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WRECK AND RISE.

Well-Known Citizens Chastising Over Old-Time Together.

St. Louis Republic, 15th.

Mr. Levi Pettibone, who yesterday upon his sixtieth birthday, had having been born on the 17th day of December, 1819, at Northfield, Litchfield county, Connecticut.

When Mr. Pettibone first saw the light, Napoleon Bonaparte had just entered the military school at Brienne, where the genius was developed which subsequently declared king and changed the map of Europe.

Washington was in winter-quarters with his army at Morristown, espousing with the opinions of President Jackson, and last year he was in the army of the republic in the invasion of Mexico.

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FROM SOMERSET.

A Good Move in the Right Direction.

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THE GREEK MERCHANT AND THE BESTED MATE. "Where do you live?"

THE GREEK MERCHANT AND THE BESTED MATE. "I live in a little town near the river."

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"I say, you'd better go home, you'll catch the diphthery, it's just awful, on youngsters like you."

"I don't care, as long as I can get a few dollars out of you."

"You'd do anything for a few dollars, would you?"

"I should say so, Good Lord! no dinner the day before Christmas! it is possible, and this is a terrible story!"

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Weather Indications for To-Day. WASHINGTON, December 21.—Indications for the next 24 hours are color northwest winds, light variable, occasional rain or snow, followed by partly cloudy and clearing weather.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

"Marble Heart." "Riche's Own." "Furs at S. Mayer's." "Maple Syrup at H. Grunze's." "Buy toys at Schram & Co.'s."

"An elegant line of h't's at S. Mayer's." "The most complete stock of underwear, of all kinds and all sizes, at Hancock & Son's."

"A few more of those elegant dollmats and circulars to be had at HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S."

"Regain health at Sutherland springs." "Berwick Bay and Baltimore oysters, and fresh fish received last night at Market street oyster and fish depot, opposite the market."

"The best 2-cent cigar in the market is 'Riche's Own.'" "Louisiana sweet oranges, wholesale or retail, Devine's building, Colad street."

"\$30,000 'Riche's Own' were received yesterday." "Cigars for a good 5-cent smoke, go to Alkon's. New stock just opened. Devine's building, Soledad street."

"If you want to save money when purchasing dolls, toys, anything for a Christmas present, go to Schram & Co."

"'Riche's Own.'" "J. Land's flooring and corn mills, New Braunfels, Texas, 102-111."

"If you want a neat hat for yourself or the boys, call at HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S."

"Nothing more acceptable as a present than one of those warm overcoats at HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S."

"Try 'Riche's Own.'" "Another lot of those cheap suits and dress overcoats, just received."

"Everybody who smokes 'Riche's Own' likes it." "The best bargains in the city in shirts, at Hancock & Son's."

"Artists and wax flower materials at Valentine & Co.'s music store." "'Riche's Own' beats the world."

"Children's combination vest and drawers at S. Mayer's." "Private boarding.—Mrs. A. A. Munney's, Houston street, fourth house from Nassau street, 102-111."

"Wanted: fringes, 10 cents a yard, at Schlemmer's next to Bell Block." "'Riche's Own' is sold everywhere."

"New winter hosiery, hats, striped tie, fringes, buttons, and all kinds of fit trimmings, all of which are of the latest styles, just received at Mrs. Hill's, 424 1/2."

THE BLESSING OF BETHLEHEM.

Speaking Peace on Earth and Good Will Toward Men.

The Grand Christmas Festival at Observed in Various Times and Countries.

Events Incident to Its Celebration in San Antonio Yesterday and To-Day.

About the glad tidings, Christmas has come again. Another year has flown, and the anniversary of the birth of the man of peace is again at hand, attended, as usual, with all its peculiar joys and pleasures.

The festival has always borne a dual character, which most strictly observed—religious and social. It is a time when the world is united in a common joy, and the heart of man is softened by the love of God and man.

In the olden time a prominent feature of the Christmas celebration in the churches was dramatic mysteries and morality plays representing the infant Christ in a cradle with Mary, Joseph and the Eastern Magi standing by and cherubs hovering over them.

Christmas has always been observed rather as a day of merry-making than a day of prayer. The bells were rung at midnight on Christmas eve, and the people gathered in the streets to sing carols and sing the "Hallelujahs."

It was the custom for the nobles to entertain one another on the day after Christmas, and the custom of giving presents to one another was also prevalent.

The English people have a custom of giving presents to one another on the day after Christmas, and the custom of giving presents to one another was also prevalent.

There was an old custom in some of the villages of northern Germany and in Holland, which was the custom of giving presents to one another on the day after Christmas.

There are many interesting Christmas legends, it is an old Swedish custom that on Christmas eve men living in the old northern countries are sometimes transported into swarms, which meet in dream and sleep upon a magic island.

Christmas was changed the cattle adhered to the old date. This notion is supposed to have been derived from the tradition that Christ and his ass were present at the birth of Christ, and that they fell on their knees in reverence.

The student of Shakespeare will remember the speech of Marcellus, who after the second appearance of the Ghost, in Hamlet, exclaims: "The air is cut with ravens."

It is a fact on the evening of the 24th of December, that the air is cut with ravens, and the birds are seen flying about the houses and the streets.

The festive spirit never took very kindly to the old world customs, and beliefs relating to Christmas, it was too paganistic. In the New England states, in the early history of the country, the observance of the feast was frowned upon.

Into a large proportion of presents time and skill went more largely than money. The ladies of the household were always deeply interested in the preparation of the gifts.

At the close of the year, the people gathered in the streets to sing carols and sing the "Hallelujahs." It was a time when the world was united in a common joy.

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Department Notes. Capt. L. H. Carpenter, 10th cavalry, is appointed a special inspector, and will inspect ten cavalry horses and two pack mules, pertaining to company K, 10th cavalry, for which Capt. T. G. Lebo, 10th cavalry, is responsible, with a view to their being disposed of for the best interest of the service.

The commanding officer of the district of the Texas coast will select one of the hospital stewards now serving at Fort Clark, Texas, and direct him to report to the commanding officer Fort Stockton, Texas, for duty at that post.

The leave of absence granted first lieutenant J. M. Gore, 23d infantry, is further extended to ten days.

Recruit W. D. H. enlisted in this city by Capt. J. W. Clout, 24th infantry, recruiting officer, is hereby assigned to company F, 24th infantry.

Postoffice, San Antonio, Dec. 24, 1879. Editors San Antonio Express: Please inform the public through the columns of your paper that on Thursday, December 25, 1879 (Christmas), the post office will remain open for the transaction of business from 8 a. m. to 12 m. Respectfully, J. O. MANNING, Postmaster.

Prophetic Postponement. The Athletic club had made extensive preparations, at no small expense, for a series of interesting sports at the Springs to-day, but the unexpected bad change of the weather may probably necessitate the postponement of the exercises until Saturday or some other more favorable day.

Important Notice. To make room for a large stock of musical instruments, sheet music, etc., to arrive, we offer our elegant stock of fashionable writing papers, with envelopes to match, fountain, ball, cap and note paper, business envelopes, blank books, stationery, pocket knives, writing desks, albums, leather goods, etc., at 25 per cent. off. Also a large stock of stationery, etc., at very low prices.

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER. IN THE LEAD! The Largest and Best Selected Stock of Dry Goods, CLOTHING, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Trunks, CARPETS, Seed Oats and Hay, Butter and Cheese.

WESTERN TEXAS HOLIDAY GOODS, The White Grand Ball. New Year's Eve, 1879-80. Tickets of admission, One Dollar for each gentleman, Supper, One Dollar for each person.

FRIDAY, DEC. 20th, Grand Children's Ball. To Commence at 8 o'clock P. M. Admission for each child, including supper, Fifty Cents.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!

AT THE BAZAR OF PAUL WAGNER,

At Prices Lower than ever before known.

Elegant China Vases, \$0.05 to \$25.00. China toys and ornaments, .05 to 20.00. Cologne sets, .60 to 7.50.

Large Assortment of Toys. Dolls with china heads, 2.10 to \$ 5.00. Dolls with wax heads, 10c to 1.75.

WILLOW, WIRE AND CARVED WOOD WARE. SILVER PLATED WARE. STAR OIL. Corn & Oats.

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H. GRENET HEADQUARTERS ALAMO!

Owing to the Delay in reception of Gas Fixtures, I will not be able to keep open in the Evening until the 23rd.

In my NEW QUARTERS everything the line of Holiday Goods, FANCY & STAPLE GROCERIES, WINES, LIQUORS, FRUITS, CANDIES, Etc.

Will be found in Profusion. A Cordial welcome is extended to all. H. GRENET. CHRISTMAS 1879.

Toys! Toys! Toys! A fine and choice selection of Holiday Presents, useful and ornamental, consisting of CHINA and GLASSWARE, PARLOR NOTIONS, WORK BOXES, WRITING DESKS, PORTEMONIES, LADIES' WORK BASKETS.

Prices to Suit the Times. E. HERTZBERG, Has just received the largest and best select stock of Holiday Goods.

Fine Jewelry, Diamonds, Watches, etc. E. H. CHICHESTER'S BOOK AND STATIONERY STORE, Main Street, opposite N. Half & Bro.

COAL! COAL! The San Antonio Coal Mining Co. are now producing from their new mine excellent coal and coke, and for its prompt and economical use are prepared to put coal into every customer's hands.

SEWING MACHINE. The easiest selling, The Best Satisfying Sewing Machine. Its introduction and world-renowned reputation is the death-blow to all other makes.

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