The Intelligencer.

WHEELING LETTER.

The Tramp Problem—Legislative Matters—Public Printing Measurement.

[Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Leader.]

WHEELING, W. VA., December 14, 1875.—Wheeling charity expended itself last winter in providing substantial food and lodging for those "poor unfortunates," as they were then called. A fine building in the most public part of the city was rented and converted into a soup-house a scientific caterer was employed at a reasonable salary, and three meals were served to all "birds of passage" who applied, free of charge and in welcome. If they came not to the diurnal feast voluntarily, some enthusiast was even ready to go out into the highways and byways and press the invitation. As for lodgings, the station-house was converted into as comfortable sleeping apartments as possible, and with a warm fire and full stomachs they thought poverty not such a bad thing after all. In fact, they rather liked it. The name and fame of this city went abroad as the very paradise of tramps, and they gathered here to the number of a hundred or two. If the station-house became too warm and crowded, they would gather around the fire-plugs, where large fires were made to prevent the pipes freezing. Standing around these fires at night, they presented a picture of all phases of dilapidation, from the "ragged and torn" to shabby gentility looking much like the bivouac of the company that marched through Coventry. For a while our citizens looked at this with a good deal of self-complacency, but toward spring their ardor in this "good work" began to cool, and so did the soup. The tramps who had waxed fat, like the character spoken of in scripture, "kicked," and as the weather got fine struck out for "green fields and pastures new." This winter the hospitality and charity of the Wheelingites have taken a more practical turn. Hardly had Jack Frost touched the earth with his icy fingers when our City Council passed an ordinance establishing a workhouse for the special benefit of tramps, and now as soon as one makes his appearance he is escorted to this new rendezvous, and with his little hammer is compelled to study the interior formation of a pile of rocks provided for that purpose.

"Alas! for the rarity
Of true Christian charity,
Under the sun."

THE LEGISLATURE.

The principal work of the Legislature since its session here has been the trial of the Auditor and the State Treasurer for high crimes and misdemeanors in office. They were impeached by the House and sent to the Senate for trial, where it is now pending. The Legislature will probably adjourn next week. The members have no cause to complain of their treatment since they have come here. They have been feted on every side and innumerable amusements gotten up in their honor. The first Legislature which met in this city complained that they were not treated with due respect by the denizens of this place, and some may possibly think that the marked respect shown to the present body, both individually and collectively, is not altogether disinterested. But the fact is the citizens of Wheeling don't anticipate such a thing as the removal of the Capital from this place for a considerable time to come, and if there is a difference in the treatment of the present Legislature from the one that first convened here, it is because it is composed of a different class of men—men of ability, and who are socially the equal of our rather fastidious people.

THE PUBLIC PRINTER.

The Treasurer and Auditor are not the only officials who are commanding the attention of the Legislature by the peculiar manner in which they conduct their several departments. The Public Printer divides the honor with the aforementioned worthies. For the last few years the State printing has been auctioneered to the lowest bidder, and some of the bids have been so low by the 1,000 ems that an honest man might wonder that the Public Printer did not find himself in the poor-house by the end of the first year. The present incumbent, however, has shown how the thing is done by a bill presented for printing one thousand school blanks. The only printing on these blanks is a line or two running across the upper part of the page thus, for an illustration:

1863 1866 1867 1868 1869 1870 1871 1872

The figures which we are to illustrate are "boxed," as the printers call it, by the ruling machine. Our Public Printer claims that by the law he is entitled to measure this whole blank once for every fire justifications, and that each number enclosed within the lines is a justification. Accordingly he measures this one blank thirty-eight times as solid Nonpareil and presents a bill for this one job of nearly ten thousand dollars! How is this for a double back-action, side movement multiplication. NEMO.

The Cure for Gossip.

What is the cure for gossip? Simply, culture. There is a great deal of gossip that has no malignity in it. Good-natured people talk about their neighbors because, and only because, they have nothing else to talk about. As we write, there comes to us the picture of a family of young ladies. We have seen them at home, we have met them in galleries of art, we have caught glimpses of them going from a bookstore, or a library, with a fresh volume in their hands. When we meet them, they are full of what they have seen and read. They are brimming with questions. One topic of conversation is dropped only to give place to another, in which they are interested. We have left them, after a delightful hour, stimulated and refreshed; and during the whole hour not a neighbor's garment was soiled by so much as a touch. They had something to talk about. They knew something, and wanted to know more. They could listen as well as they could talk. To speak freely of a neighbor's doings and belongings would have seemed an impertinence to them, and, of course, an impropriety. They had no temptation to gossip, because the doings of their neighbors formed a subject very much less interesting than those which grew out of their knowledge and their culture.

And this tells the whole story. The confirmed gossip is always either malicious or ignorant. The one variety needs a change of heart and the other a change of pasture. Gossip is always a personal confession either of malice or imbecility, and the young should not only shun it, but by the most thorough culture relieve themselves from all temptation to indulge in it. It is a low, frivolous, and too often a dirty business. There are country neighborhoods in which it rages like a pest. Churches are split in pieces by it. Neighbors are made enemies by it for life. In many persons it degenerates into a chronic disease, which is practically incurable. Let the young cure it while they may.—*Dr. J. G. Holland; Scribner for January.*

RAVAGES OF DIPHTHERIA.—The Hartford *Times* of Friday evening has this sad statement: A large number of gentlemen assembled at the residence of Mr. Wm. Meggat in Wethersfield, yesterday afternoon, to attend the funeral services of his three children, who were all taken away within twenty-four hours. It was an impressive scene. The services were conducted by Rev. Howard Clapp. The three little ones lay side by side, in rosewood caskets, covered with flowers. They were borne from the house in one hearse and taken to Cedar Hill cemetery, where they were all deposited in the receiving tomb. Neither the father nor mother was able to attend the service. They, with three children and a nephew—six in all—are confined to their beds by the same terrible disease—diphtheria—which robbed them of their children.

THE JANUARY MAGAZINES.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE.

Lippincott's Magazine makes a strong bid for popular favor during the coming year by beginning in the January number a series of papers entitled "The Century, its Fruits and its Festival," and designed, as the name indicates, as a record of the Centennial Exhibition while in progress. The opening paper gives a spirited sketch of the general advance in the past hundred years and the chief inventions and improvements that have revolutionized society. After this preliminary survey the series will be illustrated, and can hardly fail to prove attractive as well as serviceable. The third installment of Mr. Bruce's "Up the Thames" furnishes very pleasant reading, and throws fresh interest on the historical sites and picturesque scenery depicted in the fine wood-cuts that accompany the text. Another illustrated article transports us to India, and deals in a somewhat novel manner with its religious systems and ideas, always objects of wonder and inquiry. Three other articles in the number call for special notice: "The House on the Beach," which is a graphic account of the signal service and the benefits it confers upon the country, by Mrs. Rebecca Harding Davis; an anecdotical paper on court life in France, under the title of "Gentilhomme and Gentleman," by a writer who has evidently a personal knowledge of the scenes and incidents described; and a letter from Portugal, giving a vivid but appalling picture of the destitution and demoralization that prevail among the masses of the people. The variety of the contents is well maintained by an entertaining article on "Old Plantation Life in South Carolina," by Robert Wilson; the continuation of Mrs. Linton's able and interesting serial, "The Atonement of Leam Dundas;" and a story by the author of *Blindpits*, "Lady Arthur Elidon's Dying Letter," which is marked by the shrewd observation and insight into character that distinguish this anonymous writer. A fine poem by Mrs. Kemble, and a letter in the "Gossip" describing the recent performance of the *Kreuzesscheale* at Ober-Ammergau, should *not be overlooked*. The whole number is bright and readable in a high degree, and commends this magazine strongly to those desiring to subscribe to such a periodical for the coming year. $4 00 per annum. J. B. Lippincott & Co., Publishers, Philadelphia.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.

Harper's Magazine for January contains sixty-six illustrations and a rich variety of reading matter. The Number begins and ends with Florida. The opening article, "The Oklawaha," by Constance F. Woolson, profusely illustrated, describes the scenery, tropical fruits and flowers, and the historical associations of the most wonderful river-valley in Florida; and the concluding poem of the Number, "Florida Pioneers," is a pleasant rendering in verse of the story of recent progress in Orange county, in that State.

The illustrated descriptive articles on New England, of late so prominent a feature in *Harper*, are continued, this Number containing an interesting description of a University town—"Cambridge on the Charles"—with twenty-six engravings, comprising illustrations of the college buildings and the historic houses, and portraits of Harvard's most eminent presidents, and of the distinguished literary men of Cambridge.

The Number has a Christmas flavor, especially in the capital illustrated paper on Belfry Music, entitled "The Poetry of Steeples." "A Quaker's Chrismas eve" is a beautiful poem, contributed by Fannie R. Robinson. The Editor's Easy Chair opens with a delightful chat about the influence of Dickens, Thackeray, and Irving on our Christmas festival.

Among the lighter and more attractive articles of the Number must be reckoned the Hon. S. S. Cox's concluding paper on "Legislative Humors," which is rich in anecdote and personal allusion.

President Barnard, in the "First Century" series, concludes his able and suggestive review of the contributions made to the exact sciences by Americans, and is followed by Prof. Theo. Gill, who reviews American progress in Natural Science.

John J. Stevenson, who is to England what Viollet-le-Duc is to France, contributes an exceedingly instructive and lucid paper on Gothic Architecture, with explanatory illustrations.

There are three unusually strong stories in this Number, contributed by the Rev. Wm. M. Baker, Mrs. Frank M'Carthy, and G. W. Cable. Julian Hawthorne's serial story, "Garth", still continued, has no equal in recent American fiction. The Number contains poems, in addition to those already mentioned, by the Rev. Horatio N. Powers, Carl Spencer, Hannah R. Hudson, and John J. Piatt.

The Messrs. Harper announce the commencement, in the February number, of a new novel by George Eliot, of the same scope as "Middlemarch," portraying English social life of the present day.

SCRIBNER.

"New York in the Revolution" is the leading illustrated paper in *Scribner* for January, and will probably surprise all but genuine old Knickerbockers, on account of its bringing to light a number of Revolutionary scenes and localities, about which little or nothing is popularly known. Mr. Scudder's story of "Cupid and Mars," on the other hand, gives a good idea of Boston life during the siege, and of Christmas a hundred years ago. The first installment of a series of revolutionary letters appears in this number; and there is a glimpse of General Washington—by heresay—in the opening installment of Edward Everett Hale's serial story of "Philip Dolan's Friends, or, Show your Passports!" This story is to run through the year, and is an historical romance of the Mississippi Valley. There is something about Christmas in the New York article, as well as in Mr. Scudder's story, and we have besides, a poem entitled "The King's Christmas," with illustrations. Mr. Clarence Cook's illustrated papers on house-furnishing are resumed in this number, and Mr. John Burroughs has a paper on "House Building," with plans, etc. The poets are Mrs. S. M. B. Piatt, E. C. Stedman, Constantina E. Brooks, Celia Thaxter, H. H., Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen, and R. H. Stoddard. The titles of other contributions are, "Hooks and Eyes," "Pictures of the French Renaissance," Elementary Education in England and Wales," "Norwegian Traits," and "Childhood's Fancies," the latter by Col. Higginson. One of the greatest features of interest, however, is Bret Harte's "Gabriel Conroy," of which there are five chapters, crowded with interest.

Dr. Holland, in "Topics of the Time," discusses "The Centennial," "The Coming Man," "The Prices of Books," "A Cure for Gossip." The Old Cabinet has "Something in Favor of the Sentimentalist," "Criticism," etc. The Bric-a-Brac department is principally given up to the makers of humorous verse.

ST. NICHOLAS

Is, as might have been expected, an exceptionally beautiful issue of this invariably beautiful magazine.

For a single number of a children's periodical, its list of contributors is an unexampled, an astonishing, an extravagant one, for among its stories are: Bayard Taylor's vivid and charming narrative of "Jon of Iceland," Edward Eggleston's characteristic "Hoosier Fairy Story," Louisa M. Alcott's jolly account of "Marjorie's Birthday Gifts," J. T. Trowbridge's capital "Bass Cove Sketch" (one of the very best sketches that this noted author has ever written), Susan Coolidge's "Toinette and the Elves," and Abby Morton Diaz's little story of "Getting Up in the World;" while its list of poems contains H. H.'s "St. Christopher," Celia Thaxter's "Piccola," and C. P. Cranch's "How Willie Coasted by Moonlight." All these articles, moreover, are thoroughly representative of the individual and widely recognized ability of their authors, and all but two are beautifully illustrated; the gorgeous picture of "St. Christopher," a reproduction of Tintoretto's celebrated painting, forming a worthy frontispiece for such a brilliant number.

And as for Christmas—well, figuratively speaking, the good saint gives us a seat in his reindeer-harnessed, overloaded sleigh, and takes us with him on his annual journey. We have "Christmas in the Arctic Regions," celebrating it in the cabin of a vessel that lies, icebound, under perpetual moonlight; "Christmas in the Far East," in the august presence of a jeweled Siamese prince; "A Southern Christmas Eve," with flowers instead of snow; in short, Christmas everywhere until this one holiday with *St. Nicholas* has somehow lengthened out into a merry voyage round the world. The good saint seems, verily, to have outdone himself, if that were possible, and has certainly given to the children of the country, in the holiday number of his namesake, the finest Christmas gift Young America has yet received.

Our Normal Schools.

MOUNDSVILLE, December 16.

Editors Intelligencer:

So the greatest objection to our normal schools seems to be that they are nothing more or less than "local high schools." I think it no more than just that the facts in the case should be fairly presented. I am glad to see that Prof. Blair of Fairmont, has given statistics of the Fairmont school that utterly refutes the charge as far as that school is concerned, and as I had the honor of being Principal of the West Liberty School for several years, it may not be amiss to present a few facts concerning it. The first catalogue showed an attendance of 97; representing the counties of Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler and Wood, and Wheeling City. The second year we had a class of 10 graduates. The third year, closing July 1st, 1873, gave the following: Members enrolled, 110; graduates 20. These pupils were from the following counties, viz: Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler, Wood, and Wheeling City, in our own State, and from Washington co., Pa., and Monroe co., Ohio. About one-half of these were boarders. There were 41 of them State Cadets, notwithstanding it appears from the last report of the State Superintendent i. e. in the report of the Wheeling Superintendent to him, that there were never at one time more than thirty Cadets in the school. The majority of the pupils paid tuition which was a source of revenue to the school. The school increased slowly in numbers, but greatly in interest; all the time I had charge of it, and I was confident of opening up in the fall of 1873 with at least one hundred students. I had the positive assurance of more than twenty-five new Cadets, but who from some cause did not go after I was discontinued. Some went to Waynesburg, a few to Fairmont and the rest came to Moundsville. I don't claim that the West Liberty Normal School was better than other schools or even as good, but I do claim thorough scholars were made there, and I am satisfied had it not been for the ruinous policy pursued toward it there would today be at least two hundred pupils in attendance. If it along with others of our schools, is no more than a local school, it is because it has been made so by unwise legislation. They were all flourishing at one time, and would have been yet if let alone. These things may not be palatable to some, but they are truths that can not be denied. I quite agree with Dr. Blair in all his arguments in favor of normal training, and I will make the assertion, without fear of successful contradiction, that no school system can succeed well without this training. We can never make a normal department in our University meet the demand for good teachers for our common ungraded schools; and I think it is surely not wisdom on the part of its friends to urge it. Our University looks, or should look, to the giving of a higher education, and it is but few of those who graduate there that will ever teach in our common schools. But give proper encouragement to the normal schools of our State; send from them competent teachers into all the schools of our State; and there will soon be awakened such an interest in the cause that will fill our University with pupils striving for higher attainments. If properly conducted all our schools will soon be the best feeders to our University and our Colleges. But to make them such we must have *teachers* and we must look to our Normal Schools *for the teachers*. Now what is to be done under the circumstances? I understand that the majority of our people think we have too many Normal Schools, but that they cannot make the number less without destroying all, for fear of offending some one. Away with such policy. Do what is for the best interest of the State, without fear or favor, and leave the result to the future.

Our schools just now are very much in need of wise legislation, and it is to be hoped that our legislators will see to it that they get it. F. H. CRAGO.

Correction.

Editors of the Intelligencer:

In my note yesterday on Normal schools the sentence in the first paragraph ending June 18th 1874, should read June 18th 1875. Respectfully yours,

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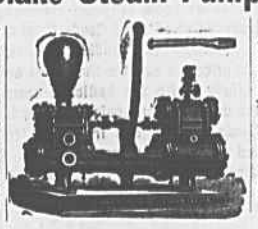

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