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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1903.

Seldom, if ever before, have the local stores had such an attractive display of holiday goods as at this season. The merchants of Perth Amboy have shown much enterprise in selecting their stock and placing it before the shoppers. For bright, hustling, progressive stores, this city has no superior. The criticism recently made of the Atlantic City stores by the press of that city, in an effort to show why people went to Philadelphia to shop, does not apply here in any sense of the word. The Atlantic City papers urged the merchants there to have more modern fronts put in their places of business, to pay more attention to their display in their windows and show more of the spirit of progress. The stores of Perth Amboy at the present time would be excellent examples for the Atlantic City merchants to visit and pattern after. There is no need of local shoppers wearing themselves out in the jam of New York. A display equally as large and attractive can be found in this city. Walk through the stores and see for yourselves.

South Jersey's leading newspaper, the Camden Courier, has just moved into new quarters and installed a new press. Having just made similar changes ourselves, we extend our congratulations to our Camden contemporary. The Courier easily takes its place among the foremost newspapers of the State. South Jersey evidently realizes its value to that section and is giving it the popular support it

well deserves. We extend our best wishes for continued success.

Paterson is going to ask the legislature to grant her a new charter. The Silk City is doing a commendable thing, particularly if she needs a new charter as badly as does Perth Amboy. This city should take the cue and get after a new charter herself. As has already been suggested in these columns, the proper place to start improvements is at the beginning. It took fire, floods and tornado to wake Paterson up to her needs. Perth Amboy should not wait until she has had similar experiences. Everybody realizes that the present charter is useless, the mayor said nine-tenths of its provisions have been superseded by acts of the legislature. Then why not get one that will assist the city to advance instead of holding it back?

The Evening News predicted that the Middlesex trio, which will represent this county in the House of Assembly this year, would be heard from before the winter was over. We were not to be disappointed. At the caucuses held Tuesday, one of the three, and the Perth Amboy man at that, was made a member of the Steering Committee, one of the most important bodies in the House. Here's further success to you, doctor.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The newspaper that publishes the news and publishes it ahead of its contemporaries, is the paper which will find most favor with the public. Camden Post-Telegram.

FAMILY OF OPOSSUMS.

Interesting Bit of Observation by a Naturalist in His Woodland Rambles.

The first young opossums I ever saw were in their mother's pouch, which is one of the most interesting stages of their development, to my way of thinking, writes Ernest Harold Baynes, in the Home Companion. I was examining a hollow tree in a forest in the South, when I discovered an old opossum hanging up, apparently asleep. The sight was not a new one, and I should probably have left her to finish her nap had I not caught sight of a little white head, long, pointed snout, and a pair of black eyes, which peered at me beneath the larger animal. This was entirely another matter, so I took the old lady opossum gently by the tail and pulled her out of the tree. As I did so she growled angrily, and opened her mouth in a horrible grin, displaying a mouthful of white teeth of many sorts and sizes. But I knew this was done chiefly for effect, for an opossum will rarely bite unless you put your hand in its mouth, or in some way you give it a good chance to get hold of you. Her scaly, muscular tail squirmed in my hand like a snake, and before I got her quite to the ground I dropped her. Slight as the fall, it killed her, apparently, for there she lay, with lips drawn back and curled up in the very attitude of death. But she was only "playing possum," and I was not deceived. Not a young one was in sight; even the one that had been betrayed to me the presence of the family had retired to the depths of his mother's pouch. So I rolled her over, and putting in my hand, drew out the babies one by one. There were 12 of them, and when I laid them on the grass they crawled slowly about, opening their mouths to yawn, or giving vent to explosive little squeaks, which sounded more like suppressed sneezing than anything else I can think of. Very soon they found their mother, and began to climb upon her body, holding to her long gray fur with their hand-like paws. When I tried to

detach one little fellow it was amusing to see the efforts he made to retain his position. He grasped a tuft of long hair in each of his tiny fists, seized another tuft in his mouth, and wound his flexible tail firmly around another. Left to his own devices his mother need have had no fear of his falling off.

Enjoying the Sport.

"Perkins," languidly called Fwedy, "come and take this beastly thing off the hook." While his man disengaged the fish from the hook and put on a fresh bait, Fwedy yawned dismally: "That's what make's fishing such a boah," he said. "Once in awhile you catch one of the slippery things, don't you know."—Stray Stories.

The Corn Belt.

The corn belt includes a little of northern Ohio, a considerable strip across north central Indiana, the whole state of Iowa, northwestern Missouri, northeastern Kansas and southeastern Nebraska. On the map it roughly resembles an elongated kite with the little end in northwestern Ohio and the widest part in the Missouri river.

Love and a Million.

Ethel—What dowsy did Prince de Ratanap receive from Gwendolyn's father? Jean—Not more than a million dollars. You see, it was almost a love match.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

It Depended.

Hospital Physician—James! Assistant—Yes, doctor. Hospital Physician—Take this card I found in this man's pocket and look the name up in Bradstreet's. I want to know whether it's an ordinary case of inflammation, or appendicitis.—Baltimore American.

None for Him.

Towne—You see, he married her because he was given to understand she had \$100,000. Brown—Ah, yes, and she didn't have it, after all. Towne—Oh, yes, she did. And she's got it yet. That's the trouble.

WAR WITH COLOMBIA

Morgan Scores Administration on Cuba and Panama.

SAID PRESIDENT FELL INTO A TRAP.

Declared That "United States Is Becoming Covetous" and Now Rules Cuba, and Canal Treaty Was a Grotesque Act.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—When Senator Teller had concluded his speech in opposition to the Cuban reciprocity bill Senator Morgan also was heard in opposition to that measure. The Alabama senator devoted a great share of his attention to the Panama canal question. He charged that the United States had broken faith in failing to obey the Spooner law and warned Cuba that the same course might be followed by us toward that country in case the pending bill should become a law.

Mr. Morgan took occasion to refer frequently to the Panama canal treaty and in that connection again freely criticized what he denominated "presidential usurpation." He declared that the United States is becoming affected to the core with covetousness and said the country seemed to be quivering with doubt as to whether it should go over entirely or pursue the better course followed by our national fathers. So far as he was concerned he would not be so mean as to yield to a temptation simply to advance the commercial interests of his state. He asserted that the United States would do as it might please with Cuba and added:

"She is now fettered to the decks of our warships as firmly as Professor Langley's air ship was ever attached to his house boat."

He spoke of the negotiations of the Panama canal treaty as a grotesque act and declared that Panama had "no more right to appoint a minister to the United States than that country had to consecrate a saint."

"He came," the senator continued, "as a swift winged messenger of falsehood, dispatched on his mission by the Panama Canal company."

So far as the concession made to Cuba in this bill is concerned, he said it would not be regarded by the Cubans in anything but a serious light, whatever the result may be.

"The Cubans will not," he said, "regard it as a ludicrous act in a French vaudeville, but will accept it seriously." Mr. Morgan said that Cuba would do well to give careful heed to our purposes in the legislation under consideration. They should not follow the old adage not to look a gift horse in the mouth, for in this case "the gift horse is a broncho which greets them with a whinny and may send them away with a kick."

Returning to the Panama situation, Mr. Morgan said that the United States is practically at war with Colombia as the result of the fact that the president had fallen into a trap. He wanted, he said, to save the senate from this same trap and again referred to M. Llanos-Varela, the Panama minister, and after reviewing briefly that gentleman's history as an engineer and contractor on the Panama canal said that he had "contracted wisely and well and had left the isthmus a rich man."

Mr. Morgan said that his whole purpose was to warn the senate against ratifying a treaty the negotiation of which he characterized as "a most wretched, a most abominable and a most horrible transaction." Notwithstanding this was the case, the senator continued, "the senate sleeps over this branch of the Monroe doctrine, while the president of France and the president of the United States stand over the recumbent figure and intone in unison their sole and satisfied amen."

He expressed the opinion that the cost of the Panama canal in its early stages would be so great as to cause congress to stop the appropriations before the enterprise had gone far and thus accomplish the purpose of the transcontinental railways in preventing the construction of any canal.

He then proceeded to say that only yesterday he had met a great Democrat, who had "had a place in our affairs only second in importance to the presidency and had made a name for himself in diplomacy, evidently meaning former Secretary of State Olney, who had bowed his head as he said:

"For the first time in my life I have to confess that I am ashamed of the attitude of my country."

When Mr. Morgan stopped speaking the senate went into executive session and ten minutes later adjourned.

Killed His Own Son.

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 10.—In the superior court here a jury returned a verdict of voluntary manslaughter against K. H. Burton for killing his seventeen-year-old son. The father alleged that the son cursed him and threatened to kill him, and before he knew what he was doing he had drawn his knife and stabbed his boy to death. James Burton, another son, was a prosecution witness in the case.

Children Assaulted Their Teacher.

SULLIVAN, Ind., Dec. 10.—Miss Erlene Stelcher, the nineteen-year-old schoolteacher of the Parks schoolhouse in this county who was overpowered by her unruly pupils, tied to a hog trough and placed for two hours in a pond of icy water until only her head was above the surface, has sworn out warrants for assault and battery against six children.

Happy Bird Was Fast Asleep.

GATWICK, England, Dec. 10.—Happy Bird, a horse belonging to Mr. Pritchard, was found to be fast asleep during a hurdle race here.

WEIRD TALE OF ABYSSINIA.

Extraordinary Discoveries of Crimes Said to Have Been Made by Hypnotized Boys.

A Swiss engineer, M. Hig, in the employ of King Menelek, the ruler of Abyssinia, tells some strange things about that country and one of his most weird stories relates to the lobasha, or crime discoverer. These are boys not more than 12 years of age, who are put into a hypnotic trance, and in this state discover the unknown perpetrators of crimes. Of many of these almost incredible cases of the hunting down of criminals he had personal knowledge. In a case of incendiarism in Adis Abeba the lobasha was called to the spot and given a cupful of milk into which a green powder had been put and then was made to smoke a pipe of tobacco mixed with a black powder. The boy was then hypnotized. After a few minutes he jumped up and began running to Harrar. For fully 16 hours he ran, and so swift was his pace that professional runners were not able to keep up with him. Near Harrar the lobasha left the road, ran into a field and touched a Galla working there with his hand. The man confessed.

Another case which Emperor Menelek and M. Hig investigated was that of a murder and robbery near Adis Abeba. The lobasha was taken to the site of the murder and put into his peculiar psychic state. For awhile he ran around the place, then back to Adis Abeba to a church, which he kissed, then to another church, which he also kissed.

Coming to some water—water breaks the spell—the boy woke from his trance. He was again hypnotized and off he went, round some huts, and at the door of one of them lay down and fell asleep.

The owner of the hut, who was not in, was on his return arrested. He stoutly denied his guilt, but some of the goods belonging to his victim were found in the hut and he ultimately confessed.

The murderer was brought before Menelek, who asked him to detail his doings after the commission of the crime. These were found to correspond with the movements of the lobasha. He said that, overcome with remorse, he ran to two churches and kissed them. Menelek wanted to have another proof of the lobasha's gifts. He himself took some jewelry belonging to the empress. A lobasha was sent for. He first ran about in the empress's rooms, then into Menelek's own rooms—went through other rooms and finally fell down on Menelek's bed.

M. Hig can give no explanation of this wonderful gift, which seems to be confined to a certain tribe, or perhaps racial confederation, the members of which are distributed over the whole of Abyssinia.

It is also worth remembering that a very similar method of discovering crimes was ascribed to the old Egyptians 4,000 years ago.

Gray an Easy Winner.

Noticing that the gray winter uniforms of German troops and the blue clothing of Chinese spectators could not be distinguished from each other at long distances, a German officer in China experimented on the visibility of uniforms. A column was divided into five sections, each with its special clothing, and was placed in close formation behind bushes without foliage. At about 1,300 yards the section in gray and that in overcoats appeared like uniform dark spots, while the section in khaki and that in canvas were hardly visible. At 500 yards the gray began to look lighter than the dark blue. The gray overcoats, like long dark stripes, made very good marks, but both khaki and canvas were difficult marks at all distances.

True Sport.

"So you failed to enjoy your hunting expedition. Shot nothing, I suppose?"

"On the contrary, I shot several of the party!"—Brooklyn Life

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FORMATION OF GOLD NUGGETS.
Experiments in Laboratory Show How Nature May Have Produced Lump of Precious Metal.

That gold is formed from solution is generally recognized. The miner receives the theory because it explains the making of gold to him, but he often wonders how it is done, so here is what has been seen: Daintree once prepared a solution of gold and left in it a small piece of metallic gold. Accidentally a small piece of wood fell into the solution; the solution decomposed, the gold assumed a metallic state and collected and held to the small piece of undissolved gold, which remained in size. Another investigator, says Mines and Minerals, heard of this and made a dilute gold solution, in which he immersed a piece of iron pyrites and left it there a month. He added also organic matter, and at the month's end the pyrites were covered with a film of metallic gold. Pyrites and galena were next tried, and each was covered with gold. Gold, copper pyrites, arsenical pyrites, galena, wolfram, were also tried with similar results. Metallic precipitates were tried, and while they threw down the gold as a metallic powder they did not cause it to adhere nor to plate any of the substances tried. Organic matter thus seemed the necessary chemical agent. Through the wood used in these experiments gold was disseminated in fine particles. Imagine those experiments conducted by nature through ages and the result could be a nugget.

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Dec. 10—Private Reception, Braga Hall.
Dec. 10.—Masquerade Ball, Harmonie Singing Society, Wilder Hall.
Dec. 10, 11—Aunt Polly Basset's Sing-in' Skewl, Simpson M. E. church.
Dec. 11—Minstrels, Elks, Wilder Hall.
Dec. 15—Ball, Central Pleasure Club, Dewey Park.
Dec. 18—Concert, Miss B. Campbell, Wilder Hall.
Dec. 31—Ball, Woodchoppers, Cabin Amboy, 49, Wilder Hall.
Dec. 31—Stemfitters Union, Braga Hall.

Jan. 12—Masquerade ball, Imp'd Order Red Men, Braga Hall.
Jan. 14—Masquerade Ball, Hebrew Progressive Association, Grand Central Palace.
Jan. 19.—Masquerade Ball, Court Perth Amboy, 3034, I. O. of F., Braga Hall.
Jan. 21—Ball, Original Hebrew Ladies Benevolent Society, Grand Central Palace.
Feb. 2—Ball, Congregation Beth Mordecai, Wilder Hall.

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First Baptist—Fayette st.—Pastor, Rev. Percy R. Ferris—Sunday Services, 10 and 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school 2.30 p. m. B. V. P. U. Friday 7.45 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7.45 p. m.
First Presbyterian, Market st and City Hall Park, Pastor, Rev. Harlan G. Men delhall D. D. Sunday services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 9.30 a. m., 2.30 p. m., Junior C. E. 3.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6.40 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7.45 p. m.
Grace English Lutheran, Smith Street Pastor, Rev. E. J. Keuling. Sunday Services 10.30 a. m., 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 2.30 p. m.
Methodist (Danish) Madison Ave and Jefferson st., Pastor, Rev. A. Hansc. Sunday Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Epworth League, 3.45 p. m., Sunday School, 2.30 p. m. Glass meeting, Wednesday and Friday at 7.45 p. m.
Holy Cross Episcopal—Washington and Johnstone sts.—Rev. F. F. Willes, priest in charge—Sunday Services 11.00 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 10.00 a. m.
Our Savior's Lutheran (Danish) State St. Rev. V. B. Skov, pastor. Sunday services 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 2.30 p. m.
Simpson Methodist—High and Jefferson Sts. Pastor, Rev. S. Trevena Jackson. A. M. Sunday services 9.30 and 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.; Epworth League, 6.30 p. m.; Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7.45 p. m.; Bible training class, Friday, 7.30 p. m.; Young Gleaners, Friday, 4.30 p. m.; Junior Epworth League, Friday, 7.00 p. m.
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