ANTE ROOM ECHOES.

THE PAST WEEK'S DOINGS OF THE FRATERNAL ORDERS.

New Lodges of the Knights of Pythias Instituted—Work in the Masonic Order—The Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

The past week was a very good one among fraternal societies generally. The Christmas holidays did not to any appreciable extent interfere with the work of the lodges, the meetings of which were well attended, interesting and instructive.

This week will not be a very active one, however, but after the new year is fairly ushered in things will again assume their usual activity.

Masonic.

The Masonic order, after the election and installation of the officers for next year, were resting on their oars. On Christmas day, however, the Knights Templar of the Utah commandery No. 1, met to receive the annual greeting of grand master of Masons in the United States McCurdy, and spent a couple of hours in general felicitations and exchanging the compliments of the season.

Utah council No. 1, royal and select masters, held their quarterly meeting stated assembly on Wednesday and elected and installed their officers for next year. A. S. Chapman was elected thrice illustrious master, and the other officers chosen were Hermann Hill, C. B. Jack, Boyd Park, J. C. Budds, Smith and M. C. Phillips.

The members of the eastern star, the ladies' branch, met on Friday evening and installed their newly elected officers. The evening was pleasantly spent in a social way after the ceremonies of the installation were concluded.

I. O. O. F.

The event of the week was the ball at the I. O. O. F. hall on Friday evening, which was largely attended and proved a very enjoyable affair. The proceeds, which footed up to quite a handsome sum, were applied to the benefit of the library fund.

The various lodges held their regular meetings, except on Christmas night, and transacted a fair amount of business. The degree work was small but a number of applications for membership were received and disposed of in the ordinary routine of business.

The grand jurisdiction of Ohio has lost some of its brightest and most honored members lately, among them Brother Samuel Craighead, the fifteenth grand sire, and next to the oldest living past grand sire; Henry E. Frost, grand representative; and James Anderson, grand scribe; the death of the latter occurring at Chattanooga on Sunday morning following the close of the sovereign grand lodge session. It is doubtful if a grand lodge jurisdiction ever suffered the loss of three prominent members in such a short period of time.

Hon. William H. Barnes, P. G. M., and P. G. P., has been re-elected grand scribe of California. A deserved honor to a capable man and enthusiastic Odd Fellow. He edits the New Age with a master hand, and is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific for his services in behalf of the fraternity. May many years be his to continue his good work.—Utah Odd Fellow.

Knights of Pythias.

All the lodges of this order are lively and doing good work both in growth and number of good deeds.

Calanthe No. 5 had a short session on Monday evening and went through the regular routine of business.

Myrtle No. 1 did not meet on Tuesday on account of the meeting night falling upon Christmas, but the sick were taken care of and the usual business transacted by the officers.

Wednesday and Thursday evenings Monitor No. 11 and Rocky Mountain No. 3 respectively held their regular convocations and transacted their usual business.

Friday evening was the banner night of the year. Seventy-three of Salt Lake's brightest young men knocked at the doors of the Pythian castle for admission. No grander sight can be imagined than the one witnessed on Friday evening, 28th inst. Seventy-three young men, with hands clasped, vowing to live purer lives and to do what lies in their power for the elevation and betterment of mankind, under the banner of friendship, charity and benevolence.

Happy New Year, long life, success and happiness to the new lodge, Zion No. 12; and to all workers for humanity wherever they may be.

The names of the members of the new lodge and those of the officers were published exclusively in The Herald of Saturday.

Friday evening next the officers will be properly installed, and the new members will receive their full qualifications as knights, and the new lodge will then be ready to start to work in earnest to make their organization one that the grand lodge and the order may be well proud of.

The funeral of Brother William N. McCurdy, a member of Myrtle No. 1, took place in the city cemetery yesterday afternoon under the direction of C. C. D. S. Whitehorne. A large number of knights turned out to pay their last tribute of love and esteem.

Brother W. W. Hall was marshal of the day. At the grave the Pythian triangle was formed and G. V. C. John P. Meakin took his position at the head and delivered in a very impressive manner the beautiful ritualistic ceremony and all that was mortal of W. N. McCurdy was laid to rest.

A. O. U. W.

The past week has been a gala one among the lodges of this order. The festivities opened with Temple No. 15 holding a most interesting meeting Monday night followed by the swell and highly successful ball of the Select Knights of the A. O. U. W. on Tuesday night. To say that the committees who had that affair in hand are "hustlers" only half expresses it.

Thursday night the old standard bearer, Salt Lake Valley lodge No. 12, held one of her usual rousing meetings, with all the officers present except Brother Will Ottinger, the recorder, who we are sorry to say is laid up with a broken leg, but who shall not want for company or any necessity to make his possibly long confinement as pleasant as may be.

The week ended Friday night with the youngest sister of the order, Eagle Gate lodge No. 10, sporting herself with a large attendance and illustrating to her sister lodges what nerve and energy can do. In fact the attendance at all the meetings the past week has been unusually large. It seems to do the boys good to meet together at this time of general thanksgiving and universal cheer to show the world that they believe they belong to the best order extant today.

It hardly seems right to call the A. O. U. W. a secret order. It is so widely different in its aims and purposes from what is commonly called secret societies that people who are naturally prejudiced against "secret societies" after they have fully investigated our plans and operations can join us without laying aside this so-called prejudice. In the recent edict from the holy see of the Catholic church the Ancient Order of United Workmen, as a secret order, was not included in the category of orders which Catholics were forbidden to join. This in itself is a source of great congratulation to the order, as it shows more fully than ever that there is nothing connected with the A. O. U. W. which conflicts with any man's duty whether it be to his church, his country or himself.

Rev. T. Dewitt Talmage in speaking of our order once said: "It is a grand thing for that man (referring to a member who had just died and whose widow had secured $3,000 in cash) to have looked after his wife and children after earthly departure. May he have one of the best seats in heaven." Then addressing himself to a young man present Dr. Talmage said, "Young man, the day before or after you are married, go to a fraternal insurance society of established reputation like the A. O. U. W. and have the medical examiner put the stethoscope to your lungs and his ear to your heart and have signed, sealed and delivered to you a document that will, in case of your sudden death, make for that lovely girl the difference between a queen and a pauper. I cannot imagine any more unfair or mean thing than for a man to get his sins pardoned at the last moment, and then go to heaven and live in a mansion and go riding about in a golden carriage upon the golden streets while his wife and children whom he might have provided for are begging for cold victuals at the basement door of an earthly city. It seems to me there ought to be a poor house somewhere on the outskirts of heaven where those guilty of such improvidence should be kept for a while on their soup and gristle instead of sitting down to a king's banquet. There is no doubt but what fraternal insurance societies are divine institutions and no mightier mercy for the human race has been born since Christ was born." MAC.

Rathbone Sisters.

Ivy temple No. 2 had a large attendance at their meeting Wednesday afternoon and a pleasant social time was spent. The following named ladies were selected to fill the vacant offices for the coming term: Mrs. Alice Rice, P. C.; Miss Sarah Baker, M. E. C.; Mrs. Emma Green, E. S.; Mrs. Belle Behrman, M. of T.; Mrs. Martha Davidson, M. of R. & C.; Mrs. Anna Oakley, M. of F.; Mrs. E. A. Hardin, E. J.; Mrs. Francome, P. T.; Mrs. W. W. Phillips, O. G.; Mrs. Alice Rice, trustee.

The ladies of Mizpah temple No. 3, had a delightful time and a good attendance at their regular session Friday afternoon. The names of the new officers will be given next week.

Ceylon Tea is now drunk by all classes in Europe, being purer than China tea and more economical than Japan—"Blue Cross" Ceylon Tea is the favorite.

MAGIC GROWTH OF PLANTS.

A French Scientist Says it Can Be Brought Out By Formic Acid.

A French scientist, M. Ragonneau, has just discovered how to make a plant grow from the seed in thirty minutes as much as it would under ordinary circumstances in as many days. Heretofore nature has shared this secret with the Yoghis of India alone, and the methods pursued by these clever magicians in performing this trick have been often described. They plant a seed in the earth and cover it with a cloth. In a few minutes the cloth begins to be pushed upward by the growing plant, which in a short time attains the height of several feet. Various theories have been advanced as to the modus operandi of this miracle, one of the latest being that the spectators are all hypnotized by the magician.

During his travels in India, Mr. Ragonneau saw this trick performed frequently and noticed that the Hindoos always imbedded the seed in soil which they brought with them especially for that purpose. At last he learned that they obtained this earth from ant hills. Now, as every one knows who has inadvertently eaten one of these industrious insects, ants contain a large proportion of formic acid, with which in time the soil of their habitations become charged. This acid has the power of quickly dissolving the integument surrounding a seed and of greatly stimulating the growth of the germ within.

After a little experimenting with this acid the learned Frenchman was able to duplicate perfectly the Hindoo trick. His further researches have led him to believe that this discovery may be profitably applied to agriculture. By infusing ants in boiling water acid as strong as vinegar can be obtained. M. Ragonneau has achieved the best results and most perfect growth by using earth moistened with a solution of 5,000 parts of water to one of acid.

AN ELABORATE CARRIAGE.

[London Telegraph.]

Prince Edward, of York, the royal babe who will in the long future be the head of the British empire, will shortly have his first English-made carriage. It consists of a perambulator of the highest class workmanship, of the "Princess Irene" barouche pattern, is fitted with non-vibrating leather-hung cee-springs and silent cycle wheels, with hollow rubber tyres.

The vehicle is upholstered in finest dark green morocco leather, softly padded with horsehair cushions, so constructed that the infant occupant can recline or ride with face or back to the nurse. The visage is protected from rain by a cowhide hood, easily adjusted to any position, and in sunshine this can be removed and the prince shaded from heat by an awning of tussore silk, lined to match the carriage and trimmed with delicate and beautiful lace. Baby cars of a somewhat similar pattern have been built by the same firm for the children of the Duchess of Fife and Princess Henry of Prussia.

SCIENCE AND PROGRESS.

Petroleum is the latest suggestion for preventing congelation of navigable waters.

Sulphur baths for horses are being arranged at a cost of $10,000 in Baden, Austria.

The Kongo railroad has cost $62,000 a mile for construction—just double the estimate.

The first attempt to regulate the price of gas by municipal enactment was in London in 1848.

The iron and steel industry of England has suffered in most of her manufactures from foreign competition.

The sound of a bell which can be heard 42,500 feet through the water, can be heard through the air only 456 feet.

From 1874 to 1890 the production of iron and steel in the United States increased 285 per cent., while in Germany the increase was 143 per cent.

To prevent the evaporation of water in fire pails it has ben discovered that 15 to 20 drops of oil will form a coating sufficient to obviate the difficulty.

PECULIARITIES OF LOVE.

Not the real article when too unselfish.

The indestructible phoenix of the emotions.

Short to say, easy to write, hard to escape.

An advance loan of heaven—and other places.

Difficult to believe in when you have not it.

Strongest in the strongest, but not always best in the good.

The greatest leveler, except death, of human distinctions.

A mystery, which none but a fool would seek to solve.

A lottery which awards a prize and a penalty rolled in one.

A prize too great either for man's earning or enjoyment.

A tyrant whose caprices take no account of men's deserts.

More engrossing than any other mental attitude, except vanity.

Unpurchasable at any price, given too often for far less than nothing.

Denied to kings, and ignored by rich fools, the comfort, hope and salvation of poor men.

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ECCLES THE LUCKY MAN

WILL SURELY BE APPOINTED RECEIVER OF THE SOUTHERN.

No More Free Passes Go—Sir Charles Rivers Wilson in San Francisco—New Union Pacific Attorney—Dan Honan's Christmas Edition—Other Railway News.

Although yesterday was Sunday, and business suspended, there were plenty of leading business men who found time to discuss the exclusive announcement in The Herald of the probability of General Freight Agent Eccles' appointment as receiver of the Utah Southern and Utah Southern extension of the Union Pacific.

That a separate receiver will be appointed is conceded. On Tuesday the Union Pacific will be in default on the payment of the bonds for the second time, and as the majority of the stock is held by Utah parties, it is only natural that they should demand some slight measure of relief.

The reason for a petition for a separate receiver is very apparent in the light of past events. There was a time when this portion of the Union Pacific system paid good dividends, the disbursements at one time reaching 14 per cent on the stock invested.

It will be remembered that in July last it was announced that the receivers would pay the interest due on branch lines, but that when the coupons were clipped and sent in they were returned marked "No Funds."

Hence it is by no means strange that the local people who are the heaviest interested should make such a request.

Regarding the application of the American Loan & Trust company for a separate receiver for the Oregon Short Line and the Utah Northern is connected a story regarding conflicting interests. There are two warring factions, the Adams and the Ames, the latter favoring the continuance and support of the present receivers, while the former want a new deal all around.

Railroad men generally express surprise that the government does not intervene, but do not hesitate to say that there is yet plenty of time.

Recent events have been of the gravest importance to the Union Pacific. With one after another of its branches lopped off, the time is not far distant when the track from Council Bluffs to Ogden will be all that remains of the once famous "Overland Route." Still, every cloud has a silver lining, and there are those who contend that it will then be in a condition to make terms with all roads in the trans-Mississippi country and by confining itself to its own territory and taking business wherever it can get it, will add to its importance as a trans-continental line.

A meeting of the receivers of the road will be held some time between January 10 and 15 and the action of the board will be looked forward to with the greatest interest.

No More Passes.

With the exception of the newspaper man, or the astute politician with an eye to business, about four-fifths of those who have been traveling over the various lines of railroad will have, this coming year, to pay fare or walk. The eastern and western lines have practically agreed that free transportation is bound by an ironclad agreement. The rule is that the contract will be considered broken if free transportation is given which tends to influence the routing of traffic. Passes are to be issued only where value for same is received. That this movement is one of great importance is demonstrated by the assertion that the saving to the lines entering Chicago alone will amount to the enormous sum of $10,000,000 per year.

New U. P. General Salicitor.

Soon after tomorrow the Union Pacific will have a nice fat position for some able attorney. John M. Thurston, the general solicitor for the receivers, resigns to accept the office of United States senator from Nebraska and the promotion of Mr. Kelly, general attorney, will leave the latter place vacant.

Who will be named is not yet announced, but he will doubtless be an Omaha man.

Investigating Matters.

Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, a scion of English aristocracy, is in San Francisco endeavoring to ascertain why the stock held by English capitalists in the Central Pacific has depreciated in value and why they are not receiving more dividends. He has talked with all the magnates of the road; the officials of the Union Trust company, and next week will make a tour of the road, arriving in Ogden about Jan. 8.

Railway Notes.

W. A. Thrall, for twenty-one years general passenger and ticket agent of the Chicago & Northwestern, has retired and will be succeeded by W. B. Kniskern, his assistant.

Ice trains on the Utah Central began running between this city and Park City Saturday. These trains are supplying the Park City and Summit county ice companies with ice.

The Park Record of Saturday says: "What might have been a serious accident happened to the Utah Central passenger train this morning. While climbing the summit the passenger coaches broke loose from the engine and started down the steep grade. The cars left the rails, however, before any great headway was acquired, and no damage was done other than causing a half an hour's delay.

Dan Honin, the strawberry blonde editor of the Omaha Railway News-Reporter, issued a handsome illuminated edition on Christmas Day. The best feature, however, was an excellent photogravure of Joe Young, the good looking and popular superintendent of the Utah division.

HALF A DOZEN FOLK.

The secretary of state of Saxe-Meiningen has transmitted to Dr. Edward S. Holden, director of the Lick observatory, the diploma and cross of commander of the Saxe-Ernestine order.

Mme. Sarah Grand, the author of the "Heavenly Twins," does all her writing in secret, and her own family never knows what kind of a story she is preparing. Her aim, she says, is to give "true views of life."

The dowager Empress of Russia has had an eventful life. Her father before he became King of Denmark was Duke of Schleswig-Holstein, and was so poor that he gave drawing lessons. His daughters made their own dresses.

The death of General Albert Sidney Johnson, at Shiloh, was mourned more by the confederates than that of any other southern commander except that of Stonewall Jackson. Johnson's qualities were similar to Lee's, and his record before the war was of greater distinction.

It is an extraordinary thing that people in the western states continue drinking insipid Japan tea when "Blue Cross" Ceylon Tea has so much more character.

The favorite route to all points east is via Missouri Pacific railway. Close connections and through sleepers and chairs cars, Pueblo to St. Louis. S. V. Derrah, C. F. & P. A., 21 Morlan block, Salt Lake city.

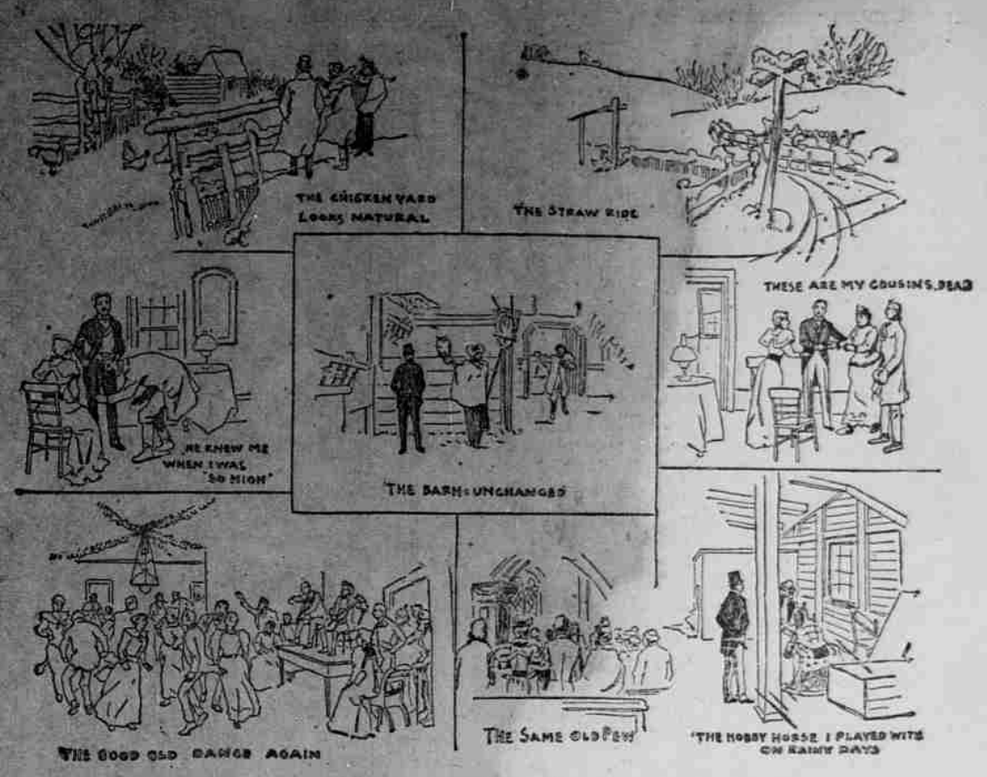
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER DEED OF Trust.—Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, James T. Little, Trustee, named in a certain deed of trust wherein Frederick W. Little and Abbie L. Little, his wife, are first parties, James T. Little is second party, and The Deseret Savings Bank is third party or beneficiary; made, executed and delivered on the 27th day of September, 1892, whereby the said first parties conveyed to said James T. Little, trustee, said second party, all the real estate hereinafter described, in trust, to secure the payment of a certain promissory note of the same date, signed by said first parties, for the sum of $34,000.00 payable four years after date, to the said The Desert Savings Bank, the third party, with interest thereon at eight per cent per annum from date until paid; payable quarter yearly; and by said deed it was provided that if default be made in the payment of the principal of said note or any part thereof, or the interst that might accrue thereon or any part thereof, as the same became due and payable, that then the undersigned should proceed to sell said described property, at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, after giving due notice thereof as in said deed required; and whereas said deed of trust was duly recorded on the 10th day of October, 1892, in the office of the County Recorder of Salt Lake County, Territory of Utah, in Book "3, L," of Mortgages, page 558, reference to which is hereby made as a part hereof; and whereas no part of said note, either principal or interest, has been paid except the interest thereon to the 27th day of March, 1894; and whereas, three months' interest in the sum of $680.00, which was due on said note June 27, 1894, and the like sum for the three months thereafter, which was due on the 27th day of September, 1894, is, by the terms of said note and trust deed, past due and collectable and still remains unpaid. And the said The Deseret Savings Bank, the legal owner and holder of said note, has notified me of said non-payment of said principal sum, due and payable as aforesaid, and has requested me to sell said real estate in accordance with the provisions of said deed of trust, to pay said principal sum due on said note, and the interest accrued thereon, and the costs of this sale, including a reasonable compensation to said trustee, and a reasonable attorney's fee. Now, therefore, on Wednesday, the 23d day of January, A. D. 1895, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, of said day, at the banking house of the said The Deseret Savings Bank, corner of First South and Main streets, in Salt Lake City, Utah, for the purposes aforesaid and at public vendue, I shall sell to the highest bidder for cash, all of the right, title and interest that said Frederick W. Little and Abbie L. Little, his wife, or either of them had on the 27th day of September, 1892, or have since acquired of, in and to all of those certain pieces, parcels and tracts of real estate situate in the County of Salt Lake, Territory of Utah, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: A part of lot seven (7), in block sixty-eight (68), plat "A," Salt Lake City Survey, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a point twenty-nine and five-twelfths (29 5-12) feet east of the northwest corner of said lot seven (7), and running thence east forty-four and eight-twelfths (44 8-12) feet; thence south twenty (20) rods; thence west forty-four and eight-twelfths (44 8-12) feet; thence north twenty (20) rods, to the place of beginning. Also a part of lot one (1) in block ninety-eight (98), plat "A," Salt Lake City Survey, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the northeast corner of said lot one (1), and running thence west ten (10) rods; thence south three (3) rods; thence east ten (10) rods; thence north three (3) rods to place of beginning. Also, a part of lot two (2) in block sixty-one (61), plat "D," Salt Lake City survey, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of said lot two (2), and running thence east six (6) rods; thence north ten (10) rods; thence west six (6) rods; thence south ten (10) rods, to the place of beginning. Also a part of lot five (5), in block thirty-four (34), plat "F," Salt Lake City Survey, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of said lot five (5), and running thence north seven and one-half (7½) rods; thence east ten (10) rods; thence south seven and one-half (7½) rods; thence west ten (10) rods to beginning. Also, a part of lot two (2), in block seventy-four (74), plat "A," Salt Lake City Survey, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the southeast corner of said lot two (2), and running thence north one hundred and seventy-four and one-half (174½) feet; thence west thirty (30) feet; thence south one hundred and seventy-four and one-half (174½) feet; thence east thirty (30) feet to the place of beginning. Also, commencing in the center of a county road, north and south, at the southwest corner of the northeast quarter (¼), of section twenty-seven (27), in township one (1), south of range one (1), west of Salt Lake Meridian, and running thence north forty (40) rods; thence east one hundred and eighty-two (182) rods, more or less, to west bank of Jordan river; thence southeasterly up the west bank of said river to a point due east of the place of beginning; thence west two hundred and twenty (220) rods, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing forty-nine (49) acres of land, more or less.

Dated December 29th, 1894.

JAMES T. LITTLE,
Trustee.

James H. Moyle, Attorney for Trustee.

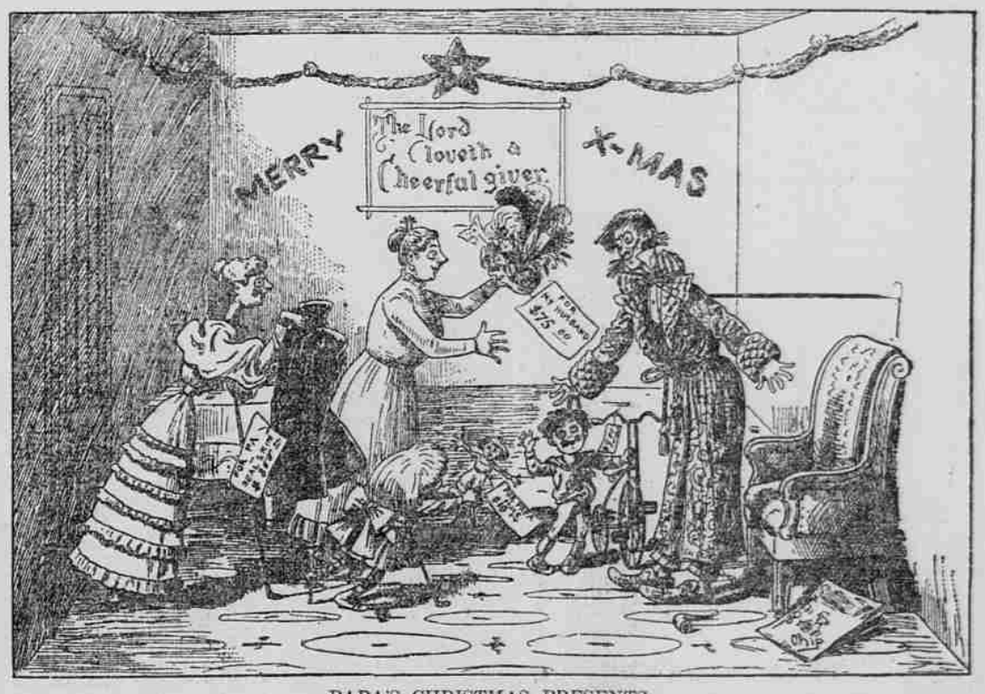


Her First Christmas Visit to His Old Home.

—New York Herald.

Hypatia Roland (to the Brown's parlor maid). "Call me a cab, please."
Cadby "I'm going your way, Miss Roland. We might go together."
Miss Roland: "Two cabs, please."

OUR CHAMBER OF HORRORS.



PAPA'S CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

—Life's Calendar.

Sunday Morning at Plymouth In the Early Days.

—Life.