

his antagonist beneath the folds of his hunting shirt appeared slender and loosely put together, as well as lacking in the capaciousness and power of a ripened manhood, but when divested of the garment that concealed his proportions a more perfect specimen of physical development was never beheld. There swelling muscles were unnumbered by an ounce of superfluous flesh. The glossy skin of his exposed arms exhibited a polished smoothness and fineness of texture the street proof, when found in mass or mass, of nature's economy. Such a skin so plastic made the human arm thoroughbred to the silica cast of the

daily. The time sold thus profitably gets from the government for nothing, but anybody can have the same privilege free of charge by putting an instrument and a wire into the observatory. Captain McNair, the naval officer in charge, is anxious to furnish time ball service to private individuals and concerns in every seaport city, only demanding as a condition that he shall have a return wire furnished him in order that he may publish the correct time in the newspapers. Such time balls would enable mariners to correct their chronometers, and are chiefly for this purpose, in fact, that the time service was originally established. — Washington

The new iron monolith stands on the boundary line between Arizona and New Mexico and weighs about 800 pounds. The land five miles apart.

A bricklayer at Mesquite Bend on the western border of the state has been left with a considerable amount of work to do on the monument.

Left of the dairy, packing,
We hung beside the chimney
When baby was our care!
The rear has brought us sorrow,
With tears that fell like rain.
Have we no smile of greeting
For Christmas come again!

Hanging Up the Stockings.
In Staffordshire, England, the children,
when hanging up their stockings on
Christmas eve, repeat the following
rhyme, and utter the good fairy of
Christmas, believing that it will surely
insure the bringing of whatever gift they
most desire:

Christmas day of Christmas day
Let me wish what wish I may
As I speak with hushed voice

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