Westminster.

—There will be a fellowship meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 2d, to which the Congregational church invites all neighboring churches. The service will be held in the town hall, as follows: 10:30 A. M., opening service; 11 o'clock, Bible reading "The power of prayer;" at 1 o'clock a service of song, at 1:45 a discussion of the topics, "What does the world expect of the church?" "What does Christ expect of the church?" All are requested to bring their lunch baskets. Tea and coffee will be furnished at noon. The meeting will be closed promptly at 3:30 o'clock. Every one is invited.

—Mrs. E. M. Huntley, the celebrated elocutionist, of Boston, will give a reading in the town hall on Friday evening, Jan. 5th. Do not fail to hear her.

Wilmington.

—S. B. Barnard and Murray Harris, have been suffering from severe colds approaching pneumonia.

—Scarlet fever has made its appearance in three families in the northeast part of the town. E. A. Fitch's youngest son has been very sick but is now on the gain. We believe no others are dangerously ill.

—The Christmas festivities at the Methodist church passed off very quietly and pleasantly. The house was decorated with trees covered with Christmas candles. The programme, which was executed mostly by the children, comprised a pleasing variety, but the event of the evening was the appearance of Milo Riddell as Santa Claus, the character being sustained in a manner truly remarkable for one so young, and giving an immense amount of pleasure to the little folks, while many hearts were made glad by the distribution of numerous presents.

—A. H. Sollock of Waterbury organized a lodge of Good Templars last Saturday evening. The following officers were chosen for the remainder of the quarter: Rev. J. Hamilton, W. C. T.; Mrs. George E. Haynes, W. V. T.; E. B. Buffum, W. S.; E. B. Corbitt, W. A. S.; Mary E. Spencer, W. F. S.; C. C. Clark, W. T.; N. D. Mann, W. M.; Ida Harris, W. D. M.; Rev. A. W. Goodnow, W. C.; Mrs. H. F. Barber, W. I. G.; Henry Whitney, W. O. G.; Mrs. E. B. Buffum, W. R. S.; Mary Haskell, W. L. S.

—Several families accepted the invitation extended them by the West Dover people to unite with them in celebrating Christmas. It was a pleasant gathering and both old and young seemed to enjoy it. The party from Wilmington enjoyed the trip, it being the best of sleighing and a beautiful moonlight evening.

—The opening ball at the Vermont House on Tuesday evening was largely attended.

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—At the Baptist church the Christmas exercises were interesting and profitable, and were listened to by a large and attentive audience. Among the pieces of special interest we would mention "Twelve views of heaven" by Mrs. E. Carpenter's class, and "The ten Graces" by ten young ladies, led by Mrs. Heman Ware. The young men also assisted very acceptably and the infant class of the Sunday School added their mite to the entertainment. The singing, under the leadership of Mr. F. Corbitt and sister, greatly increased the enjoyment. After the literary exercises came "Santa Claus" and the presentation of gifts. The eyes of the little ones sparkled, and the older ones were made glad; especially the pastor, who received a barrel of flour and some money from his class and other friends. The pastor's wife was also kindly remembered by the ladies of the society. The church was decorated with taste and pleasantly lighted.

—Rev. A. S. Cooper, presiding elder, will preach in the Methodist church and administer the sacrament next Sunday afternoon, and will also hold meetings at the same place the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

—The Congregational society have received from Cudworth & Childs the $1200 insurance on their church, which, with the subscriptions raised here and in Brattleboro, about makes good the society's loss.

—The 5th annual exhibition of the Windham County Poultry and Pet Stock association will be held in Brattleboro Jan. 2–5.

Williamsville.

—The lecture on Sunday evening by Rev. E. Smiley on "The Observance of Christmas in different Countries," was very interesting and the singing excellent.

—On Monday evening "Merry Christmas" was celebrated at the Methodist church, and two heavily laden trees held gifts for many.

—The lecture on Wednesday evening by Rev. Dr. Pierce of Boston on "The Power of Character" was solid, and listened to with marked attention. The next in the lecture course will be on Tuesday evening, Jan. 24, by Rev. A. B. Truax of Brattleboro, on "Self Control."

—Next Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Arms will continue on the subject of "Character Building."

Windham.

—The fellowship meeting which was held in this place on Wednesday of last week was quite fully attended. The churches at Townshend, West Townshend, Londonderry, Chester, Grafton and So. Windham were represented. The sermon in the morning, preached by Rev. M. Slack, was a very able discourse.

—Mr. Gardner Upham has been appointed and holds the office of town treasurer, made vacant by the death of Mr. Jones. c.

Bernardston, Mass.

—Rev. L. M. Pierce is spending the holidays at Arlington, Vt.

—James M. Bagg has been appointed executor of the estate of Marsha E. Marsh.

—The Congregational society observed Christmas by a concert at their church last Sunday evening.

—The Baker family had their annual reunion at the house of John Baker, last Monday evening.

—Prof. Jackson is spending his vacation at Springfield.

—Rev. J. H. Parmelee preaches in the Congregational church next Sunday.

—P. P. Hosmer is learning photography at Turners Falls.

—Nellie Cobleigh of Mount Holyoke Seminary is home on a vacation.

—The Amherst college glee club will give a concert in the town hall Jan. 16, under the auspices of the Congregational society.

—The fourth lecture in the citizens course will be given next Tuesday evening by William I. Marshall of Fitchburg. Subject, "Yosemite Valley and the Big Trees of California."

—Miss Lucy Doolittle of the Florence Kindergarten is home spending her vacation.

—Albert C. Persons was a member of the Legion of Honor and the benefit of $2000 goes to his mother.

—The reading club will meet with Miss Bradley next Saturday evening.

—The ladies of the Unitarian society will have a ten cent supper in their vestry next Friday evening.

—J. H. Nichols now employs seven hands in the manufacture of table cutlery. G.

Hinsdale, N. H.

—Christmas day was very pleasant. There was good sleighing and it was well improved by many. The four churches in town all had Christmas trees in the evening. It was the bearing year for all the trees. The fruit was all grafted and was excellent.

—A young man by the name of Ed. Clark, left town the 25th. The last that he was heard of he was making tracks toward Canada. About the same time $60 belonging to Arad Cooper was missing from his house. Perhaps they went on the same train. Said Clark leaves a wife and two children destitute. The youngest child is about two weeks old.

—We have had good sleighing since the 13th of December, just as Venner prophesied it would be all through this month.

—Dry hard wood is selling for $5.50, mixed $4 per cord; hay, $18 to $20 per ton; butter, 30 to 35 cts. per lb. at retail; potatoes, 75 to 80 cts. per bushel; apples, $2.50 to $3 per bbl.; pork, 9 to 9½ per hog. P.

West Chesterfield, N. H.

—On the evening of the 20th inst., about 30 invited friends and guests assembled at the residence of Mr. O. E. Randall to witness the marriage of Mr. Arthur F. Crouch of Boston to Miss Helen A. Randall of Des Moines, Iowa. At 7:30 the inspiring strains of the wedding march were heard, and the bridal party entered the parlor and were met by Rev. A. A. Rice, who performed the marriage ceremony in an impressive manner. Congratulations followed, after which the entire company repaired to the dining hall, where a collation of cake and ice cream was served. The company then reassembled in the parlor, and were entertained by excellent piano selections by Miss Minnie C. White of Grafton, Vt. At half past ten o'clock the company broke up. There were many handsome wedding presents. The bridal pair left on the twenty-fifth inst., for Boston amid a shower of rice.

—Christmas was observed at the church Tuesday evening by the Sabbath school children, there being two large Christmas trees loaded.

—The next Universalist sociable will be on Tuesday evening next, January 2nd.

—Rev. William Brown will preach at the Universalist church next Sunday afternoon.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Ninety feet has been added to the height of the Washington monument the past year.

—Freeman & Clark's novelty woodworks at Claremont, N. H., were burned Saturday night. Loss $20,000.

—Two great-grandsons of the celebrated Daniel Boone of Kentucky have been murdered in Texas.

—A Detroit Polish Catholic priest denounced a member of his flock and warned good Catholics against doing business with him. He was fined $250.

—A slow watch caused the loss of five lives and the wounding of two men besides the destruction of considerable property, Monday, on the Chesapeake and Ohio railway.

—The British ship Pioneer has bombarded and burned a village on the west coast of Africa, in consequence of the natives having attacked the British factory and killed the agent and several workmen.

—Much alarm is felt at St. Petersburg in consequence of recent developments showing the rapid spread of nihilism in the Russian army.

—Edward Flathers, a young man about 18 years of age, was drowned Monday afternoon, in a pond in the northern part of Bridgeport, Ct. His little brother had broken through the ice while skating. Edward went to his aid and went under the ice and was drowned before assistance reached him. The younger brother was rescued.

—By the steamship Volmar there arrived at Victoria, B. C., recently, 40 Chinese women. Thirty-two were sold to Chinamen who reside in the United States, the remaining eight were reserved for Victoria. The thirty-two women who came to the American side were disguised as Indian women. It is feared the trade in human beings will be carried on at Victoria on a large scale next year.

—Lucius W. Pond, the ex-state senator and prominent manufacturer of Worcester, Mass., whose forgeries, exposed in the autumn of 1875, occasioned such a commotion, and for which he was sentenced in January, 1876, to 15 years imprisonment in the state prison, was on Monday pardoned by Gov. Long with the advice of the executive council, in response to a strong appeal for executive clemency.

—Anni Sullivan, an Irishwoman aged 100 years or more, but as lively as a cricket, was run over and killed by the cars at Winchester, Mass., on Tuesday. She was traveling alone and tried to leave the cars while they were in motion, a thing which she was old enough to know better than do. It is related of her that not long since, in spite of her years, she entertained a company of friends by dancing for them a true Irish jig, with all the fine work put in.

—Boston has a model hospital building in the new children's hospital on Huntington avenue, near Chester Park, just completed. The new building cost $125,000, was constructed with a view to securing perfect ventilation, is heated by steam, has marble floored bath rooms attached to each ward, and has thick sound deadening partitions and floors. The sisterhood of St. Margaret, who will do the nursing, have apartments on the second floor.

—Rev. William L. Gaylord, pastor of the Third Congregational church of Chicopee, Mass., died Sunday of apoplexy. He was well as usual during the morning, and was stricken while in the basement of his house tending the fires.

—Kate Field's cooperative dress association, New York city, has gone under with liabilities of $125,000.

—A terrible tragedy occurred at the "Dodge farm," in the south part of Pelham, Mass., Tuesday morning, when M. A. Montgomery shot his two children, a boy six years old, and a girl four years old. It appears that Montgomery and his wife separated several years ago, she taking the children and going with them to live on the Dodge farm given her by her father. During the summer the husband tried to get the children from her, but she refused to give them up. On Saturday he came again to the house, bringing presents to the children, and remained through Christmas. Tuesday morning he tried to influence his wife to live with him again, but she refused, whereupon he went into the yard where the children were playing and shot the boy through the forehead dead. The inhuman father then turned toward the little girl, and fired at her, the ball taking effect on the right side of the head near the ear, and coming out at the chin. She is alive and may recover.

—On Tuesday night, at Broad Brook, Conn., three boys, 14, 13 and 11 years old, were drowned in a grist mill pond while they attempted to cross for a short cut home. At Merriton, Ont., on the same day, two sisters aged 15 and 10 years were drowned.

CHRISTMAS-DAY AT THE SOUTH—SOME INCIDENTS NOT DOWN IN THE NORTHERN PROGRAMME.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25.—This has been probably the most disorderly and disgraceful Christmas holiday ever observed in this city. Pandemonium reigned for 48 hours. Mobs of men numbering hundreds, all blowing tin horns and headed with fife and drum, paraded the streets, and the din of crackers and trumpets was fearful. A long list of casualties is reported from the use of fire-arms. Several fires occurred, and sand hoodlum assaults, shooting and cutting affrays were more numerous than for a long time.

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 25.—The day was fair and everybody was out. The casualties are: One negro murdered by another, shot through the heart without provocation; a white man brained by another and no hopes of recovery; two sons carved their father, possibly fatally; a negro woman stabbed a negro man to the heart; a policeman shot a negro in the leg for attempting to take a club from him; another policeman was shot through the coat and pantaloons by some unknown person, and there were bleeding heads and bruised noses too numerous to mention, there being 125 cases at the station house in 10 hours. A member of the police force also was drunk, and came near inciting riot by pushing a most respectable citizen who was put into a cell by other officers who did not understand the cause of his remonstrance. Another affair disgraceful to the police was a bloody fight in the cell of two colored prisoners.

PETERSBURG, VA., Dec. 25.—All the stores, public buildings, and public and private schools were closed today. Drunkenness and disorder on the streets were more prevalent than for years. During a street fight between a number of whites and negroes pistols were drawn and one or two shots were exchanged. A well-known citizen, while passing the vicinity of the fight, was shot through the thigh and painfully wounded. Some police officers in attempting to quell the disturbance were knocked down and clubbed. Several other fights occurred.

The political situation in Michigan is one of unusual gravity, according to the Detroit Post, which says: "One of the purest and best of Republican Governors has been defeated for reelection; six Republican Congressmen were defeated at the same time; the Legislature has a diminished Republican majority; a Senatorial election is impending and a personal feud has broken out into a war of bitter words between the two gentlemen who have been the most prominent aspirants for the Senatorship; influential Republican journals and distinguished Republican citizens have taken a determined stand against one or both of these gentlemen and one effort is now on foot to prevent the settlement of the Senatorial succession by a caucus of Republican members of the Legislature." This deplorable condition of things the Post says is the result of bossism, patronage and the interference of Federal office-holders in the politics of the State. The remedy, it adds, is to return the control of the party to the people and to settle the Senatorial contest in accordance with their wishes, regardless of pledges that have been made by individual members of the Legislature.

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCES.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

On the evening of the fourth Sunday in Advent, being Christmas eve, appropriate services were held in the church, consisting of Evening Prayer, and a sermon by the Rector. On the morning of Christmas Day the great Festival of the Nativity was observed by suitable services, consisting of a Christmas carol by the children, Morning Prayer, the administration of the Holy Communion, and a sermon. A Christmas anthem was sung at the Offertory, the soloist being Miss Agnes Childs. All the musical portions of the service were admirably rendered, the organist and choir entering fully into the spirit of the sacred season. The Christmas decorations were in most excellent taste, rendering the interior of the church edifice very attractive. The holy days following Christmas—those of St. Stephen, St. John, and the Holy Innocents—were also observed, and on the night of the last-named festival the members of the parish held their annual festival in Crosby hall.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO THE CHURCH.

A friend of St. Michael's church in New York has presented for its use an elegant pulpit desk of polished brass. This was placed in the church on Christmas Eve, and after having been dedicated, was used for the first time on Christmas Day. The Bishop White Parish Library Association of Philadelphia, upon the application of the Rector, have presented to the Rector and Vestry of the parish some 25 volumes of choice and valuable theological works for the Rector's use. A member of the parish now in New York has also sent 25 volumes, to be added to the Sunday school and parish library. In addition to these valuable and acceptable gifts to the parish, there were many thoughtful remembrances of the Rector and his family, and on Christmas Day a telephone was placed in the rectory, which was also a gift from the parishioners.

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.

At the Methodist Episcopal church Christmas was observed with an appropriate sermon in the morning by the pastor, Rev. A. B. Truax, and in the evening by a Sunday school concert, the leading feature of which was a general exercise entitled "Following the Star." The church was very prettily decorated with wreaths, anchors and crosses. Over the pulpit in connection with the exercise was a star; above this were the words, "I am the bright and morning Star;" below it, "Follow Me," and above all a hand pointing to a crown as a reward to those who thus follow. The concert was conducted in a pleasing manner, and, taken all in all, the observance was a most happy one.

AT THE CENTRE CHURCH.

Sunday evening at the Congregational church a Christmas concert was largely attended. The exercises consisted of appropriate recitations by members of the younger classes, responsive readings, and the singing of Christmas songs by a choir of misses, with a string quartette for an accompaniment. A notable and most enjoyable feature of the evening was the rendering of three Christmas part-songs—two of them being by Arthur Sullivan—by a mixed double quartette of adults. It is certainly a matter deserving commendatory notice that so good music was presented to the public as these part-songs. During the exercises the pastor made a short address to the children. Taken altogether this concert was a praiseworthy one.

AT THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

A midnight mass was celebrated at the Roman Catholic church on Christmas Eve, followed by the usual church services on Christmas Day.

A WILLIAMS COLLEGE SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION.—A scientific expedition will be undertaken by Williams college next summer, in which students will join, to procure specimens for use in biology and geology. In future years better advantages for such expeditions will be afforded; for the college has obtained a share in a laboratory which is to be built on the southern coast of Massachusetts, and which will give every facility for the collection of specimens and for original work. It is expected to be the best thing of its kind in the world. A steamer has already been procured, which will be fitted up with apparatus for deep-sea dredging, and electric lights for gathering specimens at night and at different depths. There will also be smaller boats, to be used as needed. A library will be connected with the laboratory and a stone pier, which will contain aquaria holding anything from microscopic forms to sharks. Expenses will be borne by the government. The plan will probably be working by the summer of 1885. A series of scientific lectures is projected for the lyceum of natural history next term.

The late Trenor W. Park was in California when the War of the Rebellion broke out in 1861. When he heard that hostilities had actually begun and that troops were being rapidly recruited throughout the North, he sent the following letter to Erastus Fairbanks, then Governor of Vermont: "I have to thank the Pony Express for the pleasing intelligence that my native State has, by unanimous vote of the Legislature, appropriated men and money to aid the Administration in the protection of the Constitution against the foes of the country. I know the Green Mountain Boys, like their ancestors in the Revolution, will be found facing the enemy. Although nearly 6,000 miles removed from Vermont, I look with great interest to anything that relates to her honor, and always find her right. I love Vermont and her people, and take pride in being counted among her sons. Enclosed you will find a check for $1,000, which the State of Vermont will please accept as my contribution toward defraying the expenses of fitting out her sons for battle, or supporting the families of those who may fall in defence of the flag of our Union."

A correspondent of the St. Louis Republican expresses the opinion that there is no hope for Grover Cleveland in his aspirations for the presidency, for his name begins with a "C." To strengthen his case, he cites the names of Clay, Calhoun, Chase, Clinton, Crittenden, Clayton, Cass, Church, Cameron, Conkling, Colfax and several other gentlemen of more or less estimable character whose names began with C, and who have failed to attain the presidency. Perhaps there is a star of hope for him in the vice-presidency, for Colfax, Clinton and Calhoun have ascended to the chair.

Mrs. Garfield is now living in her new home in Cleveland—a plain, unpretentious, but cheery and attractive house. The mother of the late President and the wife of Dr. Boynton are spending the winter with her. She is said to be now looking much better than she has before since her bereavement, although marks of age, care and sorrow are fixed upon her face. She is often visited by artists competing for the $10,000 prize offered by the Ohio Legislature for the best bust of Garfield, who seek her approval of their work. When one of them called on her a few days ago, writes a correspondent who accompanied him, Mrs. Garfield gave the bust a quick, sidelong glance, and then approaching it closer looked steadily and in a most critical manner for several moments. Then she spoke: "It looks far more like Stanley Matthews," and then, after another inspection: "No, I can't say it resembles the General to any great extent," and the disappointed artist sadly withdrew.

A pretty little story is being told of the German crown prince which indicates the secret of the affectionate regard in which "Unser Fritz" is held by his people. He visited a village school near Potsdam the other day, to see the new master, and had scarcely entered the school-room when a despatch was brought to the master telling him that his mother was dying in a neighboring village. The prince insisted that he should go at once. "But the children,—how can I leave them?" cried the agonized man. "Tut, tut! never mind them," said the prince; "I will teach them till the vicar comes to prepare candidates for confirmation. Go! run! and may you find your mother yet alive." And for more than an hour the heir to the German throne stood and taught the village children until the astonished vicar appeared.

A Card.

I would in this manner extend to my shopmates and others my heartfelt thanks for the valuable Christmas present they so kindly gave me. Not only the gift but the kindly remembrance will help to cheer me in my lonely hours; and should any of the donors meet with like misfortune, I trust that kind friends will remember them as they remembered me.

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Births.

In Cambridgeport, Dec. 23, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Derby.

In Vernon, Dec. 24, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall I. Reed.

In Wardsboro, Dec. 17, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Almon Durkee.

In Winchester, N. H., Dec. 21, a daughter to R. A. and Ella W. Dunston.

Marriages.

In Brattleboro, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. W. Whitney, Jefferson B. Robinson of Fall River, Mass., and Cora J. Abarna.

In Guilford, Dec. 23, by Rev. E. W. Whitney, Albert E. Lanfear of Shelburne, Mass., and Mattie M. Randall of Guilford.

In Wardsboro, Dec. 25, by A. J. Martin, Esq., T. Webster Johnson of Vernon and Martha L. Cobb.

In Halifax, Dec. 23, by Rev. J. Gifford, Hallock A. Wheeler and Carrie A. Riddell, both of Whitingham.

In Dover, Dec. 20, by Rev. O. F. Arms, Zina Goodell and Mrs. Adelaide Lizelle.

In South Windham, Dec. 25, by Rev. H. V. Baker, Charles Jones and Alma L. Boswell, both of West Townshend.

In Chesterfield, N. H., Dec. 7, by Rev. T. L. Fowler, Frank Elmore of Hinsdale and Amelia Hendricks of Westmoreland.

In Westminster, Dec. 24, by Rev. A. B. Dascomb, Moloth Swain of Westminster and Caroline Hume of Bellows Falls.

In Athens, Dec. 25, by Rev. O. R. Edwards, Charles S. Hawks of Rockingham and Jennie A. Clement of Athens. Also, Solon C. Davis of Salina, Kansas, and Nellie A. Fay of Athens.

In Chester, Dec. 13, Dr. F. P. Mather and Mrs. M. E. Eaton. Dec. 14, E. H. Gould of Andover and Ella L. Blunder of Windham. Dec. 25, Henry W. Brewer and Irena M. Martin.

Deaths.

In Brattleboro, Dec. 27, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Orton, aged 79, mother of John Orton, and a resident of Chicago.

In Dandville, Dec. 20, Mrs. Chancy Wheeler, aged 62 years.

In Saxtons River, Dec. 25, Henry C. Johnson, 43.

In South Wardsboro, Dec. 26, Mrs. Lucy Cheney, formerly of Windham, aged 87 years, 1 month, 9 days.

In Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 14, George A. Moore, formerly of Newfane, in his 76th year.

In Hillsburgh, N. Y., Dec. 2, Sarah, widow of the late Jasper Stone, formerly of Newfane, aged 85.

In Aylmer, P. Q., Dec. 12, Rev. George Canning Robinson, rural dean of St. Andrews, aged 51.

In Bellows Falls, Dec. 14, Emma E. Clement, 21.

In Rockingham, Dec. 17, Mrs. Hannah Hall.

In Chester, Dec. 9, Benj. Smith, 85. Dec. 15, Mrs. Amelia Converse, 58.

In South Halifax, Dec. 12, Elisha Culver.

HAWLEY IS closing out balance of Christmas goods in Basement at a sacrifice, excepting the standard Books, on which price is unchanged.

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Dec. 29, '82.

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N. F. CABOT, Clerk.

Brattleboro, Dec. 27, 1882. 11

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Brattleboro, Dec. 26, 1882. 1252

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ESTATE OF WINSLOW F. BALLOU.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the Hon. Probate Court for the District of Marlboro commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Winslow F. Ballou, late of Wilmington in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid at "Vermont House" in Wilmington on the 3d day of February and 5th day of May next, from one until four o'clock P. M. each of said days, and that six months from the 19th day of December, A. D. 1882, is the time limited by said court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 26. Wheat—No. 2 Chicago spring, 0.92a0.93 7-8; No. 3 Chicago spring, 76 1-4a76c. Corn, 55 1-2c. Oats, 39 1-4. Rye, 57c. Barley, 65.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26. Wheat—No. 2 red fall, 95 1-2c.; No. 3 red fall, 91c. Corn, 44 1-2c. Oats, 34 3-4c. Rye, 58 1-2c.

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U. S. new 4s, reg.	109 1-2
do. new 4 1-2s coupon	113
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