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After all the basis of all Christmas festivities is sentiment. The origin or origins of the festival are lost sight of. We do not keep it as we do Dominion day, for instance. Nor can it be regarded as a mere day of recreation and cessation from labor. The essence of it is sentiment. It is a yearly exacerbation of emotion, of feelings which have been worked up on purpose to be let off on each coming 25th of December. This pervades all our various ways of celebrating it, from the pompous "A merry Christmas to you, gentlemen," of the superior official, through all its grades down to the scenes enacted beneath the mistletce.

And what a blessed thing it is to know that even now in this day of what Carlyle would call profit-and-loss philosophy, when the touchstone of well nigh everything is its money value, that even now way that conservative body, the house of mankind throughout christendom can once lords, regarded the subject during the disa year join in the expression and enjoyment of genuine sentiment; can rise above being mere calculating and money-making opinion that the time must soon come machines and act upon the dictates of the when the question would have to be seri

And what pleasing forms it takes : the most casual acquaintance comes at Christmas tide to be classed amongst our friends; the family tie is strengthened; not only between the members of one family but beneath the mistletos bespeak.

What kindly and delicate forms of ex- the redistribution bill, pression it uses : the genial greeting; the unexpected gift ; even the Christmas card, each has an extrinsic value that owes its existence to the day.

And all this, let it be remembered, is the outcome of the system the birth of whose Founder Christmas day commemorates. It

bration of the birth of the most beautiful character earth has yet seen?

Of all countries in the world England is

the place for fads. They are generally interesting ones, however. One of the most so was that of discovering the lowest pos sible margin of subsistence. One physician publicly stated that he saw patients, walked some fifteen miles every twentyfour hours, and transacted his daily business on a diet which costs him something like expence a day. Another tried to bring it down to threepence, if we recollect, but the last heard of him was that he was in the doctor's hands. A really practical | to beer. experiment has lately been made, however, in London, which has been the outcome of the bread reform league. It is to raise a fund for providing the poorer classes of school children in the metropolis with panny meals. These meals consist of either busins of bread and milk, or of cups of coca, each with two slices of buttered wheatmeal bread, or of oatmeal porridge.

It is said that any one of these formed a sufficient meal for a child, and that, on the calculations of an expert, it was found that they could be sold at an actual and by no means small profit.

Pauperism, fortunately, is not so rife amongst us to occasion any resort to such shifts as two-cent meals. Nevertheless these experiments may give us a hint on the preparation of cheap nutritious and palatable meals.

Biizzard v Cyclone

Southern Dakota has for many months been knocking at the door of the union. When the republicans had the power to admit her, they failed to do so, partly because they did not need her, and partly be cause they could not agree as to the spoils which the creation of a new state always calls into existence. Cleveland's election has shown them that they do need her, but this is just the reason why the democratic majority in congress don't want her; but they are willing to compromise and split Dakota if the republican senate will split the vast state of Texas, which has more than twice Dakota's population, and is democratic away up in the thousands. Thus the matter stands. It is a deadlock between the Dakota blizzard and the Texas cyclone. We presume that the result will be the some as follows the collision of an irresistible force with an immovable body.

Lord Dufferin's Governor-Generalship The Indian papers speak hopefully, though guardedly, of Lord Dufferin's com ing administration, and most flatteringly of the noble earl and his staff and especially of the private secretary, D. Mack nzie Wallace. The Madras Mail in an article on the new viceroy's staff quotes the following passage from the last-mentioned gentleman's work on Egypt and the Egyp-

tisa question : Lord De rin had in fact not only confidence in hanself but he displayed also the equally near sarry talent of inspiring confidence in a hers. Everyone who conversed with him-and no one who had the slightest claim to be listened to, was ever refused an claim to be listened to, was ever refused an interview—came away with the conviction that behind that courteous manner and amaze or suite there are a keen, many-sided, penetrating intellect, and a resolute imperious will; and those who worked under his guidance soon learned by experience that un-

We have before this expressed our doubts with a whetted icicle. The snow poet coughs, celds and consamptive tendencia

as to the capabili-y of Lord Dufferin grapple with the intricate problems with which he is sure to be confronted in so het- strange street. ous a country as India. In regard to the question of dealing with Russia in her advances towards Afghanistan, the nev viceroy seems singularly happy in the ion of a private secretary who has evoted six years of special study to the Muscovite empire. Mr. Wallace's first successes were the result of his work on this country, and he is known as having been correspondent at St. Petersburg to the London Times during Lord Bufferin's ambassadorship in that city. So that ambassadorship in that city. So that what with his own knowledge of Russia, coupled with that of his secretary, the proper method of dealing with any aggres-

tiers will be speedily defined. amount of coast line to be defended, the British fleet should number more than double that of France or Italy, and four times that of Germany, taking into consideration, that is, only the coast lines of the mother countries, And yet the difference between the number of heavy-armored vessels in the British navy and the next most powerful, that of France, is only fifteen ships. Another noticeable point is that while the sum expended by England on her navy remains almost precisely at the same figure at which it stood nearly a quarter of a century ago, the great continental pow ers have, within the same period, increased their naval expenditure by about one

sive policy upon India's northwestern fron-

Women's franchise in England is probably merely a question of time. The calm cussion of the redistribution bill, was significant. Lord Carnaryon expressed the ously considered, and Lord Denman actually moved an amendment to the effect that the franchise be accorded to women. It is further to be noticed that a peer openly in favor of such an innovation, viz. Lord Salis bury held that this was not an appropri also between distant relatives; to say ate time for the introduction of such an nothing of other ties such as the scenes amendment - probably for the sake of avoiding any obstacles to the passing of

If the Philadelphia Record is correct, Richard A. Proctor, the "noted" lecturer, has made another slip, which smacks of his usual sacrifice of the accurate for the marvellous. "The fears expressed by some astronomers," he says, "that our earth will be damaged by comets are not altogether turned in to watch them play. Day after usual sacrifice of the accurate for the mar-Founder Christmas day commemorates. It is a festival unique in its refined and moral character.

Who can estimate what good has flowed be damaged by comets are not altogether turned in to watch them play. Day after day and night after night passed with them makin' the rocks clatter an' me sittin' may whisk its tail over this world and back in the shadows lookin' on. Imagine Who can estimate what good has flowed to mankind at large by this yearly celebrush us into space." Now, if our memory how happy I was. Every day I got gloomier serves us. Sir Wm. Herschel-not Sir John this time-declares that comets weigh propably not more than a few pounds at most, probably but a few ounces, and this he supports by proving the extreme tenuity of the tail from the fact that the star Arcturus was once distinctly visible when covered by this prolongation.

> Judging from the size of the meetings held the masses are not very much excited upon the tax exemption question. Per haps the question is too practical for that. If it were a matter of booming some political partisan with an ax to grind the en thusiasm would slop over and maybe turn

Richard Covle, the Connecticut fresc painter, dead from the degeneration of his bones to chalk, must have consumed to much city milk. What a prize he would have been to some of the economical trustees of a rural school section?

The duke of Argyle's subjects in the island of Fife seem to have a good deal of Irish in them, as his grace has sent for the army to collect his rents. A good many respectable Britons are of the opinion that respectable Britons are of the opinion that me to play poker with him. Then I began the employment of the imperial army and to straighten out—but 'twar a close call navy in the collection of exorbitant rents from impoverished peasants is a mighty small business. The duke may temporarily succeed, but ultimately he will have to follow the example of Crockett's coon.

The electors of Lennox have more fur and profit out of politics than most people. While a contest for the house of common the third in about two years is pending, Mr. Hawley resigns his seat in the legislature to keep out of reach of the courts. The corruption down, there is not confined to either party. The Lennox elector sells his vote to either whig or torv with de lightful impartiality. He seems to think

that is what his vote is for. The prudent people who keep much noney in their houses as a reward to rob pers for torturing and murdering them have been heard, from again. We admit that the bank cashier is somewhat uncertain, but he never uses violence to his. victims.

That Philadelphia woman who trusted in faith rather than medicine, and went to her reward accordingly, might have combined the two and have had a sure thing of it. It requires a good deal of faith to trust in medicine.

A Winnipeg shop girl-or salesladymarried a young Englishman who worked in the city sewers, and the young man has just come into a fortune of \$75,000 Keep an eye on the sewers, girls. There may be thousands in it.

Here is another outrage for the Globe, Heas of Listowel, a tory M. P P., is shipping large quantities of furniture t British Columbia. Thus are the poor people on the Pacific coast, who used to buy redwood furniture in San Francisco restricted in their markets for the benefit Him. of one of Mr. Meredith's supporters. Please turn on the indignation, somebody. "

The prophetic weather mugwump, who foresaw with his mind's eye a green Christ mas, ought to let his fail are of a life cut | Protora,

walks the deck and the able editor has the haunted, distrait look of a lost dog in

The Products of Natural Gas. From an open letter on "Natural Gas Wells," in the January Century, we quote the following: "The products of natural gas are numerous. The most important thus far are lamp or carbon black and carbon points for the electric light. There are ten carbon-black works in operation, scorecy with which it is conducted. Here they make the black, and it is supposed coloring matter also, from the gas. At Stuartson furnace, in the same county, is another 'works' where the carbon points are made. Both these works are guarded, and a stranger is not permitted to be about them. A number of persons are experimenting with the gas, with as many different objects in view. It is impossible to learn what has been accomplished, as they are quick to see the advantage of keeping secret any discovery they may have made. ecret any discovery they may have made. What the future of this wonderful fuel is would be difficult to foretell. Natural gas prings are known to exist in many parts of the United States. This would seem to indicate a wide distribution of it. In August last a large well was struck at Crestline, Ohio, which may open a vast territory. Where gas may or may not be found can only be determined by the drill How far it may influence the manufacturing interests of the years to come dependent

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tay in the game. I talked of committin' micide, or of goin' off and losin' myself in blizzard, but they wouldn't take no sort 'pity on me. The Rhyme of the Old Sailor, what I used to know by heart back in ne States, kept runnin' through my mind - 'Alone, alone, all, all alone—alone on a wide, wide sea.' 'Long in the fore part o' February I got desperate an' started off through the snow for Helena. I was half azy, I was. Hadn't no sort of idea wher was goin'-between the storm and the ings what run through my brain I was out gone. The wind seemed to whistle Raise yer, raise yer,' an' the big trees sung, 'See yer, see yer,' an' the big stones tumbling down the mounting side 'peared to cry out,'Go yer ten rocks better, pard ten rocks better.' I wandered 'round for three, days an' nights, half-frozen and halfstarved, clean off my base an' nigh done for gen'rally. 'Spect I'd a-died hadn't I come to a camp where a lone miner lived. He took me in, thawed me out an' asked

mighty close call. Thet, stranger, is the reason why mplain of cold weather. If I live be a thousan' years old the coldest winter in all my record will be thet one when I got froze out o' the game winter

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Mariana. From the January Century. "He cometh not!" she said." He never came whose step and loving call I waited long to hear, But thou heat come, last Messenger of all, A friend well nigh as dear!

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The soul sore travailed that in vain, in vain
itangered for happiness!

Draw closer, oh, thou voiceless Guest and pale, Whose drooping torch bures low:
Thy face is hid, but through the sombre vei
Thine eyes' dark light I know! Nay, closer still !—I yearn on brow and hear Thy cool, strong hand to feel : Fevered with wounds, and throbbing with s

smart Thy touch alone can heal. I go with joy! Lead me to him at last,—
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Him, whose far footsteps, echoing through
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ever happened in the history ada was what has beeen always as the "Phenomenon of 1819." morning of Sunday, November the sun rose upon a cloudy sky assumed, as the light grew up strange greenish tint, varying in to an inky blackness. After a time the whole sky became t dark, dense black clouds filling mosphere, and there followed a shower of rain, which appeared something of the nature of soa and was found to have deposited settling, a substance in all its embling soot. Late in the aft the sky cleared to its natural and the next day was fine and On the morning of Tuesday, the heavy clouds again covered the and changed rapidly from a deep to a pitchy black, and the sun oscasionally seen through their sometimes of a dark brown, or another their sometimes of a dark brown, or entibly yellow color, and again orange, and even blood red. The constantly deepened in color density, and later on a heavy seemed to descend to the earth. day became quite as dark as nig fitfully. At noon lights had burned in the court-house, the and public offices of the city. many were the conjectures as cause of the remarkable occur The more sensible thought th menes woods or prairies were somewhere to the west; other that a great volcano must have out in the province: Still others that our mountain was an extine about to resume operations, and of the city a second Pompeii; the stitious quoted an old Indian pr —that one day the Island of M was to be destroyed by an earth and some even cried that the wo about to come to an end. About the of the afternoon a great body o and the darkness became that of succeeded, and then one of the glaring flashes of lightning ever flamed over the country, according to by a clap of thunder which see shake the city to its foundati other pause followed, and then deluge of rain of the same soa sooty nature as that two days. After that it appeared to grow by but an bour later it was as dark : Another rush of clouds came, other vivid flash of lightning was seen to strike the spire of French Parish church, and to pla ously about the large iron cross summit before descending to the moment later came the climax day. Every bell in the city surang out the alarm of fire, as afrighted citizens rushed out from houses into the streets, and mad way in the gloom toward the until the Place d'Armes was with people, their nerves all u by the awful events of the day, at, but scarcely daring to approa strange sight before them. above and around was as black but right in one spot, in mid-air them, was the summit of the spir the lightning playing about it, like a sun. Directly the great iro together with the ball at its foot the ground with a crash, and we ered to pieces. But the darker comes just before the dawn. The

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Many centuries before Chris An Eurly Writing Pay left writings upon the papyra our name, paper, is derived which was revered as sacred by Edvotians, grows abundantly in streams and marshes in upp and Syria. Bruce found it go the River Jordan, and noticed fact, that it always presented th angular side of its pear-shaped the swift current. The stem is ten feet high, two inches in and crowned with a fringe of leaves, which circle a blossom of spikelets. Beneeth the brow which envelops the root-stal dark-green plant lie other which are very transparent when split into thin leaves and the sun, were glued toget and the roll of papyrus, on hich This paper was both fle durable. Specimens from Pon be seen in the museum at Naj the Afth century papyrus p which many varieties exist-largely manufactured at Ale

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to their homes, the real night careverything was bright and clear,

world was as natural as before

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o people grew less fearful and

Artemus Ward in a Slow T Among the countless good st tributed to Arlomus Ward is or tells of the advice he gave to a railroad conductor soon after The road was in a wretched and the trains consequently we a phenomenally low rate of When the conductor was pun ticket Artemus remarked, "I railro d company allow pass give it advice if they do so in an manuer?" The conductor is etemus went on, "it occurr that it would be well to detac catcher from the front of the e hitch it to the rear of the tra you see we are not liable to or cow, but what's to prevent a co ing into this car and biting

and ranked high in the con

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