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ponds have had to be drained for domestic and other uses. "It is many years since both the summer and fall seasons have had so few and so light rainfalls as the city of the present year. Even though water companies are urging consumers to use the water economically, it is an old saying that winter does not set in till the wells and streams are full, but if there should be an exception to the rule at this time there would probably be a scarcity of water everywhere, and much inconvenience would follow, if not actual distress."

A YEAR OF JUBILEE.

The year 1913 will be a year of jubilee for the colored citizens of America, for it marks the 50th anniversary of the emancipation of the slaves—the first half-century of achievement for the race. Booker T. Washington is moving for a special exposition in that year to show what the negro race has accomplished in that time, and he is said to have enlisted the sympathy, interest and approval of President Taft in his plan.

The colored race has made great progress since '63, and the negro has distinguished himself not only in learning but in the arts and in the professions of the country. In no way could a demonstration of the growth of this people be more effectively set before the nation and there is no doubt that it would be beneficial to the people because of its educational value. The southern people and newspapers regard the proposition with favor, and there is no room to doubt that the north will be equally interested. In a sense it will be as important and instructive an exposition as any ever held in America, and it should meet with encouragement and support in all parts of the country.

LIABILITY OF ERROR. The Bulletin has called attention to the fact that there was such a liability to err in its calculations that no one could tell which explorer had really reached the North pole until the experts had determined the matter from the observations made and data of the claimants. Now we have Prof. Winslow Upton of Brown university declaring that astronomy can determine with almost absolute certainty the truth of the statements made by the two claimants. He did not believe it would be possible to err in his calculations, but he has been submitted to three of the leading astronomers, who have announced that he reached the pole with the liability of error of one mile.

Professor Upton would have allowed for an error of five miles, owing to the vagaries of the instruments with which the work of location had to be done, and also to the fact that the pole of the earth is constantly changing because of a shrinking of its diameter. This variation takes place within a very small circle, and even five miles from the exact top of the earth would be sufficient for all practical purposes. He does not hesitate to say that he does not think Arctic records can be falsified, and told his auditors that the report of Dr. Cook is to be subjected to expert scientific examination and if the judges agree, that he believed it would be safe to accept their verdict. With reference to the discovery, he said: "A number of sciences are waiting for the data there obtainable. The geographer is directly interested. So the meteorologist, and the geologist, too, needs the knowledge that this has brought to light by this achievement. Were our acquaintance with that isolated region to end with the few facts which have been brought back to us, perhaps it would not amount to much," but he expected to see observation stations established throughout that great lonely expanse by which all the physical sciences would be benefited.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The little purple label on the Philippine cigars is said to be annoying to American tobaccoists. Happy thought for today: Greater blessings come this day to the football player than to the gourmand. The man who is constantly talking should be respected, when he claims that he has no time to think. It is not necessary to have Thanksgiving sagged on the cake today if it is impressed upon the heart. This is not a Round Table day, for when it comes to the table, dinner the round table is not in it. The hullabaloo should be dispensed with in booming business, amusements or religion. It is a yowl, not a merit. The government is issuing an increased number of small bills to meet the Christmas and New Year's demand.

Bear in mind this fact, that the turkey that comes in cans never grew a wishbone. He had four legs instead of two. Mr. Rockefeller must regard the courts as middlemen Miss Nancy's case in their exploiting of the Standard Oil company! Mrs. Stetson does not mind that the mother church has dropped her; but if the newspapers should, her heart would be broken. If you have nothing on earth to be thankful for today, just sit right down and thank God that you are not a government mule. Persons who are made stiddy by the social whirl do not get over it as quickly as they made whirly by a disordered stomach. If there was not so much roasting and roasting in Franklin Square, the motto, "Boast, Don't Boast," would look well permanently hung up there. Half the money contributed to make the widows and orphans of miners comfortable in this country would make the mines as safe as mines could be made. A Georgia young man, having been fined \$5.75 for stealing a kite, prompts an exchange to remark that the fine looks like a marked-down bargain from \$6. One express company has declared a three hundred per cent. dividend, and is ready for Thanksgiving. The country will be when it gets a parcels post. Massa Waterson calls attention to the fact that the democratic party has been "rearranged in death." It is a wonder some bright democrat had not thought of that before. Because a woman says her husband has no temper to speak of, does not

THE QUAIL TRAP.

Norwich Customs Obtain in the Country—Expert Barrel-Lifters—Ancient Bonfire History—A Thanksgiving Jingle

Thanksgiving Day, 1909.—Though now at the upper end of Windham county, the Quail Trap people kept up the old Norwich colonial custom of having a rousing Thanksgiving bonfire. Barrels were begged, borrowed, and bought, but perhaps the gathering of the pile of combustibles lacked the old-time zest of being chased by irate householders after their ash receivers. Who the old boys can now recall the thrill of "hooking" his first barrel, as if the whole New York police force was at his heels. There were local heroes of the gentle art of abstraction. One smooth talking boy would go to the front door and ask for an old barrel, while his confederates would be climbing the back fence with a good one. Ed Appleton and Morgan Safford would pound the police hurry call by knocking heads out over a bigging post, and then, with a sugar barrel under each arm, outran the fastest cop in the square. I betted a baseball into the farmer's wagon, and to my dismay saw the farmer coolly put the ball in his pocket and whip up a horse at a good clip up the hill. But Morgan Safford in a great burst of speed overtook the vehicle, climbed in behind, and, holding the ball club over the farmer's head, he shouted: "The ball, or your life!" We got the ball, and a peck of apples besides. When we were attacked by the Two-motors gang, did we not send up to the big mill pond for Savil Gibson, Royal McCracken and Murty to help us repel boarders? We had small fights with the Roathtown, Pepper's Hill and Georgetown parties, but the greatest rivalry was between the Landing boys and the West Side. Between these sections was not closely observed, and we will relate a well known incident which shows how a thief was set to catch a thief, and how much honor there was among these barrel thieves. The Jail Hill gang had stored over two hundred barrels in Ben Greene's cellar, where now stands the Buckingham. On a dark night, late in November, the West Siders, about 80 or 90 in number, impressing drays and trucks, raided this collection, leaving nothing but a small keg, on which was pinned a card with this challenge: "Come over and get them, if you dare!" The raiders in their haste were seen silently stealing by Chappell's and Norton's, but after they turned by John Breda's to the chargin of our scouts, they lit glaring torches and to the music of a fife and drum noisily marched over Wharf bridge and up Hardscrabble, rioting with their swords.

This wholesale robbery and insult was too galling to be borne, and at a council fire (where the Westsiders had their headquarters) a resolution was adopted to contraband of war "vi et armis." The Dave Ladd gang, whose barrels were heaped under Ladd's laundry, where the Ladd brothers, Morg. Safford, and Murty Savage, joined the Conference, headed by W. S. Tyler, Jr., Ed. Appleton and Charles Hakes. This battalion was augmented by Ben Washington Streets, headed by Ben

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