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"Our Lady of Snows" Is not having a monopoly of the wintry weather this

Santa Claus doesn't come down the chimney of the modern house, but he finds a way of entrance.

Drop a nickel in the reorganized Union Pacific slot machine and you will get a new name for U. P. president.

Mrs. Lease declared in a speech that she wants to be fair. So do many other women and a majority of them succeed.

Sugar beet experiments are out of date. Beets can be grown and sugar can be made from them. What is wanted is more factories.

amounting to \$289,000,000 in five months it is not surprising that duties on imports have not been as great as expected. The London Jockey club has shut out

With an excess of exports over imports

Mrs. Langtry and the National Trotting association has barred Bob Kneebs. Honors are even, let the races

The "gospel of your majesty's hallowed person" is a new brand Emperor William has just introduced, and the German theologians have a new puzzle to

It does not look as if Broatch would be mayor of Omaha before his term would have expired on January 1, 1898, if Ransom and Howell had not lopped it off in the middle of no time.

It is whispered, but we don't believe a word of it, that the Bolln bondsmen will make the city a Christmas gift of \$71,000 if the city will throw off the balance of its claim and call it square.

According to cable advices the Russlans have occupied Port Arthur, but that is not the town at the terminus of the Pittsburg & Gulf railroad, but an important naval station on the coast of

President McKinley has a delicate duty to perform with the new pelagic seal fishing bill before him. Only a courageous man will sign a bill absolutely prohibiting the importation of sealskins into the United States.

Fast mail trains have been established between nearly all the principal cities of the country. While Omaha is favored with fast mail service for the east and south for the benefit of Chicago and St. Louis, its outgoing mail service is the worst imposition that any town of its size has been subjected to.

Last year Hoke Smith gave half hearted support to Bryan in his prest dential campaign, but that he will not even give half-hearted support to any Bryanite financial scheme again is made plain by his remarks the other day before a southern business convention. He came out emphatic in opposition to free coinage of silver and for maintenance of the gold standard.

The members of the Civil Service Reform league are still able to present excellent arguments in favor of sustaining the merit system in the civil service. The work of establishing this system in the civil service of the United States was a work of years and any reactionary movement will encounter obstacles all along the way. The merit system has come to stay.

It is to be hoped that the improved finances of the Union Pacific will enable that company to operate its principal machine shops on full time. The starvation diet on which the mechanics in the in official circles, and there is reason to shops have been compelled to subsist for want of an opportunity to earn a week's wages may have been designed to keep those people out of the poor house, but it would have been much more humane perhaps to send them to the charity woodyard.

UNNECESSARY OUVERNMENT EM-PLOYES

In reporting to the house the legisla tive, executive and judicial appropriation bill, Mr. Bingham stated that he believed that upon a thorough examination of the work of the clerical force in the departments at Washington there could be made, without any injustice, a reduction in the expenditure for this The appropriation committee refused its assent to every suggestion from the departments for increased compensation of the subordinate force and cut down the force to the extent believed to be practicable at this time. It appears that there is a system of

"leaves of absence" prevailing in the departments under which the government loses the services of the entire clerical force of about 10,000 one-twelfth of the year and a considerable proportion of it for a longer period. There is a vacation absence of thirty days with pay, a sick leave of a like period and when a case is specially meritorious it is allowed thirty days more. How this system operates was thus stated: "Under the ing about which most people are less present law clerks and other employes in the executive departments work seven hours a day, omitting all holidays, with a power of limitation and extension lodged in the heads of the departments. In addition to this, they are given a given, with pay in its fullest extent, sixty more days' leave of absence in cases prescribed, as in case of their own their family and other cases described as formance of duty and safe custody of meritorious, thus requiring, where the ter of a year of service not performed." It was shown that an exceedingly large per cent of the entire subordinate force

of a department, was on sick leave dur-

ing the year. As was said by a member

of the house, the government in this

way becomes an insurer not only of the

health of the employe, but of members

of his family, in this way opening the

doors for all the ills, real and fanciful,

that human flesh is heir to to the em-

ployes in the departments and to rela-

tives without. It is not surprising that with such a system the business of the departments falls behind. The committee proposes a modification of the system, so that the government will not lose so much of the services of subordinate employes. If the changes suggested by the committee are adopted as they certainly should be, not only will the departments be enabled to keep up with their work, but it will probably be demonstrated that they can do this with a less clerical force than is now employed. There is no doubt that if the business of the government were conducted as well-managed private businesses are, in the matter of requiring of employes zeal and fidelity in the per formance of duty, the force in the departments at Washington could be materially reduced, saving a large sum annually to the public treasury. Nobody will object to a reasonable degree of lib erality in the treatment of government employes, but there must be a limit and this seems to have been somewhat over-

reached. JAPAN AND HAWAIL Undoubtedly President McKinley was secured had it not been for the masterly fully informed as to the feeling of the Japanese government in regard to the proposed annexation of Hawaii by the United States, when he said in his annual message that Japan's apprehensions had "given place to confidence in the uprightness of this government and in the sincerity of its purpose to deal are unquestionably actuated by the highwith all possible ulterior questions in the broadest spirit of friendliness." This has been confirmed by the Japanese minister to this country since his return and the latest advices give renewed assurances that Japan will offer no objections to annexation. But it s also stated that the United States will be asked to guarantee that the annexation or Hawaii shall not interfere with the advantages possessed by Japan in he islands. This means, it is to be presumed, that the rights of Japan under the treaty with the Hawaiian government the United States will be expected to recognize in the event of annexation and if it is the intention of the Japanese government to insist upon this it is easy to see that there is in it possibility of rouble. We do not know what treaty rights Japan has in Hawaii, but it is safe to say that some of them are not of a nature which the United States would ordinarily accord. Perhaps it will be contended that annexation would wipe out treaty obligations, but would Japan assent to that view? She has abandoned her protest against annexation, but she might not yield so readily to a demand for the surrender of rights and advantages in Hawaii secured by treaty. There is no doubt about the desire of the Japanese government to maintain friendly relations with the United States, but it may not be disposed to make all the sacrifices in order to do this.

FUTILE NEGOTIATIONS. Senator Wolcott, chairman of the commission that went to Europe to promote international bimetallism, stated in the senate Thursday that negotiations for a bimetallic conference are still pending. The Colorado senator, however, evidently did not regard the outlook for such a conference as particularly promising, for ie remarked that the commission had no intention of prolonging its efforts beyond the year without reasonable hope of success should exist.

The obvious meaning of this is that at present there is little warrant for such hope. Undoubtedly if there was favorable promise for a conference Senator Wolcott would have told the senate so As a matter of fact the members of the commission undoubtedly realize that the negotiations are utterly futile. It has been shown since the return of the commission to this country that the sentiment in England against bimetallism has if anything grown stronger, at least doubt whether the British government | ment asking that the czar assume juriswould even consent to be represented in a conference if one should be called. This is fairly to be inferred from recent utterances of the chancellor of the ex- and apparently had abandoned it to the chequer, who was formerly disposed to native tribes. When the officials at

but who is now quite as radical as any. | ple were trying to get Russia to take the | ton less than was asked for iron of the same body in England in opposition to doing country back they changed their policy the freight rates to Japan are about the anything for silver. In Germany the and saved Alaska to the union. At that demand for bimetallism is no longer time those who had ridiculed Secretary heard and it was recently authoritatively | Seward for his purchase of Alaska were announced that the imperial commission still making tacks at the administration. inquiring into the commercial and financial conditions of the empire would not complete its investigations for a year or wo, so that in the meanwhile the quesforce of from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000. Ities of bimetallism may be expected to be asking him to designate a day to be held in abeyance. France is the only European country from which any encouragement respecting this policy is de- pools or other offensive things at the track. rived and that is not of a very inspiring nature. M. Meline is the only pub- Christians riding on the cars leading to lic man who has manifested any notable | the race course than he was "sure such a zeal in the cause of international bi- day wou'd be an ecohomy in conscience to metallism and he does not appear to them." The race track manager refused metallism and he does not appear to them." The race track manager refused money out at the door of the treasury faster have exerted much influence upon the the request, but the cars leading to the than it has been taking it in; but there have

> theories of the American silverites. Senator Wolcott promises a report from his commission next month and says that it will contain information that may be of interest and value to the senate. Perhaps so, yet we know of nothconcerned.

A SALUTARY PRECEDENT. The verdict rendered by the jury empaneled to try the claim of the city against the sureties of late City Treascitizens of Omaha but by the people of as of speed. the whole state. This verdict has dispelled the impression that an individual sickness or sickness of a member of bond guaranteeing the faithful perpublic funds is a rope of sand. Men limit is taken, the payment for a quar- who have always borne the reputation of scrupulous honesty in all their dealings and who would scorn the imputapercentage, in some cases running to 60 | tion that they would repudiate any obligation have not scrupled to repudiate their signature when it is attached to the bond of an embezzling public officer. Men whose word is as good as a bond when it comes to commercial or financial dealing seem to have no compunction in conjuring up any plea to beat a claim for reimbursement of stolen public funds. The people of Nebraska have almost despaired of their ability to ever recover on a defaulter's bond, even where the

names on it were gilt-edged. The precedent established by the Bolln jury voices the popular remonstrance against the systematic evasion of responsibility on the part of the sureties on the bonds of embezzlers by trumping up technical flaws and juggling figures. However much men may sympathize with the victims of misplaced confidence there is an element of justice and equity in the outcome of the Bolln bond trial that even they will concede to be salutary for the future protection of the public against a recurrence of depredations upon the taxpayers by their own trusted agents. Once let it be understood that signing an official bond involves as much responsibility as does the endorsement of a note and men who are financially responsible will not venture heedlessly official conduct and integrity of officers that handle hundreds of thousands of dollars of public moneys. The city of Omaha is especially to be congratulated upon the verdict which, although a concession in part, could not have been way in which the case was handled by

the city attorney. A PROJECT THAT CAN WAIT. The eminent men and worthy women who are urging the establishment of a national university in Washington city est motives. They earnestly believe that such a seat of learning is necessary and that it would be of very great benefit to the cause of higher education in the United States. There is no question as to the value of the judgment and opinions of the promoters of this enterprise. There are among them distinguished scholars and men eminent in the professions. But on the other hand there are men of equally high standing who are opposed to the project and whose opinions are equally entitled to consideration. Grant the desirability of such an institution, is the time propitious for establishing it? It is proposed to ask congress for a large appropriation for the

university at a time when the receipts of the government are not equal to the expenditures and when there is an urgent demand for reducing public expenses. Manifestly such a call upon congress will be futile and therefore the wise course would be not to make it now. but wait until the revenues of the government are sufficient to at least meet the ordinary expenditures. Any pressure for an appropriation under existing conditions would be very likely to create public sentiment against the project, for there is no general popular feeling that a national university of the character proposed is needed. On the contrary the common impression is that the country is abundantly supplied with educational institutions that meet every requirement. At all events the projected university can wait and in the meanwhile the youth of America will find in the existing universities ample facilities for the attainment of a most liberal education.

The bill introduced by a New York member into congress for the regulation of divorces in the District of Columbia and the territories, based upon the New York statutes on the subject, is unduly stringent in its provisions, and if adopted would place the United States far in advance of the majority of the states in the matter of divorce reform. That there is need of some general law for the territories is plain, but so long as certain states are permitted to encourage the formation of divorce colonies by loose laws and lenient courts the United States should not become radical on the divorce question.

The discussion on annexation has served to recall the fact that at one time the United States came near losing Alaska after the territory had been purchased. The Russian residents of Sitka sent a petition to the Russian governdiction over Alaska, setting forth that the United States had neglected to provide any government for the territory take a conservative stand in this matter, Washington found that the Russian peo-

They have all Bing since departed.

The minister in an Oakland, Cal., church wrote to the race track manager known as "Christian day" at the race course, when there should be no selling of He said that he had seen so many country, which is not surprising if, as race course continue to be crowded with seems to be the case, he has adopted the people who see the races and care nothing about the bookmakers and their associates.

Efforts are being made to show that the recent six-day bicycle race in New for hours, and several are permanently disabled by the severe strain of the long-sustained race. Because they are men and entered the race of their own vacation of one month each year with urer Henry Bolln will be hailed with free will does not change the fact that pay; still, in addition to this, they are satisfaction, not only by the taxpaying the exhibition was one of cruelty as well go home.

> Instead of carving up Turkey and France had "chawed" off big chunks of China years ago, so Germany and Rusfor rat-tail soup and pig-tail hash.

The fact that the new associate justice of the supreme court of Wyoming used to be a bookkeeper in an Omaha mercantile establishment is not to his discredit, for at least some of the qualities of industry, honesty and faithfulness that are always found in the just judge are necessary to success at the account desk and every business position.

Washington Post.

It is quite safe for every member of congress to assure his constituents that he will secure for them the location of an armor plate plant, provided the government goes into the business.

Optical Defects of Foreign Critics. Foreigners criticise the United States be

cause officers are usually changed once in four years. For rapid changes, which go under the name of cabinet crises, most of the governments in Europe can give points to lightning change variety actors Checks on Confederate History.

Louisville Courier-Journal Dear! dear! It is if hard thing to get history writ as she desires. A committee of reformers from the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia undertook the job of getting up a book that would be fit for southern schools, and now comes the stunning revelation that some of the reformers to assume the risk of guaranteeing the are in the pay of a book trust and that the chairman received two checks from the octo-

American Iron in Japan, New York Mail and Express. The shipment of 5,000 tons of Alabama iron to Japan within a single striking evidence of the rapid growth in growing brighter. the foreign demand for this product of Amer-

ican industry. This particular transaction i

difference per ton represents practically the exact saving in cost to the purchasers of the American metal. The southern manufactur rs are keenly silve to the great mar-ket now opening for their products in the far east, and through the offices, agencies tablishing in China, Japan and India seem likely to acquire early contribution and steel trade of the Orient.

Increased Circulation.

The money in circulation in the United Fulv 1 1897 to \$1.721 084.538 on December 1 lar apiece for everybody in the country. The fact that the government has been paying also been sensible additions to the currency of the country from gold importations.

Postal Savings Banks.

As there is no probability that congress can agree upon Cuba, Hawaii or the currency question, it may be hoped that action will York was an entirely proper affair, but banks. That measure has received the apthe fact remains that some of the proval of all the organizations of workingriders fell from their whels repeatedly lean Federation of Labor has now endorsed men which have discussed it, and the Amerfrom exhaustion, others were maniacs it. Some of the details may have to be factory. At least there is no opposition manibankers, who conceive that their interests would be unfavorably affected. can do no better than take care of the appropriations, pass the postal bank bill and

A Mathematical Problem.

Experienced mathematicians, such as those holding a wake over the sick man of who make out the mortality tables of insur-Europe, the great powers appear to have ance companies, for instance, ought at once to investigate the strange problem hidden in had their ostrich stomachs fortified for the news that there are only fourteen survivdigesting pieces of China. England and ing veterans of 1812, but 3,287 widows drawing pensions based on services rendered in that war. It is natural that there should be more, perhaps, that there should be many sia now propose to gratify their appetite more, widows than veterans, for some people for rat-tail soup and pic-tail hash who fight for their country do get killed, while as few die of grief as of love, but in the present instance the ratio does seem somewhat excessive. Men who participated in the struggle of 1812 could hardly have been much under 20 years of age in that year, and most of the marrying by survivors would naturally be done within the nex thirty years. That brings us up to 1842which is a good while ago.

THE HUM OF BUSINESS.

Evidence of Advancing Prosperity in Railroad Earnings. Cleveland Leader.

When stocks go up calamity howlers say that it means coulding but the trickery of gamblers. Sometimes that is partly true, but if a rise in the stock market is accompanied by steady and very large gains in the carnings of railroads there is undeniably comething more than manipulation behind the movement of prices. Then the prophets of evil can only pretend that the increased receipts of the common carriers are the result of higher charges for transporting their best refuge is silence.

general calamity would serve their turn. The stock market is strong, and the upward tendency of prices is evidently justified, unless the market has already enticipated and discounted existing conditions of traffic, by the heavy gains in earnings which have been reported, almost without a break, for many and the larger passenger business. There New York Sun: Putting aside all questions is no evidence of an appreciable advance in of constitutionality, the scheme is wildly

the big increase in railroad earnings.

The plain fact is that no more solid evigetting their natural chare of the trade and establishment, industrial improvement, and the state of would inevitable of special importance because the iron was the stock market is one sign cold at the furnaces in Alabama for \$4 per change for the better.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Indianapotis Journal: If some of those who assume to know who are and who are not Christians have control of the admission to be tecantless: Cleveland Leader: A Kensas City preacher

thinks the offending party in a divorce case should be banished from society and shunned as a leper. This plan might work all right if the offending party didn't frequently have lots of money Kansas City Star: The grand tury of Essex

county. New Jersey, in which the city of Newark is situated, has presented the churches, along with theaters, public balls of the churches along with theaters, public balls. and other places of amusement, from over-That churches are overcrowded in New Jersey will come under the head of fresh news and sensational intelligence portant if true," and will give New Jersey an additional claim to distinction. The clergy men should regard the action of the grand fory as highly complimentary.

Chicago News: Rev. Thomas Dix. ir., or yacht. Dixle, duly christened and prepared for Neptune's embraces by having a of champagne broken over the stern of the boat. New York is a very wicked city, co cording to Dr. Dixon, where various people frink more "Kentucky wine" and kindred peverages than is good for them, and in battling with these evils it is not ing the reverend doctor is obliged to have costly yacht and to invoke the eld of hampagne.

Knoxville (Ky.) Tribune: Rev. Leavitt, a North Carolina evangelist, s conducting a revival in Richmond, saw two young women smiling during service. Walking down the aisle to where they were he knelt and prayed that they would minediately and go to hell, Rev. S. C. Hatcher, who was present and who attended the revivals, streightway left the church. When he was asked why he left the church he was said to have replied: my duty to try to pray people out of hell,

New York Journal: This is an age progress and the church cannot afford to singuiste. The elergyman of today takes advantage of modern imrovements. He pays pastoral calls on a picycle; he lights his church by electricity and he is experimenting with the of giving his sermons a wider circulation by transmitting them to his parishioners by telephone. most effective aid he can employ. It is the ultimate manifestation of modern progress and energy. The church cannot do without it.

THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Kansas City Star: It would seem that the heme to establish a federal university at Washington might be quite properly postsoned until the receipts of the gove t least equal its expenditures. In the present condition of the United States treasury the education of the youth of the country can be safely intrusted to the institutions of earning that are now available.

Indianapolis Journal: When George Wash ngton wished for a free university in Washington City conditions were very much difnot a real university in the country; now there are a score, and several very good ones which are nearly free. Just now there are many things which the country needs more than a free university in Washington. Minneapolis Journal: The old project of

a national university is revived and congress will take a turn at that subject this winter The argument that the government should At present the conditions are very ad-verse to the politicians who imagine that approved the project and left some securities to be sold to found it is not a strong one. When Washington left that the country was poorly supplied with educasity for another big university at Washington. There are over 400 universities and colleges in the United States now and the months. The gains in income are plainly government would do well to keep out of the due to a greater quantity of freight carried college business.

rates, nor is it necessary to assume anything chimerical. In the first place, there is no of the kind in order to account fully for necessity for it. Nearly a score of institutions are doing the work intended to be perdence could be desired that the business of complish nearly all the objects in view. the country is expanding and its prospects Again, it would be impossible to eliminate The pullroads are simply politics from the management of such an The selection of professors would inevitably be made on party lines, par-

development as a nation the people are em tirely competent to the care of their own educational interests without any tutelage on the part of the government. government has quite enough business of it beaven, most of the "many mansious" will own to attend to without entering a field which it has no proper concern

BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

only wign of fidelity.

The sweetest flower of the gospel is charity. A poor picture is not helped by being put in a good light. In religious controversy ferocity is not the

For a certain class of minds, infidelity is the ball-mark of genius. He who casts stones at others makes of himself a target for their return. The confession of past folly may be only

the profession of present wisdon He who always complains of the clouds. receives little of life's sunshine, and deserves less. When the X rays are so perfected as to

reveal a man's thought, there will be a radical change in thinking.

SEASONABLE CHAFF.

Cleveland Leader: Mrs. Asher-I think Pil give John a real surprise this Christ-

Cinder-What? Mrs. Asher-A box of real good clears, Puck: Mamma—No, Willy; there is no such person as Santa Claus, the Little Willy—Is George Washington a who myth, too, mamma?

Chicago News: Christmas always teaches us that our friends love us more than we

Chicago Post: "You look worried," said the bachelor maid,
"I have reason to be," replied the flancee,
"I can see that Harold is trying to get some excuse to break our engagement until after Christmas, and it takes all my tact to prevent it." prevent it."

New York Journal. Hennypeck-Last Christmas was the happlest day of my life, Askins-How was that, Hennypeck-A bur-glar broke into the house on the previous night and stole the handsomely litho-graphed box of Royal Cabbaga Leafa cigars that my wife had bought for a present

The newspaper is by far the circuit ation in the newspaper is by far the cive aid he can employ. It is ate manifestation of modern progenergy. The church cannot do it.

Indianapolis Journal: "Association of ideas," said the Cornfed Philosopher, "is much. After a wife's caresses have once energy. The church cannot do with a parting from some of his hard-earned wealth, they give him that tired feeling even when he knows there is no request to follow them."

JUST SO Washington Star. Sing hey to the times of Kris Kringle, When frost sets the blood all a-tingle, When the stars, crisply bright, Seem to dance through the night, And sleigh bells so merrily jingle,

When the snow 'neath your footsteps is creaking, And the north wind for mischief comes seeking. And in frolic will lift And in Fronc will bit A great feathery drift For the merry crew, laughing and shriek-

Oh, truth is a comfortless diet;
'Twere best to let fancy run riot;
But the fact you can't hide
If you want a sleigh ride,

You must mortgage your home to get it, IF I WIERE SANTA CLAUS

New York Herald.

New York Herald.

If I were only Santa Claus,
And Santa Claus was me,
I'd show to him just what a good
Old Santa Claus I'd be,
I'd always bring the kind of toys
And story books for him;
I'd find his stocking ev'ry year,
And fill it to the brim,
This year I'd bring a book or so
On how we conquered Spain,
Or how a boy pursued his foe
Across the Klondike plain,
And boxing gloves—and, say, I guess
A pistol would be great
To Klondike with, And then—oh, yes,
A wheel for ninety-eight.
I'd bring a leather suit and hat—
The kind that cowboys wear,
Of bowie knives and things like that

Of bowie knives and things like that

He'd have a lot to spare.
I'd fill his stocking then with all
The candy it would hold.
And where the packages were small
I'd fill in round with gold.
And when they saw how good I was,
How happy folks would be

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