TO-DAY'S CHRIST-

HOW JOHN STARK LOOKS AT. PEACE PROGRESS.

Figuring to Furnish Corpses for the World's Series.

moments, I will try and think out just where we are at, to take a hurried inventory of this institution of this institution of this institution called Christmas as applied to the life, as it can partly be seen without rose-lensed field glasses and only as an "unfinished" mind can comprehend.

The started out to write about our Christmas charity but the keynote of Peace on Earth Good Will Among men, thought led me into the inconsistency of our acts as shown by war among our Crhistian nations.

An illustration of our methods of charity was given me many

why is it that after three nundred and sixty-four days of plundering our fellow man and ravishing his family, we are so suddenly stricken for one day with an opposite nature, and instead seek out the victim of the past year, call him brother, and although the street of the past year, and although the past year, and although the past year, and although the past year and although the past year, and although the past year, and although the past year, and although the past year. past year, call him brother, and altho we may not take him to our own firesides, give him food and warmth for one day? Am told by the great men who sit on editorial stools or stand in elegant pulpits, that it is a grand demonstration of the great principles advocated by him whom "the poor heard gladly." Others say it is a "I never like to see any man pits, that it is a grand demonstra-tion of the great principles advo-cated by him whom "the poor heard gladly." Others say it is a custom handed down from olden times when "Norsemen went mad with merriment about the glowing yuletide fires:" To me it seems that perhaps it is caused by "the sun crossing the line," because its effect is only lasting that one day; that were it the

Have we made no further progress with nineteen hundred years' pulpiteering that we can-not think clearly owing to the deafening noise made by the au-tomatic riviting machines building armoured warships, mingled with the creaking cranes placing huge cannons, that we may proclaim our christian civilization from the firey mouths of fourteen inch guns, under a benediction of a follower of the Prince of Peace? How long will it be before Christ will reign his thousand years on earth, at the present and

past rate of progress?

During the past three months photos, gave us an idea of the by photos, gave us an idea of the hideous monster, war, I grew up with the idea that governments were the institutions which did protect the people, but it seems the reverse is true. There are those who tell us that war is glorious. Is that so? Then why have all this red cross nonsense, with lint, bandages, medicines and tireless nurses, risking life to restore the wounded, to comfort the dying? Why not let the good work of butchery of human beings go on? Let us have it in all its prestine glory, without wasting so much energy to counteract the glory of the battlefield?

Two months ago a general war

great statesmen could not or would not try to avert the im-pending calamity. The mighty men who we are told are bearing the burdens of state for the peo-ple's good, failed in the hour of threatened ruin. Of course these

armament conference, I sat up to take notice, wondering if really I was awake. The course of proceedings however assured me that nothing desperate was contemplated for the questions all related to prizes of war and kinds of ammunition to be used. Then some high priced booze and canvasback, also a lot of stupid editorials by American newspapers of the importance of this amazing humbug. I believe your Uncle Sam sent a couple of well fed bums over to play this end of the fraud.

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tion of the Pennsylvania will be opened soon. It would be fitting

An illustration of our methods of charity was given me many years ago by a Missourian, who of course being truly patriotic was a great admirer of Jesse James. The story was that of the "Blue Cut" holdup, I think, when Jesse relieved a passenger of his roll, amounting to 1100. The man began to cry, saying the money business," remarking as he can'l never like to see any broke—here take that and pour blubbering."

St. Paul's Christmas.

Willamette hall was the scene christian spirit, were it our ning when the children of St. church teachings, it would seem to be more lasting. The early part of the evening was devoted to a cantata "A Garden of the Christmas Fairy." The cantata was given under the direction of Miss Mamie Lewithwaite, who was assisted by Oscar Law-rence Woodfin, presiding at the piano. Miss Alice Holman was Queen of the Faries, and many of the children took park in the ex-

After the program the children were presented with candies and oranges, from a beautifully decorated tree, by the rector, C. W. Rohinson. Dancing was indulged in by the older ones, with Oscar Woodfin as pianist. The hall was prettily decorated with evergrens.

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Two months ago a general war seemed imminent. Kings, princesses, chancelors and what not, shook wise heads while the clouds lowered over the continent. The great statesmen could not or would not try to avert the im
"time of their lives.". All of the "time of their lives.". All of the little folks knew it was the Judge

FARMERS WILL DO

SOUND TALK TO THE FARM-ERS BY A FARMER.

Fight Combinations by Combinations is the Present Game.

the World's Series.

The Pannsylvania will be opened soon. It would be fitting on such occasion to open them with prayer by some well-fed follower of the meek and lowly parently be not shortened to about forty minutes in the past forty years, I have not seen any comments on it in the press. Of course at just this time of year the earth (as a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the earth (so a man told me who had been standing are short owing to the changed position of the carried to the produce the farmers of the country that the farm

have been so delinquent about organizing.

Again, the farmer knows that he ought to have the right to deitate the prices on the staples which he produces, just as well as the manufacturer of his stoves and wagons does. But why does he not do it? Because he cannet for the farmers are not for the farmer is always come just where you want them, but here they are.

To be sure the ClackamasSouthern will have ample and good depot grounds because she has to the net profits of the selling end of the business, but the farmer is also a consumer. With these rods long or more These conditions in a rolling country do not it in a rolling country do not tions in a rolling country do not always come just where you want them, but here they are.

To be sure the ClackamasSouthern will have ample and good depot grounds because she has to the net profits of the selling the price of the prairie some 100 and 12c, 11 lbs. which he produces, just as well as the manufacturer of his stoyes and wagons does. But why does he not do it? Because he cannot, for the farmers are not organized. Why is he not organized? Because he does not take time to organize. He too busy. Unreasonably he won't take time. He works unceasingly. Imagine, brother farmer, a manufacturer, working as you do. A manufacturer of wagons, say, who endeavors to manufacture as many wagons as he can, thinking the more wagons he makes, the more mon-

Implements

There are now about twelve unions in Clackamas county and they have an average membership of 20 members each. All of these locals were represented at the meeting in Oregon City last Saturday and the county union was organized. Other counties in the state have also organized. The

the poem, "How Big Was Alexshining lights through all efernity.

Owing to this shortening of the
hour, perhaps brought on by the
speeding up process and reduction in time schedule, I find that
before I succeed in solving one
problem, another is passing by,
and so I run after it until it vanishes to give place to the next.
While thus engaged I found the
almanac and the alarm clock
pointing to Christmas before I
how begins and the point of the location of the latting to christmas before I
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Now as the departing guests
have generously permitted us
servants to drain the bottles and
sort out the bones and scraps
for our dinners, and knowing that
their fill will give us a few spare
moments, I will try and think out
just where we are at, to take a
hurried inventory of this institution of the poem, "How blies and the comprehend why "killing people made him
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all know we are being held up on the buying. Add that difference to the net profits of the selling account and you will have a very handsome total. You will wonder how you ever got along before you were organized. This is no idle dream: study it over and convince yourself. Wake up while you have a chance. Don't stand by and wa'ch the other fellows do the work. Lend a hand and it will be converted to the casiest thing in the world.

There are now about twelve uncurving in Clackamas. Southern gets here she will be much concerned in a big curve westward for Yoderville, thus avoiding going into Rock creek bottom, which is some 200 feet deep, while the Southern Pacific will run straight on south two miles cutting across the east slope of Oak Point hill, then curving west across Rock Creek

cal treatment at Stayton last fall ordered that said road be and is Miss Hatton of Stone has been vacated. visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. K. Dart for a few weeks, but has re-

turned home. Albert Leveridge was a visitor in Molalla recently, where he has many relatives. He and Mrs. Leveridge will spend the winter

n California.

in Ealifornia.

Molalia wil soon be up against the water proposition, the same as many other towns are and have been and yet it is only a "stone's throw" over to where the clear, crystal waters are gushing down the mountain side. Where are you going to drink to your future health—ye Molalias. Of the surrounding conditions?. When Oregon City was planning for her splendid (?) filtering water system, ye scribe suggested to some of the city dads to lay for herself a Bull Run pipe line to the head of Clear creek, or on the upper Clackamas Now something of this kind must be done or Oregon City will be devoured by 999,0000. City will be devoured by 999,0000-000,000 000, bacteria.

Recently it took two auto stag-es to bring the mail to Molalla. Looking ahead one year mail will probably be coming here quite differently by Christmas 1913. Also the boys will be coming home from school for a visit during the holidays BY RAILRROAD. Then our over-trafficked wet wagon roads will have a rest from extreme pudding and this railroad will help solve some of our "good oads questions.'

Our merchants did a big bus-iness in connection with their general trade during the holidays. Mollalla is to be a larger trade center in the near furture. The atmosphere of the surrounding hills whisper back in echo "yes, yes," And this will be no idle wind of the imagination, when you call to mind our wonderful resources all around, awaiting the hand of

NOW IN OPERATION.

Facts About the Parcels Post, in Effect This Week.

benefit this will be for this country and what a great carrying system it will eventually grow incompanies and other big influences have stood between the people and this system, but public sentiment won at last and this sentiment won at last and this week will put it into active operation.

In them atter of contract between Clackamas county and the Portland Railway Light and Pow-

week will put it into active operation.

The new system became effective throughout the entire United States at the same time, and effects every postoffice, city and rural mail transportation route in the country.

Every precaution is being taken by the postoffice department to have the mails moved with the usual dispatch, and all postmaters, superintendents and inspectors have been directed to thoroughly familiarize themselves with every phase of the new system.

The regulations provide that parcels of merchandise, including farm and factory products (but not books and printed matter) of almost every discription up to eleven pounds in weight and measuring as much as six feet in length and girth combined, except those calculated to do injury to the mails in transit, may be mailed to any postoffice for delivery to the mails in transit, may be mailed to any postoffice for delivers to any address in the country. Delivery will be made to the homes of people living on rural and star routes, as well as those living in cities and towns, where there is at present no delivery by there is delivery by carrier. Where there is at present no delivery by arrier the parcels will go to the ostoffice as is the case with ordinary mail.

dinary mail.

The postage rates of the first zone, that is within distances not exceeding 50 miles, will be five cents for the first pound and three cents for each additional pound. The rate increases for each successive one of the eight zones into which the country is divided, the maximum rate being twelve cents per pound, which will carry a parcel across the country or event to Alaska or the Philippines.

each additional pound 9c, 11 lbs

COUNTY COURT

In the matter of the plat of Pal-lay Park. Ordered that same be and is hereby approved and or-dered filed.

nI the matter of the report of county board of road viewers Bert B. Bird road. Ordered report be read first time and laid over until tomorrow for second reading.

In the matter of report of district attorney on the George Saum vacation; same being favorable;

In the matter of report of board of county road viewers on John Lewellen road; report read first time and laid over until tomorrow for second reading. In the matter of report of dis-

trict attorney on J. R. Cornog road, report being favorable; or-dered that said road be and is declared a county road and ordered opened.

In the matter of report of Dis-triet Attorney on M. T. Galarneau road, same being favorable; or-dered road be and is hereby declared a county road, and ordered pened.

In the matter of the report of county board of road viewers on tme Fred H. Ridder road; ordered that said road be and is declared a county road and ordered opene. In the matter of report of board of county road viewers on G. A. Coupland road; ordered that said road be and is declared a county road and ordered opened.

In the matter of damages as-sessed against the petitioners of the H. F. Gibson road, said dam-ages being \$35.00, said amount being paid into office of clerk; ordered that said road be and is declared a county road and order-

In matter of the J. B. Lewthwaite vacation; ordered laid over until regular January 1913 term

In the matter of report of board of county road viewers on Brownsdale Farms, Inc., road; re-port read first time and laid over until tomorrow.

In the matter of report of the county road viewers on Wallace road; report read first time and laid over until tomorrow.

In the matter of report of board of county road viewers on J. J. Judd road; report read first time and laid over until tomor-

In the matter of petition of Chas. K. Cramer and others for Wednesday of this week there went into effect in this big country the parcels post system, and but few of us realize what a big

In the matter of application for increase of monthly allowance of Mrs. Moraj, a county charge. Ordered that said allowance be increased from \$12 per month to \$20, first increase to take effect

January 1, 1913. In the matter of claims against Clackamas county; ordered that said claims be paid as examined and corrected.

In the matter of report of view-rs on Bert B. Bird road. Report ead second time and referred to

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Bird road. The report of district atorney being in all respects favorable, it is ordered that said road be and is declared a county road, the damage. the damages as assessed by view-ers having been paid.

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