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CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

THE followers of Ireland's champion, Charles Parnell, are jubilant at their prospects of having home rule for Erin. Years of strife and bloodshed failed to accomplish the result so quickly obtained by the ballot.

THE Tucson Times is somewhat facetious in its remarks in reference to the EPITAPH's special concerning the interview between Gov. Zulick and Gen. Sheridan. The Times pilfered the special from the columns of the EPITAPH without giving due credit, and now with an innocent air that would be laughable were it not for the known fact that it is not sincere in what it says, alludes to the affair as a question between the Journal-Miner and the EPITAPH. The Times bit nobly and now nurses its wrath and chagrin behind the cloak of an innocent spectator of the fray.

THE Albuquerque Journal, of December 23d, contains an article reflecting upon the character and intelligence of the people of Tombstone. For puerile maudlin and asinine gibberish its equal is rarely met with. It is the idle and senseless vapors of an idiot, coupled with the reasoning of a blackguard. The EPITAPH recognizes the ear-marks of the Journal's hired man, whose proverbial affinity for unrectified corn juice, is so well known. While indulging in a pyrotechnic of generalities, he appears to lose sight of the fact that he is guilty of perpetrating a vile slander upon an intelligent community.

Christmas day! What recollections of the past,—the dim, fading years that stretch out adown the long ago,—and in which the ceaseless joys of childhood days flit hither and thither like the shadows of elfin land, does the sound of this hallowed name bring back to memory. The mind reaches out to grasp the ideal of the embowed years, and recoils at the realization of the stern realities of the present. In the days of long ago, when the little heart fluttered and beat with anxious expectation at the coming of the natal day of our Redeemer, no joy was so great as to sit in childish innocence and tell of the gifts that we received,—the words of cheer, and kindness spoken, and the generous impulses of love and forbearance that filled the soul toward even the humblest of God's creatures. The memory of the happiness of those days should soften the heart of to-day. The knowledge of having enough and to spare, should excite within us a desire to lessen the burdens and cares of our less fortunate fellow-men, by acts of kindness which cost us but little, and which, perhaps, in after years may return as a blessing to gladden the pathway of age and infirmity. Remember the poor.

GOVERNOR ZULICK'S proclamation, which appears in another column of the EPITAPH, seems to be entirely uncalculated for. It was doubtless prompted by the idle vapors of one or two irresponsible newspapers published in the southern portion of the territory. Incendiary screeds have from time to time appeared in some of our contemporaries, but no article in the least degree inflammatory has been given the responsibility of publication in any journal of respectability and standing. Had the governor been an old resident of the territory, he would doubtless have realized the utter insignificance of the source from which the incendiary and sensational articles referred to in his proclamation have emanated. In the several communities where they were published their only effect was to create a smile of derision. Every well-informed man in southern Arizona knows that the danger which the proclamation seeks to guard against is wholly imaginary. There is not even a remote probability of a general uprising and an advance upon San Carlos. Our people have suffered long and grievously from Apache Indians, but they have not reached nor will they reach, the pitch of desperation contemplated in Governor Zulick's proclamation. While the proclamation is without substantial foundation, it may yet be productive of good results for Arizona. It may direct the attention of the general government in this direction and induce a more thorough investigation of the situation than has yet been made by the authorities at Washington. Should this happily be its effect—should an exhaustive examination be entered into and the true facts be revealed to the general government—there can be no doubt that measures would then be inaugurated which would afford speedy and enduring relief for our people.

INDIAN PROCLAMATION,

Governor Zulick on the Indian Question.

He Urges Peace and Obedience to the Law.

But Says that the Apaches Will be Severely Dealt With.

An Earnest Appeal to the Citizens of Arizona to Guard the Good Name of the Territory.

(Special Dispatch to the EPITAPH.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 24.—The New York correspondent of the Evening Journal telegraphs as follows to that paper this afternoon:
"The death of Mr. William H. Vanderbilt and the amount and disposition of his estate still continue to be subjects of conversation among the capitalists of the city who knew him intimately. One of these gentlemen to-day astounded me with the statement that Mr. Vanderbilt's wealth had been underestimated instead of overestimated by the public, and that at the time of his death he was worth nearer \$400,000,000 than \$200,000,000. 'Why,' said this gentleman, 'Mr. Vanderbilt owned all of the Harlem road, which is worth at least \$25,000,000, and the road from Spuyten Duyvil to New York city, which a number of years ago was leased to and is now used by the New York Central and Hudson river, and is worth more than \$10,000,000. He owned four-fifths of the Wagner Sleeping Car company, worth \$5,000,000 or \$6,000,000.
"He virtually owned the two upper bridges at Albany, the income from which must capitalize the bridges at over \$1,000,000 each. He owned two-thirds of the cantilever bridge at Niagara Falls and five bridges across the Mississippi, each of which is worth for its income over \$1,000,000. Besides all these he owns the freight transfers on the Hudson river, out of which John H. Starin made a colossal fortune several years ago. He was also largely interested in Atlantic steamship lines—a fact not generally known to the public.
"Why, the old Commodore when he died left about \$200,000,000, although the public generally estimated his wealth at only \$80,000,000. Cornelius Vanderbilt's will was so drawn that an examination of it would give no idea of the actual extent of his possessions, and William H. Vanderbilt's will was drawn in the same manner."
"I spoke this morning with one of the younger Vanderbilts on the subject, but he was unwilling to say anything on the matter. The sons all feel deeply the loss of their father, and are devoting themselves to the closing up of his estate. The reports that they have already begun operating on Wall street are wholly unfounded."

BENSON ITEMS.

BENSON, Arizona, Dec. 24, 1885.
EDITOR EPITAPH:—I will give you a few items from our town. We have been having a lively time for three or four days. Benson was visited by an excursion party on their way to California from Ohio and Iowa, to spend the winter. This is one of the largest excursion parties that has ever passed through Benson, it having fourteen coaches, containing four hundred people. They looked like an army along the railroad track.

The new saloon, the Cattle Exchange, James Barret and Robert L. Miller proprietors, opened on the night of the 21st, and was one of the finest displays ever had in the town. The table was spread with roast pig, boiled ham, etc., in abundance, and the wine and cider was of the finest quality that could be procured in the Eastern market. This saloon is second to none in the territory, and with Mr. Barret and Mr. Miller as proprietors, there is no doubt of success.

Mr. Ben Goodrich put in his smiling appearance on the 23d, in W. L. Roache's court, as attorney for John Thede in an assault and battery case, wherein Thede was defendant. Mr. Thede was released, notwithstanding the evidence to the contrary.

To-morrow is Christmas, and the Knights of Pythias are preparing for a grand ball on Christmas night.

A Card of Thanks.

In behalf of the Catholic church, I wish to thank those who so generously contributed to the success of our late social. The committee of arrangements were especially zealous, and it was largely to their well directed efforts that so great a degree of success attained. The public generally, however, are justly entitled to the greatest meed of praise for their cordial support of so worthy an object. Therefore, in behalf of the church, the people of Tombstone will please accept the heartfelt thanks of
FATHER DOLGE.

The EPITAPH wishes its readers a happy, happy Christmas.

THE sudden demise of Vanderbilt, has caused a panic in Wall street. Western union stocks are selling far below former prices.

Miss Cora Goodrich, in her presentation address yesterday, showed marvelous powers of eloquence, which both astonished and captivated her hearers.

Thomas Ewing and Frank Abbott, who left Tombstone the latter part of November for Sonora to purchase a band of horses, are expected to arrive in town to-day.

Colonel William Herring and Judge Street made quite lengthy speeches to the scholars of the public school yesterday, which was well received by our future statesmen.

Our good looking friend who is the happy possessor of numerous hat bands of a very suggestive character, it is whispered, will soon sacrifice himself on hymenial's altar.

A man appeared on the streets of Denver recently driving a spanking team of fully developed elks worth \$1,500 and capable of traveling 100 miles a day. The children thought Santa Claus had come to town.

Pat Holland, an attache of the EPITAPH, is the possessor of the finest bridle ever seen in Tombstone. It is made wholly of red, white, blue and black horse hair, with elegant tassels of the same material, and is certainly one of the most perfect and ingenious pieces of workmanship that can be imagined. The bridle was made in Carson City and took the prize at the fair a short time ago. The bridle is valued at \$45, but Pat says that his best girl and his favorite mustang will sport the whole concern in the sweet by-and-by.

President Cleveland has pardoned Bishop Udall, of St. Johns, Arizona. Udall was convicted of perjury before Judge Howard, and sentenced to three years' imprisonment in the Detroit house of correction. At the time of Udall's conviction the Journal took occasion to say that it thought his sentence was unjust. Being a prominent Mormon, prejudice was strong against him, and the findings of the court seemed severe in view of all the facts elicited at the trial. Bishop Udall is now on his way to his home in Arizona.—Albuquerque Journal.

A vacation has been accorded the scholars of the public school during the present week. The closing exercises, which consisted of recitations, compositions, songs and the accustomed drill in calisthenics, were gone through with in a manner that reflected great credit on both teacher and pupil. The presentation of a handsome volume of poems, the works of Jean Ingelow, to Miss Hart by Miss Cora Goodrich, on behalf of the scholars, was a pleasant feature of the occasion. Space will not admit of a more extended report of the exercises. The EPITAPH cannot permit, however, the opportunity to pass without saying a good word for our public school, and the efficient manner in which it is conducted.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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SUMMERFIELD BROS.

On Wednesday, December 9, 1885, we will commence our GRAND HOLIDAY SALE, comprising the Finest and Most Appropriate Goods for the

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IN CLOTHING we have just received a full line of Corkscrews in all shades, Diagonals, Piquets, Beavers, Broadcloths, Doeskins, Miltons and Cassimeres, which we offer at prices that defy competition.

GENTLEMEN'S HATS, in all shades and styles, besides being agents for the celebrated John B. Stetson Manufactory, whose goods are too well known for comment.

IN UNDERWEAR we positively take the lead, having in stock a full line of Vicuna XXX, Camel's hair BB, genuine Australian, California Flannels, and the celebrated full finished New Brunswick Underwear. These goods must be seen to be appreciated.

IN NECKWEAR, Overshirts, White Shirts, Socks, etc., we need not speak of, as our reputation for carrying the finest stock of the foregoing named goods is too well known.

TO THE LADIES:

We have just received and will offer at the Lowest Prices a full line of Hand Bags, comprising the genuine Russian Leather, Plush, Sealskin, Velvet, etc.

IN DRESS GOODS Velvets, Brocades, Grosgrain Silks; Tricots, Ladies' Cloths, Camels' Hair Satins, Plaid Flannels and Cachameres, we offer at prices that cannot be equaled in Arizona.

From now till Christmas we will sell our Fine Line of Ladies' Cloaks, Dolmans and New Markets at Cost, as we do not wish to carry same in stock another season. Call at once and examine these goods, as no lady need be without a cloak at such prices as these goods are offered. We carry in stock the finest line of

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Ever brought to Arizona, comprising the genuine Perrins, Rosenstock, Porters, Sollers' tipp, in fact all leading brands that we offer at astonishing low prices.

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We could quote numerous other lines of Goods which we have in stock, but lack of space prevents us, so we will merely INVITE YOU, ONE AND ALL, to call at our store and examine what we have on hands, purchase if you wish, and if not, we will always be pleased to see you and consider it no trouble to show our goods.

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