

Another bank teller has overdrawn his account a matter of \$100,000.

The man who would wreck a child's faith in Santa Claus would wreck a bank.

When your firmness pleases, it is resolution. When it doesn't it is just bull-headed obstinacy.

A powerful effort is under way to make the golden rod our national flower. What's the matter with celery?

A Chicago preacher says Sunday schools are of no value, but they are pretty well crowded just now, all the same.

King Edward's coronation rites will last four hours, during which time he will be compelled to abstain absolutely from smoking.

Football is more profitable than prize fighting, if not more elevating. Yale, despite her defeats, has cleared \$70,000 this season.

Cheating at cards is legally held to be larceny in the State of Washington. In some of the other far western states it is merely suicide.

A smokeless stove for soft coal has been invented. Now give us a coalless stove for hard prices and our happiness will be complete.

Andrew Carnegie seems to be having trouble in establishing his title as laird of Skibo, but nobody will contest his right as universal librarian.

The old method of killing yourself by going over a fence and dragging your gun after you, still prevails in some parts of the country.

The educational test for immigrants unfortunately will not meet the case of the anarchists, many of whom are educated too much for their own good.

By a decree of fashionable Paris, neckwear must henceforth be conservative. However, a pronounced red is considered to be conservative in Paris.

If all the crown diamonds in the country shall be worn at the coming coronation of King Edward the common people will have to wear smoked glasses.

It has again been demonstrated that two such substantial bodies as steam locomotives cannot safely pass through the same section of space at the same time.

As to the woman of 50 who has sued for damages on account of breach of promise of marriage, there is no occasion for mirth. It is a serious matter to a woman of that age.

Encouraged by the success which attended the extraction of sunbeams from cucumbers, another Baltimore company has been incorporated to extract whisky from watermelons.

An anarchist orator in Chicago has just said that he bows down to the assassin of presidents and ranks him as a superior. Congress will shortly provide a place for these promoters of murder.

"It's a hard job," says a Yeakum (Tex.) editor, "for a fellow to grind out poetry, collect subscriptions, run the job press and manage a paper all at the same time." So it is, brother. Quit grinding out the poetry.

We earth people are not awake; we are asleep. We are dreaming now; we are just God's dreams. Wait till we awake, and then watch our smoke sweep up and another Mars and a few million of the other peopled planets!

A New Yorker has promised a job to John Beck, the man who crossed the ocean in a box in the hold of the Hamburg-American steamer Palatia in the hope of finding work here. Beck had been in the box about fifteen days when he was discovered and was nearly dead from cold, hunger and terror. A man who has the nerve and the endurance to survive such an ordeal should certainly be taken care of.

Edward John Eyre, who died recently in London unknown to current fame, was the largest figure in British politics thirty-five years ago. John Stuart Mill looked one side and Thomas Carlyle the other, a fierce and prolonged national contest was fought over the question whether Eyre, as governor of Jamaica, had not suppressed a negro insurrection in that island with needless and shameful cruelties. Eyre was formally exonerated, but retired at once and forever from public life.

It is not given to everyone to enjoy music. Like Goldsmith's schoolboys with their "counterfeited glee," the music critic must run across many people with counterfeited ecstasy. At the same time, even the bitterest scoffer against music and musicians must rub his eyes when he reads that a young fiddler just come to America will receive \$100,000 for 100 concerts. A thousand dollars a concert! Well, we suppose he is worth the price, for, as a rule, managers are not Carnegies. A genius is cheap at any price.

Mrs. Bradley Martin has countermanded her order for a coronet that she supposed wearing at the king's coronation. As a coronet usually goes with a title Mrs. Martin's action may have been due to a hint dropped farther up the line.

People who want to go to King Edward's drawing room hereafter must wait to be asked. There is danger that under the new rule some estimable people who want to give the king the honor of meeting them will be forgotten.



THE HOLY NIGHT

One star burned low within the darkened sky... The man frowned slightly at the childish query, bit his lip and nodded his head.

The Tramp's Christmas

He was such an unkempt, sad looking creature when he presented himself at the back door that Christmas morning asking for something to eat...

Phantoms of Christmas Morn.

In the rush of the merry morning, when the cold burns through the gray, and the wintry world lies waiting for the glory of the day...

His Revenge

It was Christmas Eve that year when John Maxwell went away to make his mark in this world. Alice Tower was just eighteen. They had been lovers for a few years and were now engaged...

YOU KNOW MOTHER GOOSE DON'T YOU?

by all save Mrs. Tracy. She often wondered what fruit the good seed sown by the innocent child last Christmas morning had borne...

Christmas a Century Ago.

A hundred years ago about five million Americans, free and slave, enjoyed a humble Christmas without such much as a cooking stove in all the United States...

Christmas in Holland.

In Holland on Christmas Eve, the children, while indulging in various games, keep casting glances at the door, as if expecting a visitor...

A DOOR OPENED.

and my mamma talked to me a long time, and she told me so many things so I'd grow to be a good man. Did your mamma want you to be a good man, too?

Goats That Climb Trees.

In the Atlas mountains of northern Africa there are goats which climb trees to browse on the foliage. Some of them have been seen standing erect on the branches thirty feet from the ground...

Poverty with contentment is better than wealth without happiness.

Somebody has said it was bad luck for a bride to don her wedding dress before the wedding day. It was all nonsense, Alice thought, as later she stood before her mirror and saw reflected there her own form clad in its white silken robes...

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