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## DOGE IS GIVEN "THIRD DEGREE"

### Prisoner Subjected to Rigid Questions After Arrival From Texas

## ATTORNEYS NOT ADMITTED

### Investigation Lasts All Night, Despite Protests of Al- leged Counsel

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—After a sensational all-night session at police headquarters, in which he is said to have made full confession, Charles F. Dodge, former husband of the wife of Charles W. Morse, the banker and principal promoter of the American Ice Company, today was a prisoner at a Broadway hotel, guarded by both Federal and local authorities.

It was expected Dodge would be taken into court and at the earliest possible moment proceedings under which he is held by the Federal authorities would be withdrawn and the prisoner be formally turned over to the authorities of New York county. While he was arrested by a United States marshal and sent to this city as a Federal prisoner, this was done only to place him in the hands of the authorities of this city. The arrival of Dodge in New York followed one of the longest and most bitterly fought legal battles on record and the real beginning of what it is believed will develop into one of the most sensational cases the metropolis has seen.

## JEROME EVADES CASE

That efforts to protect Dodge are by no means at an end was evidenced by the manner in which his arrival was received yesterday. Even before the steamer bearing the prisoner had reached the dock the process began to force his way into the presence of District Attorney Jerome with a paper demanding the release of the prisoner. This officer was hustled unceremoniously from the office by Jerome, who, after refusing to accept the paper on the ground that Dodge was a United States prisoner and not that of New York county, threw the paper into the officer's pocket and seizing him by the coat collar rushed him out through the door. Before going away the process server tossed the paper back through the open door on the floor of the district attorney's office.

## TAKEN TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS

When the steamer arrived several attorneys were on hand to represent the prisoner, but he was hurried to police headquarters, where for many hours he was subjected to what the police call the "third degree" process. Representatives of the Federal, county and city police took part in this long conference, two attorneys claiming to represent the prisoner being denied admission even in the face of the most urgent protests. It was then an attempt by lawyers claiming to represent Dodge brought about the most sensational incident of the long night. Barlow S. Weeks and A. H. Hummel, two of New York's prominent criminal lawyers, appeared at police headquarters soon after Dodge arrived there in custody of the officers and demanded to see the prisoner on the ground they had been retained to defend him.

## ATTORNEYS BARRED

They met with little success, being informed by the stenographers who were sent out to meet them that it was not known Dodge was their client and that if so he was at that time in the custody of the United States authorities. They declined to accept this answer as final, however, and Mr. Weeks made a formal demand in writing, addressed to the assistant district attorney, known to be in the building, demanding to be permitted to see his client. The note was returned with an endorsement stating that the assistant district attorney "extended the compliments of the season to Mr. Weeks." A demand upon a police sergeant for the service of a bench warrant for the arrest of Dodge was rejected by that officer with the excuse he would have to see Mr. McAdie first. Another appeal to the assistant district attorney brought the reply Dodge had no desire to see attorneys; that he had not retained them, and that he was satisfied to be without counsel. Before giving up the struggle early this morning Mr. Weeks said at the conclusion of a conference at police headquarters District Attorney Jerome said that Weeks and Hummel had been denied admission because Dodge retained ex-Assistant District Attorney James W. Osborne as his attorney. He said that Osborne had been at police headquarters since the arrival of Dodge and had heard everything that had taken place.

## MIKADO PRAISES TORPEDO FLEET

### Message of Congratulation on Work at Port Arthur Sent to Japanese Admiral

TOKIO, 10:15 a. m., Dec. 24.—An imperial mescript dispatch to Vice Admiral Togo says: "We hear with great satisfaction our torpedo flotillas engaged in the work required of them at Port Arthur, gallantly and successfully accomplished the duties required of them and in so doing had to brave dangers of storms and shells by day and night.

"Despite all difficulties confronting them, they succeeded in performing the duties without the least confusion, rendering one another mutual assistance. We especially note their brave and loyal performance of the duties required of them and express our appreciation of their gallant behavior."

## BANK CLEARINGS SHOW ENORMOUS BUSINESS GAIN

### Percentage of Increase in Fort Worth During Past Week Greatest in City's History— Totals Exceed \$5,000,000

Fort Worth banks have broken all previous records as a direct result of the large volume of holiday trade, a report of the clearances for the week ending Thursday showing an increase over the corresponding week in the preceding year of 43.3 per cent, the highest figures ever attained here, and exceeded only by the percentage of increase at Nashville. At Nashville the actual amount of clearings was two millions less than here.

The total clearances here for the week ending Thursday were \$5,229,116. This grand total of weekly clearings has been exceeded only twice, the heaviest weekly clearings ever reported being for the week ending Dec. 17, 1904, when the figures were \$5,742,966.24. The increase over the same week in 1903 was not so great as in the clearances of last Thursday. The clearances for the week ending today were \$3,920,976.72, as against \$2,793,728.30 for the corresponding week in 1903. The increase is thus over 40 per cent.

The wonderful growth in the banking business is attributed by the bankers to the prosperous conditions existing in this section coupled with the holiday trade. That the figures have not been swelled by single extraordinary deals not to recur again is shown by the continued maintenance of the high figures over a period covering two weeks.

Two weekly reports of clearings are prepared by the banks for publication, the one for the week ending Thursday, the other for the week ending Saturday. The Thursday report for the country at large shows the clearings to have been \$2,577,713.11, an increase over the corresponding week of 1903 of 29.2 per cent. Fort Worth is thus shown to have set a pace far beyond that of the country at large and even in advance of New York City, where the percentage of increase was 41.6. But eight cities in the country showed a decrease from last year.

Merchants generally agree that the bank figures are a fair gauge of the holiday trade and declare it will surpass all records ever before made. No figures can possibly be compiled but the individual statements of large dealers as to their separate experiences show this to be the case.

The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the cities named for the week ending today, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

Cities	Amount	Inc.	Dec.
New York	\$1,625,290,430	41.6	...
Chicago	1,496,615,173	32.2	...
Boston	143,253,952	1.67	...
Philadelphia	128,764,242	13.0	...
St. Louis	46,478,751	19.4	...
Pittsburg	45,927,489	10.2	...
Baltimore	25,570,368	15.3	...
San Francisco	20,941,163	12.2	...
Cincinnati	24,873,700	21.6	...
Kansas City	23,111,713	3.6	...
New Orleans	24,968,438	10.5	...
Louisville	11,827,775	16.8	...
Savannah	4,949,410	21.2	...
Denver	6,332,245	17.7	...
Richmond	6,041,623	12.2	...
Memphis	6,003,272	0.9	...
Washington	4,432,018	11.8	...
Fort Worth	5,229,116	43.3	...
Atlanta	3,837,348	3.8	...
Nashville	3,142,872	75.1	...

## COURTS RIVALS IN DOGE CASE

### Question of Transferring Prisoner From Federal to County Control Argued

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The question of the transfer of C. F. Dodge from the control of the federal authorities to the county authorities came up this morning in the court of general sessions. The sentences were pronounced on white men, members of the Farmers' League, who had been convicted of white-capping negroes. Oscar Franklin received the life sentence for the killing of Eli Hilson, a negro, and Will Franklin, D. W. Smith, Elias Smith, R. L. Smith and Elbert Hill received fifty years each for the death of Henry List, also colored. Two other life sentences were given negroes convicted of murder.

The refusal of county authorities to take cognizance of the case before the office transfer was amusingly illustrated when District Attorney Jerome personally expelled a messenger who tried to serve him with notice in the case.

## Views From Front---Taken By Will H. Brill, Staff Correspondent Newspaper Enterprise Association, Now With Japanese Army Corps in Manchuria



JAPANESE MOVING TO THE FRONT—Close to the enemy and sheltered behind mud walls from the Russians' rifle fire.

TRYING TO "POT" A RUSSIAN—Japanese soldier waiting for a Russian. Less than a minute after this picture was made, the soldier fired, but missed.

## LIFE TERM FOR A WHITECAPPER

### Brookhaven, Miss., Judge Pronounces Many Heavy Sentences

BROOKHAVEN, Miss., Dec. 24.—One life sentence, five fifty-year sentences and a score of smaller ones were pronounced by Judge Wilkinson of the circuit court Friday in the Lincoln county white-capping cases. The sentences were pronounced on white men, members of the Farmers' League, who had been convicted of white-capping negroes. Oscar Franklin received the life sentence for the killing of Eli Hilson, a negro, and Will Franklin, D. W. Smith, Elias Smith, R. L. Smith and Elbert Hill received fifty years each for the death of Henry List, also colored. Two other life sentences were given negroes convicted of murder.

## ZEMSTVO RESOLUTIONS CAUSE STORMY SESSION

### Moscow Agricultural Society in Uproar Over Expression of Sympathy Toward Russian Reform Movement

MOSCOW, Dec. 24.—Expressions of sympathy with the reform resolutions passed at the recent conference of the Zemstvo representatives raised a storm at the session of the agricultural society here yesterday evening. A statement signed by twenty-eight members, indorsing the Zemstvo resolutions was introduced by a member.

## THIEVES RETURN STAKE

Considerate Highwaymen Return Two Collar Buttons to Their Owner—CORNICANA, Texas, Dec. 24.—Warren Leighton was robbed near the Central track between the depot and the city pump station by two masked men, one of the men holding a revolver in his face while the other went through his pockets.

## CONFIDENCE MEN MAR CHRISTMAS WEDDING PLANS

### Trinity County Visitor Is Relieved of All His Savings by Pair of Sharpers Who Operate Padlock Game

Relieved of \$50, three months savings with which he was returning from Oklahoma City to Trinity county to be married on Christmas day, Frank Smith applied to the police of this city Friday afternoon for aid in recovering the money. Smith, who is twenty years old, was waiting at the railroad station for an International and Great Northern train to take him to his sweetheart's home when he was robbed.

## DISASTROUS FIRE IN SIOUX CITY

### One Man Killed and Loss in Business Section Will Reach \$2,500,000

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Dec. 24.—Sioux City awoke the day before Christmas with two of its best business blocks in ashes, causing a loss which may reach \$2,500,000, throwing hundreds of people out of employment and costing one life. The fire originated at 8:19 o'clock at night in the basement of the Pelletier Dry Goods Company at Fourth and Jackson streets, one of the main corners of the city.

## ERATH COUNTY TRAGEDY

### Bob Johnson Held on Charge of Killing Companion

STEPHENVILLE, Texas, Dec. 24.—Inability to stay away from the vicinity in which the body of his alleged victim lay, has led to the arrest of Bob Johnson, of mixed Indian, negro and white descent. The body was not discovered until several weeks after the tragedy. When questioned about it he is reported to have said "I couldn't get myself away."

## PRINCESS LOUISE GRIEVES AT REBUFF

LEIPZIG, Saxony, Dec. 24.—Countess Montignoso, formerly Crown Princess Louise, is here at the home of her counsel, Dr. Zolme, suffering from utter despondency as the result of her fruitless efforts Thursday to see her children and her rebuff at the palace. Her determination to visit Dresden and attempt to see her children was taken suddenly. Dr. Zolme tried to dissuade her, but finally accompanied her on the trip. Her rebuff was followed by her escort back to Leipzig by high police officials. From here she will return to Florence as soon as she is able to travel. A declaration made that she is coming back soon seems to have been issued by her from Saxony. Persistent rumor of a partial reconciliation after feeling has subsided continues.

## PATTERSON CASE UP TO JEROME

### Further Prosecution Now Rests With the District Attorney's Decision

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## ACTRESS NERVOUS AND ILL

### Jury's Failure to Agree, and Strain of Waiting Almost Causes Collapse

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## CHRISTMAS TRADING BREAKS ALL RECORDS

### Merchants Report Earlier and Larger Sales Than Ever Before—Express Companies Admit Are Rushed

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Express companies doing business in this city have been swamped in an avalanche of Christmas packages. Mountains of parcels are piled up in the transfer office and although extra men and wagons are being used, the accumulation seems to grow larger instead of smaller.

## TEXAS TO SHARE IN IRRIGATION

### By Conceding Rights, Special Legislation Will Extend Benefits to Large Area

EL PASO, Dec. 24.—Land owners of the Rio Grande valley have organized a Texas Water Users' association, to cooperate with a similar organization formed at Las Cruces, N. M. The association will aid in the construction of the Elephant Butte dam, seventy miles north of here. Many of the principal land owners of this locality are interested. A committee of three was named to join a committee of three from Las Cruces and form an interstate committee, to have charge of all questions pertaining to an equitable division of the waters of the reservoir and matters of similar import. Another meeting will be held Dec. 29.

## THE MASONIC BUILDING

### New Structure at San Saba to Be a Handsome One

SAN SABA, Texas, Dec. 24.—The Masonic lodge here is building a handsome stone lodge building, one of the best in the state outside of the cities. The cornerstone will be laid Saturday, Dec. 31, at 12 o'clock. A good program has been arranged.



COUGHS
How often you hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

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NEW BEETS THE LATEST ARRIVALS

South Texas Sends Quota of Garden Produce for Christmas Marketers

Housewives who go shopping late this afternoon or tonight in search of the good things of the season for the Christmas dinner will find many of them on the market. The latest and best arrivals are beets, carrots and greens from south Texas just received. The prices on them vary.

On the market are to be found turkeys at 16 cents a pound, fliers from 25 to 35 cents, hens 35 cents each. At several places venison from Arkansas is for sale. Fish are plentiful, but one who cares for cat, trout or red snapper will find a few. They sell for 12 1/2 cents a pound. Oysters are plentiful, but not of the best grade at the most. They are selling at 20 cents a pint for small ones up to 30 cents for the large fliers.

Some of the prices quoted are given here: Eggs 30 cents a dozen, butter (creamery) 30 and 35 cents a pound, honey (combed) 20 cents, strained 16-2-3 cents a pound; grapes, Malaga and Catawba in baskets of seven pounds, 35 cents; California oranges 20 and 40 cents a dozen; apples, fine Colorado Jonathans, 25 to 25 cents a dozen; lemons 20 and 25 cents a dozen, bananas 25 to 35 cents a dozen; pineapples, according to size, 25 to 50 cents apiece; coconuts 10 cents each, 2 for 25 cents; dates 10 cents a pound, cranberries 15 cents a quart or 2 for 25 cents, new ribbon cane 5 cents per stick, or 3 for 10 cents; new hoseradish 10 cents a bottle, celery 10 cents a stalk, or 4 for 25 cents; carrots, parsley, radishes, challois, turnips, mustard greens, new onions and beets each for 5 cents a bunch; cauliflower 15 and 25 cents a head, new sweet potatoes 75 cents a bushel and new Irish potatoes 25 cents a peck.

Fifty of nuts from all over the world are offered and fancy dates from Syria and figs from faraway Palestine. Many varieties of dried fruits have also found their way to the local markets this week and have rapidly taken place with the fresh fruit. These markets are offering a greater array of seasonable goods than ever before.

REWARD
Reward will be paid to any person who can find one atom of opium, chloral, morphine, cocaine, ether or chloroform in any form in any of Dr. Miles' Remedies.

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Live Stock FOREIGN MARKETS
CHICAGO LIVE STOCK
CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,907; market opened nominal. No quotations.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK
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ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,900, including 50 Texas; native steers \$2.00@6.75, stockers and feeders \$2.00@3.75; Texas \$2.00@4.50, cows and heifers \$1.75@3.25.

WEEKLY COTTON STATEMENT
NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 24.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans cotton exchange statement issued here this morning shows a decrease in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year in round figures 22,000 bales, an increase over the same days year before last of 15,000 and a decrease under the same time in 1901 of 14,000.

WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY
NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 24.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton made up from special cable and telegraphic advices compares the figures of this week with last week, last year and the year before. It shows an increase for the week just closed of 117,815 bales against an increase of 189,094 last year and an increase of 25,513 year before last.

WEATHER
D. S. LANDIS issued the following statement of weather conditions this morning:
East Texas (north)—Tonight and Sunday, partly cloudy weather, colder tonight, except in extreme west portion; warmer Sunday.

WEATHER CONDITIONS
The forecast for Texas east of the one hundredth meridian, issued at New Orleans, is as follows:
Both the upper Mississippi valley and the lake regions are dominated by high pressure and clear cold weather, the temperature on the Canadian border at White river being 45 degrees below zero this morning.

WEATHER RECORD
Following is the weather record for the last twenty-four hours—minimum and maximum temperature, wind in miles per hour at 8 a. m. and rain in inches:

Table with columns: Stations, Temperature (Min., Max.), Wind, Rain. Includes cities like Amarillo, Bismarck, Chicago, Cincinnati, etc.

VENUE CHANGE FOR LABOR TROUBLE CASES
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BROADWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
A Christmas cantata arranged by Mrs. Ralph T. Smith was given at the Broadway Presbyterian church last night before a delighted audience of Sunday school scholars and friends.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH
Announcement of Christmas exercises at the Free Methodist church, Annie and Illinois streets, Monday night at 8 o'clock is made. A general invitation to the public has been issued to join with the children in the exercises.

ARLINGTON SUNDAY SCHOOL
Christmas exercises will be conducted by the children of the Arlington Heights Sunday school. A Christmas tree at the residence of Mrs. Smith will be one of the features.

ALLEN A. M. E. CHAPEL
Christmas exercises of the Allen A. M. E. church will be held at the chapel tonight.

CANNON CUMBERLAND CHURCH
A cantata and Christmas tree will be features of the Christmas celebration by the Sunday school of the Cannon Avenue Cumberland Presbyterian church to be held Monday evening.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS
The choir of St. Andrew's parish, according to its usual custom, will sing Christmas carols from the tower of the central fire hall beginning at 7 o'clock Sunday morning.

SWEDISH LUTHERAN CHURCH
Five o'clock services will be held tomorrow morning in German Lutheran church, Taylor and Texas streets by the Swedish Lutheran congregation.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
At Trinity Episcopal church, Hemphill street and Pennsylvania avenue, the rector, Robert Hammond Cotton, will hold services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The special feature at Trinity this year is the Christmas night choral service, with the rector's sermon, "Do You Believe in Santa Claus?"

BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
At the Broadway Baptist church, corner of Broadway and St. Louis avenue, the pastor, J. W. Gillon, will preach at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Sunday. His morning theme will be "The Birth of Christ," the evening theme "Saves for All."

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
At the First Church of Christ, Scientist, corner St. Louis and Terrell avenues, services will be held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at 8 o'clock in the evening. Sunday school will be held following the morning service. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
At the First Methodist church, corner of Jones and Fourth streets, there will be preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor, Rev. Alonzo Monk. The subject of the morning sermon will be "God's Best Gift to a Needy World." Preaching at 7:30 p. m. by Alonzo Monk Jr. Sunday school at 9:30. Senior Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Special musical offerings for tomorrow's services are: Viola solo, "Adoration," Borowski; Mrs. Morton; vocal solo, "Alleluia," W. A. Jones.

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JAPS CAPTURE ANOTHER FORT
Forces Investing Port Arthur Occupy the Heights of Houyangshukou

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Japanese forces besieging Port Arthur yesterday stormed and now hold the heights east of Houyangshukou. Prisoners captured by the Japanese report the Russian General, Landratonka, and another general officer, whose name is not known, had been killed and General Fock was among the wounded.

RUSSIANS ADVANCE POSITION
Move Siege Guns Forward in Face of Heavy Fire
MUKDEN, Dec. 24.—The Russians succeeded yesterday in advancing the position of their siege guns four miles south along the wagon road. This was accomplished in the face of a pretty heavy artillery fire from the Japanese, who fired upward of a hundred shells, which, however, have done little damage, only two men being wounded.

JAP FLEET LEAVES PORT ARTHUR
TOKIO, Dec. 24.—Admiral Togo announces the withdrawal of the majority of the fleet from Port Arthur.

The Man About ... Town ...

"The Chinese, as a rule, are great observers of the United States," said William H. Robb, the United States immigration inspector stationed at Fort Worth this morning. "They are every willing at Christmas time to remember all their friends. From the lowliest to the highest they give some gift. One not accustomed to their habits and customs would not think this at all queer, but nevertheless to anyone acquainted with their religious beliefs it is hard to understand why it is done. Most of the Chinese in America are in the rest of the world believe in the teachings of Confucius. Why they should celebrate the day at all has always been a mystery to me, but even in far away China the event is, to a certain extent, observed the same as here, by the giving of some token to their friends."

"During the Spanish-American war I spent some time in the Philippines and in China as a soldier. Then when I returned to this country I went into the customs house service at San Francisco. I had many opportunities to observe and to study these people, but in all that time I have never found out why they give the presents as they do. Every Chinaman in Fort Worth is today giving to his friends some gift."

"At Christmas time," remarked George T. Stillman, manager of the Metropolitan hotel, "you will find very few traveling men very far from home. I am inclined to be as sure as general travelers can ever get. They find that all the merchants are too busy to talk about the new orders and after the day is over then comes the invoicing time and merchants usually do not wish to place an order until they are able to see how they stand in the way of a balance on the right side of the ledger. On Christmas all hotel keepers try to make the day a pleasant one for the unfortunate men who are away from their families, but it is usually Kansas that these men are far from being just as happy and amiable as they would be if with their families, and I don't blame them either."

ELKINS SUGGESTS RAILROAD JUDGES
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—As a means of assisting him in determining what course of action he will advocate with the Interstate Commerce Commission on the subject of federal supervision of railroad rates, President Roosevelt has referred to the department of justice for an opinion on the question of how far the power of the Interstate Commerce Commission applies in fixing such rates and in making regulations for observing its decisions by railway companies.

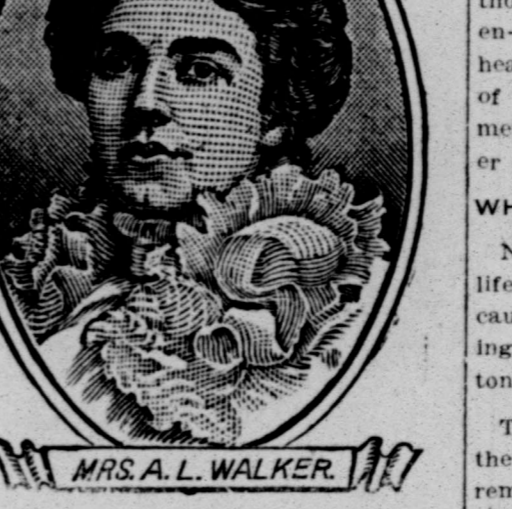
This indicates that the administration is still working along the lines of the Quarles-Cooper bill, which the president said in his annual message to congress was "in my judgment the most important legislative act now needed as regards the regulation of corporations." The Quarles-Cooper bill seeks to remedy the position in which the Interstate Commerce Commission is placed by the decision of the court that it had no right to fix railway rates and compel them to be observed by railway companies.

President Roosevelt has not made any statement to indicate that he is in favor of or against any one of the particular methods suggested for securing federal supervision of railway rates. The proposal of Senator Elkins, reduced to its simplest form, is that an additional board of judges be appointed to each federal district to attend exclusively to interstate commerce adjudication and that while these courts will have power to determine whether the rates fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission are fair, the rates are not to go into effect until they have been affirmed by the court created.

There is a general belief in Washington that the president has been impressed with senator Elkins' proposal, and it is confidently believed here that he will not declare in favor of the proposed scheme until he has given the fullest consideration to the plan suggested by the West Virginia senator.

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STATION CROWDS CLOSE CALL FOR BREAK RECORDS KING OF SPAIN

Rush of Christmas Travel Is Heaviest in History, Say Officials
Motor Car Wrecked and He Is Thrown Out, But Escapes Injury

All of Friday, last night and today the throngs of travelers who surged about the Santa Fe and Texas and Pacific passenger stations has been something beyond all previous records. The first portion of the week the stations were crowded with people anxious to return to the old states for Christmas time, but the latter part of the week the crowds have been those who were called shorter distances. There were what is known in railroad parlance as the local travel.

Both places were so crowded that it was out of the question to adequately accommodate all. Men, women and children sat and stood in long lines on the platform, the two buildings awaiting their trains. Mothers took coats and whatever was at hand and made pellets for the children wherever they could. Some sat on the stairs and others walked about to keep from falling asleep. All anxious to reach their destination.

Tired mothers with babies in their arms; college students, with college coats flying; soldiers, bound to their homes for a short furlough; business men, counting on a two days' visit in the country with the old folks; the old settler, making his way to the home of a son or daughter, and the many others, all anxious to get to their destinations pressed about the gates and anxiously inquired of the depot officials when a train arrived or departed.

At the Texas and Pacific passenger station the crowds were greatest owing to the many trains entering there. People anxious to get upon the trains for fear of no seats would rush for the doors whenever a train was called. At the gates they even would push aside the officials in their eagerness. At the ticket windows, it was a case of line up and take your turn. The crowds around the two windows were the greatest ever seen and never before had there been as many tickets sold as last night at one time.

The travel was so heavy that it was necessary to put extra coaches on all of the trains. This in many cases delayed the departure of the trains and only made the traveling public more anxious to pass through the gates. Hard, indeed, was the lot of the station master and the policemen who were called upon to regulate the questions asked, the impatience of those going home to friends and relatives was great and all in all Friday night has not only been a record breaker at the two stations, but nerve-racking as well to the employees.

Under the train sheds conditions were no better. Express, baggage and mail trucks were hastily pulled about loading and unloading for the various trains. Extra men were employed by all to handle the extraordinary business and the rush of the trucks as they were pulled about only added to the confusion. Tonight the rush at both places is to be the heaviest of all.

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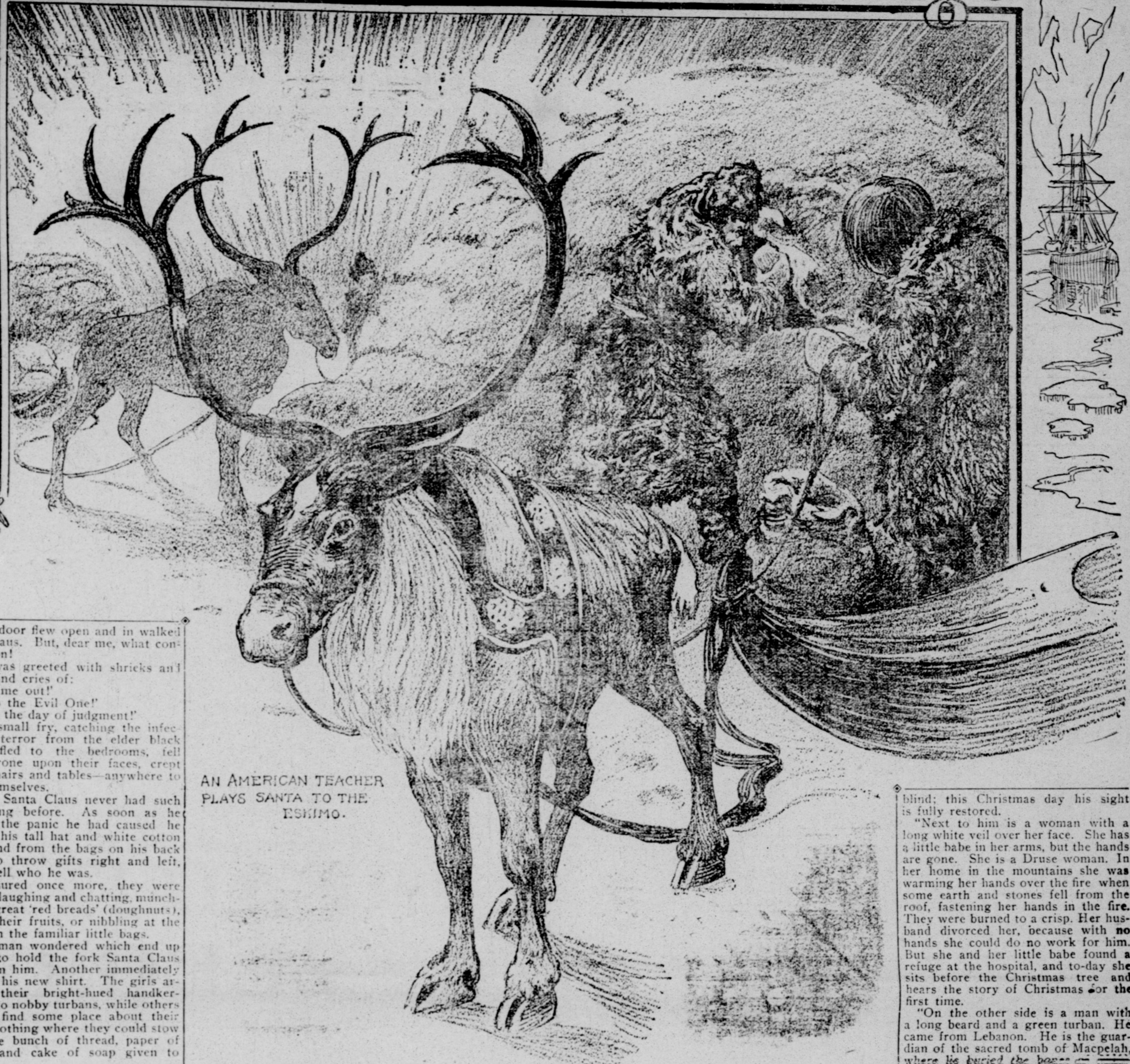
ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24.—The Zemstvos of the government of Tiver and the district of Nowotzhsa have had referred to them the right to elect presidents from among their own members. A. A. von Pflueger, late minister of the interior, Von Pflueger approved of the president elected by these zemstvos and replaced them with his own nominees. The restoration of the right to elect presidents in the case of the two zemstvos mentioned is regarded as being a significant sign of the times.



# Playing Santa Claus to the Savage



SANTA CLAUS WAS GREETED WITH SHRIEKS AND GROANS



AN AMERICAN TEACHER PLAYS SANTA TO THE ESKIMO.

BY WILLIAM THORP.

As white men push out, year by year, into the remotest corners of the earth, they carry Christmas with them; as a gift to the savages with whom they come in contact. The American troops have done this in the past two or three years in some of the hitherto untraveled islands of the Philippines, where the Spaniards had never dared to venture.

Strange, indeed, are some of the experiences which fall to the lot of these adventurers when they first play Santa Claus to a barbarian race that has never heard the glad old story of Yule.

**The Eskimos' Real Santa Claus.**  
Sheldon Jackson, an official employed by the United States Bureau of Education to work in the wilds of Alaska, carried Christmas to the Eskimo children there in 1894. He gave a deeply interesting account of how he did it in a report to the bureau.

"For several days immediately preceding Christmas," he said, "I took occasion to tell the scholars how it was observed by the whites, and explained such features about the day as my limited knowledge of the language would admit of; so that, by the close of school the day before, they pretty well knew why it was observed."

"All through the winter the almost starving condition of the natives had been so impressed on us that nothing but the knowledge that our supply of food was very limited prevented us from distributing regular rations to them."

"I told the children about Santa Claus, and for them to tie their fur stockings up near their beds, as he was coming to visit them for the first time, and would remember every child."

"I made up a lot of little bags out of empty flour sacks, and into each one put eight cubes of white sugar, about a dozen pieces of dried apples and a dozen raisins—not a very appropriate assortment for a Christmas present for a white child, but it was the best we had, and I found out afterwards that the selection was very much appreciated by the little Eskimo."

"Although our supplies were very limited, I concluded to take enough from such as we had and give each family the same assortment. It was made up of a tin can filled with flour, eight navy biscuits, one pint of rice, one-half pound of sugar and one-third pound of tea. There are ten houses in the village, and about one hundred persons all told. The supplies above enumerated were made up into ten packages."

"I had the herders harness one of the deer teams to a sled, and at 12 o'clock started with four natives for the village, a half mile west of the station."

"When we reached the first house, I took a flashlight view of the deer standing by the little skin window,

through which a faint gleam of light was thrown from the oil lamp burning below."

"It occurred to me that perhaps this was the first time in the history of civilization that a live Santa Claus made his midnight visit upon an errand of mercy with a team of reindeer, and that the Eskimo were the first to actually experience what throughout Christendom is only a myth."

"It became necessary to dig away the frost from one corner of the window in order to get the packages through, and in nearly every instance the operation alarmed those below, when a package was immediately dropped down, and they became quiet."

"While in my stooping position at the first house I suddenly lifted my eyes to the north and beheld the most gorgeous aurora I witnessed at any time during the winter."

"The night was a glorious one, cold and crisp, with the stars shining in lustrous splendor from the pale-blue canopy above, and not a breath of air was stirring."

"Across the whole northern horizon floods of wavy light surged and swept from east to west, sending up further into the heavens streams of vapory light, dancing up and down in graceful shadows that easily led me to imagine that they were caused by invisible spirits."

"For a time I forgot the object of my visit, and lay watching the play of the aurora as it shot forwards and backwards, and when I finally came to myself I looked around and found the natives lost in deep and silent awe at the spectacle."

"The hour I spent in this service was one of supreme delight to me, especially so as the little handful of food I distributed made the bright eyes of a hundred people glisten with happiness and supplied as many stomachs with a feast they enjoyed before they again closed their eyes in sleep."

"It will take too much space to record all the items I gathered as I peeped through their little skin windows and saw them dancing around in great glee, old and young, and expressing their thankfulness for the many good things received, the like of which they had never before eaten."

**Where Santa Claus Caused Terror.**  
Mrs. Bertha Stover, the wife of a missionary stationed at Bailundu, Africa, tells an amusing story of how Santa Claus terrified the black children at her mission station when he first appeared to them a year or two ago.

"They had celebrated Christmas at Bailundu before, but they had never had Santa Claus, so Mr. Stover dressed himself up as the benevolent saint."

"He had been padded and powdered and packed until his own mother would not have known him," said Mrs. Stover. "Presently we gave the sig-

nal, the door flew open and in walked Santa Claus. But, dear me, what consternation!"

"He was greeted with shrieks and groans and cries of:

"Let me out!"

"It is the Evil One!"

"It is the day of judgment!"

"The small fry, catching the infection of terror from the elder black people, fled to the bedrooms, fell down prone upon their faces, crept under chairs and tables—anywhere to hide themselves."

"Poor Santa Claus never had such a greeting before. As soon as he realized the panic he had caused he tore off his tall hat and white cotton beard, and from the bags on his back began to throw gifts right and left, and to tell who he was."

"Reassured once more, they were soon all laughing and chatting, munching the great 'red breads' (doughnuts), tasting their fruits, or nibbling at the sweets in the familiar little bags."

"One man wondered which end up he was to hold the fork Santa Claus had given him. Another immediately tried on his new shirt. The girls arranged their bright-hued handkerchiefs into nobby turbans, while others tried to find some place about their scanty clothing where they could stow away the bunch of thread, paper of needles and cake of soap given to them."

"Each one tried to talk louder than his neighbor, as they examined the costume of good old Santa Claus, who had frightened them almost to death. One man said he thought Elijah had returned, another that it was John the Baptist. Yet another thought it was Satan himself, and all his sins rose up before me; while a fourth confessed, 'My only thought was to hide myself.'"

**A Christmas Feast That Nearly Caused Bloodshed.**  
The Rev. Frank Paton, son of the famous South Sea missionary, John G. Paton, tells of a thrilling Christmas which he spent in 1899 at Lenakel, on the Island of Tanna, in the South Pacific.

"He had a mission station there, and his native converts were no strangers to Christmas observance; but they invited a large number of their heathen friends to come to their Yuletide feast. These heathens knew nothing about Christmas, and were quite unaware that it is supposed to be a period of 'peace on earth and good will towards men.'"

"Over a thousand natives were gathered for the great feast. The crew of a 'blackbirding schooner,' eager to get Kanaka labor by fair means or foul for the Queensland sugar plantations, heard of the gathering and dropped anchor off the island on Christmas morning. The captain, however, seeing the numbers of dusky

natives, hesitated to molest them. Telling the story, Mr. Paton said:

"My first anxiety was the labor-schooner, but soon a new peril threatened. Some of the heathens had not met since war had raged between them. At first they simply glared at each other, and then old hatreds broke out and hot words were spoken."

"Again and again I started some contest that would scatter the excited groups, but they soon came together again. Then I went from group to group and tried to spread a better feeling. Our Christmas gathering was nearly turned into a scene of bloodshed in our very garden, but fortunately all passed off most happily."

**Among the Head Hunters of Formosa.**  
Through the center of the beautiful Island of Formosa there runs, like a backbone, a great range of forest-clad mountains. The original inhabitants of Formosa, a wild, savage, ferocious race of men, live upon these mountains. Christmas was first carried to these people by a brave missionary named George Leslie Mackay.

"Mackay had spent several years on the coast and in the interior, but he hesitated long before he took his life in his hand by seeking out the barbarians of the mountains, to whom no white man had ever ventured."

"The favorite pastime of these savages was to cut off the heads of their enemies and decorate their huts with them. They had been indulging in this sport when Mackay drifted into one of their villages and spent Christmas day with one of their chiefs."

"The chief's home consisted of one large room thirty feet long," said Mackay. "A fire blazed at either end. The men, dressed in coarse linen sacks with holes cut for the arms, and a broad belt of braided rattan, in which was stuck a long, crooked, sharp-pointed knife, stood around one fire; while the women, with much the same dress, save that in addition they had many rings of brass around their arms and limbs, and innumerable ornaments on their bodies, squatted around the other fire."

"So, on that Christmas night, I sat there with these rude people, the room lighted by the fire and by candles made from the heart of the fir tree. The men smoked their bamboo pipes, while the women were busy threading-making on curious little machines of their own; and all men and women were laughing and talking merrily and making a great noise. It was certainly a merry Christmas, and a strange one to me."

"After a time, with the help of the native converts who had accompanied me on this dangerous trip, I sang some Christmas hymns to these savage mountaineers, who had never seen a white man before; and I spent Christmas evening trying to explain

to them the 'old, old story' that has been told so often in so many lands since the first Christmas morning."

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**In the Hospital at Beirut.**  
One of the most beneficent institutions at Beirut, in northern Syria, where American warships have had to do police duty so frequently of late, is a great hospital founded long ago by the Knights of St. John, and now supported by a German society.

"The American medical missionaries connected with the Syrian Protestant College at Beirut minister to the patients who come to the hospital for treatment, and every year they get up a Christmas celebration which is the first many of these patients have seen."

"Among the guests of many nationalities," said an American, describing a Christmas party he witnessed at this hospital, "there sits an old man with a long white beard, a turban on his head, a girdle about his loins, and a loose, flowing robe. He is a Mohammedan. A month ago if an American doctor had gone to his house this man would have driven him away for an infidel dog. Now, as Dr. George Post passes by, this man seizes his hand and kisses it. Why is this? The dog of a doctor gave him the use of his eyes. He came to the hospital

blind; this Christmas day his sight is fully restored."

"Next to him is a woman with a long white veil over her face. She has a little babe in her arms, but the hands are gone. She is a Druze woman. In her home in the mountains she was warming her hands over the fire when some earth and stones fell from the roof, fastening her hands in the fire. They were burned to a crisp. Her husband divorced her, because with no hands she could do no work for him. But she and her little babe found a refuge at the hospital, and to-day she sits before the Christmas tree and hears the story of Christmas for the first time."

"On the other side is a man with a long beard and a green turban. He came from Lebanon. He is the guardian of the sacred tomb of Macpelah, where he buried the bones of Isaac and Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca and Leah. If you went to Hebron, the boys would stone you if you attempted to go near Macpelah. This man was blind when he came to the hospital; now he sees. He would have spat upon the doctor had the latter gone to him a month before."

"Over there is a Bedouin from Palmyra. He was shot in a quarrel, and the ignorant native doctor put rags in the wound. The poor man grew thin and seemed near death. They brought him from Palmyra to Damascus, four days' journey; then three days' journey more to Beirut. It was a ghastly wound, but the hospital doctor was able to heal it. Now this wild Bedouin sits calmly and looks at the Christmas tree and learns what it means. Once his hand was against every man; now he quietly listens to the message of 'peace on earth, good will towards men.'"

"There are many more, from Jerusalem, from Bagdad, from the Euphrates and the Tigris, from villages in Lebanon, Palestine, Cyprus and Asia Minor. Each receives a present, perhaps their first Christmas gift—a garment or book or toy—and all receive gingerbread, candy, oranges and other good things."

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**A Few Offsets.**  
She was looking over the curios in one of the bazaars at the World's Fair when she observed some Indian ornaments, and with a deep-drawn sigh she said:

"These things always put me in mind of my dear departed husband."

"Yes, my dear," replied the smiling dealer. "I take it that the Indians assisted your dear departed husband to depart?"

"Yes, he was shot while crossing the plains. Had I known that you kept Indian relics here I should not have entered the building."

"No? The sight of them must bring up sad recollections."

"That is certainly so, and I will ask you to excuse these tears."

"Of course—of course, but you see I have provided for that, and you think I can say without boasting that I am the only dealer at the Fair who has an Indian shoot your husband, and the sight of these arrows and quivers naturally make you feel sad. But turn to your left, ma'am. There is the scalp of the redskin who made you a widow, and it has just been marked down from \$2 to \$2.25. There is no grief without its offset. You pay your money and you take your choice."

## Blackwell's Island the Best Guarded Prison in the World—By Thomas R. Collins

It is strange that New York City should have given up the most beautiful place within the boundaries to be the home of the criminal, the pauper and the insane; yet it is the fact.

Blackwell's Island, the long narrow islet lying in the middle of the East River off Long Island City, is unquestionably the most picturesque of all the islands that stud the shores of Manhattan. Even to-day, when it is covered with institutional buildings of all kinds and descriptions, it is still a delightful place—beautiful with trees and shrubs in places, and in summer the coolest spot around New York, thanks to the breezes that sweep down the river.

It would be an ideal spot for a great park for the crowded districts of the upper East Side, if it were not given over to the most criminal, ignorant and depraved sections of the community. This seems a shame, considering how little available open space Manhattan has.

The idea of making the island into a great public park has been frequently mooted and lately revived. Undoubtedly it will be carried out in the end, but not for many years to come. The prison, almshouse, hospital and

other buildings on the island represent a large capital. It is true they cost comparatively little to build, for they were built by prison labor with stone dug by the prisoners from a quarry on the island; but the cost of erecting similar buildings elsewhere would run into many millions of dollars. Nevertheless, it will be done some day; for New York City does not seem to care how much money it spends for parks and open spaces.

A movement toward the conversion of the island into a park is already being made by the construction of a large bridge connecting the island with the banks of the East River. Large appropriations have been made by New York City for this purpose, and the huge towers for the bridge, which is to be on the suspension order, have already been put in place.

When Blackwell's Island ceases to be a prison for the bad characters of New York City, who have not committed crimes serious enough to justify a sentence of penal servitude, one of the most remarkable penal establishments in the world will go out of existence. Blackwell's Island is probably the safest prison in the world. It is a jail from which it is practically impossible for a prisoner to escape, except by the collusion of one of his jailers.

Yet it is only about a quarter of a mile from the shore, and the prisoners are allowed to work about the island

and on various tasks under comparatively slight supervision and guardship. You can see the "trusties" doing all kinds of jobs with nobody watching them.

The wardens know that their task is lightened for them by jailers who are always on the watch, always relentless in keeping the prisoners confined to the island. These are the rushing, whirling, bubbling currents that tear along the shores of the island on all sides, like a veritable maelstrom, making it impossible for even the best of swimmers to cover the short distance to the Manhattan or Long Island shores.

No man has ever been known to swim that short quarter of a mile which separates the prisoners from liberty; but many have tried, and failed, and been drowned. It would be as easy to swim the Whirlpool Rapids of Niagara.

Among the prisoners confined on the island, there are often some of the "wharf rats" of New York—boys and men who have been in and out of the water, stealing from ships and docks, almost from the time they could walk. Swimming comes to them as naturally as walking, and there are no better swimmers in the world. But they cannot swim from Blackwell's Island, and nowadays very few of them try. Too many of their "pals" have been drowned that way.

A few years ago there was an epidemic of attempts to escape from the island. Within four months five men

were drowned while trying to swim at night to the Manhattan bank of the river; and in the succeeding seven months six others perished. That was the most fatal year in the history of the island, and attempts at escape have been less frequent since then. But a year rarely passes without a death by drowning being reported.

Last winter two "yegg men," who had the reputation of being daring and desperate criminals, actually succeeded in making good their escape from the island.

They did not swim, however. They managed somehow to get hold of a rowboat, possibly with the help of some official on the island. They rowed quietly at night down to the lower end of Manhattan. On the way they met a police patrol boat, stopped to calmly exchange greetings and answer questions, and then went on their way, leaving the policemen unsuspecting.

Next day there was a hot search for them. They lay low for a fortnight, and then made the mistake of returning to their old haunts on the Bowery. A "stool pigeon" put the police on their track, and they were captured in a saloon in Chinatown after a desperate fight.

Despite the confining currents, escapes from the island are more frequent than they ought to be, owing to the fact that some of the minor prison officials are open to receive "graft" from "yegg men," "panhandlers" and other crooks.

The Charity Organization Society of New York has just been calling the attention of the Department of Correction to these cases. One of the most flagrant is that of a notorious "panhandler" named Edward Ashland, who is better known in police circles as "Fekin Eddie." This man once boasted, in the hearing of the writer, that he has "worked" every big city in the country clean through to the Pacific coast.

He was sent for a term on the island by a New York magistrate, but after serving part of his sentence he managed to get a suit of plain clothes in place of his striped convict garb. Then he calmly walked on board of one of the department launches which run between Manhattan and the island. He mingled unobserved with the crowd of visitors and discharged prisoners aboard, and got safely away.

Blackwell's Island is known to the "yegg men" and other petty crooks from one end of the United States to the other. These professionals "play New York" as regularly as the better class out-of-town theatrical companies visit Broadway. There is a saloon on the lower end of the Bowery which is recognized as their headquarters; it is kept by a retired "panhandler" who made a small fortune out of the business, incidentally "doing time" on Blackwell's Island more than once. There are always half a dozen notorious "yegg men" standing in line at the bar of this saloon. It is the place from which dozens of crooks

graduate to Blackwell's Island. The police tolerate it because its existence renders it easier for them to "keep tabs" on the under-world of graft and crime.

Among this floating criminal population, Blackwell's Island has the reputation of being "a cinch so long as you can put up the dough," as one "panhandler" expressed it. It is said by those in a position to know, that all the prisoners have a comparatively easy time, while those who have money can buy many immunities and privileges. This has been long suspected by those familiar with criminal matters in New York, but it has now broken out into an open scandal.

Blackwell's Island, however, is not merely a prison. It is the home of several city institutions. The almshouses for the aged poor are equal to any in American cities, and far above the common run. The hospitals connected with the Health Department have cost many millions, and are equipped with the latest inventions and appliances of medical science.

An interesting experiment is being conducted on the island in the treatment of tuberculosis by fresh air and sunlight. During the summer the patients were out in the open all day long, wrapped in blankets. Now that the bleak winter has arrived, they spend their time in a long covered gallery with glass sides. While the results of the treatment are not yet conclusive, the majority of the pa-



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These railroad senators who hold their jobs in Washington through the courtesy of several large systems, need not kick against the demand that comes from the people for the regulation of railway systems.

The board of aldermen of the city of New York has planned a fitting funeral for the veteran of the war of 1812, who resides in that city.

It has been developed as a result of the Reed Smoot case at Washington that the fines of Mormons who are convicted of violating the United States laws are paid by popular subscription.

Governor Vardaman is doing a great deal to break up Lynch law practice in the state of Mississippi, and if he continues to have the support of the courts as at present, the whitecappers will soon be compelled to go out of business.

Captain Richmond P. Holson says that the construction of an immense navy by the United States would have the effect of stimulating the demand for cotton until the price would reach thirty cents a pound.

The North Carolina idea that the farmers of the country have consented to burn is wholly fallacious. No man who has gone to the trouble and expense of producing a cotton crop could be persuaded to burn a large proportion of it as an experiment to see whether or not it would affect the market.

The international commission is now in session at Paris for the purpose of trying to ascertain what the Russian lunatic fleet was firing at when it sunk those English fisher craft.

The revival of roping contests in a number of the western counties at this time may do more to intensify the determination of stockmen to have the legislature declare such forms of entertainment unlawful.

Secretary Taft has returned from his official visit to the republic of Panama, and has made a confidential report to the president.

If the fire department is in need of additional engine it should at once be provided. The department can not be expected to deal with the situation in an efficient manner unless provided with the proper facilities.

The death of Colonel William J. Swain at Houston is greatly deplored by the people of the entire state.

Since Roosevelt was elected president of the United States, cotton has depreciated in value fully \$10 per bale.

The capture of two British ships carrying contraband of war by the Japs proves that the little yellow fellows are not averse to giving the lion's tail a twist when the necessity arises.

question had Russian officers and men aboard, who were trying to rejoin the lunatic fleet.

The people of Wright county, Missouri, are now engaged in an apparent effort to burn all the school houses in that section of country.

When Carrie Nation stuck the lighted end of a cigar in the ear of the mayor of San Antonio recently, she was evidently determined to bring the lawless element to an official hearing and impress upon the mind of his honor that she was presenting a burning question.

Better hotel facilities for Fort Worth are to be provided through the substantial improvement of the Worth, work on which will begin in the spring.

Ohio bank depositors are evidently fearful that Mrs. Chadwick has been operating in numerous places, judging from the manner in which they are making a run for their money.

A French dairy maid has just been arrested in her native country in a charge of bathing herself in the milk before it was furnished to her customers.

The Standard Oil people have decided that they will not bring any action for criminal libel against Tom Lawson, and this gives some color to the suspicion that they are fearful he might be able to prove his allegations.

A California preacher has just gone insane as a result of attempting to fast for a period of fifty-two days.

Congressman Crumpacker of Indiana says that the only method of improving the colored race is for the majority of them to die.

North Fort Worth is a city in Texas that is now out of debt and with some money to spare.

The indictment of Dr. Chadwick jointly with his wife for the alleged forgery of Andrew Carnegie's name to a note for \$5,000,000, would seem to indicate that Cassie was not standing alone when she was committing her Napoleonic financial stunts.

Young men in Utah are not permitted to sing the song entitled, "She Is the Only Girl for Me."

The official canvass of votes is announced, and Roosevelt's plurality over Parker is 2,547,578.

The discovery that a Georgia negro is holding one of his own race in a state of peonage must be very shocking to the effete east, where it is seriously believed that the brother in black can do no real harm.

The soldiers of General Kuropatkin are complaining that they do not get enough to eat, and the fault rests largely with themselves.

Those Mormon elders who married dead women must have reached the limit with the living, and thus sought to lay up additional blessings and treasures in the hereafter.

The sultan of Turkey, otherwise known as the sick man of Europe, is trying to negotiate a small loan of \$15,000,000, which he desires to invest in artillery.

William J. Bryan is to get a part of the Bennett money after all. His commissions as executor of the estate amount to \$2,960, and this amount he is legally entitled to.

Some of the meanest men of the day are those who put off until the holidays the buying of the things that their wives actually need.

Secretary of Interior Hitchcock has discovered a man who is so honest that he never could be elected to office, but is now seeking it by the appointive route.

The effort to keep the saloons closed in El Paso on Sunday is about to prove abortive, the saloon men running in full blast in open defiance of the law.

There may be a few people in Fort Worth who are wedded to the idea of a spring carnival, but The Telegram has strong reason for the belief that the great majority of our people are still of the opinion that our first duty lies with the fat stock show.

Texas captured the recent boll weevil convention at Shreveport, and the next thing in order is for Texas to devise some manner of capturing the boll weevil and putting him out of business.

It may be safely assumed that General Kuropatkin has decided to forego the pleasure of eating his Christmas dinner in Tokio.

Those congressmen who are so anxious to increase their salaries to \$10,000 per annum will find that there are plenty of patriots in their respective districts who are anxious to serve at the old rate of compensation.

The south may disfranchise the negro through educational requirements, but at the same time she is spending her own money for the purpose of qualifying him ultimately to vote the republican ticket.

If you are looking for happiness this Christmas remember that true happiness is best found in the act of making some one else happy.

There is no necessity for getting drunk this Christmas. You can have much more genuine enjoyment by keeping duly sober.

THE GRADTERS

BY FRANCES LINDE

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SYNOPSIS The scene of the story is in the west and has to do with its development and its politics. David Kent, a brilliant young lawyer with a conscience, casts his lot with the new people.

Thinking of these things, David Kent walked uptown when he might have taken a car.

Passing the Western Union central office, he stopped to send Ormsby a second telegram, reporting progress and asking him to be present in person at the denouement to put the facts on the wire at the earliest possible instant of time.

While he was pocketing his change at the receiving clerk's pigeon-hole, a cab rattled up with a horse at a gallop, and Stephen Hawk sprang out.

Kent saw him through the plate-glass front and turned quickly to the public writing-desk, hoping to be overlooked. He was, for once in a way, the ex-district attorney was too nearly rattled to be fully alert to his surroundings.

Kent heard the chink of coin and the low-pitched urgings for haste at the receiving clerk's window; but he forbore to move until the cab had rattled away.

The spoiled blanks left behind by Hawk and smoothed them out. Two of them bore nothing but the date line, made illegible, it would seem, by the writer's haste and nervousness.

But at the third attempt Hawk had got as far as the address: "To All Trans-Western Agents on Western Division."

Kent stepped quickly to the receiver's window. The only expedient he could think of was open to reproach, but it was no time to be over-scrupulous.

"Pardon me," he began, "but didn't the gentleman who was just here forget to sign his message?"

"No," he said, "it's signed all right: 'J. B. Halkett, G. S.'"

"Ah!" said Kent. "That's a little odd. Mr. Halkett is out of town, and this gentleman, Mr. Hawk, is not in his department. I believe I should investigate a little before sending that, if I were you."

Having thus sown this small seed of suspicion, which by the way, fell on barren soil, Kent lost no time in calling up M'Tosh over the nearest telephone.

"Do our agents on the western division handle Western Union business?" he asked.

"Yes, locally. The W.U. has an independent line to Breezeland Inn and points beyond."

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"You bet I can!" was the emphatic rejoinder. And then: "Where are you now?"

"I'm at the Clarendon public phone, but I am going over to the Argus office. I'll let you know when I leave there. Good-by."

When Kent reached the night editor's den on the third floor of the Argus building he found Hildreth immersed chin-deep in a sea of work. But he quickly extricated himself and cleared a chair for his visitor.

"Praise be!" he ejaculated. "I was beginning to get anxious. Large things are happening, and you didn't turn up. I've had Manville wiring all over town for you."

"What are some of the large things?" asked Kent, lighting his first cigar since dinner.

"Well, for one: do you know that your people are on the verge of the much-talked-of strike?"

"Yes; I knew it this morning. That was what I wanted you to suppress in the evening edition."

"I suppressed it all right; I didn't know it—day and date, I mean. They kept it beautifully quiet. But that isn't all. Something is happening at the capitol. I was over at the club a little while ago, and Hendricks was there. Somebody sent in a note, and he positively ran to get out. When he came back, I sent Rogers over to Cassatt's to see if he could find you. There was a jumbo dinner confab on: Meigs, Senator Crowley, three or four of the ring aldermen and half a dozen wa-ward politicians. Rogers has a nose for news, and when he had phoned me you weren't there, he hung around on the edges."

"Good men you have, Hildreth. What did the unimpeachable Rogers see?"

It had gone the round of the dinner-table those fellows tumbled over each other trying to get away.

"No. Apart from his nose, Rogers is gifted with horse sense. When the dinner crowd boarded an untown car, our man paid fare to the same conductor. He wired me from the Hotel Brunswick a few minutes ago. There is some sort of a caucus going on in Hendricks' office in the capitol, and m-m-messengers are flying in all directions."

"And you wanted me to come and tell you all the whys and wherefores?" Kent suggested.

"I told the chief I'd bet a bub-blind horse to a broken-down mule you could do it if anybody could."

"All right; listen; something worse than an hour ago the governor, his private secretary, Guilford, Hawk and Halkett started out on a special train to go to Gaston."

"What for?" interrupted the editor. "To meet Judge MacFarlane, Mr. Semple Falkland, and the Overland officials. You can guess what was to be done?"

"Sure. Your railroad was to be sold out, lock, stock and barrel; or leased to the Overland for ninety-nine years—which amounts to the same thing."

"Precisely. Well, by some unaccountable mishap the receiver's special was switched over to the western division at yard limits, and the engineer seems to think he has orders to proceed westward. At all events, that is what he is doing. And the funny part of it is that he can't stop to find out his blunder. The fast mail is right behind him, with the receiver's order to smash anything that gets in its way; so you see—"

"That will do," said the night editor. "We don't print fairy stories in the Argus."

"None the less, you are going to print this one tomorrow morning, just as I am telling you," Kent asserted confidently. "And when you get the epilogue you will say that it makes my little preface wearisome by contrast."

"The little hook caught its minnow. The receiving clerk was folding Hawk's message to place it in the leather carrier of the pneumatic tube, but he opened and examined it."

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The light was slowly dawning in the editorial mind.

"My heaven!" he exclaimed. "Kent, you're good for twenty years, at the very least!"

"Am I? It occurs to me that the prosecuting attorney in the case will have a hard time proving anything. Doesn't it look that way to you? At the worst, it is only an unhappy misunderstanding of orders. And if the end should happen to justify the means—"

Hildreth shook his head gravely. "You don't understand, David. If you could be sure of a fair-minded judge and an unbiased jury—you and those who are implicated with you; but you'll get neither in this machine-riden state."

"We are going to have both, after you have filled your two columns—the way you are still saving those two columns for me, aren't you?—in tomorrow morning's Argus. Or rather, I'm hoping there will be no need for either judge or jury."

The night editor shook his head again, and once more he said, "My heaven!" adding: "What could you possibly hope to accomplish? You'll get the receiver and his boss out of the state for a few minutes, or possibly for a few hours, if your strike makes them hunt up another railroad to return on. But what will it amount to? Getting rid of the receiver doesn't annul the decrees of the court."

Kent fell back on his secretive habit yet once again.

"I don't care to anticipate the climax. Hildreth. By one o'clock one of two things will have happened: you'll get a wire that will make your back hair sit up, or I'll get one that will make me wish I'd never been born. Let it rest at that for the present. You have work enough on hand to fill up the interval, and if you haven't, you can distribute those affidavits I gave you among the compositors and get them into type. I want to see them in the paper tomorrow morning, along with the other news."

"Oh, we can't do that, David! The time isn't ripe. You know what I told you about—"

"If the time doesn't ripen tonight, Hildreth, it never will. Do as I tell you, and get that stuff into type. Do off at the yard limits station and come back to town."

The night editor stood up and confronted his visitor.

"David, you are either the coolest plunger that ever drew breath—or the bub-biggest fool. I wouldn't be standing in your shoes tonight for two such railroads as the T-W."

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"All in good season," laughed Kent. "You business for the present moment is to write; I'm going down to the union station."

"What for?" demanded the editor. "To see if our crazy engineer is still mistaking his orders properly?"

"Hold on a minute. How did the enemy get wind of your plot so quickly? You can tell me that, can't you?"

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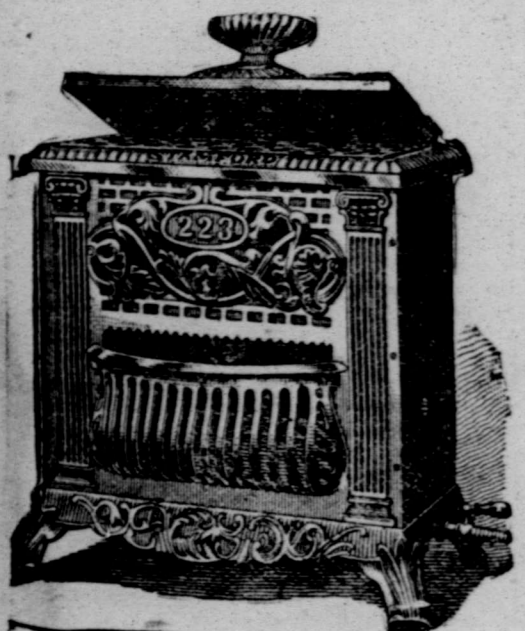
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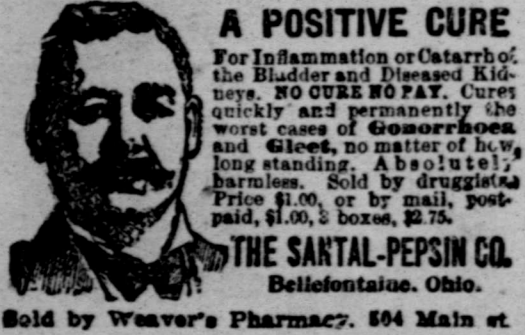


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## The Story of A Tenderfoot

"Happy New Year!" "Happy New Year, and goodby, dear. Have you got my trunk checked?" "Great Scott, no! Give me your ticket, quick!"

The pretty little woman fumbled around in her dainty reticule and produced the ticket neatly folded. Her escort rushed out of the car with it. "You'll have to hurry before the train starts," was her parting admonition. It was in the depot at Lincoln, Neb., where we had stopped for breakfast. The couple was young, and the woman was a modest looking, pretty little body, neatly gloved and booted and stylishly dressed. Her escort's appearance did not impress me so favorably. He looked like a sport, and I hoped for her sake that he was a brother or a cousin and that they were not married. Perhaps there were personal reasons for the hope. I was a tenderfoot from the east. I had had a lonesome journey over the Burlington road, and the prospect of a good looking woman's companionship for the day, especially if her affections were not mortgaged, was a pleasant one.

"All aboard!" shouted the conductor, and, "Oh, dear!" murmured the lady below her breath as she gazed anxiously from the window in the direction of the baggage room.

But the trunk check that she looked for never came, nor did her escort. The train moved out at a rapid rate, and



"THE LADY'S STORY IS TRUE."

an anxious faced little woman settled into her seat and shaded her eyes with her dainty lace handkerchief. I sat directly behind her, and I could swear she was crying. I pitied her. Though I would have died rather than offend her, I was just about to step forward and offer my assistance in my power when the conductor came in.

"Tickets!" But she had no ticket, and she told the conductor her story. She had handed the bit of pasteboard to her brother to get her trunk checked just as the train started. He had not returned, and she had only money enough with her to pay for her meals on the journey. She was going to Denver.

I thought the conductor's manner was positively brutal. He listened to her fearful story and, instead of sympathizing with her, remarked that the rules of the road required her to produce a ticket, pay her fare or get off and walk. My blood boiled.

"The lady's story is true," I exclaimed. "I witnessed the whole occurrence, and her brother took her ticket in order to get her trunk checked just as the train left Lincoln. I saw the ticket."

"Oh, thank you, sir!" said the little woman earnestly, turning to me. Her eyes were of the darkest blue. I hadn't noticed them before, and they nearly burned a hole through my susceptible heart. The upshot of it was that I advanced the money for her fare to Denver—she had her drawing room car ticket—and took a seat beside her as my right and privilege.

In conversation she was as charming as in appearance. She and her brother were orphans, she said, and had never been separated longer than for a few days at a time. His business was going to detain him at Lincoln over New Year's day, which they had planned to spend with very dear friends in Denver. So she was going alone, and he would meet her there very soon. She disliked traveling alone "so much," but she expected to spend "such a delightful New Year's day" in Denver, and so on.

I was entranced. When I expressed regret that my ticket read Cheyenne instead of Denver she seemed so disappointed that I almost decided to pay another fare to the Colorado city. But I didn't.

She readily secured my promise to visit her before she left Denver. Cheyenne is only a hundred miles away. In return she agreed to direct her brother's steps to Cheyenne if there could be found the slightest business pretext for it. The loan which I had so generously made her was to be repaid the instant she arrived at Denver. Her friends would see to that, and they

would always be so grateful to me for my kindness.

"And I will never, never forget it," she concluded, with another look of those dark blue eyes.

I tried to throw the eloquence of a Webster of a James G. Blaine into the simple "Won't you?" that constituted my modest reply.

I learned to call her Bessie—her name was Bessie Cozzens—and we were fast friends and rapidly reaching the sentimental period when the time to part came at Holdrege Junction. I paid for her dinner, pressed her hand—the pressure was returned, too—and her train started for Denver.

"Happy New Year!" were her last words. "Think of me on New Year's day." Again my effort at abbreviated eloquence, "Won't I, Bessie?"

No Pullman car ever looked so lonely as did the Romola when I took a seat in the smoking room to breathe the name of Bessie in blue clouds all the way to Cheyenne. Pretty soon the conductor came in.

"Did you find out who she was?" he queried, somewhat maliciously I thought.

"Yes"—shortly—"she is Miss Bessie Cozzens."

"So she is," returned the conductor blandly, "and the slickest confidence woman that ever traveled over my road. Her husband, who put her on the train at Lincoln, runs a brace faro game there."

"But the ticket!" I gasped.

"Was a strip of paper nicely folded." I thought of Bessie on New Year's day. I have thought of her on every New Year's day since.—New York World.

### NEW YEAR'S AT HOME.

A Few Pointers on the Way of Receiving and Entertaining.

In these days the custom of receiving on New Year's is not followed to any great extent, writes Mrs. Harriet Hubbard Ayer in the New York World. However, it is a very charming and old-fashioned way for young girls to entertain their friends.

It is not necessary to send cards especially engraved for the occasion. Informal little notes will answer. Just write saying that you and your sisters will be at home New Year's day, mentioning the name of some older woman who will receive with you.

If you are anxious to make the affair more formal you may send your own, your sister's and your chaperon's visiting cards. On the older lady's card write the words "At home January 1." This will be all the invitation that is necessary.

In serving refreshments remember that it is very bad taste for young girls to offer men wine. Under no circumstances do this. You will be surely misunderstood if you do.

Have a small table laid with an attractive lunch cloth and a vase of flowers. From this serve chicken salad, rolled bread and butter sandwiches, fancy cakes and hot coffee, with whipped cream. You and your sisters should take turns at presiding here and serve the refreshments to your guests as they arrive.

It is not necessary to have any formal entertainment. Conversation and music will suffice. Receive your guests simply, wishing them a happy New Year, and tell them how pleased you are to see them.

If you have an organ or a piano it will be very useful for accompaniments in case you wish to offer your guests musical entertainment. The charm of such a reception is in its informality. Let your guests see that you are genuinely glad to see them.

### New Year's Resolutions.

Now is the time to subscribe to New Year's resolutions. Do not let yourself be hindered by the certainty that your resolutions of Jan. 1 will have vanished by Feb. 1. It is in this way that your high ideals have been preserved for you. Nothing so destroys ideals as to attain them. To keep all your New Year's resolutions would be to have an inordinate self conceit, and an inordinate self conceit is ruin. Nevertheless it will do you good to make the usual batch of brave resolves with the beginning of the new year. The entire universe is held together by its habit of falling. All progress in the world is held together by a series of falls. Walking, running, swimming, flying—all is falling, recovering and falling again. The law of gravitation is simply the law of falling. If it were not for the tendency of all things to fall this world of ours would fly into space in fragments. If it were not for the tendency of all men to fall we should burst with self conceit. All men must fall, but no man need lie down.—New York Press.

### A Day of Funerals.

In Siam and in some of the mountain districts of India all the funerals of people who have died during the previous twelve months take place on New Year's day. The bodies are temporarily interred soon after death, but are taken to their last resting place on the 1st of January following their demise. The funeral and wedding feasts are celebrated together in these countries.

### The Watcher.

Clang! bells ring such a din When they ring the new year in! 'Tain't no use to go to bed With them jangle through yer head. Might as well set up, you know, While you watch the old year go. Dismal work to be about While you watch the old year out. Things you did and oughtn't to do An' lots o' things you didn't do Set like spooks all in a row P'intin' fingers at you, so. Merry bells ring in the year, Clang! clang!—"Have no fear! Here new paths before you spread; Take yer chance an' go ahead!" Reckon it's a cheerful din When they ring the new year in. —Philadelphia Ledger.

### NEW YEAR SUPERSTITIONS.

Queer Things Believed by Old Wives of Many Lands.

With the exception of All Saints' day, there is no time in the whole twelvemonth about which so many superstitions cluster as New Year's. Some form of divination to foretell the future is practiced in almost every land on Jan. 1. This, of course, is particularly the case with young people who desire to know whether they will get married during the coming year or soon thereafter. In the country districts of England and Germany there is a tea and coffee test which is most satisfactory. A teaspoon is balanced carefully on the edge of a cup. Then tea or coffee, as the case may be, is dropped into it, drop by drop. Every drop that the spoon will hold without losing its balance means another year before the wedding. One or two large drops will usually upset the spoon, and so this is a very popular way of looking into the future.

The actions and voices of domestic animals on New Year's day are perhaps more significant than any other omens. A dog's cheerful bark in the morning is a most auspicious sign, while his howl is very unfavorable. To meet a cat on the morn of the New Year is considered by people in the Latin countries as a sign that they will change their residence, and it also betokens ill for the future. Throughout southern Europe it is regarded as a most fortunate sign to see a pig, signifying plenty for the coming twelvemonth. The sight of a snake is the worst conceivable omen, for it means death by violence. To see a jackdaw, magpie or crow is a sign that the beholder will be cheated on all sides during the following year.

On New Year's day a hard headed Scotchman will take a Bible and place it upon a table, letting it fall open of its own accord. Then, without looking, he will place his finger upon the page where it has opened and read the verse on which it rests. This is supposed to indicate his fortune for the coming twelvemonth.

### THE CHINESE NEW YEAR.

How the Celestials in New York Celebrate Their Holiday.

When you meet a Chinaman on Feb. 6 and you want to make yourself particularly solid with him just remark, "Gong he fat toy." This is not particularly euphonious when spoken in pigeon English, but it means "I wish you a happy New Year." The Chinese New Year begins at 12 o'clock on the night of Feb. 5. The Chinese kingdom is now nearly 5,800 years old, and the customs that obtained during the lifetime of Confucius are still in vogue. In fact, the present mayor of Chinatown claims that most of the Christian ideas of celebrating New Year's day were stolen bodily from the Chinese. Around in the various houses preparations are made to receive friends. The opium layouts are put aside and the fine Chinese whisky placed upon the table. Any one who calls on a Chinaman has to take a drink of this fiery liquid. About six calls, says the mayor, are about all a white man can make.

At midnight every Chinaman who can buy a firecracker does so. Then he touches a match to his purchase, and for a few minutes pandemonium reigns. At 1 o'clock the Chinese band begins to beat its tomtoms from the balcony of the joss house, calling all the faithful to prayer, and New Year's is really on hand. The extent of the New Year's celebration depends upon the wealth of each individual Chinaman. A poor Chinaman is satisfied with a two days' jubilee. The rich men in the Chinese village generally take a week to get fully acquainted with the New Year.—New York World.

### A Canadian Custom.

The custom of running the vignole, which is believed to have originated with the Druids, was observed in Montreal as late as 1870. Organized companies of young men would travel from house to house soliciting alms for the poor, generally in the form of edibles, and threatening violence if their requests were refused. In 1800 the mayor of Montreal issued on New Year's eve permits to lads to run the vignole so as to protect them from arrest by the police. This precautionary measure did not always prove effective in preventing disorder when rival vignoleux met. Some of them under the influence of the "ardent" would get up a quarrel, the victors adding to their store of gifts by despoiling the vanquished of theirs.

### Ghostly New Year's Visits.

New Year's day, like many other of the national holidays in French Canada, is surrounded by a halo of legendary lore. In the days of the old regime in Canada the free life of the woods and prairies proved too tempting for the young men, who frequently deserted civilization for the savage delights of the wilderness. These adventurers seldom returned in the flesh, but on New Year's eve, back through snowstorm and hurricane in midair, came their spirits in ghostly canoes to join for a brief spell the old folks at home and kiss the girls on the annual feast of the Jour de l'An—New Year's day. The legend which still survives in French speaking Canada is known as "La Chasse Galerie."

### Dr. Depew's New Year's Advice.

Just do all the good you can. Don't take the troubles of others on your shoulders if it is not necessary, and don't tell others your troubles. Be cheerful. Seem happy, even if you are not. Try every day to make some one else think life is worth living. All these are good resolutions for the New Year. If every one made them and every one kept them this world would be better than it is.—Chauncey M. Depew.

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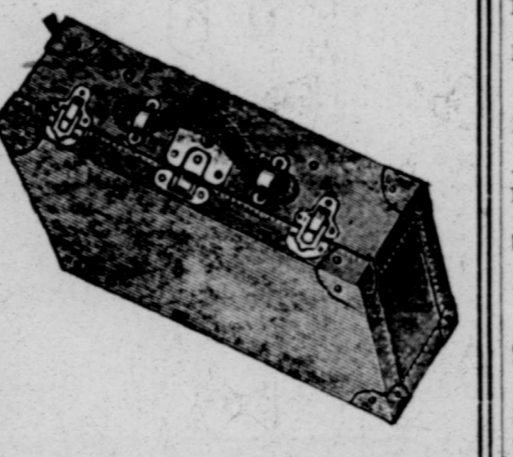
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