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sent our Lord at the time of his

crucifixion. At this time the scep-

ter had literally departed from

Judah, and a foreigner was on the

learned and interesting discussion

has arisen with respect to the

"wise men" and the "star, Augus-

tine and Chrysostom say there

were twelve magi, but the common

belief is that there were but three.

From the east-Perhaps from Me-

ject of their coming.

renewing his acts of bloodshed.

ed Messiah."-Benson.

the thousands of Judah, yet out of

thee shall he come forth unto me

that is to be ruler in Israel." This

made Bethelem "in no wise least."

Christ is both Shepherd and King.

hated him should take occasion to

throne. Wise men-Or magi. Much

to receive definite word concerning the new King, and worship him also The Birth of Christ .- Matt. 2; 1-12, -What hypocrisy! He only wished to find the child in order to mur-Commentary .- I. Guided by the der it (vs. 13, 16); he was crafty and star (vs. 1, 2). 1. When Jesus was subtle, saying one thing and meaning born. The date of the birth of another. But God did not permit Christ is uncertain, but the gener- him to carry out his purpose. The and tied uy these will in many cases ally accepted date is December 25, wise men, warned of God in a dream, C. 5. He was born four years returned another way, and Joseph, before the time from which we warned in the same manner, took count His birth in our common the child and its mother and fled to

reckoning. In Bethiehem of Judea- Egypt. To distinguish it from Bethlehem of 9. The star .... went before them Galilee, mentioned in Joshua xix. 15. -The same star which they had In the days of Herod-Herod the seen in their own country now ap-Great. He was an Edomite, and, pears again. The star had disapalthough a proselyte to the Jewish peared for a time, and this led them religion, was notorious for his to inquire in Jerusalem for the his wickedness and cruelty. He young King whom they sought. This reigned 37 years in Judea and died should settle the matter that the a few months after the birth of star was supernatural. We will hon-Christ. He was the father of Herod or God by believing his word. "The Antipas, who put to death John star pointed out the very house.' the Eaptist, and to whom Pilate

the oath of allegiance to him, In-

8. He sent them-He assumed con-

trol, but they followed the direc-

-Herod was honest in making this

charge to them; he greatly desired

of them carefully."

-Benson. 10. They rejoiced-The Greek is very emphatic. They rejoiced exceedingly because they saw they were about to find the child and because they had such unmistakable proof of being in divine order. That alone is enough to cause rejoicing.

11. Into the house-They had left the stable that they were forced to temporarily occupy at the time of Christ's birth (Luke ii. 7), and were dia, or Persia, or, possibly, from living in a house. Fell down-They Arabia. Lew Wallace supposes there prostrated themselves before him acwere three men-an Egyptian, a cording to the eastern custom. "In keting. Hindu and a Greek-who were this act the person kneels and puts | Small bottle of her favorite toilet brought together in the desert by his head between his knees, his fore- water. the Spirit of God, and who thence head at the same time touching the journeyed in company, being di- ground. Gifts-The people of the frame. rected by the star, until they found | East did not approach into the presthe Christ. To Jerusalem - They ence of kings, without bringing them seemed to suppose that when they presents. The custom still prevails reached the capital of the Jewish in many places.. Gold, etc.-Gold nation they would have no trouble, would always be useful, while frankin finding the object of their search, incense and myrrh were prized for 2. King of the Jews-"There was their delicious fragrance.

at this time a general expectation PRACTICAL SURVEY. throughout the East, that one would be born in Judea who should The word of God stands alone and possess universal dominion." "This unapproachable in the use of lanwas a title unknown to the earlier guage at once simple and sublime. history of Israel, and applied to He is come whose advent had been mo one except the Messiah. It re- foretold since the world began, for appears in the inscription over the | whom "prophets and kings had waiteross."-Carr. His star-Many inter- ed long and died without the sight" preters, especially those who seek He concerning whom Isalah propheto eliminate the supernatural, ex- sied; "Unto us a child is born, unto plain the "star," or "sidereal ap- | us n son is given; and the governpearance," by a conjunction of ment shall be upon His shoulder, and Jupiter and Saturn, which occurred His name shall be called Wonderful, in May, B. C. 7, and again in Dec- | Counsellor, The Mighty God, The ember with Mars added. It is, how- | Everlasting Father, The Prince of ever, much more in harmony with Peace." Yet we find this most stupenall the facts to believe that the dous event in the history of the world star which attracted the atten- chronicied in simplest language; tion of the magi was supernatural. "Now when Jesuis was born in Beth-"A simple meteor provided for the lehem of Judea."

occasion."-Clarke. In the east-In | We are told by historians of unthe country east of Palestine, from | questioned authority that "it was | whence they came. To worship Him | expected throughout the whole East | busy to sew. -God had influenced these wise men | that about that time a king was to to take this journey to find and arise in Judea who should rule all the table. pay their homage to the Saviour. | world." Centuries before the prophecy | They were bold to confess the ob- had been uttered, "There shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre II. Searching the scriptures. (vs. | shall rise out of Israel," Num. xxiv. 3-6). 3. Had heard these things. The 17. In Rev. xxii. 16 we read the words magi had created no small stir by of Jesus concerning Himself; "I am their inquiries which immediately at- | the root and the offspring of David tracted the attention of the king. and the bright and morning star. Troubled. Herod, now sunk into the And in Rev. ii. 28, "And I will give jealous decrepitude of his savage old him the morning star." The "wise may at times be found at a low figure. age, was residing in his new palace | men" had seen "His star" and were on Zion, when, half maddened as he come to worship Him.; It was natwas already by the crimes of his ural that they should suppose that past career, he was thrown into a He who was born "King of the Jews" fresh paroxysm of alarm and anxiety | would be found in the royal houseby the visit of these magi, bearing hold. Great must have been their the strange intelligence that they astonishment to find neither in the had come to worship a new-born palace nor in the city any that knew king .- Farrar. Herod feared a rival. aught of the birth of so illustrious a

All Jerusalem with him. Fearing that | king, the would make this an occaion of Jesus might have chosen to be born in a palace, but he came in low-The chief priests. This expres- liest guise. "He humbled h'mself." His sloa probably comprehends the acting | cradle a manger, his birthplace the high priest and his deputy, those who humble village of Bethlehem, his parhad been high priests-for at that ents though of royal blood, yet poor, time the office was often transferred! for when sacrifice was made for him by the Roman authorities-and "the | in the temple, according to the Leviheads of the twenty-four sacerdotal tical law, the offering was that refamilies, which David had distribut- quired of the poor-"a pair of tured into so many courses." Scribes. | tle doves." "Though he were rich, The scribes were the learned inter- yet for our sakes he became poor, preters of the Mosiac law, and the that we, through his poverty, might collectors of the traditions of the be made rich." Lyke tells us that elders. Many of them were Pharisees. "there was no room for them in the

Demanded of them. Because they inn. would be most likely to know. Where ' The wise men, with a faith unthe Christ should be born. "The wise shaken at sight of the humble surmen had said nothing about the roundings of the Divine One, wor-Christ, or the Messiah, but only about shipped and presented their treasthe King of the Jews. But Herod saw ures. Treasure is that which is esthat this king must be the expect- teemed as very precious. "He gave himself for us." Love gives all and 5. 6. By the prophet. Micah, 5-2. demands all. The story is teld of a Matthew does not quote the exact Moravian missionary who went to words found in Micah, but the sense | the West Indies to preach the gosis given. They did not need to take pel to the slaves. He found them at book. a long time to search out the an- work early in the morning and late swer to Herod's question, for it was at night, and too weary to listen an accepted truth that the Messiah to his message. He went and sold metal mounting. must come from Bethelem. Thou Beth- himself to their master, and, as one lehem. Bethelehem signifies the house of the slave gang, shared their toil of bread, the fittest place for him and suffering, won their confidence | ters. to be born in whom is the true bread and preached unto them Jesus. "In which came down from heaven .- Hen- asmuch as ye have done it unto one ings. ryt art in no wise least. Micha of the least of these ye have done ways, "Though thou be little among it unto Me."-Mrs. J. E. Coleman.

Pasha Makes Fun of Sultan.

The former Turkish consul general The princes. "The thousands" (Micah | at Rotterdam, Ali Nouri Bey, who 5, 2). The tribe had been subdivided who was dismissed and condemned into thousands, and over each sub- to 101 years' imprisonment because division there was a chieftain or of his connection with the satiric prince.-Morison. A governor. To con- journal Daoul, is trying to get even trol and rule, which shall be shep- with sultan by brinking out a book herd To feed and care for, as a entitled "Abdul Hamid in Caricashepherd his flock. This governor who ture." He is a born Swede and spent controls is also a tender shepherd | some years in Turkey, where he married a princess, Hairie Ben Aiad, the III. The child Jesus found (vs. 7-12). daughter of a Tunislan pasha. She 7. Privily called-Herod desired to is one of the leaders in the movekeep the time of Christ's birth as ment for the emancipation of Turksecret as possible lest the Jews who ish women.

rebel. A short time before this 6 .- A woman is generally too busy 000 Pharisees had refused to take talking to stop and think.

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Corsage bunch of orchids, two blos-

One or more water-color brushes.

A sterling brooch in a number of

Hat pin set with a fancy stone.

An ostrich tip for the hair.

Gay little bonbon pen wiper.

One of the silver bangles.

A very good nail polisher.

An enamel tea set.

A buckle.

little girl.

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tively no equal:

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Silver hat-pin.

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An article for her pretty work basket. Veil clasp. Atomizer, A handkerchief. Cologne bottle. Hanging shelves. Silver hat pin. 133 A bamboo stool. A dozen tumblers. Sand Birth Leather engagement pad. التعدد لد. Papier mache glove box. A grain leather card case. A bamboo stool with a matting top.

Pair of cosy bedroom slippers. A papier mache letter rack. Black velvet hair bow flat or high. A 20-inch down cushion, uncovered. Eight-ounce bottle of eua de cologne Pretty folding cretonne work basket. Stamped piece of linen for needlework. Broad chignon comb in imitation shell. A pretty little sterling book marker. A bonnet brush in sterling silver, A plated fork or spoon or bon bon

Dainty little vase for flowers. Fleece-lined mocha gloves for market-

Neat night gown for the woman too Small piece of silver for dressing Dainty bit of china for the dining-

A dozen of some fine fruit- say, or-A nickel-plated call chime.

A lace collar, very deep. Very useful pair of scissors. Slender neck chain and pendeloque. Work box with a snap lock. Pretty and handsome bag for party A knitted wool ample shoulder shawl impedimenta. Any handsome buckle. These are used A sateen petticoat, which is neat if on slippers, belts and hats. not elaborate. A handsome fur stole and muff.

For Father.

Muffler.

Cigar case. Necktie. Thermometer. Horn knife. Tobacco jar. Waste paper basket. Willow letter basket. Match box holder. Beribboned whisk. Grain leather wallet. Genuine seal note fold. Large bottle of bay rum. A wire paper basket. A two-inch pocket magnifier. A four-vial medicine case. A leather-lined note fold. Sterling key ring of sturdy build. A silver-plated shaving brush. A convenient wire letter basket. Tobacco holder in shape of grotesque

Arch file with perforator and cover. Veneered arm rest of polished wood. Stamp box with compartments. Heavy japanned tin box for bonds. Tin cash box finished with gilt. Dozen pencils of his favorite make. Combinaton card case and pocket-

A calendar in a leather or white

Pair of good-looking socks. A pair of silver (plated) mounted gar-

A desk blotting pad, without mount-A cup and saucer, the former to "hold Calendar.

Ink well. Date book. Shaving brush. Portfolio. Paper cutter. Sterling key rings. Office shears. Two-blade jack knife. Scotch wool gloves. Dachshund paper weight. Nickelplate call bell. Leather rocker blotter. An iron mail box. A bath thermometer in wood holder. Ordinary thermometer mounted on

Folding parallel rules—the nine-inch. An extra strong waste paper basket. Well mounted steel eraser. Satin finish silver link buttons. One-inch pocket magnifier. Four-ounce bottle of eau de cologne. Gold-plated Italian greyhound paper

Desk pad-three sheets blotting paper and black grain corners. An arch file with a striped wood board. Very complete tape measure in steel

An "anti-lick," if he objects to sealing Or for his office the "paying teller" size of sponge cup. For Sister.

A charm. Bead chain. Belt clasp.

## The Markets.

Toronto Farmers' Market. The receipts of grain to-day were moderate, with prices generally easy. Wheat a trifle weaker, with sales of 300 bushels of white at 78 to 78 1-2c, 300 bush. of red winter at 78 to 781-2c, 300 bush. of goose at 72 to 73c, and a load of spring at 78c. Oats easier, 500 bush. selling at 311-2c. Barley is unchanged, with sales of 800 bushels at 42 to 47c. There was a good supply of coun-

try produce in. Choice dairy butter retailed at 20 to 22c per lb., and new laid eggs at 40c. Poultry in good demand at steady prices. Hay quiet and steady, with sales of 20 loads at \$9 to \$10 a ton for timothy, and at \$6 to \$8 for mixed. Straw unchanged, three loads sell ing at \$10 a ton.

Jap cup and saucer in blue decoration. Dressed hogs are firm, with sales Silk stock, tabbed and stitched with of heavy at \$6.35, and of light at Dainty little pearl blade paper cutter.

\$6.75. Wheat, white, bush., 78 to 78%c wheat, goose, bush., 72 to 78c; wheat red, bush., 78 to 78%c; wheat, spring, bush., 78c; peas, bush., 65c; oats, bush, 31%c; hay, timothy, per ton \$9 to \$10; hay, clover, \$6 to \$8 straw, per ton, \$10; seeds, alsike bush., \$4.50 to \$6; seeds, red, clover, \$5.25 to \$6.00; apples, per bush., \$1 to \$2: dressed hogs, \$6.35 to \$6.75 eggs, new laid, per dozen, 35 to 40c butter, dairy, 20 to 22e; butter creamery, 22 to 26; chickens, per lb., 9 to 10c; ducks, per lb., 10 to 12c; geese, per lb., 8 to 10c; turkeys, per lb., 13 to 15c; potatoes, per bag, 75 to 85c; cabbage, per dozen, 40 to 50c; cauliflower, per dozen, \$1; celery, per dozen, 35 to proved after taking two bottles, so I 45c: beef, hindquarters, \$6 to \$8 beef, forequarters, \$4 to \$6; beef medium, carcase, \$5.50 to \$6; beef choice, carcase, \$6.50 to \$7; lamb, yearling, \$6 to \$7; mutton, per cwt.

to \$9. Liverpool Markets. Messrs. Woodall & Co. cabled Eben James: 25,000 bbls. sold. No decline in prices, but market weaker. Leading Wheat Markets.

\$3.50 to \$6.50; veal, per cwt., \$7

Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centres i Cash. May. New York/... ... ... ... --81 1-4 Chicago ... ... ... ... --Toledo ... ... ... ... 83 86 1-4

Duluth, No. 1 north.... --

Bradstreet s on Trade. Wholesale firms at Montreal are busy with the sorting and holiday trade now. The prosperity of the masses has kept the general demand for holiday goods fairly satisfactory. The advances in staple cottons this Pair of kid mocha and astrachan week have improved the demand in that direction. Money is in good demand and rates are being well main-

Likewise a well-stocked butcher shop, Trade at Toronto has continued fairly active this week. The movement in winter goods to sort stocks has been good. The business in crazy quilts? Belle-I'm perfectly inspring trade is satisfactory. Bust- sane on the subject. ness in most departments compares favorably with 1902 and the out- to put you onto a sure thing will generlook is promising. Stocks of goods ally bear watching. heved to be light.

At Quebec trade in the various | same idea about secrets. lines shows an improvement and It's the man who has made a failure holiday goods are in demand. Pay- of his own career who is generally ments, as a rule, are reported fair most eager to tell how things ought to for the season. Prices are being well be done. A box of gloves, or one pair of her maintained.

At Pacific Coast trade centres, as reported to Bradstreets, a good seasonable business is being done. The outlook for the spring trade is encouraging. Sawmill men are complaining of American lumber being in consonance with the true spirit freely brought into the Territories of that joyous and auspicious festiand Manitoba to the detriment of their business. Fresh discoveries of tion of a small, unsettled difficulty anthracite are exciting interest in

the Province. There is activity in seasonable application of one of "the D. & L." Menthol goods and holiday lines in the west, the bugle, and without any war Plasters. The rapidity of their action is Winnipeg jobbing houses being busy clouds on the horizon, so far as husimply remarkable. For curing nervous, in that connection now. neuralgic or rheumatic pains they have posi-

been quite active. The fine winter will among the great nations of the weather has improved the demand in various departments, and the outlook for the balance of the year is The latest problem in labor union bright. Shipments this week have ethics in Chicago is this: Can a union been heavy. Spring orders are comman honorably ride on a street car ing to hand freely now. Values of manned by non-union men? When staple goods are firmly held.

such puzzles are possible we may see In Liondon the movement in wholehow great a victory the striking sale trade circles is satisfactory. street car men did not win recently. Orders for seasonable goods to sort stocks are numerous and quite large. Speechless and Paralyzed .- "I had Prices are very firm, especially cotvalvular disease of the heart," writes Mrs. J. ton goods for the spring.

S. Goode, of Truro, N.S. "I suffered terribly There has been a continued good and was often speechless and partially para demand for seasonable goods at Otlyzed. One dose of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the tawa this week. Travellers' and mail fruit cake, when well made, are good. Heart gave me relief, and before I finished orders have been numerous and well | Mix half a cupful of carefully render-Tiny pocket comb in fine leather case. one bottle I was able to go about. To-day distributed. The conditions of trade ed suct or any of the lard substitutes are healthy and the outlook is prom-

The Height of Clouds.

224 feet, which is above the ordin- a slow oven. ary lower clouds. Hence the observations made relate to the loftycirrus clouds, the mean height of which, above Simla, in 47 measurements, was found to be 30,440 feet, or nearly six miles. The maximum was 38,440 feet. Of the thicked cumulous clouds the mean was 7,304 London pawnbroker, named William feet-over a mile and one-thirdand the maximum 14,318 feet. In he took the three round balls which the warmer climate of Simla these figures are naturally larger than placing them on his counter began would be given by average measurements of the altitude of Brit- | measure. ish' clouds.

Chinese Cheap Labor. They have a queer way of discrim-

inating against the Chinese in Australia. They permit them to labor, but have laws regulating the hours within which their labor shall be performed. A Chinese of Melbourne, for example, was revently fined five shil- and so to get out of the difficulty lings, and had to pay two pounds they called it after the name of twelve shillings costs in addition, for the pawabroker-a Kew, which in working at half past eight in the course of time became cue. evening, when the law says that he must stop at five. His "labor" at the time consisted in sorting out a cus- collection plate, "in spite of the time consisted in sorting out day's fact that I am a thing of the



Miss Alice Bailey, of Atlanta, Ga., escaped the surgeon's knife, by using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. " DEAR MRS. PINKHAM :- I wish to express my gratitude for the restored health and happiness Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has

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It's all right to aim high if you have Perhape the reason a dog is such a

good friend is because he can't talk. The reason some men make more friends than enemies is because it's less Maybe it's the corns on a man's con-

science that keep him from walking The husband of a society leader gets a lot more sympathy than he knows anything about,

Parents always take more pride in their children than the children take in their parents. Nell-Do you care for old-fashioned

The fellow who goes out of his way

carried over last summer are be- A man believes in keeping money in circulation, but a woman has much the

A Peaceful Christmas.

Not in many years, if ever before, has the world approached the Christmas season under conditions more val than at present. With the excepin South America, the year promises to go out to the sound of hymns of peace rather than to the notes of man vision can see. It has been emearth; and, considering all the history that has transpired during the course of the twelvemonth, it is impossible not to think that it has been a year that has brought the world distinctly and measurably nearer the ideal condition when it will be Christmas all the time and everywhere.-Leslia's Weekly.

Christmas Jumbles. Old-fashioned Christmas jumbles are expensive; simple ones, like the Dissolve a teaspoonful of soda in two tablespoonfuls of water; stir it into one cupful-half a pint-of New Orleans molasses. When foaming, add Questions often arise about the a cupful of strong boiling coffee; add height of clouds, and information | this to the shortening; mix, and add on this subject is neither plentiful a teaspoonful of cinnamon, a teblenor very definite. At the Simla spoonful of ground ginger and suffiobservatory a series of photogram- cient flour to make a soft dough. metric measurements have been about three cupfuls. Roll the dough made during a period of 20 months half an inch in thickness; cut with and the results are reported in the a round cutter, and bake in a moder-"Indian Meteorological Memoirs." ately quick oven for fifteen minutes. Simla has an elevated situation on This receipt, omitting the soda and a mountain ridge, and the observa- rolling the dough thin, may be used tory is placed at an altitude of 7,- for snaps. Snaps must be baked in

Invention of Billiards.

Billiards is comparatively a modern game. According to some letters discovered in the British Museum, the game was invented by a Kew. One day, to amuse himself were the emblems of his trade, and to hit them about with the yard

He became quite interested in him new game and soon gained great skill in making one ball glance off the other. He invited his friends to join him in the game, which they named "Bill's yard," and which was soon shortened into billiards.

But the instrument used to knock the balls about was a yard measure,

"I am still on deck," remarked the