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Matter of Diet.

"How do you tell the difference between a yacht and a sailboat?" said the girl with the inquiring mind. "By lookin' into the pantry," replied Captain Cleet. "If she carries plenty of refreshments and seegars, she's a yacht. If it's mostly plain victuals she's a sailboat."—Washington Star.

Limit to Foolishness.

"Geese are supposed to be symbolic of all that is foolish." "Well, go on." "But you never see an old gander hoard a million kernels of corn and then go around trying to mate with a gosling."—Kansas City Journal.

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Makes Good Road.

In the "gumbo" regions of the lower Mississippi valley, where the roads have been the worst in the world, progressive citizens have taken to burning the clay of the soil and spreading this material over the highways. The "gumbo" is so changed by the heat that it presents a fairly hard and mudless surface, even after a heavy rain.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Surely Had Forgotten Something.

An Eastbourne, Sussex (England) woman recently started on a railway journey with the uneasy feeling that she had forgotten something. This turned out to be correct, for she had to take the next train back to pick up her child, which she had left on the station platform.

Making Glass Tough.

Tumblers, wine glasses, lamp chimneys and other glasses may be rendered so durable as to be almost unbreakable by placing them in a saucepan of cold water and gradually bringing it to boiling heat. Care should be taken that they do not touch each other during the bubling-up of the liquid.

Don't buy water for bluing. Liquid blue is almost all water. Buy Red Cross Ball blue, the blue that's all blue.

Famous Sentence.

A correspondent who inquires as to where the famous summary of Webster's career by Rufus Choate may be found—the sentence being omitted from some of the collections which publish the speech—is referred to "The Works of Rufus Choate," by S. G. Brown. The sentence contains 1,259 words.

Painful Discovery.

"Well," said the dentist as with a steel instrument he tapped Mr. Ackin's tooth, "I told you when I put that crown on that it might give you trouble. I never guarantee a crowned tooth." "Oh, I know. I wish I'd had the blame thing pulled!" moaned Mr. Ackins sadly. "I've found out to my sorrow that uneasy rests the tooth that wears a crown!"

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"I am at present devoting a good deal of time to the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy," said Old Ed. Howe, writing in his own magazine. "Think of the absurdity of it," he continues. We do. Our notion of nothing to get excited about is this Bakespeare controversy.

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Taking No Chances.

At a domestic economy lesson, the Northern Christian Advocate reports, little Emily was asked to state briefly the best way to keep milk from souring. Her answer was certainly brief and to the point. It ran: "You should leave it in the cow."

Peace.

Nothing in the world is worth the loss of thy peace; even the faults which thou hast committed should only humble and not disquiet thee. God is full of joy and peace and happiness. Endeavor then to obtain a continually joyful and peaceful spirit. —J. Tersteegen.

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Almost the Limit!

A Boston girl who had just returned from her first trip abroad was asked if she had been seasick. "Seasick!" she replied. "Why, I went into the stateroom and sat down on my best hat—and I didn't care!"

Mirrors at Road Corners.

A mirror about three feet high, which shows the approaching traffic, has been placed on a sign post erected at the junction of four roads at Beckenham, Kent.—London Mail.

Does Delicate Work.

Photographically to measure and record the vibrations of a machine or building is the purpose of a simple apparatus invented in England.

"Right O!"

Burning the candle at both ends is one way of making both ends meet. —B. M. C.

OUR FIRST CHRISTMAS

Holiday Celebrated in America Before Time of Columbus.

The Christian Norsemen Undoubtedly Observed the Occasion on the New England Coast—In Early Colonial Days.

WHILE the settlement of the American continent is modern and its history clearly defined, probably there were Christmas celebrations in what is now the United States several centuries before the first voyage of Columbus. The chronicles of Iceland tell the story of the visit made to Greenland by Lief, son of Eric the Red, of Norway, and describe the southward voyage of his little vessel past the snow-clad mountains of Labrador and the wooded shores of Newfoundland, until Vineland, an indefinite region on the New England coast, was reached.

Here Lief, who was a Christian, and the members of his little band of daring adventurers spent the winter of 1002 and no doubt on the bleak New England shore the beautiful feast, whose God-like spirit has softened and conquered the world, was celebrated.

The Norwegian visits to Vineland were continued by Thorwald and Thorstein, brothers of Lief, who had succeeded to the patriarchal office and possessions of his father; and on the deaths in quick succession of both Thorwald and Thorstein the wife of the latter, Gudrida, married a rich Norwegian named Thorfin and accompanied him and a company of his followers to Vineland, where they lived three years. Gudrida was a pious soul. When her second husband died she visited Rome, narrated to Pope Benedict an account of her adventures in this far western world and with the papal blessing returned to Iceland, where she founded a convent, of which she became abbess.

There are no records bearing on the Christmas days spent by these hardy Norwegians in New England, but imagination can well picture the renewal in this strange land of the Christmas customs of Scandinavia. And thus it is entirely legitimate to assume that by them the first celebration of the day was observed in the new world.

History, and tradition as well, are silent after this on new world affairs until the coming of the Spaniards, followed by the Portuguese, French and English. By them the feast of the Nativity was celebrated, and long before Plymouth Rock was discovered, to be made the cornerstone of a new civilization, hardy fishermen from France chanted the hymns of the Catholic church in the waters of Maine. An old French chart gives to certain islands near the Machias river, east of Penobscot, the names of Isles des Rois Mages and Havre Mage—Isles of the Magian kings, and Magian harbor—in memory of the three wise men, who followed the mysterious star, to lay their offerings of gold, of frankincense and of myrrh before the Babe of Bethlehem.

In stern and puritan New England Christmas was placed under ban. The Plymouth colony, indeed, did not pass prohibitive laws, but in 1622 Gov. Bradford placed all Christmas games under interdict and those who afterward observed the day did so secretly. But the Massachusetts Bay colony, following the example of Cromwell's parliament, which prohibited all observance of the feast and decreed that "holly and ivy were badges of sedition," enacted a law, in 1659, obliging all men to labor on Christmas day and inflicting a fine upon those who observed the feast. It was not until 1681—more than 20 years after the passing of the Cromwell regime and the restoration of the Stuart dynasty to the throne—that this law, abolishing personal freedom and liberty of worship, was repealed; and several years after this the spirit of New England was reflected in a letter written by Rev. Joshua Moody to Rev. Increase Mather, in which the observance of Christmas was thus referred to: "And the shutting up of shops on Christmas day and driving the master out of school on Xmas holydales are very grevous."

Elsewhere throughout the colonies the feast of Christmas was observed. Both New Amsterdam and New York maintained the old-world customs associated with the day and in the south the beautiful festival never lost its hold upon the hearts of the English settlers.

Today there is no north, no south, no east, no west, to Christmas celebration in the United States. The story of the Babe of Bethlehem is written on every heart and every tongue on Christmas morning repeats the song the angels sang over the Judean hills: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."

JUL-BOK PUNISHES CHILDREN

It Appears in Denmark on Christmas Eve and Hunts Down Naughty Boys and Girls.

It is on Christmas eve in Denmark that the fearful jul-bok, or klapperbok, appears. The village folk come out to see what the row is about, and, as they know beforehand, they find the streets crowded with excited young people driven hither and thither, by a great, awesome beast. The creature is very tall, and his body is thin while his great head is all abristle with goat skin. This is jul-bok, the terrible jul-bok. Should any child have been naughty through the year, the jul-bok finds him out and hunts him down, poking him viciously with his great strong head. There are three young men near the jul-bok. One pulls a string that opens his great flapping jaw, another holds the long stick that forms his body, and the third rides him. What does it matter, though the same performance is gone through every year! These simple folk do not forever clamor for something new as the American boys and girls do. The jul-bok is a perennial joy.

FRIENDLY WARNING

Atlas was holding up the world.

At this juncture Santa Claus drove by.

"Hello, Atlas," said Santa. "Still holding it up, I see."

"Yes," woophed Atlas.

"Well, get busy with it," Santa advised.

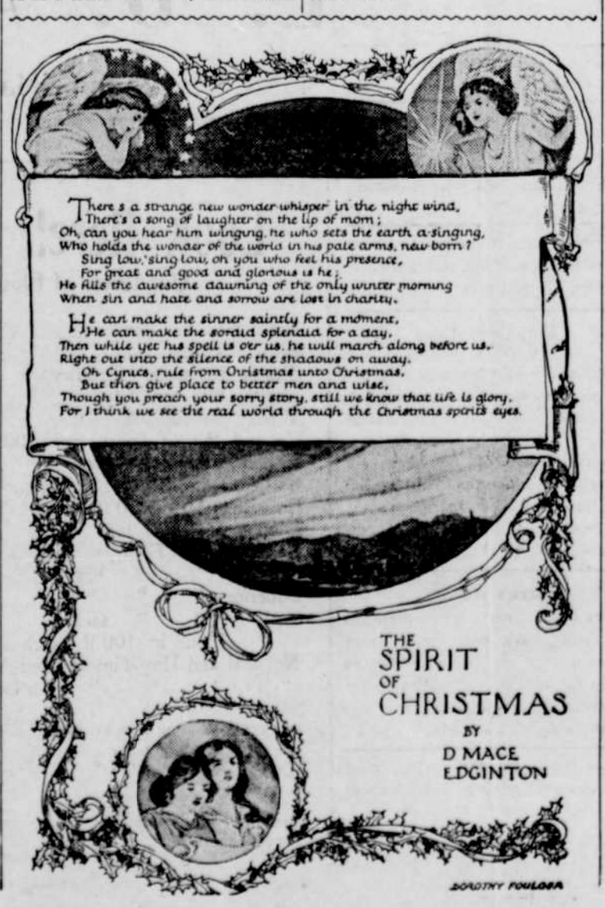
"After I make my trip this year there won't be anything left for an everyday hold-up man."

Had Something in Him.

Rev. Hudson Robert Jones had preached what he thought was a great Christmas sermon. On the way home from church he came upon a youth sitting doubled up on the steps of a domicile. Wishing to admonish this young person for what he took to be laziness, he stepped up to him and said:—

"Don't sit there like that, my boy; this is Christmas. Get up and stir yourself; you certainly must have something in you."

"I've got a big Christmas dinner in me," was the forced reply, "and I can't move."



NEWS OF THE WEEK

General Resume of Important Events Throughout the World.

It is believed the "butter trust" of Chicago, is broken and prices have fallen two cents a pound.

President Young says trains will be running into Corvallis on the Oregon Electric by April 1, 1913.

The War department will ask congress to establish a big army post at American Lake, near Seattle.

Banker Lewissohn, of New York, refused to tell about the oil syndicate's profits before the money trust investigation.

President-elect Wilson is said to be undecided whether to choose his cabinet for personal fitness or for political reasons.

Final estimates of the entire soil and animal products of the United States for the year 1912 place the amount at $9,532,000,000.

Two distinct shocks of earthquake were felt in the mining camps of Marysville, Bald Butte, Bald Mountain and Jay Gould, near Helena, Montana.

In its suit against the coal-carrying railroads of the East, the government has won many points, and the attorney general says the price of coal will be lower in consequence.

On the day that peace negotiations between Turkey and the Balkan allies began in London, a naval battle was fought between Turkish and Greek warships, in which several Turkish ships were damaged.

In a desperate battle at Tomato Springs, near Santa Ana, Cal., an unidentified outlaw was riddled with bullets by a company of militia, after he had killed a sheriff and wounded several of the pursuing posse.

Two persons were killed and 15 injured when Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific passenger trains Nos. 23 and 24 collided head-on at Winnekah, Oklahoma. The scene of the wreck is seven miles south of Chickasha.

It is beileved Austria has no serious intention of declaring war against Servia.

The Federal government has filed a civil suit against the alleged Horseshoe trust.

All arrangements have been made for the new pacels post law to go into effect January 1, 1913.

A Turkish commander reports a fierce engagement with a Greek force in which he defeated the latter.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier upholds Canada's offer of battleships for England.

Susan Lincoln Mills, founder of Mills college at Oakland, Cal., is dead.

Prince Luitpold, of Barvria, is dead, and the insane king of that country once more directs its government.

The opposition party in Servia has warned the government against continuing peace at too dear a price.

Money trust witness adimtted on the stand that stocks on deposits by customers are used as collateral by the banks.

The Port Blakely, Washington, lumber mill, said to be the leargst of its kind in the world, has changed hands.

It has has been definitely decided that Roosevelt received more votes than Wilson in California in the recent election, and all bets are being paid.

The Housekeepers' League of Philadelphia sold 2,000,000 eggs to consumers at 24 cents a dozen, and declares it will continue business until retailers who hold for high prices have been taught a thorough lesson.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 77@78c; bluestem, 81@82c; forty-fold, 79c; red Russian, 76c; valley, 80c.

Barley—Feed, $24 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, $27@28.

Corn—Whole, $36; cracked, $37 ton.

Millstuffs — Bran, $23 per ton; shorts, $25; middlings, $30.

Hay — Timothy, choice, $17@18; mixed Eastern Oregon timothy, $12@15; oat and vetch, $12; alfalfa, $12; clover, $10; straw, $6@7.

Oats—No. 1 white, $26 per ton.

Fresh Fruits — Apples, 50c@$1.50 per box; pears, 75c@$1.50; grapes, $1.60; Malagas, $8 per barrel; cranberries, $11.50; casabas, $2.50 per dozen.

Potatoes — Jobbing prices: Burbanks, 60@65c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2½c per pound.

Onions—Oregon, 90c@$1 per sack.

Vegetables — Artichokes, $1@1.25 per dozen; beans, 12c per pound; cabbage, 1c; cauliflower, $1.75 per crate; celery, $3@3.25; cucumbers, 50@60c per dozen; eggplant, 10c per pound; head lettuce, $2 per crate; peas, 12½c per pound; peppers ,10c.

Eggs—Fresh locals, candled, 35@36c per dozen; current receipts, 30@32c.

Pork—Fancy, 9@9½c per pound.

Butter — Oregon creamery, cubes, 37½c per pound; prints, 38½@39c.

Poultry—Hens, 12@13c; broilers, 12@13c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, choice, 25c; ducks, 12@14c; geese, 12@13c.

Veal—Fancy, 13½@14c per pound.

Hops—1912 crop, prime and choice, 17@20c pound.

Wool — Eastern Oregon, 14@18c pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 21½@22½c; mohair, choice, 32c.

Cattle—Choice steers, $6.85@7.25; good, $6.50@7.25; medium, $6@6.25; choice cows, $6@6.50; good, $5.50@5.75; medium, $4.50@5.25; choice calves, $7.50@8.75; good heavy calves, $6@7; bulls, $3@5; stags, $5@6.

Hogs—Light, $7.50@7.75; heavy, $6@7.

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Not for Her.

"But, madam," said the surgeon, after the woman had recovered consciousness in the hospital, "why didn't you stop when the crossing policeman held up his hand? Then you wouldn't have been struck by the automobile." "What! Me stop when Jim Meginnis holds up his hand? I'd let you know I'm his wife, an' he never saw the day when he could boss me!"—Magazine of Fun.

One of His Stuck-Up City Ways.

"Since Joe Doe's got back here again, after livin' a year in Kansas City, he's too blame' swell-headed for any use!" hypercritically remarked Pip Maudlin of Skeedee. "Why, when he's at work and the fire bell rings he says he's too busy to go, and just lets 'er ring. Something mighty queer about such actions; nobody is ever too busy to go to a fire!"

Cheap Roofing.

To cover any wooden roof, such as dog kennels, summer houses, etc., get a large piece of strong brown paper and tack it down. Make sure there are no holes in it for the wet to get under. Then give it two coats of paint. This will last several years, and is almost as good as tarpaulin, and much cheaper.

Puzzled the Small Mind.

Little Margaret noticed her mother measuring cloth by holding it up to her nose with one hand and reaching out her arm's length with the other. She looked thoughtful for a moment, then asked: "How can you measure cloth that way? Can you smell a yard?"

Splendid Chance.

City Man—"Is there a good chance for investment around here?" Native—"You bet! More opportunity than there ever was. Land that my father paid $3 an acre for 30 years ago I can get for $2 now."—Puck.

Fairy Tales Barred in Austria.

The fairy tales of Grimm and of Hans Christian Andersen are excluded from the Austrian schools by a recent order, "because of their slight importance."

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