

## TWELVE DAYS OF YULE.

Observation Not Confined to Dec. 25  
a Century Ago.

The New England custom during the early years of the nineteenth century was to observe Christmas from Dec. 25 to Jan. 5, the twelve days being generally given up to receiving and returning family visits. Contemporary with this custom was the belief, inculcated in the minds of the children, that if they would visit the cow stables at midnight of Christmas eve they would see the cattle kneel before the managers.

A poem of the twelve days shows the gift for the first day of Christmas to be a parrot on a juniper tree instead of a "partridge on a pear tree." The verse for the twelfth day, which embodied the entire list of days and "gifts," was as follows:

"The twelfth day of Christmas my true love gave to me twelve guns shooting, eleven bears chasing, ten men hunting, nine fiddlers playing, eight ladies dancing, seven swans swimming, six chests of linen, five gold rings, four coffee bowls, three French hens, two turtle doves and a parrot on a juniper tree."—John Rodemeyer, Jr., in New York Sun.

### Disproves a Japanese Proverb.

"If you sit idly you will lose money every minute," is a liberal paraphrase of a well known Japanese proverb and serves as a protest against idleness. But we cite the case of the great Buddha at Nara, which despite inaction is reaping a fortune. During the past year the Buddha received 351,000 visitors, who paid admission fees aggregating \$9,350. The exaction of a fee to visit the big Buddha began in 1911.—Tokyo Journal.

### No False Pride.

"I'm afraid," her father replied, "you would not be able to support my daughter in the style to which she has become accustomed."  
"Well," the young man said, after he had thought the matter over briefly, "I'm not proud. I'll gladly let you help." Chicago Herald.

### His Failing.

Harker Doesn't Cuttem, the tailor, remind you of a doctor? Parker I should say not. He reminds me of that little bill I owe him every time we meet. London Telegraph.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Cure fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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## At The Family Theatre

At the Family Theatre in Estacada next Saturday evening, January 5th, will be shown that popular actress Mae Murry in "At First Sight", being a Paramount feature of high class.

On Thursday evening, January 10th, the feature film will be "Susan's Gentleman" with Violet Mercereu in the lead. A good comedy will also appear on this bill.

Mrs. E. J. Shankland of Cur-rinsville has returned after an absence of several months in Alaska, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. C. M. O'Neel of Latouche. Mrs. Shankland is making her home in Portland but is visiting among friends in this community for a time.

### Wise Daughter.

Father—If you paid more attention to cooking and less to dress, my dear, you would make a much better wife.  
Daughter—Yes, father. But who would marry me?

### PRACTICAL HEALTH HINTS.

**To Avoid Headaches.**  
Headaches may be a symptom of indigestion, grippe, typhoid fever, malaria, hysteria, nephritis (inflammation of the kidneys), rheumatism, diabetes, anaemia, impoverished food, neurasthenia, nerve exhaustion and neuralgia. There are various kinds of headaches differently localized. A sharp ache, coming in paroxysms and affecting the eyeballs, indicates neuralgia; a sharp and continuous pain, hysteria; a dull and diffused frontal and temporal ache is due usually to digestive disturbances, to anaemia or to nephritis; pain at the top of the head (vertex) may come from excessive "nervousness" or from bladder trouble, while sharp aching in the occipital or lower back part of the head may mean a beginning of meningitis, adenoids or merely decayed teeth. To avoid headaches keep the blood pure and the circulation active by proper diet and regular exercise in the open air. Keep the nostrils clear of all obstructions tending to interfere with nose breathing. Have any refractive errors of the eyes promptly corrected and see that the teeth are attended to regularly to prevent dental cavities or softening.

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### No Promotion.

"What business did you say the boss was in?" asked the clerk.  
"Why, he's a promoter," replied the superintendent.  
"Well, there must be some mistake. He's never promoted me. I've held the same insignificant job ever since I've been here." Yonkers Statesman.

### His Suspicion.

"Well, whaddy you want?"  
"I am the man who was married in the cage of wildcats."  
"I just ye whaddy you want?"  
"I thought I would like to look into the cage again. I fear I left my wife there and took one of the wildcats."—Houston Post.

### Cynical Definition.

"What is your idea of fame?"  
"Fame," replied Miss Cayenne, "is what enables an individual momentarily to beat the weather out as a topic of conversation." Washington Star.

### Favored of the Muses.

"He has made millions out of literature."  
"A best seller, eh?"  
"No; he owns a paper mill." Life.

### Our Busy World.

"I understand each human being takes about eighteen breaths a minute, or nearly 26,000 a day," said the practical woman.  
"Just think of it," replied the absent-minded woman. "I can't see how they can find time to do it." St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

### Ways of the Oyster.

Oysters after they have been brought away from the sea know by instinct the exact hour when the tide is rising and approaching their beds and so of their own accord open their shells to receive the food from the sea as if they were still at home. London Telegraph.

### Conjugal Amenities.

She—I was a fool when I married you. He—Aren't you a fool still? She—No I am not. He—Then you should be thankful to me for reforming you.—London Tit-Bits.

### Yes.

The secret of success has been fairly well kept, considering that so many people are anxious to tell about it.—Puck.

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