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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. Naturally the message is lengthy because so many events of world wide importance have transpired within the past year and so many questions arisen, which are yet to be settled, and upon which Congress and the people desired the President's information and the wisdom of his suggestions. He is required by the constitution "to give such information of the State of the Union and recommend for consideration such measures as he shall deem necessary and expedient," and this paper in no wise falls short of stating such facts as will give Congress the requisite understanding of affairs to enable it to act with full intelligence.

Regarding currency and taxation he shows that the condition of the Treasury is strong. The deficits which began with Cleveland's administration, during a time of peace and which continued by reason of war through part of the present term have been superceded by an annual surplus which during the fiscal year amounted to nearly eighty million dollars. This has enabled a return to the policy of reducing the national debt. This surplus should be reduced but ought not to be abolished.

The President urges on Congress an act which would take from the Secretary of the Treasury the discretion whereby the gold standard might prove delusive under a silver administration, so as "to insure the continued parity under all conditions between our two forms of metallic money, silver and gold."

Our foreign trade has increased, but the fact is to be deplored that most of it is carried in foreign ships and the President favors some measure which will stimulate American shipbuilding. In respect to our colonial responsibilities the President shows that the settlement of these questions has made great progress. Hawaii is fully organized as a territory and its incorporation in, and annexation to, the system of the Union is complete. Porto Rico has held a first election and its government is in both branches, in full operation. The Cuban Constitutional Convention will soon pass a constitution which will be transmitted to Congress. In the Philippines the foundations of a new state are being established. There will be new laws, a new administration and a new government in that country. For some time the Commission has been organizing a new state and building up a new Commonwealth. A new civil service is in operation, education on a wider scale provided for, departments of forests and mines established and harbor improvements begun. Districts, towns and villages have their own local government, and new laws are passed making more effective the old forms of procedure. The effect of this is shown by the fact that already the inhabitants of districts are announcing their allegiance to the new forms.

The progress must necessarily be slow but the expansion which was approved at the last election is progressing satisfactorily and in due time the whole country will recognize the wisdom of the principles by which it is being accomplished.

THE CHURCH COLUMN.

Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. C. R. Scudder, Pastor.

SUNDAY SERVICES. Class Meeting - 9.30. Preaching - 10.30. Sunday School - 11.45. Epworth League - 6.45. Preaching - 7.30.

WEEK DAY SERVICES. Prayer Meeting Wed - 7.30. Class Meeting Fri - 7.30.

CHURCH NOTES. The services of Mrs. Badly were very much appreciated by old and young alike. Her twenty years of service in India have made her familiar with the real conditions in that dark land. Her addresses were instructive and inspiring.

A missionary society was formed with seventeen charter members. We believe the number will be greatly increased. Who that love our Lord can refuse to give two cents a week and a prayer for the uplifting of the dark, sin-cursed, nations, who have never heard of the true God?

The revival meetings will continue next week. The key note of the week will be the word saved. Why become saved? When become saved? How to become saved? and How to stay saved are the subjects.

The subjects of the sermons for next Sabbath are—"The chief corner stone" and "Repentance."

As the old year and old century draw to a close, it is a good time to take account of our moral and religious stock and see if we have sufficient capital in character for the new century. Are we religious producers, or religious consumers? Will the 20th century be better or worse because we live?

In the religious as in the domestic life, it is a great thing to say "I will" when the marriage ceremony is performed, every part is second to the "I will" and when the soul seeks that intimate union with God, expressed in the marriage covenant it must listen to the voice of the spirit, ponder the conditions of a christian life and then say to God "I will." For better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, till death, I accept Thee and give myself to Thee.

World's Champion. "I tried many remedies to cure piles," writes W. R. Smith, of Litcham, Ill., "but found no relief till I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I have not been troubled with piles since." It's the only champion pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. 25c per box, guaranteed by all druggists.

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PRAIRIE DOGS ALL GOING.

The Destructive Rodents Have Had Their Day on the Plains of the Far West.

Passengers who have ridden the better part of a day through western Nebraska and eastern Colorado will remember the prairie dog. He is numerous in that section of the country. He lives in villages, and the villages are as close together as the villages of certain parts of Europe.

But the prairie dog has had his day. The agricultural department says he must go. Mr. Wilson has decided that the dogs kill the grass and ruin the grazing land. "Tama Jim" has little of the love of picturesqueness in his make-up. He is eminently practical and his philanthropy is of the type which seeks to make two blades of grass grow instead of one. Therefore he proposes to relegate the prairie dog to the picture books and to the stuffed specimens of the museum.

Mr. Wilson's chemists have discovered a mixture which will make whole villages fight for the first time, but which at the last biteth like a serpent and stings like an adder. Under its influence the hole that knows the prairie dog will know it no more for ever. The frisky, nervous, barking little beast will join the innumerable caravan of prairie dogs who have gone before.

There will be more grass when the prairie dog is gone, and therefore more cattle. There will be less breaking of the legs of cowboys' ponies and the rattlesnake will live alone in the hole until the summons comes to him also.

THROUGH THE HOLY LAND.

The Train Moves Slowly, as if It Leth to Disturb Its Hissing Shades and Phantoms.

There is no rush in the orient; the train moves slowly through Holy Place as if loth to disturb the shades and phantoms haunting the Land of Promise. As the train moves slowly through Holy Place as if loth to disturb the shades and phantoms haunting the Land of Promise. As the train moves slowly through Holy Place as if loth to disturb the shades and phantoms haunting the Land of Promise.

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LONELY LIVES OF HERDERS.

Australian Cattle Tenders Pass a Monotonous Existence in the Bush.

Not even its greatest admirer could call the Australian bush beautiful. It is a somber, sage-colored wild of eucalyptus forest, interspersed with arid tracts of thorn and spinifex. There is no shade and the silence is intense. The bush is a lonely life. Deeper still in these solitudes, aloof and almost lost, live the shepherds and bushmen, each an Alexander Selkirk marooned in a great waste of grass or forest. Once a month they are visited and their rations carried to them, but for the rest they live in solitary exile, the only companions their sheep, cattle and dogs. Cut off from human intercourse, they almost lose their faculty of speech, and become as witless as their sheep or cattle. And when they return to civilization for the short holiday that is allowed them, it is too probable that they hand in their "cheque" for the half-year's wages to the proprietor of the shanty known as the "Dish hotel," and stay there to drink it out.

POOR LO TURNED TO STONE.

Petrified Body of an Indian Found in a Mound on an Ohio Farm.

In an old Indian mound near Gunnersville, O., relic hunters have found an Indian's body that had turned to solid stone. The mound is located on the farm of Thomas James, and bones, arrowheads and other relics are plentiful there, and some time ago three skeletons which were found, were crumbled to dust on exposure to the air. The last find of the petrified Indian was made about six feet beneath the surface of the mound. The skeleton struck something hard and immovable and investigation showed it to be in the form of a man's face. The entire form of the Indian was soon brought to view, but said had to be removed before it could be removed. It was a fine specimen of an Indian, over six feet tall. His features are so clearly defined that his arms and legs stand out in bold relief, as though carved by the hand of man, and even the wrinkles in the wrist are discernible. The relic is now at the home of Mr. James and arrangements have been made for placing it in a museum.

Tortured A Witness.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. L. Martin, of Dixie, Ky., before he gave the evidence: "I coughed every night until my throat was nearly raw; then tried Dr. King's New Discovery which gave instant relief. I have used it in my family for four years and recommended it as the greatest remedy for Coughs, Colds and all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. It will stop the most cough and not only prevents but absolutely cures Consumption. Price 50c and 4c. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at all Drug Stores."

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TRESPASS NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that trespassing upon the southern half of the tract of land known as the William Henry No. 92 in Shiloh township, Lackawanna township, Pike county, Pa., for the purpose of hunting and fishing, or any other purpose, is strictly forbidden under penalty of the law. M. CLEVELAND MILSON, Attorney for owner. April 14th.

TRESPASS NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that trespassing upon the property of the Forest Lake Association in Lackawanna township, Pike county, Pa., for the purpose of hunting and fishing, or any other purpose is strictly forbidden under penalty of the law. ALEXANDER HADDEN, President. Nov. 22, 1896.

TRESPASS NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that trespassing on the premises of the undersigned, situated in Dingman township, for any purpose, whatever is strictly forbidden, and offenders will be promptly prosecuted. IRA B. CASE, Oct. 24, 1895.

NOTICE—All hunting, fishing or other trespassing on the premises of the undersigned in Dingman Township, on Raymondskill and Deerkill Creeks, is forbidden under penalty of the law. CHAS. J. BOILEAU, N. BOILEAU, JOSEPH F. BOILEAU. May 17, 1908.

TRESPASS NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that trespassing upon the property of the undersigned in Milford township, Pike county, Pa., for the purpose of hunting, fishing, or any other purpose, is strictly forbidden under penalty of the law. MRS. S. M. CHAFFY.

Auditor's Notice. Estate of JAMES FRICK, in the Orphans' Court of Pike County, Deseased. The undersigned Auditor, appointed by the Orphan's court to make distribution of the estate of the said James Frick, deceased, will attend to the duties of his appointment on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1900, at 2 o'clock p. m., at his office in the Court House in the Borough of Milford, Pa., at which time and place all persons interested in said estate are requested to be present and prove the same or be debarred forever from participating in said fund. J. M. VAN AUKEN, Auditor. 14th Nov. 1900.

Register's Notice. The following accounts have been filed with the Register and will be presented to the next Court to be held the third Monday of December next for Confirmation and allowance: Estate of Henry Worzel, dec'd, account of Anna C. Worzel, administratrix. Estate of Henry Long, dec'd, account of Jennie Long, Executrix, in the matter of sale of Real Estate. Estate of George A. Frick, dec'd, account of Louise J. Frick, administratrix. Nov. 19, 1900. E. VANDERMARK, Register.

Court Proclamation. State of Pennsylvania. County of Pike. Notice is hereby given to all persons bound by recognition or otherwise to appear, that the December Term, 1900, of the several Courts of Pike county will be held at the Court House in the Borough of Milford on the third Monday, (17th) at 2 o'clock p. m., and continue one week if necessary. E. VANDERMARK, Sheriff. Milford, Pa., Nov. 20, 1900.

Notice of Application for Incorporation. In the Court of Common Pleas of Pike County, Pa., October Term 1900. Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the said Court, Hon. George S. Purdy, Law Judge thereof, on Monday, the 17th day of December, A. D. 1900, at 2 o'clock, p. m., under the "Corporation Act of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four" and the supplementary thereto, by John W. Blitt, Edmund H. Holmes, James H. Smith, Reuben Lancaster, George W. Conant and others, the petitioner of an intended corporation to be called "The Methodist Episcopal Church of La Anna," the character and object of which is for the purpose of public worship according to the faith, doctrine, discipline and usages of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and for these purposes to have power and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the said Act and its supplementary. H. V. HAKER, Solicitor. 6th Milford, Pa., Nov. 22nd, 1900.

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