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THE EVENING LEDGER will not be issued on Monday, December 25, Christmas Day. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights.—St. James.

THE WEATHER seems to be about as uncertain as peace. What Sherman said about war applies to stock speculation just now—if not at other times.

THE \$26,000 paid in fees to caddies during the last season on three suburban links confirms the complaints about the high price of golf.

UNCLE SAM will not get the Danish West Indies for a Christmas present, but he will find them in his stockings soon after that delectable date.

than the church parades of Easter fashions degrade the congregations. Hence the tax which levels them to music hall status.

MAKE IT TWENTY. TEN cents for every man, woman and child in this wealthiest nation of the world has gone to Belgium, most forlorn of earth's children.

WHY IS CHRISTMAS? HAVE we forgotten the meaning of the great anniversary which we are preparing to celebrate next Monday?

If the world really understood the meaning of Christmas it would not be torn by a devastating war. Nations would not be talking about crushing one another.

A little child soon discovers that there is more pleasure in planning gifts for others than in receiving them. But as the shades of the prison house descend and shut off its vision of that paradise whence it came it loses too soon its heavenly spirit.

Have we forgotten that Christmas is the anniversary of the salvation of the world? The Great Gift of all time came to us on the first Christmas.

What the world needs today is a new baptism of the Christmas spirit. The spiritual forces are potent if we will let them work.

Many a tender plant has been killed by the frost because it pushed its head above the sod too soon.

LONDON'S BURST OF RAGE. HASTINGS B. L. SMITH and Woodrow Wilson are said to have made England very angry.

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Tom Daly's Column. VILLAGE POET. Whenever it's a Saturday and I am full of grip I have to give my usual divertissement the slip.

TWO DAYS. Old Mike Clancy went for a stroll. An' warm air clear was the sky. But he come back home with clouds on his soul.

ZOOLOGICAL. In this old town there lives a man. Who boastfully doth yell: 'T'ween a mallets catamran And a yellow doggerel.'

THE BRITISH censors allowed this to come through to us from Dublin. I was away at the time of the rebellion. I find it hard to see the Sinn Fein point of view.

OUR BLACKMAIL DEPARTMENT. What would it be worth to a certain dentist to have suppressed a story dealing with his friends and Mr. Sprout.

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THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE. Giving That Is Guided by the Heart Rather Than the Mind. How to Get an Army.

MR. RHODES IS ANSWERED. To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—In your issue of December 15, C. C. Rhodes brings up again the question of war materials on ships carrying passengers.

HOW TO GET AN ARMY. To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—Before the congressional committee, General Scott said that enlisting up to the full strength seems to be impossible.

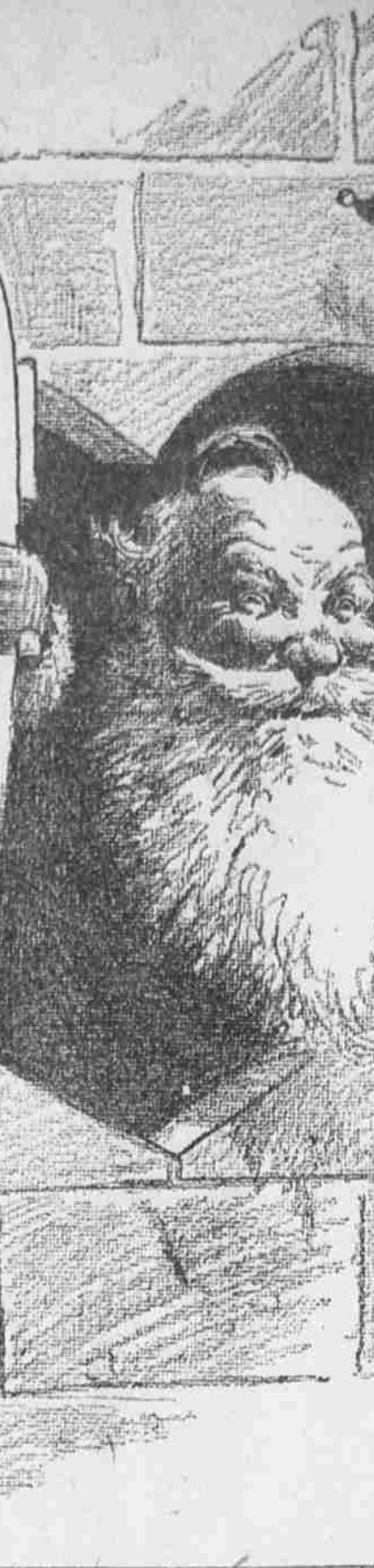
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"THE SAME TO YOU AND MANY OF THEM!"



What Do You Know? Quiz.

- 1. Who is Premier of Italy? 2. What is the total number of persons living under the American flag? 3. What is the origin of the word Yule? 4. What is a calico point? 5. About how many pounds pressure will an eggshell withstand when the egg is placed point upward?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz. 1. "Fangle" is derived from the name of the fish which is said to be eaten in the mountains.

"Sentimental Rollcall". H. W. D. "Sentimental rollcall" is, strictly speaking, preferable over "sentimental rollcall" because "sentimental" is an adjective and "sentiment" a noun.

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The Northeast Corner

Women marry as a general rule. That's the trouble, for the most part, if they would marry as something other than a general rule, perhaps in the after days they wouldn't think their kingdom had been taken away from them.

A VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS. 'Twas the night before Christmas, when Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care.

GERMAN MUSICAL BATTLE. Wagner, Strauss and Brahms Contend at Academy.

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