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Events are steadily proving that there is not even a speaking acquaintance between Theodore Roosevelt and fear.

No Seat, Half Fare.

NUMEROUS attempts have been made in different cities to enact and enforce in connection with street railway business the principle of "no seat, no fare," but the courts have held that legislation compelling a carrier to carry a person for nothing is unconstitutional.

Jersey Injustice.

THE ACQUITTAL of Laura Figgar, the actress, of the charge of conspiracy with two other women to rob the estate of the elderly millionaire, Bennett, illustrates the susceptibility of the average jury where a fascinating woman is concerned.

An Inexplicable Blunder.

NOW THAT the prospect of a peaceful issue out of the Venezuelan imbroglio is becoming bright, it is interesting to notice that the best public opinion in these islands is counting round to the belief of the best public opinion in the United States, that King Edward's joining hands with King William to force a petty South American state was a diplomatic blunder of incomparable stupidity.

Outline Studies of Human Nature

Mr. Cortelyou's Start. The probable appointment of Mr. Cortelyou, secretary to the president, to the head of the new department of commerce, brings him in the public gaze more strongly than ever.

THE CHRISTMAS DREAM.

T WAS the night before Christmas (I've heard that before, But it really don't matter, we'll see it once more).

I WAS watching the pale little moonbeams get lost And melting away in the froilike like frost, When right on the hearth in my dear mamma's room, And had left by the front door an armful of hay, Where Santa was certain to stop in his sleigh.

HIS can was of fur from the far polar seas, And his pipe was so long it reached down to his knees, And the smoke curled about him like halos they paint In azure and gold o'er the head of a saint.

BUT his face was so kind that I wasn't afraid, "Hello! you are Santa Claus," that's what I said, "I'd like you to show me your new toys, the go With bright whistles, and machinery, you know."

THAT smile was so jolly it made me smile back, As a glittering soldier jumped out of his pack, A regular jim-dandy, all ready for strife, Who drilled and saluted as natural as life.

NEXT a train and an engine went puffing about, And stopped at the stations to let people out, And I cannot remember one-half of the things That followed on rollers and pulleys and wings.

HE showed me a picture of Christmas-land; drums, And sleds on the bushes, and kites on the air, And you're nothing to do but go pick them yourself, The snow, when it falls in that beautiful land, Is not freezingly hard and so cold to your hand,

HE picked up my slate and my pencil at last, And laughed to himself as he wrote very fast: "Little girls, little boys, love your fathers and mothers, Your cousins and playmates, your sisters and brothers, And you may be sure I will love you, and never Forget to fill up all your stockings forever."

MAMMA says that I dreamed it, the good saint of boys Is a great deal too busy to bother with boys, But I was awake, wide awake, through it all, And heard every time the clock struck in the hall, And my eyes never closed, not a minute, you see, Till I counted the chimes, and it 'twas half after three, And I know it was Santa Claus, too, by his looks, Because I have seen him so often in books.

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