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THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

I want to help you to grow as beautiful as God meant you to be when he thought of you first.—Geo. McDonald.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

Do you begin to realize that Christmas is but a few weeks off, and that those who shop early not only secure the best of the stocks but avoid the rush and worry of the days just before the holiday?

A CLASSIC.

On the seventh page of The Citizen to-day we publish, along with a picture of the Great Emancipator, one of the classics of the English language. The battle of Gettysburg occurred 50 years ago last July 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

HUNTING—TRESPASSING—FAIR PLAY.

An exchange, we believe it was the Agitator, of Wellsboro, this State, recently published a very timely article about the rights of hunters and the rights of land owners.

SOME CITIZEN COMMENT

Thanksgiving Day literature always appeals to the minds of boys, for it points to a busy kitchen and the appetizing odor of roasting Tom gobblers, spiced pumpkin pies and all the rest of the good things that find their way on the best room dining table on that day every year.

UNFAIR CRITICISM.

Criticism, if just, is the whetstone that puts an edge on capability and merit. We reckon that expression is original with The Citizen.

temporary are rogues, rascals, liars, tax-eaters, grafters, and members of "the gang."

It apologizes for such men as the impeached Governor of New York, who converted money that was contributed for a special general political purpose to his own personal uses, and really makes a hero of him.

Among other matters that have been criticised by such papers as the Independent was what was denounced as the extravagance of the Highway Department in the matter of travelling expenses.

The legislature made this appropriation: "For the payment of the necessary traveling expenses and other incidental expenses of the State Highway Commissioner, the First Deputy State Highway Commissioner, the second Deputy State Highway Commissioner, the Chief Engineer, the Bridge Engineer, the fifteen Assistant Engineers, the fifty Superintendents, the two Maintenance Engineers and the Paymaster and his assistants two years the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000)."

This is \$62,500 a year for about 75 men on an average expense of \$2,50 per day, including all necessary incidental expenses. That is certainly cheap enough.

As to the form the literature takes, that is something different. All of us have read the typical Thanksgiving story, with its flavor of everything that is nice, including a dash of rosy cheeked, sparkling eyed, auburn haired maiden and the troth that was pledged between the young man and the maid with a wishbone between them.

We Thought It Would come at last, and here it is. To an insane man was awarded a prize of ten dollars for answering correctly a guessing contest. The winner was an inmate of Farview, too.

Billy Sunday is coming to Scranton at an early day, and already certain forces are ranging on the battlefield, forces that will work in harmony with the base ball evangelist with the red blood pulsing through his veins, and other forces that are attempting to destroy his influence even before he has begun his "six weeks' campaign."

"No great calamity or epidemic has visited us to blight the peace and content of our people. Amicable relations have generally existed between the employer and employe, labor of every character and kind has been steadily employed, and the various products of industry have found ready markets."

Voting for Jackson" seems to be the rule with some people and some newspapers. The day after the late election one of our valued contem-

poraries over in Pittston had the following advice prominently displayed in its columns: "Vote for Granville Clarke for Judge. The only candidate who has the back bone to declare for law and order."

A Famine of Eggs is now country-wide in its extent. A first-class article last week commanded from 70 to 80 cents a dozen in New York city, and predictions are quite freely made by conservative dealers that the price will reach an even dollar a dozen before the ultimate break in the market is reached.

The Railroad interests are agitated just now over the question of "Who pays the freight?" We certainly give it up. It used to be "Jones," wasn't it?

A Destructive Storm swept over our great lakes early last week and in its wake were many wrecked vessels and a great loss of life.

Many of the ships that went down were misled by the false beacon of the lightship at Point Gratiot on Lake Huron, which, torn from its anchorage by the gale, was buffeted about at the mercy of the waves, its light still burning to lead other vessels to destruction.

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The California men who thought they had the Hetch-Hetchy water project tied up securely are finding a widespread opposition. Nothing goes quite so much to the heart of the American people as a crusade to prevent the spoliation of something in which the country has taken a great interest.

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destroyed all of his stock of drinkables, refusing to sell them for money. This was one of the results of the Billy Sunday meetings in Wilkes-Barre, and it did not happen last winter in the midst of great excitement. It is a hard proposition to oppose Sunday in the face of such an incident as that.

Uncle Sam's All Right! He has directed his postmasters to see to it that Santa Claus is placed in the special free delivery class, and hereafter old Santa will get his mail without any unnecessary delay or fuss.

COLUMBIAN REFUSES TO PAY MORE THAN REGULAR DIVIDEND

Letter Received by F. J. Tolley Says That Company Will Pay Only What New York Insurance Department Approves.

Replying to a letter written by F. J. Tolley of this place as to whether or not the Columbian Protective Association intended to pay all insurance claims of the old American Fraternal Association in full, F. L. Andrews, president of the Birmingham concern says that they will only pay such amount as the Insurance Department of New York computed and approved in each case.

"Mr. F. J. Tolley, Honesdale, Pa. Dear Sir:—

Your letter duly received. It ought to be apparent to you that the dividend mailed to you was in full for your share of the earnings under your contract. We of course understand that three or four of the members questioned the amount of the dividend, after which we requested the Insurance Department of New York State to compute and approve the amount we should disburse.

No offer has been made on the part of our Association to pay any individual any more than the regular dividend computed and if any action is commenced we shall as we have in the past carry it to the highest courts, if necessary to do so.

F. L. ANDREWS, President.

WANT ARMY OF 115,000.

Plan to Increase Infantry Arm of the Service Outlined. An army of 115,000 men is what the infantry arm of the service has asked of the secretary of war, according to advices from Washington.

This increase also contemplates increasing the number of men in the infantry companies from 65 to 100, the former being at present the minimum on a peace footing.

ELIOT EXTOLS POVERTY.

Is a Safer Moral Condition Than Inordinate Wealth, He Says. That poverty is preferable to inordinate wealth as a safe moral condition, and that low wages are not responsible for immorality, are some of the conclusions reached by Dr. Charles W. Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard, as published in the current number of the Harvard Theological Review.

Dr. Eliot says: "One declaration as to what churches must stand for exhibits a strong tendency to attribute the moral evils in the community to poverty. One reads frequently in the public prints that the cause of prostitution is the failure of employers to pay young women what is called a 'living wage.'"

"Senator, we came up to have the pleasure of your company down," remarked Weeks.

"Senator," replied the Mississippian with a courtly bow, "you are as sweet as you are handsome."

And by this exchange the elevator conductor knew he had been forgiven for having forgotten that Weeks is now a senator and not a mere member of the house.

REPORTERS CHAT WITH PRESIDENT

Opposition to Semiweekly Interviews With Wilson.

KEEP DOWN IMAGINATIONS.

Talks Are Heated to Heart Affairs, and Correspondents Are Thus Prevented From Anonymously Quoting "Highest Authority" or "Some One Who Is in a Position to Know."

By ARTHUR W. DUNN

Washington, Nov. 17.—[Special.]—When 75 or 100 newspaper correspondents stand in a semicircle facing the president, each of whom is privileged to ask any question he pleases, it might be assumed that Mr. Wilson is placed in a most embarrassing position; that he is being interviewed by the press and might be "badgered" into a lapse of some kind.

But another theory has been developed in regard to these meetings between the president and the newspaper correspondents. They serve to "cork up" the imaginative writer who could turn out a good story of what ought to be taking place in the secret councils of the administration.

The Wilson method gives every man an opportunity to ask the president direct about everything under the sun. If after his questions are answered he goes out and writes something different, or draws upon his imagination he will "get in wrong" and the other correspondents will not back him up.

Talking Too Much. Senator Chamberlain of Oregon presented to the senate a resolution condemning the utterances of one of the ambassadors. Another senator made an inquiry as to the purport of the communication.

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VERY UNIQUE SIGNS

IN W. J. REIF'S WINDOWS

TEACHERS and everybody else interested in two of the most unique, automatic window displays ever seen in Honesdale or any other dale.

The Walk-Over display is that of very nattily dressed gentleman, who is made by some system of mechanism to walk step by step over sample shoes of the Walk-Over make.

In the opposite window is the figure of a lady, faintly dressed in silk. By a mechanism as clever as it is charming the lady raises her skirts just high enough to show the various styles of Queen Quality shoes.

Every time she raises her skirt a different shoe is shown—black, russet, white—white with hosiery to match. And as you gaze you wonder how it is all done. There is not even a suggestion of boldness in the lady as she shows her new shoes, and you feel impressed, some way, that she is a lady, a Queen in fact, with purity back of every automatic action.

HONESDALE CON. EXCHANGE TO BE IMPROVED. As part of the reorganization plan under authority of the federal court there has been filed in the office of recorder of deeds in Lackawanna county a deed for all the property and franchises of the Consolidated Telephone company, of Scranton.

The Consolidated company was promoted and managed by S. E. Wayland, of Scranton, and had an auspicious start. The burden of smaller companies in the state was like a millstone. The reorganized company is expected to be vitalized by the new capital and blood.

The exchanges affected by the deed filed in Scranton last week include those of the Lackawanna, in Scranton; the Peoples, of Wilkes-Barre; Carbondale Telephone company; Anthracite, of Hazleton; Lehigh, of Allentown; Consolidated, of Reading; Slate Belt, of Slaton; Overland, of Lehigh; Carbon, of Mauch Chunk; Honesdale Telephone company; Easton company; Warren, of Phillipsburg, N. J., and the interstate Telephone company, with lines in the city of Philadelphia.

"A" Wins. "B" May Use a "Strap" to "Strop" His Razor, or a "Strop" to "Strap" His Razor. Honesdale, Pa., Nov. 9, 1913.

Editor Citizen: Dear Sir:—Kindly decide the following argument: A says that a "strop" used for sharpening razors is identical to a "strap" or vice-versa. B claims that the term "strop" signifies a material or thing to sharpen razors on, while a "strap" is used to fasten articles together, and that the two words cannot be used for one meaning.

TOTAL CANAL COST \$375,000,000. Washington, D. C.—The Pacific and Atlantic terminals of the Panama Canal will cost a large part of the remaining \$37,000,000 to be appropriated for that water way, estimates of the bulk of which already have been submitted to the House committee on appropriations.

Industrial Opportunities. The rails of The Delaware and Hudson Company serve directly over one million people, and through its connections with all the great trunk lines of the United States and Canada serves indirectly over fifty million people, or over one-half the population of the country.

This Company, in maintaining the lowest freight rates generally of any railroad in America, and with its excellent transportation facilities, both freight and passenger, together with its proximity to cheap fuel, raw materials and ready markets, offers locations along its rails of inestimable value to all industries.

More detailed information in relation to industrial development will be supplied promptly upon application to the Industrial Department.

H. B. WEATHERWAX, Industrial Agent, Albany, N. Y.