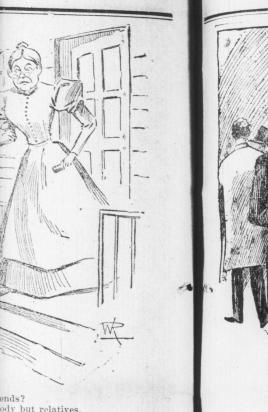
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PEEPS INTO NEW YEAR.

logers Do Not Agree in Their Predictions.

ng it were at all needful to ite the fallacy of forecasts n so-called astrological calculawould be amply sufficient to -as the writer has done-the put forward for the forthyear by those almanacs that ty of this sort of verbal It is but seldom indeed that

Moore, for instance, states that in our prosperity will increase, phael tells us that there will be stress in the land. Zadkiel erring to the same month, says lly that the public health will od, while at least three publirun on similar lines assert that

ng Raphael's predictions for Feb to the effect that a terrible , with appalling loss of life, will t sea. Zadkiel has nothing about have the other secrs.

y enough, however, the four phetic almanacs-Moore's. s, Orion's and Zadkiel's-al a big theatre fire in Paris for

il, according to three almanacs, will be unusually good, two give at it will be bad, two are silent on ct, while yet another predicts a in the revenue returns. In another curious coinciden han three of the "prophets" ar in May.

list of predictions for June "an appalling accident in attendant with heavy sacrian incident foretold by none is rivals. On the 19th of month-we are informed by t about 6 p.m., the entry e into the tropical sign of Canakes place. They all agree that portentous event, but differ erning results.

August Orion predicts great fires lon and Paris. Raphael foretells ous war" with "much dispatching Moore omits to mention war or fire, but on the contrary

sh trade and commerce during er are to be "unsatisfactory, to Orion, "not good" acc Raphael, while Zadkiel predicts urly, in October, it is not exactly how foreign affairs can be same time "unsatisfactory and and "satisfactory and while it is even more difficult oncile the diverse predictions re-under the November heading. We red, for instance, that "owing annular eclipse of the sun' will be, both politically and sothe darkest and stormiest of any en years to come. Zadkiel, how-sees in this omen only a little sickamong royalty, and Orion ignores. ally while Old Moore predicts that ber will exercise over London a influence, Zadkiel prophesies the last month of the year much ss and a high rate of mortality metropolis, coupled with an out of crimes of violence which is to ck to the community"; Orion says it scourged by extensive and terfires, and another announces the tion of London by an earthand tidal wave, and the overthrow ritain's maritime supremacy owing European coalition, as well as the "virulent sweating sickness -thirds of the inhabitants of the ted Kingdom.-London Daily Mail.

They say the tenor earns a fine living." Just by singing ? Yes, and collecting the things that are thrown at him."

Reformers nillion sterling in subsidie At Work

low the Russian Government Has Grappled With the Drink Problem.

ssia, like England, has her temper problem, and, unlike England, she

great reform of the liquor traffic maintain his army, with a war strength MISSIONARIES FOR THE SOUDAN h was ushered in immediately after of 2,500,000 men, out of the profits of

sion to the throne. So tremend- the government monopoly. s the change that even now, after

The Czar has realized the cash value a license, and by one bold stroke he

SOME FAMOUS VIOLINISTS. ity of a situation .- The Nineteenth Cen-Dr. Mason's Reminiscences of Ole Bull, Joachim, Wieniawski, Wilhelmj, THE LOST DOG

Remenyi and Others. And one day, when he had been with his new friends two years, he found him. In the fourth and last instalment of "Memories of a Musical Life," in the Century, Dr. William Mason gives his recollections of Raff, Rubinstein, Von Bulow and Paderewski, Theodore Thomas at twenty, and some of the most famous violinists of the century. I have already mentioned in these pa-life, in which hope was not quite dead, pers my meeting with Joachim in Leip-sic in the year 1849. He was then about and creeping out into the sunlight. eighteen years of age and already fam-ous as a violinist. He was of medium height, had broad, open features, and a heavy shock of dark har somewhat like mean and meanly clad, with no grace of that of Rubinstein. I had a letter of body or soul, unless it might have been introduction to him, which I presented a short time after my arrival in Leipsic, Him he had loved after the best fashion and received immediately a return call which he knew. This splendid brute from him. He was kind and affable, thing, with his unquestionable devotion, become acquainted with, but | had kept alive in him his piteous remimprove the opportunity as I should have him more than any one of his own kind, done, a circumstance which I now much regret. He played the Mendelssohn him in the lowest depths of ignominy by regret. He played the Mendelssohn concerto in one of the Gewandhaus con-certs within a month of my arrival at Lelpsic, and I heard him then for the first time, and was much impressed by his beautiful performance. Subsequent-ly, when in Weimar, I had the pleasure of meeting him on many occasions, for he was in the habit of going there not vellow (ultch of avarice for his own he was in the habit of going there not infrequently, and would sometimes take part in the Altenburg private musicales, as well as in the public concerts at the theatre.

But the 'dog followed him, faithful During the year 1845-46 I heard and became well acquainted with three fam-ous violinists, Vieuxtemps, Ole Bull and During the year 1845-46 I heard and Sivori, who came to Boston and played gained another level in the spiritual evo They were all great players, each having Harper's Magazine. ntion of his race .- Mary E. Wilkins, in

the State. There are fifty-two commit-tees in Russia receiving a quarter of a and Ole Bull I met several time in later WORLD'S BREAD SUPPLY. "There are at present about 517,000,-

nillion sterling in subsidies. Such is the way in which Russia has playing. Vieuxtemps came to Weimar spirits; such are the methods by which lic. His playing was wonderfully prespirits; such are the methods by which she is energetically pursuing the work of temperance reform. What has been the result? The official reports are practically unan-imous in their descriptions of the ben-efits which have come to the people un-der the new regime. The savings of the varien have ner the new regime. The savings of the nation have per The savings of the nation have per tions of years have shown that each

Inde the Liquor Traffic Pay Partceptibly increased and the improvementNew York. Ole Bull came to Boston abread-eater—man, woman, and child—of the Army'scost..

But important as the moral issues are, it is the financial gain to the State which is most striking to the average man. There is average more as much as a law unto the basis of this average, the bread-eat-ing world requires twelve months to sup-without showing the various degrees of ance or close attention to detail while

people realize how closely the crop is consumed each year. According to the statistician of the United States depart-

To quote examples of the antipathy to In course of time the monopoly will missionaries, a Cairo newspaper recentment of agriculture, the world's total is the change that even now, after rly six years, the machinery for ap-ing the new system to the whole of Czar's dominions is not complete. at the reform has been in practical king long enough to prove that it is mant with blessing. The scheme is affected at present is as great as the the lines suggested in the article the ress applicable of the article the combined areas of France, Germany, 10^{-10} to the the manual term in schematic, a consequently of a subscription in ment of agriculture, the world's total by urged the opening of a subscription is subscription in scientific, a consequent space of the schema is solved at the reform has been in practical king long enough to prove that it is mant with blessing. The scheme is affected at present is as great as the the lines suggested in the article the combined areas of France, Germany, 10^{-10} to support a movement against the ad-the mission of missionaries to the Soudan. The same newspaper violently attacked the Soudan correspondent's letter in the the missionaries' views of the sitution had said that they measured the capa2-

ant with blessing. The scheme is e lines suggested in the article the combined areas of France, Germany, Holland, and the United Kingdom, and in a few years it will not be possible to em. e. Car has realized the cash value license, and by one bold stroke he swept away a great abuse which is regarded in England as a mere mat-of course. He has nationalized the r traffic.



POLITENESS REWARDED.

Mugsey-Wot did Swipes git fer pic kin' up de lady's pocket-book when she Pugsey-Six mont's.

GREAT NAPOLEON'S DOUBLE.

His American So Like Him That He Was Excluded From France.

The fish, the vine, the palm, the lamb: with such simple symbols did the early Christian artists remain content: con-

EARLY CHRISTIAN ART.

"During the next ten years the cher- tent perforce too, that these simple forms ished ambition of Madame Bonaparte should remain below ground in that was to marry her son, Jerome, to a girl perilous time, when the form of a fish of rank," writes William Perrine of Elizabeth Patterson, the American wife of Jerome Bonaparte, in the Ladies' to hurry its perpretator to the arena and Home Journal. "Various plans were martyrdom. All these figures found on meditated, particularly his proposed mar-riage to one of the daughters of Joseph Bonaparte, who was then living in com-fortable origin and the sarcophagi were meant to express the Christ, but with the growth of the daughters to the daughter to Bonaparte, who was then living in com-fortable exile at Philadelphia and at typify the chase, the beautiful, the comthe possibility that the French people ing no doubt as to the identity of the

might call a Bonaparte like him to their throne. "But all Madame Bonaparte's 'darling stages of Christian art how many ophopes for her son were doomed to disappointment. In 1829, while she was in in her. She first bore the characteristics earnestly grappled with it. is most striking to the average man. There is every prospect that the day will olas II, was working in Russia was reat refere of the ligant to the Czar will be able to the course of development. The striking to the average man. There is every prospect that the day will one when the Czar will be able to the striking to the average man. The striking to the average man. There is every prospect that the day will the course of development. The striking to the average man. There is every prospect that the day will the course of development. The striking to the average man. There is every prospect that the day will the course of development. The striking to the average man. The striking to the average ma the world over; if the production is less, there is suffering and starvation. Few neonle realize how closely the crop is zen, he became a highly respected gentle-man both in this country and abroad. It was' frequently observed in Europe that he resembled his uncle, the great Enn-peror, more than Napolean's own broth-ers or any other of his kinemen. In

peror, more than Napolean's own broth-ers or any other of his kinsmen. In-deed his figure, the cast of his head, the regularity of his features and his eyes were so much like the Emperor's that there was some fear in France during there was some fear in France during the Louis Philippe monarchy that the forth the Madonna and child became the forth the Madonna and child became the resemblance might stir the Napoleonic af-fections of the people, and he was for-swung to the other extreme, and the bidden from visiting Paris even while group of the Madonna and Infant Jesus was now seen everywhere. Each hou had its representation; it was introduced into the furniture; it was embroidered on the clothes.-N. Hudson Moore, in CHINESE ANTIPATHY.

help along these matrimonial specula-tions. Her special desire was that he glass have been found also in Christian would not fall in love with an American, and that he would always bear in mind

AUTOMATIC LIFK-SAVER.

Fail Into the Water and the Apparatus Does the Rest.

sting life-saving apparatus was n the other day at Berlin to the reprees of the War Department and ted Cross Society by its inventor, Lieu-Von Irsay, an Austrian in the Husgiment.

pparatus in question is no bigger medium sized cigar case, and can be d without any inconvenience what one's coat-button, so as to be ready nd in case of accident. It is auto action, so that the person liable to can be saved whether he will or no. ious or unconscious. It conof a box of magnalium tin, surroun pactly-folded life-belt, connected the interior of the box by a small

box itself contains a carbide which ps a gas on contact with water, the nt given off being sufficient to inflate life-belt in the space of eight seconds. elt, when thus inflated, can sustain a ght of 16 Ibs., sufficient, according to ntor, to keep a person's body up t when in the water.

Miss Jimp, how did you make such an on that shy Mr. Diggs?' acted shyer than he did."-Chicago

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t charce rescript, had, nest sterling. If that is so in the country, what will ussia, as in England, the cash bet free result in the towns—in St. Peters-t liquor licenses is enormous, and t object of the state monopoly with 1000,000 inhabitants; in Mosst object of the state monopoly cow, with 750,000; in Warsaw, with

the empire the vast 400,000? These four provinces embrace of unearned increment which for one-sixteenth of Russia's population, and s had found its way into the the revenue here is inevitably below the

s of the publicans. average. But taking the basis of a revenue of jects have been kept in view

State to dispossess a great body of f authority which they have come rd as their natural right; but

nt became sole proprietor ed, at which all spirits were sold in priceless quantities.

act the tap-room the governestablished tea-rooms, where

meet without any temptation

h drunkennes

THE MUD-WALL CABIN. The mud-wall cabin is yet a rather familiar feature of the Irish landscape, It may be seen during a short train journey, a car drive, or even a walk in some districts of the South and West of Ireland; and a curious human habitation It is a car but it has too often sup. argest possible amount of rev-m this trade, and, secondly, to drunkenness." the simplest thing in the world t the simplest the sim did when I returned to Chitral at the Hundreds of instances could be critical visitors to Ireland for me-fami-liar as I am with the kindly natures, the allied Europe, her population would

defining on a small, experi-ele, had life difficulty in this The State abolished the publichonse. There, because sole proprietor. meet shops and deports were the anglites and tangthers-in-tanget start support downers. The special start support downers the special start support of the second start support start support of the second start support start sta

tives, foreign royalties, or people interested in the manufacture of certain sorts of lace, or purchased by her. Some of the finest specimens of Point d'Alencon, Mechlin, Brussels, Chantilly, Point de Venise, and Foint d'Espagne are among the royal treas-ures, besides most exquisite pieces of Honi-wayside cabins. He found the rain of the found the royal treas-treas legional de the royal treas-treas the low door acts as a window, and the roof is rudely thatched with straw, rushes, or reeds. 'There is a story of an English visitor to Ireland who, having been caught in a heavy shower, sought shelter in one of these wayside cabins. He found the rain of conflict near at hard it socker to a

No Compensation Granted.
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necessity of distributing the crop-grown Rajput, a Sikh, or an Afghan gentle-perhaps half a world away from the man. I had with me on my journey ing mark put on their trunks and values

never dream of jumping up and down and kissing my hands and feet in dog-like devotion, like my Chitrali servant id may be said, also to the owners.

close of the siege. As for the Chinese with whom I was

travelling incognito.'

ing mark put on their trunks and valises?

many will say, and small wonder that they seek to keep the pushing for-protection of our principal ports and areigner at a distance. "China for the senals. It was his government which be-Chinese" is a thoroughly comprehensible gan the erection of the Martello towers,

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