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A query which may be applied to me: "How's your head?"

The usual Christmas casualties by fireworks, over stimulation, the handy and the ever ready pistol are reported, but it takes a kind of people to make up the world.

Loyalty to the Democracy is "an instance" which must be demanded of Cleveland, an essential absolute, without which no man can be a Democrat.

Having betrayed the Democracy in fact, not in theory, an enemy, and admiration for a man who will do what he can for his party; but what can a man expect who has been betrayed?

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New Orleans States says: Chicago bound to beat New York. The word that the swell social and pig's feet as the piece de resistance at fashionable luncheons.

PROTECTING WILD ANIMALS FROM TEDDY'S GUN

Do correspondent of the State sends word that the State for the purpose of the mountain lion in his hands, and the game been called upon to protect the interests of Colorado, and the mountain lions. According to the correspondent every year that the breed will be during the next ninety days. Game Protective Association, however, has already taken the lion in hand, and is driving the lion out of the mountains and care of them in the horse corral of the livery stables, and they would never think of for them. After he finishes the animals will be turned and allowed once more the liberty of their native wilds.

Ohio man has been sent to jail for molesting an Ohio girl. It serves him right.—Commercial Appeal.

There is no telling what an Ohio girl may do, but why did the girl molest?

Good old cause came to him, he slipped in and he slipped and lost happiness in his tracks. Old Santa—always a ray divine in the one being who is now a year ago. May he live to the end of time, to cheer the happy children who are abiding faith in him and love only children can.

Cured without the Kuto. It is a blessing or protruding and strong will ruin your face. Ointment fails to cure your face.—Commercial Appeal.

Any positive information subject, we infer that the Merry Simpson will hang up his head at night.—Commercial Appeal.

But he will not fool old Santa. A time there was a smart boy who could impose on a boy had a rubber bag that he was and he was to be replaced, expecting Christmas morning. Old Santa and filled the girl and boy in did forget mama and he saw the rabbit, then he shook and went to work as in his life. He

It is said the American girl is the most expensive in the world. Of course she is, and she deserves to be.—Commercial Appeal.

And is worth more than her full weight in pure, solid gold, but such a girl never aspires to and never becomes a duchess or a baroness, etc., etc. Such a girl rules in the home as "an American Queen of Hearts;" is glorified in her loveliness and is assured the endearment, the love inexpressible which comes to her, from those who are to her the dearest and the loveliest beings on earth.

NOT ENOUGH MEN.

More Soldiers Needed in the Philippines to Bring About Peace.

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 26.—In an interview on the Philippine situation Admiral Barker said:

"The difficulty has been that we have not had soldiers enough in the Philippines. The Filipinos have not felt that they would be protected from the insurgents in their lands. If they should come out boldly in favor of the Americans there is no telling when the insurgents would swoop down on them. We have not enough troops in the islands to prevent them. But things are better now than they have been, although we should by no means withdraw our troops without replacing them.

"With the passage of the army bill we can send our regulars over there to take the place of the volunteers when they are called home in the spring. This not only should be done, but must be done if the islands are to become quiet under the American flag. Then, again, every officer whom Uncle Sam sends to the Philippines should exercise the strictest integrity and honesty in his methods. Just at this time the people of the islands would hang a man for lying as quick as they would for murder, so great is their suspicion."

JOINT NOTE DELIVERED.

Treaty Given to Chinese Officials to Act Upon.

Pekin, Dec. 26.—The preliminary joint note was delivered Monday to the Chinese. Li Hung Chang found that he was unable to attend the meeting of the ministers and his credentials and those of Prince Ching were presented by the latter to the foreign envoys.

Prince Ching, replying to the Spanish minister, Senor B. J. DeColagan, who presented the note, said he would immediately communicate its contents to the emperor and assured the ministers that a speedy reply was the desire of the court, as it felt that all China wants peace and prosperity.

Threats of Lynching in Ohio.

Urbana, O., Dec. 26.—OHF Lancaster, a negro, has been arrested here charged with an attempted assault upon Maggie Taffe, a white girl. He was identified by the young woman, but protested his innocence. The affair caused intense excitement and the threats of lynching were so strong that Mayor Johnson ordered the prisoner taken to Springfield for safe keeping.

Killed Two Men.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Dec. 26.—Joseph Douglass shot and fatally wounded Frank Parish and Charles Doyle who called at his home to see Douglass' wife. The men went to the rear door and failing to get a response, kicked it open. Douglass confronted them and fired through a window with a shotgun.

Killing in Kentucky.

Middlesboro, Ky., Dec. 26.—Willie Johnson was shot and killed by Charles Wilcox of Harlan county, here. Wilcox was slightly wounded.

Free Delivery for Beaumont.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The postoffice department has issued an order establishing the free delivery service at Beaumont, Tex., effective Jan. 1, 1901.

Shooting at Mansfield.

Mansfield, Tex., Dec. 26.—One man is dead and two are wounded as a result of a gun fight here Monday night. The dead man is Richard House. Al House father of Richard, is shot through the leg, and seriously wounded that it is thought amputation will be necessary. Emmet Morrison, city marshal, is also wounded, but not seriously.

Defends Himself.

Lexington, Dec. 26.—Jane Satten is in jail here charged with shooting and wounding her husband, James Sutton. The woman says Sutton is in the habit of beating her and that when he struck her she fired on him with a .38-caliber revolver. He was shot in the right hip and is at the St. Joseph's hospital.

Creek Warrant Payments.

Monkogue, I. T., Dec. 26.—Indian Agent Schoenfeld announces that he will pay all Creek school fund warrants issued to D-200, and all general fund Creek warrants issued prior to D-949, when the same are presented at his office at this place.

Fell Ninety Feet.

La Salle, Ill., Dec. 26.—George Hunter, foreman of Jones' shaft, while walking over the Illinois Central bridge fell a distance of 90 feet to the ground below, sustaining a broken knee cap, a severe cut on the leg and also a number of body bruises.

Hoagan May Not Be Safe.

Houston, Dec. 26.—It is now pretty well assured that John H. Hoagan, who has been holding office since 1900, has decided not to make good his threat of resigning from the state railroad commission and retiring to private life.

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Take the shade top for the bottom by creating a hem wide enough to hold the stick. Sew it on the machine after unscrewing the ring that holds the cord by which the shade is raised or lowered. Insert the stick in the new hem, screw in the ring and carefully follow directions regarding tacking the shade to the roller. By rule and square see that the upper end is not only straight, but that it is at right angles with the sides, else the shade will be one sided and wabby. Window shades are in better taste without a bottom fringe. They are for use, not decoration, and fringe only wears into tatters and rips with the least provocation. Again, the housekeeper who understands her business will never allow a shade to be drawn down over an open window. Where privacy is needed either close the blind with the case open or close the window and then draw down the shade; otherwise it will shortly become discolored and broken.

The color of shades is a matter of taste. A dark green is best for the eyesight. When it can be afforded, it is well to have two sets, green shades inside of white or cream, especially in sleeping and sitting rooms having a southern exposure, says a writer who makes these recommendations in Good Housekeeping.

Oriental Cushion Design.

Cushions are all the vogue and a favorite Christmas present among the makers of fancy work. The cut shows a bright flame colored linen cushion on which is a very pretty and quaint decoration. The half circles are worked

in the fabric.

Table centers, tenochts and side-board cloths in this same unusual pattern are elegant and effective.

Concerning Mirrors.

There are so many forms of mirrors, and it is so charming to see the design of the mirror in accordance, in resonance, with the general effect of the room, to see it so placed that not only is it seen to the best advantage itself, but is also enabled to reflect gracefully, for like a picture, it requires careful choosing and careful placing. People who imagine that a mirror can be placed anywhere, made to fill any unoccupied space upon the wall, have no sympathy with its real purpose. The life of the mirror is an analogue to the life of man.

He was born in a ship
On the breast of the river of Time,
As what he sees is, so have his thoughts been.

As is the world on its banks,
So is the life of the man.

Considered so the mirror becomes indeed worthy of our time. It should cost us some trouble to select, some thought to place discreetly.

You may have one mirror or many. If one they must be of the design you admire, hang where you will, reflecting as much or as little as you desire. The primary object of a room is to comfort and second is to reflect its owner. And so the largest mirror in your room should be the room itself, concludes Art Interchange.

Yuletide Menus.

Oh, hold! branch and mistletoe,
And Christmas dinner where'er we go,
And stockings pinned up in a row!
These are thy gifts, December!

MENU.

Clam Bouillon with Cream (en Tasse).
Chicken Patties. Stuffed Olives.
Salmon on Lettuce Leaves. Mayonnaise Dressing.
Preserved Ginger. Whipped Cream.
Bonbons - Salted Nuts.
Coffee.

Consomme.
Oyster Consomme, Peas.
Cold Turkey, Sliced Thin.
Celery and Nut Salad, Olives.
Vanilla and Strawberry Ice Cream.
Assorted Cakes.
Coffee.

Oyster Soup.
Tongue in Jelly.
Turkey Salad, Olives, Celery Tip Sandwiches.
Cafe Frapee. Almond Wafers.

Ginger Sandwiches.
Orange Marmalade Sandwiches.
Bonbons. Salted Nuts.
Cocoa. Whipped Cream.

The latest gift from a bride to her maids is a pretty stickpin which is thrust into the knot of ribbon that ties their bouquets.

An Old English Custom.

A curious old method of letting church and town lands which prevails at Corby, near Kettering, England, was put in force recently. The parishioners having assembled in the vestry, with the rector in the chair, a candle was lighted, with a pin stuck in the wax. Bidding then proceeded until the pin dropped, when the last bidder was declared the purchaser.

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