The Choirs of Christendom Sing Loud Hosannas on This Festal Morn and the World Rejoices.

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Joining in the Chorus, Serenely Surveys the Field of Its Labors and Has No Enemies to Punish.

On Easter morning Christenrom should lay down the weapons of offense and defense. The day is one of prace on earth and good will to men. The agnostic and infidel alike with the Christ an can echo the sentiment which begot the anniversary, however they may doubt the story of the Redeemer or disagree with the dogmas of the theologians.

THE SEASON OF THE YEAR

suggests the return of life and the reopening of all the avenues of commercial as well as social activity. The Lenten season is one of reflection, of meditation and of repentance. The resurrection morn awakens anew the energies of hope and sweetens the lives of all God's creatures. Meanwhile the thoughtful man, turning from the joys of Easter, faces again the strenuous activities of existence, and,

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of this aggressive and growing young comof this aggressive and growing young com-pany, is directing its affairs with an eye single to the permanency and success of "And you" said the Englishman, turn- Scenes of the Miracles and his associates carefully scrutinize all I presume?" risks offered and watch with constant attention every item of expense and asset for the protection and profit of the policy holders. Being a mutual company, every policy holder has a vote in its annual meetings and the company is managed on the

EACH FOR ALL AND ALL FOR EACH.



J. J. DERIGHT.

Mr. Deright came to Omaha in 1886 and went on the road for A. L. Deane & Co., who were then in the safe business in this city, and he was so successful that in 1896 he bought out the business and since that time has made a phenomenal success. Since that time there has been a steady than Mr. Joseph Jefferson, who annually growth in his business, for during the past seven months he has sold one hundred new bank safes, in addition to a large number of small ones. A few months ago Mr. Deright opened a branch store in Kansas of the pier extending out in the lake in City, and now from his two houses his front of the great hotel a newly-arrived traveling men cover Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and South He has the only safe house between Chicago and Denver and has the exclusive agency for the Hall safes, National safes, as well as the Hibbard-Rodman-Ely safe, which is manufactured of manganese steel and is absolutely burglarproof, neither the finest drills or any amount of nitro-glycerine affecting them. There is an article in another part of this issue setting forth the good qualities of this wonderful piece of mechanism, and if you are contemplating the purchase of an absolutely burglar-proof safe it will repay you to see Mr. Deright at 1119 Farnam

ON EARTH GOOD WILL TO MEN Gleanings from the Story Tellers' Pack



Keen, the well known surgeon. told this story:

"After the battle of Gettysburg a corps under the command of a young physician, who had recently been appointed, \$25 for the house. Won't we, John "was ordered to collect the wounded Among John—Yes. the disabled was a man who had been shot through the leg. The young doctor proceeded to use his knife. After cutting for a half hour he was interrupted by the young soldier with:

'Say, how much longer are you going to

I've got it in my pocket.'
"Sure enough; the bullet had lodged in

the skin of the man's leg after passing through, and he had kept it as a souvenir."

"Mr. Depew," said a gentleman, speaking and man; that's so, isn't it, John?" recently of the senator to the New York Times, "pays a compliment as graciously as any man, and one would never expect to see him fail to rise to the occasion. It was therefore a matter of considerable surprise to me when, at a dinner where the senator was a guest, I observed that he alties to compliment a charming young lady of the company. Afterward I commented upon the omission to Mr. Depew himself.

'You observed the lady?' he asked.

"'Yes,' I answered.

"You noticed that she might be extremely sensitive?' he went on.

" 'Yes,' I replied, though, truth to tell, I hadn't considered the lady's disposition at

" 'Well,' said Mr. Depew slowly, 'I once told a sensitive girl that I thought her as sweet as honey, and the result was disastrous.

"'How so?' I questioned, though I ought

"The senator answered me in a whisper: Next day the lady had hives."

with a party of men who, with one excep- pile of lobsters. His exhilaration returned tion, are graduates of the most noted of by the usual process, and even such of the American colleges. The one exception was charter members as were present admitted the host, a man who is always delightfully that the evening developed in a lively frank about the incidents of his career, fashion. The talk turned on colleges, and every

ing to his host, "you are a college man, too,

"Oh, yes, indeed," answered the host. "I was graduated at an institution which has turned out more men than any other in the visit it while you are in the west."

And the Englishman responded earnestly: "Indeed, I shall take great pleasure in doing so.'

There is a young newspaper man of Philadelphia whose business is the writing of but Christ lives and Mary's act in anoint-Philadelphia Times, lately struck his boss the other day as rather dull and drew on him, accordingly this order: "Brighten up ful scripture narrative. your heads. Make them breezy. Put more ginger in them. The paper will stand for it." Thereupon the young man turned back to his desk, resolved to be as brilliant and point immediately overlooking the village, daring as he could. He took up a report Jesus took His departure from the earth of a lecture on heat waves that had been on His return to heaven. delivered by John Blank. "Heat waves," he Site of the Ascension. mused. "Heat waves, by John Blank. How can I write a brilliant, daring head for that?" He did not know that John Blank was one of the editors of his own paper, with a little laugh, he headed the report of the lecture: "Hot Air from John Blank," and sent the manuscript upstairs to the composing room. Fortunately for him it did not get into the paper. Another editor saw and intercepted it in time.

A unique figure at Palm beach is "Alligator Joe," who is well known to all visiters to that part of Florida. He is a famous hunter and his uncouth but picturesque personality and his jovial and exciting stories of adventures have made him a celebrated character.

Among the guests of the Royal Poinciana there is no more enthusiastic fisherman flees from the rigors of New York climate to spend the winter months in southern Florida. It is related that one day when he was basking in the sunshine on the end visitor from the north, a woman who was evidently unfamiliar with this part of Florida and its associations, approached and began to examine the solitary fisherman with great attention. Mr. Jefferson, intent upon his fishing, paid no attention to her, and after a pause she went up to him and said:

"Excuse me, but are you 'Alligator Joe?" Mr. Jefferson looked up and his eyes twinkled.

"I confess to the 'Joe,' madam," he said, 'but I deny the 'Alligator.' "

There are some queer couples in the heaven," was present to our thought as we world, remarked a real estate agent, quoted turned away from this sacred spot to conby the Boston Advertiser. The other day tinus our journey.

r a recent gathering of medical a man and woman called to see me about men in Philadelphia Dr. W. W. renting a house. The woman did all the talking and turned to the man for confirmation or corroboration. He always agreed with her and did it very meekly.

"Well," said the woman, "I'll give you

John-Yes. "And I'll pay my rent promptly, too;

won't we, John?" "Yes."

"And I'll take good care of the house, won't we, John?"

"Yes." "But," I inquired, as is usual in such

"Until I get the bullet, replied the doc- cases, "are you man and wife?"
"Man and wife," exclaimed the woman tor. "Man and wife, excitation with the work of that's what you want, sharply. "Indeed, we are not; are we,

'No, my dear."

"What?" said I. "Not man and wife?"
"Not much," she retorted. "I'd have you know, too, that in this family we are wife

And John meekly agreed.

One of the most conspicuous features of a recent entertainment at the Players' club was a pyramid of lobsters in the grillroom awaiting the time when the flow of soul lowed to pass several excellent opportuni-ties to compliment a charming young lady was under the prescribed length. The dignity of the occasion was equaled by its solemnity, and everyone was talking, when an actor who happened to be a member came in. He was slightly exhilarated, but after listening to the conversation a few minutes he became somber. Suddenly he saw the pyramid of lobsters. He grabbed the arm of a guest, led him into the grillroom and said solemnly:

"Here is where the house of bishops lunched once."

"Indeed?" 'Yes. Now would you like to meet a stack of our charter members?"

"Delighted, I am sure." Taking the guest to the table where the lobsters were piled the actor introduced him to them very formally. He devoted his An English university man who has been attention during the rest of the evening

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of that ointment has filled the world. Vases of alabaster are still made for holding perfumes. It is said that the mouth is filled with cotton and then melted wax is poured over the cotton to exclude the sir-It was this stopple which Mary broke and not the vase itself.

Lazarus is now dead, Martha is no more 'cumbered with much serving," and Mary no longer sits here at the Master's feet; headlines for articles on local subjects. The ing Him beforehand for the burial still heads he has been turning out, relates the sweetens the whole atmosphere of the d'lapidated village, even as it adds a new charm to her character and to the beauti-

Another event makes this vicinity famous forever. We shall not forget that on this desolate upland and perhaps at a

The place pointed out by tradition on the one considers to be the true location of this great event, and probably it was not intended at first that any one should so consider it. It was selected not because it was supposed to be the actual place, but simply that it might commemorate the actual occurrence. Here on the eastern declivity of the Mount of Olives, sheltered by gently swelling hills and apart from other sights and sounds, our Lord had His last interview with His disciples. We are distinctly told that "He led them out as far as to Bethany."

There He delivered to them His final commission, and as they stood about Him "while He blessed them He was parted from them and carried up into heaven." All the laws of gravitation yielded Him homage as their Creator and Preserver. He began to rise-He arose higher and higher, and the disciples watched Him with strange wonder and great reverence until the cloud received Him out of their sight. How wonderfully real was the story of the ascension as we stood on this memorable spot! It is most unfortunate that the peak of the Mount of Olives should ever have been chosen as the site of the ascension. If only we bear in mind the words already quoted regarding Bethany we can readily see that the ascension could not have taken place from the top of Olivet.

Once more the sight of the disciples as "they looked steadfastly toward heaven," and once more the sight of the heavenly messengers in white apparel, assuring the disciples that Jesus would come again, "in like manner as ye have seen Him go into



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