Intellectual Gifts.

DEAS ARE DISTRIBUTED

Pastor of Swedenborgian Church Adopts Novel Plan of Weaving the Holiday Spirit Into His Sunday Discourse.

As a feature of his morning sermon resterday, Rev. Hiram Vrooman, of the Swedenborgian Church, presented a spiritual Christmas tree to his congregation. As everyone is now intent on the approaching holiday, the method of the pastor was effective in winning the thoughts of his listeners from real thoughts of his listeners from real things. No scale can weigh an emother than the spiritual ideas Christmas trees to the spiritual ideas

Pythias Hall, at the corner of Eleventh and Alder streets. Mr. Vrooman said:

I am going to present to view a spiritual Christmas tree. It will not be, however, by the power called occult, employed by the Yogi of India, who plant a seed in the ground in the presence of their audience from which a tree grows to full maturity before the automished spectators during the few minutes they are standing there. Neither will there be any hypnotism or magic employed. There will be no so-called materialization of spirit.

Reason, unaided, can never grasp the gospel. All men look; some men observe. All men have ears; some men hear. As the invisible current traversing the continent can only be noted, by those trained for the delicate work, so only a celestial message can be interpreted by celestial faculties. "It follows, then, that the gospel can be injured only by celestial weapons. Mortal cannot combat with immortal. All captious criticism, all ridicule, all irony, being fuman, are ineffective.

spirit.

This tree is one that you will see as easily with your eyes shut as with them open. I wonder if there is any one present who never saw things with his eyes shut?—or heard things with his ears closed? Such a person would be altogether abnormal and a freak. An idea came to me ones at a wakeful hour in the night, when my eyes eyer closed, which was worth several thousand dollars. An idea is a spiritual thing. This particular idea I prized as a valuable gift.

tis is precisely the kind of thing which eans in the realm of spirit as a com-occurrence. And are you not awar-in "seeing this point" you have jus-taken a \$20 spiritual coin which been dangling in front of this pulpit s been danging in troat of this puints is in one gift you may make note of. For benefit of those who may be feeling and in their spiritual pockets, not quite sin as yet that they have the coin. I help them find it by another illustra-

If I have in my understanding the knowledge of some important fact, which concerns the people within the reach of my voice or of my pen, it is not within my power to give the knowledge of that fact to every one of those people and at the same time retain the knowledge for myself. The knowledge of a fact is a spiritual thing. I can give out knowledge as Christ gave out the loaves and fishes, and as the poor widow in Ellight's time gave out the oll and meal, and after the giving find that my supply is greater than it was at first.

In that apiritual world where those friends of ours are now who are among the upper branches of the true vine, and where we will be some time—up there. I say, even such things as gold and silver, loaves and fishes, oil and meal and all other external objects such as water and spil, houses and flowers multiply themselves with the same spontaneity and with the same miraculous

I have in my understanding the knowl-

flowers multiply themselves with the same spontaneity and with the same miraculous rapidity as ideas and thoughts and affec-tions multiply themselves with us when one man gives to his follows the things that are in his thoughts and affections.

man gives to his fellows the things that are in his thoughts and affections.

Those of you who have received new ideas today by which you are enabled to think more accurately about spiritual things, and to see more clearly the essential difference between matter and spirit have received spiritual gifts the value of which will increase with years as by compound interest.

Among the spiritual gifts on the tree of tife there are no paste stones as counterfeits for diamonds, and no plated ware as substitutes for gold and sliver. The gifts that you have received, even though they may seem to be lacking in giltter and show, we nevertheless not subject to rust or deay, and they possess high intrinsic value. Item in mind, please, that everything truly piritual is alive, and not only alive but prowing. These gifts are all spiritual and slive and growing.

TELLS OF CELESTIAL MESSAGE

De. House Speaks to Large Audience

Thristmas Sunday was observed at First Congregational.

Thristmas Sunday was observed at First Congregational Church with tige congregations. The music was a high order, and the cantata, "The yording delivery Infant." given by the choir in laige congregations. Hdy Infant." given by the choir in the evening, delighted the audience. Mr. Monteith ably assisted the choir. The paster, Dr. House, gave a strong serion in the morning from the world, "Ye are beneath: I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not

of his world." He said:

CHRISTMAS TREE

than man's conception. Men glorify science as being liberal and broad. But they are mistaken. Science is 4n aristocrat that talks about the survival of the fittest; she is a patrician that tramples the weak under foot. Even literature, with a few exceptions, has no room on its pages but for handsome men and beautiful women. But Christ's heroine is a poor widow, casting in two mites. History has room for an occasional Napoleon, but shuts out the millions. But Christ said: 'Whosoever giveth a cup of cold water in my name shall not lose his reward. And lo, everyone has a chance to win membership in the legion of honor. The message of Christ is not of earth, it is of heaven. It is a celestial message.

caven. It is a celestial message.
"And Christ is the celestial messager. All men are the product of senger. their time, race or environment. Luther was the result of his time; William of Orange was the product of his race; and Bacon was the outcome of his environment. But Jesus Christ was the product of none of these. He was unique, alone, majestic. A Jew without Jewish prejudices; a master without imperiousness; heir to ecclewithout imperiousness; helf to ecclesiasticiam, yet not an ecclesiastic; dignified, yet condescending; loving, yet stern; sympathetic, yet just; benevolent, yet exact. His life is the light; his words the guide, and his temper the model of all men. He who denies him celestial qualities has bartered his reason away.

"Now the gospel can be apprehended only by celestial faculties. The natural man perceiveth not the things of the spirit of God, for they are foolishness things. No scale can weigh an emo-tion; no yardstick can measure a tear. Reason, unaided, can never grasp the gospel. All men look; some men ob-serve. All men have ears; some men hear. As the invisible current travers-

magic employed. There will be no so-called materialization of spirit.

The tree that I will presently cause to appear before your vision is to be a spiritual tree. And you will see it loaded with valuable gifts. And the gifts are to be for your have seen this spiritual tree and have accepted its spiritual gifts. I want you to compare it with the last Christmas tree you saw and the presents you received from it, because by so doing you will learn something of the difference between matter and spirit.

TALKS OF CHRISTMAS BURDENS

Sermon by Rev. E. S. Bollinger at Highland Congregational.

"Getting Rid of Christmas Burdens" was the subject of the sermon yester-

Rev. J. T. Abbett, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, Albina, spoke yester-day morning on the topic, "Lessons from the Birth of Jesus." Rev. Mr. Abbett said in part:

the Birth of Jesus." Rev. Mr. Abbett said in part:

The time has come again for the celebration of the greatest event of all history—the coming into this world of Jesus Christ, the promised Messiah. The angels make the glad announcement of his advent to the humble shepherds keeping watch o'er their flocks by night. Notice what these anepherds saw, heard and learned.

They saw the glowing heavens made luminous above the cradic of Jesus by a bright star bursting upon their view. They saw the glories of the spiritual world above the cradic of the child-king, for "the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around shout them." "And suddenly there was with the angels a multi-ude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

These shepherds caw a little helpless babe, the simplest expression of humanity, and yet it was revealed to them that he was king of hearts, the prince of peace, and the source of all holy by and gladness. Let us with singels and shepherds, rejoice, as again we gather around the rude cradic of the Frince of Feace.

That manger is forever the greatest

again we gather around the rude cradle of the Prince of Peace.

That manger is forever the greatest throne, because the holy child Jesus slept there while the star stood over the place, and the world's wisdom laid its gifts, and the world's devotion breathed its prayers at the feet of the cradled King. All the ten-derest sentiments of the human heart gath-er about the cradle of the Bahe of Bethle-hem.

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Rev. L. G. Wilson Discusses Recent Japanese Agitation."

PORTLAND DELIGHTS HIM

In Sermon Last Night on "The Future of Liberal Christianity" He Says Larger Faith Is Needed in All Religions.

Rev. Lewis G. Wilson, the noted Billings lecturer for the American Unitarian Association, occupied the pulpit of the Unitarian Church last night and delivered a strong address. For the past two years Rev. Mr. Wil-son has been on the lecture platform for this association and has appeared in nearly all the important cities of the United States and Canada. He will resorting to the intolerable ideas of an remain in Portland till after Christmas and will be a guest of Rev. Thomas L. Eliot. From Portland he will go to Salem and thence to Salt Lake City. From Salt Lake he will gradually work East till he reaches his home in Boston.

Dr. Wilson expressed himself as decaying the propagate a faith which is large and inclusive enough to cause human beings to feel at home in God's world without resorting to the intolerable ideas of an evil deity, a hell, and a conception of the universe which violates the present teachings of geology, biology, and astronomy, to say nothing of common sense.

"A church that founds itself upon these simple and eternal laws of the right life cannot ultimately fail, because the trend Dr. Wilson expressed himself as de- cannot ultimately fail, because the trend

certain axiomatic principles which can-not be denied because they are self-evi-dent to the human mind; and as in music we have certain fundamental laws of harmony that must be observed in order to produce good music, so, in essential religion, there are certain laws that must be observed in order to produce the right

"These laws are not dependent upon any ecclesiastical authority; they do not necessitate the acceptance of any creed or ceremony, or sacrament; for they are the eternal forces, that always have and always will operate in human life.

The Laws of Moses.

"Some of these fundamental laws were announced by Moses, some by Isalah, some by Micah, some by Jesus, some by Paul and others by other great spiritua leaders; but none of them were created by human thought or power. It is upon these fundamental laws and their ob-servance that the Unitarian Church is based, rather than upon any of the con-

based, rather than upon any of the confessions or creeds or ecclesiastical authorities of Christendom."

In conclusion Mr. Wilson salled attention to the fact that the modern mind is dissatisfied with small and petty and antiquated beliefs about God and the future of the soul, and said:

"A faith that was sufficient when the earth was supposed to be flat, and the sky a solid crystal overhead, is not sufficient to satisfy the demand of modern

cient to satisfy the demand of modern knowledge, and it is our great purpose to propagate a faith which is large and

ARCHBISHOP CHRISTIE ON TRUE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE

A T the request of The Oregonian, His Grace Most Rev. Alexander Christie, Archbishop of Oregon, yesterday issued the following on the true significance of Christmas spirit:

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

The Catholic Church the world over seeks to crystallize the Christmas spirit in the worthy reception of the Blessed Sacrament, which has as an indispensable preliminary the making of a good confession. With the church Christmas is something more than an occasion for merry makingit has the sacred character of a religious festival whose joys can be rel-Ished only by those who have made an effort "to prepare the way of the Lord." When we contrast the preaching of John the Baptist, the forerunner of the Savior, with the growing tendency of our own day to obliterate the consciousness of sin, we must deprecate the saddening fact that paganizing influences now tend to unfit men for a thoroughgoing realization of what the anniversary of Christ's birth means to the individual Christian and to the world at large.

The Christian ideal of a merry Christmas is to be at peace with God and man. It includes a vivid appreciation of Christ's infinite worth as the Son of God, the Light of the World and the Savior of mankind. involves deep sentiments of gratitude and love, for the man of faith is wont to look upon Christ as the source of every blessing that cheers, strengthens and consoles him as he fights the inevitable battle of life Such sentiments, born of Christian faith and nurtured by innocence and blameless living, are not calculated to engender gloom, even though they are at variance with the principles and practice of those who measure their joy principally by the quantity and quality of what they eat or drink or wear.

If the essential joy of Christmas were even remotely connected with princely affluence or regal splendor, it would be hard to explain the lowliness of the crib where the faithful shepherds were privileged to adore the

The world needs today a diffusion of the Christmas spirit. We need more humility, more charlty, more sincere plety, more genuine Christmas Christ's teaching is not merely to be admired; it is to be lived so that in every life there may be a consistent and harmonious blending of true faith and worthy works. Pretentious flippancy and ostentatious show, which would substitute for the gospel of the Savier the shallow preachments of time-serving innovators, look in vain for results which correspond to the beguiling promises of their high-sounding manifesto. With all our vaunted progress and unspeakable attainments, we have found nothing of human invention which can make men truly good and happy. "Christ yesterday, today and the same forever." Yes, there is a per-ennial fecundity of Christian faith, upon which we must ever draw for strength and light to accomplish the one necessary thing-the leading of

an upright, virtuous life. We have every reason to "rejoice and be glad" on Christmas morning if we are in sympathy with the crib of Bethlehem, and possess those dispositions of mind and heart which give promise of faithful welldoing. The Evangelist St. John tells us "that Christ came unto his own and his own received Him not; but as many as received Him. He gave them power to be made the sons of God, to them that believe in His name." Christ will come unto his own through the communication of divine grace on the orning. As in Christ's own day, so now w cept or reject him. But if with open hearts we do receive him, we shall taste the hidden sweetness of true Christmas joy, and strengthen the bonds which bind us to the Eternal Father as co-heirs with his only be-

and the cold, bleak plateaus of Mon-tana and the Dakotas. Friday I visited Council Crest and was astounded at the magnificent view presented from this point. Oregon, with its snow-capped mountains, its valleys, rivers capped mountains, its valleys, rivers and grand climate, is one of nature's most favored spots. I would like to stand on Council Crest 30 years from today and gaze on this beautiful and prosperous land. The stability of Portland's industries will make it the greatest city on the Pacific Coast in the years to come. With the great awakening in the Orient, which is only beginning, the Pacific Northwest should become one of the greatest commercial sections in the world. I

was greatly astonished to see roses blooming on every hand, and I will say that Portland is entitled to be called the 'Rose City.'" In speaking of the Japanese situation on the Pacific Coast Dr. Wilson said:

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Discusses Japanese Trouble. "I notice by the papers that the cities on the Pacific slope are very greatly aroused over the influx of Orientals and their prospective settlement in these parts. But I do not think the Western people realize how much greater, up to now at least, has been the problem of immigration among the cities of the Atlantic seaboard. If pearances count for anything, the Chinese and Japanese one sees on every hand—neat, industrious and orderly—form a far more desirable class of residents than do the Slavs, low Italians, Bulgarians, Greeks and others who have come to the Eastern seaboard from Central and Southern Europe.

"I do not presend to speak with au-thority about the future, but certainly it seems at present as if the Northwest would be in a bad way if it were not for the sturdy little men who can and are willing to work-now that it is so difficult to get labor for the rougher classes of employment.

Talks on Christianity.

Rev. Mr. Wilson spoke last night on the subject: "The Future of Liberal Christianity," saying in part: "There are thousands of people today, especially among the young men, who are not satisfied with the popular interpretations of religion, and many of them are in doubt as to the validity of religion itself; so that the first question which the man of practical capacity asks is: 'Is religion it-self necessary?' Some reasonable answer to this question must be given before we can consider any particular interpre-

tation of it."

Mr. Wilson then went on to show that

lighted with the mild climate of Oregon. "What a contrast," he said, "there is between the Oregon climate

STRIKE FUTILE WEAPON Socialist Asserts Labor's Defense

Dr. P. L. McKenzie, who was to have spoken on "The Practicability of Socialland Socialists, failed to appear, and in

Lies in the Ballot.

ism" at last night's meeting of the Porthis place J. S. Stevens gave a discourse In an address that was listened to with interest by those present, Mr. Stevens told how fruitless strikes are, and pot to the recent streetcar strike as an ex-

"I am surprised," said the speaker, "that the laboring people of this enlight-ened age still believe in strikes as a method of correcting wrongs. Strikes have been failures for the past 3000 years or more, and will continue to be. It is stilly and useless for the laboring people to resort to strikes. They have one of the greatest weapons ever given into human hands, the ballot, and if they would only make use of that great power, they would have the capitalists making overtures to the laboring class. Millionaires would cringe and crawl, just as the wage earners do

"There is no question but that the cause that made the streetcar employes leave their cars was just. Their demand for more money and their protest against being photographed was just, but they made a grave mistake when they placed the property of the streetar company where a mob could smash the windows and destroy the cars. The destruction of property of the streetar that the streetar content of th property and all mob violence arouses public sentiment, and there is no hope to win any struggle by such methods. By their ballot the laboring classes can correct all wrongs. This is the mission of Socialism. We are trying to teach and educate the producing classes to this great truth."

Mission Children Enjoy Treat.

At the Mission Sunday school at East Water and East Washington streets the children were given a Christmas treat yesterday afternoon under the auspices of Centenary Church. In charge of Assistant Superintendent Thomas Leonard, a brief programme of music and recitations was rendered. Dr. J. J. Wiggins made a short address on the significance of Christmas, taking for his subject. taking for his subject, "News." The news he brought was the "old story of the risen Christ," which he told in Mr. Wilson then went on to show that essential religion is a force in human life in the same sense that electricity is a force in physical life, and that community that falls to encourage it degenerates; and individuals who fail to nurture it gradually lose their sympathetic interest in, anything except their own, personal welfare. The speaker then proceeded to explain Unitarian interpretations of religion and those that are usually given, as follows; "As in mathematics we have

Dr. Clarence True Wilson Speaks on Jesus' Birth.

"THE CHRIST IN PROPHECY"

Speaker Recounts Circumstances Attending First Christmas and Says These Events Had Been Foretold.

"The Christ in Prophecy" was the sub-"The Christ in Prophecy" was the subject of Dr. Clarence True Wilson's address at Grace M. E. Church yesterday morning. He took up the 168 prophecies concerning Christ in the Old Testament and showed that they were all fulfilled in the Bethlehem manger cradle. The church was filled. The musical programme was one of the features of the services, and the solo of Miss Ethel Lytle called forth much favorable comment. The new arrangement for taking care of babies is a great accommodation to perents who would otherwise be unable to attend the meetings. Dr. Wilson said in part:

meetings. Dr. Wilson said in part:
"The joyous time of Christmas has
come again. The pace of business has
been quickened and the life of childhood been quickened and the life of chidnood cheered; the schools are taking vaca-tion, and the church is holding jubilee; friendly greetings are being exchanged and the gifts of remembrance are crowd-ing mail bags and express wagons, steamboats and railway trains; and while angels rejoice, man is grateful, heaven is vocal with praise and the world goes off on a hollday.

May Be Error in Date.

"It is of little concern whether the day we celebrate as Christmas is really the anniversary of the Saviour's birth, or whether we should begin to date letters six years earlier, or whether the Saviour was born on the first day of August or the last of December. We know there was a night when shepherds watched, and a morning when angels sang, an evening when magicians searched the sky, an hour when the star of Bethlehem shone, and a moment when the Christ of promise long foretold and oft predicted, the ise long foretold and oft predicted, the Shiloh of Jacob's prophecy and the annointed of, David's psalms, made his glorious advent. We rejoice that the world has set apart a day to commemorate the event, which is the central fact of all the laboring ages. Everything antecedent was preparatory to it, and antecedent was preparatory to it; and everything subsequent has been influenced by it.

enced by it.

"It was an hour of peace throughout the world, for the nations had been united under the broad wings of imperial Rome, and amid the decay of old idolatries men were looking with yearning hearts and anxious minds for some new revelation from God. While the world was thus waiting, the eager eyes of angels were watching the carpenter and his bride in their labored journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, the ancestral home of David's line, where they were to be enrolled on the census of the Roman Empire. The khan was crowded before Empire. The khan was crowded before their arrival with other guests and the mother of the world's Redeemer could find no room except in one of the stalls of the pen for heasts.

Announced by Angels.

'In such lowly surroundings the child of hope was born, wrapped by his mother in swaddling clothes, and cradled in a manger. The first publication of this event was made by an angel of the Lord, not to kings or priesthood, not to rabbis or scribes, but to a company of shep-herds, who, on the pasture plains a mile distant, were keeping right watches over their flocks. When this angel ceased his sermon the air was thrilled by the music of a multitude of the heavenly host, who followed the angel of the Lord from the glory-world on his happy mission. Then, as the music died away and the vision of the angels receded, the believing shepherds hastened to the manger cradle at Bethlehem to feast their eyes upon the vision of their Saviour and king.

"I have often wondered what is the greatest gift that God has given us today," said Rev. Montgomery, "and I think that it is opportunity. Look at India, where the caste system binds the people, where the poor boy has no change under heaven to rise or important the control of The news they bear away is heard with wonder if not with faith, while the maiden mother with thoughts too deep for words presses her babe to her bosom and ponders the wondrous events that attended his nativity. While the keepers leave their sheep the light of a super-natural star illuminated the fields, but more, it arrests the thought of Eastern majl, who, following its rays, essay the long journey to reach the Christ of God.

Foretold by Prophets. "The precise time of the advent had

been foretold by Daniel and the maji has his prophecy. Micah had designated the exact place of the birth, and Isalah and other prophets had marked out the one family through which he was to come—in David's line. It is now generally supposed that through the error of the good monk Dionysius Exigus, who studied in the dark ages and calculated the date of Christ's birth before the returns were all in that we fix the beginning of our all in, that we fix the beginning of our all in, that we fix the beginning of our era. Anno Domini, six years too late, So that instead of its being the 1905th anniversary of the first Christmas gift, it is the 1912th. It was at the conclusion of the 4000th year of the human family and six years before our present era that God sent us a Saviour who was Christ the Lord, and we know that about that date Caesar Augustus sent out a decree for a universal census of his dominion. His was a long and splendid reign of receiving presents or Seneca's philosophy, or Cicero's elo-quence. It was a propitious time for a gupernatural conqueror to come to the disposed of through the Volunteers of palace of the Caesars and say; "I take America, an organization that knows

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the scepter," and to the army and navy, and say, "I take possession."

"Not so, however, came Christ the Lord. The era of peace was selected for the advent of the prince of peace. Tell it to Caesar that a mighty conqueror is here. Tell the 40,00,000 of slaves in this empire that the precious liberator has come. Let philosophers know that a greater than Seneca or Socrates is born, and let all see how his dove of peace can outfly Rome's eagle of war. The world and let all see how his gove of peace this outfly Rome's esgle of war. The world needed a Saviour. Sin had cursed the race and filled the world with shame, fear, wretchedness and despair until in the fullness of the times the Saviour appeared to purge the evil leaven and pour into the veins of the race a new life. rich in power, health and blessing. Christ alone gives peace, purity and hope. Many instruct, amuse and govern us, but only one can save us. Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other that is given under heaven among men, whereby we must be saved." whereby we must be saved."

OPPORTUNITY IS GREAT GIFT

Rev. Montgomery Speaks to Y. M. C.

Third Presbyterian Church, delivered the sermon at the afternoon services of the Y. M. C. A. yestorday. The subject of his sermon was "The Ideal Gift."

"I have often wondered what is the greatest wift that God has given us

the people, where the poor boy has no change under heaven to rise or im-prove himself. Here in a Christian country we have all chances to become rich, famous or Godlike. In Jesus Christ we have a greater opportunity than the Jews did under the Old Testa

"In the feudal times the saints had the habit of saying, 'all work is ship.' This is all very true, but ship. not only work that comprises worship The bending of the knee and the movement of the lips in prayer is not wor-ship. With it must be the uplifting of the heart to God. Worship is valuable because it enables us to throw off the incubus of agnosticism and egotism. Some people glorify ag-nosticism and characterize it as a héroic virtue. Agnosticism is a sin when it will not permit us to believe until we see. When we have until we see. When we have worship reduced to a mathematical formula, when a man will not believe until he can see, then disbellef is a sin. On the shield of the King of England is the motto, 'I serve.' Christ has given us the opportunity: let us adopt this

Fill Barrels With Presents. The Centenary Sunday school yesterday reversed the usual way of enjoy-ing the Christmas season, and instead of receiving presents the entire body put forth its energies in filling barfor a universal census of his dominion. His was a long and splendid reign of the free variable of the seven-hilled city, was resting on her sword. The navy of the empire was anchored in the Black Sea and in the British Channel. All the world was laid under tribute. The nation had not broken away from Virgil's lyre, and Gris' Ald Society a present was present was present was present was the church were placed several barrels. All were soon filled. For the Boys' and Gris' Ald Society a present was present was the church were placed several barrels.

Besides these more than 25 presents were put up for the East Water-street Mission, and some money was col-lected. It was quite an undertaking to examine all the articles that were received, then make them up into packages. A full list of names of all children in the Receiving Home of the Boys' and Girls' Ald Society had been supplied, and from this the names were taken and written on the pack-

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

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Hing at S A. M., 10.9 feet; change in last 24 hours, fall 1 foot. Total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 0.59-inch; total since September 1, 1896, 20.23 inches; normal, 17.34 inches; excess, 2.80 inches. Total sunshine. December 22, 1806, none; possible, 8 hours and 38 minutes. Barometer (reduced to see-level) at 5 P. M., 30.21 inches.

Pacific Codes, very trees.

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T. Trace. WEATHER CONDITIONS

The pressure has risen over the entire forecast district during the last 12 hours, the Canadian disturbance having passed to the eastward. As a consequence the weather is becoming more settled. Light rains are reported from all parts of the district ex-cept in Southwestern Oregon, where clear weather prevailed. Temperatures were de-cidedly higher over Eastern Washington, but elsewhere were practically stationary. The indications point to rain over Western Washington Monday, but throughout the remainder of the district fair weather will probably prevail.

WEATHER FORECASTS Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 nours ending midnight, December 24: Portland and vicinity-Probably fair; light, variable winds. Western Oregon-Probably fair; light, ariable winds. Western Washington-Rain; light, variable

Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and iaho—Probably fair.
L. LODHOLZ, Acting Local Forecaster.

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Ass Fitzpatrick, aged 28 years, of Roseburg, Or.

MILLOW-in this city, December 25, 1906, William Millow, aged 47 years and 22 days. Funeral announcement later.

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