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From Washington.

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A Great Discovery. A Va. Farmer, of Newton, Iowa, says he has been seriously affected with rheumatism for twenty-five years, and this spring more severely than ever.

The Streator Times, in speaking of the Christmas dinner at the Clifton, says: Before us is a Christmas dinner bill of that model hostelry, the Clifton, of Ottawa.

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costume; and Dave Fisher carried off the other, two of the fair ones having decided that Dave was the prettiest costumed in attendance.

Mrs. Chial and John Linfor were in Chicago Monday. Prof. Berry's class of singers gave a concert in the city hall last evening.

The dearest of Terpsichore were well pleased with the music of Ball's orchestra. Mr. Rich has organized a parents' and pupils' literary society in Dist. No. 2.

There will be a ball given by the manager of the rink Wednesday evening, Dec. 29. Music by Ball's orchestra.

From Marselles. MARSEILLES, Dec. 25.—Night before last the river raised about three feet and took out the iron of a span of the bridge along with the derrick and false work.

On Tuesday evening, as announced, another span will be put on, as all the spans are of the same length, as soon as new timber for the false work can be obtained.

Mr. H. C. Keeler, of Ogden, Utah, visited Marselles recently to arrange with J. H. Goodell about making some models of a new scale he has recently patented.

Never despair! The chronic invalid recovering from a protracted siege of malaria infections, fever or the most severe attack of nervous prostration and physical exhaustion may be speedily and permanently restored to perfect health by taking Nichols' Bark and Iron.

Old man Bilker was in the habit of raising a row at home with his wife and making it lively for the family, especially at meal time.

Gus Snobberly, a New York Fifth avenue dandy, paid a young lady a great deal of attention at a social gathering, but she snubbed him unmercifully.

Harry is a very popular man in society, and in the course of a pretty lively existence has managed to exhibit his business talents chiefly by the accumulation of debts.

Prepared for last week. LOSTANT, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Russ Evans has been at Benson during the past week attending to her mother, Mrs. Davis, who slipped on the ice and broke her leg.

Peter P. Smith, son of John Smith, the large farmer and stock grower on the Vermillion, was LOSTANT the first of the week. He reports the swine plague as being very disastrous in that part of the country, and that cattle are suffering severely.

Mrs. Arthur Reynolds returned Saturday from Kansas, where they now live, and will spend a few weeks visiting at her father's, John Phillips' and among her other numerous friends here.

Wm. Greenlees, of your city, has been granted a patent on a snow cleaner. S. Bucklin's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions.

Horrors of Mineral Poisoning. When a young man of 25 years I took mercury in pills and was exposed to the weather, being a railroad man.

Catarrh Cured. Catarrh is a very prevalent disease, with distressing and offensive symptoms. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives ready relief and speedy cure.

Painful Ulcers. My mother, who is about seventy-five years old, and a resident of Dooly county had an ulcerated ankle which gave her great pain and trouble.

Cancer for Many Years. A family servant has been afflicted for many years with a cancer on her nose, and was treated by some of the best physicians.

Thomson, Ga., August 16, 1884. Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed free.

"Oh, Miss McSwelter," said a little schoolboy to his teacher, "I heard pa talking to Mr. Jones about you."

"We are going to have pie for dinner," said Bobby to the minister. "Indeed!" laughed the dominie, amused at the little boy's artlessness.

"It's a new kind, Ma was talkin' this mornin' about pa bringin' you to dinner so often, and pa said he didn't care what she thought, and ma said she'd make him eat humble pie before the day was over, an' I s'pose we're goin' to have it for dinner."

The World's Champion. Mr. Edward Hanlan, the great oarsman, and until his recent contest with Beach in Australia, the champion of the world, may certainly be looked upon as an authority in everything affecting athletic sports.

Have given Tongaline a thorough trial in seven cases of neuralgia. Secured relief in from one to four hours.

Dudington—"I see Sarah Bernhardt has taken to a pork diet, in order to increase her avoirdupois."

"Hardly. You can't fatten up a stick by rubbing it with grease."

The compliments of the season—colds, coughs, catarrhs—may be effectively dealt with by taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Sunday School Teacher: "You say Tommy, that God made the earth and all things therein in six days, and that he rested on the seventh?"

I have used two bottles of Athlophors and seem to be entirely cured of rheumatism, after fifteen years trouble and suffering.

Mugwump was coming up Federal street with a Chicago friend, and they stopped a moment to watch the men laying the new stone pavement.

"Did you ever try good intentions?" said Mugwump. "Good intentions! What in the world do you mean?" asked the Chicago man.

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The recent sudden rise of the Illinois river has caused much destruction of live stock at various points.

When she was a child, she cured for CASTORIA. When she became a mother, she cured for CASTORIA. When she had children, she gave them CASTORIA.

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