

DELAY AT THE JAIL. RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT PLACED UPON THE PLUMBERS. JUDGE WITT'S ORDER SERVED.

St. James Chapter. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, of St. James church, held a meeting last night...

Guard Mount at Armory. Company B, of the Seventeenth regiment, held a guard mount at the armory last night...

"WHEN WE WERE TWENTY-ONE" PROVED DISAPPOINTING. Small Audiences Saw Esmond's Comedy Presented by Weak Company at Academy Yesterday.

During the season of 1901-1902 the "Volunteer Organist" was presented throughout the United States by three distinct companies...

The Giffen Company returns to this city next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday a very elaborate production of "Captain Swift," Haddon Chambers' successful play.

At the Bijou there will come this afternoon the last performance of the beautiful comedy "The Merry Widow" by the George Fawcett Company.

Ten-Ichi, the Japanese juggler, who will head the bill at the Bijou next week, has introduced a new act called the mystic cave, which is creating a great comment wherever he appears.

Payment in Matter of Plus Fund. MEXICO CITY, December 3.—Secretary of the Treasury Limantour has asked Congress to authorize the payment of Mexico's Mexican currency...

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A PROBLEM SOLVED.

Another Gordian Knot Cut.

A DISCOVERY INVALUABLE TO THE SCIENCE OF MEDICINE.

An Invention That Will Be Beneficial to Thousands of People.

There is no doubt about the value of Vinol, this new form of cod liver oil, concerning which so much has been said lately. It is a certain and reliable remedy...

It is not often we believe it our duty to expatiate so fully on a subject, but this is one that will admit of careful investigation...

ENORMOUS REVENUES; BUT \$593,000,000 SPENT.

Surplus in Federal Treasury, \$91,257,375—Receipts from Internal Revenue, \$271,880,122.

The revenues of the government from all sources for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1902, according to the annual report of the secretary of the treasury made public today...

The largest item of the treasury was for pensions amounting to \$138,485,537.30. Other expenditures were as follows:

For the civil establishment, including foreign intercourse, public buildings, collecting the revenues, District of Columbia, and other miscellaneous expenses, \$111,057,113.29.

For the military establishment, including rivers and harbors, forts, arsenals, sea-coast, and the war with Spain and in the Philippines, \$112,272,216.65.

For the naval establishment, including construction of new vessels, machinery, armament, equipment, and improvement at navy-yards, and expenses of the war with Spain and in the Philippines, \$7,802,128.24.

For Indian Service, \$10,649,544.86. For the Post Office, \$2,108,044.82. For deficiency in postal revenues, \$2,492,152.52. For Postal Service, \$12,548,265.25.

OPERATIONS OF THE TREASURY. The treasurer of the United States, in his annual report, distinguishes, as the striking features of the condition of the treasury, the magnitude of the available cash balance and the unprecedented holdings of gold.

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NATIONAL BANKS. The number of associations in active operation Oct. 31, 1902, was 4,678, with authorized capital of \$114,455,665, bonds on deposit to secure circulation, \$23,535,679, and a national outstanding secured by bonds, \$35,733,189.

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caused a reduction of \$97,951,999 in the value of corn meal exported, and the fall of upward of 1 per cent per pound in the average price of cotton, as compared with 1901, resulted in a reduction of \$23,621,621 in the value of cotton exports, although the quantity exported in 1902 was greater than that of 1901.

IMMIGRATION. The commissioner-general of immigration reports that there arrived at ports of the United States during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1902, 648,743 aliens as steerage passengers and 2,656 as cabin passengers, aggregating a total of 651,400.

Of the 648,743 steerage passengers, 608,852 came direct to continental ports of the United States, 9,870 came to ports of the territory of Hawaii, 732 to those of Porto Rico, and 29,199 to Canadian ports. By comparison with corresponding figures for the preceding year, there has been an increase of 47,000 in the principal sources of this large influx of aliens were Italy, which furnished 184,683; Austria-Hungary, 175,900, and Russia, including Finland, 166,721.

LIFE-SAVING SERVICE. The number of disasters to documented vessels within the scope of the service during the month of December was 3,424 persons, of whom nineteen were lost. The estimated value of the vessels was \$3,253,630, and that of their cargoes \$5,123,380, making the total value of property involved \$13,377,010.

TWO DANVILLE WEDDINGS. Miss Chambliss the Bride of Mr. Simpson—Inckley-Milner. DANVILLE, VA., December 3.—(Special.)—Miss Minnie Chambliss, a very pretty and charming young woman, was to-night married quietly at her home, on DuBois street, to Mr. George Simpson.

came so near the pedestrian that he struck it with an umbrella which he was carrying at the time. Mr. T. B. Tharrington and family have moved to Petersburg.

NEW IDEA AT WHITE HOUSE. Copy of President's Message Sent in Floor of Hallway. WASHINGTON, D. C., December 3.—Last evening, without the least ceremony, a pretty function occurred in the main corridor of the White House.

Street-Car Men Nominate Names for Officers for Ensuing Year Put Up Last Night. After a stormy meeting lasting two hours the union street-car men adjourned at 10 minutes to 3 o'clock this morning, having made the nominations for officers for the ensuing term.

Steering by a Star Compass. (San Francisco Chronicle.) One of the most important and far-reaching inventions to the maritime world ever recorded has been patented by Capt. Robert T. Lawless of the steamship Australia of the Oceanic Steamship Company.

He Gained Seven Days. John Watson, a colored man, escaped from the Tucker plantation, near the State Farm, Tuesday. He had only seven days to serve.

'Tis Folly to Be Wise. (London Puncia.) (An American scientist has come to the conclusion that the tendency of the intellect to over-estimate the importance of women is to make them lose their youth.

Corcoran Knocked Out by Douglass. SAVANNAH, GA., December 3.—Tom Corcoran was knocked out in the second round here to-night by Fred Douglass, both of Savannah.

CHIEFLY PERSONAL. The public is cordially invited to the annual meeting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to be held at the Mechanics Institute Friday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

All who are interested in the box to be held at the Mechanics Institute on Friday morning, December 5, are requested to send contributions to the First Baptist church Friday morning.

THE CHRISTMAS SALE OF FANCY AND USEFUL ARTICLES BEGINS AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH THIS EVENING AT 8 O'CLOCK.

MISS EMMA THORNTON, OF CHICAGO, ILL., HAS BEEN ELECTED TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN.

THE CONDITION OF PROFESSOR BLAIR, WHOSE illness has been reported as slightly improved yesterday evening.

THE REV. D. G. C. BUTTS, FORMERLY OF Gloucester county, passed through the city yesterday en route to Lynchburg, where he has gone to take charge of Centenary Methodist church.

ANN ARBOR, MICH., November 4.—Herodias is ascribed as one of the fundamental causes of bad spelling by Professor F. M. Smoot, of the English Department.

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FAVORITE POEM.

GLOOMY DECEMBER.

(By Robert Burns.) Once mair I hail thee, thou gloomy December! Once mair I hail thee wi' sorrow and care; Sad was the parting thou mak'st me remember. Parting wi' Nancy, Oh! ne'er to meet mair. Fond lovers' parting is sweet, painful pleasure. Hope beaming mild on the soft parting hour; In the dire feeling, O, farewell forever! In anguish unmingled and agony pure.

Will as the winter now tearing the forest. 'Till the last leaf of the summer is flown. Such is the tempest has shaken my bosom. Since my last hope and comfort is gone! Still, as I hail thee, thou gloomy December. Still shall I hail thee wi' sorrow and care; For sad was the parting thou mak'st me remember. Partin' wi' Nancy, oh! ne'er to meet mair.

Some people are ear-minded and some eye-minded. The ear-minded person is one who naturally learns how to spell best by hearing a word spelled. The eye-minded person is one who can best acquire spelling by studying how the word looks when properly written.

ANCIENT BRACELETS FOUND. (Cleveland Plain Dealer.) Four magnificent bracelets belonging to the Queen of King Zer, who reigned nearly 5,000 B. C., were among the discoveries made by Professor Petrie while excavating at Abydos, Egypt, last year.

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JACK-KNIFE IN BLOODIN CASE.

Supposition That Defendant's Wife's Head Severed With It.

BOSTON, MAS., December 3.—An ordinary Jack-knife was offered in evidence by Attorney-General Parker in the course of the trial of the medical Examiner Meigs, of Lowell, when this article was exhibited, led to the supposition that the defendant decapitated his wife with it. This was the chief incident of the day, and the State followed it up with a vengeance.

A FRENCH FIGHT AGAINST SEASICKNESS. (The Lancet.) Those who suffer from seasickness may be glad to learn that a league for its prevention has been formed in France. The society is called the "Ligue contre le Mal de Mer" (It is hard to translate).

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FOR LEAGUE OF CLUBS.

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