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The centennial of the national capital at Washington, was celebrated very elaborately in that city recently. The house and senate was beautifully decorated.

It is always noticeable that when a public man forges to the front in the political world, as has Congressman Reeves, there is always some people, through jealousy, who are willing and anxious to do them an injustice.

Governor-Elect Yates was in Chicago Saturday for the first time since he left for California. There was an immense crowd there from the city and country and they all wanted to see the new governor and a large number did.

Be all these, and when 30 years more have passed away, just notice how young and beautiful the world is, and how young and happy you are!

How to Cure Croup. Mr. R. Gray, who lives near Amelia, Duchess county, N. Y., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used."

World's Champion. "I tried many remedies to cure piles," writes W. R. Smith, of Latham, Ill., "but found no relief till I used Buckley's Arnicia Salve."

and that you are 30 years old, and ready to die. You say that you cannot find work, and that you see no hope in life.

Let me tell you that you have reached that point in life when a man must try the very best prospects for his future career.

Unless you are physically deformed, go to work. Go to work at an honest work, if it only brings you a dollar a day.

If you are a man of brains, as your letter leads me to believe you are, wait until you are in a condition to seek your level, and then seek it with courage and tenacity.

Be contented, for without contentment there is no love or friendship, and without those blessings life is indeed, a hopeless case.

Cheer up! Never want to die. Why, I am twice your age, and over, and I do not want to die.

There's nothing nicer for a Christmas present than a box of fine candy, Gunther's and Allegretti's fresh always in stock.

Art thou one of the many that has drained the Golden Nectar that maketh thy heart full of strength and gladness? If not, take Rocky Mountain Tea.

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THREE NEGROES LYNCHED.

Enraged Citizens of Rockport, Ind., Hang the Murderers of a White Barber.

VICTIMS WERE ALSO GUILTY OF ROBBERY

Two of the Colored Men Met Their Fate in the Jail Yard at Rockport and the Third Was Put to Death at Booneville—Gov. Mount Says the Lynchers Must Be Punished.

Rockport, Ind., Dec. 17.—The lynching of two negroes at eight o'clock last night was the result of the murder of Hollie Simons, a white barber of this city.

Walter Evans, one of the young men who attempted to save Simons' life, and who afterward assisted in removing the dead man's remains to his home, was greatly affected, and almost suffered nervous collapse.

The Third Victim. Booneville, Ind., Dec. 18.—One hundred men from Rockport, where the two negroes were lynched Sunday night, invaded this town last evening.

Troops Were Too Late. Gov. Mount had ordered the company of state troops at Evansville to be in readiness for action, and a special train was prepared to bring the militia here.

Negroes Threaten Vengeance. Rockport, Ind., Dec. 18.—The negroes here are thoroughly aroused, and a race war is imminent.

Told in a Few Lines. Joseph Alles, of Fairbury, who shot and killed Earl Hanna at that place on April 5, 1897, and fled at the time, has been arrested in Racine, Wis.

Will Be Punished. Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19.—Gov. Mount said, concerning the triple lynching of the negroes in Spencer county:

Vote of Michigan. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 17.—A special to the Free Press says the canvass of the election returns has been completed.

A Terrible Death. Medella, Minn., Dec. 20.—Andrew R. Henderson, of Christenson & Henderson, millers, was instantly killed in the engine-room of the plant Wednesday afternoon.

Points Out a Remedy. Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—Former President Grover Cleveland, in an article in the Saturday Evening Post, advises the democrats not to attempt reorganization, but to return to their old faith and "give the rank and file a chance."

All Perished. Vancouver, Dec. 18.—The steamer Alpha foundered on a reef off the east coast of Vancouver island and is a total wreck.

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ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Died of Grief. William Coppinger, son of Senator J. W. Coppinger, of Alton, died from the effects of shock received on account of the death of his father.

The Tax Rate. The governor and state auditor of public accounts have compiled the rate per cent. of taxation required to produce the amount of money which is needed to discharge the remaining obligations incurred by the last general assembly in the way of appropriations.

Big Decrease. The state department of agriculture crop bulletin says: Reports show a smaller area seeded to winter wheat this fall than last, the deficiency being ten per cent.

Adjudged Insane. In the county court Edward L. Easton, of Peoria, was adjudged insane, and was sent to a private sanitarium in the east.

Farmer Murdered. Michael Corcoran, a farmer, was found murdered in his cornfield, about six miles northeast of Griggsville.

Open a War. One hundred persons living in the neighborhood of the erstwhile "Heaven" or Weldon farm, near Rockford, presided over so many years by George Jacob Schweinfurth, the "Messiah," have signed and presented to Schweinfurth a paper demanding that he leave the community at once.

Will Increase Capital. Stockholders of the Avery Planter company, one of the leading manufacturers of farming implements in the west, held a meeting in Peoria and voted to increase their capital stock from \$600,000 to \$1,000,000, growing business demanding the increase.

A Cleveland (O.) syndicate, represented by J. Wolf, has purchased the Elgin City, Carpentersville & Aurora railway, 20 miles long, for \$550,000.

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MUST HEED LAWS OF WAR

Inhabitants of the Philippines Are Warned in a Proclamation by Gen. MacArthur.

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Proclamation by MacArthur. Manila, Dec. 20.—Gen. MacArthur has issued a proclamation warning the inhabitants of the archipelago that hereafter strict compliance with the laws of war will be required of non-combatants as well as combatants.

Warning to Leaders. It refers to recent proclamations issued by insurgent commanders threatening natives who are friendly to the American forces and also to the orders issued to their men to kidnap and assassinate residents of towns occupied by Americans.

May Be Tried as Traitors. Residents of places occupied by Americans are notified that compliance with the demands of the enemy will create a presumption that such acts are voluntary and malicious.

Must Not Abuse Leniency. The proclamation says that its warnings and requirements are to apply with special force to Manila, the rendezvous of the emissaries of insurrection.

Found a Bag of Work. Akron, O., Dec. 26.—Workmen tearing down an old barn on the farm of the late Oscar Osborn, in Richfield township, found a canvas bag containing \$3,000 in gold.

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THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For the Week Ending Dec. 20. Moslems killed 200 Christians in central Turkey.

The Bank of Cashion, Okla., was robbed of \$4,000 by burglars. Mrs. Katherine Spalth, aged 108 years, died at Lancaster, Pa.

Official returns of the November election give McKinley 7,230,797 votes; Bryan, 5,357,431.

Secretary of the Navy John D. Long has purchased a site for a residence at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Albert Metzger, at Hopewell, Pa., leading a double life, shot and killed an actress and committed suicide.

Justice Henry R. Beekman, of the supreme court, dropped dead at his home in New Orleans, La., on Saturday.

Three persons were killed and many injured in a train wreck on the Great Northern railway in Brockton, Mont.

Senator Proctor, of Vermont, has bought the estate of his father-in-law and will control the world's marble output.

Rev. Cyrus A. Bartol, for over 50 years pastor of the West church (Unitarian) at Boston, Mass., is to die in his 82nd year.

Fire destroyed the big plant of the Brown Hoisting and Conveying Machine company in Cleveland, O., the loss being \$50,000.

The official vote of Minnesota shows a plurality of 17,750 for McKinley and 2,554 for Van Sant, republican, for governor.

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