

Custom House Palace. What is probably the finest building in the world for the use of a collector of customs has been turned over to the national government.

Instead of the head of a queen, proud, haughty and homely, on the new gold coins, we are shown the profile of a pretty waiter girl.

Visitors to Venice next year will see the rebuilding of the famous campanile in St. Mark's square practically completed.

Do we interpret aright the word from Dubuque, Ia.? Are the men to do the cooking, cleaning, washing, ironing, answer the door, make the beds, officiate at the telephone, do the ordering, fuss with the ragman, wrestle with callers, look after the furnace, take care of the children, dust, polish the furniture, black the range, fight agents, figure in the center of the social stage at home, darn, mend, save and look pleasant, while the wives of their bosoms get the wherewithal by playing bridge, "500," whist, double Pedro, euchre, fan-tan, old sledge or poker? Early answer requested.

A state education official in Illinois has been telling Chicago that there ought to be a course of love-making introduced in the schools—that children should be taught to woo as they are taught the multiplication table.

A speaker at the American Medical association said that many accidents could be avoided by a little care. Doubtless that is true, but some men will never believe until they make the trial that they cannot vanquish an automobile in a joint debate for the right of way.

While it is possible for a man to keep an automobile and a wife and be happy, yet the ancient fact remains firmly on its base that no man can serve two masters.

At the convention of the Episcopal church it was proposed to add to the prayer book a petition for a person going on a journey by land, like that for a person going to sea. No more solemn commentary could be made upon the condition of American railway travel.

According to a New York dispatch the giving of wedding presents is going out of fashion. Wise young people will put off their weddings until money gets a little looser.

THE SAME OLD STORY

THE MAN ON DECEMBER 1

Now wifey let us be sensible this Christmas time. Let us not spend our substance on Each chic and child Of every forty-second cousin we can think of.



THE MAN ON CHRISTMAS MORNING

Ah! A box of cigars from dear old Will, And just my favorite brand. He never forgets And here a soap for Baby Jack from Cousin Eddie.



THE MAN ON JANUARY 2

What's this! A bill for Christmas presents? The items, please? Just tops, and drums, and books and ties, And all the usual list of Christmas plunder, to the extent Of \$302.47 you say.

Christmas is a Good Day for a Cold. BISHOP OLMSTED of Colorado was making a Christmas address to some Deaver children.



Christmas Night.

BY WILL HILL

CHRISTMAS, crowned with mirth and cheer, Sweet magnet-night of all the year, From field and city, camp and foam,

Gathered round thy friendly fire, Sisters, mother, sons, and sire Once more in fond affection meet, To love-set time their bosoms beat, And every heart's a happy quire Of singers sweet.

Brief Christmas Tales

MAYOR STOY of Atlantic City was talking about Christmas dinners. "If one is going to give a Christmas dinner," he said, "it is best to give a good, even a lavish one.

It was a Sure Proof of Lunacy. REFUS L. GRISWOLD, the Cleveland educator who holds that it is wrong to let children believe in Santa Claus, was arguing about his strange views at a dinner.

Sample of American Christmas Push. SIR THOMAS LIPTON had been complimented by a New York reporter on the cup he had just offered.

In the Interest of Peace on Earth. ALFRED H. LOVE, the president of a Universal Peace Union, told one day in Philadelphia a peace story.

"Have you no regard for your reputation, Calhoun?" "Mah reputation ain't nuffin' to me, sah, 'longside o' mah life!"

"Nuffin', sah. I wouldn't put mah life in de scales agin any government dat eber existed, for no government could replace de loss o' me."

Sam Small's Hypnotism Didn't Work. "HE late Sam Small had his faults," I said an Atlantan, "but he did not dodge the penalty of them.

Point of History Cleared Up. The Dentist—Now, open wide your mouth and I won't hurt you a bit. The Patient (after the extraction)—Doctor, I know what Ananias did for a living now.—Illustrated Bits.

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NOT TO BEAUTIFY. Mrs. Haymow—What do you wear that mask for? Chaufour—Well, I'll tell you. I wear it so that the people I run over won't be able to recognize me.

BLACK, ITCHING SPOTS ON FACE. Physician Called It Eczema in Worst Form—Patient Despaired of Cure—Cuticura Remedies Cured Her.

"About four years ago I was afflicted with black spots all over my face and a few covering my body, which produced a severe itching irritation, and which caused me a great deal of suffering, to such an extent that I was forced to call in two of the leading physicians of — After a thorough examination of the dreaded complaint they announced it to be skin eczema in the worst form.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods.

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Living Books. Aprina Indian library is an interesting one. An Arizona judge, who has been studying this tribe, says that they select several promising youths of their tribe from time to time for living libraries of their traditions, and they are carefully instructed in the historical legends pertaining to their tribe, being required to commit them faithfully to memory.

The Web of Life. The web of our life is a mingled yarn, good and ill together; our virtues would be proud if our faults whipped them out; and our crimes would despair if they were not cherished by our virtues.—Rochford.

Average Temperature. The average temperature of the entire globe is 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Here's an Easy One.

Why is it that a woman with skirts that rustle always appears nervous? Disease-Proof Potato. A disease-proof potato has been introduced into France from Uruguay.

Boys are not always eating; sometimes they are busily engaged in looking for something to eat.

The average preacher and his congregation are like a married couple who do not get along.

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