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## CHRISTMAS SERMON. 1905 (D) #/\*\*\*

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.-Appropriate to of the Father as a God of love and CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Appropriate to the approaching celebration is the fol-lowing sermon by Rev. F. De Witt Tat-mage, on the epochal event of the being, a God who wanted to creep in-being, a God who wanted to creep in-being, a God who wanted to creep in-to the human heart's affections, even as the sunbeams would steal into the heart and give new life to the plant. It was difficult, in one sense, for God large perhaps as an average imanger at the end of a horse's stall; at which the four legged animals munch therr at the end of a horse's stall, at which the four legged animals munch their oats and hay after a long, tiresome day's work." Yes, my friend, you are tight. Your definition is so completely right that in this Christmas sermon I am going to preach about a famous manyer which was mee unad for a manger, which was once used for a something like this: "I will not allow tional expectancy greeted the earthly cradle. I am going to talk about a thee, my only Son, to be born in a palstore manger, hewn out of the solid ace. I will not allow thee to enter dock, in which nearly 2,000 years ago the world as an earthly prince. Sindock, in which nearly 2,000 years ago the world as an earthy prince. Sin-was laid a newborn babe. About this ful men might then honor thee and manger the wise men from the east and fear thee, but they might not then the shepherds from the surrounding take thee into their hearts and of gratulations to an earthly king. Jesus' hills gathered, and over it the angels their own accord love thee and give birth from a worldly standpoint was sang the first lullaby in the chant of themselves to thee. I will send thee an insignificant event. He was born in sang the inst tunady in the train of interserves to thee. I will send thee an insignificant event. He was born in a the Christmas song. This stone cradle forth as a helpless babe. I will let a Bethleham khan. Mary the Virgin, in the mosht solemn hour of a woman's it was the first earthly resting place so helpless that the lowlest of the life, had no bed ipon which to lie, no of Mary the Virgin and was also the entry into the world than thou. Go only begotten Son of the Father God. But while we may try in this Christ-the sins of the world, but also to teach der her head by a sympathetic stablemas sermon to picture the manger- all sinful men that I am God the Fath- man; no female attendant unless that Christ, yet we must be careful not to er, the God of Love." Could the di-

weaken our picture by reciting too vine love have been manifested in a ed hostler's wife, who had come in to much the talse legends and the fictitious more simple way than by Christ's cra- aid her troubled sister. So our second stories that have been written about dle being the manger of Bethlehem of the Bethlehem khan. We must remem- Judea? ber that the many Christmas super-THE LESSON OF THE NATIVITY. stitions may be a positive hindrance and confusion to the gospel student, as the wrong use of books can some-

On Oct. 20, 1895, I was brought face to face with the true teachings of the manger Christ as never before. It was one of the most overwhelming days of my life. It happened in Bethlehem of Judea. I was sitting in the Greek Catholic church, which is supposed to have been erected directly upon the identical spot where Jesus was born. In that hallowed place I had read over and over again the account of the nativity until it seemed as though the walls of the eastern edifice were changed into a stable and the light which was burning upon the altar was a can-

was now taking place, my heart went

divine advocate.

SOME SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.

most tremendous and far-reaching re-

sults? It seemed to be an insignificant

matter when, many years ago, a hum-

ble Puritan with his family and

party of friends wanted to emigrate

the English officer at the little seaport

and set sail for America. But when

town refused to let that humble Puri-

tan leave the country of King Charles

In the world's history has it not of-

Leonard Swett, a William H. Herndlelight held in the carpenter Joseph's on and a score of others with notable hand, and while I read the nativity acegal brains. These men had seemingcount over and over I suddenly heard ly no legal advantages. They went the soft whisperings of a chant. I lis from county seat to county seat on tened and at first said: "It cannot be. torseback. They had comparatively no books and but few reference lib-raries." With that the judge turned No; I am listening only to the echoes of my own imagination." But the faint chanting began to grow louder. Then and put his hand upon me as he im-I saw a multitude of people coming Mr. Talmage, you pressively said: through the church door as the shephave now touched upon one of my pet beliefs. I believe in this age of multiherds must have once crowded through the entrance of the ancient stable. Then tudinous printing presses that books the procession came nearer and nearer can often be a positive detriment to a and laid at my feet the body of a litman. These men had great legal minds tle child. As I sat there and looked at because their intellects were not stuntthe face of the dead baby whose funeral ed by too much reading. They learned

times weaken the intellect of a modern

professional man. Only the other day

I had this idea vigorously emphasized

In conversation with a prominent west-

ern judge I asked him the question:

"How can you account for it that in

the youthful days of Abraham Lin-

coln Illinois was able to develop so

many great legal minds? There was

Lincoln, but a Stephen A. Douglas

n Elihu B. Washburn, a David Davis,

Sidney Breese, a Norman B. Judd,

ng at the Illinois bar not only

father. Then, in her sweet, girlish way, she said: "Papa, won't you pray to God tonight that baby brother might book on Catarrh, 111.65 valuable book on Catarri, writ-ten by an eminent specialist and illustrated by fine artists. It cannot fail to help anyone suf-fering from the disease. It costs you nothing and may gain you perfect health. Address DR. SPROULE, 7 to 13 Doane St., Baston get well? I am only a wee little bit of a girl, and God might not be will hear me pray, but God would always have time to listen to you pray, for you are a great big, strong man

ectly traced to seemingly infinitesimal causes. When a prince or a darling, God will have time to hear princess, the child of a great king, is you pray for your baby brother. If about to be born, especially if the you will pray, my darling, for your prospective infant is to be the heft to little brother, though you are a little bit the throne, a member of the cabinet bit of a girl, God, if necessary, will provide the approximation of the cabinet bit of a girl, God, if necessary, will God is always ready to protect you with his love, even as his guardian ger that night carried the news up to agnels and the star of the east hovered over the manger on the night that

Thus, my dear people, in this Christmas sermon I have tried to preach to you a manger of hope and of good cheer and of gospel triumph. I have tried to preach this kind of a sermon because I want this Christmas to be the brightest and the happiest and the merriest of all your lives. And now want to sum up all my parting advice efore we separate for the holiday festivites of the coming week. I want you to carry into your homes two amwoma nattendant was the kind hearttions. The first is to make this Christmas the hapipest day, in a temporal sense, of your children's lives. birth may have been in the estimation Lift high your Christmas tree and of the world a seemingly insignificant light the candles. Give as many presevent. But if we thereafter only make ents as you can afford to your loved a right use of our lives their spiritual influence will effect all time and eterones, as the wise man brought the gold and frankincense and myrrh to Jesus. nity. The news of our spiritual birth Make the home merry with frolic and will be heralded all round the heavenly kingdom. It will set again the angels to chanting a new song. Our sec-

fun. And, if it must be, let your children eat as many good things as you can for just once a year. But the second birth will not only be heralded ond advice is of far greater importance. In the evening hour of Christmas night when the tired limbs and heavy around heaven, but in the great judgment day when all nations shall eyes are about ready for bed tell th gathered before the throne the fact of that second birth will summon forth little ones as well as the big ones of Jesus, who was born in Bethlehem of the family circle the great underlying Judea, our atoning Savious, to be our

priciples of the manger. Lift the cross as high as you can. Tell them why Jesus was born and why Jesus had to Jesus was born and why Jesus had to die,"Then the Christmas day will truly be a happy day and also a holyday. And so, one and all, I bid you farewell for the most sacred and the best week ten been revealed that the most insig-nificant of causes can bring forth the of the year. I wish you in a true, spiritual sense a merry, merry pure, spirit Christmas.

THEY FATHER CONSUMPTION.

Bad coughs, colds and catarrh are responsible for more consumption than is traceable even to heredity. Catarrhtan leave the country of King Charles he changed whole leaves in the book of history. When Oliver Cromwell turned his back upon the mighty tile enough to reach the root of the ozone cures more quickly than ordin-dry remedies because it is the only antiseptic yet discovered that is vola-

waves of the Atlantic ocean, he turn-ed his face toward Marston moor and and bronchial tubes, and impregnate

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APPEARS ON EVERY WRAPPER.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 77 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

At Providence, Dec. 18, sch. Emma D'Endi-cott, from New York. At Boston, Dec 20, brigin W E Stowe, from Turks Island; schs. Leo, from River Hebert: Ida May, from St John; F and E Givan, from do; Dora C, from Port The-ville. Terjeviken, Gullicksen, from Boston for Sydney; Britannic, Neiksen, from Sydney for Portland. Passed Prawie Point, Dec 21, str Salerno, Oisen, from St John, NB. In port at Buenos' Ayres, Nov 14, bark Robt S Bernard, Anderson, for Rosario, to load bones for Delaware Breakwater.

ville. At Boothbay Harbor, Me, Derri, schs An-nie Eliss, from New York; Hortensia, from South Amboy; Island City, from coal port. SAlliem, Mass., Dec. 22.-Sailed, schs Par-don G Thompson, for St John, NB; Manuel R Cita, for do; Adelene, for do; Tay, for do; Romeo, for do.

SPOKEN. Bark Belmont, from Singapore for Boston, Dec 21, lat 40.48, lon 68.56.

Romeo, for do. OSTON, Dec. 22.- Ard, str Sif, from indurg, C B. NOTICE TO MARINERS.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.— Ard, str Sif, from Louisburg, U B. Shiled, str Si Croix, for Portland, Eastport and St John, NB; schs Emma B Potter, for Annapolis, NS; Nimbus, for Partridge Is-land, N B; Moran, for Lunenburg, N S; Ayr, for St John, NB; Pilgrim, for La Have, N S; Allce Gertrude, for do. Salied, from Nantucket Roads, sch Cala-bris, from Mindsor, NS, for New York. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 22.—Ard 21st; sch Geo Neginger, from Calais. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 22.—Ard, sch VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Dec. 22.— Pased, str Silvia, from Halifax for New VineyARD HAVEN, Mass, Dec. 22.—

the law. Then upon these true prin-ciples used for a foundation they concentrated and focused all their brain power to write out their cases. In that thinking and solving they made themselves great." So today in this Christ-mas sermon upon the manger Christ we would cover up all the fictitious descriptions which the famous artists have painted. We would close the lid of every book which in legend would try to tell us that on the night Jesus was born the sheep and the goats and the cattle and the horse bended the knee as did the wise men to worship at the feet of the newborn Child, And In the simple nativity account written by the biographer St. Luke we would find four underlying gospel principles or reasons why. Jesus should have opened his earthly eyes first in a stable and not in a palace.

first the great underlying principles of

THE DIVINE LOVE.

The whole rendering of the verse of my text reads thus: "And this shall my text reads thus: "And this shall We all realize the power of inspiring be for a sign unto you; re shall find example in naval and military life. the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." The manger is a simplified and tender manifestation of the divine love. It is not difficult for of the Spanish-American war answerthe average uninspired man to think of Jehovah as a God of majesty, of power, of flery passion, a God who can hold the seas in the paim of his hand and a God who can unsheathe the fiery swords of the lightning. Why, even the heathen in the darkest days of barbaric superstition, were able to think of such gods as that! When the Euroclydons were born in the Mediterranean archipelago and instantly sprang up as full grown giants and with their swiftly moving feet leaped fram wave top . to wave top and dhenched their long locks and wide flowing robes with the white foam and out of a mere Satanic desire to destroy, hurled the shipping upon the jagged rocks and covered the surrounding coasts with wreckage, it was a very easy matter for the ancients to picture a Neptune striking right and left with his trident and to call him god of the seas, When the mighty conquerors of the east made triumph entry after entry into the city of Rome, with dethroned kings chained to their chariot wheels and with their legions loaded down with captured spoils, af-ter whole regions had been brought under the shadow of the sceptre held in Caesar's hand, it was not a very difficult matter for the Romans to build a great temple to Mars, the god build a great temple to Mars, the god of war. It was not a very difficult matter to rear this gigantic temple, even though thousands and hundreds of thousands of men and women had to be sarificed at its shrine and though the walk of the temple had to be cor-ered with the captured trophics for the Hebreys were and are ready to worsaip such a temporal king. Dony the other day the chief rabbi of the west declared in a Chicago newspaper that his people were still expecting a Messiah who would come as a tempor-Messiah who would come as a tempor-al conqueror to lead the Jews back again to Palestine. Then these mod-ern Hebrew crusaders would again see the Son of God. Jerusalem restored in all its past grandeur, and there Jesus would reign with greater power than the famous

The manger Christ emphasizes the King Solomon of old. But though it was not difficult to think of God as a God of power and temporal conquest, it was difficult in the time that Jesus was born to think as the great centre, can sometimes be King Solomon of old.

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out in sympathy to the poor mother. Islip bridge and Naseby and Preston in sympathy to the poor mother. Islip bridge and Naseby and Preston in to be carried back to the time in the Divine Babe lay in that he ruler of England and King charles's head fell at the stroke of the public executioner's are. When a lite is heading, germ-killing vapor. Colds charles's head fell at the stroke of the public executioner's are. When a lite is heading. It clears nose, throat and air passages at once, stops drop-ping, headache, and eradicates catarthwhen the Divine Babe lay in that stable manger, shielded by the mother love, which is always a divine love, and, standing by the Bethlehem manger, with the dead body of that village babe at my feet, I could realize, as you point, seem to amount to much, and in the same surroundings could have when that unknown and obscure young realized, that God's love for all his man, grown from that little boy, was children is a tender, pleading, yearnfor a long time in doubt whether he would enter the Italian army or not ing love, a divine love which "passeth all understanding" and which abides with us through life and beyond death. that did not seem to amount to much. but when that young man entered the The manger Christ was given as a French army it meant the overthrow human example for sinful man to folof European thrones; it meant the low this side of the grave. He came to tragedy of Moscow; it meant the prove that by the grace of God it is booming guns of Wagram and Waterble for a human being to overcome sin; he came to prove it, because loo; it meant the changing of the geographical map of all Europe. In-finitely more momentous was the ap-parently insignificant event of that Christ was born just as we are, bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh. He was tempted just as we are tempted. birth in the Bethlehem stable, for it Therefore we must continually, by the was the starting of forces which are Holy Spirit's power, strive to be like revolutionizing the whole world. him or else we can be none of his. your second birth, O man, who can tell what forces may have their beginning affecting all time and all eternity? The manger Christ teaches that even in the darkest days of an earthly Christian's life he is never out of sight of an omnipotent Father's protecting care. As we climb the rocky heights upon which is builded the little village of Bethlehem and Walk along the deserted streets in the mid-night hour of the first Christmas day and see the little candlelight of stable-man's lantern flitting about the pale face of Mary the Virgin we might at first think that God the Father had deserted and left alone Jesus the Di-vine Son. But did he? Could Jesus tle village of Bethlehem and walk, place? Lashed in the rigging, he would defy the torpedoes and cry to the engineers to go ahead, and so into Manila harbor I went." The victory of the Pacific ocean was only the echo of Admiral Farragut's guns at Mobile Bay -the daring exploit inspired by a heroid example. In the darkest days of the Wilderness, when the Confederate lines during any time of his earthly life truduring any time of his earthly life tru-ly say that the Divine Father had forsaken him, as he once in dying agony asked upon the cross? Oh, no. Weeks or perhaps months before the were cut in twain, General Lee drew his sword and placed himself at the head of his troops. General Gordon declared that this heroic action moved Weeks or perhaps months before the nativity God had prepared a place by his soldiers to a perfect frenzy of phywhich the infant Christ should be able sical and moral courage. And, as a reto escape the murderous sword of the sult of this example of their great leadbloody tyrant, Herod. Weeks or perer, a successful charge was made. So God the Father gave to sinful men the haps months before Jesus was born God the Father gave to shift have a the strange star appealed in the strange star appeared in the over the long, hot, thirsty desert that they should be able to kneel at the manger. It was through the warnings by an act of atonement performed in heaven. To redeem you from sin more was needed than sacrifice. It was of these three wise men that Jesus necessary to set before you an ideal life. Therefore my only begotten Son took upon him a human form and lived would be able to escape into Egypt. In the darkness of that Bethlehem night angel wings were spread over among you that you might see what human nature can become when God dwells in it. I allowed Christ to lie in that humble stable, angel forms surrounded the virgin mother and angel voices greeted the newborn Monarch of the ages with a heavenly song. They sang so loud that the shepherds upon the hillsides fell down in a swoon. And so in the darkest days of our lives, when we feel that we are forsaken by God and man, God's angels are watch ing us, God's eyes are seeing us, God's ear is hearing us, God's protecting love is all around us. We are no more for-saken by God than the manger of Bethlehem was celestially forsaken on for us to say we are as good as average the night that Jesus was born. men, We are not truly good until, by the grace of God, we become like Jesus THE GOD WHO LOVES. 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## SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived.

Dec 23-Sch Oriole, 124, Shanklin, from New York-sand for Sackville. Sch Ravola, 130, Howard, from River He-bert for New York, laths, and cleared. Str. Montcalm, 5505; Evans, from Liver-pool, Troop and Son, gen cargo. Str Edgar, 1610, Olsen, from Louisburg, R P and W F Starr, ccal. Dec 24-Str Nora, 699, Stabell, from Hills-boro, for Philadelphia, J H Scammell and Co, plaster. In

bister. Coastwise-Schs Lone Star, 29, Richardson, from North Head; Trilby, 31, McDormand, irom Westpert. Jec., 24-Str Manchester Importer, 2535, Blake, from Manchester via Halitax, Wm Thomson and Co (with part cargo). Str Yarmouth, from Yarmouth, A C Cur-

DOMESTIC PORTS. Arrived.

Contribution, Me, Dec 24-And, Stynne, from Sydney, CB
Cid, str Peter Jebsen, for Sydney, CB
CitY ISLAND, Dec 24-Bound south, schs
Calabria, from Windsor, NS: Eitle, from
Almä, NB; Stophen Bennett, from Hallowell, Me; Hope Haines, from Bangor vis
New Rochelle; T A Stuart, from Calais, Me;
Morancy, from Bangor
NEW YORK, Dec 24-Ard, sch S P Hitch-cock, from Perth Amboy for Hilsboro, NB.
BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me, Dec 24-Ard, sch S P Hitch-cock, from Derth Amboy for Hilsboro, NB.
BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me, Dec 24-Ard, sch S P Hitch-cock, from do; G H Perry, from do; Ayr, from Boston; B B Hardwick, from Gloucester; Luta Price, from Portland.
SALEM, Mass, Dec 24-Ard, sch Mary F Pike, from Calais for New York: NEW HAVEN, Dec 24-Ard, sch Coral Leaf, from Walton, NS.
DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Dec 24-Passed up, sch Harry W Lewis, from Bathurst, NB, for Philadelphia.
At New York, Dec 23, schs Hunter, Ham-liton, from St John; Newburgh, Dinsmore, from Vineyard Haven (in tow).
At Delaware Breakwter, Dec 23, sch A. F Emerson, Maxwell, from Philadelphia for New Bedford.
At Nortfelk, Va., Dec. 23, strs Zanzibar. Arrived. HALIFAX, Dec. 20.— Ard, strs Orinoco, from St John; Pro-Patria, from St Pierre, Miq; bark Prosperoso, from Tusket Wedge. Salled, strs Pretoria, Johnson, for Liver-pool; Manchester Importer, Biske, for Man-chester via St John, NB; Unique, Jameson, for Sardiff. HALIFAX, N S, Dec 24-Ard, sirs Assy-rie, from Hamburg via Boulogne (at quar-artime with smallpox); Ask, for Jamaica; sch Monitor, from Gloucester, Mass, for Banks, to land man injured by falling on deck. New Bedford. At Norfolk, Va., Dec. 23, strs Zanzibar Robinson, from Mobile for Rotterdam (and Actinguistics for the second s

Cleared. At Hillsboro, Dec 22, str Nora, Stabell, for Chester, Pa. BRITISH PORTS. Arrived. Arrived. KINSALE, Dec. 22.—Passed, str Dunmore Head, from St John, N B, for Dublin. At Barbados, Dec 14, str Oruro, Sceley, from Trinidad; brig Dixon Rice, Brooks, from Weymouth, NS; 15th, sch Lillian Blau-velt, Goodwin, from Tusket Wedge, NS. At Bermuda, Dec 22, bark Ethel Clarke, Brinton, from Clenfuegos for Bear River, NS.

Brinton, from Clenfuegos for Lond Anglian, from ScillLY, Dec 24-Psd, str Anglian, from Boston for London. - LIVERPOOL, Dec 24-Ard, str Michigan, from Boston. - AVONMOUTH DOCK, Dec 24-Ard, str Lake Megantic, from St John. - LIVERPOOL, Dec 24-Ard, strs Noordland, from Philadelphis: Ultonis, from Boston. - HONG KONG, Dec 24-Ard, str Empress of China, from Vancouver. - Bailed.

From Glasgow, Dec 24, str Pharsalla, Foote, for Boston. From Cardiff, Dec 21, str Kentigern, Par-ker, for Boston.

FOREIGN PORTS. Arrived

At Boston, Dec 9, sch Energy, McNeill, from Portsmouth.

VICTORIA HOTEL, Dec. 23.-A Cachern, S. B. Graham, Bristol; Miss Bentey, St Marting, Baka Pased, str Silvia, from Halifax for New York. PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 22.—Ard, schs H B Homan, from St John, N B, for Philadel-phila; Norman, and Southern Cross, from dd for New York; Wm Duren, from Calais for Boston. Cleared, strs Eurona, for London; Leuc-tra, for Newport News; Hilda, for Parrs-boro, NS; sch Nimbus, for Point-a-Pitre. Sailed, sch W R Huntley, for Parrsburo, N S. str Silvia, from wark, Lowell, Mass; John Nuttall, Sydney,

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N.EW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 22.— Ard,
sch Nellie Grant, from Calais.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—Ard, schr
Wentworth, from St John, NB; via Boston.
STONINGTON, Conn., Dec. 22.—Ard, schr
POTTCH ISLAND HARBOR, R. I., Dec. 22.
Ard, schs Sarah Eaton, from Calais for
Bridgeort; Three Sisters, from Portland,
for do; Eitle, from Alma, NB, for New
York; Morancy, from Bangor for do.
At Santos, Dec 23, sch Sirocco, Reicker,
from Grenada.
At Salem, Dec 23, sch Laura C Howe, from
New London for Sackville.

At Baltimore, Dec 24, str Pydan, Crossley, from Rio Janeiro. At Salem, Dec 23, sch Laura C Howe, from New London for Sackville. At Wilmington, NC, Dec 23, bark Nellie Troop, Nobles, from Savannah, VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Dec 24—Ard, schs Viola, from St John for New York; Rosa Mueller, from do for do. BOSTON, Dec 24—Ard, sch Southern Cross; from Clementsport, NS

WILD CATS INFEST HALIFAX

There are wild cats galore in Hallfax county. This is no St. John fake

story. The authorities pay a regular fixed bounty on every head. The Halifrom Clementsport, NS PORTLAND, Me, Dec 24-Ard, strs, Kil-dona, from London; Symra, from Sydney, CB fax Chronicle on Christmas morning made the following semi-official announcement:

The county treasurer has paid \$65 in wild animal bountles so far this month. Those paid yesterday and Tuesday were:

Isaac Patterson, Cole Harbor, three wild cats. Herbert Bezanson, Moser River, two

bears and a cat.

Bears and a cat. Bruce Jackson, Mooseland, two cats, John H. Ersan, Ship Harbor, three cats.

Jos. Wright, Hammond's Plains, three oats.

John H. Taylor, Chasswood, one cat. Wm. Semple, Upper Musquodoboit, one cat.

Chas. Morash, Cole Harbor, one cat. W. H. Locke, Nine Mile River, or oat.

Giles-"Many a man's thirst for "How's that?" Glies-"If wealthy, he wouldn't allow himself to have a thirst,"-St. Louis Star.

## MARRIAGES.

JOHNSON-TAYLOR.—At the home of the bride's parents, Sussex, Dec. 23rd, by Rev. Frank Baird, Dr. F. H. Johnson of Easton, Penn., to Lillian Berths, young-est daughter of Stephen P. Taylor.

STEEVES-McKENZIE-At St. John, ber 23rd, by Rev. George M. Gamp P. Steeves, M. A., of Sussex, Inspe Schools, to Susan McKenzle of Maes.

. DEATHS.

EVANS-In Bangor, Dec. 21, Nora E., wife of Stephen Evans.

DUFF-At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Dec. 16, Fred F. Duff, aged 25 years, son of John Duff of Fairville, St. John, N. B., leaving father; mother, two brothers and three sisters to mourn.

TTZPATRICK.— In this city, Dec. 25, Patrick Francis, infant son of Patrick J. and Frances Augusta Fitzpatrick, aged 3 months and 5 days.

McKED-At Mispec, N. B., on Dec. 23rd Albert S. McKee, aged 5 months and 9 days. (Fort Fairfield, Fredericton and P. E. I. papers please copy.)

POWERS.—In this city, on December 22nd, Calvin Powers, in the 80th year of his age. leaving a widow, six cons and five daugh-ters to mourn their loss. Passed Sydney Light, Dec 34, strs St An-drews, Hargen, from Sydney for Portland;

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