





### The Ballade of the Bivalve

The poet may sing of the found May, Of long twilight and a turquoise sky; May praise of a perfect apple pie; Or sing of the winds that rustle by, Or a saffron moon and a sapphire star. But I care not for Summer, no, not I. The month for me is the month with "R."

I much prefer the Winter's gray. To Summer's haze of dull blue. For then the oyster holds full away In stew and cocktail, broil and fry; Upon the half-frozen now they lie, Or feast fit for a King or Czar. Washed down with draughts of Bodevino.

"The month for me is a month with "R." Beef is a mode, roast, or souffe. Tempt me in vain their charms to try. I push the quill on toast away. Now design to glance at apple pie; Nor yet for salads do I sigh. Star toasted cheese and omelette. The oysters now—oh do I die—"The month for me is a month with "R."

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### RAMMED BY A SWORD FISH.

#### Monster of the Sea Nearly Sinks Fish-Boat in Craft.

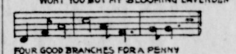
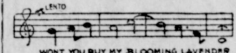
The fishing schooner Astor sailed into Boston last week badly leaking, as the result of an encounter with a mammoth swordfish off the Georges banks. The big fish struck the schooner with terrific force in a head-on collision. The force of the impact shook the large schooner from stem to stern, and at first the crew thought the vessel had struck some half-sunken wreck.

Shortly afterward the vessel began to leak rapidly. An examination was made, and under the starboard bow, about two feet below the water line, there protruded the sword of a gigantic swordfish. Further examination showed that the big sword had penetrated the hull of the vessel, extending several inches within the hole. The vessel was headed for Boston, and during the voyage it was necessary to keep the pumps working a large part of the time.

### THE SWEET LAVENDER WOMAN

#### Quaint Ditty the Most Musical Heard in London Streets.

One of the most picturesque of London "types" is the Sweet Lavender woman, and by far the most musical of the London street cries is the quaint ditty with which she describes her wares. Lavender is, of course, the uncommonly fragrant plant



which grows so abundantly in England, and it is used mostly by those who buy it to put in clothes presses and drawers where linen is kept to perfume them. The lavender, which costs a penny for four branches, is generally sold by women, and all of them utter the same cry, which has been in use for centuries. There is a complete song of it which begins as follows:

"Then the singer goes on to say that she "picked it fresh this very morning" and something about its being "what you want to scent your pocket" and drawers where linen is kept to perfume them. The lavender, which costs a penny for four branches, is generally sold by women, and all of them utter the same cry, which has been in use for centuries. There is a complete song of it which begins as follows:

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### An 18-inch Nautical Rat.

The first living object to meet all strangers who visit the Norwegian steamship Bredahl is an East Indian rat, the pet of Capt. Paulsen, the master of the steamer. He does not permit even the customs officials who visit the Bredahl to slight him. Boarding Officer Rasm, who examined the steamer's manifest before the vessel's arrival from Samar, was called to account by the rodent, which forced its way to the front, obliging the officials to stop work and make room for the pet of all on board. The rat is eighteen inches long.

### Evo's Fruit.

A fruit supposed to bear the mark of Evo's teeth is one of the many botanical curiosities of Ceylon. The tree on which it grows is known by the significant name of "the forbidden fruit" or "Evo's apple tree." The blossom has a very pleasant scent, but the really remarkable feature of the tree is the color of the fruit, which is the fruit. It is beautiful, and hangs from the tree in a peculiar manner. Orange on the outside and deep crimson within, the fruit has the appearance of having had a piece bitten out of it. This fact, together with its poisonous quality, says the Liverpool Post, led the Mahommedans to represent it as the forbidden fruit of the garden of Eden, and to warn men against its noxious properties.

### "I Found It So."

McCormick, Ill. Sept. 23.—Miss Ethel Bradshaw of this place has written a letter, which is remarkable for the character of the statements it contains. As her letter will be read with interest, and probably with profit by many women, it has been thought advisable to publish it in part. Among other things Miss Bradshaw says:—"I had Kidney Trouble with the various unpleasant symptoms which always come with that disease, and I have found a cure. I would strongly advise all who may be suffering with any form of Kidney Complaint to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, a remedy which I have found to be entirely satisfactory."

"This remedy is within the reach of all, and it is all that is recommended to be. I found it so, and therefore feel it my duty to tell others about it."

Dr. Dunaway of Benton, Ill., uses Dodd's Kidney Pills in his regular practice, and says that it is the best medicine for Kidney Trouble, and claims they will cure Diabetes in the last stages.

Scotland leads the way in the building of great bridges. The new cantilever structure shortly to be opened at Connel Ferry, near Oban, is second only in magnitude to the one which stretches over the Forth, having a clear span of 500 feet. It crosses the narrowest part of Loch Blive at the Falls of Lora. The height from high water to the highest part of the bridge is 125 feet. Altogether, therefore, it is an imposing work. The line which it covers an excellent one, that from Callander to Oban—runs through grand and beautiful scenery.

### Great Bridge for Bridges.

The distinction between town and country, between natural and artificial life, is of course, as we all know, very arbitrary one. The highly complicated and seemingly artificial life which we now lead is an absolutely natural condition of existence, as natural as the life of a colony of beavers in one of their dams on a Canadian river or of a nation of ants at work in the garden. Evolution directs the forces of nature in the building of the beavers' houses, in the construction of birds' nests and in the building of the king's press. There is no natural difference between a leaf carried by a murmuring stream over transparent depths full of sunshine, under dark tangles of overhanging foliage, and a human wail whirling in a human stream over muddy pavements. As the great ocean itself is but a single drop in the immensity of creation, so London, overgrown as it is, is but an ant's nest in the surrounding country.—Marcus Reed in Macmillan's.

### Don't consider everything impossible that you are unable to perform.

Announcement is made by "The Denver Road" (The Fort Worth & Denver City Railway) that tickets will be sold to Colorado points, from October 4th to 8th inclusive, for one fare plus 50 cents for the round trip.

This rate is considerably lower than the regular Summer Tourist rate and as the tickets will be good until October 31st, same as the Summer Tourist ticket, it is expected a large number of people will take advantage of same.

A postal card addressed to A. A. Glasson, G. P. A., Fort Worth, Texas, will bring any further desired information. Yours truly,

A. A. GLASSON, G. P. A.

Put the Muzzle on the Dog's Tail.

Some strange things happen in Delaware even among the magistrates, who are supposed to be the best of the morals of the people. Recently one who lives at Wilmington was arrested because his dog was running at large unmuzzled and mired not only in saying that the dog had not been running, but lying down. He was fined, and then tied a muzzle to the end of the dog's tail. Again it was arrested, and this time said that he had complied with the law as it did not state where the muzzle should be worn.

### Cooking Without Fire.

Fireless dinners are made in vessels named Norwegian kitchens, which are an idea imported from the peasants of Norway. The kitchen is a box with an interior packing of felt or other non-conducting material, into which a heated sauceman with side handles is set, after first being put upon the fire thoroughly to boil. The lid of the pan or pans, for two or three may be set one upon another, must be fitted firmly so that no steam can escape when the transfer of the sauceman is made from the fire to the cooking box; an inner padded cover to the Norwegian kitchen prevents any waste of heat, just as the inner leathor cover prevents the escape of cold air. The peasants in Norway and Sweden start their food cooking at their earliest rising, wind many wands of hay around, and then escape of cold air. The peasants in Norway and Sweden start their food cooking at their earliest rising, wind many wands of hay around, and then escape of cold air. The peasants in Norway and Sweden start their food cooking at their earliest rising, wind many wands of hay around, and then escape of cold air.

Kindness is the only charm permitted to the aged; it is the coquetry of white hair.—Fouillet.

When our representative was in Ft. Worth, recently, he visited the Van Zandt-Clayport Machine Works, and seems to have one of the best equipped repair shops in the South.

All that one gains by falsehood is not to be believed when he speaks the truth.—Aristotle.

Defiance Starch should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

A well-cooked breakfast will go farther toward preserving peace in the family than a dozen "Bless Our Home" mottoes.

Some men are so busy reforming everything in general that they haven't time to reform anything in particular.

The Growth of the Telephone.

The growth and expansion of the telephone business is one of the marvels of the century and in no part of the country is this fact more strikingly illustrated than in Texas and Arkansas. The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company, which is the licensee of the American Bell Telephone Company for those two states, operates more than fifty thousand miles of wire, mostly copper, for toll line purposes, which, with connecting lines, affords communication with upwards of twenty-five hundred cities and towns. The number of exchange subscribers exceeds six hundred thousand and these are being added to at the rate of over a thousand a month. Conversation is carried on daily with Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis and other points, as far distant, with entire satisfaction.

The busy man of to-day doesn't travel: he telephones.

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And use Hunt's Lightning Oil for all pains, Catarrh, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Cuts, Burns, Colic and Diarrhea. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. 25 and 50 cts.

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There's something in a political convention that "point with pride" or "alarm."

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**TRIED BY TIME**

Eugene E. Lario, of 751 Twentieth Avenue, ticked as seller in the Union station, Denver, Col., says: "You are at liberty to repeat what I first stated through our Denver papers about Doan's Kidney Pills in the summer of 1899, for I have had no reason in the interim to change my opinion of the remedy. I said when first interviewed that if I had a friend and acquaintance suffering from backache or kidney trouble I would unhesitatingly advise them to take Doan's Kidney Pills. I was subject to severe attacks of backache, always aggravated if I sat long at a desk. It struck me half that what they promised they might at least help. This induced me to try the remedy. It absolutely stopped the backache. I have never had a pain or a twinge since."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Lario will be mailed to any part of the United States on application. Address Foster-Millura Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents per box.

**Roosevelt His Own Amnensis.**

Theodore Roosevelt is the first President of the United States to write his own message and speeches. It is usually supposed that the words of a ruler are his own, and his acts the acts of his ministers, but as a rule, the speeches of emperors, kings and presidents are composed by their ministers, or, at least, the material is furnished by them. This is the case with every sovereign in Europe except Wilhelm of Germany, who, like Mr. Roosevelt, never allows anybody to put words into his mouth, although he often has several accomplished gentlemen to collect facts and statistics for him. The messages of the presidents are usually composites constructed by the several cabinet officers. Mr. Adze, second assistant secretary of state, has written the foreign affairs of the President's message every year for a quarter of a century until last year, and his copy has been usually accepted with very few changes. Last year it went into the waste basket, although no doubt, the President got many good ideas from it. Circularly, the secretary of the treasury prepares that part of the message which relates to the finances, the postmaster general that which refers to postal affairs, the secretary of agriculture that which relates to the condition of the crops and the products of the country, and the rest of the cabinet furnish contributions about the matters which come under their jurisdictions, but that plan was abandoned when the present occupant of the White House sent his first message to Congress in December, 1901.

**WORN OUT, DRAGGED OUT,**

**Ars Most Women in Summer.**

—Per-una is a Tonic of Efficiency.



Mrs. Fessie Nelson.

Mrs. Fessie Nelson, 422 Broad St., Nashville, Tenn., writes:

"As Peruna has done me a world of good, I feel in duty bound to tell of it, in hopes that it may meet the eye of some woman who has suffered as I have."

"For five years I really did not know what a perfectly well day was, and if I did not have headache, I had backache or a pain somewhere and really life was not worth the effort I made to keep going."

"A good friend advised me to use Peruna and I was glad to try anything and I am very pleased to say that six bottles made a new woman of me and I have no more pains and life looks bright again."—Mrs. Fessie Nelson.



**JOSEPHINE MORRIS, 236 Carroll St., Brooklyn, N. Y., writes:**

"Peruna is a fine medicine to take any time of the year, but I have found it especially helpful to withstand the wear and tear of the hot weather. I have taken it now for two summers and feel that it has kept my system free from malaria, and also kept me from having that worn-out, dragged out look which so many women have."

"I therefore have no hesitancy in saying that I think it is the finest tonic in the world."—Josephine Morris.

Peruna is frequently used as a mitigation of the effects of hot weather. What a bath is to the skin, Peruna is to the mucous membranes. Bathing keeps the skin healthy, Peruna makes the mucous membranes clean and healthy. With the skin and mucous membranes in good working order, hot weather can be withstood with very little suffering.

Frequent bathing with an occasional use of Peruna is sure to mitigate the horrors of

hot weather. Many ladies have discovered that the depression of hot weather and the rigors they have been in the habit of attributing to malaria, quickly disappear when they use Peruna. This is why Peruna is so popular with them. Peruna provides clean mucous membranes, and the clean mucous membranes do the rest.

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The average man wants others to see him as he sees himself.

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by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by an infused condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. This is done by the use of the Deafness Cure, which is a perfect hearing, and it is entirely closed. Do not take out of the ear the wax, as this will only make the hearing worse. Do not use any oil or any other substance in the ear. We will give you one hundred Dollars for your case of Deafness caused by colds, if it cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circular. Sold by Druggists. Dr. J. C. Hartman, 100 South Main St., Boston, Mass.

The summer girl gets her very first kiss every time she gets engaged.

He is richest who is content with the least, for content is the wealth of nature.—Seneca.

**A Perilous Leap.**

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Theodore Roosevelt is the first President of the United States to write his own message and speeches. It is usually supposed that the words of a ruler are his own, and his acts the acts of his ministers, but as a rule, the speeches of emperors, kings and presidents are composed by their ministers, or, at least, the material is furnished by them. This is the case with every sovereign in Europe except Wilhelm of Germany, who, like Mr. Roosevelt, never allows anybody to put words in his mouth, although he often has several accomplished gentlemen to collect facts and statistics for him. The messages of the presidents are usually composites constructed by the several cabinet officers. Mr. Adee, second assistant secretary of state, has written the foreign affairs of the President's message every year for a quarter of a century until last year, and his copy has been usually accepted with very few changes. Last year it went into the waste basket, although, no doubt, the President got many good ideas from Mr. Crilly, the secretary of the treasury prepares that part of the message which relates to the finances, the postmaster general that which refers to postal affairs, the secretary of agriculture that which relates to the condition of the crops and the products of the country, and the rest of the cabinet furnish contributions about the matters which come under their jurisdictions, but that plan was abandoned when the present occupant of the White House sent his first message to Congress in December, 1901.

**Heligoland in Winter.**  
During the winter there are no visitors at Heligoland, and life is very dull on the island. Nearly all the shops are shut and, if you want to buy anything, you have to ring or knock before you can attract attention. The lodging houses are also closed, and the fishing boats are drawn up on the beach above high water mark. At night the Heligolandians gather in the public halls, the men to drink beer, smoke and play cards, and the women to dance. There are no formalities, as there are no women who have known each other from infancy.

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By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. The only method is by a fluid which permeates the lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this is done you have a ringing sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and when the inflammation has been taken out and the tube restored to its normal condition, the hearing is renewed. It is a common mistake of the people to believe that deafness is caused by the ear, and that it is a local disease, and that it can be cured by local applications. We will give you one hundred dollars for any case of deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hays' Catarrh Cure. Send for prospectus free. H. H. Hays, M.D., 153 N. 2nd St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by Druggists. The Hays' Family Pills are the best.

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Mrs. Fressie Nelson, 422 Broad St., Nashville, Tenn., writes:  
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Old Santa Claus is due to arrive Thursday night next at 12 p. m., alfalfa time. Have your stockings darned.

The people of Artesia are doing some advertising for the county these days by sending the Advocate off to friends and relatives at a distance and our foreign list is growing rapidly. All it takes to bring people here is to let them know what remarkable advantages the Pecos Valley offers.

Why doesn't someone start a chicken ranch? Eggs bring 30 and 35 cents per dozen on the Artesia market, and the demand is much greater than the supply at that price. Chickens do splendidly here and some enterprising person can make fine money by supplying the trade with eggs.

Hart Crouch has begun work on the Smith reservoir, which will make a magnificent lake when filled with water.

## New Restaurant and Chop House

MRS. HATTIE PONS, formerly of the Hotel Artesia, has opened in the Witt building, Main street, a first-class restaurant and short order house, where meals will be served at all hours. Courteous attention and best of table fare. Special rates by the week. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.

# WANTED!

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### Remarkable Statement.

In conversation with Rev. J. C. Gage the well-known Methodist minister a few days ago, the Advocate edited or spoke of the healthfulness of our New Mexico climate, whereupon Mr. Gage made a statement of personal experience that is remarkable. Mr. Gage came to this country eighteen years ago from Comanche county, Texas, for the purpose of securing some ranch property and for the possibility of benefiting his wife's health. There were no settlements in this section of New Mexico then, except a very wild frontier town at Seven Rivers, but no one minded going a long distance to see a neighbor in those days, so Mr. and Mrs. Gage concluded to stay five years and give the country a trial. At the end of that period they were willing to try it the balance of their lives. Mrs. Gage had recovered her health and her husband was actively engaged in church work—wherever he could find enough people to preach to. And here is where the remarkable part of the story comes in. Mr. and Mrs. Gage have now been here eighteen years, raised a family of twelve children and have NEVER HAD A DOCTOR IN THEIR HOUSE. This is a fact, strange as it may seem, and no country ever presented a better testimonial for healthfulness.

### A Pleased Prospector.

Mr. W. M. Enlow, a merchant of Moreland, Oklahoma, arrived in the city last Friday, having heard a great deal about the Pecos Valley and its wonderful artesian wells. He drove out Saturday, looked at the quality of the soil and abundance of water and immediately the ties that bound him to the frozen hills of the territory were severed and he swore eternal allegiance to the Artesia country. He says he has always noticed that it takes soil and water to produce vegetation, and here he found the combination, good for every year, regardless of seasons and the prayers of the faithful. Monday he bought a relinquishment from Mr. J. Chambers on 160 acres northeast of town and left for home to wind up his affairs. He will be back to reside in a short while. That's the way they do.

E. T. Higgins, the Dayton real estate rustler, was in the city Wednesday morning and reports things flourishing on the Penasco, with the ker-chug of the well drills making music all the while.

Mr. G. P. Cleveland and daughter Mrs. Doss, visited Roswell Wednesday to interview the United States Commission.

Mr. Edwin D. Moore, of Higher Ohio, arrived this week to visit his sister, Mrs. E. M. Rogers.

### Put Up, or Shut Up.

The Artesia Waterworks Company has been cussed and re-cussed by almost everybody in town here of late for its failure to put in a system of waterworks, so that tree planting might begin. The Advocate has heeded the cry of the populace and lent its voice to the clamoring. It has spoken as the mouthpiece of the whole people it proposes to represent, and not as the single opinion of its proprietor. The citizens of Artesia have cried for water most plaintively and developments prove that their cries have been heard. They now have a chance to get water at their doors and plant all the trees they need. They can get the water if they want it. If they don't want it, any abuse of the waterworks company in the future will be in exceedingly bad taste.

Mr. John K. Hodges, secretary of the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company, is this week before the citizens getting agreements from all who will buy water rights and it sufficient names are secured to the list, the Company agrees to go ahead putting down mains.

The question is now up to the people. Do you want good drinking water at your doors, with beautiful lawns and shade trees? If so, place your name on the list. If you don't want these things, you have the mossback's privilege of doing without.

Everyone should take water, and within twelve short months the dusty, treeless Artesia of today will hardly be remembered.

### Christmas Tree.

The Sunday School will have a Christmas tree on Christmas eve—Thursday, December 24, at the school house. Those who have gifts to be put upon the tree for distribution, are requested by the committee to bring them—properly marked—to the school house between 3 o'clock and 7 o'clock, railroad time. There will be a short program before the appearance of Santa Claus:

#### PROGRAM.

Song by congregation.  
Scripture reading—Luke 11:8  
Prayer, Rev. Jackson  
Song by children—"Island Fairies."  
Recitation—Grace Talbot.  
Recitation—Minnie Babb.  
Recitation—by 5 Shepherd boys.  
Song and Chorus—"Mickey McGin".  
Recitation—Treva Blair.  
Recitation—Bertha Speck.  
Song, by Children—Song of the Christmas Tree.  
Enter Santa Claus.  
Distribution of gifts.

### Attention, Everybody!

The Artesia Water, Power and Light Co. is now prepared to put in pipes for all persons wanting water rights. Everyone is requested to see J. Mack Smith or E. A. Clayton at once. Do not delay as the company wants to act as soon as possible.

JOHN R. HODGES, Secretary,

Mr. James Clark last week had a surface well put down on his land two miles west of town. At a depth of 90 feet a stream of water was found, and before the drill had gone twelve inches deeper, water had risen thirty-five feet in the well. An artesian well will be put down on this land as soon as the big drill gets through with present contracts.

Judge A. J. Nesbit, of Roswell, was looking after the interests of clients in Artesia Tuesday. The Judge has been in New Mexico a long while and no one is more familiar with the laws of the territory than he—especially is this so when it comes to land matters. He has made the laws governing the settlement and disposition of government land a study for years and is thoroughly familiar with every technicality of it. Judge Nesbit stands high as a citizen, as well as a student of law and has built up a splendid practice. He is well acquainted in Artesia and renders valuable assistance to many new settlers, who are in need of legal advice before and after filing on lands.

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Mrs. Fred Collier was in Roswell Saturday and Monday, getting fixtures for the new Pons & Collier restaurant.

Mr. W. T. White, of Roswell, spent Monday night in the city.

Construction work is progressing nicely on the First National Bank building. It is being finished with pressed brick, with arched doors and vestibule and gives Artesia her first touch of city style. The erection of such a building is indeed a compliment to a town only a few months old.

Sheriff Cicero Stewart came in on a special from Carlsbad Tuesday afternoon, in search of a man who escaped from the county jail at Carlsbad Monday night.

The Messrs. Hale are hauling lumber for their derrick, preparatory for boring for artesian water as soon as the drill arrives.

The J. C. Gage Land Company of Dayton has had some office stationery put up by the Advocate this week.

## Yes, We Have

Wholesaling Oil and a high grade Cylinder Oil; Kerosene and Lincseed Oil, Varnish, Colors ground in Oil, Drugs and Chemicals, Rubber Goods, Sundries, Stationery, "Plows," Marshmallows, Etc.

## Artesia Drug Company.

erate in Artesia  
ill come high  
all.

The great sale will close January 1st on fine dress goods. Logan & Dyer.

Find dress goods at cost for fifteen days. Logan & Dyer.

The John Schrock Lumber Company this week received a handsome Mosler fire proof safe for their lumber yard office.

The Artesia depot is a disgrace to any town. We really ought to have a new one, don't you think?

Mr. Henry Jones and wife left Wednesday for their home in Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. J. W. Rounds and wife arrived from Roswell last Friday to make Artesia their future home. Mr. Rounds succeeds Mr. R. H. Gore as local manager of the John Schrock Lumber Company's business at this place.

### New Church Organization.

The members of the Christian church residing in the city, perfected a partial organization at the school house last Sunday morning and elders and deacons will be elected at services to be held tomorrow evening. The denomination was well represented. Elder Stovall of Four Mile, conducted services. Regular church services will be held in Artesia on the second Sunday in each month and on every Sunday afternoon when not in conflict with the appointments of other denominations. Judge A. V. Logan informs the Advocate that a building lot will be bought very soon and a house erected.

WANTED;—I wish to contract with party to build a large tank or reservoir.  
J. H. BECKHAM, JR.,  
Hotel Artesia.

Old Santa Claus will come at a mighty busy time, but we should take time to observe the day fittingly.

The Mott & Thomas drill is down about 300 feet on the stanfield tract southwest of town.

Surveyor Will Benson, with helpers, has been surveying and platting lots in the new Stegman addition, north of Main street this week. This is some choice property.

John R. Hodges of the Artesia Improvement Company was looking after company affairs in Roswell this week.

H. S. Logan, Whit Smith, Dave Runyan, C. S. Hoffman, J. A. Clayton and E. A. Clayton were in Roswell Tuesday.

Mr. J. W. Turknott and daughter, Mrs. Turk, visited Roswell Tuesday.

Another Texan arrived with his family this week to make his home. He is Mr. G. A. Brock, from Navarro county, and he has purchased property near Hope.

The ball at the Hoffman hall Wednesday night was well attended and the gayeties continued until a late hour. The beauty and the gallantry of the city was there and the young folks report a high time.

Mr. T. E. Beckett and Mrs. Tennis Knox visited Roswell Tuesday.

While drilling on the Penasco this week, Clark Bros., suddenly went into a perfect river of water, the drill dropping several feet in an instant. The rush of water was so great that work had to be stopped until the stream was cased off. They are putting down a ten-inch hole.

### Woodman Election.



All members of Artesia Camp W. O. W. are urged to attend the regular meeting at the school house tonight. A new set of officers are to be elected and for that reason a full attendance is deserved. The new hall will soon be completed and the camp wants to prepare for active work.

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# The Search Elusive

Henry K. Bilgiers was an inventor. An inventor, he it known, is one who invents. The things he invents need not necessarily go any farther than the stage of being invented. A inventor rises above all paltry considerations of actual working, of pecuniary return. Sufficient unto him is the fact that he has evolved something that was either hitherto unaccomplished or unthought of.

So with Henry K. Bilgiers. He struck a new idea during the recent coal famine. It was not a briquette, nor an oil burner, nor a mechanical board of arbitration that should get its pictures in the papers. To him the great demand was for a smoke consumer. He figured that enough smoke was wasted every day to keep the population of the world hot for a whole year. So he collected all his springs and pipes and wheels and things, and built a little shed in the back yard. There, from the remains of two unsuccessed airships, a single submarine boat and a defective hydraulic pump he constructed a smoke consumer that worked wonderfully on paper. He computed the thing by chemistry, and demonstrated it by geometry. There simply was no reason why, if so much smoke should be delivered over a given area of the fire-box, a beautifully bright and even flame should not result. Figures do not lie, and Henry K. Bilgiers had figures that showed his pumps and foot pounds and calorific units till you couldn't rest. So practical was his invention seem that he had little trouble in assembling a small party of financiers, who promised to back the invention if it was successful.

The day for the test arrived, and Bilgiers had the backyard all cleaned

up, with chairs neatly arranged for the accommodation of his moneyed guests. A six-inch pipe led from the smokestack of the sausage factory across the alley, to supply the necessary fuel for the smoke consumer. When the investigators were all ready Henry turned the valve that admitted the smoke and lit the burner beneath the firebox. To the dismay of himself and the unaccustomed amusement of the inspectors, a dense black volume of smoke came from all parts of the invention. With true confidence in his own work, Bilgiers had neglected to provide it with a flue, for, being intended to utterly consume the smoke there was no reason why it should have a vent of any sort. After half an hour of puffing and shifting of valves and pipes, the leader of the capitalists arose and said that he must be going, that he had some business to attend to. Before he left, however, he turned to the discomfited Bilgiers and said: "It was my impression, sir, that we were invited here to see a demonstration of some sort. May I inquire what you have demonstrated?" "You may, sir," replied Bilgiers, rubbing the smoke from his eyes. "You may. And I will tell you what I have demonstrated. I have clearly shown that this smoke is incombustible."

Last week Bilgiers had remodeled the smoke consumer and confided to his friends that he was on the verge of perfecting a machine that would make ice by extracting the natural heat from the water, and at the same time could be used as a mill condenser and color press. But somehow the public faith in his inventions has been shaken.—Philadelphia Ledger.

# OFF ON HIS DIAGNOSIS.

The Physician's Mistake in Sizing Up His Patient.

Into the office of a doctor came a tired man who wished treatment. The physician put on his overalls, looked at the man's tongue, felt his pulse, sounded his chest, and said: "Some old story, my friend. Man cannot live without fresh air; no use trying. I could myself a corpse, as you are doing more myself a corpse, as you are doing by degrees, if I sat down in my office and didn't stir."

"You must have fresh air; you must take long walks, and brace up by staying out of doors. Now, I could make a drug store out of you, and you would think I was a smart man, but my advice to you is to walk, walk, walk."

"But, doctor—" interrupted the man.

"That's right; argue the question. That's my reward. Of course, you know all about my business. Now, will you take my advice? Take long walks every day—several times a day, and get your blood into circulation."

"But my business—" said the patient.

"Of course your business prevents it; everybody says that. Just change your business so you will have to walk more. By the way, what is your business?"

"I'm a letter carrier," meekly replied the patient.

At a Table d'Hôte.

If you should chance to stroll one night into a table d'hôte. These persons, or their prototypes, you'll very likely not meet in the street. There's the gentleman who, hermitlike, dines nightly by himself. The lady who, in a quiet year, who's laid upon the shelf. They sit at separate tables, although approximate. And there really seems no reason why the man who is a waiter, who the Beau Brummel, who's elderly, with spousal just half his age. Who wears a fur collar to quit the gilded cage? Some artists, who will talk and talk uninteresting "shop." And who will have to be content to-morrow with a chop? Some others, who dress in clothes that you might well infer. Could not possibly be bought on fifteen dollars year.

When you're sure to see some broken in spotless evening dress. Who is the first to "hear," or "hear," don't care or give a guess? The girl who doesn't eat a bit, but just picks her teeth into circulation. The parvenu, who loves to ape his social brotherhood. And then you bound to come across the gourmand and gourmet. The man, who's sure to make a joke or "joke" you. The man, who's sure to make a joke or "joke" you. The man, who's sure to make a joke or "joke" you. The man, who's sure to make a joke or "joke" you.

# A Strange Passion Play.

The small town of Furnes, in western Flanders, has been the scene of one of the most remarkable passion plays that have ever taken place. The play, which was in the form of a procession through the streets, was headed by four youths clad in yellow garments and blowing trumpets such as are depicted in Biblical pictures as being used before the walls of Jericho.

Abraham and his household next followed, and then Moses with the tablets of law, surrounded by the prophets, each bearing a huge volume. David appeared in a dual capacity. As King he was gorgeously in scarlet and gold, and carried a large harp, but as a penitent he wore sackcloth and ashes. John the Baptist led a sheep and was accompanied by hermits.

The stable of Bethlehem, constructed of a lorry, contained Joseph and Mary surrounded by a large number of small children who represented angels. The whole of Christ's life

was depicted up to the tragedy of Calvary. Mary Magdalene wore a violet dress, with a wreath of black artificial flowers which was covered by a black lace veil. Quite the prettiest part was the throng of young girls who preceded Christ entering Jerusalem. Waving palms, and picturesquely dressed, they made a most effective picture in the narrow streets as they sang a well-concerted Hosanna.

The scene of Christ carrying the cross was extremely realistic. The part was taken by the mayor of the neighboring commune, who, barefooted, performed this act of penance. The cross was heavy and the mayor, struggling under the heavy burden, dropped from sheer fatigue, but after receiving some assistance once more continued his task.

Many of the people taking part in the procession wore prominent members of local society, but so carefully disguised were these features that their identity was not revealed until the procession was over.

# Car Guided by Eagle

spring morning of May 290 years historic event took place, with not a drop of water and a cloud- the framework of a region of which a number of boats in the river barriers, fierce-looking and wrangling in loud tones. They "Bombardier" roared, heaved, foats of wood before the Swedish, and their most imposing fighting in the prow of all the rest. The and bracing, and the face of the blue, visible, as it, lost ash veil. The cap- back to the front, sailing islands to sea, ible covered with and, it had not been men who had them- before unveiled himself in a new district, Swedish "chick" before, had in by the Russian "gals" now landed on-ly situated and at- lands, and, with a

# The Gold Seeker's Claim

He went to the West when his life was young. And he was old and wrinkled and gray. Yet still he wandered the hills among. Prospecting for gold in the old, old way. "I ain't got money," he me he said, "but I got a claim on a grub stake or so. An 'I don't mind sayin', just on the dead end. When I have sold that claim," said he, "You bet I'll be rich as the richest here."

I met him again in a later day. He was old and wrinkled and gray. A little more wrinkled a little more gray. Yet he was still in the grub stake's store. "I know where it is," he said to me; "The secret is mine, an' I guard it well. An' you savelly can gamble, when me you are lined."

You're viewin' a nabob, a positive swell; For I'll sell it soon—how his eyes would shine!"

"An' the world'll be pleasant for me an' mine."

I wondered that way in a later time. But the old prospector was there no more.

To cheerly chat on a mountain climb, Or bid me partake of his frugal store. He seemed," they said, "at the break of day. And his last words were: 'I will patent be. For, though I am worn and battered and gray, There are riches untold awaiting me. My fortune and my kingdom was ever the same. I judge it up! There he has sold his claim. The hills of the West are trodden by these. The street prospectors, both worn and gray. Who are 'staked for grub' are their bleks they seize. And toll and hope till they fade away. And each of them knows where the hills are lined. And scammed and streaked by a wealth untold. And each is rich in his simple mind. As he dreams of the day when his claim shall be sold. And I have a notion these children of hope. Are the richest of all on any slope. —Alfred J. Waterhouse, in New York Times.

# Cows as Gold Mines.

"There was no apparent reason for her dying, and so he decided to have a postmortem to find out what was the trouble. Well, he had a veterinary cut her open, and he found that the cow had been drinking the water of Clear creek canyon for so long that her stomach had become impregnated with gold dust about an inch thick all round which interfered with her digestion, and accounted for the yellow milk."

"The veterinarian was mad clear through, an' says he, 'This is no job for a veterinarian; it's a job for an assayer.'"

"My friend paid him and the next day took the cow's stomach down to the assay office of the Grant smelter. And my friend found that the cow's stomach contained \$10.75 worth of gold. Now, as fast as his cows die, he takes the gold from their stomachs, and he has got to be quite an item in the business. He is working on a cyanide process, which he believes will recover the gold from the cows before they die, and if he can perfect it so that it will work without killing them, he'll be a rich man in a few days."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

# Sultan's Sleep is Costly

Sleep that costs \$900 a night seems pretty expensive, but that is what the Sultan of Turkey is now paying for the privilege of more or less tranquil repose. The money is received by the members of the special military staff which guards Abdul Hamid's bedroom, and which consists of two generals, a colonel, a major, a captain, and several soldiers. For their night's work each one of the two generals gets fifty Turkish pounds—or about \$235—the colonel \$10, the major \$35, the captain \$30, and each soldier \$1. The entire amount aggregating slightly over \$900 American money. The officers and men get their fees every morning immediately they have been relieved, and don't have to wait for it like some pretty big nations to whom Abdul Hamid owes money.

This expensive night guard of the sultan has been maintained by him only since the recent assassination of the royal couple of Serbia. Of course, the timorous ruler of Turkey always has been particularly well guarded at night, but the murders at Belgrade scared Abdul Hamid almost out of his wits, and he immediately determined that he would surround his bed chamber with the most vigilant men who could be secured, and make it to their interest to protect him. The command of the special night guard is entrusted to eight of the sultan's most trusted generals, two of whom are on duty every night. Quite chiefly they have to preserve their soundness in even tero-defected waters for a period extending over thirty years.

Only one handsome myrtaceous shade tree, growing on the coast of New South Wales, offers them an gallant and prolonged resistance. This is the turpentine tree; some virtue which it possesses renders it distasteful to the white ant. Turpentine pines, dressed only in their own natural clothing of bark, have been known to preserve their soundness in even tero-defected waters for a period extending over thirty years.

# South African Governments.

A recent number of the Boer newspaper, Ons Land, contains an article describing the experiences of a Boer who went to German Southwest Africa in 1901 to settle there. The moral condition of the country, he writes, is serious. Most of the Germans have negro wives. To find a German in the country districts, he says, with a white wife is a rarity. At a baptism of the child of a German father and negro mother, which he attended at Reunoboth, two German officers were present with their negro wives. Comparing his wife's lot into circulation, he says, to whites and blacks, and both serve in the ranks together. He concludes: "For my part, eighteen months' experience has brought me to the conclusion that it is better to be a slave under the English government than a free man in German Southwest Africa."—Philadelphia Ledger.

# Anti-Resisting Trees.

Trees have no foes like the white ant of Australia. The pests encamp in myriads of brown mounds around the boles of forest monarchs, and set down to the siege of a tree. They enter into possession of it, eat its heart out, till nothing of its sap and wood is left save a hollow shell—turned into a brown dust and a shell—and at the end of their work die amid its ruins.

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# As Bad as That?

Every thing goes in this world, even Sunday. The Hebrews have a proverb: "Six days shalt thou graft, but seventh shalt thou rest." It is said of them that "They keep the Sabbath and everything else they can hands on."—Yemen.

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