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Next Sunday at the Methodist church at 11 a. m. there will be a sermon on the "Advent of Christ," and at night the Senior Epworth League will have charge of the service rendering a Christmas program in their usually interesting way.

Every body invited to both C. B. Meador,

in E. A. Chamber's Coal.

Pastor.

Frank Baldwin, Buford and Brevard Long who have been attending the State University at Austin, are home for the Christmas.

Mrs. E. A. Chambers and children are spending the holidays SOCIETY NOTES.

Mrs. Henry Alexander entertained on Thursday afternoon of last week in honor of Miss Barker. The game of "Fortytwo" was played for an hour and a half and the honoree of the afternoon proved to have the highest score. To her was presented a beautiful hand-painted plate with a few appropriate words by the hostess. At five o'clock a dainty salad course was

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 21st at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. McNeill occurred the marriage of Miss Barker and Mr. Henry Tandy. The house was beautifully decorated and after the arrival of the guests the song "I Love You. Sweet," was most beautifully sung by Mrs. Scott Key with Miss Houston to accompany. The "Wedding March" was played by Miss Jessie Wright and during the ceremony the soft sweet strains of Schumann's "Tranmerei" were heard. The two little flower girls were Berl McConnell and Carrie Sherrill both daintily dressed in white. Rev. Ranald McDonald performed the ceremony. The bride was dressed in a handsome white crepe de china princess with trimmings of silver over white taffeta. After the ceremony a delicious salad course was served. The young couple left on the 10-20 train for in Haskell Hawkes Cut Glass-

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Texas Land Co.

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ceipts at Rochester would run hotels of this city did not enterpected to run for Tax Collector. o'clock at night.

D. W. Fields of Rochester was Some of the lady teachers who attended the institute were inin Haskell Thursday and paid us formed when they arrived here a call. He said the cotton re- on the ten o'clock train that the something over 2000 bales and tain ladies. This was a fine sitthat they expected to get a 1000 uation for a lady to meet with more. Mr. Fields said he ex- as a stranger in the city at ten

THE UNEMPLOYED.

Why are there so many unemployed persons in various parts of the world? Business depression is, of course, accountable for the hardships many working people undergo at intervals, says the Boston Globe. But business depression is not the cause of the permanent army of the unemployed which, in London for instance, is never disbanded. The royal commission which investigated this and other problems expresses the opinion that this army is recruited from workers who, when boys, had to leave school without learning a manual trade, and also without sufficient general education. Such boys after leaving school cever learned a regular trade, but took whatever jobs were at hand. Conse quently, their occupation being intermittent, a livelihood precarious in routh became more so in mature age. if this guess of the royal commission is true, then it follows that by educating everybody either for mental or manual labor the supply of those capable of doing skilled or regular tasks would be enormously increased. But increasing the number of persons looking for a job is not the same thing as increasing the number of jobs. Therefore, it would seem that the suggestion of the royal commission, if carried out, would only serve to change the character of the army of the unemployed.

The humble hen holds no inconspic uous place as a contributor to the wealth of the country. Missouri is one of the states that keeps official track of the hen, and the labor bureau of that commonwealth has just made a report on the subject. It appears from the records that in 1908 the value of the eggs laid by Missouri hens and sold elsewhere was \$22,027,628. The value of poultry shipped out of the state for the same period was \$22.095 .-608, and the value of feathers sold for the same time was \$837,687. Here is a grand total of \$44,960,973 from sursione. The showing takes no account of the quantity and value of eggs and poultry consumed at home or of the value of the feathered stock still on hand. And Missouri is but one state. The aggregate for the United States must make a big array in favor of the

Hazing, like the hereditary family feud in certain sections of this country, is a continuing evil, because it is banded down from one college generation to the next, and each man who has in his time and turn run the cauntiet wants to pay off the score and secure revenge vicariously upon the person of the trembling freshman who falls into his clutches, says the Boston Advertiser. The class that decides to proscribe hazing has been punished and now finds itself deprived o. the chance of inflicting punishment. And so the evil tradition persists. merely because no class can make up its mind to forego the precious privflege of meting out to others the same harsh and cruel treatment that was their own portion.

The propaganda for good roads is accomplishing great results. The effect of the campaign is being felt in almost every state in the union. The awakening to the necessities of the situation has come none too soon, but now that the battle is practically won and millions of dollars are being invested in the improvement of the highways of the nation it cannot be realized too soon that constant and untiring vigilance is the price of good roads. No matter how well built the new roads may be, unless liberal provision is made for their maintenance they will deteriorate and become little better than at present.

The speed maniacs of the age have made one radical mistake. They have aimed for speed before establishing the degree of pressure which present day mechanism will resist. Consequently, the strain they impose upon the mechanical part of their vehicles is beyond the latter's power of endurance.

The corn-growing record has been broken, not on the fertile plains of the west but in a southern state. J. F. Butts, who has a farm near Raieigh, N. C., has been awarded the prize for having raised 227 bushels of corn on a single acre. This output is set down as unsurpassed in the United States.

The Argentine authorities are mov ing against the anarchist propaganda with energy and promptness. The government has proclaimed martial law throughout the country for 60 days, and any anarchist who shows the least disposition toward pernicious activity is likely to be "run in" without ceremony.

The auto is said to promote appendicitis, but those who can scrape up the price are willing to take the

HASKELL FREE PRESS DANES CLAIM COOK IS BIG SWINDLER

COPENHAGEN UNIVERSITY RE-PORT COMPLETELY DISCRED-ITS AMERICAN'S CLAIMS.

DID NOT GO TO NORTH POLE

Explorers and Scientists Have Lost Faith In Dr. Cook's Honesty.

Copenhagen, Dec. 22,-The report of the special committee of scientists whom the University of Copenhagen appointed to scrutinize Dr. F. A. Cook's claims that he has discovered the North Pole was submitted to the consistory of the university this morning. indorsed by that body and given to the public.

The report shatters completely, almost contemptuously, the American explorer's claims to such discovery and fills the officials and people of Denmark with chagrin at the figure Denmark is made to appear in the view of the scientific world. The public was prepared for a verdict of "not proven," but it did not expect its recent hero to be branded as an imposter. Many still cling to the belief that Cook acted in good faith, but harbored a delusion.

Explorers and scientists, almost unanimously, have lost faith in Cook's honesty, while one of his warmest supporters, Knud Rasmussen, helped to frame the university report. The evening papers attack Cook and severely reproach him for hiding, which they regard as a sign of a guilty conscience. The rector of the university, Dr. Torp, when questioned as to the possibiltiy of the university canceling the degree which it conferred upon Cook, said no decision had been reached, but he thought the degree could b€ withdrawn.

REWARD OFFERED FOR SLAYER.

Citizens Have Started Movement to Raise \$1,500.

San Antonio: Shocked and indignant that such a cold-blooded murder as that of Mike Meagher should have been committed in San Antonio, citiplus poultry and poultry products zens have started a movement to raise a fund to offer a reward for the capture and conviction of his slaver. It is planned to offer \$1,500. D. A. Walker, manager of the San Antonio Telephone company, heads the list with

ZELAYA MEN ROUTED.

Gen, Estrada Has Won An Important

Victory. Bluefields, Nicaragua: The revolutionists under command of Gen. Estrada have completely routed the Zelayan forces, near Rama. Estrada has captured Recreo, Vasquez's strongest position, and he has been victorious all along the line, which stretches for a distance of eight miles.

\$5,000,000 Texas Lumber Deal.

Aachison, Kan.: Word was received here Tuesday that the sale of the Carlisle-Pennell Lumber Company's Texas properties to the West Lumber Company had been consummated, and the property is now being operated for the account of the purchaser. This is believed to be one of the largest single transactions that ever occurred in Texas, the sale price being about \$5,000,000,

One Dead and One Wounded.

Jewett: One man. Tom Lyles, dead one man slightly injured and a third party in the custody of the officers, is the result of a shooting which took place Tuesday night west of this city.

Cotton Growers' Association.

Dallas: To the Farmers, Banking, Business and Professional Men and People of the South: On Jan. 28 and 29 next, at Waco, Tex., the midwinter meeting of the Texas Cotton Growers' association will be held.

New Interurban Station. Howe, Tex.: The Dallas-Sherman Interurban workmen have about completed the new depot here and the company will shortly commence using

Gas Explosion in Streets

Topeka, Kan.: Two more natural gas explosions in the streets of the business section of Topeka Monday have greatly alarmed the people. This makes four explosions within a week. It is declared Topeka is above a veritable gas reservoir resulting from rotten pipes.

Korean Official Assasinated.

Seoul, Korea: Premier Yi, the head of the Korean Cabinet, was stabbed and fatally wounded Tuesday by a Korean. Yie Chaim Ying.

Chicago Facing Coal Famine.

Chicago: Chicago is facing a coal famine, according to the various dearers of the city. The extreme cold weather and the inability of the railroads to deliver a full supply will empty the yards within two weeks.

College Receives \$5,000,000.

New York: During the year 1909 Columbia University has received gifts reaching nearly \$5,000,000, an amount believed to be a record for educational ipetitutions in the East.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

At 2:24 o'clock Friday the first legal execution in Hemphill occurred when Sheriff Williams sprang the trap and Robert Wright was hanged.

Bonds aggregating two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for improvements of sixty-two miles of road were approved by Saturday's election, in Denison. Vote 562 for, 210 against.

G. G. Eaves, about 40 years of age, and a resident of Collinsville for the past five years, was shot and instantly killed at his place of business Thurs-

Denton buyers are paying as high as 15%c a pound for turkeys, with the market ranging usually from 14c to 15c, and hundreds of turkeys are being received here from over this and adjoining counties.

The corpse of George Wittich, aged about 55 years and formerly of San Antonio, was found Friday morning hanging from a joist under the steps leading from the top of the seawall to the beach in Galveston.

Albert Parker, a farmer from the Preston Bend neighborhood, disposed of twenty bushels of pecans for an aggregate of \$65 in twenty minutes in Denison Friday.

Arrangements have been made to start a cracker factory in Paris. A candy factory and bottling works will be operated in connection with it.

W. E. Ross, of Marshall, bought for Campbell & Cleaver of Dallas, Tex., 700 bales of spot cotton, paying over \$50,000 for the same.

Oil, believed to be of a very fine grade, has been brought in just outside of the city limits of San Antonio, It was struck at a depth of 600 feet and rose 200 feet.

Dallas is certainly the auto metropolis. With just one more application and the register at the county clerk's office will show 900 automobiles licensed to run in this city.

The lifeless body of Mrs. Berta Larue, of Ballinger, was found in an unused room at the court house Saturday. Her death was caused by strychnine poisoning, self-administered.

Fire which originated Sunday in Galveston did damage estimated at about \$85,000 and gave the fire dapartment the \$120,000 building at San Angelo. a stubborn three hours' fight in a freezing point.

In a street duel with knives at Alicia. Arkansas, a town located near Little Rock, Saturday, Miss Nora Owens was fatally injured by Miss may be stricken off the lists. Stella Belk, and died within a few minutes after the cutting.

The first of a series tions by which Oklahoma will dispose of approximately one and three-quar ter million acres of what are commonly cailed state school lands, took place in Chandler Wednesday.

The Secretary of State in Austin Saturday approved an amendment to the charter of the West Lumber company of Houston, increasing its capital stock from \$400,000 to \$5,000,000. This is the result of a meeting of stockholders held on Dec. 13.

For the first time in its history the leading Catholic Church of El Paso has its doors locked. Sunday morning it was discovered that the building had been entered by thieves and the con tribution boxes, which are known to have contained a considerable sum

Plans are being matured for an extensive interurban system covering a large part of Texas, radiating from San Antonio. Lines are proposed to Galveston and Houston and from San Antonio north through Austin to Dallas and Fort Worth. The backers of the project are C. L. Hodges of Chicago and L. L. McSweeny of New York.

The infant son of W. Kesse of Lofton, Winn Parish, La., was burned to death Tuesday at their home.

Mrs. Sarah E. Dodson died of pellagra Wednesday at the Baptist Memorial Sanitarium in Dallas. She was the daughter of John H. Felmet and was 28 years old. She was brought to the sanitarium from her home in Davis, Okla., Oct. 19.

The Loeb Compress at Longview has compressed up to date 30,000 bales of cotton and it is expected that they will compress 50,000 before the season is ended.

Mrs. Annie Grant, wife of J. I. Grant, a farmer living near Vaughan in Hill County, was seriously and possibly fatally burned Monday.

Milton Otto Berger of Celina, Texas 7 years of age, was struck and fatally injured by a street car on Main street in Fort Worth Thursday.

Representative Burgess of Texas Wednesday introduced in the House a joint resolution declaring the United States shall cease to exercise sovereignty over the Philippine Islands and by treaty with foreign nations set up and maintain there a free and independent Government.

Capt. J. M. Mallett, one of the bestknown Populists in the Southwest, who made the race for Governor and Congress on that ticket several years ago, died at his home in Cleburne Monday, at the age of 74. He was editor of a Populist paper here at one time. He

had been in poor health for some time. The power yacht Tekla, owned by desandro Favvri of New York, arrived Monday in Baltimore from New Youk by way of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, on her way to the Gulf and points in Texas, to collect natural store

EVENTS BOILED DOWN

DEMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAP PENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE,

NOTHING GOOD GOT

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

Mexico was shaken by a slight earthquake Thursday morning. No great danage was done.

Cotton sold Wednesday in Chillico he at 15.35c, the highest price ever paid in the Panhandle.

James J. Corbett will be the animated punching bag on which James J. Jeffries will practice in fitting himself for his fight with Jack Johnson.

A norther struck Mexico early Sunday morning, accompanied by a steady rain. Late in the afternoon the rain turned to sleet and froze to everything to touched. Her dress catching fire from an

open fireplace, Mrs. Polly Hammer, an Indian woman of Braggs, was burned to death at Muskogee, Okla., Wednesday.

The cruiser Albany and the gunboat Yorktown have joined the gunboat Vicksburg at Corinto, on the Pacific coast of Nicaragua. Their arrival has been announced to the Navy Department.

As the result of the smoker of a westbound Rock Island passenger train leaving the track at Argenta, Ark., a suburb of Little Rock, Monday, five persons were seriously, but not fatally. injured.

Rev. R. L. Snyder was stabbed Tuesday from the effects of which he died on the spot where the altercation took place. This trouble was near Huckaby, about twelve miles north of Stephenville.

The people of Nicaragua are in open revolt against Zelaya without check from the police. They are crowding the streets of Managua and give vent to unrestrained denunciation of the administration.

W. G. Perry, Government Superintendent of Construction of Public Buildings, has been ordered from Dalton, Ga., to San Angelo, Texas, to assume charge of the construction of

Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh temperature but slightly above the announced Friday that he will designate no more National bank depositaries for the deposit of surplus Government funds. He even intimates B. C. McElroy for over \$36,000. This that some of the present depositaries

Local passenger train No. 11 on the Southern Railway, known as the Rich- that the Texas Company has brought propriation to fight tuberculosis. Wednesday at Reedy Fork trestle, ten miles north of Greensboro, N. C., and eleven dead bodies had been removed from the wreckage. Fourteen are reported dead and twenty-five injured.

Tuesday morning the chief engineer and a large force of men pitched camp Monday night, and shot George Bailey, north of Temple preparatory to making the preliminary survey for location of the right of way for the construction of the Temple and Northwestern Rail way to extend from Temple north toward Hamilton.

The possible spread of bubonic plague through squirrels to such an extent as to become a very real menace to sections where no case has yet appeared has been called to the attention of the House Committee on Agriculture by Secretary Wilson, in Washington.

Two men, claiming to be officers, Monday arrested Curley Crawford, a restaurant keeper of McAlester, Okla., on an alleged charge of forgery, started to take him to the North Side, and when an isolated spot in the railroad urday. Falling down the basement yards was reached sandbagged him and robbed him of \$80. The was badly hurt.

Seven persons lost their lives, seven others were injured, two probably fatally, and about fifty others had parrow escapes from instant death in a fire which destroyed a four-story tenement and lodging house in Cincinnati,

Friday morning five professional yeggmen entered the little town of Geronimo, eight miles south of Lawton, and, blowing the Citizens' Bank safe with a heavy charge of dynamite. which totally wrecked one entire side of the building, relieved the institution of \$600 in cash.

Governor Campbell Tuesday receiv ed the resignation of Thomas B. Love, Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, to become effective Feb. 1, 1910, and immediately announced that he would appoint William E. Hawkins to quarters at Chicago, Thursday made the vacancy.

Engineer Tom Walker and Fireman P. W. Bauer, both of Tucson, were killed, ten persons seriously injured tion on hand. Thurrsday made a second and thirteen others cut and bruised when eastbound Southern Pacific passenger train No. 4, formerly known as the Golden State Limited, was wreck- ty miles down the river, stuck in the ed three miles west of Benson, Arizona, Sunday morning.

Eleven mines owned or operated by four different companies are closed at Coalgate, Okla., by State Mine Inspector, and about 5,000 men are temporarily out of employment.

little town of Paoli, Okla., on the Santa Fe Road, sixty miles north of McAlester, was disturbed by dynamite explosions. Robbers entered the State Bank of Paoli and dynamited the vault. the building wbadly wrecked and after a hardward \$4,000 was

The Senate Monday confirmed the nomination of William J. Milis of East Las Vegas, N. M., to be Governor of New Mexico.

Both the Senate and the House concluded their labors in Washington by

2 o'clock Monday, and adjourned for the holidays. T. B. Mitchell, pastor of the Baptist Church at Grand Falls, Tex., died

Monday from the effects of an accidendays ago. While out hunting and fishing on Sa-

bine River, north of Grand Saline, Monday, Monroe Stanford had his arm The genuine Virgin Oil of Pine co blown off near the elbow with a stick of dynamite. Eggs advanced 4c a dozen-in price

Friday in Chicago. This makes an increase of 5c in two days, 40c now being the price for the strictly fresh graded lots.

Fire completely destroyed a business black in Little Rock Sunday morning at a total loss of about \$85,-000. The fire is the second of the kind here in the last two weeks.

Four persons were killed and a num-

ber of others injured Friday when a

Central of Georgia passenger train collided with a passenger train on the Macon and Birmingham road at Harris City, Ga. The Southern Railway's fast mail train No. 37, New York to New Or-

leans, was wrecked Friday at Chambelee, Ga., eighteen miles north of Atlanta. Four cars left the track and two trainmen were injured.

The dead body of "Uncle Jack" Leonard of Tascosa was found in a dry creek-bed fifteen miles from Amarillo Wednesday, the old man having

perished in the storm of Nov. 27. Five lions, a leopard and a variety of other wild animals, the gift of former President Roosevelt to the Zoo at Washington, were unloaded from the German steamer Moltefels at Philadelphia Saturday.

Leopold II., King of Belgians, died Thursday morning, his aged and wasted body being unable to stand the strain put upon it. The collapse occurred suddenly and at a moment when the doctors seeming had the greatest hopes of recovery.

Well defined and well supported plans have just been made in Washnomination for President of the United States.

with patients that there are many applicants pending which can not be admitted until some of the present inmates are discharged or removed. W. T. Twyman Tuesday, in Marshall,

The asylum in Terrell is so crowded

makes about the third large cotton deal in Marshall in the past few days. It is reported upon reliable authority

citement runs high in Toyah and Pe-Working so quietly that people sleeping a block away were not awakened, a mob broke down the door of the county jail at Devalls Bluff, Ark.

a negro, to death in his cell. The body of Hugh Blakeney, 25 years old, son of George W. Blakeney of Paris, Texas, was found Monday beside the Frisco Railway track near St. Louis. The cause or manner of his

death is unknown to his parents. Three hundred negroes, each an swering in some particular to the description of the highwayman who shot and killed Motorman Edgar Gooday and probably fatally wounded Conductor M. P. O'Brien on a street car Sunday-night, are being held at police headquarters in East St. Louis.

Capt. J. W. Watson, for many years government weather observer in Abilene, and next to the oldest man in the service, was instantly killed here Satsteps of the government building, his head struck the cement floor and his skull was fractured.

France was stirred Saturday by the discovery of two horrible crimes. A Marseilles wine-seller slew his whole family and killed himself. He shot his mother and cut the throats of his wife and three children with a razor.

Miss Nora Ella Moore, about 21 years of age, a daughter of Joe Moore, a well-to-do farmer residing about two miles from Temple, was found dead in a well on the premises Friday at a late hour.

Monday evening terminated the meeting of the Stamford district Christian convention at Hamlin.

Alleging that the filibustering tactics of the House Postoffice Committee will be followed this winter with what they term "steam boiler tenacity," the Postal Savings Bank League, with headits entrance into Washington.

The transport Prairie, with 700 marines and 500,000 rounds of ammunistart for Colon. On Dec. 2 the Prairie with a like cargo started for the same port from Philadelphia, but when formud and remained there nearly ten

days. The Brownsville Court of Inquiry has reached that stage of its work when it is investigating the individual applications for reinstatement by discharged soldiers of the Twenty-Fifth After midnight Monday night the Infantry.

> Jose Santon Zelaya has resigned from the Presidency of Nicaragua, He placed his resignation in the hands of Congress Thursday morning. Appar ently there was no other course for him to take. The people were at last aroused. The guy of the revolutionearlier and ists threatened Nicaraguan ports. ken. United S

AN EXCELLENT REMEDY.

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IMPERTINENT.



Missionary-You haven't been to-Bunday school for a month. I don't expect to meet you in heaven! Kid-Gee! I didn't know you wur

as bad as all dat! Rather Ambiguous.

The Rev. Mr. Dozen had not gained the golden opinions of his congregation, who were unanimous in asserting that he was foolish and conceited. He considered himself greatly slandered, and, meeting an old German friend of his in the street ne day,

began to retail his woes, ending up by saying: "And the church warden actually called me a perfect ass. My cloth prevented me from resenting insults, but I think I shall refer to it in the pulpit next Sunday. What would you ad-

"Mine friendt," replied the German soothingly, "I know not, but I tink dat ington to start the campaign of Gov. all you can do vill be youst to bray Harmon of Ohio for the Democratic for them as usual!"-Detroit News-

Tribune. Good Work Going Forward. Following a whirlwind campaign against consumption in Charleston, the American tuberculosis exhibition of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis recently opened another exhibition made a sale of 500 bales of cotton to movement in Greenville, S. C. After January 1 the work will be continued in Columbia, S. C., in connection with the session of the state legislaty. sociation has just closed a campaign in Colorado, and is now touring Oklahoma. A state-wide fight will be

> hibition will go to Arkansas. Stamps of German Domestics. Each week there is pasted in the little blank book that every servant girl in Germany must possess a postage stamp to the value of about five

waged in this state. Later, this ex-

cents. This stamp is a donation, compulsory under the German law, which the mistress must afford the servant. Should the girl fall ill, the stamps are redeemed by the government, or the servant may retain the stamps indefinitely until, when she has attained a ripe old age, the government pays her a premium for them.—The Sunday Magazine.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., To

Perhaps So. "Your wife does not appear to be

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What a young man earns in the daytime goes into his pocket, but what he pends in the evening goes into his

haracter.-Dr. Cuyler. Stop admiring the bright toeth of

Start chewing WRIGLEY'S SPEAR MINT and admire your own.

You can't blame the man who has got his winter's coal is for feeling just a little bester than the rest of the neighborhood.



HISPERING SMITH By Trank H. Spearman. ILLUSTRATIONS BY ANDRE BOWLES

SYNOPSIS.

Murray Sinclair and his gang of wreckwere called out to clear the railroad scks at Smoky Creek. McCloud, a young road superintendent, caught Sinclait and his men in the act of looting the vrecked train. Sinclair pleaded innoceace, declaring it only amounted to a small sum—a treat for the men. McCloud discharged the whole outfit and ordered the wreckage burned. McCloud became acquainted with Dicksie Dunning, a girl of the west, who came to look at the wreck, "Whispering" Gordon Smith told President Bucks of the railroad, of Mc-Cloud's brave fight against a gang of crazed miners and that was the reason for the superintendent's appointment to his office. McCloud arranged board at the boarding house of Mrs. Sinclair, the ex-foreman's deserted wife, Dicksie Dunning was the daughter of the late Richard Dunning, who had died of a broken heart shortly after his wife's demise which occurred after one year of mar-ried life. Smoky Creek bridge was mys-teriously burned. President Bucks noti-fied Smith that he had work ahead. A stock train was wrecked by an open switch. Later a passenger train was held up and the express car robbed. Two men of a posse pursuing the bandits were killed. "Whispering Smith" approached Sinclair. He tried to buy him off, but failed. He warned McCloud that his life was in danger. McCloud was carried forcibly into Lance Dunning's presence Dunning refused the railroad a right-ofway, he had already signed for. Dicksie interfered to prevent a shooting affray Dicksie met McCloud on a lonely trail to warn him his life was in danger. On his way home a shot passed through his hat. A sudden rise of the Crawling Stone river created/consternation. Dicksie and Ma-rion appealed to McCloud for help. Whis-pering 5mith joined the group. McCloud took his men to fight the river. Lance Dunning welcomed them cordially. Mc-Cloud succeeded in halting the flood. Dicksie and Marion visited Sinclair at his ranch. He tried to persuade his deserted wife to return to him. She refused. He accused Whispering Smith of having stolen her love from him. A train was held up and robbed, the bandits escap-Smith and McCloud started in pur suit. At Baggs ranch Du Sang killed old Whispering Smith befriended his ten-year-old son. They came to Williams Cache. Smith was certain the bandits were there. He importuned Rebstock, "king of the cache," to give up Du Sang. Rebstock refused. Smith declared he would clean out the whole gang, including Rebstock. Smith came upon the bandits, Du Sang among them. Single-handed he routed them all. He set in pursuit of one, the other two being hope-lessly wounded. Du Sang died of his The party started for home Medicine Bend heard the news of the Dicksie progressed favorably.

CHAPTER XXX.-Continued.

'Won't you give me the number and let me telephone?" asked a voice behind them. They turned in astonishment and saw Whispering Smith. "I see a man of your intelligence, George, trying to broil a steak with the lower door of your stove wide open. Close the lower door and cut out the draft through the fire. Don't stare, George; put back the broiler. are you? I told you they weren't." And haven't you made a radical mistake to start with?" he asked, stepping between the confused couple "Are you not trying to broil a roast of beef?"

"Where did you come from?" de manded McCloud, as Marion came in from the dining room.

"Don't search me the very first thing," protested Whispering Smith. "But we've been frightened to death here for 24 hours. Are you really alive and unhurt? This young lady rode in 20 miles this morning and came to the

office in tears to get news of you." Smith looked mildly at Dicksie. "Did you shed a tear for me? I should like to have seen just one! Where did I come from? I reported in wild over That is what causes wrecks, Marion. I have been in the saddle since three have had nothing for five days but

raw steer garnished with sunshine." The four sat down to supper, and Whispering Smith began to talk. He Cache, the defiance from Rebstock. he wanted. "Du Sang meant to shoot for it. There really was nothing else for him to do. Banks and Kennedy were up above, even if he could have ridden out through the upper canyon, which is very doubtful with all the and forth, Du Sang drew, and of to talk here." course then it was every man for himself. He was hit twice and he died Sunday night, but the other two were not seriously hurt. What can you do? It is either kill or get killed with those ly to Du Sang. He had butchered a times over. He meant from the start, he told me afterward, to get me. Oh, Miss Dunning, may I have some more coffee? Haven't I an agreeable part of the railroad business, don't you when I rode by awhile ago; they looked so good I couldn't resist."

McCloud leaned forward. "You call it pushing in, do you, Gordon? Do know what this young lady did morning? One of her cowboys came down from the Cache early with the word that you had been killed in ght by Du Sang. He said he saw

word, and rode 20 miles in an hour and a half to find out here what we had heard. She 'pushed in' at the Wickiup, where she never had been through it alone looking for my office, to find out from me whether I hadn't something to contradict the bad news. While we talked, in came your dispatch from Sleepy Cat. Never was one better timed! And when she knew you were safe her eyes filled again."

Whispering Smith looked at Dicksie, quizzically. Her confusion was delightful. He rose, lifted her hand in his own, and, bending, kissed it.

They talked till late, and when Dicksie walked on the porch McCloud followed to smoke. Whispering Smith still sat at the table talking to Marion, and the two heard the sound of the low voices outside. At intervals Dicksie's laugh came in through the open

Whispering Smith, listening, said nothing for some time, but once she laughed peculiarly. He pricked up his ears. "What has been happening since I left town?"

"What do you mean?" asked Marion Sinclair.

He nodded toward the porch. "Mc Cloud and Dicksie out there. They have been fixing things up." "Nonsense! What do you mean?"

"I mean they are engaged." "Never in the world!" "I may be slow in reading a trail," said Smith, modestly, "but when a woman laughs like that I think there's something doing. Don't you believe it? Call them in and ask them. You won't? Well, I will. Take them in

separate rooms. You ask her and I'll ask him." In spite of Marion's protests the two were brought in. "I am required by Mr. Smith to ask you a very silly question, Dicksie," said Marion, taking her into the living room. "Answer ye

or no. Are you engaged to anybody?" "What a question! Why, no!" "Marion Sinclair wants to know just one thing, George," said Whispering Smith to McCloud, after he had taken him into the dark shop. "She feels she ought to know because she is in a way Dicksie's chaperone, you know, and she feels that you are willing she should know. I don't want to be too serious, but answer yes or no. Are

"Why, yes. I-" "That's all; go back to the porch," directed Whispering Smith. McCloud

you engaged to Dicksie?"

obeyed orders. Marion, alone in the living room, was waiting for the inquisitor, and her face wore a look of triumph. "You are not such a mind-reader after all,

Whispering Smith. "She says they are not," insisted

Marion.

"He says they are," returned Whispering Smith. "And, what's more I'll bet my saddle against the shop they are. I could be mistaken in anything but that laugh."

CHAPTER XXXI.

A Midnight Visit.

The lights, but one, were out. Mc-Cloud and Whispering Smith had gone. and Marion was locking up the house for the night, when she was halted by a knock at the shop door. It was a summons that she thought she knew. the telephone ten minutes ago. Didn't | but the last in the world that she wanted Marion tell you? She is so forgetful. to hear or to answer. Dicksie had gone to the bedroom, and standing between the portieres that curtained o'clock this morning, thank you, and the workroom from the shop, Marion in the half-light listened, hesitating whether to ignore or to answer the midnight intruder. But experience, and bitter experience, had taught her told the story of the chase to the there was only one way to meet that particular summons, and that was to and the tardy appearance of the men act, whether at noon or at midnight, without fear. She waited until the his way through us and make a dash knocking had been twice repeated, turned up the light, and going to the door drew the bolt; Sinclair stood before her, and she drew back for him to enter. "Dicksie Dunning is with me to-night," said Marion, with her men here have stirred this country up water now. After a little talk back hand on the latch, "and we shall have

Sinclair took off his hat. "I knew you had company," he returned in the low, gentle tone that Marion knew life together, and we ought to live it very well, "so I came late. And I out or die together, whether it's toheard to-night, for the first time, that night, Marion, or 20 years from tofellows, and, of course, I talked plain- this railroad crowd is after me—God knows why; but they have to earn man at Mission Springs just the night! their salary somehow. I want to keep before, and deserved hanging a dozen out of trouble if I can. I won't kill anybody if they don't force me to it. They've scared nearly all my men away from the ranch already; one crippled-up cowboy is all I have got know you went to do what's right. I

to help me look after the cattle. But couldn't kill you without killing my-I shouldn't have pushed in I won't quarret with them, Marion, if here to night, but I saw the lights I can get away from here peaceably, so I've come to talk it over once more with you. I'm going away and I want you to go with me; I've got enough to keep us as well as the best of them and as long as we live. You've given

"Don't call me that!"

ground with Du Sang shooting at you. | want it to be again. I don't hame | I don't want to live without you. If | murmured once wearily. "Perhaps I | lessly on the table. "Rode down to ever knew, Marion. I've learne, to the consequences." appreciate some few things in the lonely months I've spent up on the Frenchman; but I've felt while I was before in her life, and wandered there as if I were working for both of us. I've got a buyer in sight now for the cattle and the land. I'm ready to clean up and say good by to treable -all I want is for you to give me the one chance I've asked for and go along."

They stood facing each other under the dim light. She listened intently to every word, though in her terror she might not have heard or understood all of them. One thing she did you know whether it is true?" very clearly understand, and that was why he had come and what he wrated. To that she held her mind tenaciously, and for that she shaped her answer. "I cannot go with you-now or ever."

got along, Marion, when I behaved my- and I'm not Du Sang. I'll choose my

She ordered up her horse, without a you. You're worth all the would I you make me do it, you're to blame for am doing wrong; perhaps I ought to gether! For God's sake, why didn't

She stood with wide-open eyes, but uttered no word.

"You won't touch it-then you care a little for me yet," he murmured. "No! Do not say so. But I will not do murder."

"Think about the other, then. Go with me and everything will be all right. I will come back some evening soon for my answer. And until then, if those two men have any use for life, let them keep in the clear. I heard to-night that Du Sang is killed. Do

"It is true."

An oath half escaping showed how the confirmation cut him. "And Whispering Smith got away! It is Du Sang's own fault; I told him to keep He waited a moment. "We always out of that trap. I stay in the open; own ground for the finish when they "I hope you always will behave want it with me, and when I go I'll yourself; but I could no more go with take company-I'll promise you that.

go with him. I wish, oh, I wish I one of them stay at the house?" knew what I ought to do!"

CHAPTER XXXII.

The Call.

Beyond receiving reports from Kennedy and Banks, who in the interval rode into town and rode out again on their separate and silent ways, Whispering Smith for two days seemed to do nothing. Yet instinct keener than silence kept the people of Medicine Bend on edge during those two days, and when President Bucks' car came in on the evening of the second day, the town knew from current rumors that Banks had gone to the Frenchman ranch with a warrant on a serious charge for Sinclair. In the president's car Bucks and McCloud, after a late dinner, were joined by Whispering Smith, and the president heard the first connected story of the events of the fortnight that had passed. Bucks made no comment until he had heard everything. "And they rode Sinclair's horses," he said in conclusion.

"Sinclair's horses," returned Whispering Smith, "and they are all accounted for. One horse supplied by Rebstock was shot where they crossed Stampede creek. It had given out and they had a fresh horse in the willows. for they shot the scrub half a mile up one of the canyons near the crossing. The magpies attracted my attention to it. A piece of skin a foot square had been cut out of the flank."

"You got there before the birds." "It was about an even thing," said Smith. "Anyway, we were there in time to see the horse."

"And Sinclair was away from the ranch from Saturday noon till Sunday night?"

"A rancher living over on Stampede creek saw the five men when they crossed Saturday afternoon. The fellow was scared and lied to me about it, but he told Wickwire who they were.'

"Now, who is Wickwire?" asked Bucks.

"You ought to remember Wickwire. George," remarked Whispering Smith, turning to McCloud. "You haven't forgotten the Smoky creek wreck? Do you remember the tramp who had his legs crushed and lay in the sun all morning? You put him in your car and sent him down here to the railroad hospital and Barrillands to be care of him. That was Wickwire. Not a bad fellow, either; he can talk pretty straight and shoot pretty straight. How do I know? Because he has told me the story and I've seen him shoot. There, you see, is one friend that you never reckoned on. He used to be a cowboy, and I got him a job working for Sinclair on the Frenchman: he has worked at Dunning's and other places on the Crawling Stone. He hates Sinclair with a deadly hatred for some reason. Just lately Wickwire set up for himself on Little Crawling Stone."

"I have noticed that fellow's ranch." remarked McCloud.

"I couldn't leave him at Sinclair's," continued Whispering Smith, frankly. "The fellow was on my mind all the time. I felt certain he would kill Sinclair or get killed if he stayed there. And then, when I took him away they sprang Tower W on me! That is the price, not of having a conscience, strength enough to bolt it before his for I haven't any, but of listening to footsteps died away. She put out the the voice that echoes where my conscience used to be," said the railroad man, moving uneasily in his chair.

Bucks broke the ash from his cigar into the tray on the table. "You are restless to-night, Gordon-and it isn't like you, either."

"It is in the air. There has been a dead calm for two days. Something is due to happen to-night. I wish I could hear from Banks; he started with the papers for Sinclair's yesterday while I went to Oroville to sweat Karg. Blood-poisoning has set in and on opened her eyes a few minutes it is rather important to us to get a confession. There's a horse!" stepped to the window. "Coming fast, too. Now, I wonder-no, he's gone

Five minutes later a messenger came to the car from the Wickiup with word that Kennedy was looking for Whispering Smith. Bucks, McCloud and Smith left the car together and walked up to McCloud's office.

Kennedy, sitting on the edge of the table, was tapping his leg nervously with a ruler. "Bad news, Gordon." "Not from Ed Banks?"

"Sinclair got him this morning." "Go Whispering Smith sat down.

"Banks and I picked up Wickwire on the Crawling Stone early, and we rode over to the Frenchman. Wickwire said Sinclair had been up at Williams Cache the day before, and he didn't think he was home. Of course I knew the Cache was watched and he wouldn't be there long, so Ed both asked me to stay in the cottonwoods and watch the creek for him. He and Wickwire couldn't find anybody home when they got to the ranchhouse and they rode down the corral together to look over the horses."

Whispering Smith's hand fell he



"Sinclair rode out from behind the barn and hit Wickwire in the arm before they saw him. Banks turned and opened on him, and Wickwire ducked for the creek. Sinclair put a soft bullet through Banks' shoulder-tore it pretty bad, Gordon-and made his getaway before Wickwire and I could reach the barn again. I got Ed on his horse and back to Wickwire's, and we sent one of the boys to Oroville for a doctor. After Banks fell out of the saddle and was helpless Sinclair talked to him before I came up. 'You ought to have kept out of this, Ed.' he said. This is a railroad fight. Why didn't they send the head of their own gang after me?"-naming you." Kennedy nodded toward Whispering Smith. "Naming me."

"Banks says: 'I'm sheriff of this county, and will be a long time yet!" I took the papers from his breast pocket," continued Kennedy. "You can see where he was hit." Kennedy laid the sheriff's packet on the table. Bucks drew his chair forward and, with his cigar between his fingers, picked the packet up and opened it. Kennedy went on: "Ed told Sinclair if he couldn't land him himself that he knew a man who could and would before he was a week older. He meant you, Gordon, and the last thing Ed told me was that he wanted you to serve the papers on Sinclair."

A silence fell on the constany. of the documents passing under B It was the warrant for Sinclair read it without comment, folder and, looking at Whispering S' pushed it toward him. "Then th guess, Gordon, belongs to you."

Starting from a reverie, Whispe Smith reached for the warrant. looked for a moment at the bloodstained caption. "Yes," he said, "this, I guess, belongs to me."

CHAPTER XXXIII.

Duty.

The stir of the town over the shooting of Banks seemed to Marion, in her distress, to point an accusing finger at her. The disgrace of what she had felt herself powerless to prevent now weighed on her mind, and she asked herself whether, after all, the responsibility of this murder was not upon her. Even putting aside this painful doubt, she bore the name of the man ty and now, . seemed to her, was dragging her with him through the slough of blood and dishonor into which he had hlunged.

The wretched thought would return that had she listaned to him, had she consented to go away, this outbreak might have been prevented. And what horror might not another day bring -what lives still closer to her life be taken? For herself she cared less: but she knew that Sirclair, now that he had begun, would not stop. In whichever way her thoughts turned, wretchedness was upon them, and the day went in one of those despairing and indecisive battles that each one within his own heart must fight 46 times with heaviness and do bt

McCloud called her over he telephone in the afternoon say hat he was going west on the evenin train and would not be over for sopper. She wished he could have come for her loneliness began to be insupportable.

Toward sunset she put on her hat and started for the post-office. In the meantime, Dicksie, at home, had called McCloud up and told him she was coming down for the night. He immediately canceled his plans for going west, and when Marion returned at dusk she found him with Dicksie at the cottage. The three had supper. Afterward Dicksie and McCloud went out for a walk, and Marion was alone in the house when the shop door opened and Whispering Smith walked in. It was dusk

"Don't light the lamps, Marion," he said, sitting down on a counter-stool as he took off his hat. "I want to talk to you just a minute, if you don't mind. You know what has happened. I am called on now to go after Sinclair. I have tried to avoid it, but my hand has been forced. To-day I've been placing horses. I am going to ride to-night with the warrant. I have given him a start of 24 hours, hoping he may get out of the country. To stay here means only death to him in the end, and, what is worse, the killing of more and innocent men. But he won't leave the country; do you think he will?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

A True Southerner.

Senator Beveridge was praising the savoir-faire of a southern congressman. "His savoir-faire," said the sens

tor, "never deserts him. I once sat next him at a banquet. there was a clattering fall, and a clumsy waiter spilled a plate of cle soup down his back. He just bit his

"It was thick soup I asked for he said, in a slightly repros



"Here! Use It on Me!"

you than I could make myself again | Good-night, Marion. Will you shake what I was years ago, Murray. I wish you nothing but good; but our ways parted long ago."

"Stop and think a minute, Marion. I offer you more and offer it more honestly than I ever offered it before, because I know myself better. I am alone in the world-strong, and better able to care for you than I was when I undertook to-"

"I have never complained." "That's what makes me more anx-

lous to show you now that I can and will do what's right."

"Oh, you multiply words! It is too late for you to be here. You are in danger; you say; for the love of heaven, leave me and go away!"

"You know me, Marion, when my mind is made up. I won't leave without you." He leaned with one hand against the ribbon showcase. "If you don't want to go I will stay right here and pay off the scores I owe. Two too long, anyway. I don't care much how soon anybody gets me after I round them up. But to-night I felt like this: You and I started out in

night." "If you want to kill me to-night,

I have no resistance to make." Sinclair sat down on a low counterstool, and, bending forward, held his head between his hands. "It oughtn't all to end here. I know you, and I self; you know that." He "raight ened up slowly. "Here!" He slipped his revolver from his hip-holster and held the grip of the gun toward her. "Use it on me if you want to. It is your chance to end everything; it may we several lives if you do. I won't leave McClou dere to crow over me, gained her steadiness, but and, by God, | won't leave you here for Whispering Smith! I'll settle with as the two lay together in "Why, that's him anyhow. Take the pistol! What ness, Marion spoke, but it we that's what I are you afraid of? Take it! Use it! be answered. "I do not kn

hands?" "No."

"Damn it, I like your grit, girl! Well, good-night, anyway." She closed the door. She had even

light and felt her way blindly back to the workroom. She staggered through it, clutching at the curtains, and fell in the darkness into Dicksie's arms. "Marion, dear, don't speak," Dicksie

whispered. "I heard everything. Oh.

Marion!" she cried, suddenly conscious of the inertness of the burden in her arms. "Oh, what shall I do?" Moved by fright to her utmost strength, Dicksie drew the unconscious woman back to her room and managed to lay her on the bed. Marilater to see the lights burning, to hear the telephone bell ringing, and to find

her. "Oh, Marion, thank heaven, you are reviving! I have been frightened to death. Don't mind the telephone; it is Mr. McCloud. I didn't know what to do, so I telephoned him."

Dicksie on the edge of the bed beside

said Marion, faintly. The telephone bell was ringing wildly. "Oh, no! he can wait. How are you, dear? I don't wonder you were fright-

"But you had better answer him,

ened to death. Marion, he means to kill us-every one!" "No, Dicksie. He will kill me and kill himself: that is where it will end. Dicksie, do answer the telephone. What are you thinking of? /Mr. McCloud will be at the door in five

street to-night?" Dicksie fled to the teleph an excited conference over wire closed in seeming reassurance ends. By that time Marion had recould not talk of what had passed. times. dark.

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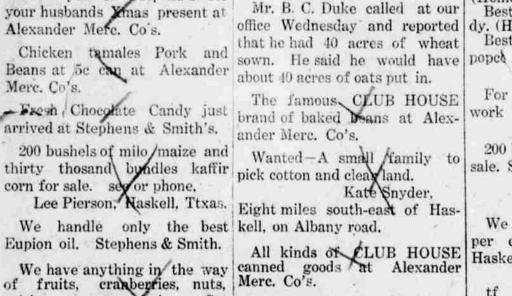
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liar relation to the

three hundred and six-

ty-five days on which are etched the doings

and history of a whole

calendar year. The Ro-

mans observed the day

as a public holiday, and

on this day all litiga-

tion and strife were

suspended, social visits

were exchanged, presents were

given and received, and feasting

throughout the empire was the or-

der of the day. The early Chris-

tians at first set themselves against

the usages of the day as observed

by the Romans until the fixing of

Christmas day on the 25th of De-

cember, and New Year's day came

to be observed as the octave of the Nativity and also as the Festival

I The observance and spirit of the

fay have not changed very greatly

to the onrush of the centuries. We

might go back across the long

stretch of years between the day

wen the then and the now the identity of feel-

So many sentiments crowd themselves into New

Year's day and all are mostly children in the

way in which the day appears to them and in

the simple feelings and emotions by which it is

elserced. The greeting: "A Happy New Year!"

pushes up through the hard strata of the year, and

the simple emotions, which make the whole world

kin, bring friend nearer to friend and melt life to-

gether into a richer affection, and good will be-

ments of New Year's day. 'The personal life has

many things to say to itself; it is at once a clos-

ing of accounts and the opening of a new career.

Old things pass away and all things seem to be-

come new The things that might have been and

have not become are forgotten in the new hopes

and aspirations and ambitions which spring up in

Of course, nobody will ever be what the hopes

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RIKE up the band, here | and doubtless the answer is in ahe comes the good resolution. book somewhere if they can only find Let the whistles blow it. their heads off, let the bells

vibrant ozone even in the uttermost corners of our beautiful city. For the surprising that some details are still good resolution is marching forward to be worked out. The forming of the

hold it in its glory. Keep your eyes the resolution once it is made. Someglued to the spiendid spectacle, keep thing like keeping your aeroplane your ears open for the lofty sounds, right side up once you have estabfor it will not be long in passing

solves that go into effect on New r's day had half the endurance of new speed laws to keep it from makeshift for the present unattain-

g the asphalt. pod resolutions were salt mac-

abroad! in experience seems to indiprogress in any line is necgradual. Take the flying mar instance. At present the engaged in the development nteresting device are in a poascert that many of their up into the air without the



imagination. But the very fact that the day stirs

these noble impulses and floods the prospective

days with the glow of hope is in itself an assur-

The New Years WHAT ITS SIGNS OF PROM SE ARE

ance that the year shall be rich in the gifts and the good will of the gods. Another year! another year! The increasing rush of time sweeps on!

Whelm'd in its surges, disappear Man's hopes and fears-forever gone! Oh, no! forbear that idle tale! The hour demands another strain.

Demands high thoughts that cannot quail, And strength to conquer and retain. 'Tis midnight-from the dark blue sky The stars, which now look down on eart! Have seen ten thousand centuries fly,

And given to countless changes birth, Shine on! shine on! With you I tread The march of ages, orbs of light! A last eclipse o'er you may spread-To me, to me, there comes no night!

The sentiment that phrases itself in the quite depressing words:

> The world is very evil, The times are wearing late,

and faith of the day project for the individual life. is hardly in tune with the modern spirit when The most ardent believer in the better day, the life is thought of as a corporate business and this

Not the most credulous and believing prophet a generation ago could have forecast the world we know and ire perfectly at home with to-day. Bulwer Lyttor in his short book, "The Coming Race," endeavored to tell the story and achievement of

mankind in the day that was shortly to be, but his seeming inpossible world has been more than realized in our own day. The half has not been told. The great tote of the day is the large grasp human life posses es over its own career and destiny, the growing confidence that this old yet ever renewing world is salving its own problems, and, under the guiding of that Providence which Pope's well-known unes so beautifully express:

All natire is but art, unknown to thee; All charce, direction, which thou canst not see: All disjord, harmony, not understood; All partial evil, universal good,

is working for the day of a perfectly ordered and perfectly aljusted civilization. The greater power man is accumulating and employing over his own bodily life, his mastery of the secrets of life which have been aid from the foundation of the world, the realization that man himself is his own providence in a vastly larger degree than hitherto he has dreamed of and that the "greater things" the greatest of all Teachers foretold ages ago that he should

ered that his own commission over life, over the happiness and health and the fruitage of the life that now is, as well as of that which is to come, is a vastly larger commission than the world hitherto has dreamed of. He is finding out that Providence is a partnership and that no man may be a sleeping partner in the business of living without the penalty of losing the very thing that life is-a world of potencies converted into achieve-

This is the note, surely, as civilization faces the year 1910-the note of competency, the sense of added powers to life, the feeling that the greater things are coming on the earth, and that man is using the key to unlock the treasure. house of his own life with a sureness and a wisdom that give promise of a vastly better, richer, juster universe than he has yet known.

Another note of our time is the fact that life mirrors itself in such a wonderful way and the things and forces that make for the better day to be are known and read of all men. We live in the open, and no man may become champion of any cause and keep the world in ignorance of the character of the cause and the nature of his championship. No man to-day may hide his light under a bushel. It is a tell-tale world, and, more than any past time, the world to-day has a juster sense of values and knows both the things that are saving it and the things also that threaten and endanger it. Public service was never so responsible as it is to-day, because civilization never had the almost miraculous power of analyzing and testing the value of public service as in this present year. Public life is an open book. and the most impossible of all impossible things to-day is that any national or international movement should be misunderstood or misinterpreted by the world's best mind. And what is true of public movements is true of public men. No public man can deceive his constituents to-day, for his constituents are the world. And the strong man to-day is the man who frankly rec ognizes this.

Startling Figures. The lives of all the 85,500,000 residents of the United States are

worth \$250,000,000,000. Unnecessary deaths every year cost in capitalized earnings, \$1,000, Workmen's fliness annually costs

in wages \$500,000,000. Care of the sick and dead every year costs \$460,000,000.

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'Spooks" on the Freighter Also Form Another Thrilling Experience for the Crew of the British Ship Erroll.

New York.-Feeding live sheep to sharks to keep the sea monsters away from a sailor who had fallen overboard, pending his rescue, was one of the exciting incidents of the long voyage of the British freighter Erroll, from the orient to New York with the usual valuable cargo of eastern zoods.

The rescue occurred while the steamship was between Labaun and Colombo, in the Bay of Bengal. One of the native sailors, Mart Kasa, had tumbled into the bay while adjusting gear on deck. No sooner had he struck the water than a school of sharks came up and made for the spot where Lascar had taken his involuntary plunge.

With rare presence of mind Kasa's shipmates liberated a sheep from one of the cages forward and tumbled it over the side. The sharks swept down on the sheep in a twinkling, and there was not a vestige of the animal left before the Erroll could stop. Then a second sheep was hurled over the side by the natives as a life boat was lowered and the race for Kasa, swimming toward the small boat, be-

The sharks turned their attention to the swimming native with the disappearance of the last morsel of sheep No. 2, but the Erroll's small boat won in the race and Kasa was hauled aboard at the instant the foremost of the sharks was turning and diving prepaartory to the final crunch on his

Spooks, believed to be in the forward hold of the freighter, formed another diversion for the superstitious natives in the forecastle. The men got the notion that evil gods were hidden in a quantity of oriental curios taken on at Colombo. These consisted of tusks, skeletons of wild animals and queer arms used by natives in their oriental warfares. A crash be be endowed with competence to do low the hatch the second night out -these he is doing in this very from Colombo caused the assembled day with a miraculous confidence Lascars to scramble to quarters, and there they held a powwow which re sulted in a demand being made on Capt. James that the forward hold be examined for "spooke."

Capt. James has had many queer things in the hundreds of cargoes he



The Sharks Swept Down on the Sheep in a Tumbling Mass.

has safely brought to the United States from the far east, but he declared emphatically that "spooks" had never been on any ship of his except once, when a lack of sobriety on the part of a second mate took the shape of "manifestations."

The Lascars were not appeased however, until the hatch was raised and everything shown to be in shape below. The crash they had heard had been caused by a loose joist tumb ling from the side of some cases where

it had been laid for emergency. Between the eastern merchandise jute, hemp and curios, not to mention teas, shellac and the usual list o. oriental stuffs, the cargo of the Er roll was valued at nearly \$2,000,000.

The Reason.

"The Blinkers," says the man with the dubious mustache, "have the queerest house you ever saw. Out drooms, hard chairs and set door tees, and all that. And they have nothing but these mysterious health food m xtures at their meals. Really can't visit them for more than a fello

a day explains the man with the Adama's apple, "that's why has his home arranged that

The Right Place. The Tramp-"Ah, Mister, what would you do if you felt like you did not have a friend in the world?" The Rich Man-"What would I do? Why, I'd apply for a job as baseball umpire, of course."-Chicago News.

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It's safe to say that if all the high stars.

NOT TO SMOKE A PIPE

The practice of resolving presents ring out, let the fog a similar aspect. It is not entirely horn on the lake front shatter the at- perfect at present. But considering mosphere to atoms, let the similar the few years since Adam inaugurated gladsome noises be let loose upon the the outdoor sleeping fad and became grandpa to the human race it is not ed out, till almost any one, the merest

lished a neighborly relation with the Probably several years will clapse before the custom of resolving 'arathon runner the millennium reaches perfection and in the meancome so fast that we'd have to time it might be well to adopt a

able. It would seem as if the difficulty what a universal thirst would might be minimized by more attention to the subjects taken for resolving purposes. It is well to use care in sesuggestions may not be out of place.

For a young woman-Try this ore. "I hereby resolve with earnestness to any to eat. no longer insist on grandma wearing are already solved. They French heels." There are several advantageous features to this resolution. himself studies. You cannot make ynamite and they can come To begin with it is humane. Just successful use of these sample resoluin with practically no effort. think of forcing the poor old lady to tions without effort on your part. But there are other difficulties teeter down the street with little you should find one among them come such as the tendency church steeples under her sole leathwhich can be kept with the minimum of the machine to select er! Her silver locks bob under her of struggle. If you have no choice or

HALL TO MILLENEW YEADY grandma is not so young as she once was and the penitential efficiency of a bunion is greatly enhanced by the shoving forward of the foot as accompushed by the French heel. Command the old lady to do a cake-walk once an hour around the dining room table if you will, but let her do it in comfortable shoes. Another item in favor of trying this resolution is the fact that you have probably never asked grandma to wear any kind of shoes she didn't like, so it should be that much easier to keep to your resolu-

tion not to do so. For a young man-"I resolve from this day never again to smoke a pipe in church. This sample is highly recommended. The practice against which you issue the edict of banishment is reprehensible in the highest degree. Smoking, while of course it might be a solace to you during the sermon, could not but annoy your neighbors and fellow worshipers. The men envy you, leading to countless domestic difficulties for them. The preacher is unable to see whether all the deacons are awake or not by the haze from your pipe. Moreover, just as a distinguished statesman once officially declared that the odor of cigarettes annoyed him there are those to whom the smell of a pipe is a nuisance and the offertory collector might be one of these. Besides, you

would probably be thrown out or arrested or something. For men who ride much in street cares "henceforth I will not mind the feathers." This is one requiring considerable care-but if strictly adhered to will be found of great assistance in your daily life. When depending from a strap and resting your toes on some neighbor's a long stiff quill suddenly jabs you in the nose giving to that feature the rich red that which another quired, do not release your temper. Smile and pretend you like it. Ofttimes you can make yourself believe it, after due practice, of course. But the principal advantage to be cited in this resolution's favor is that "you might just as well." So long as the fashion remains the same you will have your daily communion with the tail feathers of an ostrich or of a rooster and if you resolve not to mind, how much more placid the temper!

For any one who does not raise chickens-"I hereby resolve and determine not to eat any more strictly fresh eggs for several weeks to lecting our resolutions, and because come." This is in some respects the of the proximity of January 1, a few prize resolution. Its advantages are many, but all the others are overshadowed by this one-you can't get In spite of all the teacher may do the pupil will not learn unless he

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