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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1897.

One of the several crimes in St. Lawrence county's record for the past few months has been cleared up. This is the famous Lisbon assault case. Luella Scott, the alleged injured party, is reported to have made a full confession before Justice McRoskie, of Ogdensburg, followed by her marriage to her affianced lover, George Gregory. The confession completely exonerates Homer Moore, who was thought by some to be the criminal as charged by the girl at the time. This is a scathing rebuke to various persons and a few papers that have made great efforts to fix the crime upon an innocent person. District Attorney Hale seems to be all right.

BEET SUGAR.
 A great impetus is being given to the beet sugar industry in various parts of the country. Experiments in the culture of sugar beets have been proceeding in many localities in which agriculturists never before thought of making such tests, and in nearly all instances the result has exceeded the expectations. The success attending the factories now being operated in Nebraska and California has had a general awakening effect. To come nearer home, several counties are preparing to follow the example of Oneida and build a plant next year. We understand that several up-to-date farmers around Massena are to try the experiment of raising sugar beets next season, and we predict that within three years a plant will be located here, the power to turn the huge grinders being furnished by the St. Lawrence Power Company from the world's greatest power house on the banks of the Grasse river. There seems to be no good reason why St. Lawrence county should not raise as good sugar beets as any locality. In Oneida county the climate is quite as frigid as our own, while no better soil is to be found in the state than on the banks of the St. Lawrence. The establishment of a home sugar industry independent of outside supplies would seem to have a great influence upon the political and economic questions of the day. The pioneers in this enterprise were obliged to import their machinery but it is now built here and at a lower cost than is charged by foreign makers. Thus the machine shops will be kept busy. Enormous sums of money, amounting in some years to over \$100,000,000 will be retained in this country and distributed chiefly to the farmers. This cannot help but assist very materially in establishing a permanent balance of trade in favor of this country and greatly aid to the nation's wealth.

The Ladies' Home Journal For 1898.
 To make the Ladies' Home Journal for 1898 "the best of all years; the most cheerful and helpful magazine that a woman can possibly have in her home," is the purpose of its editors, as disclosed by a prospectus outlining a few of the projected features for the coming year.
 A notable feature, "The Inner Experiences of a Cabinet Member's Wife," a series of letters from the wife of a Cabinet member to her sister, will, it is said, reveal some startling and graphic pen-pictures of Washington social and official life. The biographies of President McKinley, Mrs. Cleveland, Mark Twain, Thomas A. Edison, and Joseph Jefferson will be presented in a novel way by a series of anecdotes, giving the vital characteristics of each. Rev. John Watson D. D. ("Ian MacLaren"), will contribute a series of articles on matters close to the interest of every man and woman; Edward W. Bok will have a special page for young men, in addition to his usual editorial discussions; Lillian Bell will continue her bright, crisp letters from European capitalists; Mrs. Burton Harrison will describe society at the beginning of the century, and ex-President Harrison is to write on "The Flag in the Home."
 "Inside of a Hundred Homes" will be continued and supplemented by other articles upon fitting, furnishing and beautifying the home; and in addition to the Journal's "Moderate-Cost Houses," churches, schools, farm buildings, etc., will be given—with detailed plans and specifications.

WATCHING FOR FILIBUSTERS.

The Montgomery Guarding Against a Penrose Expedition.
 Penrose, Dec. 21.—Information received from the commander of the United States cutter, the Montgomery Friday to-day, that a suspected filibuster Penrose was on board. Preparations were made for getting under way at a moment's notice. A squad of armed men, in charge of an officer, were placed on board the revenue cutter Penrose, and they will be relieved every four hours until further developments. The Montgomery fitted out several boats with guns, ammunition and armed crews to patrol the harbor, while the Penrose did duty outside, around Warrington. All the boats of the Montgomery have orders to fire two blank charges to bring to any suspected vessel, and upon her neglecting to do so a loaded shell is to be fired.
 The Somers N. Smith, a pilot boat; a vessel called the Britannia and a schooner are leading here under official supervision. The Smiths said to have run several successful expeditions in the past, having escaped the Montgomery once. She came in from sea on Thursday night, and is taking on board a cargo. The Britannia and the schooner are also taking a cargo of boxes, supposed to be ammunition, etc., on board, and it is reported that the Dauntless is waiting somewhere outside the bar in order to ship the munitions at sea.

SAY RUIZ IS STILL ALIVE.
So Rumored in Havana, According to a Dispatch to Paris.
 Paris, France, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Havana says that while the insurgents report the execution of Lieut. Col. Ruiz after court martial, rumors are also current that he is still living.

Official Report of the Execution.
 Havana, Dec. 21.—The official statement as to the execution by the insurgents of Lieut. Col. Joaquin Ruiz, aide-de-camp of Capt. Gen. Blanco, says that he was shot last Friday, by order of the insurgent commander Alejandro Rodriguez, with the approval of the insurgent colonel, Nestor Aranguren, whom he went to see, to induce him to accept the Spanish scheme for autonomy. The general opinion here is that it was a barbarous act.

Weyler's Plan of Campaign.
 Madrid, Spain, Dec. 21.—The National gives prominence to a double-leaded editorial, under the caption of "Weyler," to the effect that the latter's principal mission in life at the present moment is to defend the army and his command in Cuba against the insults alleged to have been contained in President McKinley's recent message to Congress, and that he will energetically protest to the Minister for War—Gen. Correa—and to the Queen Regent against these "insults," at the same time justifying the acts of the army.

The Hawaiian Muddle.
 Washington, Dec. 21.—Senator Davis, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, says that as soon as the Senate reconvenes he will call the Hawaiian annexation treaty up and press it continuously until a vote is secured. He believes that the treaty will be ratified.
 Senator Morgan, it is said, will make the effort of his life in his appeal for the ratification of the treaty. The Administration makes no concealment of the fact that it depends much on Senator Morgan to bring about the ratification. The indications, however, are still that the treaty will not be ratified.

Made the Cardiff Giant.
 Binghamton, Dec. 21.—George Hull, the inventor of the famous Cardiff giant, is ill at the home of his daughter, 16 Pennsylvania avenue, this city. He is now 76 years of age. For some months he has been able to get about only with the aid of crutches.
 He never tires of telling about the big stone man with which he deceived the public twenty years ago, and still bears a grudge against the relative to whom he confided his scheme, and who, as he says, "gave away the snap that lost him a big fortune."

\$40,000 Pearl Necklace.
 New York, Dec. 21.—Robert F. Ballantine, of the well-known Ballantine family of Newark, millionaire by virtue of its connection with the brewing interests, has presented his wife with a pearl necklace which is said to have cost no less than forty thousand dollars. The necklace is said to be one of the finest of its kind ever seen in this country. It was given to Mrs. Ballantine on the celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Ballantine's fortieth wedding anniversary.

NEW YORK MARKET REPORT.

WHEAT—The market advanced from 1 1/4 to 2 1/4 which was some respects remarkable, considering the proximity of holiday time.
CORN—Went up in price on account of a visible reduction in the supply.
BEANS—Offerings are quite liberal, and with a slow trade the market rules easy.
BUTTER—With the arrival of a good deal less stock, and colder weather at all points of production there was quite general feeling that prices should go no lower.
CHEESE—There is some looking around by exporters for large, full cream cheese and a few sales reported, but no general movement.
APPLES—Receipts of apples are fair, and there is a pretty good demand. The market is steady to firm with rather more inquiry for the best qualities.
Flour, winter straights, in bbls... \$4.50@4.60
 " spring patents... 5.10@5.40
 Corn meal, fine yellow... 70@75
 Feed per 100 lbs... 75@77 1/2
 Buckwheat, grain... 2.50@2.75
 Wheat, No. 2 red... 3.00@3.10
 " No. 2... 2.95@3.05
 " No. 2... 2.90@3.00
 Oats, white, No. 2... 2.80@2.90
 Rye... 2.50@2.60
 Barley... 1.80@1.95
 Beans, marrow... 1.50@1.60
 " red kidney... 1.55@1.60
 Pork, alive, pr. 100... 8.50@9.00
 Beef... 4.25@5.00
 Calves " poor to prime... 3.00@3.50
 Sheep... 3.00@4.00
 Tallow... .0014
 Lard... .04@.04 1/2
 Butter, creamery, extra... .22
 " N. Y. State... .21
 " N. Y. " Irwins... 18 1/2@19
 Eggs, Penn... .20
 " Jersey... 20@25
Cheese, Ben Davis... 2.00@2.25
 " Greening... 2.00@2.25
 " Baldwin... 2.50@2.50
Poultry, dressed... 11@12
Hay prime in bales, per 100 lbs... 2.50@2.75
Potatoes in bbls, Long Island... 1.75@2.25
 " Jersey... 1.75@2.25

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES.

EXERCISES IN COMMEMORATION OF THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOR.
 Programmes Which Will Be Rendered In The Various Places of Worship.—The Little Ones to be Made Happy.

ADVENT.
 Christmas and Mission service will be held in the Advent church of Christmas eve at 7:30. The program will consist of singing and recitation by the Sunday school. Arrangements will be made for presents. All are invited.

CONGREGATIONAL.
 Exercises Christmas eve. The program follows to be rendered by the members of the Sunday school.
 Singing... By the School.
 Prayer... Rev. A. H. White.
 Recitation, "A Little Boy's Request".... Lela Smith.
 Recitation, "Loyd McDonald's Exercise, What shall little children bring to Christmas day".... By eight children.
 Recitation, "Two Little Feet".... Robert Kirkpatrick.
 Song, "We'll clap our hands".... By Primary.
 Recitation, "Hang up the Baby's Stocking".... Halbert O'Brien.
 Recitation, "Christmas Chimes".... Carl McDevoy.
 Exercise, "Little Bells".... By Five Girls.
 Recitation, "Santa Claus is Coming".... Santa Claus.

METHODIST.
 The members of the Sunday school will render the following program of Christmas night.
 Music, Ring, Bells, Ring... Chorus.
 Recitation, "Thrice Welcome".... Ira Potter.
 Music, "White Shepherds Watched".... School.
 Song, "We'll clap our hands".... By Primary.
 Music, "Brightest and Best".... Chorus.
 Responsive Reading... Class No. 1.
 Recitation, "Where is the Birthplace".... Class No. 2.
 Recitation, "No Room in the Inn".... Grace O'Brien.
 Music, "Herald the Tidings".... School.
 Responsive Reading... School.
 Christmas day... By eight children.
 Recitation, "The Christmas in the Skies".... Grace O'Brien.
 Singing, "Light, Love and Joy".... Grace O'Brien.
 Recitation, "The Little New Neighbor".... Four Girls.
 Song, "Send the Spirit of Christmas".... Class No. 1.
 Exercise, "The Name and the Star".... Class No. 2.
 Song, "Hushaby".... Primary Girls.
 Duet, "Counting the Days till Christmas".... Duet.
 Recitation, "Christmas Stockings".... Primary Class.
 Singing, "O, Night of all the Fairest".... School.
 Music, "Tis Holiday Time".... Choir & School.
 Benediction.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL.
 Services, consisting of morning prayer and sermon followed by holy communion, will be held in St. John's Episcopal church Christmas morning, beginning at 10:30. The church has been handsomely decorated with evergreens and special music prepared. Following is the musical program.
 Professional, "O come all ye Faithful".... Anthonie.
 Kyrie... By Mrs. M. J. O'Brien.
 Gloria... By Mrs. M. J. O'Brien.
 Hymn, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear".... Chorus.
 Overture, "The Birthday of the King".... Miss Warron.
 Sanctus... Laumas.
 Communion Hymn... Gregorian Chant.
 Gloria in Excelsis... "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing".

The musical program will be repeated Sunday morning.
BAPTIST.
 On Sunday December 26th, Rev. W. Wyeth will preach as usual. The order of the services is as follows:
 Morning at 10:30
 Organ Voluntary
 Song "The New Born King"
 Invocation
 Song, "These Holy Voices"
 Reading in Concert, Psalm 23.
 Hymn 228 "Joy to the World"
 Scripture Reading, Matthew 2:1-12
 Offertory
 Song, "Star of Bethlehem"
 Sermon, Text "A Beautiful Star," Matthew 2:2
 Hymn 225, "Hark! hark my Soul."
 BENEDICTION.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.
 Christmas Day, the day of days, will be fittingly celebrated at the Church of the Sacred Heart. In the morning there will be two services, one at 8:00 o'clock and the other at 10:30. The latter will be a High Mass, the additional ceremonial being given additional honor to God. After this an appropriate sermon will be preached by the pastor. Christmas is the season of "glad tidings of great joy to all the people." It commemorates the most awful and the most lovable event that has occurred since the foundation of the world. It is the celebration of the night when the heavens opened and the Angelic Host descended and sang out "glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."
 Vespers in the evening at 7:00 o'clock. A special musical program is being prepared for the occasion and the church in its adornment by the ladies, presents the appearance of festivity.
 Good Butter for sale 16 to 18c per pound at CLARK & WEBB'S.
 Ogdensburg will have no musical convention this year, as there does not seem to be sufficient interest to warrant it.
 Something in Cutlery, Kitchen Furniture or Crockery make nice Christmas presents.
 CLARK & WEBB.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.
 To quit tobacco easily and forever, be sure and get the BAC, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.
No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.
 Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, \$1. All druggists.

Embossed in Gold.

Buy and reproduce famous designs involves an expenditure could hardly be borne unless, in the case of the Youth's Companion, the enterprise is sustained by approval of more than five hundred thousand subscribers. The Companion Souvenir Calendar for 1898, a series of charming figure pieces, faithfully copied in colors and embossed in gold, is recognized as one of the best and most costly examples of its kind. Yet every new subscriber receives it without additional charge. It is sold by Hon. W. E. Gladstone, the Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Rudyard Kipling, Lillian Nordica, John Burroughs, D. Howells and Max O'Reil are prominent in the long list of contributors named in the Companion's announcement, which will be sent free to any one addressing THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 205 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass.

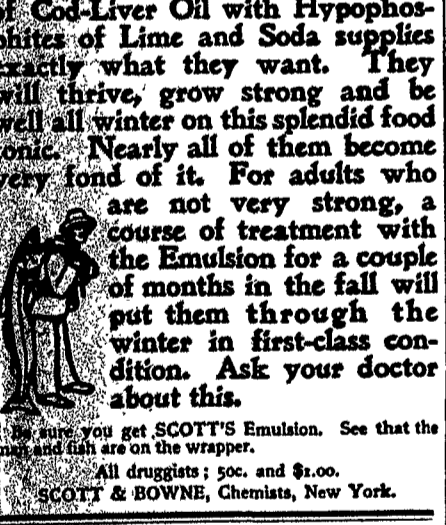
Protect Your Child's Stomach.
 Tin sheet iron coated with tin containing from 20 to 60 parts of soda. The leavening power of all baking powders is carbonic acid. Carbonic acid in contact with lead forms carbonate of lead, or common white paint, which often gives the workmen painters' colic. This is why World's Fair Judge, Chicago, found all baking powders put up in tin contaminated. Thatcher's Sugar of Milk Baking Powder is put up in glass, and was the only one reported without a grain of impurity. If you expect your children to have good digestion and strong intellects use only Sugar of Milk Baking Powder. Its formula is registered at Washington, it's always alike, it's always wholesome.

The Delineator for January is called the Winter Holiday Number and begins the New Year with such an attractive display of fashions and literary matter that it will easily retain its place as the Woman's Favorite Magazine. The winter styles are exceedingly becoming and are handsomely illustrated in colors and black. Lady Jeune's review of London Society is at once a picture of its essential features and a defense of its essential tendencies. The number is replete with good things in all the departments, and for 1898 promises to be even better than before, if such a thing is possible.

Nearly 27,000 copies of the Syracuse Evening Herald are now being printed, while actual paid circulation is over 25,000. This is by far the largest circulation ever attained by any 2-cent evening paper in the state outside of New York city. The Herald is certainly enterprising and up-to-date in every respect.
 The OBSERVER will be sent to new subscribers from now until January 1, 1898, for just one dollar, paid in advance. Add 25 cents if it is to be sent outside the county.

Well Children

that are not very robust need a warming, building and fat-forming food—something to be used for two or three months in the fall—that they may not suffer from cold.
SCOTT'S EMULSION
 of Cod-Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda supplies exactly what they want. They will thrive, grow strong and be well all winter on this splendid food tonic. Nearly all of them become very fond of it. For adults who are not very strong, a course of treatment with the Emulsion for a couple of months in the fall will put them through the winter in first-class condition. Ask your doctor about this.



THE PEOPLE'S One Price Cash STORE.

NORWOOD, N. Y.
 Having secured the Valley store, 5th store north of our old stand will open up to the public Thursday morning, Dec. 9th, a new stock of Dry and Fancy Goods, Notions, Christmas Novelties, Shoes and Rubbers, Portulans, Lace curtains, Window Shades, Carpets and Wall paper, and during this opening week, we shall offer many bargains in Fresh Goods. Come and see what we can do for you.
 Yours for selling New Goods at Very Low Cash Prices.
Geo. F. Clark & Co.

Bailey's Christmas

Lots of Nice Useful Presents
 Can be Found in Our Store.

Make your selections early and avoid the crowd as Christmas draws near.

GIFTS FOR THE MEN FOLKS.

Neckwear, Suspenders, Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Gloves, Mittens, Neck Mufflers, Shirt Studs, Collar Buttons, Cuff Buttons, Handkerchiefs, Shoes, Overshoes, &c., &c.

Lots of presents for the Ladies and Children. Store is Brim Full of Goods and Customers. No trouble to show goods, Yours for trade.

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Don't forget our Shoes.

THE KEROSENE OIL

That Burns, And burns the last drop, That gives White Light, That is free from bad odor, Can be bought at

J. L. Hyde & Son's

Bring your cans or leave your order.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY

Visit our store and look over our handsome line of Furniture.

Your holiday season will be incomplete without something from our stock.

The Greatest Salesmen on earth, viz: Quality and Price are at work for us.

LEON C. BALL & CO.

It has been proven

Without a doubt that the Holiday Headquarters is at DISHAW'S this Christmas.

The reason given for this is that we have the finest stock of Holiday Goods in town. Our stock embraces everything that goes to make an Ideal Christmas Present. We have lately received another shipment of Sterling Silver Novelties, among them being the State Souvenir Spoon of the Power House soon to be erected here. We ask you to see these goods.

Do not forget we have an elegant line of Boots, Shoes, Slippers, Rubbers, etc., which make very useful Christmas Gifts.

Call and get a calendar for 1898.

Dishaws' Cash Shoe and Jewelry Store.