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CHRISTMAS.

The joyous Christmas season is with us again. This issue of our paper will reach you in the midst of holiday enjoyments and we shall be glad if it adds its mite to the pleasures of the week. The greatest joys of the season are in giving. Those who have most from which to give, should have the most pleasure therefrom, but it has been said there is little pleasure in giving that which causes no sacrifice; therefore the poor as well as the most wealthy have it in their power to make the season one of enjoyment or not, as they choose.

The year has been one of unusual success in many branches of business, the farmers, especially, have been very prosperous. Persons in good circumstances, to whom no deep sorrows have come, are especially blessed and prepared to enjoy to the fullest the good cheer of Christmastide.

Let all such see to it that those around them less fortunate, are made to feel that Christmas is for all mankind. "Peace on earth, good will toward men" reaches no particular class of people.

Beautiful evergreens and holly with its bright berries are to be had for the trouble of gathering, and the young people will make the home beautiful with a little trouble Christmas will be merry if we make it so; let us try what we can do.

THE principal theme of conversation in the stores these evenings is the "hog" question. The town board at their meeting on Monday evening the 14th, passed an ordinance prohibiting the keeping of hogs within the town limits. The advocates for or against "hogs" are divided among those who keep hogs and those who do not. The former to a man are opposed to the measure with occasionally a recruit who does not keep a hog. A few people have purchased their pigs for another year, and some have them in their pens. There is no doubt that the ordinance will prove a hardship to many poor families. One party said in our presence that he had just killed his hogs and had $38 worth of pork and lard, but if he had it to buy he could not raise the money. This is the idea. Their hogs act as a savings bank, and these people feel that because a few allow their hog pens to become a nuisance, all should not be made to suffer. On the other hand people who do not keep hogs should not be compelled to put up with a nuisance at their door. The proper thing would be to take a vote on the question, which of course will be done at the next election. In the meantime let the board take up the cess-pool and closet question. One gentleman remarked that in his neighborhood there were hog pens on all sides, but the greatest nuisance was a cess-pool.

THE Republican National Committee met in Washington on Saturday last, with Hon. M. A. Hanna in the chair. The principal matter to dispose of was the fixing of the place and date of the coming National Convention. Only three cities presented claims, Chicago, Pittsburg and St. Louis. Pittsburg offered to raise $100,000 to defray the expenses of the convention. Chicago, $75,000 and St. Louis $40,000. Upon a vote being taken Chicago received 43, Pittsburg 7 and St. Louis 1. The work of the committee was harmonious throughout and it required but a short time to complete it. A resolution was adopted prescribing that the convention should be called in the exact language of the call of 1900, giving to the States four delegates-at-large and two delegates for each Congressional District, and to the territories six delegates each. Delegates must be selected prior to May 21st.

THE people of the country will be pained to learn that the Standard Oil Company, although advancing the price of oil nearly every month, is too poor this year to buy Christmas turkeys for its employes. A dispatch from Cincinnati says: "The directors this year took up the question of turkey distribution, and such philanthropic souls as John D Rockefeller decided that as the price of turkeys will be much higher this season than ever before—just like oil and profits on it—the company could hardly furnish the employes with their annual luxury."

SENATOR GORMAN and a few of his friends call it statesmanship to oppose the world-important Panama Canal.

LOWNDES FOR CHAIRMAN.

The Baltimore News' staff correspondent in Washington writes that there is a well-defined rumor in Washington to the effect that former Governor Lloyd Lowndes, of Maryland, is being prominently mentioned as the probable chairman of the Republican National Committee to succeed Senator Hanna, who it is known, has definitedly decided not to accept the chairmanship during coming campaign.

According to the rumor, President Roosevelt's friends have indicated that unless it is possible to induce Senator Hanna to retain the chairmanship, the selection of former Governor Lowndes would please the President. As it is usually the custom to allow the candidate for the Presidency to name the chairman of the committee, there is little doubt that President Roosevelt's wishes in this respect would be promptly met by the committee. The friendship between President Roosevelt and former Governor Lowndes has been growing steadily during the last two years, and it is known that the President has great respect for the abilities and opinions of the former Governor.

Mr. Lowndes was seen in his Baltimore offices by a reporter for the News and asked as to the rumor.

"I know nothing whatever about it," he said. "The matter has certainly not been mentained to me, I have been in Washington recently with Mrs. Lowndes, being our custom to spend a week or so each winter in Washington. While there I saw the President; in fact, I usually do see him when I go to Washington. He expressed his great desire to see the Republicans in Maryland get together after the recent unfortunate campaign. Nothing was said, of course, about the chairmanship, and I have no idea whatever as to his opinions on the subject."

TO ELIMINATE THE NEGRO.

To eliminate the negro as a political factor in Maryland it has practically been determined to do so by adding a new amendment to the Constitution. An amendment has been drafted by Attorney General Bryan, who declares that it is not to be taken as the exact form in which the bill will be presented to the voters of the State, but says it is drawn according to his own ideas, after careful consideration of the question, and is subject to the criticisms and suggestions of the party leaders.

The draft is as follows:

Amendment to Section 1, Article I, of the Constitution of Maryland, drawn by Attorney General William S. Bryan:

Section 1. All elections shall be by ballot, and every male citizen of the United States, of the age of 21 years or upward, possessing the qualifications hereinafter prescribed, who has been a resident of the State for — years, and of the legislative district of Baltimore city or of the county in which he may offer to vote for — months next preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote in the ward or election district in which he resides at all elections hereafter to be held in this State, and in case any county or city shall be so divided as to form portions of different electoral districts for the election of Representatives in Congress, Senators, Delegates or other officers, then to entitle a person to vote for such officer he must have been a resident of that part of the county or city which shall form a part of the electoral district in which he offers to vote for — months next preceding the election, but a person who shall have acquired a residence in such county or city entitling him to vote at any such election shall be entitled to vote in the election district from which he removed until he shall have acquired a residence in that part of the county or city to which he has removed.

Before any person shall be entitled to vote under this article he shall be able to read and write out on dictation any section of the Constitution of Maryland or he shall have paid for the two preceding years' State and county or city taxes amounting to at least $— for each year, unless he was entitled to vote in one of the States of the United States on January 1, 1867, or at some time prior thereto, or unless he is a legitimate lineal descendant of some person who was entitled to vote in one of the States of the United States on January 1, 1867, or at some time prior thereto. No property or educational qualification shall be required of persons entitled to vote in one of the States of the United States prior to January, 1867, or of any lineal legitimate descendants of such persons.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Special Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21, 1903.

Cuba has received the reward of patient waiting. Sweeten up.

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A cable from Barranquilla states that the Colombians "feel hurt." Not nearly so badly as they will if they monkey with the buzz saw.

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There is another move afoot to suppress the mosquito. This is a good time to organize. The mosquito cannot retaliate to any great extent these brisk, cool nights.

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They do say that since Mr. Bryan's elimination and Mr. Cleveland's withdrawal there is still the same chance of victory for the Democratic party.

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Missouri is still further adding to her notoriety as a boodle State by handing down supreme court decisions which would scarce do credit to ancient Gaul.

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Nicaragua has recognized Panama. It would be funny if Nicaragua should insist upon having a Nicaragua Canal and annex Panama for the purpose.

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The St. Louis Exposition people have sent a man to Far Africa to secure pygmies for the big fair, entirely overlooking the abundant home Democratic product.

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It is understood that Mr. Bryan has made a great impression at Moscow. The first impression that this statesman made on a great many Americans was favorable.

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The Chicago Inter Ocean propounds the querry, "is there too much bathing?" Comparatively little in the ocean this sort of weather.

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The number of votes the Democrats are not making for themselves at the next election, by their purile, unseemly but familiar opposition to everything is a large quantity.

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It is now understood that Mr. Hanna simply took that annoying presidential boom, and just as the severe weather was coming on hung it out at the window over night by the hind legs.

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It has again reached the "grave" stage in the Russo-Jap affair. This will be followed shortly by the "critical" degree of tension, then by the "crisis" mark and after that will come the "more hopeful" period.

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The trouble with most of the "Commoner's presidential candidates—by the way, the new one didn't appear on schedule time this week—is that they would need a personal manager to introduce them to the American people.

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There are still some eastern papers which decline to consider Mr. Cleveland's refusal as final. What a sight it would be for the gods, your Uncle Grover and your Uncle Mark simultaneously pitching unwelcome presidential boomers out of fifth story windows

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That was a very diplomatic little piece of flirting on the part of the Republican committee by which Chicago was induced to write a check for $75,000 in order to secure the convention next year. Chicago was the logical choice and the minds of the jury were already made up, but a little judicious contemplation of the advantages offered by other cities, caused the check to be forthcoming.

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Beautiful Washington, the residence city, has had a rude awakening in the inspection given it by Jacob Reis, the New York slum specialist and philosopher. He has called the attention of Congress to the 208 blind alleys in the Capital city, in which 25,000 negroes live. Mr. Reis says that many of these colored people live in a vile atmosphere and in a way "too dreadful to conceive." It is in such alleys that plagues break out. The District of Columbia Committee of Congress will doubtless do well to heed Mr. Reis' warnings, and provide a reform.

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Failing in everything else, the Democrats have taken up the Panama question as an issue. We have the edifying spectacle of the leaders of the Democratic minority in the Senate making a desperate effort to force an unwilling and uncertain following into opposition to a canal treaty which at least stands for a governmental obligation. The Democrats in making a partisan issue of the canal question show that they have gained little if anything in wisdom through the castigations administered them by the people on the free trade and the debased currency questions.

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It seems that senatorial courtesy on the floor of the Senate and in the senate elevators is not one and the same thing. Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, attempted to introduce to Senator Hoar Editor Scott, of the Oregonian. Senator Hoar drew away and said, "I'll tell you the reason why I will not shake hands with you. Your paper said something once about my friend Senator Morrill, that's the reason." "Well," said Mr. Scott, who by the way was a prominent candidate for Senator from Oregon in the last campaign, "some man on the Oregonian staff, did, I believe, write something about Senator Morrill, but that was years ago and I knew nothing about it at the time." "Well, I don't care," rejoined the Massachusetts Senator. "It was in your paper and you are responsible for what your paper said; and I won't shake hands with you." "Very well, then," said the venerable Mr. Scott, "I will turn my back upon you." And so the two aged celebrities stood back to back as the elevator shot upward, while Senator Mitchell stood by resembling 17 cents.

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Mistletoe was sacred because its berries grow in clusters of three—emblematic of the Trinity. They used to hang bits around their necks as a safeguard from witches, but in modern times it leads us toward witches of a more attractive kind. The maid that was not caught and kissed under the mistletoe at Christmas would not be married within the year, so the tradition goes. According to the old rules, says Country Life in America, the ceremony is not properly performed unless a berry was pulled off after each kiss and presented to the maiden. When all the berries were gone the privilege ceased.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 12th, 1904,

between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock, p. m., of that day, for the purpose of electing nine directors for the ensuing year.
dec.3,03,5t] T. C. WEST, Cashier.

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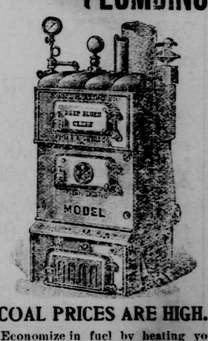

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