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Whittier And The Negro—The Colored Man Gets What He Wants and Asks For More—Notes About Maritime Men and Their Work.

Boston, Dec. 14—By the death of John Greenleaf Whittier the colored people of the United States lost a friend, to whom they looked for help in many difficulties.

Sunday night the Colored National league of Boston held a service in memory of the poet, and the glow of eloquence from negro orators, original poetry eulogistic of patriot, and sweet melody from a large negro choir, all told of freedom not yet enjoyed.

But the negro wants more, and at every meeting held in the Charles street church, they ventilate their grievances. Sunday evening, one of the speakers, with more gratitude than some of his friends, wound up an eloquent address by saying that the colored class always picked out a particular person to drive from pillar to post, the foot-ball of caprice; years ago it was the negro; now it is the Chinese.

And the Chinese are certainly coming in for their share of it. Saturday night a committee of the common council and a gang of reporters went through Chinatown, to "make a report on the sanitary and moral condition of the destitute."

The good people of Boston, the same probably who objected to the theatrical posters, and sent the stage children home to their parents—were shocked at what they saw when passing along Harrison avenue. At all times of the day the street is lined with celestials standing in the doorways with hands in their ample pockets, grinning and blinking, but saying very little.

Then again, the wily proprietor of the gambling hall kept within the law when the party appeared; by clearing off the fan tan board, and turning out the gas. He wouldn't leave himself open to conviction to satisfy the curiosity of the party.

The buildings on Harrison avenue are crowded from cellar to roof with chinese, living in cramped up rooms with plain board partitions; lounging on dirty beds, beside smoky lamps, or standing over hunch pots, boiling and steaming in kitchens that looked like wood sheds.

Mr. W. J. Keating, travelling passenger agent of the Canada Atlantic Steamship company, is one of the men responsible for the invasion of Nova Scotia, by Americans last year. From the company's office, pamphlets and circulars of all kinds telling of the beauties of the province have been sent throughout the country, and the result has been a surprise.

lectures gave hundreds of Americans ideas of Nova Scotia which prompted the desire to spend the summer in the east.

Mr. J. J. O'Hearn who made a host of friends in St. John's, while manager of Collier's publishing house, is now devoting all his energies to the insurance business. In doing this he is working out an old idea, and is now in the way of making a grand success of it.

HINTS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Astra Tells What May be Given for Christmas Gifts. I do not wonder that the girl who has several brothers, a father and a sweetheart, feels her spirits go down to zero as Christmas approaches, because few things are harder than to plan or select presents for men.

One does not wish to give a man anything which will not be of some little use to him, and yet you can scarcely give him a dozen collars or a pair of boots, while your soul revolts from the thought of a shaving case, which you know he will never use, or a washing list, which he cannot for the life of him understand.

To come down to the more simple presents such as any girl can make herself, a pretty necktie case of china silk, white with pink roses and pale green leaves, is lovely—wadded and perfumed with sachet powder—and containing one or two pretty ties, ought to please any man.

So should a toilet set for his bureau, crimson or clear colored woaden canvas shirky worked around the border with gold silk and his initial worked in the centre of each mat, the long one for the brush and comb having all his initials; be sure you make a pincushion to go with the mats and the recipient will be delighted.

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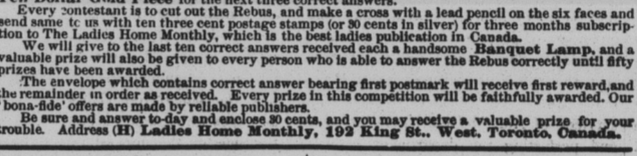
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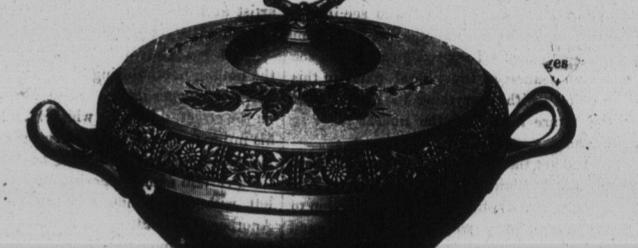
Christmas is Coming. Make your fruit Cake and otherwise provide for it. New Raisins, Currants, Spices, Cabbied Peels, Fresh Eggs, Mince Meat, Sweet Cider, Choice Lard, Roll Butter, Dunn's Hams & Bacon, and all other things necessary and in season to be had from J. S. ARMSTRONG & BRO., Charlotte st., next J. B. M. C. A.

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MUSIC.

All the choirs in the city are preparing for the Christmas season. The choir of the St. John's church is to be unusually good. The choir is to be valuable voices. After Christmas day Christmas Music Society will give a concert at the Lyceum.

It is always improving in fact, good music of description, even if not for one gets at least, a pleasure. Therefore, the loud is better than no music at all. The boys continue to improve. The soprano solo given in Boston Christmas choir, has joined the decided gain, as when well.

By the way, what's Clitheroe as a mod justice. She may not Venus measurements she approaches as a model of anything but have been named. Who will put up \$5000 for Flora? Well the season company is finished asking, "Why did it miss?" It certainly was not a company. It put on evening performances and the only good matinee.