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There are some people so mean that they hate themselves.

When we know a man to be dishonest we have our suspicions of many things which we see him trying to cover up and it keeps us busy wondering how many little mean tricks he has been the author of.

Many a young man is ruined by too much company as well as bad company. It destroys his ambition and takes the time that he ought to spend in learning how to live. If a young man will spend one half the time reading "The Youth's Companion" or some other good paper of high standard of morality and instruction, that he spends loafing, bumming or hunting, his life will be more useful to ed. No authority. humanity, more satisfactory to his friends and more pleasureable to himself.

There are lots of children who are paving their way for a hot time in this old world of ours by loafing the streets while they ought to be in school. In some cases there is some excuse and in every case they will try to find some justification or excuse. If they can't get along with their teacher then the parents are to blame in nearly every case. Don't get angry and say that the Editor dosen't know what he is talking about when we say that parents are to blame, but send the child to school and keep him out of the bad company that he is falling into which will lead him in time to the poor house or the pen.

Commissioners' Proceedings.

Nov. 28, 1903. Board met as per adjournment Present: Chairman W. E. Haley and L. Laufer.

The following amounts were deducted from allowed accounts and applied on delinquent personal tax: Ar bur sowering 27 00 A K Kuskie 20 00 Geo Hentershot 3 58

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6 00 A G Ward W Honey JR Parks 4 00 W R Towne 8 50 E D Clarke B B White 4 00 W T Bullis W E Haley M Swigert 9 62 W T Bishop 3 00 W S Barker Carl Wlibur Boot Robinson 5 05 B F Gilman 23 68 DW Hilsinger L N Layport 80 J C Reece Jacob Mogle E & atilwell 4 00 Tom Carr Joe McCloud 4 00 D A Hancock Pelix Black 8 60 RM Crabb 21 93 A N Compton Alfred Lewis 47 FM Walcott Matt Hoffman 20 60 JC Pettijohn C 8 Beece T C Hornby 2 00 8 Moon Hed Front Merc Co 9 87 I C Stotts A C Relmenschn'dr 2 10 1. E Stuart Wm Calkins 2 10 John M Fucker 8 00 M Fitzgerald 6 41 P F Simons

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EDITOR -Just opened up a stock of - Song of Dry Goods, Notions, Cloth-

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F S Lovej y The following official bonds were approved:

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D L Garner overscer dist 8 J W Beed " C M Gallagher justice Merriman T F Kelly " M nnechaduza.

W Bennett

Bridge petition of Sam Hudson et al granted. Bid of J. W. Yeast for furnish-

ing car of coal for use of court house accepted. Application of W. R. White,

Village of Merriman, for refund of taxes, rejected. Petition of E. C. Harris to have

taxes stricken from tax list reject-The following claims were al-

lowed on the road fund: Jos Pavilik overseer dist 5 The following claims were allowed on the General fund: Alice B Mointt witness Boddy case

L · aufer com tees W E Haley " " The following amounts were deducted from allowed accounts and

applied on personal tax:

W E Haley The commissioners instructed the county attorneys to proceed at once to recover from the Harris Franklin Cattle Co. the amount of

judgment. The commissioners allowed the janitor \$45.00 per month for the months of November, December, January, February, March and April and \$40.00 per month for the ballance of the year.

Whereupon the board adjourned to January 5, 1904. W. E. HALEY, Chairman. Attest: C. S. Reece, Co. Clk.

Pat Piper is in town.

Corn Shellers, both hand and power.

LUDWIG LUMBER CO. Dance Xmas night in Seares'

new hotel. E. church to-night.

Try our Fiber Wall Plaster. LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Masquerade ball at Honey hall, Woodlake, Dec. 31.

Jas. Quigley and the editor, I. M. Rice, went over to Rosebud last Friday on business and pleasure, returning Sunday. Space and time refuses an account of it, tree and are delicious scalloped or

this week. ber in the Northwest.

LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Col. C. P. Jordan, daughter and son Edwin and wife, drove down 400 from Rosebud Sunday and spent a the whole enough oyster juice to mois-22 75 couple of days in town. Miss ten it. Bake in a hot oven fifteen or 13 80 Jordan had been suffering with tooth-ache but as she neared town the tooth-ache stopped as is oftentimes the case.

3 00 Chas. Jordan has leased the Valentine House of J. A. Hooton and is running a first class hotel. It is just far enough from the depot so as to be away from the noise and jar of traffic, and one who 2 10 wants a good quiet rest at night can be accommodated with a good clean bed and a comfortable room. Mr. bubble and pour on hot milk, stirring Jordan has had years of experience till the mixture is thin and smooth cooking in hotels and was for two Add the liquor, drop in the oysters and and one-half years cook at the once. Add lemon juice the very last Donoher in this city. "Charley," thing. 100 as he is familiarly known, knows hotel life and will do a good busi-100 ness. He invites everyone to call and see him in his ad in this weeks

ing, Furnishing Goods, Christmas

WINE the bittersweet and holly Arched above the hearthstone's Joy, and not melancholy,

Came, indrifting with the snow. In each face the frost's a-tingle, And afar on flying wing Comes the sleigh bells' rhythmic jingle Through December journeying.

Set the board and ask the blessing For the bounty amply spread, In the simplest words expressing What a loving Father said-'Peace on earth"-for this is nearest When the snows with us abide. And the winter air is clearest In the hush of Christmastide.



SEND THE FAIREST DOWN THE MIDDLE.

Bring the old musician's fiddle. Relic of the bygone days; Send the fairest down the middle While the lilting music sways. Light of foot and quick of laughter Swing the dancers, toe and heel, As they pass or follow after In the quaint Virginia reel.

Make a welcome for the stranger, Should his footstep cross the door, By the memory of the manger And the Christ that was of yore; Gather children's faces round you, As he gathered them long syne, If it be the years have crowned you With their radiance divine.

Deck the tree and light the candles, Let the stockings all be hung. For a saint with furry sandals O'er the housetops high has swung, And his reindeer steeds are prancing Through the star bespangled rime, And the moonbeams pale are glancing In the merry Christmas time. -Woman's Home Companion.

A Christmas Card Worth Millions. The most expensive Christmas card ever made was prepared by an English firm in Calcutta some years ago for the native ruler of Baroda, in the East Indies, and intended as a gift for a European lady of rank with whom the great man was in love. This card was a foot in length by ten inches in width and of flawless ivory, to obtain which over forty elephants were killed. Four of the most skillful carvers to be found were at work for six months on this magnificent present. When it was finished the eyesight of three of them was injured and the fourth man became blind. The engraving and carving they did were the representing of Christmas exercises at the M. 10,000 of the stages of existence of Buddha. The card was ornamented around the edges, like a frame, with forty-four diamonds of the purest water, and each the size of a hazelnut. The cost was estimated at half a million pounds sterling. The lady never got her present, for the potentate was arrested for trying to polson the English resident, and the card disappeared.

Scalloped Oysters. The Christmas dinner should include oysters. They may serve for an enbaked in a pie with the giblets. This is the way to prepare scalloped oysters: The most complete line of lum- Place in a shallow baking dish a layer of oysters; over this spread a layer of bread crumbs or crumbled crackers; sprinkle it with salt, pepper and bits of butter; alternate the layers until the dish is full, having crumbs on top, well dotted with bits of butter. Pour over twenty minutes or until browned, Serve in the same dish in which it is baked. Individual scallop cups shells may also be used, enough for one person being placed in each cup. Properly prepared, it is an excellent dish .-New York World.

> Christmas Oyster Soup. One quart of oyster liquor, two doz en oysters, one quart of milk, two tablespoonfuls of butter, two tablespoonfuls of flour, juice of half a lemon, salt and pepper to taste, tiny pinch of mace, Heat milk and strained oyster liquor in separate vessels. Rub butter and flour together, cook in a saucepan until they cook five minutes. Season and serve at

Peace on Earth. I heard the bells on Christmas day Their old, familiar carols play And wild and sweet The words repeat

Of peace on earth, good will to men! CHRISTMAS REMNANTS.

Ways of Serving the Portions of

Turkey Left From the Feast. After your Christmas dinner you will probably find that you have a goodly portion of turkey left. This has happened a great many times before, and as a result many ways have been devised for preparing these left over scraps of turkey meat. This does not mean the large white slices of the breast, for this portion of the meat can be simply arranged on a platter and eaten as it is.

A salad of the white meat of turkey is as good as if not better than chicken salad. Take one cup of turkey meat, rather coarsely chopped; one cup of celery, also rather coarsely chopped; the whites of three hard boiled eggs. also chopped. Put the yolks of the hard boiled eggs into a bowl and mash and then pour over them three tablespoonfuls of melted butter or pure olive oil. Into this put one teaspoonful of salt and one of mustard, with a dash of red pepper; then thin with half a cup of good vinegar.

Another way to use the white meat of turkey is to chop it fine, then put a spoonful of cranberry sauce that has been run through a colander in the bottom of a mold or small bowl, on this a layer of chopped turkey, then a layer of cranberry, and so on till the mold is full. Press hard and put in a cold place till ready to use; then turn out on a platter.

Turkey Croquettes.-Take one cup of turkey meat, chopped fine; one cup of bread crambs, one spoonful of butter and two of cream; season with salt and pepper; mold into little fancy shaped cakes and fry.

Turkey patties are made exactly as are chicken patties. To one cup of turkey take one cup of turkey gravy or one cup of water made rich by a generous lump of butter; season and thicken with a little flour; pour into pastry shells and bake in a quick oven.

A LESSON FOR CHRISTMAS.

How a Generous Giver of Presents May Retaliate For Neglect.

"Here's something cheap. Let's buy t," said the tall, angular woman. "What for?" asked the jolly little

"Oh, for a Christmas present," an wered the other.

"Who for?" queried No. 2. "Oh, I don't know. It will come in

handy for some one." "Here" (to the clerk), "wrap me up two of these and hurry my change, please. How much? Seventeen cents?

Oh, all right." "My goodness!" ejaculated her jolly companion. "You don't mean to say you buy all your Christmas presents

that way?" "Pretty nearly-at least that's what I intend doing this year. I've taken lots of pains to buy things before, but from now on I'm going to go about things

differently." "Why, what has changed you?" "Well, it's this way: I'm an old maid, you know, but I like pretty things awfully well. I am accounted well off, and so I am, but almost every year I have sought out the nicest, prettiest things I could find and sent them off to those I count my friends. And what did I get in return? Nothing, positively nothing. Now, the value of thing doesn't count one bit with me, out I do like people to be thoughtful. nd when I get two or three marked or in calen ars and a general collecion of stu. picked up to send at the ist moment which is not of the least use to anybody I rebel. So this year

I am going to try to teach them a les-

Joys of Christmas Time. Vibile the Christmas season brings a Hil of joy to all the aged who have of correct lives, yet it is sometimes lened by reminiscences of sins of ssion and commission. The knowlthat during this blessed time evil are shorn of power to do evil not always soothe the pangs of . her But to the young, to whom a prospect is all hope and sunthe eason is one of unalloyed in dition to health and good on they have two patron saints, tile Jack Horner, who sat in the "" and Santa Claus, who, though in is endeared to the in-. at all nations by the bound-5 profusion he showers on all na-

nalities. There are trees sufficiently acked up around the market house to arry all the old gentleman's benefacons this year, and they are selling "y a testimonial to the improved ets of the expectant recipients

Numerous indeed, are the hearts to vbich Christmas brings a brief seaof happiness and enjoyment. How many families whose members have n scattered far and wide in the rost ess struggle for life are then reunlied and meet again in that happy state of companionship and mutual good will! How many old recollections and how many dormant sympathies does Christmas time awaken!

There are thousands of Pickwicks today as well as a century ago who enjoy that sacred time as well as he.-Pitte burg Press.

Smeking the Christmas Fool. In some parts of En land the custom

is said still to continue, two days after old Christmas day, of "smoking th fool"-that is, a pile of straw being collected and set alight, the "fool" is hung over it by a rope around his waist and swung backward and forward till bis nearly dead. Then he goes around with his cap and collects "what the spectators think proper to give," as t' " chroniclers express it. In these enter prising days, when almost any game is worked that can induce any one to give anything, it seems strange that no one has imported this custom, for it must be a successful one.

Jas. E. Pepper

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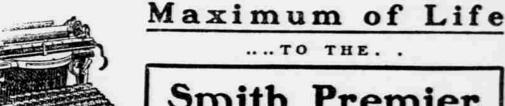
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Report of school district No. 48 for the month beginning Nov. 23, and ending Dec. 18, 1903. Number of days taught, 19; pupils enrolled, 10; average attendance, 8.

MAUDE TRACEWELL, Teacher,