

THE IRON PORT.

ESCANABA, MICHIGAN

A LITTLE CHILD.

For more than eighteen hundred Christian years... In lands where wrath of winds the snow-clouds toss... Children have sung with infantile, sweet tears...

DEMARK'S WIFE.

A Christmas Story.

Of course every one knows the mercantile house of Demark & Co. Singlemann and I were the Co., and Demark—well, of course, he was Demark... Demark and Singlemann had roomed together when they were boys and young men...

figuratively put my foot into it and lost my story... "I think anyone must have fallen in love with her, but I could never get Demark to see it... "Sir, sir!" she cried, now in the wildest excitement, which showed how pent-up her fear had been...

my knock-down than that, and looked exceedingly sheepish as he walked along with her... "If you intend to buy a dog boy one that is big enough to go through a hard winter without a plaid overcoat... "Jones thinks a man is fortunate who has his will contested after death only...

PURGENT PAPGRAPHS. —If you intend to buy a dog boy one that is big enough to go through a hard winter without a plaid overcoat... "Lingust"—Au revoir is a contraction of the familiar phrase "over the river," which is synonymous with "so-long," "ta-ta," "see you later," and "take care of yourself, old boy..."

For Young Readers. A WONDERFUL TREE. There's a wonderful tree—a wonderful tree—The happy children rejoice to see; Spreading its branches year by year; It comes from the forest to flourish here; Oh, this wonderful tree, with its branches wide, Is always blooming at Christmas-tide... A PRESENT FOR SANTA CLAUS. Hettie Raymond was a little girl about eight years old. She had a little sister named Milly, who was just three years old, and a big brother whose whole name was Benjamin Franklin...

Like a Tale of Heroic Times. The mere narrative of Garibaldi's life reads like a medieval legend or a tale of heroic times. He is at once the Ulysses and the Achilles of the Italian national epic. Long before his name had been heard in Europe, his exploits, both by sea and land, had made it a word of power in the New World... Noble Dogs. The Great Saint Bernard mountain is one of the high mountains in Switzerland. On the highest point of the pass over it is a large stone convent, which is used as a place of refuge for travelers...

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

It is said that there are 500 Chinese who have become Roman Catholic priests.

FARM AND FRESIDE.

Oak warps and twists much in seasoning, and shrinks in width about one thirty-seventh part.

In 1765 Legotz calculated that there were in France 79,000 monks and 80,000 nuns.

One half of the necessary endowment of \$30,000 for the Southern Presbyterian Theological Seminary, at Columbia, S. C., has been provided for.

Oil-cloths washed in hot water or in soap-suds, or with a brush, will look dingy when dry, and soon crack and peel off.

Count Drohojeski, a youthful Polish patriot of Lemberg, was entertaining a select circle of noble friends at a card-party, and while his attention was riveted on the game, had the misfortune to be disturbed by the jangling strains of a barrel-organ, played by a poor old blind man who had contrived to enter the courtyard of the house in the hope of earning a few kretzers.

The managers of the New York Cooking School, under the presidency of Mrs. Robert D. Stuart, have this season extended their scheme of training to cover all branches of housework.

Contrary to the old idea, winter with the farmer is the season which requires the greatest diligence.

Mr. Langtry, husband of the famous "Jersey Lily," is coming to the United States on business, and it is said that he will bring his matrimonial partner along.

The Second Presbyterian Church of Chicago has called the Rev. John MacIntosh, of Belfast, Ireland, at a salary of \$8,000 a year.

Delicious Mince-meat.—Two pounds of currants, well washed, carefully picked and rubbed dry, half of them slightly chopped; two pounds of raisins, stoned and finely chopped; three-quarters of a pound of candied peel, chopped; three-quarters of a pound of the under side of the sirloin of beef (roasted, but not over-done), or fillet of veal, chopped; the grated rinds and strained juice of two lemons and one orange, one and a half pounds of moist sugar, half a nutmeg grated, half a teaspoonful of powdered cinnamon, half a spoonful of powdered ginger, two grains of powdered cloves and a pint of cider; mix these ingredients well together, put the mince in stone jars, tie them over with a bladder and keep in a cool, dry place till wanted.

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Horses, if well fed, usually feel bright and lively in winter, and young horses are, for this reason, more easily trained than when the weather and running at pasture makes them dull.

There were no umbrellas used during the reign of King Solomon.

The Glory of Boiled Potatoes.

A New York paper suggests that the young ladies of Vassar College, having successfully wrestled with the Greek roots, now turn their attention to the art of boiling potatoes.

THE MARKETS.

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