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TODAY'S WEATHER. WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Forecast for Sunday: Minnesota and South Dakota—Threatening weather, with light snow; cold; northerly winds.

TEMPERATURES. Buffalo 56-59 Cincinnati 61-65 Boston 40-42 Montreal 32-37

COMMUNICATIVE FORMER MINISTERS.

The long line of precedents that keeps paddling the lips of our foreign representatives after their services have been dispensed with and they have retired from their eminence to the comparative insignificance of private citizenship has been shattered by Mr. Taylor, who lately left the post of minister to Spain, and by Mr. Terrill, who also recently ceased attending to the interests of the United States about the bed of Europe's "Sick Man."

That they have offended against precedent goes without saying. That they have exercised anything more than their rights cannot be established. Each reveals nothing that the published blue books do not contain. Neither exposes anything that is as yet among those venerable and moss-grown humbugs known as state secrets.

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WHAT IS LOYALTY TO OUR SCHOOLS?

A week ago the Globe stated the fact that a number of graduates from our high school had been conditioned by the university in two studies prescribed by the state high school board for the preparatory course in the state high schools, and asked: "What is the Matter?"

Before dropping the curtain, however, we wish to comment briefly on some criticisms of the action of the Globe that have come to its knowledge, made by some of the teachers of the Central high school. They say that, in calling attention to the conditioning of the freshmen from our schools, the Globe has been disloyal to the school.

We felt, and we believe that all the teachers, except these critics of the Globe, felt and all the parents feel that loyalty to the schools consists in maintaining that high standard, and that disloyalty consists in the toleration of anything that impairs it.

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In commenting on this state of affairs, Dr. Eggleston takes a very extreme view. In the last half of the year, he says, not a single American novel of the slightest consequence has appeared. This is a broad statement, but the burden of proof seems to be on the other side.

A WORD FROM THE "T."

Elsewhere on this page we print a letter from "University" which, we may say, comes from an authoritative source. Its purpose is not to prolong the discussion of the differences between the university and the high schools relative to the admission and conditioning of graduates of the latter, but to remove any misunderstandings

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FELICITATIONS TO MINNE.

We tender our sister city hearty congratulations on the demonstration that a hoodlum alderman can be tried and convicted by a jury of his fellow citizens. The failures in the frequent cases of corruption with the jurists of that city have had to deal have not only clouded the reputation and standing of the city, but have tended everywhere to strengthen the belief that it is impossible to check the corruption of our city councils and that, consequently, self-government breaks down in the very act of execution.

DON'T SHOOT; I'LL COME DOWN.

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CHURCH ENTERTAINMENT.

Programme for an Event at St. John's Church.

The programme is as follows for the entertainment at St. John's church guild hall Wednesday evening: Piano Solo—Margaret Myera. Poster—Lillian N. Moorhead. Violin Solo—Lillian N. Moorhead. Poster—Lillian N. Moorhead. Violin Solo—Lillian N. Moorhead. Poster—Lillian N. Moorhead.

THANKSGIVING DINNERS.

Relief Society Has a List of Needy Poor. M. L. Hutchins, of the relief society, writes: "We now have a list of the names of worthy poor ready for the relief society to take up. We have therefrom for the gift of Thanksgiving dinners. As in former years, we respectfully request that all societies, churches, individuals who contemplate furnishing Thanksgiving dinners and have prepared their list, will please send it to us that we may check up and thereby prevent duplication."

Liverman Wants Damages.

Fred Schroeder, the liverman, has sued Nelson and his partner for damages to a horse and buggy hired of the plaintiff by the defendant in his answer the defendant asks that the court order the defendant to pay the plaintiff the amount of the damages to the horse and buggy, all to the damage of the defendant in the sum of \$50, for which he demands judgment against the plaintiff.

A Word From the State University.

To the Editor of the Globe. It is far easier to correct misunderstandings than to dispel the feelings that may come from them. This note is to do the former and to correct the latter. The question of the university is doing in quantity and quality all that is required of it. It is a proper one for the university to discuss. It is, however, a matter for which the university is not prepared to discuss. Whether the present requirements ought to be modified is a question which the public has a right to ask, but it is not the university which will gladly receive any suggestions that the representatives of education will of course be glad to receive. The question is the one of administration, and upon this we can give you no information.

Long Distance Telephones.

To the Editor of the Globe. I am not personally familiar with the circumstances to enable me to form an opinion as to whether the city government were justified in refusing to issue a franchise to telephone company a franchise in St. Paul.

I know, however, that the fact that there is no franchise in St. Paul is a fact which this city is having an injurious effect in other cities, as Chicago, for instance. I was there recently and saw the telephone lines which I have business relations, as to what kind of a town St. Paul was. His inquiry was granted by the fact that a few days before he had wished to telephone to a firm here, and found that he could not do so, because of the fact that he could not telephone to Minneapolis if he desired.

The effect of the above is not difficult to understand. It is, I think, P. S. Macgowan, St. Paul, Nov. 19.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Boys, think of Thanksgiving day as a gay old time. As a jolly, eating and aching time. When the candies and steamed meats that they adore. And of apples and nuts there is a plentiful supply. While in their dreams fair visions arise Of turkey and doughnuts and pumpkin pies. Girls think of Thanksgiving as a busy time—A day of doing and dusting and hanging trim. For there are cakes to make and pies to bake And many a hurried step to take. And the old and the young may give thanks and be gay: And the children, who have wandered far away From their home, may find their way home again. Will gather once again at the old hearthstone. The old and the young should always think of Thanksgiving as a busy time. As the day of doing and dusting and hanging trim. When thanks should be given that the Lord is so good to us, and that we are so happy in the land of plenty and good cheer. Rejoice all ye people forever and ever. That the Puritans gave us this grand holiday. Be glad and give thanks whate'er betide. For the Lord will be with thee, ever walk by His side. Whether by the "stillwaters," with banks so bright and green, Or by a rough pathway full of dangers un-seen— He leads, far not, but trust Him always, Till the dawn of the eternal Thanksgiving day. Hamlin, Minn., Nov. 20. —Pearl Heath.