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And bide a wee, and dinna fret. Grief sharper sting doth borrow Erom regre'; But yesterday is gone, and shall its sorrow Unit us for the present and the morrow?

Nay; bide a wee, and dinna fret. An over-anxious broeding Doth beget A host of fears and fantasies deluding ; Then, brother, lest these torments be intrud

THURSDAY.....January 1, 1885

Bide a Wee and Dinna Fret,

Patience yet ! Rest will be sweeter if then art awcary, And after night cometh the morning el Then bide a wee, and dinna fret.

Is the road dreary?

The clouds have silver lining,

ing, Just bide a wee, and dinna fret. —Every Other Saturda

The Russian's Christmas. Christmas, as a religious holiday is by no means so prominent in Russia as it is in America and the Protestant countries of Europe. In this respect it is not even to be compared with Easter, the great religious festi-

val of the Greek Church, for which the majority of Russians prepare themselves seven weeks beforehand keeping Lent by total sostinence from meat, milk and eggs, and subsisting almost wholly on vegetables,

bread and fish, all cooked in oil. This severe abstinence, coupled with frequent attendance on the sad-

ly solemn services held in the churches

eekers among the young and those simultaneous outcry whenever the Garboro Southerner, in quest of some exciting sensations driver, entering into the spirit of pry into one's future accompanied by mong the elders. frolic going on behind him, would fun and frolic. Some of such at printed an account of the removal of Christmas is considered by the all of a sudden land the party against tempts are of a decidedly weird a large number of needles from the Ressians as being the only time of one of the huge hills of show, which character and are frequently follow the year-with the single exception being shovelled from the midddle of ed by reagic results. Many an inof St. John's Day in early summer - the street, are heaped, pyrmid like, quisitive vural person, in quest of when the future of each man, woman all along the sidewalks. It is per- strong sussations, would stand up of and child might be ascertained to a fectily safe to overthrow a sledge full a Christmas night on the steps leadvery considerable extent. The di- of people in such a snow-hill. No ing to the village church, and wait hairpins, and knitting needles, to the vulgation of the future turn chiefly one is ever hurt on such occasions, there until midnight, at which time number of over 100 have been taken in such cases, however, on the most and if one person rolls over another all the people of the village that are from her arms and back. Several interesting and important topics of andlands with his or her face foremost going the in the following twelvemarriage and death. It must be ne. in the soft snow, no one feels cross month are expected to form into a ted that the Russian Christmas lasts at it, the snow is swiftly shaken off precession and march past the si from Christmas Eve till the day of the furs and the party resume their

the young people have plenty of time the interruption. Now and then be found on the steps of the church, for fun and frolic. But though all they would pass a man or a woman who would subsequently tell her schools are closed and St. Nicholas in the street and would shout out, neighbors of all the fright endured is the patron saint of the country, one-quarter of the male population being named after him, he is by no is always willingly returned, though people she had seen pass the church. means so good to Russian children only too often a most rediculous Whenever the frozen woman found as he is to American ones. He never name greets the expectant cars of on the church steps is really dead assumes the benevolent shape of dear oll Santa Claus, and therefore no tiny stockings are hung up by true name to such a jolly party. The infer from it that she has seen her the Russian fire places on Christmas purpose of such inquiries is to ascer- own ghost pass the church at mid-Eve, and no one has been known to

fill such of them as may have hap- husband, as the case may be. ened by chance to hang in such a onvenient locality on any particular of young people would fill a basin night. But let us consider now the whims ping a ring in it; then the basin

no more dependent on the fancies of the girls would begin to sing the soold Santa Claus. The most popular called pedbludny piessy, a peculiar shape of amusement on Christmas species of Christmas carols, each one and inquiry into the future consists pointing to a particular event going in melting wax in a tin pan over the to happen to the person whose ring fire, and pouring it out at boiling heat is to be taken out of the water just

the frailty of all worldly things, Frequently would young a

into a basin filled by ice-cold water. after the song is over. It would be The wax, running into the water, quite a puzzle for a foreigner to try

frolic going on behind him, would fun and frolic. Some of such atlage church. Some time of an early the Epiphany, on January 6. Thus moonlight ride, all the happier for morning a half-frozen woman would

Yet by no means are all trials to

inquiring after that person's Chris- by her on that night-watch before tien name; answer to such inquiries she happened to faint, and of all the the inquirer; no one of course and unable to be returned to life holds himself bound to impart his again, her compassionate neighbors tain the name of one's future wife or | night and therefore had to die whether she would or not. On returning home such a party

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struck.

with water, each one of them drop-Amend the Spanish treaty so as to trade Alaska for Cuba, with a barand amusements such of people as are would be covered with a towel, and rel of gold to boot .- Philadelphia Times.

> If President Cleveland wants diplomats of the first order let him turn to the commercial traveler .--Baltimore American.

\$20 for the boots he intends to wear knowledge of the matter, but finally inauguration. If the price

The Peril of Smuggling Liquor

into Maine. Some weeks ago THE SOUTHERNES Liquor smuggling along the coast printed an account of the removal of of Maine in winter is sometimes attended with great peril. The most body Mrs. Levi Seely, of Sardinia costly liquors consumed in the State N. Y. Since then the woman and are brought by water, these being her husband have been removed to great danger from seizure if sent by the Erie county almshouse, and not rai', no matter how good the disonly needles, but fragments of pins, guise. Two men engaged in the contraband traffic with a small vacht. in which they bring liquor from Boston, arrived in Portland after a were removed on Saturday, one, a terrible experience. Said large brass pin with the head cut off, being taken from the flesh an inch them:

Full of Needles and Pins.

"We don't generally care to risk deep below her right shoulder blade. trip at this season and in this When the presence of the needles weather, but a Boston man who has were first discovered in her body paid us a great deal of money came Mrs. Seely said she had no idea how to me last Friday, and said he must they came there. Her husband also fill a Portland order right away. He professed entire ignorance on the offered me and my chum \$100 to take subject. Among the theories adthe liquor down. It was the most valuvanced was one that they had been able cargo we ever took, all high driven into the flesh last July by a priced goods. We took as much as stroke of lightning which killed two we could carry, our cabin even being men near the house where the Seelys taken up with the goods, so we lived. It was afterward learned that had to be exposed most of the time. Mrs. Seely was not within two miles We took but little provisions, calcuof the place where the lightning lating to make the trip in quick time. I never had such a rough time.

Mrs. Seely now declares that the were blown well out, and then we needles and pins were driven in her drifted. At length a schooner passbody at different times by Mrs. Geo. ed us and answered our signal. The Robinson, of Sardinia, who was in Captain offered to take us on board love with her husband, for the purbut we thought we'd see it through. pose of slowly causing her death. They let us have some provisions, She says she was placed under the and set us in our reckoning. We influence of morphine by Mrs. Robmade this port at last, but had to lay inson while she was ill, and the pins off, we didn't dare to come in during and needles were then forced beneath the day. It would have been too the flesh. This statement led to an hard to have suffered so much and examination of the woman's husband

It is reported that Cleveland paid on Saturday. He at first denied all then lost our cargo and \$100." Advertising His Pills. said that while he was lying helples A leading manufacturer of

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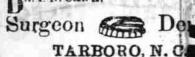
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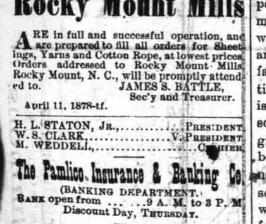
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during Lent time, predisposes the people to mysticism, holds then to continued contemplation of the greatness of the coming great holiday, and thus greatly enhances the solemnity

> Refore Christmas, none but the icnally devout keep the six sent appointed by the Greek eparation for Christmas

A HOLE, SHE BURALICA idedly pagan chanacter went et state-time is de facto. the annuperiod during which come promi

nently to the surface the old superstitions, the remainder of the old observances faithfully kept by the Rus. sians of nearly a thousand years ago,

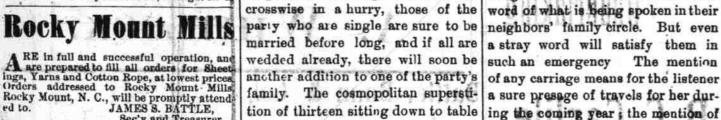
before the nation had been suddenly and forcibly converted to Christianity by the Grand Duke St. Valdimir

in the year 987. The Russians are considered a su

perstitious people par excellence. bis is perfectly true as far as the uneducated classes are concerned.

and those constitute at least ninetenths of the nation. The unsophis ticated Russian is very apt to retrace his steps whenever he is bent on an important errand if the first person he meets on leaving his house happens to be a priest. No matter how strong the respect of a common Rus-

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is strongly believed in Russia, and cash means plenty of money ; speakso is the "evil eye." Many young ing of food means wealth in all carthly girls, pretty women and children, on possessions : if a church, a priest, or being suddenly taken ill, are pro- a married woman is alluded to, the ounced to have fallen a victim to listening girl is sure to be married comebody's evil eye, and then the old before long, and then, again, any woman of the family comes to the mention of departed friends is a cer-

poured out on burning coals.

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and make out the meaning of any the most fanciful shapes, which are such songs, yet their obscured sense then brought out to the white wall is plain as daylight to the Russians, and the shadow produced by them who have beenbred onthem for many thoroughly examined and comment generations. The origin of these ed upon by all present. Usually the songs, faithfully preserved among

company consists of a crowd of young the masses of the Russian people, is girls and young men-such people, lost in the history of long past pain fact, who have everything to ex- gan days. Frequent allusions may pect and scarcely anything to fear of be found in them to the old gods of that the occasion will be celebrated he fatore. Upon close examination premonition of one's fature, is de- a hand in the direction of " --

lared to bear a strong resemblance destinies. Altogether these songs are to a church -the steeple being plainconsidered to be priceless gems in ly visible in fact-as those present the realm of Russian lore.

assume, and this, as may surely be Tired of singing, the young peo inferred, means no hing else than a ple are not likely, however, to separchurch wedding, in which the owner ate in a hurry. Some of the girls of the wax figure is to be one of the run out of doors, throwing one of

two chief dramatis personæ. Then, their slippers in the snow. If the again, it may appear to cast a shadow toe of the slipper is found to point of a slidge or a carriage-which away from home, then the maiden is

means travel; or a house-which likely to be carried a happy bride means an inheritance ; and again you away from her parents' home, yet, if due to the peaceable behavior of the may discern on the wall the shadow the slipper's toe points homewards of a long bearded, long-robed monk she must remain content in the home the part of the defenders of their would be hard to tell which of these ruption .- Chicago Times. to seek before long the seclusion of a cloister, in which you would find

two indications is greeted with more rest and leisure enough to muse over delight, since Russian girls somewhat at their home in Youngstown, Ohio, dread the hardships and labors girle of married life, well knowing that saunter out at Christmas in the the novelty of the thing will soon moonchine, across the snow, knee wear away, whilst there would be no deep, and approach the windows of more possible return of the mad a neighbor's in order to catch at freaks and frolics enjoyed by them least a fragment of the conversation carried on inside. The reader need all restraint being allowed to married not frown down this particular ex-

women, no matter how young they may be.

To wind up a Christmas evening's fun, a sleepy hen and a rooster would. be brought in and put in the middle store by Providence for that partic- in Russian houses of a winter eveof the room, while all around them ular shirt's most unfortunate owner. ning, that inquisitive girls are not would be put small piles of corn and If a man on getting up from bed, put likely to catch anything more than a barley, all the grains in each particu down his left foot first on the floor, suggestion of a word from the inside lar pile having been counted beforeno success is likely to attend his ex. and not frequently have they to fall hand. If the hen approaches a ertions on that day. Whenever two back on the resources of their own young man's pile and picks at it couples, on meeting, shake hands imagination in order to make out a some time before being tempted to try her luck at another pile, that young man is going to get married in as many years as grains are eaten by the hen out of his particular pile. If the rooster approaches a young man's pile of grain the youth has but as few years to live as the rooster chooses to eat of his grain. The reverse is the indication for girls. The number of grains eaten by a hen out of a girl's pile means death in as many years, and the number of grains eaten out of the same by the rooster means marriage after a certain lapse of time.

is any indication of their substan- in bed last summer, Mrs. Robinson seekers should beware .- Philadelphia Item.

The colored people are under the impression that their mace will be prominently represented at Cleveland's inauguration, The ..... heathen Bussia, the spirits of good with great remp.-Atlanta Consti-Itation

- ... ] organizations in New York and Brooklyn are steadily biting their own noses off by resolving their Cleveland members into outer darkness-so to speak. This is an amusing way to strengthen a

minority .--- Springfield Republican. The Secretary of War reports that

not a soldier has fired a musket at an Indian for a year. It would be interesting to know whether this is Indians or to a devotion to poker on

Two young men who raised \$2.000

and went to New Orleans to buy the right or concession for the exclusive sale of lager beer at the Exposition, were rather astonished after they had made their offer, by the intelligence that \$65,000 had already been rein their girlhood; no such freedom of fused for the privilege they sought. and that it would cost \$100,000 to secure it.

> There are at present seventy women in France who have received the distinction of the cross of the Legion of Honor. The last of them is Mme St. Julien, the Superior of the Sisterhood of St. Vincent de Paul, who as been engaged at the Marseilla City Hospital for thirty years. The order is generally given to women 'resisting the mob."

belated Mr. Blaine's unfortunate post election effort to wave the bloody shirt was can be gathered from the fact that as long ago as 1880 a large umber of Northern settlers in Vin-Forty-five years ago the Britannia front with all her weird arts, and in tain sign of death to the listener. was considered a remarkable ship. this particular case is expected to In fact, there are as many different So, if anybody shall hereafter op-Geo. Howard, H. L. Staton, Jr., W. S. Clark Dr. L. L. Staton, Hon. Fred. Philips, Elias Carr, and John L. Bridgers, Jr. She was 207 feet long and her tonrelieve the sufferer by washing his interpretations of the words to be Again, a basin would be filled with pose Prince Bismarck's duty on towater, tickets with men's names age 1,155. The new Cunarder, the bacco he will be guily of disloyal overheard as there are foolish minds or her face-as the case may be-FARPER'S MAGAZINE, HARPER'S WEEKLY, HARPER'S BAZAAR, ginia signed their names to an ad-Etruria, is 520 feet long and her would be fastened all around the borconduct and may possibly be indictwith water that has been previously and tongues present and willing to dress in which it was shown that, 1.00 A. WILLIAMSON, ders of it; a boat constructed of a tonnage nearly 8,000. The Britan-ed for treason. comment. even at that time, bloody shirt stories Sledge rides on a Christmas night nutshell and a lighted taper would nia had engines of 850 horse power; -Manufacturer of-A dog howling for nights together presages a conflagration; if a dog are most popular among the youth be placed in it. The girl who sends the horse power of the Etruria is intimidation social proseri Fine Hand-Made Harness, etc., were out of date and unavalable digs up a hole ander one's bedroom of Russia. Three horses would be the tiny craft on its travels watches 14,009. The Britannia carried 220 Soldier Sleep. Ex-Soldier .--- Yes, it is a very re- ) for party purposes. These gentlewindow, that person is sure to die put to a sledge, bells attached to it with the utmost anxiety until the tons of cargo and 120 passengers; -And Dealer inshortly. But all these superstitions, them, the wide sledge be covered flame of the taper sets fire to one of the Etrurie 5,000 tons of cargo and markable thing, I spent so many years men, representing nearly every Whips, Saddles, Bridles, Robes, Blankets, as we'l as a great many others, per- with rugs, filled with straw, provided the tickets at the border. The name 1,500 passengers, The Britiannia in the field that it is now utterly im- Northern State, had found from extain to the every day life of the Rus- with fur coverings, and half a dozen written on that ticket is to be the carried 500 tons of coal and her speed possible for me to get a good night's perience that the political and social COLLARS, &C., &C. was 81 knots per hour : the Etruria rest in a bed. Time and again have life of the Virginia people compared sian of the lower and middle classes. or more maidens would sit down in Christian name of the girl's future carries 2,500 tons and makes 19 I got up, gone out into the backyard, very favorably with that of the most As to the superstitious signs and the sleigh, with as many young men husband. Tickets bearing feminine wrapped myself in my blanket, and favored community in the Union, omens peculiar to Christmas time, holding on behind and as many names are fastened to the basin they are not expected to drop in one's more hanging on the side steps. whenever the young men want to knots per hour. Five years ago the and were therefore prepared to char-Arizona made the passage in seven slept like a top until morning. way unawares, but are, so to say, be They would sweep across the wide inquire into their future, and much ing courted, and that not only by nearly deserted streets at a furious laughter and fun there are at such such who unquestionably believe in rate of speed, with songs, noisy winter gatherings of the happy, Also on hand u few of those Kentucky Bug-gies which will be sold cheap. them, but even by mere pleasure laughter, sharp repartees and a loud unrestrained young people. Agente, Atlanta, Lanta, New Tork

London has conceived an advertistialty and size, then important office came to their house. He saw her ing scheme which is as novel and give a quantity of whitish liquid to audacious as the most brilliant his wife which made her unconscious. flights of American genius in this di-Mrs. Robinson then broke a number rection. He has forwarded to Gen. of pins and needles and pushed them Lord Woolsey, who is now marchinto his wife's flesh. When he proing toward Khartoum, 10.000 copies tested she told him that if he whisof a handbill in which the virtues of pered a word of what he had seen his pills are extolled in the highest she would treat him in the same way. terms. Accompanying the hand Mrs. Seely is 35 mears old. Her bills is the manufacturer's checked ing man. Mrs. Robinson is a hand- to award to the first solo some woman not yet 30. She is the expedition who shall reach wife of a well-to-do blacksmith. She indignantly denies all knowledge of paste upon its door a copy of the the needle-sticking affair. She says handbill. In his letter the entershe went to Seely's house once or prising pill maker says that his offer twice out of charity to him and his is made from patriotic motives and

wife while they were ill. Many peo- with a desire to stimulate the soldple believe that Seely is himself re- jers to reach and rescue Gen. Gorsponsible for the needles in his wife's don at the earliest possible moment. body, and others hold to the theory He says he has sent a large number that she inserted them in herself to of the handbills so that each soldier create a sensation, and work on the in the expedition can be furnished sympathy of her neighbors to obtain with a copy, and thus have an even or nun-aud then you may be sure of her childhood for a while. It country that will submit to no inter- money. No doubt exists that the start in the race as far as he can needles and pins were introduced in- provide for it. His object in pre tentionally as they are all broken or scribing that the bill shall be stuck

> on the palace door is simply to show Fragments of no less than six who is entitled to the prize, and he large sized hairpins have been re- adds that the name of the winner moved. Some of the fragments are will be published in every paper in England, thus giving him undying corroded and others are bright.

Tobacco and a Throne. Nothing in Prince Bismarck's economic policy was assailed more ' sev-

ereiv than his tax on tcbacco. that it caused the German public to

moke the worst tobacco in the world.

Time, however, has justified the Chancellor. His policy has saved the Emperor's life.

rious ways of going a mile and the time required. The bicycle stands Rupsch, one of the conspirators who tried to blow up the Niederwald fourth as regards the time taken to Monument, has confessed that he ap- cover a mile : M S Locomotive 50 1-4 Running man Running horse 1 39 3-4 Rowing Trotting horse 2 09 1-4 Snow Shoes Bicycle 2 39 Skating 3 00 Tricycle 3 05 2-5

plied a cigar to the fuse. If the cigar had been lighted the days of the Emperor would have been

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for devotion to the sick and wounded; Lady Pigott, for instance, besides several French women, has received the order as a reward for her services during the Franco-Russian war. ended. But the name of Rosa Bonheur, artiste peintre, is als , on the list, and it is said that Mme. Abicot was dec rated for defending the house of the Maire of Oison, her husband.against armed men, and that Mme. Regis, who is the first decorated French woman. earned her distinction in 1849 for

But the cigar was one of the cigars which Prince Bismarck's economic policy has made so common

The fuse did not ignite, and the

there -Fort Worth (Tex.) Gazette. The Baltimore Sun, of recent date, under the title "Mr. Blaine' Antiqua-

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