and Holland. After awhile the flag of Holland was taken down, and the English flag alone floated, only to give way to Spain again. The Knights of Malta were the next possessors, and from them it passed to a company of adventurers, who lost it to France, which sold to a Danish company, the land finally coming into the possession of the Danish government. England again took possession in 1801, and eight years later it passed to the Danish government again. Eventually it will probably become a part of the United States, two bargains having been arranged, but never completed.

Coxey's Army.
Coxey's army started from Coxey's home in eastern Ohio in the spring of 1891 to carry, as Coxey said, a "petition in boots" to congress for relief from the hard times then prevailing. On arriving at Washington it was denied access to congress, and those of the pilgrims who disregarded the order to "keep off the grass" of the capitol grounds were sent to jail. Coxey himself was condemned to a term in jail. The "army" at last crossed the Potomac and settled down in a sort of hobo camp on the Virginia side. There it was allowed to remain for several months until complaints from Washington induced the governor of Virginia to break up the camp and disperse the campers.

Odd Marriage Ceremony.
Polynesia is probably the only place in the world where the marriage feast takes place without the presence of the bridegroom. For some unexplained reason the young man is "sent into the bush" when negotiations are opened with the family of his bride, and he remains there during the subsequent festivities. It is only when the guests have departed and the girl is left alone with his parents that messengers are dispatched for him.

A Scotch "Bull."
General Wade constructed military roads in the highlands of Scotland. An obelisk was constructed to commemorate his achievements on which was inscribed the following "bull," intended to distinguish between natural tracks and made roads:

Had you seen these roads before they were made,
You would lift up your hands and bless General Wade.

Difference and Distinction.
Most people are afraid to be different. Some people are different for the express purpose of showing that they are not afraid. And then there are a few who are big enough not to care whether they are different or not. They are the ones that win out, but nine times out of ten they do things in the ordinary way.—Judge.

In Her Own Cotn.
Mamma—You naughty boy! What do you mean by saying "Don't bother me now" when I asked you how you got your clothes soiled? Tommy—That is what you always say when I ask you something you don't know how to answer.

Right in Line.
"If there is anything I like," said he to his wife, "it is a woman who knows enough to be a good listener," whereas the servant girl at the keyhole could not repress a smile of satisfaction.

It requires as much reflection and wisdom to know what is not to be put into a sermon as what is.—Ceell.

HIS CHRISTMAS SERMON.
An Aged Wayfarer Who Taught a Curate Contentment.

An English clergyman declares that the best Christmas sermon he ever heard was preached by a woman—and in three words!

"In my little parish, under the sweep of the Sussex downs," he says, "I was walking swiftly home one night buffeted about by the gray clouds of driving rain that the fierce sou'wester swept landward from the sea when a poor, helpless, aged woman asked me for a trifle for a night's lodging.

"Curates are supposed always to be poor. It was Christmas time, and I had just parted with my last sixpence at a lonely hamlet where work was scarce. Still, I could not leave my stranger in the street, so I asked her to come with me to my lodgings.

"She shambled along through the mud with her streaming clothes and clouted boots, and we entered my little room. My thoughtful landlady had made my table ready. A plate of hot toast was standing in the fender; the kettle sang vociferously, as if impatient to be used; in front of the fire stood my slippers and an easy chair.

"To my surprise, my poor, worn, haggard companion raised her dripping hands and burst into tears with the words, 'Oh, what luxury!'

"That was the best Christmas sermon I ever heard, and the only one I have never forgotten."—Youth's Companion.

Give Your Stomach Rest.
Nothing will cure indigestion that doesn't digest the food, itself, and give the stomach rest. You can't expect that a weak stomach will regain its strength and get well when it is compelled to do the full work that a sound stomach should do. You wouldn't expect a sick horse to get well when it is compelled to do a full day's work every day of the week. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is a perfect digestant and digests the food regardless of the condition of your stomach. Relieves Indigestion, Belching, Sour Stomach, and all stomach disorders.—Sold by R. C. Dodson.

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