



"Appleton's Popular Science Monthly" for December (New York) has this table of contents: "What Growing Capacity of the United States," by Edward Atkinson; "The Racial Geography of Europe—The Jews," by Professor William Z. Ripley (illustrated); "The Playgrounds of Rural and Suburban Schools," by Isabella G. Oakley; "Up the Skeena River," by George A. Dorsey, Ph. D. (illustrated); "Light and Vegetation," by Professor D. T. MacDougal; "The Stone Age in Egypt," by J. de Morgan; "Superstition and Crime," by Professor E. P. Evans; "A Geological Romance," by Professor J. A. Udden (illustrated); "The Season of the Year," by Grant Allen; "Brain Weights and Intellectual Capacity," by Joseph Simms, M. D.; "Speleology, or Cave Exploration," by M. E. A. Martel; "Sketch of Charles Henry Hitchcock" (with portrait); "Evolution and Education," David Ames Wells; "Scientific Literature," "Fragments of Science."

The December (Christmas) "Critic" is not only the handsomest number of that periodical yet published, but it is one of the handsomest numbers of a literary magazine ever printed. The snow white cover, in red and black, is decorated with a beautiful reproduction of the "The Truce of the Bear." There is the lounge, full of illustrations, among them portraits of Rodin, the French sculptor, and Bourget, the French novelist; the latest and best portraits of Dr. Weir Mitchell and Lieutenant Holston, and one of Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the one she professes to like best. There come eight full page portrait sketches by Will Rothenstein, of Thomas Hardy, Henry James, John S. Sargent, Walter Crane, William Archer, W. E. Henley, George Bernard Shaw and Arthur Wing Pinero, whose "Treatise on the Cellar" has just been produced with great success. These are followed by the 101 quatrains of Fitzgerald's "Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam," with a portrait of the translator, and the Hon. John Hay's address before the Omar Khayyam Club of London; Rudyard Kipling's much discussed poem, "The Truce of the Bear"; an article on the late Puvion de Chavannes, with portrait and illustrations; a criticism of Tissot's illustrations for the "Life of Christ," now on exhibition in New York, with portraits and sketches; criticisms of the drama, with portraits of M. Henri de la Motte, the author of "Catherine," and of Mrs. Le Moyne and Mr. Worthing, together with essays by John Burroughs, Gilbert Parker, Maurice Thompson and others, and many pages of timely book reviews from the pens of specialists.

The "North American Review" (New York) for December has these valuable papers: "The Reorganization of the Naval Personnel," by Hon. Francis H. Wilson, Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Commodore John W. Philip, U. S. N.; Commodore George W. Melville, Engineer-in-Chief U. S. N. and Hon. George Edmund Foss; "Scientific Prevention of Yellow Fever," Dr. A. H. Doty, Health Officer of the Port of New York; "Studies in Cheerfulness," Max O'Rell; "Latest Aspect of the Nicaragua Canal Project," C. M. Stadden; "Do National Banks Examine the Examiners?" Hon. Thomas L. James, President of Lincoln National Bank; "Our Indian Problem," The Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D.; "The Atlantic Fisheries Question," P. T. McGrath; "The Fashoda Incident," Lieutenant Winston Spencer-Churchill; "The War of the Peace Commission," Hon. Hannis Taylor, late United States Minister to Spain; "The Decision Against Railway Pooling," Roswell Miller, President Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway; "Financial Wrong in Porto Rico," Lieutenant Clarence Wiener; "Concerning Ethics and Etiquette," Geraldine Meyrick.

There is a holiday air about the December issue of "Table Talk," and such a healthy, happy and helpful one that it appeals to the housekeeper in search of new and attractive dishes for her choicest dinner of the year, and the decorations given are helpful in her arrangements for the feast. For homemakers who want the latest ideas to make bright the closing days of the old year, "The New Bill of Fare," "Entertainment and Fashions" for December will yield much. The article on "Books" will greatly aid in the selection for friends, while under "Appropriate Quotations for Yule-Tide" may be found some help in choosing a line to accompany the gift. A sample copy will be sent free, to any of our readers sending their name and address to Table Talk Publishing Company, Philadelphia.

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The holiday number of the "Woman's Home Companion" is a Christmas gift in itself, with its wealth of short and long stories from Francis Lynde, Robert C. V. Meyers, Opie Read, Julia Truitt Bishop, Mary P. Leonard, Hester Caldwell Oakley, Harriet Prescott Spofford and William O. Stoddard. An illustrated paper entitled "A Christmas Song Symposium" presents five beautiful poems of the Christmas-tide. Edward A. Steiner, in relating the facts of the downfall and death of the Prince of Austria, tells a story stranger than ever imagined in fiction. Aside from its many literary features the journal is a delight to the eye in artistic make-up, and in the cover page typifying the Magi's visit to the Christ-child. The numerous articles, discussing special Christmas features offer many original suggestions under the titles "Shell-Work for Christmas Gifts," "A Christmas House Party," "A Christmas Idea" and "The Wife of Santa Claus," the last two developing unique ideas for Sunday-school entertainment and church fairs. "The Christmas Aftermath" is a telling appeal for moderation in giving. An impetus to higher living and thinking is given to one after reading Kate Upson Clark's plea for a simplified conventional dress or Ella Wheeler Wilcox's argument in favor of developing the affectional side of a child's character. Mary E. Baldwin writes of social shams under the title "On the Edge of Things," Mrs. Moses P. Handy offers practical suggestions on "The Art of Conversation," and Josephine Hill shows the harm of giving heed to "Circumstantial Evidence." Other pages discuss "Home Nursing," "Cookery for Girls," "Painting on Satin," "Making Dainty Handkerchiefs," and the usual fashion and household articles. Published by Mast, Crowell & Kirkpatrick, Springfield, O.

The "Overland Monthly" (San Francisco) has this table of contents for December: Frontispiece, "The Ferry"; frontispiece, "The Pasig River and Manila"; "A Chinatown Medley," by Sarah Comstock, with illustrations; "Courtship at Grizzly Spring," by Johannes Reimner, with drawings by K. Montague Hall; "The Christmas Bells of 1898," by Margaret A. Brooks; "O Time and Change," by Ida Keaniston, with illustrations; "The Pardon of Sainte Anne de la Palue," by Algernon G. Shaw, with drawings by the author; "One Incident in the Life of Little Doubtful," by Grace F. Davenport, with pictures; "Ostrich Ranching in California," by S. M. Kennedy, illustrated; "On an Indian Basket," by J. Torrey Connor, illustrated; "The World Runs Round," by E. R. Sill, with portrait; "Some Aspects of the Washington Hoop Fields," by Susan Lord Currier, illustrated; "The Self-Accuser," by Geraldine Meyrick; "Captain Clark and the Oregon," by N. A. Hamilton, illustrated; "Santa Cruz," by F. L. Clarke, with illustrations; "Missouri Bill's Last Trip," by James H. Lawrence, with drawing by Dixon; "Edward Rowland Sill," by Frederic L. Wheeler; "The Whispering Gallery," by Rositter Johnson.

"Municipal Engineering" for December (Indianapolis) is rich in illustrations, notably of systems of street cleaning and of brick paving. Besides the regular and many departments, these subjects are treated: "Town Waterworks From a Financial Standpoint," W. L. Hedenberg; "A Study of Paving Materials," George W. Tillsie; "Theory and Practice of Asphalt Mixtures," A. W. Dow, Inspector of Asphalts and Cements, Washington, D. C.; "Better Work and Better Prices for Asphalt and Other Pavements," J. W. Howard; "Artificial Stone Paving," Warner H. Jenkins; "The Washington Meeting of the A. S. M. I.," "Forms of the Municipal Reports," "Current Information," "Machinery and Trade," "Improvement and Contracting News."

The Christmas number of "Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly" (N. Y.) comes in a beautiful, seasonable number. The illustrations are profuse and handsome, and the text entertaining and attractive. Among the more important papers we make note of Bookock's "Romance and Tragedy of Schonbrunn"; Mrs. Leslie's "Cuban Bygones"; Minna Irving's "Naval Divers"; Sutphen's "Praise of Gold," and Mrs. Allen's "Women in Journalism."

The December magazine number of "The Outlook" is its tenth annual book number. "The Outlook" was, it is believed, the first of the weekly papers to publish a special illustrated number

OUR STORES WILL REMAIN OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 8 P. M.

MONDAY AT 9:30 A. M.

Noiety Capes and Suits. Also Tan Jackets and Fur Neckwear.

MONDAY we shall offer a few very fine novelty garments, such as velvet capes, cloth capes, and a few high-priced suits. We have decided to reduce them before Xmas, when such goods are wanted. Anyone desiring exclusive styles will do well to examine these specialties, as follows:

Handsome black velvet capes, finest quality silk velvet, richly trimmed and all silk lined. This season's latest style and correct length. **Reduced from \$65 to \$44.**

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Lot III.—All-Silk-Lined Serge Suits for Women, \$15.00.

Received direct from our New York tailor a limited quantity of fine chevrot serge suits, all silk-lined throughout, in navy blue and black. These are fly front jackets, round corners and latest cut flounce skirt. The navy suits are lined throughout — jacket and skirt with cerise and turquoise taffeta. The black suits are lined throughout with good black taffeta silk. Make your own calculations and you will quickly discover that silk-lined suits like these cannot be made for the price we ask.

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These wool rugs are 9 by 12 feet in size and of the best manufacture. They have a heavy, high pile that does not crush, and the colors are as sun fast as colors can be. The back of the rugs is heavy and firm, so that they will not curl up on the ends. Seven colors and designs to choose from, including the popular Bokhara patterns. These rugs are rich, luxurious in appearance and really works of art. **Price, \$40.**

erine Louise Smith; "Electricity in Japan—No Famine Ahead"; "Labor Co-Partnership"; "Among the Magazines: The Nicaragua Canal—Felix Adler on Imperialism"; "Guntion Institute Work: Announcement—A New Local Center Plan"; "Practical Statesmanship" (Class Lecture); "Work for December."

The December issue of the "New England Magazine" (Boston) appears in a special holiday cover with a varied and attractive table of contents. The frontispiece of the magazine, a reproduction from a religious painting by an Italian artist. One of the important features is the beautifully illustrated article on Adolph Menzel, of whose work W. Henry Winslow treats under the title, "Prussia's Greatest Artist." E. C. Gardner contributes an interesting study of "Colonial Architecture." In our architecture of the present day, external sculpture by way of decoration, is becoming more common, and in Boston has just appeared a new feature in this line of art, where, on the facade of the Congregational House have been placed tablets depicting scenes from American history. These "Relief Tablets on the New Congregational House" are described and explained by Rev. Edward G. Porter, while photographic facsimiles of the four reliefs are reproduced in his pages. Abram English Brown writes of "Journal of the Minister of Bedford." William Carver Bates in "Boston Writing Masters Before the Revolution," tells of an old copy book still in existence, a relic of the old South Writing School. Miss Edith Parker Thomson, under the title "A Remarkable Boys' Club," discusses the important philanthropic work which is being done in Fall River, a club for working boys. William Everett Cram, the enthusiastic student of nature life, records some of his observations of the habits of squirrels. While spending several years in the South, Rev. William E. Barton made a collection of quaint negro songs and under the title, "Plantation Hymns" here gives many which have never before been put into print. E. P. Powell in "The Battle of the Migrations" tells of the settlements west of the Mississippi. A story entitled "Fiddle and Jimmie" by Miss May McHenry, is attractively illustrated with drawings by Sears Gallagher. "St. Catherine's" is a Christmas sketch by Arthur Willis Colton, and "An Engagement at Sea" is a story by Lewis E. MacBrayne.

Knowledge at College.

There came a young freshman to college. When he heard that he had to get knowledge.

He said, "Goodness me! Why, how can this be? What's going on at college?"

—Anna N. Benjamin in the November St. Nicholas.

Catarth is caused by a cold or succession of colds, combined with impure blood. Catarth is cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which eradicates from the blood all scrofulous taints.

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is the only remedy on the market that will cure every form of Headache in 3 to 10 minutes, correct indigestion, stimulate the nerves and build up the system. It should be in every home and every traveler's grip-sack. At all Druggists, 25 cents.

An Apology to Major A. J. Criqui.

Major Criqui, the little man, complains that we have not made room in the paper for his picture. Which we now do, and also that we have been spelling his name with an "e" at the end instead of an "i."

We therefore make this statement in order to set ourselves right with the Major, and hope that when he reads it in the Sunday morning paper that it will please him.

Major Criqui is 22 years old, and boasts of being a member of the Newark (N. J.) Lodge of Elks, No. 21. He will be here a few days longer.

MONDAY AT 9:30 A. M.

Toy Sad Irons, 8c.

A perfect model sad iron with stand for the little housekeeper; has wooden handle; brightly polished base, and is 3 1/2 inches long. Fancy metal stand.

MONDAY'S PRICE, 8c

Bayonets and Guns, 18c.

Boys this Christmas will appreciate guns. Here is one for Monday that has a bayonet and shoots a wooden stick.

MONDAY'S PRICE, 18c

Photograph Albums, 50c to \$6.50.

This year we have so many styles in albums and at so many different prices that we feel sure of being able to please everyone. The covers in transparent celluloid effect, with handsome pictures, are especially attractive.

As a sample of the good values, we call attention to an album with full celluloid back and front, in tinted colors and a very attractive book, at 95c.

Crocery Department Down Stairs.

Here are some useful items at popular prices for holiday gifts: Decorated china cake plates, open handles, 25c.

Decorated cake plate sets, 7 pieces, \$1.00.

China cracker jars, decorated, 75c.

Chocolate sets of 13 pieces, all decorated, \$2.25 set.

China cup, saucer and plate to match, 25c.

After dinner coffee cups and saucer, 12c.

Large size decorated coffee cups, 20c.

Bisque figures, 15c pair.

German beer mugs (or steins), 23c.

AMERICA'S AFFLICTION.

A Russian Traveler Who Will Go Home and Tell About It.

S. Hanflum, fifty years of age, blond, gray, whiskered, voluble, and all the way from St. Petersburg, Russia, is at the Brown Palace Hotel. To the surprise of a caller, who had never seen the gentleman before, Mr. Hanflum turned, and with an expression of delight upon his face, exclaimed:

"Ach, my friend! I am full with delight. You are ze zheniteman from Melbourne viz I meet on ze high mountain, ze peak of—vat you call heem? Ah! Pike, ze peak of Pike. Eet es vis ze greatest pleasur I see you."

When gently told that he was mistaken he could hardly believe it.

"Eet eset poosesh? Vell, eet es remarkable ze raysambance."

His accent and vernacular were peculiar. Sometimes he talked like a German, sometimes like a Frenchman. His manner was wholly French.

"Yes, sahr," said he in answer to a question, "I am a resident of St. Petersburg, Poland, but I live in R-russia tarty yalce. My name es Jairman, but I am not. Eet es only ze name viz eet es Jairman. Deed you neteees zat name? Hanf, you see, meence hemp, and blum es ze flower; zat es atogay—chair, heamp flower. Zat es preety, eet es eet not?"

It was, and his visitor admitted it. "I haf been in America some weeks, and haf neteees many 'tings to pleece me and some vich do not. Now, zat sengular custom of eating gom. Zat es ze most remarkable. Eet es not fair me to understand. All ze time ze yot bite, bite, chewing zis gom. So many, too!" And Mr. Hanflum held up both hands and arms like a pair of exclamation points.

"On ze car from Boofalo to Neeackee-ra zair was a young leddy setting in front of me ating zis gom—vizout stop, sink of it! All ze time I ask, 'Vat es zis zat ze pebble all eating?' I was told, I purchase some of ze leedle stuff an' I haf heem in my mouse—Pa-ah! I shpat heem out. Eet es like medecen and vorse. And eet es so ogly! I vunder so much at zis mees-er-able habet, and eet seemce to be ze habet deestentkeet, naycooml—eset eet zo?"

The impeachment was admitted with grief.

"And eet zair no r-aymedee, no cure for zees ter-rible sing? No? Zat es sad."—Denver Post.

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BEN ZAUGG,
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MONDAY, DEC. 12th.

Waist Lengths of Silk for Gifts.

When the store opens Monday next we shall offer a rare assemblage of fine waist lengths, varying from 3 1/2 to 4 yards, according to width—but in every case we shall insure sufficient for a stylish waist. These are all rich glace taffetas and fancy novelties in

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We shall include a few plain taffetas in cerise, emerald, turquoise, heliotrope and rose, also a limited quantity of waist lengths in black satin duchess, black taffeta, black armure and black peau de soie. You will find at this time a choice gathering of fine silks in every conceivable new shade, in this season's prettiest combinations.

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