

The January Pearson's. Pearson's Magazine for January presents a remarkable collection of interesting special articles and clever short stories, numbering in all eighteen.

The leading article is a clear, concise, exhaustive narrative, handsomely illustrated and describing in a popular way the dangers, the difficulties and the magnitude of that most recent marvel of engineering, the New York "Subway." "Skin Sculpture, the Modern Taxidermy" and "A Seventy-five-Thousand-Pound Meteorite" are articles that will please those of a scientific turn of mind. "The Making of Incandescent Lamps," "The Life Story of a Wild Boar" and "Pneumonia, an Unsolved Problem," are articles that will appeal to those interested respectively in industry, in animals and in problems of health.

Some churches are solid simply because they are frozen stiff.

Everybody's Magazine, January, 1905.

The sensational "foreword" to Mr. Lawson's story in Everybody's Magazine promises strange disclosures of certain proceedings in a Delaware court room, in which two dress-suit cases filled with money changed hands under the judge's eyes. This incident forms the climax of the January instalment of "Frenzied Finance," and is the closing scene of a tremendous fight for the control of Bay State Gas. The unfortunate company is shown in the throes of a receivership, from which it is rescued after an incredible struggle. The reader is introduced to three new characters, and, in passing, learns that the "System" spent five millions of dollars to change the votes of five doubtful states in the '96 national election.

A retiring disposition is not the best thing for a Christian soldier.

The January "Arena" (New York) contains the opening paper of a series of eight contributions which promise to prove the most important addition to the campaign against corruption and political debauchery that has appeared, and we should not be surprised if this series marked the inauguration of a tidal wave of political morality in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania as irresistible as that inaugurated by Thomas Nast in "Harper's Weekly" and carried forward by the New York "Times," which culminated in the overthrow of the Tweed Ring and the downfall and disgrace of men long supposed to be invincible. These papers are entitled "Forty Years in the Wilderness; or, The Masters and Rulers of 'The Freeman' of Pennsylvania."

A straight sword is better than a crooked cannon.

The frontispiece of the January Century will be a reproduction of Timothy Cole's engraving of Murillo's "Holy Family" in the Prado Museum, Madrid. There will be a full-page portrait of John Hay, from the bust by Augustus Saint-Gaudens, and one of Anna Whelan Betts's quaint and delightful figures, illustrating a poem by Clinton Scollard, "On a Sampler." Of unique interest too will be a portrait of Zuloaga, the Spanish painter, and reproductions of some of his more striking paintings. Eight portraits of Helen Keller, showing her with Joseph Jefferson, Miss Sullivan, Edward Everett Hale, and Professor Alexander Graham Bell, as well as illustrating how she "sees" with her fingers, will be, of course, much popular interest.

The rejection of the messenger does not rescind the message.

St. Nicholas For 1905.

It has seemed in years past as if St. Nicholas, that true and tried friend of more than one generation, was as good as a magazine could possibly be; but 1905 promises to be a banner year.

First and foremost in importance comes the new serial, "Queen Zixi of Iz," by L. Frank Baum, author of "The Wizard of Oz," "Father Goose—His Book," etc., etc. Beginning in November, 1904, this new story will run to October, 1905. "Queen Zixi of Iz" will be notable for its illustrations, sixteen full pages in color—a charming innovation for St. Nicholas—besides sixty or more colored illustrations in the text.

Eight pigeons recently flew from Kimberley to Cape Town, South Africa, a distance of 512 miles, in fourteen hours.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—on full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in ½-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

If you would live long and prosper let the other fellow do the worrying.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Many divine appointments look like disappointments.

DEATH STILLS HAND OF GREAT MASTER OF MUSIC



The last note has been sounded, the last chord struck in the life of America's greatest orchestra leader. After an illness of less than two weeks Theodore Thomas, father of the Chicago orchestra, and one of the city's most beloved men, passed away on Jan. 5. Death waved the baton for the last movement of his life, and the splendid tones of his soul were merged with the divine beyond the grave.

Theodore Thomas' Life Work.

Theodore Thomas, one of the most eminent figures in the world of music, was born in Essen, Hanover, Oct. 11, 1835. His father, a violinist, gave him his first instruction in music, and the boy made such progress that he made successful public appearances at the age of 6. The family immigrated to America in 1845 and his education was finished under the direction of private instructors in New York city. Mr. Thomas was educated as a violinist and began his musical career as a performer upon that instrument. He was first violinist in some of the leading orchestras, and was for several years a member of chamber music associations. Mr. Thomas played in the orchestras which accompanied Jenny Lind, Sontag, Mario, Grisi and other singers whose names are upon the roll of the world's most distinguished and honored musical artists. He also played in seasons of Italian grand opera in which these singers took part, and often conducted the performances.

After making a decided success as a player, Mr. Thomas organized an orchestra for the purpose of giving symphony concerts. The first of these was given in Irving hall, New York, in the early '60s of the nineteenth century.

From this time Mr. Thomas was known almost solely as a conductor, and made for himself a reputation that is cosmopolitan. In 1866 Mr. Thomas interested himself in orchestras, and a year or two later engaged

the Central Park garden for the better continuation of his work.

In 1869 Mr. Thomas took his orchestra on a tour through the country and made similar journeys with them during the two succeeding years.

Mr. Thomas' work was largely done upon a large scale, and organized an orchestra for summer concerts, which he began in Terrace garden in the middle west, and a good portion of it in Chicago. The first concert of the Thomas orchestra in Chicago were given in 1869.

In 1872 Mr. Thomas directed the first musical festival in Cincinnati and had been the conductor in these great musical events, occurring biennially, from that time. He was the director of the Cincinnati College of Music from 1878 to 1880, and was the director of the New York and Brooklyn Philharmonic orchestras from 1889 to 1891. He directed the performances of the American Opera company, organized by Mrs. Jeannette Thurber, from 1885 to 1887. In the '80s he took his orchestra on a tour from New York to the Pacific coast, giving concerts in all the larger towns on the way.

In 1891 the Chicago orchestra was organized, and Mr. Thomas has given the best efforts and achieved the crowning success of his life in that city. He brought the efficiency of the organization to the highest standard of art.

Last season the desire of his life was fulfilled. The Orchestra hall was made a certainty, the building was begun May 1 of 1904, and it was dedicated to its use Wednesday night, Dec. 14, of the same year.

His loss is a stunning blow to musical art and his death almost at the moment of the culmination of fifty years of work and the realization of the great longing of a lifetime is one of the most pathetic incidents in musical history.

STATE GOVERNOR WORKS HARD.

New Hampshire Chief Executive Tells of His Tasks.

Nahum J. Bachelder, on retiring from the office of governor of New Hampshire, gives out a review of his administration showing the amount of work involved in meeting the demands, mental and physical, made upon the executive of the granite state. It appears that during his administration Gov. Bachelder has taken part in 265 public functions, has made 166 formal addresses and has partaken of fifty-five dinners elaborate and dignified enough to be properly styled banquets, in addition to twice as many less formidable gastronomic festivities. In the two years he has traveled, in round numbers, 50,000 miles on railroad trains and steamboats, in automobiles and stage coaches. His range has been from Portland, Me., to Portland, Ore., and he has traversed more or less hastily half the states and territories of the union.

INDEPENDENT OF THE EAST.

West and South Ample Able to Finance Their Own Affairs.

The West and South are now financing their own industries. In former years New York and the Eastern money centers were annually drawn upon for funds to move the crops, handle the cattle shipments and perform all of the service in the marketing of the products of the West and South. As a natural result when shipping time arrived the producers sent their shipments to the East, most of them being necessary to discharge obligations for money advanced. The men who had loaned the money were interested in the railroads leading toward the Atlantic and thus drew double tolls from the producers. All this has been changed to a very remarkable degree within the last few years. The West and the South have their banks filled with money seeking investment and are able to finance their own affairs.—Washington Post.

New Elixir of Life.

James W. Buck of Portland, Me., who is 75 years old and declares he will live to be a centenarian, was a caller at the White House the other day. Mr. Buck says he has a medicine that will keep him alive for twenty-five years. This is the formula: "I buy one pound of Epsom salts and add to this five table-spoonsful of sulphur and the juice of four large lemons, dissolving the sulphur and salts in the juice. Then I pour in about a quart of distilled water or any other kind of water. I put this away in a bottle and when I feel a little poorly I take some for a few days."

Kaiser Liberal with Theatricals.

Appros of the kaiser's latest performance as a conductor of a new opera at a dress rehearsal in Berlin, his patronage of music is something as magnificent as are his excursions into the realms of art, mechanics and chemistry. "I do not think many Germans know," said the emperor at a dinner at Count Von Sulow's a few evenings ago, "that I spent last year out of my private income \$1,000,000 on operas and theaters."

FOUR TERRITORIES AS THEY WILL LOOK AS TWO STATES



(Dotted area shows the outlines of the new state soon to be made, compared with Texas.)

RECORD FOR SENATE SERVICE.

Longest Continuous Term Has Been That of Allison of Iowa.

With the advent of the new year and Senator William B. Allison of Iowa still in his seat, his mind as fresh, his body as active and his capacity for work as great as ever, he now holds the record for the longest continuous service in that august body. What is more, his present term does not expire until 1909. And if his health continues good he will seek re-election.

Senator Allison's record to this date is thirty-one years, nine months and twenty-six days. Until two days ago the late Senator Morrill held the record for the longest continuous service. While Senator Allison holds the longest continuous service record, he has not as yet attained the longest actual service record, which belongs to the history of John Sherman.

WONDERFUL DOG IDAHO STATESMAN BROUGHT TO CAPITAL.

Somebody out in Idaho gave Senator Dubois' baby a dog last summer. It was a mongrel, but the attachment between the child and the puppy was so great that it was brought on to Washington. One day the pup, which in its early dog days shows more plainly than ever that it is a cur, followed the senator to the capitol. "What kind of a dog is that, Dubois?" asked Senator Bailey. "That? That's a fish hound," Senator Dubois told him. "Why, that's the finest breed of dogs we have in Idaho. Every morning that dog goes down to a trout stream and brings in a trout when we are in Idaho. He never fails." "He must be a wonderful animal," agreed Senator Burrows. "Wonderful doesn't half describe that dog," Senator Dubois continued. "Why, one morning we had no fish in the house and what do you think that dog did? Why, he went out and brought in a can of sardines."

MYSTERY IN HIS ABSENCE.

Rich Philadelphian May Have Been a Victim of Foul Play.

Owen Kelly, a Philadelphia grocer, who has disappeared, is believed by some to have been murdered by the



Owen Kelly

TOOK BREATH FROM ORATOR.

Pretty Tribute Paid by Watson to Woman's Beauty.

Before Thomas E. Watson attained his present confidence while addressing audiences he had several misadventures on the platform. On one occasion he was speaking to a mixed crowd not far from his home and was blazing away in good style when a singularly beautiful young woman entered the hall. The orator, impressed with the girl's loveliness, lost the thread of his discourse, hesitated and finally stopped. The audience, not understanding his embarrassment, encouraged him with cries of "Go on," but Watson knew he could not respond with good effect. His quick wit came to his rescue, however. Stepping to the front of the platform he said in a low voice: "Ladies and gentlemen, I should be glad to continue, but the lady who has just come in fairly took my breath away." Then he sat down amid a hearty round of applause.

OBJECTS TO "UNCLE TOM'S CABIN."

Wilbur N. Roe of Columbus, Ohio, is writing to governors of states asking them to recommend the passage of laws forbidding theaters to produce the play of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Mr. Roe objects to the play because, he says, it misrepresents the people of the south, and he says that every state should pass such a law, so that while stump speakers in one hall are talking of the elimination of sectional hatred in the United States in the next hall there may not be a company teaching the people that Uncle Tom was killed in the south because he was good. His protest is based on the political and not on the artistic idea.

CULPRIT HAD HIS JOKE.

They are telling a new story about Leroy B. Crane, the New York magistrate who apparently never forgets a face or an offender's record. A day or two ago after Christmas a weary-looking and trampish fellow was brought before him, charged with having been drunk the night before. Justice Crane look at him once and said severely: "You have been here before on this charge, have you not?" "Oh, yes, your honor," was the cheerful reply. "And I'm glad you don't turn your back on an old friend. But how stout you've grown! How's the missus?" The court officer nearly had a fit, and Judge Crane retired to his private room for one short laugh.

MEANING MADE PLAIN.

Maj. Gen. Corbin tells the following with reference to a member of the militia of a northern state taking part in the recent maneuvers at Manassas. The guardsman was one day making heroic efforts to get away with his first ration of army beef. A fellow soldier walking near him stopped to watch, with some amusement, the attempt of the northerner to masticate the meat. "What's the matter, Bill?" asked he. "Oh, nothin' much," was the sullen reply. Then, disgustingly regarding a piece of beef that he held in his hand, the Yankee added: "Now, I know what people mean when they talk about the snows of war."

CHOATE POPULAR IN ENGLAND.

A London weekly says of the announcement that Ambassador Choate, so long the representative of this country in England, has decided to retire: "The news will be a real blow to the London World, for no ambassador has known how to make himself so popular with all and sundry as has the representative of the stars and stripes. Mr. Choate knows how to suit his manners and his speeches to his company, and he is, for instance, equally at home at Buckingham palace, as when acting as the guest of honor to the Vagabonds' club."

ROGERS A GIANT OF FINANCE.

T. W. Rogers for years has been the real master of the most stupendous monopoly in history—the Standard Oil company. Today this man, who began as a newsboy in New Bedford, Mass., is regarded as the most powerful agent in the money mills of the world. He rarely appears on the stage, his place being behind the scenes, but when he has chosen to court the limelight other actors have to content themselves with subsidiary roles. He is president of a great many corporations of the first importance.



J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Ky., says:

"My nightly rest was broken, owing to irregularities of the kidneys. I suffered intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys and was annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions. Doctors failed to relieve me. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and I experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial." Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

WITH THE SAGES.

Dare to be true; nothing can need a lie; a fault which needs it most grows too thereby.—Herbert.

The charities that soothe and heal and bless are scattered at the feet of man like flowers.—Wordsworth.

Love is never lost. If not reciprocated it will flow back and soften and purify the heart.—Washington Irving.

It is as easy to call back a stone thrown from the hand as to call back the word that is spoken.—Menander.

Good resolutions seldom fall of producing some good in the mind from which they spring.—Charles Dickens.

The greatest successes the world has ever beheld have been at one time the greatest improbabilities.—George MacDonald.

It is only a poor sort of happiness that could ever come by caring very much about our narrow pleasures.—George Eliot.

When we are alone we have our thoughts to watch; in our family our tempers, and in society our tongues.—Hannah More.

If we could read the secret history of our enemies we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.—Longfellow.

CAUSE AND CURE OF RHEUMATISM.

Shown by numerous cures made by Dodd's Kidney Pills. They cure the Kidneys and the Rheumatism cures itself.—Remarkable case of Maggie E. Deckert.

Eagle River, Wis., Jan. 16.—(Special)—That rheumatism is caused by disordered kidneys is proved by the cures Dodd's Kidney Pills are making in every state in the Union. They cure the Kidneys and the Rheumatism cures itself. A cure that has caused deep interest in this neighborhood is that of Maggie E. Deckert. In speaking of it she says:

"I had kidney trouble and rheumatism and was so lame I could not walk. I could not sleep for I ached all over. I was in a terrible state and firmly believe that if I had not used Dodd's Kidney Pills I would be dead. I took nine boxes of them and they have done me more good than all the other medicines I ever took. Now my aches are all gone, I can eat and sleep and I am feeling good. I want all the world to know that Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me."

Russian State Scepter. The Russian state scepter is of solid gold, three feet long, and contains among its ornaments 260 rubies and fifteen emeralds.

DISFIGURING ULCER

People Looked at Her in Amazement—Pronounced Incurable—Face Now Clear as Ever—Thanks, God for Cuticura.

Mrs. P. Hackett, of 400 Van Ness St., Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I wish to give thanks for the marvelous cure of my mother by Cuticura. She had a severe ulcer, which physicians had pronounced incurable. It was a terrible disfigurement, and people would stand in amazement and look after her. After there was no hope from doctors she began using Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills, and now, thank God, she is completely cured, and her face is as smooth and clear as ever."

We hardly find any persons of good sense save those who agree with us.—La Rochefoucauld.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him to be perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. WALTER KIRK & MARTIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Men who have little business are great talkers; the more one thinks, the less one speaks.—Montesquieu.

The brave man carves out his fortune and every man is the son of his own works.—Miguel Cervantes.

Little minds are tamed and subdued by misfortune; but great minds rise above it.—Washington Irving.

For one man who can stand prosperity there are a hundred who will stand adversity.—Caryle.

Those who have a heart to do good never need complain for lack of opportunity.—M. Henry