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Merry Christmas to you all.

Latest market report-Stockings have gone up.

The automobile Santa Claus is the book makers.

Uncle Sam's Christmas cornucopia must now be large enough to shake out firesides and partake of the joy they sheriffs from Sarpy county and possibly good things for some 80,000,000 people.

If General Kitchener does not have a lively Christmas it will not be the fault of General Dewet and his associates.

Remember those who are too poor to provide themselves with Christmas

Governor Poynter has the consolation at any rate, of being the first official tenant of the executive mansion.

Governor Pingree is to have a try at a citation for contempt proceedings. No little thing like that, however, can feaze

damages. What a farce it would be if mas Day would take on a significance to assent to the construction of a canal These totals show nereases of \$15,000,000 judgment were given.

Night Watchman Good of the state realized. capitol is not an expert marksman. If the doors and windows had not been tightly closed it is doubtful whether he would have hit the building.

as there are lawyers.

If those who advocate the abolition of to take a drink out of what outside saloon keepers call the "Soldier bottle" it might work a change in their opinions, if they ever recovered from the dose.

A new political party has been formed to lay the wires for an endorsement. If been able to gather into the fold.

The London Times still insists that England will not and cannot accept the amended Hay-Pauncefote treaty. It must be remembered that the Times is not a member of the British cabinet and has several times of late hoisted a storm signal when the weather was clearing.

The smaller powers of Europe are getting their eyes open. Roumania has declined a Russian loan, not because it does not need the money, but the great powers have a habit of foreclosing such loans and levying on the independence of the country as the only asset in sight.

Herr Krupp objects to the Turk making the American missionaries preferred | cision sustaining the policy of the presicreditors and insists upon the payment dent. It is thought to be not unlikely, of a long overdue bill for modern, high however, that two and perhaps three of power civilizers furnished the Turkish the justices who were appointed as rearmy. This will probably afford the publicans will be against the adminissultan the opportunity he has been look. tration's position, while Chief Justice ing for to defer payment again.

Germany is complaining of the growth of trusts crowding out its smaller in-

cavalry horses for use by the British in be in sore straits to cope with its enemy. cerned, with the United States in the arrival of a war ship as a collecting agent up the bloody record of 1900.

CHRISTMAS

Again, from all the steeples in sweet voices of white-robed choirs in tage, hand clasps hand in loving grasp, and and their people. eves look into faces once familiar but now grown strange through an absence for years. The children's mirthful laughter, the rarest music earth affords, ripples through the house and Business letters and remittances should be addressed: The Bee Publishing Company, Omaha.

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The Bee Publishing Company of the Statutes to code in any language. mirth and cheer appropriate to the

> Christmas time. Probably there is no one who would wish to have it otherwise. It is well for robbery of the money procured for that a few days are set apart for a ransom. cessation from the strenuous life-days the heartless world of business have no are susceptible to the softening in- ing a charge against them that would entail fluences which make for a higher and a penitentiary sentence." 28,350 better manhood and womanhood. We are too prone to forget, in the hurry and great truths the Christian religion Cudahy was merely a colorable one exenunciates and the deeds of love and torted by fear. They had threatened to put kindness Christ performed.

The lesson of the Christmas time can On this is based the works done by the In other words they compelled him by the Savior and it will be by virtue of love, threat to do it. 27.770 akin, if not equal, to His, that the world doubted. The great truth that all men that are on a more extensive scale than The hungry are fed, the naked clothed, truly, the orphan remembered, and men who have hitherto been too busy to act the look at it the same way, this is an most recent creation of the picture part of almoners have learned by a ingenious piece of reasoning. We suphappy experience that it is indeed pose the abductors could also be con-This morning, as they sit by their own cause they pretended to be deputy have brought into their own homes, they subjected to several other charges for membering that they have helped to ever, does not in the least mitigate the make Christmas something besides a imperative demand for the enactment nothing but disappointment.

could be preserved and carried into crimes, every day of the year, if we could be more considerate of the feelings of those with whom we come in contact, if we A farce-comedy performer has just today, and if His teachings could be and cannot be until such a condition is

PENDING THE DECISION.

gress of importance in regard to Porto shall have stated its attitude. Rico or the Philippines, according to The lawyers all favor a supreme court | Washington advices, pending the de- the possibility that the Central Americommission and the bigger the better, cision by the supreme court of the can governments would see in the A commission that would provide berths cases involving the political status of amendments to the treaty a danger to for all the would-be commissioners the islands. It is stated that the ap- their territorial integrity and that this would have nearly as many members prehension that the court may so decide might prove a serious obstacle to the prompted the president and the administion of the whole treaty, including even the canteen in the army could be forced tration leaders in congress to agree to those parts which bind the United States postpone all action by congress as to to make no acquisition of territory in the affairs of the islands.

in the Philippines. Bryan should hasten left for the next congress, which pos- communication of Mr. Binine's to Minhe is ever to be elected president he this purpose. In the meantime there that if the United States should seek In the same year the battle of Trafalgar, in must have the nomination of at least will be more or less conjecture as to the annulment of the Clayton-Bulwer which Nelson sunk the French fleet, took four more parties than he has thus far the possible nature of the decision. Ac- treaty "it might give rise to erroneous place, and probably no great battle in the it may fairly be doubted if it will exert to Central America." any great influence. If the political affiliations of the justices could be depended upon to control their judgment apprehensive of American policy as afthe chances might reasonably be as-Fuller and Justice Peckham, democrats, are counted as doubtful.

Should the decision be favorable to the administration's position no very iron industry where manufacturers are dustrial establishments and the same serious difficulty would be found in tendency is manifest in other European | dealing with the new possessions. Concountries. But Bryan and his echoes gress would simply have to provide will continue to explain the trust as an such government for them as it deemed outgrowth of the protective tariff and expedient and also make such regulaprescribe free trade as the infallible tions regarding the tariff as American Heavy purchases in this country of create a perplexing dilemma. In the of 25,643,073 net freight tons. The South Africa are again reported and the termined whether we should retain the over 1800 and the passenger traffic 10 followed by the occupation of Egypt. purchasing agent is quoted as saying islands, particularly the Philippines, or per cent. This does not look as if the that more than 100,000 head of horses merely hold naval stations. If it were development of railroad transit were in and mules have been bought in the decided to retain the entire Philippine any fair way of neutralizing the growth United States by the British govern- archipelago, there would be the very of lake commerce, ment and shipped to the Boer land since serious question of the tariff. By the the war broke out. If it did not have terms of the Paris treaty Spain is for America to draw on for horses on which a period of ten years to be on an to mount its forces the British would equality, so far as tariff duties are con-

Christendom, the bells are ringing out there be free trade between this country the return of the day on which the and the archipelago Spain also would Christ was born. Again, from humble have free trade with the Islands and it chapel and stately cathedral, the swell- is not difficult to understand that this of Harrison and Cleveland, but we ought ing notes of the organ blend with the might result to our serious disadvan-

public discussion. anthems of rejoicing which fill the Such considerations show the great frosty air with the vibrations of sweet and far-reaching importance of the deharmonies. Again, in tens of thousands cision which will be given by the of happy homes, there are smiling faces | highest judicial tribunal respecting the and hearts overflowing with joy, while political status of the new possessions

IS IT ROBBERY? The disclosure that nothing in the Nebraska criminal code relating to kidnaping or child-stealing covers the case the very air is filled with contentment of the Cudahy abduction seems to have trouble for themselves by observing the offenders if apprehended. One suggestion comes that they might be held

LEXINGTON, Neb., Dec. 22, 1900.-To in which the unfeeling calculations of the Editor of The Bee: In one of the editorials in your paper of today you say, in part and on which the minds of men cuting officials would have difficulty in placreference to the Cudahy abductors, "prose-

Allow me to suggest that in case they are caught they could be sent to the penirush of the age in which we live, the in gold. The gift of the money to them by tentiary on a charge of stealing the \$25,000 out the boys' eyes if he did not give them the money as requested by the letter, and be embodied in a single word-Love, back he left the money by the lantern.

The law surely would not recognize a con will some day be lifted to a higher threat. The title to the money remained in plane of thought and action. That the Cudahy after he left it by the lantern, and Less unsold and returned copies 12.038 trend of humanity is upward cannot be when the abductors took it from the place denied; that it will continue to seek where he left it they stole it, and can as t the loftiest heights need not be view the matter be sent to the penitentlary for seven years, if the court sees fit are brothers is coming to be more fully Cudahy consented to their taking the money. understood with every passing year, and but the consent was exterted by their it is finding its expression in Omaha wicked threat to put the boys' eyes out and this year, at least, in works of charity his fear that they would execute it. Mr. Bishop and other criminal law writers asever before in the history of the city. threats cannot avail a defendant. Yours sert that a consent, or gift obtained by

Whether or not a court of law would 'more blessed to give than to receive." victed of impersonating an officer beno loophole for malefactors to crawl out tional powers in business and finance. If this spirit of the Christmastide of because accused only of constructive

HOW WILL THEY REGARD IT!

could be led to deal more generously and Costa Rica will regard the amended ago, not more than two years, that the fortune has been laid, if we were less hardly less interest and importance than south for diversifying the planting and reour lives more closely followed that of of it by the British government. It is ton has come up again with emphasis and department has had no intimation from been sued in the courts here for \$5,000 adopted as our rule of conduct, Christ- Nicaragua or Costa Rica of a refusal that has never before been given to it in view of the action of the senate. for the month and \$105,000,000 for the eleven Those governments approved of the months over 1899. In the month the total treaty in its original form, but their position respecting the amendments has not been made known and it is expected There will be no legislation by con- will not be until the British government

We pointed out in a preceding article trative and legislative action has Post says: "In striking for the abroga-Central America, the senate has done of the globe. It is probable that no cen-As the supreme court is not expected its best to alarm the republics to the tury, not even that in which gunpowder to render its decision earlier than south of us. They can see in this action was invented, has seen so great an advance February at best, general legislation re- but a covert threat to their territorial in the possibilities of warfare. lating to the new possessions will be integrity." That paper quotes from a sibly may be called in extra session for ister Lowell, in 1881, in which he said defeated the allied Austrians and Russians. cording to some of the Washington cor- and mischievous apprehensions among history of the world has been more celebrated in song, story and art. respondents the consensus of opinion a people with whom this government years later, in 1812, the Russians burned there is that three and perhaps four of desires to be on the most friendly Moscow in order to entrap the army of Nathe justices will certainly decide against terms," and he stated that the United poleon. the administration's position, while two States having taken special occasion to are regarded as doubtful, leaving but assure the Spanish-American republics three as reasonably sure to be on the to the south of us that it did not intend and overwhelming disaster. side of the administration. The ground or desire to cross their borders or in for this speculation as to the attitude of any way disturb their territorial integthe members of the court is found rity, "we shall not willingly incur the of the Greeks. It took place in the year partly in the questions put to counsel risk of a misunderstanding by annulling sia the arena of war. In that vast military from the bench and in part to the poli- the clauses in the Clayton-Bulwer treaty drama Great Britain, Sardinia and France ties of the judges, though as to the latter which forbid such a step with respect were pitted against the Russian forces, and

In view of the susceptibility of the countries to the south of us to be feeting them, it will not be at all surshall object to the senate's action.

Those who contend that the prosperity this country is enjoying is only a part of the general prosperity noted in every paign of Garibaidi, which resulted in the country should study the foreign market | unification of Italy. reports. English trade shows a falling off and many industries are in a demoralized state. In Germany the trade not only waiting for new orders which bloody close by the battle of Sadowa, in do not come, but are unable to induce purchasers to take goods already

ordered.

Morocco Came to Taw. New York Tribune Morocco's payment of the just claim of

Philippines. If, therefore, the decision is a judicious act. The example is earnestly of the supreme court should require that to be commended to the consideration of the Sublime Porte.

Old Hends for Counsel.

All Things in Harmony. The new century will begin with the re-

publican party in control of all depart-

ments of the government and the greatest

general prosperity the country has ever

Trouble May Be Averted. Chicago Inter Oce The Philippine laws are to be in English This may put the Filipinos to some temporary inconvenience, but they can save

Likened to an Old Roman

Mr. Cleveland rises like one of the old philosophers of Rome before the downfall to explain the plight of the democracy after having gone after false gods. But parties like men, have to learn in the hard school of experience and history supplies the one onsolation that they always learn something in the end and profit by it.

Fortifying Canada.

Ergland realizes that the Monroe doc trine does not run beyond Eastport, Me. and it wastes no expectation on any protection for its Canadian possessions through its influence. It is sending an outfit of modern long-range guns to replace antiquated ones on the defenses of Halifax, though no enemy is in sight. Those guns will not threaten the United States, as some nervous people will suppose, but they will give Halifax greater strategical importance, until such time as they, in turn, may be outclassed.

Looking Far Into the Future.

When all the freight traffic has been banshed to underground railways and the automobile has displaced the horse for surface travel nearly the entire street between the bero of the Boar war. Such a raider has pavements can be devoted to green turn never been seen before. Last August four Cities of the twentieth and the following generals, two of them lords, were close on centuries may be free from dust and the vile odors arising from the animal traffic. The automobile moving machine may be him he escaped them easily. He was then substituted for the sweeping machines, to the great improvement of health and increase of enjoyment of citizens.

Notable Family of Business Men. Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

The kidnaping of the Cudahy boy in boundary of the state. Omaha calls attention to a remarkable family of Irishmen. Years ago there was an Irish laborer employed at the Plankinton British prisoners and turning them loose a plant in Milwaukee. His name was Cudahy and he had four sons, Michael, John, Patrick and Edward. Today the four boys lofty contempt for the numerical superiority represent \$15,000,000 of business capital. they employ 6,000 men, own meat-packing billty to properly care for any great numwill find an additional pleasure in re- various links in the chain. That, how- plants at Omaha, Milwaukee, Sioux City, ber of "involuntary guests." It used to be Louisville, Nashville, Wichita and Los a rule of warfare that prisoners might be Angeles, operate car lines of their own slaughtered if, when their captors found name to those other children to whom of a law by the coming legislature that cific coast. They are all powerful men in and possess vast oil properties on the Pa- themselves unable to hold them, the prisonprevious hollday seasons have brought will fit the offense on all fours and leave physique and each is possessed of excep-

King Cotton's Luxurious Throne.

King Cotton has resumed his scepter. I has been a great year for the south, as well How the governments of Nicaragua as for the whole country. It was not long on-manufactured exports of 1900. In November alone we experted \$41,500,000 worth of cotton and in eleven months \$270,000,000. of all exports increased but \$12,000,000 and for the eleven months \$180,000,000. The importance of cotton to the whole is seen plainly from these figures.

HAS MAN IMPROVED MUCH!

Arts and Sciences No Check to War In the Mineteenth Century.

Philadelphia North American, man becoming more civilized? A glance backward at the great battles of the closing century is likely to convince tionary in the matter of settling his quarrels. In the opening years of the nineteenth century Europe was one vast battlefield, and its consent. in its closing hours the sound of artillery is still echoing in more than one portion

Eighteen hundred and five was a great year in the annals of war. In it was fought favor of American vessels which some senhistory of the world has been more widely In 1815 came the battle of Waterloo, in which Napoleon's defeat was so overwhelming that the very name of the bat le has remained to us a synonym for complete

The next decisive battle was that of Navarino, which secured the independence the war lasted through '53, '54 and '55, leaving memories which will be awesomely repeated in many a peasant but for centuries

to come. In 1857, two years after the close of the Crimean war, occurred the great Indian sumed to be largely in favor of a de- prising if Nicaragua and Costa Rica mutiny, in which the native soldiers revolted and ruthlessly massacred English men, women and children. Again, two years after this national tragedy, occurred the Franco-Austrian war. This was followed a year later, in 1860, by the cam-

> Just one year later followed the American civil war, beginning in '61 and ending four years later, in '65, with the surrender of Lee to Grant at Appomattex.

The Austro-Prussian war next occupied century. the public mind and it was brought to a July, 1866. Four years of comparative peace fol

lowed, and then again, in 1870, came that decisive battle of the Franco-Prussian war that of Sedan. This was followed by the The year's statistical summary of federating of the German states in the interests dictate. A decision adverse to traffic through the Sault canals at the German empire. Next came the outbreak the president's policy, however, would head of the Great Lakes show a business of the Russo-Turkish war, which was decided by the historic battle of Plevna, in latter case it would have to be de- freight movement increased 2 per cent bardment of Alexandria by the British was 1877. Five years later, in 1882, the bom-A general lull in fighting was broken by the Chinese-Japanese war in 1894. In 1898 sensation by visiting, in charge of acveral

came the breaking out of the Spanish-American war, with its decisive battles of Manila, May 1, and Santiago, in July. Great Britain followed a year later, in receives a cruel thrust from an ungrateful 1899, by declaring war against the South wretch in Kansas, who has filed an affi-African republics, and this, with our own struggles in the Philippines and the rethe United States without waiting for the cent events in China, has helped to keep

Able Men Demanded.

of the people expect certain things to be Hon. Edward Rosewater stands out prominently as one of the ablest men in Nedone and any party that proves recreant is to welcome them both into the forum of braska. The Omaha Bee, unquestionably sure to invite speedy eviction. The republican party has been reinstated the cleanest and best newspaper published in Nebraska with the object in view of between Chicago and the Pacific coast, and improving conditions. If it shall fail it The Bee building, the largest and finest newspaper building in America, it not in the whole world, are strong testimonials to his capabilities and achievements. Mr. Resewater started out in life at the bottom of the ladder. Unaided and alone he gradually made his way up until now he is a man of national reputation, enjoying high

has no reason to expect elemency. The road to continuous dominancy is clear. The guideboard is honesty, economy and wisdom in all things. First of all, wisdom must govern in the selection of senators. And, in determining who shall be chosen, the safest way to calculate is to judge what a man can do by what he has done. A drone standing in metropolitan journalism and in private life would be a drone in public being a potent factor in the national di-The man who has made his own rectorship of the republican party. These opportunities and achieved success through facts are recited at this time primarily behis own efforts is the kind of material out cause two United States senators are to be of which to construct senators. That man chosen and Mr. Rosewater is one of the will be of service. His judgment will be leading candidates. sought and it will exercise an influence

the republican party with stewardship and the tenure of that stewardship depends entirely upon how the party conducts itself. If honesty, economy and wisdom shall prevail the republican party will remain in power for many years. If not, the people will swiftly divest it of power. Pernaps the most important task to be performed at this time is the selection of senators. On this the party will be on trial and any error made will have its bad effects. If two good, strong, capable men are chosen the party will be strengthened. If, on the contrary, strong men are overloosed and mere politicians chosen for whatever reason, it is reasonably certain that the people will administer swift and condign punishment through the medium of the ballot. No political party can commit outrages state if they send Mr. Rosewater to the and hope to remain in power. The masses senate.

THE SHERIDAN OF THE VELDT.

The people of Nebraska have entrusted

BROKEN BITS OF CHINA.

Boston Globe: Dewet's feat of breaking through the British lines that encircled him and escaping, is one of the most heroic deeds in the history of military operations. Philadelphia Press: Dewet is clearly the his trail with 30,000 men, but after inflicting severe losses on all who essayed to touch in the Transvaal, not far from Pretoria. Since then he has retraversed the Orange Free State, zigzagging in the freest manner, covering an enormous extent of territory and is now again moving northeast after having reached the extreme southern

found judgment.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: The Boer plan of fighting hard one day to capture a lot of few days after, without parole, to rejoin their several commands, may indicate a of their adversaries, as well as Boer inacavalry by sitting upon the ground was something new for modern soldiers to face.

sort. Under modern conditions of war fare a line of pickets, well covered and finest of the jewels and left the rest for armed with repeating rifles, could have the less expert looters. The Japanese did stopped any charge of mounted men. As ustal, however, one important point was next to the Japs in this respect." left unguarded by the British commander, and the Boers rushed through the unprotected gap in the British lines without encountering any opposition worth mention- in Milwaukee last Sunday. ing. Their comparatively small losses in said, "to show you an anatomical chart the rush show this to have been a facu British blunders have given the Boers believe they could have such crude ideas. nearly all of their victories.

"civilized warfare."

THE AMENDED TREATY.

Indianapolis Press: The Hay-Pauncefote treaty, as amended, gives us control of our own property. This much good has been one that in progressing in the arts and accomplished by the agitation for our these cases as to complicate adminis- canal project. The New York Evening sciences man has at least remained sta- rights. If England accepts the treaty we can go on with the canal. If it does not we shall find a way to get along without Chicago Tribune: In the treaty as it

stands there is nothing which puts the United States in the attitude of throwing down the gauntlet to the whole civilized world. The canal is to be open to the commerce of all nations on terms of equality. There will be none of the discriminations in ators favored-perhaps in order to make the treaty specially obnoxious to the com-

mercial nations. Chicago Inter Ocean: The amendments in no way limit the privileges of Great amended treaty contains nothing more of-Pauncefore treaty. Diplomatically there there were for the acceptance of the or-

iginal agreement. Washington Star: There is no just occasion to severely criticise either the president or the secretary of state for committing themselves to the treaty as originally drawn. Theirs was the initiative and they ook it. They doubtless exercised their best judgment and when the result of the thoroughly safeguard American interests in an American enterprise, and those changes to Great Britain, nor intended to be,

PERSONAL NOTES.

President Catt of the National Woman's United States will have a woman for president before the end of the twentieth

sixty-four different religious sects in South Australia. Being fairly well supplied ourselves, we shall not have to import any of these Australian systems. Robert G. Evans, at present the foremost candidate for the place of the late Cushman K. Davis in the senate, is an eloquent

Mark Twain states that he found some

speaker, very ready and one of the best known lawyers in Minnesota. Lieutenant Governor Bates of Masachusetts is interested in sociology, and with a view to studying certain conditions with his own eyes, last week created some

policemen, Boston's Chinatown and North The noble art of shaping public opinto davit of election expenses containing this "To subsidizing the papers, item: It is consoling to know the infernal miser

was beaten out of his boots.

will certainly make no mistake and they will strengthen the party and benefit the

government in order that her resources

may be developed. To secure righteous

recognition in the form of national legis-

lation Nebraska's representatives in both

branches must be active, alert and of pro-

Judging by what Edward Rosewater has

accomplished in his private business life, it

is safe to say that he could do more for

age and in securing such legislation as is

any other man. He is a strong and logical

reasoner and would at once take a position

of prominence among the ablest men in that

august body. The republicans of Nebraska

Observations of Americans Recently in the Land of the Dragon. "The Chinese have no warlike instincts,

says Colonel Webb C. Hayes, who has just returned from service on the staff of General Chaffee. "They are not a nation of warriors, but if they should ever be trained they would make the finest soldiers in the world. They do not know what fear means and they absolutely disregard death. There are two things they worship-their fathers and the almighty dollar. You may kill a man over there and no one thinks anything of it unless the dead man happens to be his father. They shrug their shoulders and say: 'There are plenty left,' and that is all. The Chinese are not vindictive. They get excited now and then and go in for slaughter, and the next minute they are cool and are drinking tea. Our cavalry made an attack upon a mob of Chinese one day, and they quietly sat down upon the ground and waited the advance of the column. They knew they would all be killed, but did not seem to care. They struck at the horses with pikes and some thing that looked like forks. The idea of trying to disembowel horses and fighting

The Associated Press correspondent who accompanied the allied army, and now in beyond that point in their interpretation of this country, says the most amazing feature of the invasion of China was the scien-Philadelphia Record: If the picturesque tific, masterly skill shown in looting. The story (from Bloemfontein) of Dewet's es- allies robbed as though they were profescape be true-and there is no reason to sionals. Replying to the question, "Who doubt its substantial accuracy-the success were the worst looters?" the correspondent of the Boer commander in breaking through said: "Well, the British were the most with those upon whom the hand of mis. Hay-Pauncefote treaty is a question of cotton-growing industry was depressed so believe the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because they were most systematically and the British lines must have been due to the successful because the beautiful beautiful because the beautiful b military inefficiency of his adversaries matic. They went about it as a regular rather than to his own overpowering strate-gle ability. He had been headed off sure enough, and his dash for liberty over the Their experience in India had made them good judge of fowl."

Their experience in India had made them good judge of fowl." hasty in our judgments-if, in a word, that as to the view that will be taken ducing the acreage of the staple. Now cotthe Master whose birth we remember authoritatively stated that the State to has come up again with emphasis and open veldt, in full view of his enemy, must connoisseurs in things Oriental, and they today and if the together authoritatively stated that the State to has come up again with emphasis and open veldt, in full view of his enemy, must connoisseurs in things Oriental, and they be regarded as having been a desperate respectively. broideries, the rarest of the jade and the

> the least looting and the Americans were Dr. S. C. Partridge, a missionary bishop of the Episcopal church in Japan, preached made by the Chinaman you would scarcely They live regardless of sanitary conditions. In their education there is nothing but memory and conceit. Their scholars can not add a single column of figures, and it you ask them what the stars are they will declare they are the demons of the all They worship the beasts of the field, the insects, the trees and their roots, and they are sunken to the level of the things they Were they loyal to Confucius it

would be an easy task to lead them into the

new life, but they take his words on their

Correspondent Egan, writing from Pekit

to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, says

lips and deny him in their actions."

'The removal of the bodies of dead American soldiers to their homes across the sea will lead to the breaking up of the sorrow ful little burial plot under the trees in the compound of the Russian legation, where rest the American marines who fell in the defense of the legations. Few of their countrymen who came too late to save them failed to go into the little family Britain, except in case that power should of mounds and stand uncovered for a mo be at war with the United States. The ment on the hallowed ground. During the siege the mournful task of burying the fensive to England than the original Hay- American dead fell to W. E. Bainbridge, second secretary of the American legation are just as strong reasons for the accept- The American compound was small and ance of the amended treaty by England as there was not sufficient room to have the burials there. The Russian legation, just across the street, possessed a very large ompound and the Russian minister generously gave up a plot of ground. All of the funerals were held at night, for the light of the day meant exposure and death for those who assisted. Midnight was the hour usually chosen, and on more than one occasion rain fell to add further gloom negotiations was announced there were and cheerlessness. Despite precaution and eminent senators in both parties who darkness, most of the funerals were conagreed that upon the whole the action ducted under fire, and several times flying taken was wise. But the great majority of bullets cut sprigs and leaves from the the senate-a co-ordinate branch of the trees overhead. These fell fluttering into treaty-making power-insisted upon certain the grave or onto the bodies-unwelcomchanges, designed, as explained, to more floral offerings. Secretary Bainbridge often had the greatest difficulty in securing some of the bodies, for when men fell in an exhave been made. They are not prejudicial posed position the Chinese concentrated their fire on the spot. Once it was neces sary to erect a barricade to secure a body. Bainbridge faced death a dozen times is carrying out his mission of charity, and was highly commended by all of his com-Suffrage association predicts that the rades. The burial of Marine Tucher was attended by a stranger scene. He had made friends with a Russian private, and the two spent their spare time together. Neither was a linguist, but with the aid of signs and a sort of polyglot dialect they made excellent progress. They shared their food, and when Russians and Americans fought together Tucher and the Russian were usually side by side. Tucher's

body was carried into the Russian compound late at night, just as the Russian soldier was coming off watch. Chinese colles were at work digging a grave, and the burial party stood about the corpse Drawn toward the body by some impulse the Russian leaned down over it and moved the cloth from the face, Recognizing Tucher he broke into tears and cried out in Russian, 'My brother! My brother!' Arising from the body he turned to where the coolies were at work on the grave and motioning them out of the way began to dig alone. The grave had only been started, but he refused all offers of aid, and alone sunk it to the required depth. Then he threw away his shovel and getting on his knees in the bottom of the grave smoothed down the soil. He was making the bed of his dead comrade. Next he put down some leaves and then with all of the tenderness of a child he aided in lifting the limp form into the grave. He tenderly straightened out the limbs, folded the hands across the breast and covered the face to shield it from the earth that was to be tossed in As he leaned over the corpse his tears fell Nebraska needs much from the national upon it. The burial party stepped back and silently watched the dramatic scene. They were crying, too, and they could not have spoken had they tried. In silence the grave was filled, and a little mound rounded over it. The Russian was the first to speak. Pointing off in the direction of Tien Tsin he asked: 'How long will it be before they come?" Nobody knew, and as the Russian reshouldered his gun Nebraska, both in securing federal patronhe added: 'If they don't come soon we needed to develop natural resources, than will all be with my brother there.'

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Ord Journal.

A little better than usual is the illustrated Christmas number of The Omaha Bee. It is a complete magazine, printed in colors, and the beauty of it fles in the fact that there are no Fifth avenue or unintelligible metropolitan airs about it. It is devoted to Omaha and Nebraska.

PLASHES OF PUN.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Pa," said the blooming daughter of the household, "I wish you wouldn't call young Mr. Softleigh And why not?"
"Because he isn't

"Because he isn't a jay and there doesn't seem to be any hope of his 'poppin." Washington Star: "What is a family

Indianapolis Press: "I wonder," said the

mistletoe?"
"It is so called because the miss'll toe the mark every time she sees a bit of it suspended anywhere," said the Cheerful Idiot. Boston Transcript: Johnson-What an easy mark you are Thompson! That boy gets an afternoon off every time he tries, no matter how thin his excuse is.

Thompson-it does look as though I was easily come over, but that boy has a habit of whistling when he is in the office.

Detroit Journal: The Man Behind the Gun laughed at the Pitiless Leaden Hail. "Don't laugh!" clattered the Pitiless Leaden Hail, reproachfully. "You may get to be old-fashioned yourself some time." There was certainly no teiling what prog-ress the art of war might make.

ress the art of war might make Chicago Post: "Before we were married," she said tearfully, "you used to call me a duck."
"True," he admitted.
"And now you always refer to me as a

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER.

Indianapolis News. ord, for the lonely heart I pray apart. New, for the son of sorrow Whom this tomorrow Redelecth not. O Lord, Hear my weak word.

For lives too bitter to be borne, For the tempted and the torn, For the prisoner in the cell, For the shame lip doth not tell, For the haggard suicide Peace, peace, this Christmastide!

Into the desert, ire?
By the long sick, O God,
Into the patient gloom
Of that small room
Where lies the child of pain
Of all neglected most-be fain
To enter, healing, and remain

Now, at the fall of day, Now, at the fall of day,
I bow and pray.
For those who cannot sleep,
A watch I keep,
Oh, let the starying brain
Be fed, and fed again;
At Thy behest
The tortured nerve find rest,
I see the vacant chair,
Father of Souls, prepare
My poor thought's feeble power
To plead this hour.

For the empty, aching home
Where the si'ent footsteps come,
Where the linseen face looks on,
Where the linseen face looks on,
Where the handclasp is not felt.
Where the dearest eyes are gone,
Where the bortrait on the wall
Stirs and struggles as to speak,
Where the light breath from the hall
Calls the color to the cheek.
Where the voice breaks in the hymn
When the sunset burneth dim,
Where the late large tear will start,
Frozen by the broken heart.
Where the lesson is to learn
How to live, to grieve, to yearn.
How to bear and how to bow.
Oh, the Christmas that is field!
Lord of living and of dead,
Comfort Thou:

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