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SANTA CLAUS.

There is a Santa Claus. He may not come in the form of a rosy cheeked, rotund, white haired old gentleman flecked with snow and driving a pair of prancing reindeers hitched to a sled loaded with toys, and descending the sooty chimney as he is pictured in the childrens books, but he does come in the form of the many little gifts and the almost universal charities which are called forth by the season of Christ's birth. He will come and may he ever continue to do so to delight the hearts of the children who look and wait for this joyful advent. They may be years in learning that he represents the love of father, mother and friends rather than a tangible personage, but it comes to them slowly and in the end only awakens a desire to emulate the loving kindness which has been bestowed on them. This the season of gift bringing and good cheer, and Santa Claus should not only come in the homes where plenty abounds but he should go to those in which there is no such cheer. Trifles will add more real happiness perhaps with such than costly presents in home where there is abundance. "Whoso giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord."

THE TRESPASS LAW.

It is always pleasant to feel that you are appreciated, and the several letters we have received from farmers and land owners commending our views on the trespass laws are gratifying. One farmer writes that it is thirty years this fall since he purchased a place in this county, and since then has paid taxes to the amount of over two thousand dollars, and every fall his lands are over run with hunters from all parts, who are not taxpayers, but a rabble that shoots the game and he has no redress. This is very annoying and it is no surprise that many farmers complain. The law should be that farmers and land owners might have control of their property and prevent trespass for fishing and hunting. So many disregard the game laws that one effective way to protect game and fish would be to give those owning lands and streams the right to prevent hunting and fishing on them without consent. We should be pleased to have this matter discussed by those interested.

HOLIDAY TIME.

The last Christmas of this century will soon dawn on this fair world bringing with it joys for many and sorrows for some. Every one may aid in making it brighter and happier by a little unselfish thought. A kind word fitly spoken, if nothing more, may cheer some heart which is darkened by a shadow of grief. All should in the glad season which commemorates the bringing of so much life and light in the world strive to give something which will bring comfort and happiness to his fellow men. It is the glad season let every one remember those whose paths are not strewn with the flowers of lifes pleasures, while enjoying them himself. Let not the time pass without causing some one to invoke a thought for your continued welfare, and to bless you for some kindly remembrance.

THE FLAG AND CONSTITUTION.

Argument has been made this week before the Supreme court on the revenue cases which involve the fundamental question as to the scope and effect of the Constitution in newly acquired territory. Attorney General Griggs takes the ground in an opinion just given that the provisions and limitations of that instrument do not extend to all territory annexed. This is the reverse of the opinion recently stated by Ex President Harrison in a speech, and is a momentous question which has never been brought squarely the highest court. Its determination will have far reaching effects for upon it largely depends the future and fortune of the nation.

THE CHURCH COLUMN.

Methodist Episcopal Church.
Rev. C. E. 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

Next Sabbath will be devoted to the greatest event of history, the incarnation. "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners."

The Christmas service will be held Christmas night. Extensive preparations are being made as usual to make this one of the most enjoyable seasons of all the year.

The Vandermark Lodge of I. O. O. F. has accepted the invitation of the pastor to attend public worship on Sabbath evening Dec. 30. This affords us great pleasure since we believe in every institution that looks to the elevation and the protection of man. We trust that the men of Milford who are members of neither the Lodge nor the church may be present Dec. 30. We confidently expect that both institutions will be helped by the service.

A watch-night service will be held New Years eve, to prepare us in thought and heart for the new century. The general public is invited. The programme will be given in full next week.

The cantata will be given Jan. 3. Full particulars will be given later. Keep the date in mind.

The Christmas entertainment will be given at Union to-night. The energy of Mr. and Mrs. Durling and of Mrs. Garville deserves public mention. These persons have labored hard to make this occasion a very successful one. This Friday night will be a happy one. If you doubt it come and see.

The Senate is still considering the Ship Subsidy bill. When the session opened, it was expected that this measure would be passed before the Christmas recess, but now a vote is not considered likely until well along in January. One reason for this is that some Senators who are interested in trying to get amendments for further reductions in the Revenue Reduction bill, think they have more chance for success if the Ship Subsidy bill is not passed before the other is taken up. There has been no attempt on the part of the friends of the Ship Subsidy bill to force a vote, but no other measure can be voted upon in the Senate before it is without their consent.

The House Ways and Means Committee scored a triumph when the Revenue Reduction bill was passed by the House just as reported from the committe, with the exception of one unimportant amendment striking out the clause which abolished one-sixth and one-eighth beer barrels. Chairman Payne has received many congratulations.

The House opened the third week of the session by taking up and passing the regular pension appropriation bill, which carries a little more than 145,000,000.

Tortured A Witness.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. L. Martin, of Dixie, Ky., before he gave this 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 worst cough and not only prevents but absolutely cures Consumption. Price 50c and $1. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottle free at all Drug Stores.

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SEVENTY CENTURIES AGO.

Beautiful Testimonials When Egyptian Monarchs Were Laid Away by the Ancients.

The center of interest for us to-day in Egypt is the first dynasty time, and how far advanced in the arts of life were the men of that age may be seen by the beauty of shape of the stone and alabaster vases that are here to view, and the exquisite workmanship of a little toilet nard or eye paint box carved out of a single block of ivory, and made in the shape of a couple of ducks whose tails are twisted together to form, as it were, the hinge of the box. The great gentleman who owned this was buried with 30 jars of offerings in his brick tomb, while 16 stone vases were near his body. He had as pillowstone a sandstone block for corn grinding and a beautiful shaped tazza of slate had been apparently placed at his head, says Atlantic. These among his vases had lain when Prof. Flinder Petrie and John Garstang brought his skull boxes and his funeral furniture to the light of day.

But the table in the center of the room—it is to this we turn, for here are placed contemporary carvings in wood and ivory, weapons and pieces of the royal drinking bowls and furniture of seven of the eight kings of the first dynasty, and the work of two that preceded Aha-Mena. Here is a fragment of a slate bowl that the lips of Zeser the pre-Menite king perhaps have touched. Here is a fragment of an alabaster jar that bears upon it the name of Narmer, the succeeding sovereign, but my eyes went at once to the little bit of crystal vase which bore the name of Mena, for now I seemed to feel myth fade away and the real king who drank from a crystal goblet to the success of the city of Memphis he had built in fair fields from which he had turned the great Nile flood, seemed to stand before me.

GREAT MOUNTAIN OF MUD.

Costa Rica's Leading Railway Is Engaged in the Labor of Washing It Away.

The principal railroad of Costa Rica, now but 117 miles long, is just being extended to reach from San Jose to the Pacific coast. The general manager of the road in speaking of the enterprise recently said:

"There is one place on the road which has given the engineers a great deal of trouble, and which has cost many thousands of dollars every year since the road was built. This place is about 45 miles from Port Limon, and is called Bluemud. For about 600 feet the track runs along a ledge on the side of a mountain, with the river Reventa Zon below. The mountain is composed of a bluish clay, which turns into mud during the rainy season and keeps constantly sliding down on the tracks. We have to keep a big gang of men at work day and night cleaning the road of this blue mud, and when the rains are very heavy traffic has to be suspended. In July so much of the mud slid down over the roadbed that we could not run trains there for three weeks.

"To add to the difficulty there is a lake back of the mountain and the water from this lake percolates through the mountain and keeps it constantly wet. The lake was drained by the engineers, but they discovered that it was fed by springs, and still the mountain was kept in a wet state and the mud kept sliding down over the tracks.

At last they obtained what is known in California as a hydraulic giant, and which throws a very powerful stream of water with great force. They rigged up this hydraulic giant, and when I left Costa Rica they were actually washing the mountain away with it into the river."

WORST HORSE ON RECORD.

Lincoln Thought He Was Not Even Fit to Draw a Hearse to the Cemetery.

Lincoln used to be fond of telling a story which he got from Mr. Connant of a lawyer in a western town who desired the nomination for county judge, says the San Francisco Argonaut. On the morning preceding the evening on which the county convention was to meet he applied to the livery stable keeper in his village for a horse and buggy in which to drive to the county town, 16 miles distant, where the convention was to be held. "Give me the best and the fastest horse you have, Sam," said he, "so that I will have time to go around and see the boys before the convention comes in." The liveryman, however, was supporting a rival candidate, and gave the lawyer a horse that outwardly appeared perfect, but which broke down entirely before half the journey was completed, so that when the candidate arrived the convention had adjourned and his rival had been nominated.

On his return to the stable late the following afternoon, knowing that it was useless to resent the trick played upon him, he said to the owner: "Look here, Smith, you must be training this horse for the New York market. You expect to sell him to an undertaker for a hearse horse, don't you? Well, it's time wasted. I know from his gait that you have spent days training him to pull a hearse, but he'll prove a dead failure. Why, he's so slow he couldn't get a corpse to the cemetery in time for the resurrection."

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GEORGE H. MCCARTY,
July 1, 1897. Lessee.

TRESPASS NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that trespassing upon the southern half of the tract of land known as the William Denny, No. 63, in Shohola township, for hunting, fishing, or, any other purpose, also trespassing on Sawkill pond in Dingman township, or, fishing in it is forbidden under penalty of the law.
M. CLELAND MILNOR,
April 5 1m Attorney for owner.

TRESPASS NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that trespassing upon the property of the Forest Lake Association in Lackawaxen 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,
Nov. 22, 1895. President.

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 all 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 Dwarfskill Creeks, is forbidden under penalty of the law.
CHAS. J. BOILEAU,
Dingman Twp., N. BOILEAU,
May 17, 1898. JOSEPH F BOILEAU.

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