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THE HERALD IN SAN FRANCISCO—Los Angeles and Southern California visitors to San Francisco will find The Herald on sale daily at the news stands in the Palace and St. Francis hotels, and for sale at Cooper & Co., 245 Market; at News Co., S. P. Ferry, and on the streets by Wheatley.

South Dakota's divorce business must be wonderfully lucrative to justify the stealing of a court house, as reported from Aberdeen.

Up in Ukiah the town witnessed the novel spectacle of two bears making calls from the mountains and parading through the streets last Saturday. Not being of the Wall street variety they retired without doing any damage.

President Roosevelt is billed for an address at the annual banquet of the New York Press club, January 13. It is intimated that he will take advantage of the opportunity to outline certain features of his policy in the new administration.

Traveling by stage up north is quoted as having certain drawbacks to pleasure recently. At one point a stage that fortunately contained no passengers was overturned in crossing a small stream swollen by heavy rains, the driver narrowly escaping with his life.

President Roosevelt's New Year's greeting to the American people is characteristic. He says: "All I ask is a square deal for every man. Give him a fair chance. Do not let him wrong anyone, and do not let him be wronged." And the people's response is, "So mote it be."

The paleontological sharps of the state university report the finding in Nevada of "a sheep-like form of enormous size, hitherto unknown to science." Possibly "Mary's little lamb" grew to ponderous proportions long ago and moved out to Nevada to graze on the cactus and sage brush.

Wisconsin and North Dakota have abolished the grand jury system and Minnesota will follow suit by constitutional amendment, in accordance with the popular vote in the late election. The grand jury system is unpopular in California with persons who lack wholesome regard for the law.

Sacramento reports that "When the legislature meets on Monday the members will find nearly \$10,000,000 in the vaults of the state treasury." It is hoped that when the legislature adjourns the accumulation will show no shrinkage as a result of such grafting as disgraced the legislature of 1903.

On the eve of the legislative assemblage at Sacramento it is stated that the contest for Senator Bard's toga is practically narrowed to the senator himself and Candidate Flint. It may be inferred, consequently, that the northern scheme to wrest the senatorship from Southern California has "petered out."

The usefulness of milk in a new line has been tested in Philadelphia. A dairyman's house caught fire and several cans of milk that happened to be handy were used successfully in preventing a conflagration. An inexpensive domestic fire department might be rigged up with a cow and a section of lawn hose.

Even in its reception to the new year Los Angeles gave evidence of its rapid growth. Never before in the city's history was there so great a chorus of shrieks from steam whistles. In the increased volume of those shrieks, year after year, the expansion of the manufacturing industry of Los Angeles is marked.

Indiana at last is moved to erect a monument on the site of the battle of Tippecanoe. It was that battle, in great part, that made the hero of it, Gen. William Henry Harrison, president of the United States. And it is doubtful if Benjamin Harrison would have pulled through in his presidential race but for his "grandfather's hat."

It seems almost incredible, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that nearly one-third of all the deaths in Los Angeles county during 1904 were so-called coroner's cases. The number of such cases for the year was 512. It is not to be understood, of course, that all the cases thus grouped resulted from violent deaths. Of the whole number, 221 were found, on examination of the coroner, to be due to natural causes. But there was nearly one death by violence, in the average, for every work-day in the year, the total number being 291.

An important decision was handed down by the supreme court at San Francisco last Saturday pertaining to the obligation of lighting companies in the matter of fixing prices for illumination. The issue turned on the right of the city of Pomona to demand a reduction of the rate charged by the local gas company, which was \$1.50 per thousand feet. The decision is summarized by City Attorney Loucks of Pomona thus: "The effect of the decision is to sustain the ordinance of this city fixing rates for gas. Under the decision a city may not only fix the rates, but may conduct a criminal prosecution to secure the enforcement of the ordinance fixing them." The decision is of general application and fits Los Angeles as well as Pomona.

Rev. Robert Burdette declared with great vehemence, in a sermon yesterday morning, that the determination of the people of Los Angeles to construct a library building in a portion of Central park was wicked—wicked—wicked! And then he conjured up a picture of Los Angeles children playing in the streets because they were to be deprived of their park playground. The gentle humorist should stick to the facts, which are that only a small portion of the park is to be used for the library building and that the remainder of the park is to be a more beautiful and attractive playground and breathing spot for the people than ever before. We are afraid that Bro. Burdette was thinking more of his pretty sentence and practical sentiment than of the exact facts of this case.

THE NEW CITY ADMINISTRATION

The new municipal administration of Los Angeles will be installed under most promising auspices. It will take up the reins of municipal government with the assurance of cordial support from the people of all classes in every effort conducive to the public welfare. There will be no distinction in that support on partisan grounds nor on any account whatever. The new administration is in part a non-partisan product and no thought of politics, so far as the people are concerned, will enter with it through the portals of the city hall.

It is of the highest importance to the present and future interests of Los Angeles that the new city officials shall have the manifest encouragement and support of all citizens at the outset of their public service. They should have substantial assurance of the solid backing of the community in all good works. They should feel that they are not to be targets for censorious criticism, that there is no disposition in any quarter to pounce upon them on making the first trivial mistake. The people of Los Angeles do not expect infallibility in their public officials. But they do expect and demand honesty, efficiency, faithfulness and at all times loyalty to the public welfare.

The mayor and the city council, who are most conspicuous in the public view, have no cause to apprehend captious fault-finding by any class of well-meaning citizens. Mayor McAleer goes into the executive office with the consciousness that there is no partisan division, in the support of which he is assured. All citizens have taken him at his word in saying that he means to give Los Angeles "the best that is in him." That is all any man can do. Every citizen metaphorically takes the new mayor's hand in token of satisfaction with that promise.

What is said here in respect to the mayor applies just as appropriately to the council and to all other city officials. All citizens recognize the fact that the lot of the councilman is not a particularly happy one at best. None but an angel could go through a term in the city council without displeasing some people, and the angel would be likely to shy at the proffer of another term. A more intimate association between the people's representatives in official station and the lay representatives of public interests would no doubt be productive of good results. That is to say, the discussion of vital municipal questions by members of the city government on one side and members of commercial and civic organizations on the other side, would yield beneficial results. Not that the business or civic associations should be called into counsel on ordinary matters of public concern, but that there should be at, say semi-yearly, periods, interchange of views regarding questions of paramount importance, such as the extension of the water system, the improvement of lighting service, the betterment of streets and the general beautifying of the city.

Such association of public officials and representative laymen through the medium of a banquet, for instance, two or three times a year, would unquestionably be advantageous to public interests. The exchange of views and discussions on important questions resulting from such meetings would be helpful to the officials and would encourage them in giving, as Mayor McAleer says, the best that is in them.

Whatever makes for the weal of Los Angeles has the backing of every good citizen. Public officials, commercial, religious and social organizations, and all individuals as well, should pull together with a will in the common purpose of adding to the greatness and glory of Los Angeles.

WORTH MORE THAN \$1,000,000

The local weather forecaster made a very conservative statement last Friday when he said a good downpour of rain in this section would be worth \$1,000,000. The downpour came quickly after the opinion was given, and possibly the forecaster's hint suggested a providential New Year's present to Southern California. However that may be, the downpour was one of the most copious that has visited this section in recent years, and it was worth a good deal more than \$1,000,000.

The Herald's reports show that the rainfall on Saturday extended all over Southern California, varying considerably in volume in the several districts, but of immense benefit everywhere. In the orange belt it was just what the growers have been praying for these many weeks. At the eastern end of San Bernardino valley the whole country was thoroughly soaked and the mountains are covered with a foot of snow. The orange growers in that section, and throughout the whole orange belt, were never in better form than they appear to be in since the rain.

The year 1905 is not likely to pass into history as a year of drouth, semi-drouth or even deficient rainfall, in the land of sunshine.

STARTLING LAND FRAUD REVELATIONS

The public land fraud investigation at Portland has reached a sensational stage in the indictment by the grand jury of one of Oregon's United States senators and one of its representatives in the lower house of congress. The removal by President Roosevelt of the federal district attorney for Oregon, adds to the exciting aspect of the situation.

It is well to remember, in relation to the alleged culpability of Senator Mitchell and Representative Hermann that there has been for years the most bitter animosity between those gentlemen and Secretary Hitchcock of the department of the interior. The trouble between the parties dates back to Hermann's incumbency of the office of United States land commissioner. It is no secret that Hitchcock was instrumental in edging Hermann out of his former office.

But whether Mitchell and Hermann are guilty or not of "conspiracy to defraud the United States government out of public lands," as charged in the grand jury's indictment, there is no question that colossal frauds of that kind have been practiced for years. Not only in Oregon but in California, Washington and some of the mountain states there have been glaring disclosures of such frauds. Secretary Hitchcock admits that he has been for a long time cognizant of the gross mismanagement of the public land service, but he fails to explain why he delayed so long to set in motion the machinery for stopping the frauds.

But how carefully the land fraud flame was smothered until after the presidential election. All the parties prominently connected with the frauds, as thus far revealed, are leading Republicans.

It is said that Tom Lawson is preparing to explode a financial bombshell in Wall street. He should have touched off the fuse at the moment of the new year's birth, to swell the racket in Gotham.

An advance of one dollar per thousand feet in the price of lumber is reported in San Francisco. That probably foreshadows an advance all along the Pacific coast line. Whether it will have a tendency to retard building operations remains to be seen.



UNFRENZIED FINANCE

—New York World.

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CHICHESTER TABLET UNVEILED BY CHURCH

Only Remaining Member of First Session Tells of Life and Work of Former Pastor

Special services were held yesterday morning at the Immanuel Presbyterian church on the occasion of the unveiling of the mural tablet erected to the memory of the late Rev. William John Chichester, D. D., founder of the church. There was a large congregation and much interest was manifested in the service. Special music was rendered.

The Rev. Hugh K. Walker, the pastor, made brief remarks regarding the special features of the services and introduced Lyman Stewart, the only remaining member of the first session of the Immanuel church, who had been chosen to perform the ceremony of unveiling the tablet.

Mr. Stewart said in 1885 the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church became vacant through the resignation of its pastor, the late John W. Ellis. The church had on its roll 225 members, thirty-five of whom were Chinese. Correspondence was instituted, resulting in the securing of Dr. Chichester from a much larger pastorate in the east.

Growth of Church
At the end of three years of Dr. Chichester's pastorate the membership had increased to 800. The church now being too small to accommodate the congregation, Dr. Chichester asked for a larger church. This the members of the church did not feel ready to provide, and hence the organization of the Immanuel church, with 105 members from the mother church, the organization being completed in 1888 with 130 members. Lots were purchased and the present church was built and paid for during the period of financial stringency. In 1897 Dr. Chichester was called to a pastorate in Chicago, being succeeded by the present pastor, Dr. Walker. He died in 1903.

Following Mr. Stewart's remarks, he unveiled the tablet at the right of the pulpit, which bears the inscription: "A Loving Tribute to the Memory of Rev. William John Chichester, D. D., the Self-Sacrificing Founder of This Church. Born October 20, 1849. Died March 23, 1903. A Consecrated Servant, a Wise Counsellor, Faithful Pastor. Greatly Beloved. The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Dr. Walker's Sermon
Dr. Walker preached the sermon, taking as his text "And no man taketh this honor unto himself but ye that is called of God, as was Aaron." He said in part:

"To be a spokesman for Jehovah, to be a voice and not an echo of a great movement; to belong to the spiritual family of Aaron, which constitutes the true apostolic succession are indeed the highest of earthly honors, and surely no man would be so rash and presumptuous as to think of taking it unto himself. The modern minister is Aaron's successor. There is something instinctive in the respect and almost reverence which the world has for the sacred calling. The world is quick to detect shams and counterfeits, and it has only scorn and contempt for the man-made minister. But of the genuine minister of the gospel

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it may be said that he occupies a position of the highest honor and of the gravest responsibility in human society.

"It is to honor such a man that we have come together today. The interval of time since his departure from earth has served to bring out the admirable qualities and remarkable services of this well beloved minister of Christ. His memory is dearer to us today than ever and the simple ceremony of this hour will be but a faint expression of the wealth of admiration and affection which we would lavish upon his precious memory. But it is well that this occasion, should be utilized as an opportunity for the setting forth of the process which I have spoken of as the subject of my sermon, 'The Making of a Minister.'"

VERY REV. A. P. DOYLE PREACHES

Noted Catholic Divine Greeted by Large Congregations

Large congregations attended the services yesterday at the cathedral of St. Vibiana. Solemn high mass was celebrated at 10:30 a. m., at which Rev. J. Kaiser was celebrant; Rev. George Donahoe, deacon; Rev. P. G. Scher, subdeacon. The main altar was adorned with flaming red poinsettias with a background of green. The choir, under the direction of Rev. T. F. Fahey, rendered the elaborate musical program presented at the Christmas service. Very Rev. Alexander P. Doyle, C. S. P., rector of the Apostolic mission house at Washington, D. C., preached the sermon.

Father Doyle, who is an eloquent speaker as well as a man of literary attainments, took for his subject the work to which he has devoted his life, that of the Paulist order, especially in giving missions and explaining the doctrines of the Catholic church to the non-Catholics.

"Time is the most valuable commodity we possess," said Father Doyle. "It is considered by the Creator of such worth that he never gives us a second moment without taking away the first. Standing today at the beginning of a new year, the deeper things of life are opened to us. The passing of the world about us impresses us with the profound truth that after all there are but two great things in this life—God and the soul. Everything else when put in the balance with these two are but as feather-weights.

"The salvation of the souls of men is the great central effort of history. For this was the first Christmas instituted and there was a Mount Calvary with all its gruesome memories. For this one purpose was the Christian church established."

Father Doyle outlined the work and the benefits derived from the work of the Paulist Fathers. He said it is especially by non-Catholics that the need of trained missionaries is felt. When a missionary addresses audiences composed of persons, many of whom have been reared in violent opposition to catholicism and some of whom feel that the supreme pontiff is anti-Christ, it is essential that the missionary be well trained, a calm controversialist when controversy is required, a deeply learned theologian, a master of Catholic history and well versed in all the beliefs of Protestantism in order that he may make satisfactory replies to the multitude of questions that eager inquirers after truth may ask or evil disposed antagonists may hurl at weapons.

RELIGION AND SCIENCE ONE

The Rev. J. S. Thompson Points Out Common Mistake

Rev. J. S. Thompson, pastor of the Independent Church of Christ in Dobson's auditorium, preached yesterday on "The Science of the Bible." "There

are many kinds of sciences—mechanical, engineering, agricultural, mathematical, economic, mental, moral and spiritual," said the speaker. "We practice science in all the common things of life. Bread-makers, butter-makers, fire-makers and cooks, are scientists. The captain of a ship and the teacher of hygiene, readers, writers and printers, can claim scientific authority.

"When the boy spins his top, or sails his toy boat on the lake, he is a practical scientist.

"Science is not a collection of guesses, opinions, beliefs, or speculative views.

"Science is demonstrated and demonstrable truth. "The first chapter of Genesis is true, it is God's word, but it is not science. The end of the world as prophesied by Christ and Peter will be fulfilled, I am sure; yet to us it is not science in the sense that an astronomer can foretell an eclipse. Some scientists are exceedingly vain and dogmatic. The Bible is from God and so is science, and there is no conflict between them. Jesus Christ was the supreme scientist."

NEW YEAR'S TIMIDITIES

Minister Urges Hearers to Take Courage and be Strong

"New Year Timidities" was the subject of a New Year's sermon preached by the Rev. Frank DeWitt Talmage at the First Presbyterian church yesterday.

From the text "He that observeth the wind shall not sow" the Rev. Mr. Talmage spoke in part:

"What a change there is in our way of keeping the holidays from that of olden times! The old-fashioned New Year's and the old-fashioned Christmas, the old-fashioned Thanksgiving day, were as different from their successors, as the poke bonnets and loose skirts and powdered curls of Colonial days were as different from their successor of the milliners and dressmakers and fair dressers of modern times.

"What you need, oh man, at the beginning of this New Year, is to take a big inventory, not of your misfortunes but of your blessings. Find out all the bright things you know about your life. Repeat them over and over and over to yourself. Get faith in God and in yourself. Then your associates will get faith in you. By their increased labor you will get faith in them. Then, together with faith in each other, and faith in God, you will go forth with renewed zeal for the seed-planting and the multitudinous harvest will surely come. Never let your associates know that you have lost faith in yourself.

Take courage. All will yet come out right. "He that observeth the wind shall not sow." Shall not we on this New Year's Sabbath press on with glorious anticipation for the gospel seed-planting at hand, which will ultimately mean our harvest ahead? I pray God that this coming year may be the best of years to all of us, as it will surely be the last of earthly years to some of us. A Happy, Happy New Year!

FELLOWSHIP GROWS

B. Fay Mills Addresses Large Audiences

The first day of the Los Angeles Fellowship in its new quarters in the large Masonic Temple was filled with great interest. Before the hour announced for the opening of the doors for the morning service people began to gather, and when the orchestra commenced the prelude a great audience had already assembled. Another large gathering was brought together by the address in the evening. For a full hour after the close of the service the people were pressing forward to sign the roll and record their names as charter members of the Fellowship. This privilege will be open during this month, as the formal organization of the Fellowship will

not be completed until the first of February. The new orchestra greatly delighted the people, as did the singing of the new tenor from Boston, Reginald Ernest Leeman.

Mr. Mills' subject in the morning was "Stripping for Eternity," an expression which was said to have been used by the late Mayor Jones of Toledo shortly before his death. Mr. Mills said in part:

"To strip for eternity is not a sentimental, but in the highest sense self-development. It is like the seed which we place in the ground. The germ of life is within the unpromising husks, which needs trustful committal to the ground and to the elements in order to develop. The seed may fear to lose the shell, but when it does this the soft, delicate pulp is brought in touch with the soil and other elements of power, and then is revealed the mystery of creation."

Mr. Mills will speak Wednesday evening in Harriman hall, 327 1/2 South Hill street, on "What is Religion?" and on Friday evening the first general social of the members of the Fellowship and their friends will be held in Masonic Temple.

GREETING TO STRANGERS

Chaplain Kidder Extends New Year's Welcome

Chaplain A. W. Kidder of the Strangers' Friend society spoke yesterday afternoon at the service in Burbank hall on "New Year's Greeting to Strangers." He said in part:

"The first thing needed by the individual to insure success is integrity. It is a sorry comment on our age and our city, that integrity is often wanting both in the business, social and professional spheres. It has come to be true that you must know your man before you can weigh his words.

"The battle of this new century is to be against greed, hypocrisy and falsehood. The Strangers' Friend society means to be in this battle; not in an offensive way, but by practicing those things which will tend to dispel these influences. There are a great many strangers in our midst whom I wish we might as a society help, because they have been disappointed in their start in our city.

"During the month past over one hundred and fifty have called at our headquarters. Seventy-one have been looking for work, twelve have asked for rooms, twenty have inquired about locations, and the others have had questions or complaints answered.

GIVE FLAG TO CHURCH

Stanton Relief Corps Take Part in Services

A patriotic service was held last night in the Grace Methodist church when the members of the Stanton Relief corps of the G. A. R. presented the church a new flag. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Harding, president of the corps and the presentation speech was given by Mrs. Mechor, who is patriotic instructor. The pastor, Rev. D. F. McCarty, responded on behalf of the church and patriotic music was sung throughout the service.

HINTS BY MAY MANTON



Dart Fitted Drawers 4917

Drawers that are made perfectly smooth over the hips are much liked by women who are particular as to the fit of their outer garments, and are consequently much in demand. Those illustrated fulfill every requirement yet are made amply full and wide in the leg portions. As illustrated the material is cambric with trimming of lace, but all the fabrics that are suitable for underwear can be used.

The drawers are open with leg portions of generous width. The fulness at the back is collected in a succession of short darts that provide a perfect fit, and the upper edge is finished with a curved under facing that is absolutely smooth.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 2 1/2 yards 36 inches wide with 3 yards of embroidery, 4 1/2 yards of binding and 7 yards of insertion to trim as illustrated. The pattern 4917 is cut in sizes for a 20, 22, 24, 26 and 28-inch waist measure.

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A paper pattern of this garment can be obtained by filling in above order and directing it to The Herald's pattern department. It will be sent post paid, within ten days, on receipt of ten cents.

Shrinking Lakes

In 1859, some distance southeast of Lake Nyassa, in Central Africa, Livingstone discovered Lake Shirwa, a body of water about thirty miles long and fifteen miles wide, which has now entirely disappeared with the exception of a few ponds. Lake Nyami, discovered by Livingstone at the same time, has also disappeared. The cause of the change appears to be a gradual drying up of bodies of water in Central Africa. As marking the results of a single half-century the changes noted show a rapidity of mutation in the inland waters not equaled elsewhere in the contemporary geographer's survey, though the shrinking of Salt Lake in Utah is also very remarkable.—Chicago News