# THIS IS THE LAST DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

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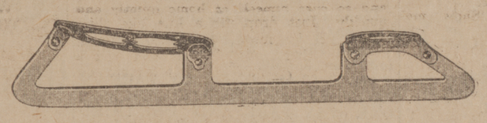
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Cotton or old kid gloves should be worn in sweeping and dusting, for the soap, water and scrubbing necessary to restore them to cleanliness will injure the skin, and it is almost impossible to clean the nails.

In the hurry of frequent washing the hands are often left without drying and they soon become rough in cold weather. Always dry the hands on a towel that is not too rough and then rub in a few drops of good hand lotion. A soaking in a tablespoonful of olive oil will harden and give gloss to brittle nails that break easily.


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## PARR NOT LIKELY TO GET BIG SUM

New York, Dec. 23—While Deputy Collector Richard Parr's claim for a moiety of the amount recovered by the government through exposure of the sugar frauds at this port has been approved, it appears probable, from statements made by Collector of the Port, Wm. Loeb, Jr., that Parr's share in the funds was not likely to be $1,000,000, or anything approaching that sum.

The collector did not care to commit himself as to the probable reward for the man through whose work the sugar underweights were discovered. Any statement as to the amount of the payment to be made to him would have to come from the secretary of the treasury, the collector declared. From Mr. Loeb's statements, however, it was gathered that it was improbable that the deputy would get fifty per cent. or even thirty per cent of the $2,135,486, which the American Sugar Refining Company paid the government in settlement of evaded sugar duties.

"The law," said the collector, "provides that a sum 'not exceeding5 one-half of the net proceeds shall be paid to the person through whom such recovery is made. The government has usually been very liberal in its rewards in such cases, and I believe it is disposed to be so in the case of Mr. Parr, whose services have been very valuable. Whether, however, it will consider that Mr. Parr has expended a million dollars or even several hundred thousand dollars' worth of energy in running down the frauds which led to the payment, I am not prepared to state. The whole matter rests with the Washington authorities, and it is not for me to say whether a decision has been reached on this point or, if so, what that decision is."

## ZELAYA TO LEAVE NICARAGUA TODAY

Managua, Dec. 23—Ex-President Zelaya will leave here tomorrow and will probably go aboard the Mexican gunboat General Guerrero immediately. The gunboat is now lying in the harbor of Corinto.

Owing to the hostile demonstrations which have been going on here for the past few days against the old administration, it is likely that Zelaya will proceed to Coronto, escorted by a strong guard.

Washington, Dec. 23—Secretary Knox has given formal notice to President Madriz of Nicaragua that the United States government will hold him strictly accountable for the safety of American citizens in the western section of that country.

## CARNEGIE AND KNOX ARE AT LOGGER-HEADS

### Iron Master Opposes State Secretary s Central America Policy

### Clash at Luncheon Said to Be Due to Carnegie Blaming Knox for Costing Him Millions Some Years Ago

Washington, Dec. 23—Andrew Carnegie does not approve of the policy of Secretary Knox toward the Central American States, and last week at a luncheon attended by Mr. Knox and nearly every Latin-American diplomat in Washington he said so in unmistakable terms. The luncheon was given by John Barret, director of the Pan-American Bureau, last Friday, and Mr. Carnegie, as donor of the handsome structure that will eventually house the bureau, was the guest of honor. Former Secretary of State Root was also present, and Mr. Carnegie gave point to his remarks by loudly praising his treatment of our Latin neighbors and comparing Mr. Knox's more aggressive policy unfavorably with Mr. Root's conciliatory handling of the little republics.

It is understood that Mr. Knox rose twice and answered direct sallies of the Laird of Skibo, and each time the former steel king came back with humorous comment.

Mr. Carnegie began his speech with a general discussion of the possible benefit of the Pan-American Bureau as an agent for the spread of international peace to the Western Hemisphere. He then came down to the present Nicaraguan situation and made it plain that, in his opinion, Mr. Knox had undone the work of Secretary Root in cultivating the confidence of the little republics in the good intentions of the United States.

Facing squarely around to where Mr. Root sat beside the present secretary of state, Mr. Carnegie, according to one who was present, exclaimed: "And for the man who has worked for peace, I—I—well, I can't express my admiration for him."

Both sides kept up the appearance of jest, but it was evident that Mr. Carnegie meant what he said, and that Mr. Knox was not altogether pleased.

Pittsburg, Dec. 23—News from Washington that Andrew Carnegie and Secretary of State P. C. Knox clashed at a luncheon in Washington last week aroused interest in Pittsburg. The two have been at dagger-point for more than ten years. Carnegie is said to blame Knox for costing him many millions in money and control of the entire iron and steel business of America through helping to break the famous Carnegie "iron-clad agreement." Years ago Carnegie and H. C. Frick were the leading stockholders in the Carnegie Steel Company, Limited. A. R. Peacock, a personal protege of Carnegie, became distasteful to Frick, who sought to put him out of the Carnegie Steel Company. Carnegie sided with Peacock and brought up the famous agreement which provided that Carnegie could buy out any partner by paying him the "book value" of his stock, which in Frick's case was $5,000,000. Frick protested and entered suit to break the ironclad agreement, alleging that his holdings were worth $15,000,000 at least. Knox, who was of the firm of Knox & Reed, legal advisers of the Carnegie Steel Company, Ltd., sided with Mr. Frick and, it is said, showed the way to break this ironclad agreement, though Knox never appeared as counsel for Frick in the days of litigation which followed. In any event, the agreement was broken and Frick recovered $31,000,000 in his fight and turned the same into the steel corporation when it was formed for $45,000,000, a clear gain of $40,000,00 from the original Carnegie offer of $5,000,000.


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Second Scribe—Because why?"

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## BABY GIRL, LEAVING CHURCH, HIT BY AUTO

### Hurled to Death, Despite Attempt of Brother to Save Her.

### Two Women in the Car—Owner, Rich Business Man—Races to Hospital With His Victim; But Too Late

(New York American.)

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold.

The notes of the organ, soft and sweet, and the childish trebles of the Sunday school class in the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, in Cypress Hills, Brooklyn, had hardly died away yesterday afternoon when one of the little ones, four years old, Lillian Aekerson, of No. 75 Nicholas avenue, was killed by an automobile a few hundred feet from the church, before the eyes of her brother and sister.

The tragedy occurred in Ridgewood avenue, near Lincoln street, while the little one was returning to her home. The car was driven by its owner, Charles W. Carman, president of the Empire Bag Manufacturing Company, of New York, who lives at No. 50 Hilton avenue, Hempsted, L. I., a man of wealth.

In the car with him were his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bronfield, of No. 64 Hilton avenue, Hempstead, and Berry Barbour, an attendant. The machine was not moving very rapidly when the accident occurred.

Several autos were passing along Ridgewood avenue at the time and it is thought that the child in avoiding one of them toddled in front of Mr. Carman's machine. With her were her brother and sister, Alfred and May, seven and five years old. In dodging the cars the little ones had separated. Alfred leaped forward to grasp his baby sister just as the car struck her.

Instantly the car was stopped and Mr. Carman jumped to the side of the baby who lay in the road. She had been knocked several feet and it was plain had been severely injured. She gasped as though dying.

**Carman Breaks Down**

Placing her in the arms of his wife, who was in the tonneau, Mr. Carman started at high speed for the nearest hospital. Down Ridgewood avenue they raced, the woman pillowing the baby in her lap. Bicycle Policeman Robert Kepler was overtaken and directed the car to the Bradford Street Hospital, where Dr. Flanagan said there was nothing he could do for the child. She was dead.

Mr. Carman broke down and wept. He said he was not speeding and that the accident was unavoidable. He was arrested on a charge of homocide and taken to Liberty avenue police station, but afterward was released by order of Magistrate Hylan.

The mother of the child fainted when her other two little ones rushed home with news of the accident. Word of the baby's death reached her, and last night her condition was said to be serious.

Lillian was a pretty child. Despite her few years, she was an ardent member of the Sunday school of the Church of the Transfiguration, and, with the other children, was overjoyed at the coming of the Christmas holiday. Taking her by the hand, her "big" brother and sister took her to the church yesterday afternoon. She joined in the hymns of praise along with the older ones, and her teachers smiled their encouragement as she spoke the words in her baby way,

O, Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels,
The great glad tidings tell:
O, come to us. Abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

The rector, the Rev. Dr. Bachus, patted the child on the head and told her she was a good little church member. Then, at his suggestion, the child led in the singing of "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

## EXTRAVAGANCE STILL PREVAILS

### American Farmers Going in Debt to Get Automobiles—The Craving For Luxury

(Bradstreet's.)

It has been supposed that trade depression exerts a sobering influence on the public mind, and that in post-panic periods expenditures are generally reduced so as to closely accord with income. But unless present signs are misleading, a vast number of our citizens were not chastened by the baneful effects of the depression following the untoward economic happenings of October, 1907. Indeed, there seems to be a spirit of extravagance abroad in the land, and the events of a few years ago also appear to have been disregarded. In the western and southern communities there is evidence of inflation, and in the cities pleasure-seeking of a costly type holds high favor. The farmer having enjoyed several years of unalloyed prosperity is bent on enjoying the fat of the land. He did not suffer from the depression, thanks to continuously high prices. In the farming communities money is plentiful and the mode of living is changing. Luxuries that were looked at askance in other day are now demanded. In the surplus crop growing regions, as in the cities, automobiles are in vogue. The Wall Street Journal, in writing on the subject of rural inflation, tells us that "general borrowing has spread widely among the better-to-do people under forty."

Our contemporary illustrates its point by stating that a banker in a western town was asked where the people got the means to buy automobiles. He replied that the secret could be found in looking over the list of the bank's commercial paper, which the buyers of automobiles had given in the form of notes to othe agents of the manufacturers. Then comes the Iron Age with an editorial in which it tells of a great automobile business in the middle west sending a representative to the east with authority to purchase outright a machine shop and assemble 200 toolmakers as its working force. The home plant has found it impossible to turn out its planned production simply because enough workmen are not to be had. Wages are high, $11 a day being paid to toolmakers, and especially skilled men command $18 a day. But not nearly enough tenemnts exist to house the employes, and tents and shanties are occupied as homes by hundreds; therefore the men will not stay. On that account machine tool makers are being sought in other fields. Finally, we find a leading firm of bond dealers—Fisk & Robinson—complaining that high-grade bonds bring lower prices than they did ten years ago, for which increased extravagance as well as the demand that money must earn more are largely responsible. On every hand there is a cry for more money. A good deal of this is due to the high cost of living, but at the same time the craving for luxury is also a very evident cause, to which one may also add the higher standard of living.

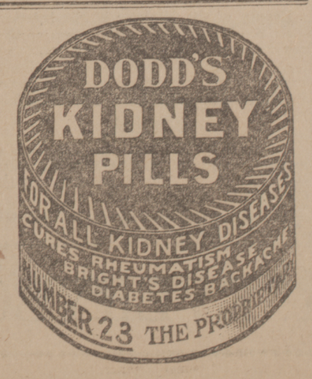

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# The People Are Attending The Dissolution Sale

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