



THE INTELLIGENT JURY.

Even the Court Himself Got Up and Swore. 'I don't believe everything I hear about the ignorance of the average jury,' said an old lawyer in reminiscent mood...

The Success of Henry G. Thorell.

Henry G. Thorell, whose postoffice address is Holdrege, Neb., was at one time a carriage maker in Chicago. He removed to Nebraska in 1877. That he has reason to be satisfied is proven by the fact that he is today worth \$30,000...

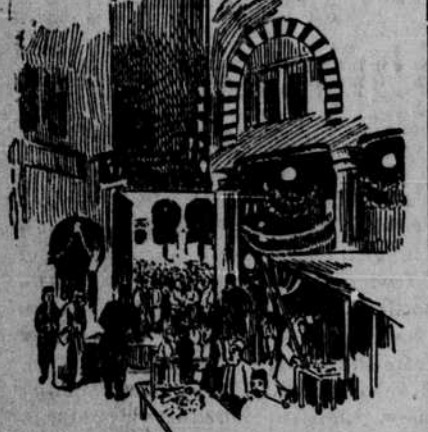
Life Hood's Sarsaparilla

The Best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Hood's Pills cure Liver Bils; easy to take, easy to operate.

Sharing a Log With a Bear. Incidental to the recent great storm, many stories will undoubtedly get into circulation that will exhibit heroism, romance and ludicrous incidents dovetailed with the accounts of loss of property...

AN ORIENTAL NEW YEARS.

New Year's day in part of the Turkish Orient is the gayest holiday of the year, for it is also the day of St. Basil's festival. The celebration of the two feasts has become inseparable, so to speak, in the minds of the Greeks...



little resembles the harmonious and venerable mother tongue. This dialect in its variables is by no means the modern Greek, which is a beautiful and very expressive language, rich in constructions, possessing a grammar, and also a vocabulary, almost as extensive as that of the ancient Greek.

its New Year's presents as positive proof of his coming. Among the young he ranks as high as St. Nicholas in Russia, Germany and other countries; but among the old he is held in great veneration as one of the most eminent Greek Fathers, and also as the most eloquent promoter of monasticism throughout the East.

RING OUT THE OLD, RING IN THE NEW. RING OUT THE FALSE, RING IN THE TRUE.

Elaborate preparations are made for his festival, which begins at an early hour on the evening of December 31st. The shopkeepers adorn their windows with an attractive medley of toys and holiday gifts.

sugar, and its flavoring is of certain spices. It is usually made very rich, so that it may keep soft for days after it is baked. Housekeepers dread the task, for a large quantity of St. Basil's cake is made in each family.

Then the poor children, delighted by the warm welcome of the host and the profusion of dainty things given them, sing with frenzy the romantic little tale of St. Basil, which ends with the calling down of numerous blessings on the generous family during the new year.

You see, for instance, the long, loose robes of the Jews, and the bright red or yellow silk garments worn by their wives. There are the short, wide breeches of the Turks, contrasting with the long ones of the Rayahs.



ONE is for New Year's day, my dear, Two for St. Valentine's day; Three for the birthday, chilly and drear. When Washington came this way. Four is for April first, my dear, When we fool each other in play; Five is the time when we plant the trees, And we call it Arbor day.

Among men it is not uncommon to behold bare legs and gorgeous holiday turbans; often a gallant Mohammedan, covered with rags and filth, carries in his belt an assortment of Damascus blades, yataghans and jewel-encrusted firearms, worth a small fortune.



ton, around a low, circular pastry-table, and amidst gay stories and laughter the rolling-pin runs over the rich paste, while the housewives vie in decorating and forming the cakes.

Ancient and Modern New Year's Festival. The first day (calends) of January, as marking the beginning of the year, was observed as a public holiday in Rome from at least the time of the Julian reformation of the calendar.

He Stopped the Car. He was young and neatly dressed, but he retained the biggest half of a last night's jag. Making his way up the Bowery as steadily as he could, he suddenly decided to take a cable car.

Fun at the White House. The humors of the White House, it is the testimony of everyone who has resided there, would fill many volumes. Many of them are found in the daily mail bag.

Ever Popular. Shaded chrysanthemums, yellow and brown, have been used at one or two autumn weddings as bridal bouquets.

JOSH 'BILLINGS' PHILOSOPHY. A gentleman is the party who is all-wise honest, and all-wise polite, and keeps his boots shined up, and his finger nails clean.

When you settle with yourself, insist upon 100 cents on the dollar; when you settle with the world, take half price if you can't get any more.

A woman can pick out a bride as far as she can see her. Lions and tigers are too weak lunged to run more than half a mile. Piso's Cure for Consumption has saved me large doctor bills.



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Advertisement for 'Sciatica' and 'Candy Cathartic' featuring an illustration of a person and text describing the products.

A 50-Cent Calendar Free. Perhaps the most beautiful calendar issued for the year '97 is the Youth's Companion Art Calendar, which is given to each subscriber to the paper for the year '97.

A Great Risk. Two inebriated Scotsmen came upon a saloon. They had only 'saxpence' between them, so they ordered 'one nip of whiskey.'

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