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## MRS. WARDEN'S CLUB.

Young and beautiful Mrs. Warden was on her visit to her far Eastern home. For eighteen long months she lived or existed, as she phrase it, in the small Western town to which as a bride she had gone. Her friends all pitied her and she pitied herself that so much youth, beauty and accomplishments were wasted on the unappreciative air of Jonesville, on the line of the A. Z. railroad. Yet it could not well be helped. Her husband was a prominent railroad official, and as the superintendent of a new branch of a great railroad, he was obliged to be stationed at one of the termini of his division, and Jonesville was the place.

When Mrs. Warden opened her trunk and shook out her almost unneeded wedding dresses, she discovered that they were somewhat out of fashion.

"It's utter folly for any one going to live in the far West to take such a wardrobe as this there," she said. "Fancy my going calling in Jonesville with these dresses on! Imagine how I caught these laces and ruffles and fringes on the jimson weeds and snaggy sidewalks of the place."

"Now do you ever manage to exist?" was the sympathetic inquiry of one of her friends. "Is there any society there at all?"

"There are some really nice and intelligent people there, I believe, but I know very little of them. They generally live in a very small way; many of the women do their own work, and beyond returning the calls when I first went there, I know very little about them. We have our suite of rooms at the hotel, and are very comfortable ourselves, but I spend my time mostly in reading and drawing or with my music, and I can assure you it gets very monotonous and lonesome."

"Mary! I think you, perhaps, make a great mistake, both for your own happiness and that of others, by living in that way." It was kind-hearted and philanthropic Aunt Mary, for whom Mrs. Warden was named and to whose extensive property Mrs. Warden was heir, that spoke.

Mrs. Warden and her one or two girl companions turned with surprise toward the speaker.

"Why, Aunt Mary, what would you have me do? You know I am not the least bit in the world inclined to be pious or a missionary. What suggestion have you to make as to my mode of life?"

"You ought to mingle with and take an interest in the people of the town. You have means and leisure. Doubtless there are many young people, many busy and earnest women, in that little town to whom you could be a constant messenger of good if you tried."

"How? In what way?"

"Well, you sing and play beautifully. Do you give any of those people the opportunity of hearing you?"

"No, never."

"You read beautifully; your mind is cultivated and stored with knowledge. Do you ever try to share these acquisitions with your young neighbors, perhaps less favored than you?"

"I never thought of such a thing."

"Would your husband object?"

"No; he would only be too delighted to have me take an interest in anything in Jonesville. It is a constant grief to him that I am so isolated and have no amusements."

"Well, now, my dear, when you go back, take my advice and associate yourself more with the people; try to do them good; try to interest yourself and them in some kind of social enjoyment and life. My word for it, you will soon learn to enjoy it."

Aunt Mary's words made an impression on Mrs. Warden's mind, although her ideas were very vague as to how she could carry out her aunt's suggestions. Nevertheless, in all the social pleasures which she so richly enjoyed during her visit, she kept asking herself whether any of these could be introduced in Jonesville. She felt sure that "kettle drums" and "soiree musicales" and other entertainments would be impracticable on account of small houses and lack of sufficient musical cultivation among the people. But when one afternoon she went with one of her friends to the meeting of a woman's literary club, and the next week attended an evening reception given

by the club to which gentlemen were invited; when she saw a social institution which had for a basis intellectual companionship only, in which neither fashionable dress nor costly and elaborate refreshments were essential—she began to wonder whether or no such a social institution could be introduced in Jonesville, thereby breaking the monotony of life and giving people something to think about.

The idea grew upon her as she thought over it, and she was surprised to find when the time came for her to return that her plan of organizing a club so filled her fancy that she was even eager to start. On the way she told her husband of her plan, and, as is not unusual with husbands when wives present projects, he saw a great many difficulties in the way which, without meaning particularly to discourage her, he laughingly enumerated.

"So you mean to enlist the bright women and leave out the stupid ones? You'll have the whole town about your ears, for that would require you to include Miss Phelps, the milliner, and exclude Mrs. Haller, the banker's wife."

"I shan't exclude Mrs. Haller but I shall include Mrs. Phelps. She is one of the most intelligent and best-mannered ladies in Jonesville. I am going to put in practice the theory I have always held that those who work for a living are just as good as those who do nothing. I rather fancy my position is such that I can do as I please socially," and Mrs. Warden straightened herself up a little and looked proudly at her husband.

At one point in their journey a connecting train brought quite an accession of passengers, among them a gentleman with whom Mr. Warden seemed to be well acquainted and on most friendly terms. He was accompanied by his newly-made wife, of pleasant looking, neatly-dressed lady, and they were returning from their wedding trip. Mr. Warden introduced Mr. and Mrs. Harmon to his wife and then he and his friend betook themselves to the smoking-car.

Observing that the lady had in her hand a volume of Schiller's poems in the original, Mrs. Warden asked her if she read German, and learned that the lady was a German by birth, although she spoke without the slightest accent.

Their conversation turned upon German literature and poetry, and when at the end of an hour Mr. Warden returned his wife told him what a pleasant acquaintance she had formed, and what a valuable member of the club Mrs. Harmon would make.

"I am glad to hear you are pleased with Mrs. Harmon," said Mrs. Warden. "I understand there was a great deal of talk in Jonesville about Mr. Harmon marrying her. It has all become public since you went East. Mr. Harmon is very wealthy, you know, and one of the most influential men in Jonesville, but has been considered a most confirmed bachelor. This lady came to Jonesville about a year ago with the family of Mr. Harmon's brother, as a sort of nursery governess for their children. The brother's wife died, and for some time afterward the whole care of the family was given over to Marie Berglund, now Mrs. Harmon. Nobody, it seems, had ever noticed her much and she had no associates in the town, when it suddenly became known that Mr. James Harmon was going to marry his brother's horsekeeper. Since then it has been the town's talk, and great indignation is expressed, as I learn, by the good matrons and young women of the place over the fact. How do you think you'll manage that matter in your club?"

Mrs. Warden did not at once reply. In fact, she was a little taken aback herself. However, she determined to take further opportunity to judge Mrs. Harmon from personal observation, and during the long western ride she had several conversations with the lady, held with a special view to discovering the real qualities of her mind and heart. Her decision, as announced to Mr. Warden, was that Mrs. Harmon was extremely sensible, very intelligent and well-read, and that, if folks talk as they would, Mrs. Harmon should be invited to join the club.

Great was the surprise of a good many of the ladies of Jonesville that Mrs. Warden, on her return from her

long visit in the East did not wait for any formal calls, but ran in sociably of an evening to see them. She seemed quite changed, quite full of pleasant interest in people and things in general, and since she had been of all the ladies in the place the most looked up to, and considered the most exclusive, much self-congratulation was indulged in on account of her friendly calls.

By the time the fall season had fairly set in, Mrs. Warden had her list made up of those whom she intended to invite to join with her in forming a literary and social club for the purpose of mutual improvement and pleasure. Engaging the use of the hotel parlor for the afternoon and arranging with the proprietor for handing light refreshments to the guests before they separated, she issued notes of invitation to some thirty ladies of the place designated, for the purpose of taking into consideration the organization of a woman's literary and social club.

There was no small flutter of excitement among the recipients of the invitations, and much comparison of notes and many wondering surmises as to who were invited, what Mrs. Warden meant to propose when she got them together, whether they would be expected to go in their best clothes, and similar questions.

Two days before the time named in the invitations, Mrs. Warden received a joint call from Mrs. Haller, the banker's wife, and the wife of one of the principal building contractors of the town. Mrs. Haller was a large, over-dressed woman, who never, for one instant, forgot that her husband was a banker, and Mrs. Jones, the contractor's wife, was a little, thin, fligety woman, whose one sole anxiety was to get her family into the best society, and conceal the fact that her husband had once been a carpenter. Both of the ladies had been included by Mrs. Warden in her invitation, and as they represented families of some importance which she would not wish to ignore. Both ladies, however, seemed somewhat embarrassed, as they had called on a particular errand, and that they hoped Mrs. Warden would excuse them if they seemed to meddle, but really they thought she ought to know some things which, perhaps, she did not.

Mrs. Warden was all attention.

"We heard that you had invited Mrs. Harmon to the meeting to-morrow. Perhaps it isn't true."

"It is true. I have invited Mrs. Harmon. Why should I not?"

"Did you know that none of the young ladies of the town have ever called on her?"

"I have called on her. Pray why do they not call?"

"Why, didn't you know? She was nothing but a hired housekeeper at Mr. Harmon's brother's. We all consider it perfectly outrageous the way she inveigled him into marrying her. We are sure that if it was really known that Mrs. Harmon was invited, many of the ladies would not come."

Mrs. Warden's color was crimson in a moment. "Ladies," she said, "I formed Mrs. Harmon's acquaintance on my way back from the East. I know nothing of her before, but I found her an intelligent, well-bred lady. It makes no difference to me what her occupation has been, so long as it was an honest one. I shall certainly show her the same kindness due to the deserving, and good sense everywhere, and always accorded by honorable people. In my plans for a social and literary club, I have included intelligence wherever I have been able to find it. If any ladies whom I have invited see fit to object, that is their privilege."

It was observed that Mrs. Haller and Mrs. Jones made several calls after leaving the parlors of Mrs. Warden that afternoon. The intended errand of the ladies had been known to a good many who were anxious to know the result. By evening it was generally known throughout the town that Mrs. Warden was going to stand by Mrs. Harmon. It was also known that Miss Phelps, the milliner, and Miss May, the telegraph operator, and Miss Wood, the saleswoman in the principal store of the town, had been invited.

"Such an outrageous and high-handed attempt to force the acquaintance of those people on us I never heard of," was Mrs. Jones' comment to her husband that evening; "but I suppose Mrs. Warden thinks she can

do anything because her husband is rich and holds such a high position on the railroad. If I had my way we would all combine and put her down. I'd show her if she could force the society of such people on me."

The next day a strange thing happened. Mrs. Harmon had more than a dozen calls. The ladies who had been invited came singly and in small groups, and confused at meeting others callers. All were profuse in their apologies for not having called before. Mrs. Harmon had the good sense not to appear at all surprised nor could she surmise what had started this sudden stream of social attention. The ladies all spoke of expecting to meet her at Mrs. Warden's parlors the next afternoon and hoped to know her better.

But the surprise of the ladies of Jonesville was only complete when, after the meeting had been called to order and its objects explained, Mrs. Warden said that as a part of the entertainment of the afternoon a paper on the life of Schiller would be read by Mrs. Harmon. Before the paper was concluded the majority of the listeners were wondering who in the company could write another paper as good. They seemed to realize that a new standard had been set up among them, and when in the organization of the club Mrs. Harmon was chosen vice-president and Miss Phelps was made secretary, all joined with a hearty good will in accepting the fact that brains, intelligence, and good sense were to be the basis of distinction in Mrs. Warden's club.

It is more than three years now since Mrs. Warden organized her club and it has been, ever since, the great social institution and educator of the people of Jonesville. By the terms of admission any lady whose intelligence would enable her to add something to the intellectual resources of the club was eligible to elect as a member. Many a young girl was stimulated to intellectual culture or to the study of music or to extensive and careful reading in order that she might be able to present some claims for admission. The members of the club were divided into special committees on music, literature, reading, amusements, etc., and each committee vied with the rest in providing for the interest and progress of the club.

Mrs. Warden's splendid musical gifts were brought into requisition and her committee, which was the one on music, was the means of elevating the musical taste of the whole town. The evening receptions given by the club once a month brought together the rich and poor, the employers and the employed, on the one common basis of intelligence and good manners. To these evening receptions gentlemen, both married and single, were invited, the club being made up of both married women and young girls. The only line drawn in regard to invitations to young gentlemen was that no one who was known to be fast or profane or intemperate could come within the charmed circle, while honesty and intelligence were ever welcome. Music, the reading of essays, discussions, readings and recitations were among the entertainments provided. And now as Mrs. Warden once more contemplates making a long visit to her far Eastern home, one of the pleasures she anticipates is that of telling Aunt Mary of all the delightful times they have and all the pleasant things they have accomplished in her literary and social club at Jonesville.

Vermont is about to take a new departure in taxation by assessing upon the corporations within her borders the entire amount required to pay state expenses. Railroads are to be taxed 2 per cent. on earnings of \$2000 per mile of road or less; 3 per cent. on \$3000; 4 per cent. on \$4000, and 5 per cent. on \$5000 and over. Insurance companies will be taxed 2 per cent. on gross amount of premiums and assessments collected within the state, and one-half of 1 per cent. on all surplus over the legal reserve. Savings-banks and trust-companies will be required to pay 1-1/2 per cent. on average deposits. Express, telegraph and telephone companies 3 per cent. on gross receipts, and steamboats, car and transportation companies 5 per cent. It is estimated that the amount will equal \$250,000, which will be ample to pay the current expenses of the state.

## An Old Story of Lorenzo Dow.

Lorenzo Dow, the noted eccentric traveling preacher of days long gone by, was very exact in the appointments he made to appear and preach, and sometimes had them arranged a long way ahead. He once approached near one of the small towns in the vicinity of Atlanta, Ga., and told his congregation that on that day, one year, he would preach to them again.

The next season, on the Saturday afternoon preceding the Sunday of the appointed time, the old man was logging along the main road in the direction of his congregation.

He noticed before him a stout little negro boy, of peculiarly active step and manner, who carried in his hand a small tin horn, such as is used to call the people to their meal.

The custom among many in the south (previous to the war), was to allow married men to go to their wives' houses, and children to visit their parents, on Saturday evening, to stay with them on Sunday; and as the negroes are musically inclined, to carry a fife, a horn, or a banjo, to give notice of their approach, and to beguile the way; while in other cases they whistle, sing or shout. A healthy, cheerful negro, of honest intentions, uses generally some means of association, even if he is obliged to talk to himself.

Dow, according to his usual manner, entered into conversation with the boy, and found he was about to visit the congregation he had appointed to meet.

If the truth must be told, Lorenzo had an idea that the character of his flock was that of a reckless, frolicsome, kind, careless people, upon whom it was necessary to make a very decided impression, or his time would be thrown away among them.

"What is your name, my lad?" asked Dow.

"Gabriel, sir," replied the boy, lifting a straw hat, and showing his ivory, while he actually stepped along to keep pace with the preacher's horse.

"Can you blow upon that horn?"

"Oh, yes, master, I can toot a little."

"Well, let me hear you."

So the negro inflated his velvet cheeks, and made the pine woods resound.

"Do you know a tall pine tree near the stand at Sharon?" said Dow.

"Yes, that I do, very well, master."

Lorenzo then put his hand into his pocket, and pulling out a silver dollar, showed it to the negro, and told him that if he would climb into the pine tree before the people met at the meeting, and keep there quiet until he called out his name, and then blow on his horn as he had just done, he would give him the silver dollar if he did not tell anybody about it.

The negro expressed himself highly delighted at such an offer, and promised punctuality and secrecy.

On Sunday a large meeting assembled at Sharon, to hear the famous Lorenzo Dow. Serious old men and their wives, wild boys and their sweethearts, almost all on horseback, sometimes by twos and threes, besides negroes from a great distance on foot, being readily captivated by the natural eccentricity, for they love anything that has a laugh attached to it, and they knew that Lorenzo was good for a joke even if it did hit hard.

Dow selected rather of a brimstone text, and made the application as strong as possible, but he forced his way slowly among the mercenary, healthy, honest-hearted people, who were hard to frighten. He enumerated the enormity of the vices he thought to prevail, but they were so used to them, that the words slid like water over a duck's back.

At length he boldly described, in the plainest language, the appearance and character of the "last great day," and what would be their condition when that day came.

"Suppose," exclaimed the preacher suddenly, and then he paused, "that this were the day!"

He saw that some of the women became a little fligety, and that they nudged the fellows into silence and attention.

"Suppose," repeated he, elevating his voice, "that Gabriel should sound his trumpet?"

At this moment, the little negro showed he was a "trump," and from the top of the lofty pine a loud and clamorous blast overwhelmed the audience. The women shrieked, the men rose in the greatest surprise, the

horses tied around the camp neighed, reared and kicked, while the terrified negroes changed their complexion to a dull purple color. Never was alarm, surprise and astonishment more promptly exhibited.

Lorenzo Dow looked with grave, but pleased attention upon the successful result of his experiment, until the first clamor had subsided, and some began to estimate the character of the artificial angel, and were about to apply a little hickory after the pine.

But this suggestion was arrested by the loud and solemn tones of the preacher, who, looking very firmly into the faces of his disturbed audience, leaned grandly over them to finish his discourse, and impressively remarked:

"And now if a little negro boy, with a tin horn, on the top of a pine bush, can make you feel so, how will you feel when that day does come?"

## Paper Neckties.

A correspondent wishes to know why some active Yankee don't begin making paper neckties. With collars, cuffs and bosoms so long in the field, and the strong tendency to put paper into every possible thing which is made to use or wear, the paper necktie appears still to belong to the future. Take an ordinary piece of tissue manilla of the right shape and fold it cornerwise and you have a very respectable tie, about as good as the cloth ones of a similar color which have a ready sale for summer wear. This gives the idea in embryo, and countless variations of shape and color would at once spring up. They should have "hand-painted" decorations on the corners of those intended for full dress occasions, elaborately made up scarves for winter costumes, etc. And the time may come when there will be as much of a rage among the ladies for dress trimmings of paper leaves and flowers as there is today for those formed of leather.

Mrs. Custer has presented to Custer Post, G. A. R., of Chicago, a hat once worn by General Custer. She has recently been made an honorary member of the post. In sending the hat she wrote: "Since hearing from you and Mr. Lenman Hudson last year how very much you all prize the red necktie, and how prompt you were to adopt it as a part of your uniform, I have sent to my Michigan home for one of General Custer's large hats that he wore in many a charge during the late war. I think it is no less a part of the costume that he especially identified with him than was the red tie. He was the first officer on our side who wore the broad brimmed hat for campaigning, and he also first adopted the blue flannel shirt with the broad collar—having bought one early in the war from a gunboat on the James river."

## The Digestibility of Oysters.

Why oysters should be eaten raw is explained by Dr. William Roberts in his lecture on "Digestion." He says that the general practice of eating the oyster raw is evidence that the popular judgment upon matters of diet is usually trustworthy. The fawn colored mass, which is the delicious portion of the fish, is its liver, and is simply a mass of glycogen. Associated with the glycogen, but withheld from actual contact with it during life, is its appropriate digestive ferment—the hepatic diastase.

The mere crushing of the oyster between the teeth brings these two bodies together, and the glycogen is at once digested without any other help than the diastase. The raw, or merely warmed, oyster is self-digestive for the heat immediately destroys the associated ferment, and a cooked oyster has to be digested, like any other food, by the enter's own digestive powers.

"My dear sir, do you want to ruin your digestion?" asked Professor Houghton of Trinity College one day of a friend who had ordered brandy and water with his oysters in a Dublin restaurant.

Then he sent for a glass of brandy and a glass of Guinness's XX, and put an oyster in each. In a very short time there lay in the bottom of the glass of brandy a tough, leathery substance resembling the finger of a kid glove, while in the porter there was hardly a trace of the oyster to be found.

## Care of Offspring in Animals.

One of the most interesting cases of maternal care among lower animals on record, was observed by F. L. Harvey, Esq., of the Arkansas University, at Fayetteville, Arkansas, probably for the first time in America, though such occurrences have been several times chronicled in England.

Prof. Harvey was in the field gunning, and suddenly noticing a woodcock (*Philohela minor*) rise near him and fly off laboriously, he ran after it, and distinctly saw the young one clasped and held between her feet, and watched the transportation for one hundred rods, when the mother alighted and they both probably ran off together. This certainly shows a remarkable and unsuspected amount of intelligence in the woodcock, and places it in this respect above many other birds who are ranked higher.

The peculiarity of carrying the young in one form or another is seen in many families of animals. It has been recorded that the night-hawk will carry off its eggs in its mouth, an occurrence that, though doubted, would not be more remarkable than the case of the woodcock. The king penguin carries its eggs around in a sac; moving about with it with a hopping motion peculiar to this time. This is probably true of many of the penguins; also of the albatross, that builds a nest, even then holding its eggs in the curious see that is analogous to the pouch of marsupials. In the kangaroos, the appearance of the young clinging to a nipple has often caused curious errors, many observers believing the young to have grown there; and it was my privilege to read recently a pamphlet written by some observer (?) upholding this theory. The stomach of the kangaroo is of large size and very complex, its walls being puckered up by longitudinal muscular bands into a great number of saucles, like those of the human colon. The alimentary canal is long, and the caecum well developed. All the species have a marsupium or pouch, formed by a fold of the skin of the abdomen, covering the mammary glands with their four nipples. In this pouch the young are placed as soon as they are born; there their growth and development proceeds; and to it they resort temporarily for the purpose of shelter, concealment or transport, for some time after they are able to run and jump about the ground and feed upon the same herbage which forms the nourishment of the parent. During the early period of their sojourn in the pouch, the blind, naked, helpless young creatures (which in the great kangaroos scarcely exceed an inch in length) are attached by their mouths to the nipple of the mother, and are fed by milk injected into their stomach by the contraction of the muscle covering the mammary gland. In this stage of their existence, the respiratory organs are modified much as they are permanently in the

Cetacea, the elongated upper of the larynx projecting into the posterior nares, and so maintaining a free communication between the lungs and the external surface, independently of the mouth and gullet, thus averting all danger of suffocation while the milk is passing down the latter passage.

The opossum not only rears its young in the pouch, but they cling to the mother's back, their tails entwined about her tail, presenting a curious appearance. — *Scientific American.*

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE.—This annual visitor is always welcome. Printed on the best of paper, abounding in handsome illustrations, it certainly may claim to rank as a sample of the highest typographical art. Its colored plates, three in number, are perfect gems, and we are at a loss to discover how this enterprising firm can afford to lavish so much expense in beautifying a publication for which they only ask ten cents, whilst to each of their last season's customers they actually give it as a Christmas present. As its name indicates, it is a "Guide" to the proper treatment and culture of all kinds of flowers and vegetables, each description being accompanied by an illustration of the particular plant or vegetable referred to. We should advise all who are interested in gardening, whether for the pleasure obtained from raising flowers, or for the more practical occupation of raising vegetables, to send to James Vick, Rochester, N. Y., for a copy of this most instructive work. The publisher claims that "Vick's Seeds are the best in the world," and we have no fault. "The world" endorses the claim.

We are in receipt of the Connecticut Almanac for 1883, published by Henry H. Peck, New Haven. It is a neat, useful volume, compiled for this locality, and is filled with matter profitable for the farmer, merchant and manufacturer.

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This number of the HERALD begins the second volume. Among the objections urged by those who regarded the new enterprise with disfavor was that in a town as small as Manchester there would not be news enough to make a local paper interesting. The history of the paper is the strongest answer to that objection. To be sure we have not been able to entertain our readers with accounts of national political conventions in Cheney's hall, of embellishments by Manchester bank cashiers, of heroic deeds of the Manchester fire department, of interviews with Manchester statesmen or quotations from the Manchester stock exchange. But of the gossip that is always circulated in a country village there has been a sufficiency and even after the wheat has been sifted from the chaff we have found enough to interest and perhaps instruct our readers.

The year started well for the news gatherer. The first number seems to have aroused the elements, for the very next morning, Dec. 18th, the bleach house of the lower mill was discovered on fire, and it was only by the united efforts of a hundred or so men that the fire was prevented from spreading to the entire mill. The same afternoon, the house near Nila Magnell caught fire from a kerosene lamp and before the flames could be extinguished they had damaged the house \$250 worth and seriously burnt the owner.

Co. G's annual ball on the evening of the 21st was attended by eighty-four couples and was a complete success. James Cotter was that day convicted by Justice Cheney of violating the liquor law and was fined \$10 and costs.

Miller Schweelner was tried before Justice Strong on the charge of assault on James Miller. The charge was that he had assaulted James Miller with a club and a flat iron and had nearly killed him. The charge against him was assault with intent to kill and the justice thought the evidence strong enough to bind him over in \$800. Miller with careful nursing afterward recovered and Schweelner was allowed to plead guilty to the simple charge of assault.

The week before Christmas, a bazaar conducted by the ladies of St. Mary's Church, was held and a net profit of over \$250 was the result. Christmas was celebrated by a carol service and Christmas tree at the Episcopal Church and a Christmas tree at the South Methodist Church.

The first week in January it was decided to establish a branch office of the Hartford telephone exchange in North Manchester. Since then about a dozen stations have been attached to the exchange located in the post office. When another year has elapsed we expect to be able to record the extension of the line to South Manchester and the forming of a large exchange there.

On the fourth of January, Drake Post G. A. R. had its annual installation of officers at which four hundred members and friends of the Post were present.

Thos. Burke was brought before Justice Agard, Tuesday, January 10th on a "reputation of seizing liquor" charge, convicted and fined \$20 and costs.

On Wednesday evening Jan. 11th, there was a social gathering of the young people of the Center Church at the residence of Mr. M. S. Chapman. Music, recitations and social intercourse combined to make the evening hours pass away pleasantly for all who were present.

January 12th the annual installation of officers of Mr. Nebo Lodge, Knights of Honor was held conducted by Deputy Grand Dictator John R. Sloan.

The annual fair of St. Bridget's Church opened at Bissell's Hall on Saturday evening Jan. 14th, and continued ten days.

The one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Daniel Webster was appropriately observed by the pupils in Messrs. Bidwell's and Krueger's departments, East School, January 18th.

The "Omn" club gave its first public entertainment at Bissell's Hall January 30th, to a select audience. Instrumental and vocal music by Misses Goodrich and Parker and Dr. Weaver, followed by Jean Ingelov's "Songs of Seven" presented in recitative tableaux by young lady members of the club, and burlesque illustrations with magic lantern presented by Mr. and Mrs. Rose were the features of the evening's amusement.

February 2nd, small pox made its first appearance in the family of John Ryan of Buckland. Dr. Jacques attended the patient.

Sunday, Feb. 8th, a severe snow storm commenced which completely blocked trains on the N. Y. & N. E. R. R., until Tuesday evening following.

Feb. 14th, another case of small pox was discovered in Buckland, Mrs. Donahue being the victim.

Constables Pitkin and Knox raided Tom Burke's saloon Feb. 15th, capturing three gallons of so-called "spirits."

Feb. 27th, a delegation from Mt. Nebo Lodge K. of H., took a sleigh ride to Hartford to visit Pioneer Lodge of that city. Washington Lodge of Thompsonville were present and enjoyed the festivities with their brethren. A banquet was served in Phoenix Armory after which cigars were lighted and speeches listened to, until a late hour. Supt. Davidson of the New Haven road presided and addresses were made by Grand Dictator Coolley, Past G. Dictator Sloan, Dictators Sloane of Thompsonville and A. J. Spencer of South Manchester.

During the week ending Saturday March 11th several criminal cases got upon our record. In the Superior court at Hartford, Henry Duffey and James Butler who had been imprisoned on a charge of rape were brought to trial on a different charge, that of conspiracy for formation. Both were convicted on this charge and sentenced, the former to four months and the latter to six months in jail. Ulrich Schwedner, charged with assault with intent to kill was found not guilty but was convicted of simple assault and duly sentenced.

Constable Pitkin and several assistants raided Robt. Hamford's place and were denied admittance at first but forced an entrance and found, a half pint of whiskey and numerous broken bottles. During the same week two important social events occurred. Monday evening the "Ours" club held their last public meeting. An attractive program had been arranged consisting of songs, tableaux, plays, recitations etc., and it was carried out in a manner which reflected great credit upon both the performers and the club itself. Miss Johnson's eloquent speech especially drew won hearty applause. Wednesday evening being the third anniversary of Mt. Nebo Lodge K. of H., the occasion was duly observed. The members invited to their celebration their friends of Pioneer Lodge of Hartford and dignitaries of the Order from other parts of the state. Two car loads came from Hartford to take part in the festivities. As the invited guests entered Cheney's hall they were greeted with appropriate music by Cheney's band; and Dictator A. J. Spencer introduced Mr. M. S. Chapman who formally extended a cordial welcome to the visitors. Mr. Chapman then gave an interesting resume of the Lodge from its birth. He was followed by Grand Dictator Coolley of Hartford, Past Dictator Plunkett of New Haven both of whom made appropriate remarks.

Dictator Spencer then introduced the speaker of the evening, Past G. Dictator F. D. Sloan of New Haven, who dwelt at length upon the objects and interests of the order and of the many benefits accruing to society in general from its existence and influence. After a song by Miss Mather of Hartford, who was warmly eulogized, the audience adjourned to the supper room where a grand banquet was awaiting them.

March 12th, the building on Wells St., formerly owned by Daniel Neale and used by him for the manufacture of window and door sash was destroyed by fire and burned. Loss \$900, insurance on building and machinery \$400. Constable Pitkin and George Hutchinson was arrested March 20th, charged with trespass at Robt. Hamford's place. They had been refused admittance when they went there on a liquor searching expedition and had burst in the door. Justice Strong found them guilty and awarded the plaintiff \$10 damages in each case.

Prof. Miller's dancing class held a brilliant reception, March 28th. April 1st, another case of small pox was discovered. The Congregational Church fair Wednesday evening April 5th took in \$191.—Halsey Hale, an old resident of Glastonbury, died April 6th, aged 69.—The Rockville amateur Pinafore troupe, assisted by Mrs. W. H. Coates, played "Pinafore" in Cheney's hall April 5th.

Sunday, April 9, Rev. H. H. Martin occupied the North Methodist church pulpit in place of Rev. J. Oldham, transferred to Thomonville. The annual election of officers of Drake Post resulted in the following appointments: J. Com., Marathion Keeney; Leut. V. Com., A. D. Scott; Jun. V. Com., A. D. Scott; Quartermaster, E. M. Burdick; Officer of the day, Win. Naylor; Guard C. M. Beebe; Surgeon, J. N. Parker; Chaplain, John Loomis. The annual inspection of the Post will occur next Tuesday evening.

Justice Agard convicted Robert Hamford, on the 21st, of keeping a place where liquor was reputed to be sold, and fined him \$130 and costs, from which sentence Hamford appealed.

"Esmeralda" was given in Cheney's hall, April 29th by the East Hartford amateur company before a small but delighted audience.

May 1st the old house of W. H. Cheney was changed by the association of Julius Pinney in the business under the firm name of W. H. Cheney & Co.

James O'Brien's barn was burned May 2d, with nine cattle, three horses, a calf and two hogs; loss, \$1,000.

May 8th, Wilbur Hill lost a barn by fire; the property destroyed was worth \$2,000.

The old west boarding house closed its doors May 14th after a continuous service of many years.

May 13th, Ryan's circus gave two acceptable performances in Brown's lot.

June 3d the east boarding house passed from the control of W. H. Cheney to that of Cheney Bros. That evening the Madison Square Theatre Company gave "Izabel Kirke" in Cheney's hall.

Memorial Day, (May 30), was observed by a parade of Drake Post, Co. G, and Cheney's band, and an address at the Soldiers' monument by Rev. J. J. McCook.

The management of the Cowles hotel was transferred June 1st from Cowles Bros. to E. H. Parsley, of Middletown.

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On the 7th occurred the death of Rush Cheney, aged 67.

The corner stone of the new Episcopal church was laid by Bishop Williams June 26th.

June 27th the annual lawn festival at the Centre Church passed off very successfully. The Young Men's Catholic Association celebrated the Fourth of July with a grand picnic in Cheney's grove. Peter Blackard, 10, was seriously injured by the explosion of a small cannon in Buckland. The first week in August the Mutual warp mill owned by the Union Company was sold to a new company, the Manchester Warp and yarn Company. James Cotter, Sr., was found dead in his bed on the morning of Aug. 3d. Aug. 16th, Fr. Skelley was transferred by Bishop McMalon to Portland, Me.

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Similar exercises are to take place at the Methodist Church next Monday evening. Nothing very elaborate is to be attempted, but the children may be sure of a merry time.

Mrs. Francis West met with a severe mishap last Friday night. While she was walking down from the Center, she was run into by a double ripper, knocked down, her head badly cut, and she was otherwise bruised. She has since been confined to the house, but is slowly improving.

G. S. Parkhurst's store was burglarized for the third time this season last Friday night. The entrance was effected through a rear window and the thieves took away twenty-five pounds of tobacco and some cigars. Mr. Parkhurst has since purchased a savage watch dog that will hereafter guard the store at night.

The N. Y. & N. E. Co., have placards in some of their cars requesting passengers to enter the rear of the cars and pass.

If this rule was followed by passengers, or still better, if it was enforced by the company, much confusion and crowding would be avoided.

Work on the road bed for the extra track on the N. Y. & N. E. road has progressed rapidly during the past week. The Manchester hands employed in the work are being replaced by regular employees of the company imported from the west end. A part of the material from the deep cut just east of Lewis Bissell's, is being dumped into the gully and road bed along the west boundary of B. C. Apell's premises, thereby greatly benefiting Mr. A. and improving the highway.

The case of Archie McCullum, appealed from Justice Agard's decision to the present term of the Superior court, was settled on Tuesday by payment of costs. McCullum has removed to Tarrifville and is now employed in the silk mill.

When the court opened at 9:30 o'clock on Wednesday, the case against Frederick Renschler of New Britain, for selling liquor on Sunday, was taken up. The evidence for the state was given by four young men belonging to a temperance society of New Britain, who went into the saloon, called for drinks and paid for them, making a clear case. The jury was out about half an hour and brought in a verdict of guilty. Renschler was sentenced to pay a fine of \$40 and costs, in all about \$90.

The case of Andrew McCullum, charged with violating the liquor law, was the next on the list. McCullum pleaded guilty and was fined \$20 and costs.

The costs in the Hunniford, Pitkin & Hutchinson cases, amounted to \$25.50 in each case.

WAPPING.

Owing to the fact that Congress has never seen fit to make an appropriation to expedite the mail service on the Wapping star route, the only correspondent of last week from here was compelled undoubtedly to omit an account of a very enjoyable gathering on Thursday evening, at the residence of Oliver Clark, at which time some fifty or more of his neighbors and friends assembled to give him a birthday surprise party. It proved a decided success in every respect, as was also the bountiful supper which was given at its close under the superintendence of Mrs. Clark and her lady friends present.

W. W. Grant has opened here a branch grain business for W. H. Childs of North Manchester. He is offering for sale different kinds of grain and feed, and will be governed in price by sales at the mill in Manchester, the price at all times being equally as low.

George Foster is still confined to his house, with but a slight prospect of recovering soon. The fall which he received, although it broke no bones, has left him in quite a crippled condition.

Mrs. Michael Devine, mother of John Devine who died recently at Buckland, has since been partially deranged, and some of her friends in this place have undertaken, for the present, the care of her.

Horace K. Stoughton is dangerously sick from an attack of black erysipelas. The latest report of his condition is a little more favorable. Hopes are now entertained for his recovery.

A PROFITABLE COW.—Sidney E. Stoughton is the owner of a cow which has produced twice twice in the past four years. One pair, eleven weeks old, which he sold to a Hartford butcher the past week, weighed a tripe less than 500 lbs., with no extra feed, having only the milk from the cow.

Teacher Cunningham, who slipped the school visitor that didn't like him, was fined \$1 and costs at Branford Tuesday evening.

The immediate and most important object of the tobacco growers' convention at Hartford next Tuesday "to secure from Congress the imposition of a restrictive duty tax on Samatra tobacco." The railroads will give reduced rates to and from Hartford that day.

BUCKLAND.—Work has been begun on the New England road, in widening the bridge at Buckland.

Miss Ann Williams at the residence of T. Welles Smith, has a most splendid cactus, six years old, which contains 231 buds and blossoms. Very large heads are being butchered by several in this neighborhood.—C. O. Wolcott has a horse 31 years old, which still does a good amount of work.—The milk business of Gallup & Allen still continues to be good.—Mr. Lacey has been quite sick for a long time, but is a little better now.—Edward Collins has taken the house occupied by Mr. Carey, the latter having gone South to spend the winter.—Mr. Duffey has moved into the large house, owned by R. Griawold, Esq.

THE FARMERS IN CONVENTION.

Our report of the meeting of the Connecticut Board of Agriculture was last week brought up to Thursday evening. At the evening session Henry E. Alvord delivered a most interesting lecture on "The Farmer and His Family."

Major Alvord talked of the farmer and his family. Agriculture must ever be the pursuit of the larger portion of the human race. The higher the civilization the greater the interest in farming. Good crops, even good times—good crops mean hard times. Yet we find cases of indifference. Too often those who owe the elements of success in life to the pursuit of the larger portion of the human race, are to be cast upon the homely employments of their fathers and mothers.

Too often the farmer himself lets this sentiment pass current without dispute. Herein lies the weakest point in agriculture today—its lack of self-respect as a manly and noble pursuit.

The farmer must fit himself and his family to take their due share in public affairs. His position depends upon his being able to defend himself against the many forces that may oppose him. Taxes for good schools and good roads are among the safest and most productive of farm investments. Don't try to run the school yourself but rather see that the other man best fitted for it does so. Don't try to make roads yourself when you well know that some other man can make them better for you.

At the close of this lecture a limited time still remaining was occupied by one of those interesting and profitable object lessons Dr. Sturtevant knows so well how to give. The doctor illustrated the mystery of cutting potatoes for seed. He cut a thin slice, lengthwise, from the middle of a large potato and showed, by holding it before the light how every eye was connected with the core on one side and the tuber on the other by a faintly delineated branch. In cutting another potato, as for planting, he began at the butt end with a little slice and then took off each eye with a downward cut to the core, exactly according to the old farm saying.

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Mr. May, a young man from the Hartford Theological Seminary, who is at present supplying the pulpit of the Hockanum Congregational Church, preached an excellent discourse at the Congregational Church, Glastonbury, last Sunday morning. It is understood our Hockanum friends are hoping to retain him after the close of his studies at the seminary, and in the opinion of those who heard him here they will find it difficult to do better.

The ladies of the Congregational Society propose to secure the building and furnishing of parlors and a kitchen as an addition to the Chapel. They hold a fair and festival last Wednesday evening to promote this worthy object and met with good success.

Our ladies are not in the habit of giving up any object they have determined upon, and will no doubt secure this, and at the same time recast and beautify the hall of the chapel. Now if the gentlemen will enlarge the library room, space may be obtained for constant additions to the Sunday school library resulting from the expenditure of the munificent bequest of the late Oswin Welles, Esq. Both objects are worthy of effort to accomplish, and will no doubt be accomplished facts in short time.

The crop (tobacco), notwithstanding "Samatra," seems to be first-class, so far as our farmers are stripping it. We hope that, while everything will be done that can be, to protect our home industry in this product, our farmers will not sacrifice their own interests to promote that of would-be monopolists, and buyers of the crops. Don't be frightened, and the scare will soon blow over. Connecticut seed-land is an article that will hold its own anywhere, and Connecticut farmers are as well able to stand on their feet in the long run as any Dutch syndicate, "aided by pauper Coolie labor." It is to be hoped that the meeting to be held at Hartford next week will be guided by wise counsels, and do nothing rashly, and which can not be well sustained by the good sense of the country.

MANCHESTER GREEN.—The wedding of Mr. E. P. T. Jenny and Miss Mary E. Coe took place at the First Cong'l Church on the 20th inst. at 11:30 a. m. The church was beautifully decorated. An arch of flowers spanned the centre aisle, and suspended from the arch was a magnificent floral bell. The house was comfortably filled, the invited guests occupying the seats in the center. The Rev. S. W. Robbins performed the ceremony, and Mr. M. S. Chapman acted as best man. The organist, Mr. Gaylord of Hartford, discoursed excellent music during the entire ceremony. Messrs. Geo. Robbins and John Williams were ushers. After the ceremony a reception was given at the residence of the bride's father. Habenstein furnished the refreshments. The happy pair left for New York immediately after the reception. They will reside during the winter in New Bedford.

An elegant assortment of children's presents may be found at Stone's, 99 Asylum street, Hartford. Dolls, drums, games, boys' sleds, doll's carriages, velocipedes, rocking-horses and toys almost infinite in their numbers and variety may be seen at Stone's. No one desiring to purchase presents for boys or girls can fail to find just the thing to suit the occasion. Mr. Stone keeps also a fine stock of pocket-books, bags and baskets of every description; and he calls every attention to the game of parlor rubber quills, a popular game for the whole family.

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Any who are looking for holiday gifts will be sure to find something quite to their liking at the store of J. B. Barlow, 232 Asylum street, Hartford. Albums, story books, billows, pocket-books, games, staff mery toys, in short almost every thing in the line of fancy goods suitable for Christmas presents. Mr. Barlow makes a specialty of Christmas cards, including Prang's prize cards. Let all who visit Hartford remember that 232 Asylum street is on the left-hand side, going towards Main, and only a few steps from the depot.

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**SOUTH MANCHESTER.**

Merchants report a very brisk holiday trade.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen will give no reception tomorrow.

George Gibbs returned home from his trip to Florida last week.

Sidney Warren has opened a new "tonorial gallery" in the Homer Hale block.

Mrs. S. W. Robbins's brother, Judge Andrews of Syracuse, N. Y., died last week.

Gas was introduced in South Manchester for illuminating houses, twenty-seven years ago.

Mr. H. E. Rogers has been confined to his bed during the past week by an attack of erysipelas.

The Rev. B. E. Warner will preach on "Anti-Christ" at St. Mary's Church, tomorrow morning.

During the Christmas days some of our good people are remembering the poor. "Go thou and do likewise."

Among the guests at the Co. G. ball were Capt. W. F. Bidwell, Lieut. C. S. Ebberts and C. H. Gilbert of Norwich.

The fine sleighing of the past week has been very much enjoyed by all who have had the time and means for so doing.

Mr. Nebo Lodge, Knights of Honor, holds its annual election of officers next Thursday evening at half past seven o'clock.

The Young People's Association of the Center church, will meet at the house of Mr. Daniel Eldridge, Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th.

The Methodist Sunday School have arranged for a Christmas service next Sunday evening. The occasion will be one of unusual interest to all, and more especially to the little folks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Barrows of Marlboro, accompanied by H. D. Barrows, Jr., of South Manchester, left town on Tuesday for Cleveland, to attend the funeral of their daughter, Mrs. Thos. West.

The religious interest in the Methodist church still continues unabated. Four conversions during the past week. They are planning for extra religious services in connection with the week of prayer in January.

On Monday evening at half past seven o'clock, the St. Mary's Sunday School Christmas entertainment will be held in Academy Hall, over the church. It has been kept a secret as to what the entertainment will be, but the children may expect a regular holiday treat.

The Rev. B. E. Warner's lecture, delivered last Tuesday evening at Cheney's Hall, was closely listened to by an audience of about two hundred and fifty. That it was both entertaining and instructive may be gathered from the very brief extracts which we publish in another column.

Mr. Stuart Rogers will appear in Cheney's Hall this evening. He will give readings and impersonations of the same general character as those which gave so much satisfaction when he appeared here last year. Among the new features which he has added this year is an impersonation of Oscar Wilde, which will be sure to prove highly entertaining. Tickets only 25 and 35 cents.

A meeting of the South Manchester Temperance Union was held at the Methodist Church last Sunday evening. There was a large attendance, good music, and stirring addresses by Messrs. Chapman, Knowles, Stanley and Spencer. Committees were appointed in each school district to canvass for signers in favor of the constitutional amendment now pending in the legislature.

The Christmas Eve Carol Service of St. Mary's Sunday School will be held on Sunday (tomorrow), at four o'clock, taking place of the regular evening service. The service will consist of carols by the children, creed and collect, a short address by the rector, and distribution of prize Christmas cards. It speaks well for the diligence of the children that more than a hundred cards will be awarded.

The Swedes will celebrate Christmas at the Town Hall next Monday. Two meetings will be held, one at 6:30 A. M., consisting of the regular service of the Lutheran church by candle-light, and one in the evening, when the children will sing, recite and receive their presents from the trees. The services will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Holmes of New Britain, and all the exercises will be, of course, in the Swedish language.

Co. G's ball at Cheney's Hall on Thursday evening was a great success. The hall was tastefully decorated and was filled to its utmost capacity. More than 100 couples were on the floor and the seats provided were hardly sufficient to accommodate all who came to look on. The music was furnished by Coste's

Orchestra and was highly satisfactory. Some of the costumes were exceedingly fine. The committee of arrangements tender their heartiest thanks to the ladies who, by their untiring efforts in preparing the decorations, contributed so much to the complete success of the undertaking.

The marriage of Miss Jennie P., daughter of M. S. Chapman, Esq., and Mr. Elwood S. Ela, editor of the *Manchester Saturday Herald*, was celebrated on Thursday evening, at the mansion of the bride's father. There were many distinguished guests present, not only from town, but from Hartford, Springfield, and other places. An elegant wedding supper was served by Habenstein of Hartford. The wedding presents were numerous and very valuable. We extend to the newly wedded couple our warmest congratulations and best wishes. —*Tolland County Journal.*

The largest variety of Christmas goods, and the lowest prices in the country, to be found at the South Manchester Bee Hive, No. 1 East Main St. We don't have to blow it because the people all know it.

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TALCOTTVILLE. — Mrs. Hubbard Talbot, who has been spending a few months with her daughter in Rochester, N. Y., returned home last week. —Miss Hattie B. Hatch of Vernon, and Mr. C. H. Hammit of N. Y., were, on Wednesday last, united in marriage. The happy couple went to N. Y. on their wedding tour. Miss Hatch will be greatly missed by her many friends in Vernon and vicinity. Madame Rumor whispers, "Still there's more to follow." —Mr. Illingworth of this place, died at his home in Massachusetts, Friday the 15th. His funeral took place on Sunday, at the above-mentioned place. —Rev. Mr. Robbins of Manchester Centre, preached at the Congregational church Sunday, delivering an excellent discourse.

F. M. Warren of Hartford, who advertises sleighs in our columns, has fifty sleighs, and we advise their inspection.

An Epitaph.

I died at last from that hacking cough, And in a hearse they carried me off; Oh, but I knew I should Tar Cough Balsam take, I wouldn't have been here where nothing useful can awaken.

A large quantity of Tar Cough Balsam, and when you have a cough a bottle of this will cure it. Price 35c and 75c. Sold by C. H. Rose and H. R. Hale.

Ireland and the Irish People.

From a lecture delivered at Cheney's Hall by Rev. B. E. Warner.

The time was, and that not long since, when an address upon anything touching Ireland and the Irish, was from the nature of the case, a mere partisan appeal on one side or the other. Irish speeches up to within a few years, and too many of them to-day, were and are but one-sided affairs. They were either clear English or downright Irish. The English speaker saw nothing but a low, ignorant, rebellious people. The Irish speaker could discover only a brutal, tyrannical, unjust government, over the water.

Such one-sided claims and the passionate appeals based upon them have been injurious. They have kindled strife and excited it to a flame. They were born mainly of ignorance, nursed by intolerance, and produced hate and bitterness. While I grant that partisans are necessary, and parties a by no means unmixt evil, still where the bottom principles of political procedure are under discussion, that partisan hurts his own cause who refuses to look at his opponent's side of the question. No one party, no one religious body in the world possesses all the truth on its side. We may claim that we have, but we may attempt to prove it, and to our own satisfaction think we have, but the hard fact remains that the very existence of a doctrine or a political principle or social custom, is proof positive that it has some truth to stand upon. It is only the bigot who denies that his opponent has right on his side. Bigotry is the child of mere ignorance, and I think that history and the consent of every thoughtful person will bear me out in declaring that ignorance of the real position of one he is pleased to term his enemy has been, and is to-day, at the root of much we call the Irish troubles.

I intend speaking to you to-night from an historic basis. Here the speaker gave a comprehensive history of the country and its people to the present time. He reviewed the land question, which traces back to the first occupation by Henry II., then the plantations which began in the last year of the reign of Queen Mary, then the Cromwellian settlement, called by the Irish, and justly called, the "curse of Cromwell."

In conclusion Mr. Warner said: "The quarrel between landlord and tenant is a bitter one, but each has some rights that the other is bound to respect—and until there is mutual conciliation there will be no settlement. In other words the medicine for Ireland's ill health today is not the sword but the law. The medicine must be administered on

the one hand and received on the other, with toleration. With her army and navy, England could sweep Ireland from end to end in one campaign—but standing before the bar of all nations—urging her national right as a daughter among nations—upon the grounds of justice honor and true civilization, will be met in the fullness of time by the outstretched hand of England, and if, as once before, there is no sovereign—there will be as there ought to be, two nations. Meanwhile let the sons of Ireland be on their alert—not in secret corners—they have no need—but in the face of the world seeking fairly and honestly—what it is no treason to ask, and just that they should have—the power and the right to make their own laws and to be a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, not to perish from the earth."

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Men's fine claydon heavier overcoats \$15, \$17, \$18 and \$20 each at the "Hut" Clothing Store, 141 Asylum St., opp. Allyn House, Hartford.

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Come and see Santa Claus at home. W. H. CHENEY & Co.

To reduce my large stock, I will sell a lot of first class parlor heaters at cost. E. T. CARRIER.

Dolls and Toys all kinds at low prices. W. H. CHENEY & Co.

Prang's best designs in Christmas cards at W. H. CHENEY & Co.

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