#### **ENTERED THOROUGHLY INTO** SPIRIT OF CHRISTMASTIDE

tions for the benefit of the sick and needy, it will be seen that Londoners entered very thoroughly into the spirit of Christmastide:

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY. The board of management of the Children's Aid Society begs gratefully to acknowledge the following donations for the month of December: Mrs.Yarker, dozen toy books; Miss Doris Yarker, dozen handkerchiefs; Miss Maybank, 11/2 dozen handkerchiefs; Grade VI., Talbot street school, clothing; Mrs. Johnson, clothing; Ladies' Aid First Methodist Church, sandwiches and cakes; Mrs. Wm. McKenzie and Miss McKenzie, dozen handkerchiefs; Hobbs Hardware Company, skates, cups, jackknives, penknives, scissors, etc.; Mrs. Marlatt, clothing, shoes, etc.; Mrs.Fish, Marlatt, clothing, shoes, etc.; Mrs.Fish, candles and oranges; Mr. A. E. Welch, gift for each child in shelter; Miss N. Macklin, scrapbook; Master Douglas Hunt, toys; Master James Turpin, 2 dozen oranges; Mrs. McCrimmon, clothing; Mrs. McLaren, clothing, shoes and pictures; Mrs. W. T. Strong, turkey and candles; Mrs.(Dr.)Piper, head-cheese and roast of beef; Mrs. T. Ryan, roast of pork; Mr. G. W. Kent, buns and cakes; Mis Anderson, milk; Mrs. J. H. Boake, jacket and hat; Misz Edith Baker, hood and shoes; Mrs.Sanders, kitchen table; Miss Fox, 2 dozen ders, kitchen table; Miss Fox, 2 dozen oranges; Mrs. Hunt and Miss Hunt, Ridout stret south, toys and picture-books; Mrs. R. G. Fisher, duck and 3 dozen oranges; Miss Saunders, toys; Miss Anderson's room, Victoria school, candies; Miss Bertha Imlach's Sunday school class, scrapbook and pictures; school class, scrapbook and pictures; Miss White, potatoes, oranges, nuts and cakes; Mrs. J. W. Little, turkey, dozen pairs stockings and dozen pairs mittens; Mrs. B. A. Mitchell, rolled oats and candies; Mrs. J. Marshall, groceries; Mrs. Beattie, Elmhurst, goose; Mrs. Yarker pail jam; Miss Doris Yarker, toys; Master Athel Gordon, toys and picture-books; Mrs. J. Callard, Christmas pudding and magazines; Mrs. George Robinson, turkey; Mrs. C. S. Hyman, flannel, holly and groceries; Mrs. F. H. Heath, clothing and toys; Mrs. J. W. Pocock, 3 dozen oranges; Mrs. W. McKenzie, bag flour; Mr. H. Ranahan, oranges, figs, nuts and can-Ranahan, oranges, figs, nuts and candies; Mrs. D. Regan, groceries, oranges and candies; Wortley road school, cake; Mr. Thomas McCormick, box of candy and cake for each child in shelter; a friend, dozen handkerchiefs; St.

borge's Society, 3 dozen loaves bread, to bags flour, 10 pounds sugar, 22 pounds beef and box biscuits; Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Eccles, 6 dozen oranges; Miss Harris, 7 jars fruit; Mrs. V. Cronyn, turkey; Chantler Bros., side of lamb; Mrs. G. G. Steele, 6 dozen oranges; Mrs. T. H. Smallman, dozen oranges and candies; Mr. A. M. Hamilton & Son, salt, split peas, barley and breakfast foods; Mrs. Wm. Edge, 9 uns of canned vegtables; Mrs. J. Go. Jge, dozen oranges and rolled oats; Mrs. M. J. Kent, oranges and rice; Mrs. J. Macpherson, friend; ham, Mrs. Frank Leonard; eorge's Society, 3 dozen loaves bread, anges and rice; Mrs. J. Macpherson, canned fruit and pickles; Master Marshall Macpherson, picture book; a friend, dolls and toy bedsteads; Mrs. H. Beddome, candles and books; Mrs. A. St. L. Mackintosh, roast of beef, toys and books; a friend, drawing-slates; Miss Shaw-Wood, 15 pounds of butter, groceries, oranges and candies; Miss I. Armstrong, dates; little Vara Martyn, oranges and toys for each child in shelter: Mrs. A. B. Munson, clothing; Mrs. T. Knowles, clothing; Mrs. J. I. A. Hunt, 2 turkeys, syrup and vegetables; Mr. G. W. Kent, basket of buns; St. James' Church Sunday school, cakes; Mr. Robert North, vegetab is; a friend, calendars; Mr. A. E. Welch, barrel apples and bag potatoes; Mr. D. S. Perrin, 5 lbs candy; Mrs. (Dr.) Hueston, Delaware, 2 bags potatoes, 2 bags apples and basket onions; Grade VII., Talbot street school, clothing and shoes; Mrs. Joseph Scott, dolls and picturebooks; Mrs. Yeoman, dolls and picturebooks; Mr. Thomas Taylor, Bible; Mr. John Macpherson, clothing; Mrs. Robert Fox, 2 dozen oranges and candies; Mrs. S. Baker, clothing and shoes; Mrs. Garrick, clothing; Reid Bros & Co., letter book. Cash donations: Mrs. Boomer \$1. Grade VII. Talbot street school \$1 20, Miss S. Macklin \$1, Mrs. C. S. Hyman \$1, Mr. Joseph Johnson \$1, Grade Talbot street school \$1, Mr. J. Mc-Nell 25 cents, Mrs. Gower \$2, Grade III. Rectory street school \$1, Mrs. Fox (Piccadilly street), \$1, Mr. John Wright

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The trustees of the Convalescent Home offer sincere thanks to the following friends of the institution for their bountiful gifts for Christmas and New Year's: Mrs. B. A. Mitchell, butter, pastry, flour, currants; Mr. Phoenix, milk tickets; Memorial Church, sandwiches and cake; Mrs. Blinn,mar-malade; Mrs. Niven, potatoes; Mrs. (Archdeacon) Marsh, jelly; Mrs. Hea-man, reading matter; Mrs. W.T.Strong, turkey; Mrs. Labatt, sateen and milk;



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goods, Mrs. Regan; turkey, Mr. Tanton; oatmeal, Mrs. B. A. ginger-Mitchell; bananas, oranges. snaps, Mrs. Frank Reid; turkey, Mrs. (Bishop) Baldwin; vegetables, Mrs. A. G. Little: rice, oatmeal, oranges, graham flour, shredded wheat, Mrs. Graham; cake, oranges, Miss Brunton; salt, cereals, beans, A. M. Hamilton & Son: rolled oats, Mrs. J. Darch; nuts, candy, figs, apples, oranges, Mrs. P.
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Wilson: cornmeal, apples, Mrs. Fisher; nuts, oranges, canned goods, Mrs. Clisdell; oranges, Mrs. John W. Pocock; apples, Mrs. Jolly: two bags catmeal, Mrs. Winnett; beef fluid, Mr. Ginge; cornmeal, beans, oatmeal, Mrs. Love; flour, Mrs. J. A. Cairneross; flour, Mrs. (Dr.) Hodge; sugar, oranges, coffee, rice, tea, split peas, tapioca, oatmeal, cornmeal, Mrs. (Dr.) Drake; biscuits, dates, nuts, candy, Miss Harris: biscuits, candy, nuts, oranges, Mrs. W. Allen; breakfast foods, sodas, corn starch, raisins, oatmeal, rice tapioca, Misses Meredith; raisins, figs, sugar, Mrs. J. Puddicombe: oranges, toys, Miss Manigault; breakfast food, rice, taploca, granulated sugar, brown sugar, Miss Meredith; oranges, candy, nuts, James Wilson; catmeal, A. F. Clark; oatmeal, Mrs. Ziegler; books, apples, Mrs. R. M. Bucke; oranges, nuts. Mrs. Gartshore, tea, Mrs. T. H. Smallman; five jars fruit, Mrs. H. two turkeys, Parnell & Dean; apples, oatmeal. Mrs. Burness; turkey, Mrs. Beddome; eight cans corn, oranges, Mrs. Cooper; apples, Mrs. Mackenzie; buns, Mrs. E. W. M. Flock; honey, Mrs. C. Leonard; nuts, Miss Hall, Dashwood; apples, oranges, Mrs. McBain; sugar, prunes, flour, Miss Misses Bowman; vegetables, Miss Pope: candy, Dr. Henderson; sugar, oatmeal, rice, Mrs. Boyd; oranges, Mrs. Wade; apples. Mrs. Sifton; raisins, oranges, candy, sugar, nuts, currants, Miss Stinton; roast beef, Mrs. Coles; apples, Mrs. Lawson; oranges, canned goods, cornstarch, rice, Miss Bullen; taploca, rice, sugar, oatmeal,

Mrs. S. Sterling; tapioca, canned goods, apples, nuts, Mr. J. B. McKillop;

apples, corn rice. Mrs. Stewart; oat-

meal, Mrs. Finnegan; apples, yarn,

Mrs. Hiscott; nuts, candy, oranges, Mrs. Jones; granulated sugar, Mrs. S. Glass; flour, Mrs. Broderick; oranges, toys, clothing, Mrs. McDermid; oatmeal, Mr. Tanton; clothing, Miss Kingsmill; 50 pounds oatmeal and gifts, Mrs. Becher; oranges, Mrs. Gillespie; candy, granulated sugar, Mrs. (Dr.) Moore; apples, Mrs. Turner; canned corn, oranges, Mrs. Turner; canned corn, oranges, Mrs. Tanton; apples, Mrs. Dexter; oranges, nuts, dates, figs, Miss Betts; cups, underwear, Mr. Chapman; taploc, tea, currants, granulated sugar, Mrs. G. C. Gibbons; granulated sugar, Miss Helen Marshall; 25 pounds flour, a friend; Marshall; 25 pounds flour, a friend; nuts, dates, oranges, figs, Mrs. V. Cronyn; catmeal, Mrs. Graydon; blacking, thimbles, rice, split peas, cereais, Miss Bethune; granulated sugar, Mrs. John Mann; apples, cranges, Mrs. (Dr.) Meek; tea, toys, raisins, currants, Mrs. Partlett; eatmesl, Miss Hookaway; oranges, nuts, Mrs. Parfitt; beaver oats, soap, cereals, handkerchiefs, Mrs. R. F. Matthews; cornmeal, oatmeal, Mrs. Kennedy; canned goods, cornstarch, rice, oatmeal, Mrs. Sutherland; oatmeal, Mrs. Brennen; flour, Mrs. R. Fowler; canned goods, T. A. Rowat; 20 pounds butter, Miss Shaw-Wood; rice, Miss Scandrett; cornstarch, tomatoes, candy, oranges, fancy biscuits, shredded wheat, Miss Shaw-Weod; rice, Mrs. Judd; tea, Mrs. L. Scandrett; canned goods, Mrs. Sterling; apples, Mrs. Pennington; two pails honey, Mrs. J. Purdom; bluing, The London Drug Company; fancy soap. Mrs. Mattinson; two dresses, jacket. Mrs. Barron; en-tertainment, Master Spencer.

#### DEMISE OF THE GATOR TRIBE

Big Saurians Are Being Exterminated by Fashion.

Are Being Ruthlessly Slaughtered for Skins-Southern Waters Divested.

J. Knight Perkins, of Kalamazoo, Mich., arrived in New Orleans re-cently in search of alligators for zoological gardens in the North. He went to New Orleans as the headquarters of the alligator trade, one house there having the creat of selling 500,000 alli-

gator, skins a year. Since his visit Mr. Perkins has awakened to the fact that the alligator is practically extinct in the South, hav-ing been killed off in the last ten years in order to supply shoes, satchels and pocketbooks. His commission was for alligators exceeding fourteen feet in length. He had been told that aligators sometimes were twenty and twenty-lour feet long, but as these were probably scarce he had decided to contine himself to the shorter sizes. After a weary search Mr. Perkins

was convinced that even the fourteenfoot a gator was no longer extant. In all New Orleans he could find but one live alligator ten feet long. He of-fered \$100 for this animal, four times what is was forth a few years ago, but the owner declined to sell at any price. Even the little alligators from four to eight inches long, which formerly sold at from 10 to 25 cents, have disappeared from the market.

The extinction of an animal so abundant as the alligator was in Louisiana in so short a time is almost without parallel. Moreover, the alligator is naturally long-lived, its normal age being estimated at from 100 to 150 years.

WERE ONCE VERY PLENTIFUL. Bloomgarden; bag flour, Mrs. Beale; When the French settled Louisiana apples, potatoes, Mrs. Eacrett; dates, they found the alligator, or, as they preferred to call it, the crocodile, in aimost every stream. Evidence of its abundance is found in the fact that it cornstarch, Mrs. Niven; eranges, candy, figures in the coat-of-arms of New Orieans; only as the city seal was engraved in Paris and as the engravers there knew nothing about alagators, apples, Mrs. McCallum, asylum; flour, but did know about the crocodies of the Nile, it is a crocodile and not an alligator that is seen on it.

This mistake has been perpetuated flour, in spite of attempts to correct it. It Scan- is paralleled by a mistake in the state coat-of-arms. Leaving entirely out of consideration the mythical character of the story about the pelican's feeding her young with her own blood, the Louisiana seal represents the bird as feeding five young ones, whereas the buns, celery, St. George's School; brew pelican, which is the Louisiana oranges and candy, Mrs. Emery; bird, never lays mole than three eggs at once and the white pelican of

meal, Mrs. Dawson; oranges, Mrs. R. All through the early French days G. Fisher; tea, cornstarch, rice, sugar, marvelous stories were told of the al-Mrs. Carson; rice, Mrs. Scandrett; ligators and their ravages. They are Mrs. Carson; rice, Mrs. Scandrett, ligators and their ravages. They ate books, clothing, cap, candy, Mrs. C. dogs, pigs and negroes. It was danger-ous to go into streams where they were known to exist, and usually when such apples, Mrs. Sayer; quarter beef, a stream had to be crossed hours were

prunes, oranges, salmon, apples, Mrs. The experience of the last half cen-C. Cox; oranges, dates, candy, Mrs. tury has proved that there is not a word of truth in these stories and that the alligator is about as innocent of currants, raisins, oranges canned human blood as the lizard, after which it is named. The stories of negroes reported to have been devoured by alligators simply covered up cases of slaves who ran away and sought refuge in the swamps and did not care to be pursued. It is probable that most of the pigs which the alligators were supposed to have eaten would have been found slaughtered in the plantation quarters had diligent search

been made. There is no record of any person being hurt by an alligator in historical times, nor of an alligator having been seen to eat either a dog or a pig. Alligators bellow or bark like a dog with a bad cold, and as a consequence they attract wandering dogs. But those who have seen dogs and alligators playing together have seen no harm come of it to the dogs. Indeed, the dogs are far too agile to be caught by the clumsy saurians.

The alligator is, however, a greedy eater of fish and to it and the alligator gar was due the scarcity of fish until recently in Louisiana streams. extinction of the alligator has given

the state good fishing.
While the advance of civilization kept down the number of alligators in Louisiana there were countless thousands up to twenty years ago. someone in Louisiana thirty years ago tanned an alligator skin and made a

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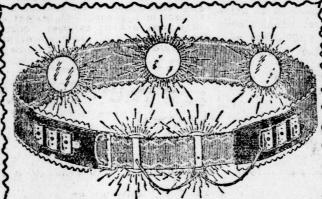
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pair of shoes from it. It took some years after that for the seamed and knotty leather to grow into favor. But when it did become popular the slaughter the alligator began which out of existence. may wipe

Alligator hunting originally began as sport. Carried on as it must be at night-for the animal sleeps all day in the mud-the hunt is very picturesque. As a matter of fact, it is as safe as playing billiards, and no one was ever hurt in it save for a ducking in the Bayou from the overturned pirogue. The animals are attracted by a torch or other bright light, and are easily killed, in spite of their rough skin.

But although the shooting was easy and a great many alligators were killed by sportsmen in the early days of alligator hunts, the slaughter did not begin until the skins became a valuable commodity. Then the work began in Florida and Louisiana simultaneously and kept up until nearly the last alligator was shot .- New York

#### Masses of the Planets.

Illustrations and analogies have their value in teaching. They often show abstractions under a concrete guise that many minds find easier to realize. The table of the masses of the planets may be written: Mass of the earth
-1; of Venus-0.787; Mars-0.105; Mercury—0.061; our moon—0.013; Sun—324,429; Jupiter—310; Saturn—92; Neptune-16; Uranus-14. A French writer transforms these values into money follows: The mass of the earth may be represented by \$4; of Venue by \$3. Mars by \$0.40; Mercury by \$0.24, the moon by \$0.05, Uranus by \$56, Neptune by \$64, Saturn by \$368, Jupiter by \$1,-240, and the sun by \$1,297,756, approximately. One of the best illustrations of the sort is due to Sir William Huggins. If, he says, the fare on a celestial railway train were a penny a mile the price of a ticket to the nearest fixed star would be the national debt Great Britain. The idea conveyed is not definite in one sense; on the other hand, the notion of a magnitude indefinitely large is very forcibly conveyed.

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Those Christmas Cigars.

"These Christmas jokes are simply silly," said Tomlinson.

"Sure," replied Martindale, as he trudged along with Tomlinson down to the depot to catch the 7:55% train from North Dale View. "Why don't in the last week of October or the first those alleged funny men get something new and something really funny?" "Give it up," said Tomlinson. "Now, the most venerable joke of all, and one that is worn threadbare, is that e'd chestnut about the kind of cigars that a wife is supposed to buy for her hus-

band at Christmas time. "Yes, that's the most absurd of the whole lot," asserted Martindale. course, a woman is no judge of tobac-co, but she can easily find out—in fact, she knows, anyhow-the kind of cigars her husband smokes, and she gets the same brand. Yet every Christmas there's yards of guff in the funny columns, so-called, about a wife giving cigars to her husband and about his dying in horrible agony after smoking It simply disgusts me.' "Me, too," said Tomlinson. "Now,

here, this is a cigar out of a box that rife save ne for Christmas. I don't remember the name of the thing, sort of queer name, but my wife knows a thing or two. I want you to smoke that cigar and tell me whether it isn't as good as any that you or I buy."
"Why," asked Martindale, "what do you think of it yourself?"

"Ah, well, well, I'm not such a good judge as you are, don't you see. I would rather have your opinion first." said Martindale, "Sorry, old man," said Martinstily, as he slid for the train. I'm going to give up smoking New Year's, you see, and I sort of want to get in training, you know; so I guess I'll quit now."

#### Cold Weather at the Zoo.

"The return of the miners to work," said Assistant Supt. Carson, of the Zoo, yesterday, "saved us many valuable animals, and consequently thous-

the prices now, and are laying in a supply for the winter as fast as we can. How much do we use? About 250 tens a year. Each house has its own hot water heating plant. We had about two months' supply left over from last year, and that helped us out of November, but this mild year we s ved about a month's coal because the weather man was so kind. Snakes are the most sensitive of all our proteges to changes of temperature, and we always start the heaters in their house a week or two before any other. Any great loss of coal this would uncoubtedly cost us the majority of our snakes, many of our smaller mammals, and numerous monkeys."



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