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THURSDAY, DEC. 21, 1899.

LET US RETURN TO THE OLD WAYS.

The GOLD LEAF is not among those who live only in the past but some times it is well to cling to the old ways. And in no way can we profit more than to do as our fathers did in many things. For instance: Not many years ago our people not only raised their own supplies of bread and meat but they had such things to sell in large quantities. At one time Henderson was a large shipping point for wheat. Thousands of bushels were shipped from here every year. How is it now? Instead of being shippers we are buyers. \$100,000 is sent from Vance county

every year for things of this kind-

products our people ought to raise at home

Can there be a prosperous condition of affairs existing among the farming classes under such a regime as this The GOLD LEAF frankly and emphatically says-no. We repeat, it is the man who makes his own supplies at home, his meat and bread, his fertilizers, &c., who is the successful farmer. Strike a man of this sort and you will find a prosperous one

regardless of the price of cotton or tobacco, or who or by what circumstances it is fixed.

Commercial fertilizers are going to He was among the first of young that direction. If we are not satis-Southern men in the era of restored be higher next year—indeed, prices thus contributed in welding the links It will not do to depend entirely station, to extend the glory of his us in our national affairs, and that And now is the to time prepare to do Geoagian. With subh a record a with less. A word of warning and great future was before him, but threshholds and made its presence

indicates that the war is on its last Things for Which we Have Cause to legs. The backbone of the insurrection is broken, Aguinaldo has been practically deserted and our troops are only engaged in a skirmish now and then in a sort of guerrilla warfare with detached bands of Insurgents. At least that is what the cable dispatches say. As to the true

condition of things there is still doubt in the public mind, however.

INFORMATION from the Philippines

Is the death of Mr. S. L. ("Manse") Hart, at his home near Rocky Mount on the 15th inst., Edgecombe county and the State have lost a valuable and useful citizen. He was a large and successful farmer and a man of good judgment and discretion in business and public affairs. Mr. Hart was a member of the Legislature, of which body he was

and

an active and useful member. A special to the Raleigh News and Observer savs

"It was mainly due to his efforts that the State Guard received the large appropriation from the Legislature for its support. He was also a member of the committee appointed by the Legislature to select plans for the Vance monument and to choose a place for its location. He was at one time captain of the Rocky Mount ompany, and for a long time a member of the Edgecombe Guards."

DEATH OF LIEUT. BRUMBY.

Lieut. Thomas M. Brumby, Admiral Dewey's trusted flag lieutenant in the Manila campaign, is dead. Announcement had been made of his critical sickness of typhoid fever in Washington and the end came Sunday afternoon. Of him the Atlanta Constitution says:

It is but a few weeks since that the gallant naval officer stood in the ment capitol of our State to receive a word of honor, which was presented to him as an evidence of the appreciation of his fellow citizens. Now, almost before the applause of thatoccasion has passed away, the principal in the scene is removed from the midst of men and we have but his memory left.

The career of Lieuntenant Brumby was a distinguished one. Coming of a high-spirited family, he inherited the warlike instinct, and yet he was singularly modest and shrinking. which we can make another start in

fied with the way in which the politi fraternal relations to buckle on the cal affairs of the country have been armor of his reunited country and run we are still fortified and susof union for the future. Later on it battles who gave us victory at country. Admiral Dewey has freely everything will come out all right in stated that the plan of the battle of the end if we are true to the princi-Manila belonged to the young ples from which the republic sprung. now he has passed beyond, leaving the record of a gallant life to his life's most sacred ties are woven we

SOME SEASONABLE REFLECTIONS. LET US TAKE STOCK.

Suggested by the Spirit of Uratitude, Which All Mankind Should Feel Toward the Giver of All Good.

T THIS BLESS "The world owes me a living," says ed Christmas the shiftless man. Never was a more time when every insolent or a more ungrateful saving should invented. The first man sinned and was driven from Paradise with the echo the refrain curse upon him that he should earn on his living by the sweat of his brow. earth, good will In his act of disobedience he forfeited to men," it is every claim that he had upon the bounty of Providence and neither the Lord God nor the world which He

meet to reflect upon the past and take stock of the blessings which created are under obligations to sinwe have and enjoyed during the old ful man. It is only by the grace of ear now nearly run its course. The sands of time are fast running out the earth yields her increase in response to man's endeavors. Yet God this Christmas finds us that is gracious and has not only provided nuch nearer our meeting with the bountifully for the necessities of the pale rider on the dark horse. Are flesh, but for our mental and spiritual we better prepared for it than we demand as well. Never an age when were one year ago? Have we imman had so many of the luxuries of life, and we of this country know proved our opportunities as we nothing absolutely of famine. No should? Have the good deeds and man starves to death here except from kindly acts outweighed the bad? Is his own neglect or pride. Every-

the world better for our living in it? Let us take a reckoning with ourselves and see. However far we may have fallen short, and however unprofitable our lives may have been, as a people and

be Thankful.

heart

...peace

as individuals we have much to be thankful for. The world has dealt kindly with us and God has been descriptions were so attractive in good to us beyond our deserts. Let matter and illustration. From the us then at this season take stock of daily life to the great works of Shakethe blessings which Heaven has bestowed upon us, and make an inventory of our own unworthiness of reading matter that the mind fairly tires in its contemplation. No exand lack of appreciation. Appropriating a part of the Atlanta Conpublic schools are open to all and any stitution's Thanksgiving editorial and boy who desires an education may adapting it to the present occasion

ligious world was more attractive. we quote the following as both timely Our beautiful churches are not only and excellent in season and senticomfortable but most inviting in ap-

pearance, the songs of Zion are sung Things may not have moved as by artists in music, and the Gospel is smoothly with us during the past preached by devout men who have year as we could have wished and been educated in the profound mystetroubles of one kind and another ries of theology and in the graces of may have fretted us out of our stock oratory.

of good nature; but if we will care-From whatever standpoint viewed fully adjust our spectacles and inthe earth to-day fairly blossoms with vestigate our lots we will find that the blessings of God. Man was never ve have no reason to be sour or so exalted, never were there so many disgruntled whatever our vexations agencies to lift him up, never was so and worries may be. If we have not much of the world in enjoyment of succeeded in our business ventures liberty and civilization. Let us therewe have health and strength left with fore at this blessed season, not only give expression to our thanks, but

In The Midst of the Blessings Which we Enjoy let us Consider How we May Give Happiness to Others.

A CHRISTMAS THOUGHT.

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HE COMING OF

Christmas, the season of "peace on earth and good will toward men," it is well to tempt the tourist In this Southern God's kindness and his liberality that | give thought to the blessings which we enjoy and to consider how we may give pleasure to others. Indeed, it is better at all times to allow our thoughts to dwell upon the blessings rather than the adversities of life. As some one has said that is one of and luxury of the elegantly appointed the true secrets of happiness. The man who is reasonably well, and is thankful for his health and rejoices in it, is much more apt to continue in its enjoyment than he who is disposed to complain at every change of posed to complain at every change of bor Fort McHenry, memorable as the the weather. And so at this glorious place where the "Star Spangled Banner" where throughout this land the earth is generous and the great question with the people of this country is, season it is a most wholesome exercise to "take stock" of all the blesswhat shall we do with our surplus ings of this life which we have reproducts? Our capacity to create is ceived during the year now drawing far beyond our capacity to consnme. to a close, with a due sense of the But this is also the age of mental mercies of the beneficent Giver of feasting. Never a time when printthem all and with hearts unfeignedly ing was so cheap. when literature was thankful so abundant, when publications of all

And while we are enjoying the good things incicent to the season, let us not forget those less fortunately cirpenny newspaper with its pictures of cumstanced. To quote the language of the Goldsboro Headlight, as we enspeare, throughout the whole realm of joy our family re-unions, made more literature there is such an abundance lelightful by dinner tables, decorated with chrysanthemums and roasted turkeys, and all thoughts of material cuse for ignorance in these days. The comforts which make glad the heart of man and his countenance cheerful, let us do so with some thought for have it. Never a time when the rethose who are in "trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity."

> Story of a Slave. To be bound hand and foot for years by the chain of disease is the worst of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich.

tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness; sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run to cultivate within us the true spirit down people. Every bottle gnaranteed. Only 50 cents Sold by Dorsey Prog Co. of gratitude. If we shall all have

To interrupt men's gentler mirth;

BANKRUPT in health,

constitution undermined by ex-

travagance in eating, by disre-

garding the laws of nature, or

physical capital all gone, if so,

NEVER DESPAIR

an absolute cure.

A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS ISSUE.

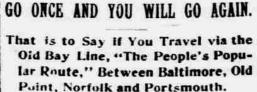
The Sunny South, Changed From a

Weekly to a Monthly, Gets Out a

and all kindred diseases.

Splendid Initial Number.

How can the blowing of a horn



The routes of the Old Bay Line offer a lelightful variety to the traveler for busiess or pleasure. They are replete with historic interest throughout, and the ever varying marine picture presented by that great inland sea-Chesapenke Baymakes the trips, via the Baltimore Steam Packet Co's steamers to Old Point, Norfolk or Portsmonth, attractive in every sense of the word. At all seasons of the year, winter as well as smanler, they latitude the freezing blasts of the North are tempered to gentle breezes, and in summer the air from the ocean which

sweeps over these bodies of water makes the temperature deliciously cool and gives healthful vigor to the mind and body. Add to these features the comfort vessels of the Old Bay Line, with their commodious staterooms and tempting cuisine, and one has all the requirements of perfect enjoyment. History unfolds its pages even as the steamer leaves the new piers at Light Street. While in the harwas written by the immortal Key, is seen, also Fort Carroll, now a torpedo station. The endless line of docks crowded with shipping from all parts of the world is another interesting sight. The city itself is associated with the South by many tender memories, and its beautiful parks, including grand old Druid Hill, nonuments, public buildings and ancient edifices, well reward a visit of several days in the Monumental City,

Visitors from the North find the route of the Old Bay Linedownthe Chesapeake the shortest and most desirable by far. The ALABAMA, GEORGIA OF TENNESSEE leave Baltimore every evening, except Sunday, and make direct communication with the trains from Boston, New York, Philadelphin, and other cities, and passengers leaving Baltimore in the evening have an opportunity to enjoy a good night's rest on these magnificent and commodious steamers, which are as prompt in their arrival and departure as railroad trains, and for fifty years have maintained a service which has been the admiration of the traveling public Passengers by the Old Bay Line arrive at Old Point Comfort in the morning in time to get a

superb view of the fortress and hotels from the steamer.

DESCRIPTION OF THE FLEET. THE ALABAMA. This is one of the argest and finest vessels ever built to ply on American waters. She is 2,000 tons and constructed of steel throughout The ALABAMA is a new boat, being recently finished at the works of the Maryland Steel Company, Sparrows Point, Md. She has a powerful triple expansion engine, which sends her through the waters at the speed of a railroad train. The ALABAMA has accommodations for five hundred passengers, with over one hundred elegantly furnished staterooms. The boat is heated by steam, lighted by The question comes on each Christmas electricity, and is constructed with water tight compartments, making her prac-tically non-sinkable. The interior is artistically finished in hardwoods, and Assist in bringing peace to earth?" -Washington Star. decorated in white and gold. Like all the fleet of the Old Bay Line she is commanded by a veteran navigator, and





have already advanced-and it be hooves our farmer friends. to rely more upon other methods of enriching the soil and growing their crops. upon bought fertilizers no matter whether the price be high or low. friendly admonition which we trust will be laid to heart and acted upon country and his friends. by those for whom it is meant.

THE paper trust prices will force publishers out of the paper trust practice-that is sending the paper an indefinite time and trusting for their

CONGRESSMAN Bellamy has intromoved the paper trust would fall to enacted into law.

GEN. Lawton, one of the bravest and most capable men fighting in the Philippines, has been killed. of his men a Filipino bullet pierced him through the breast and death was instantaneous. Oh, the pity of stitution of the United States.

THE GOLD LEAF gets into the hands of the people of the community, hence the advertisers get into the GOLD LEAF. See who they are, go bargains they offer and you will find it to your interest to trade with them.

the issue of a special Christmas number Sunday morning. It was 24 pages with illuminated cover in green and red, filled with choice reading matter and appropriately illustrated. It was a splendid achievment creditable to the publishers and to the State.

IF you will carefully read over the advertisements published in this paper you will find much valuable information. The GOLD LEAF has a number of live advertisers who know how to invite you to their them.

BRITISH troops continue to meet with reverses and heavy loss at the hands of the Boers. Gen. Buller has shared the fate of Gen. Methuen artillery. That England will finally INFAMY.

A great many of us have believed that of the two senators which our old State has at the national capitol, the four square Republican was the better. While this one has been looked upon in no worse a light than

an extreme partisan, the other has been universally regarded as a renduced a bill to put paper, wool pulp egade. This by way of preface to and materials for paper making on an act which Senator Pritchard has the free list. With the tariff re- just perpetrated. He has introduced a resolution in the Senate, and will seek to have it passed, declaring that pieces. Now let this bill be speedily the proposed North Carolina constituional amendment is unconstitutional, in these words:

Resolved, That section 5 of the proposed amendment is in contravention of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution of the United States. While occupying a position in front and that any State that adopts said provision as a part of its organic law does not possess a Republican form of government as contemplated by the con-

Senator Pritchard seeks to prostitute the time and influence of the senate of the United States just now bearing as large a burden as it is capable in the weighty business of begin to realize that we are blessed the nation, not only to miserable partisan ends, but as a means of stabbing and see what they have and the his own State and people in a manner as mean as that of the assassin who wields the dagger in the dark, because in the senate he has great in-

fluence and the people of North Car-olina have none. By this action Sen-THE Raleigh Post did itself proud in ator Pritchard places himself upon the level of his colleague. They are allies in infamy .--- Monroe Journal.

A SURE CURE FOR CROUP.

Twenty-five Years' Constant Use Without a Failure.

The first indication of croup is hoarse ess, and in a child subject to that disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disstores, and they have the goods to appoints the anxious mothers. We have supply your wants. Trade with yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other prepara-

of January.

entire length for traffic.

lavish them upon others.

number.

with more beatitudes than we can

reckoning with ourselves, if we shall honestly make up an account between tained by the faith that the God of ourselves and our God, off-setting the good things that we really deserve, became his privilege, in prominent Santiago and Manila will not desert we shall be overcome with a sense of our unworthiness and there will be an expression of honest praise from our hearts. ARE YOU

Gratidute finds its reflection in na-If bereavement has crossed our ture, made manifest in her every expression, and shall man, the noblest of her creatures, be ungrateful? Th germ which lies dormant in the cold are still blest with memories which earth is bye and bye warmed into life make us braver because of the ordeal by the kiss of the sun, and blossom

through which we have passed and and fragrance and fruit are but the we are furthermore comforted with expressions of its gratitude. A pracnewer and sweeter hopes. Heaven tical thought. It is meet and right has become more real to us, and faith that we show forth our praise not has fixed our thoughts less upon the only with our lips and in our hearts Tutt's Liver Pills will cure you. sordid things of this earth and more but that we honor the Lord with the upon the hidden mysteries of that first fruits of our labors.-Baltimore life to which our better natures lift

Prevented a Tragedy.

Whatever may be our circumstances we can easily find some hook Timely information given Mrs. Georg upon which to hang our grateful Long, of New Straitsville, Ohio, prevented recognition of God's mercies and a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A favors if we will only brush aside the | frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies cobwebs of morbid selfihsness which and doctors but steadily grew worse until interfere with our clearer visions. urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One reason why we are ofttimes so One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes blind to our blessings is because we this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. selfishly lavish our thoughts upon Long of a severe attack of Pneumonia ourselves when we ought rather to Such cures are positive proof of the matchlessness of this grand remedy for curing all throat, chest and lung troubles. Only 50c We need to come out of our shells and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial and to revel in God's sunlight. We bottles free at the Dorsey Drug Co's. need to feel in our lives the touch of

brotherhood and the sense of that re-We would again call attention to the GREAT BARGAINS being offered at II. lation which we sustain to others. When we take this journey into the THOMASON'S, especially DRY GOODS, world around us life will immediatewhich he is selling at and below cost. ly begin to brighten and we will

WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES.

(Eben E. Rexford, in Chicago Advance. HEN Christmas comes. And from the steeples far

and near

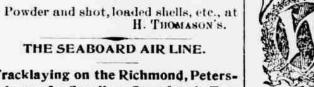
day morn

ger born.

The bells are ringing,

sweet and clear. To welcome in the birth

Of One in lowliest man-



Who died for men, and reigns a King, All hearts take up the theme and sing As angels sang, o'er Bethlehem's hill, Be peace on Earth; to Men good will,

When Christmas comes. When Christmas comes

And holly hangs upon the wall Of lowly home and stately hall. mond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad-the Northern division of the Then men put by, for one brief day, seaboard Air Line System-from The cares that frighten peace away, Petersburg to Ridgeway, was com-All thoughts that vex, and festal cheer Comes in this best day of the year, To gladden hearts and homes, and make oleted vesterday. But little work remains to be done on the Meherrin Man better for his brother's sake, bridge before that line, seventy-seven When Christmas comes miles in length, can be opened the

When Christmas comes, We someway feel the whole world kin, Work is being pushed forward with Then friendship's fires are kindled in Cold hearts, whose doors have long bee all possible energy and haste. The shut company is having the temporary "Come in!" rings out from hall and hut,

"Come in, come in, this Christmas day-Put all old differences away Join hands and hearts as all men should In universal brotherhood, When Christmas comes."

When Christmas comes, Let us remember, generously, The poor of earth where'er they be, And share with them our Christmas cheer. As Christ would do, if He were here. And what we do for H is dear sake Love will a fitting tribute make To Him who came to earth in love. So may each heart its fealty prove When Christmas comes

manned by a crew of capable officers and THE GEORGIA. This steamer, which is a sister boat to the ALABAMA on the route between Baltimore, Old Point and Norfolk, is built of iron with a special view to strength and seaworthiness. She has a capacity for four hundred passengers, with minety-five staterooms. Like the other steamers the GEORGIA contains many rooms supplied with regular bedsteads, and is complete in all her ap-pointments. She is richly decorated, and has a commodious saloon on her main deck. A special dynamo plant furnishes

the illumination, and the boat is heated For sick headache, dyspepsia, by steam. sour stomach, malaria, torpid THE TENNESSEE. This, the latest addition to the fleet, is one of the liver, constipation, biliousness staunchest vessels in the Atlantic coast service, She is built throughout of steel. is of the twin-screw pattern with triple Tutt's Liver Pills expansion engines. Accommodations are provided for about three hundred

passengers, a special feature being that all the staterooms are outside rooms. These, as well as the saloons, are fitted and furnished in excellent taste, and an air of comfort and luxury pervades the whole ship. Electric lights, electric call bells, steam heat and all latest conveniences are to be found on this up-to-date model of the ship builders' art. Built

under same rules as ALABAMA and GEORGIA, and rated No A 1 for twenty Heretofore the field for magazines has been usurped by Northern publishers. The need of a first-class Southern maga-

zine, reflecting the best literary talent of the South, has long been felt. The Sunny All of the vessels remind one of firstclass hotels, the table service being of the South, which for 25 years has been the only literary weekly printed in the Southern best. Meals are served on the European plan. The menu includes all the deli-States, has been changed to a monthly magazine. Its first monthly edition, dated December, is a Chriftmas number and is a cacies of the season, including fish, game and meats. A specialty is made of the cuisine which will please the most fastidious.

THE WHARVES OF THE COMPANY

36 page book printed in colors and hand-somely illustrated. It contains the begin-ning of a new story, "The Professor's Se-cret," by Mrs. Mary E. Bryan. "Little Dave" is a pathetic short story by Joel Chardler Userie and means the are second to none in the United State Chandler Harris, and many other good no expense was spared in order to give things. From beginning to end it is filled with splendid original matter. The cover the public, both for passengers and page carries a poem from Frank L. Stan-ton beautifully illustrated. The magazine is \$1.00 a year. If you subscribe at once the publishers will send you as a Christfreight, the most convenient location and most complete facilities that could be desired or furnished. The new wharves may be reached by mas present free and post paid a copy of passengers from all parts of the city by Shakespeare's complete works. The book is an immense and beautiful edition. It any street car line. The wharves are connected with the contains 437 pages and over 50 elegant office building, across Light street, by an ornamental overhead bridge, by means engravings. It is \$x12 inches and weighs over two pounds. It is printed (n splendid white paper and is bound in leatherette, a flexible binding, of which passengers can go directly aboard the steamers. If you desire to see sample pages of the book showing some of the reading matter, the class of engravings, the kind of paper. etc., drop a line to the publishers and they will immediately send samples to you. If

Now doth the callow youth prepare To show he madly loves, By sending to his lady fair you order and are displeased your money will be refunded. One dollar gets the But ah, relentless, cruel fate, magazine a year and Shakespeare free. Address, The maiden is not smitten. And, as she must reciprocate THE SUNNY SOUTH,

She gives that youth the mitten. -L, A, W. Bulletin.Atlanta, Ga.

