

**WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION.**

All sorts and conditions of people... including black, white, yellow and red, received by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Official and resident Washington to-day extended New Year's greetings to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt at the White House.

The reception was characterized by true democracy. The portals of the White House swung wide for all the world.

As the callers entered the White House, they were greeted by a band of melody from the Marine Band, stationed in the great vestibule.

The beginning of the reception was announced by a flourish sounded by trumpeters of the Marine Band, stationed near the foot of the main staircase.

Both the President and Mrs. Roosevelt were in excellent spirits and joined animatedly in conversation with their guests.

Near the entrance to the Red Room the President and Mrs. Roosevelt stood. Directly in the door stood a secret service officer, who closely scrutinized every person who passed in line.

Members of the Supreme Court followed, and then Senators and Representatives in Congress were received.

Following the legislative, came the military branch of the government. It consisted of officers of the United States army, navy, Marine Corps, on duty in Washington, and the general and staff of the militia of the District of Columbia.

About 1 o'clock the general reception to citizens began. Every phase of life was represented in the line, old and young, rich and poor, black, white, yellow and red.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie had notified Mr. Eugene Harrison, city editor of the Post, that he will give \$5,000 for a library building for Blueville.

**FUNNY THINGS AT RALPH.**

One Member of the Legislature Wanted to Know How Many Families Lived in the Capitol.

Some very funny things are already beginning in the capitol. One of the members asked another to day how many families lived in the capitol.

The other man caught on and answered and said he thought there were about fifteen. Then the greenhorn said he expected that was right, as he had seen a number of young ladies of different families, and he expected to put in his spare time visiting around.

Some Mr. Whitaker Ransom. From Gov. Aycock's Message.

On the 9th day of October, 1904, this great man "fell on sleep." He was a soldier, scholar, orator and statesman who gave much to the state and served North Carolina with conspicuous ability.

A Positive Engagement. December 18, 1904.

Mrs. Cummings was busy at her desk when Ned, an "old-time" dinky who had been a servant in her family since "before de wah" days, approached her.

"Two weeks from to-day, why, I think so, Ned. What are you going to do in town?"

"You do not mean two weeks, Ned," returned Mrs. C. "Yes, m, Miss Sally, it's two weeks from to-day, hein't dat de twenty-fist?"

Mrs. C. was now thoroughly puzzled by the old dinky's request and wondered what it could all mean. She knew some of Ned's "set" could afford to pay for a vault, and how could they be making arrangements for a funeral two weeks hence.

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**HEROIC DEED THAT DESERVES A REWARD.**

Congress will be Asked to Appropriation \$10,000 for Samuel H. Alexander.

Washington, January 3.—Samuel H. Alexander, the young man who while defending the post office at Emma, N. C., from attack on the part of four burglars, and who drove them away, seriously injuring two of the party, is in very delicate health.

Mr. Alexander is barely able to discharge the duties of his present position, which pays \$75 a month. His illness incident to the wounds he received cost him \$1,500 and he has been put to much expense in various other ways since.

YORK AND YORKVILLE. What's Doing Among our Neighbors Just Across the Line.

Mr. William M. Allison died at his home in Yorkville last Wednesday morning at about 8 o'clock, after a long and distressing illness with a disorder of the brain.

Mr. Allison was born in Yorkville on November 24, 1861, and has lived here the greater portion of his life, practically all of which, after his early school days, was devoted to active business.

Mr. Napoleon A. Simril a well known citizen of York township, dropped dead of heart disease on his premises two miles east of Yorkville, last Tuesday afternoon.

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The county has finished paying for the Catawba River bridge. Treasurer Neely took up the last note within the past few days.

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One of the moments of all years in the man's love of money.

**ABOUT NERVOUS WOMEN.**

They May Feel Their Starved-Out Nerves by Resting and Sleeping.

The Christian Observer. The nervous patients come to me with incipient nervous troubles evidenced by their symptoms, I always prescribe a change in their habits, remarked a physician.

There are two varieties of repose—one the simple inertia which results from stupidity; the other the product of perfect balance, the equilibrium that results from self perfectly controlled.

Women fret and worry continually, while the men haven't time. Much has been said and written in praise of what is at once the rarest and most desirable characteristic of woman-kind—the supreme quality of repose.

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To the beauty culturist pinning for adipose it should be mentioned that in the repose lies the supreme fresh food, and that she who has taught herself immunity from trifling cares may become a veritable Hebe without the aid of gymnastics or special diet.

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Telephone War Averted. Compromise Agreed Upon at Lincoln.

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ily among our people for the minting of our coins that are actually u e e e d. Strange as it may seem, recommendations to permit that common-sense change have so far fallen only on deaf ears in Congress.

They are often impossible to distinguish one from the other, and, because of this difficulty, a man who admires the serene type often finds himself married to a woman whom he thought personified it, only to discover that she has the stupid immobility that results from a mind too small for an idea to turn around in.

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**EYE TROUBLES!**

If persistent should never be neglected. You may need glasses or you may not; in any event a talk with Torrence-Morris Co., the Opticians, will put you right, and if glasses are necessary they will see that you are properly fitted.

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Discomfiture of David. David had just slain Goliath. "Yes," they said, "quite clever, but do you know anything of jiujitsu?"

Feeling hopelessly out of style, the hero retired to the background.

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