

THE OLD MAN'S CHRISTMAS.

By Thomas Dunn English. Why, let the wind whistle—who cares? Let it whistle and whistle—the flakes of the snow.

old majolica that shipping-clerk had made to present to his mistress as a dedicatory offering expressive of his love.

thrifless on his part, but he dived down to a narrow street leading to the North river in quest of food.

ed—but think of the disappointment in store for that gentleman's daughter!

HISTORICAL. Congress from the Beginning of the Government. (Washington, Dec. 22, 1876.)

times; by New Hampshire once, pro tempore; by Tennessee three times; by Indiana five times; by Speaker; by James K. Polk being twice Speaker; by James F. Smith, Schuyler Colfax being Speaker three of the five times; by North Carolina once, and by Maine three times.

Let's see! The house is roomy, John, and only my and me; I've been reading all day; you see, you're a good fellow, too.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

- W. H. JACKSON, M.D., Physician and Surgeon. Office, 101 South Main Street. J. H. HERDMAN, M.D., Physician and Surgeon. Office, 101 South Main Street.

JOHN AUSTIN'S CHRISTMAS.

The advertisement read as follows: WANTED—A shipping clerk to receive through a broker and agent, etc. Apply between 10 and 12.

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John Austin went up Broadway with a brisk step. He would go to the office, and give the shipping clerk a good talking.

CHANGES IN THE CAPITOL.

There have been many changes in the form and appearance of the Capitol building since its early days.

DOWN IN THE CANEBAKE.

The Los Angeles (Cal.) Herald says: "Friday, at noon, the mounted police, assisted by the residents of Banning and First streets, burned out the canebrake on the bank of the river between Aliso and First streets."

THEATICAL DISASTERS.

The disaster which Brooklyn and the whole country mourns has never been exceeded in this country in respect to the loss of life; but 800 people were killed at the burning of an Amsterdam playhouse in 1772, and 1,000 perished in the Saragossa Theater in Spain the same year.

CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDING.

One cup of sugar, chopped fine; one cup of Orleans molasses, one cup of stoned and chopped raisins; one cup of currants, teaspoonful of cinnamon; teaspoonful of vinegar; a little pinch of salt; one cup of milk; or one half-cupful of butter; or enough of any of these ingredients to make a stiff batter.

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THE NEWS CONDENSED.

THE EAST.

A New York dispatch says: "It is rumored that a compromise has been effected, under which the ring magistrates, and notably Tweed and Sweeney, are to be returned to the city of New York...

THE BROOKLYN FIRE MARSHAL has fully investigated the circumstances attending the recent theatrical horror. He finds that there was a lack of proper precautions against fire...

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CHICAGO elevators as per official figures, contain 2,955,077 bushels of wheat; 261,393 bushels of corn; 1,114,499 bushels of oats...

SINGLE men are being committed to the State Prison, Mich., on their own request, as vagrants, by means of employment, and preferring that course to being on parole.

A near successful and daring robbery was perpetrated at Somerset, Perry county, Ohio, one night last week. The banking-house of William M. Ream was entered by four masked men...

News has reached Cheyenne of a terrible massacre perpetrated in the Big Horn country, as follows: "Recently a party of twenty-six men started for the Big Horn country...

A new and most ingeniously discovered counterfeit silver coin is in circulation in Chicago. It is made of a combination of metals very nearly of the same specific gravity as silver, finished perfectly...

THE SOUTH. A terrible explosion of a boiler in a saw-mill is reported from Texas, a town near Red River, on the Texas and Arkansas line. Nine men were killed, named Chamney Beach, James May, W. White, Nicholas Rosenberg, Griffin, George Green, Tim Smart, George Jackson, Fred Johnson, and John Johnson...

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A WASHINGTON telegram states that the President, in reply to an invitation extended him by a Republican to visit Virginia after his term of office expires, said that he would be glad to do so, but he intends to leave for Havana...

FOUR HUNDRED employees of the Bureau of Prisons were discharged last week, nearly one-half of the forces of the entire bureau. About two-thirds of the unfortunate victims were women, many of them being poor girls...

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