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Increase in Output of United States Amounts to \$7,131,500, with California Leading.

Washington, D. C.—Director Roberts, of the mint, in his estimate of the production of gold and silver in the United States for 1904, declared the increased production over the calendar year 1903 of \$7,131,500 gold and 5,486,000 fine ounces of silver.

The largest gold gain was by California, which yielded about \$3,000,000 more than in 1903, and a larger amount than in any year since the '60s.

"This gain," the director says, "came chiefly from dredge operations, and a further gain is expected during the current year and for some years to come. The California state mining bureau estimates the possible output of the dredges at \$7,000,000 a year for 50 years.

"Colorado shows an increase of nearly \$2,000,000 gold and 1,300,000 ounces of silver; Alaska a gain of \$700,000 gold; Montana a gain of 2,000,000 ounces of silver; Utah a gain of 1,300,000 ounces of silver; Idaho a gain of 1,300,000 ounces of silver."

The amount of gold mined was 3,904,986 ounces, and the commercial value of the silver produced was \$33,515,938, making the total value of the two metals \$114,239,138.

DIED.

Mrs. L. L. Forrester died Sunday, Dec. 24th., at her home near Meadow, after a long and painful illness. The funeral was held at the Tahoka cemetery on Christmas day in the presence of a large gathering of friends. Mrs. Forrester was a kind neighbor, a devoted wife and mother; a faithful member of the Baptist church. She leaves a bereaved husband and a family of grown children to mourn her loss.

Carl Sherrod came home with his sisters Mesdames Brown and Patterson, who went to visit their mother Mrs. Sherrod of Snyder, the week before Christmas.

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Mr. McDaniel who has been camping in the back of the barber shop for the past few weeks, has bought property in Gomez.

Hawthorn-Dyer.

Married at the home of the bride's parents near Tahoka; S. W. Hawthorn and Miss Jessie Dyer. The wedding took place Sunday morning at ten o'clock Dec. 31st. 1905, Rev. J. O. Gore officiating. Mr. Hawthorn and wife returned to his home in Jones county, New Years day.

A merry Party.

Tuesday evening after Christmas, guests began to assemble at the home of Mrs. McLoud. The rooms filled rapidly with a merry throng: The amusement of the evening consisted of games and conversation. The Misses McLoud are model hostesses and it was with regret, at the shortness of the evening and a hope for a future invitation that the merry makers turned their faces homeward. There were 69 present, quite a number of whom were visitors from out of town.

Mr. and Miss Williams of Lubbock spent part of the Holidays with Miss Robbie Chism.

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Indianapolis, Ind.—Thirteen tragic deaths among members of the same family is the record made by the kin of Abraham Cripe, a German farmer of Fulton county. The thirteenth victim was Samuel Horn, who was killed recently while hauling logs. But two members of the family remain, and the homestead is deserted through superstitious fear that in some way the place is responsible for the tragedies.

Cripe was prosperous, but his wife was discontented and wanted to return to the old country. She became insane and burned herself to death in a pile of hay.

A few days later Cripe's sister fell dead while at work. Two months afterward Lucien Cripe, a son, became deranged and died within a short time.

Next Elias, a brother, was found murdered in his barn. His two sons, Clark and Jay, died in an insane asylum. Wilson Burns, a son-in-law of Abraham Cripe, murdered his wife, Joseph Cripe and Mrs. Margaret Braham, an aunt, and then blew out his own brains.

Cannot Recover Ring.

An Indiana court has decided that a jilted lover cannot recover the engagement ring by suit unless there is a contract to that effect. After this every prudent Indiana lover will arrange to have the engagement ring placed in escrow pending the wedding.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1906.

The Lynn County News management wish all their subscribers a happy and profitable New Year, that will last as long as they write the date—1906—and when we have to write 1907 we hope to have just twice as many subscribers to wish a happy New Year. The way to help us to accomplish this, is for every one to tell the newcomers, about the News, and tell us about the newcomer. Help us and we will help ourselves, and we will give you the best little paper on the Plains.

This is election year, and the candidates will soon be announcing the office they want. Let us of Lynn county try and have a clean, honorable, and dignified campaign. Remember, that just because this man wants the same office that you do, does not make him out to be a rascal or mean that he will use dishonest methods to secure the place. Put in your time telling your good points, and if the other man puts in his time telling your bad ones, the voters will be suspicious of him and you will be elected. If you do this you will have nothing to regret. If we must die let us die an honorable death.

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Mrs. McGonigal gave a dinner Tuesday after Christmas, to the young friends of her two daughters Misses Cleo. and Gladys. Several guests from Tahoka were present and report a royal time.

Boots! Boots!! Boots!!! You, must come to Wells & Welcher's and see our boy's and men's boots.

Mr. Elton George accompanied by his wife, went to visit relatives in Lubbock county during the Holidays.

A full line wool flannel at Wells & Welcher's.

Mr. H. C. Jameson, of McLennan county, a cousin of Mrs. A. D. Shook, has bought two sections of Lynn county land of Mr. Ed. Duncan about nine miles east of Tahoka. Mr. Jameson will move here in the spring.

When you have to buy drugs, you want a pure, strong, cheap, compound. That is just what you can get at Taylor's Drug Store.

Mr. G. C. Peters is here on a visit to his brother C. H. Peters. Mr. Peters is a stone mason and carpenter and perhaps we can locate him among us.

Boy's and men's sweaters, and men's overshirts at Wells & Welcher's. You just ought to see them.

Mr. B. E. Lotspeich of McCamant, Jones county, spent the Holidays with Mr. Dyer. Mr. Lotspeich says that if all things work out right, he will be back here this summer and put up a cotton gin at Tahoka. The citizens of Tahoka and Lynn county should do all they can to make every thing work right for some one to put up a gin for us this year. We need one.

Go to Taylor's for patent medicines and pure drugs.

Mr. Harris, father-in-law of Messers Frank Wells and A. R. McGonagill, started for Big Spring with Mike Redwine, Thursday. Mr. Harris went after Mrs. Harris and his household goods, and Mike will bring a load for Mr. S. N. McDaniel.

Notice to Wood Haulers

Any one cutting or hauling wood out of the Llano Pasture in Garza County will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

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Mr. Curtis of the Staked Plains Telephone Co. passen through Tahoka Wednesday with a gang of nine men. They will begin work as soon as they reach Lubbock.

Mr. Whip and family who have been visiting S. N. McDaniel for several weeks, will move into the house occupied by Fisher Patterson and will send his children to school the rest of the term. Mr. Whip will probably make his home here for the future.

We are always receiving, and selling, fresh, pure drugs at Taylor's, west side square.

Mr. Ed. Henderson had a runaway out at his place a few days ago and was unfortunate enough to get a valuable mare seriously cut on the wire.

PITTSBURG SHY ON BIRTHS

Smoky City Leads in Race Suicide, According to Figures by City Physician Booth.

Pittsburg, Pa.—A table of births and deaths in Pittsburg during the last 14 years, prepared by Dr. B. A. Booth, city physician for the bureau of health, shows a startling decrease in the number of births notwithstanding a large increase in population.

"The figures show race suicide is a fact," Dr. Booth said, "and I think more so in Pittsburg than any of the larger cities of the country. There is also another feature. At the present advanced age the physicians save 50 per cent. more babies than they did ten years ago. The advance made in science has reduced the loss of cases to the minimum. Taking this into consideration, together with the increase in population and such a decided decrease in the birth rate, it shows that something is radically wrong. President Roosevelt is right in his theories on race suicide."

In 1891 there were 7,067 births, the rate a thousand being 28.61. In the same year there were 5,832 deaths, the rate a thousand being 23.61. The table is complete to the end of 1904, which shows a decrease in the birth rate to 21.74, more than seven per cent. The death rate is decreased from 23.61 to 19.79 from 1891 to 1904.

The figures for the first three months of this year are surprising. In 1891 the excess of births over deaths was 1,235. The figures for this year indicate that the excess of births has been wiped out and the conditions are reversed, there being a decrease of 23 births from the death rate.

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Dinner and Party.

Mrs. B. S. Taylor issued invitations to the girls of the younger set to dine with her two daughters Misses Maggie and Hattie, Thursday after Christmas. The little ladies assembled in the forenoon and the fun began. The morning was spent in chatting and anticipating the nice turkey dinner Mrs. Taylor served for them about 1 o'clock. Turkey with all the trimmings, cakes, candies and fruit tended to put the participants in such high spirits that the frolic was only limited by their ability to think up new schemes for amusement. Late in the afternoon they decided to have an impromptu party and the boys were hastily invited. The girls then borrowed long skirts from mothers and grown up sisters and proceeded to do up their hair and mimic their elders to perfection. Mrs. Taylor and her daughters are to be congratulated upon the success of the days entertainment.

Well Sir, you just ought to see the overshoes at Wells & Welcher's store, all sizes, shapes and descriptions, and at such reasonable prices too. My, you better stock up.

Pound Supper.

On Wednesday evening of Christmas week Mrs. W. C. Cowen gave the young folks a pound supper. The evening was bitterly cold and threatening snow, nevertheless every available team in town was pressed into service and the gay pleasure seekers were on their way. The house was brightly lighted and hospitality and good cheer abounded every where. A sumptuous supper was served, to which the guests did ample justice. The evening was voted a success by all present and Mrs. Cowan and her daughters Misses Lula and Annie were heartily thanked for the pleasant evening they had given their friends.

Mr. Fisher Patterson is moving to Snyder where he will engage in blacksmithing. We are sorry to lose Fisher and his charming wife from our little town. Come back Fisher when grass rises.

Fine Candies and all kinds of Nuts at Taylor's.

Mr. H. C. Smith, who bought out the blacksmith shop in Tahoka, also bought the house on the southwest corner of the square and has moved in with his family so as to be close to his work. People who buy their homes and come to stay are the kind to build up a town.

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An Idyll of Oyster Bay

realize a little what you have been to me, and to know that your sweet friendship will be the one solace I shall take with me into the loveless life that lies before me."

"Loveless!" I gasped.
"Yes, loveless! I have never loved any woman in the world but you, Nan; no woman's hand has ever lain on my shoulder as yours did just now—no woman's eyes have ever fled from mine as yours did in the boat this evening—I never thought of love till I thought of you—she whom I am bound in honor to marry does not love me, nor I her."
"Then why—" I began.

"Nan," he said, "don't you know what duty is? I have a dear mother—she has sacrificed herself for me a thousand times since she first gave me birth—she has deprived herself of necessaries that I might have luxuries. My father, Nan, is a poor, blind, old man; for him and for me my mother has done marvels. She sent me to college that I might be able to take the high place among men that she coveted for me, and to do this and feed my blind father she had to deprive herself of every thing. When I discovered the truth I vowed to repay her if it ever lay in my power. The opportunity has come; she who has till now never asked any thing of me in her life now asks that I marry this woman. At the time when my mother made this request it seemed nothing to me—I promised. Now, Nan, I find that it was a supreme sacrifice that she asked me, and though I would endeavor to keep my word to my mother at all costs, still if you loved me it would be almost beyond my power to do so, and I rejoice that you have no love for me to make the sacrifice beyond the power of human endurance."



I GRASPED HIS SHOULDER.

Clara, what could I say? What could I do? Here was the love I had longed for, the deliverance I had prayed for, right within my reach, and yet not for me. Clara, you know by this time that I did care for him, and to have him feel confident that I did not and to believe in a wicked invention of that foolish Harriet's was too much for me. I felt every thing I cared for in the world slipping away from me, and I did what I could not help doing—broke down and wept.

In a moment his arms were about me.
"Nan, my darling, why do you sob so? Tell me—is it—Nan, tell me, do you love me?"

What could I say, Clara? Nothing. I buried my head on his shoulder and could not speak, but how true it is that there are times when words are superfluous! He understood me perfectly and soothed me like a child. I will never forget the happy moments that followed. Then he spoke.

"I have been wrong, very wrong; I should have left you long ago, and not jeopardized your happiness as well as my own!"

"You have been deceived," I said; "Harriet has deceived you. I am not bound to any one. It is true that in a

few days I have to give my decision about some one—but I am free, absolutely free."

He was silent and paced up and down the beach before me.

"It is, then, your happiness and mine, against the peace of mind of my mother," he said at last. "Oh, Nan, ought we to listen to the voice of duty and part here and now, or ought we to throw all else aside for our love?"

I staggered.
He paced the beach again, and then came and stood beside me.

"Could you face poverty with me?" he asked. "Not such as you have here, but genteel poverty, where you have to struggle to keep up appearances, no matter how sad your heart, or how empty your purse. I am quite a poor fellow: would you be willing to share poverty with me?"

"I could—" I began.

He interrupted me.
"I know what you would say, you could work. But were you my wife I would not let you wear out your life working for me."

I paused. I was about to tell him the whole truth, when swiftly bearing down upon us came Harriet. She had missed us and flown along the beach after us. She was so enraged that she hardly knew what she was saying, and with her backing of William Sayer and Hans she was formidable indeed.

"You're a fine specimen for a gentleman!" she began; "as for you Nan, I'll talk to you later. Get home at once! If it wasn't too late you should go back to your home this night!"

"You needn't be so angry with your niece, Mrs. Sayer," he said, soothingly. "If you had given us time we would have come back to you ourselves and taken you into our confidence. I have been asking Nan to be my wife."

"You have," Harriet sniffed. "Well she won't, I can tell you that right now. Lordy, who are you, I wonder, to want to marry the likes of her!"

Mr. Douglas was nettled.
"I can satisfy you about my respectability easily enough," he said. "I can offer your niece a comfortable home with my mother and father, and can give you a guarantee to keep her from want."

"You can, can you?" said Harriet, "and you think that would satisfy her! You don't know her! She's never done a hand's turn in her life, that girl hasn't! What do you make?"

"Nearly fifty dollars a week."

"Humph! She could spend that in gloves, and not know she'd had it!"

Mr. Douglas looked at me, amazed.
Harriet, however, went on quickly.
"She ain't no country girl! She's a girl city born, and city bred, and you'd be cursing her in a month if I was fool enough to let you both have your way. Look at them shoes on the feet of her. I hid them away from her but she found 'em. If they cost a penny they cost a ten-dollar bill, and yet she knows no better than to wear them out here on them rough stones. Is that the wife for a man with nearly fifty dollars a week! Hoist your sails and pull up your anchor, young man, and be off and forget her as fast as you can. She's not for the likes of you. Besides she's promised to a man who'll get her all the shoes she needs."

Mr. Douglas' face had been changing as she delivered her harangue, but he managed to stammer out:

"But she says it is not true!"

"But I say it is, and I'm a good friend to you. You get out of here with the morning tide! Nan ain't for the likes of you."

"Let me speak to your niece one moment!" he urged.

"Not a word," said Harriet, "and besides she's been deceiving you right along. She ain't no niece of mine at all."

With a cry Mr. Douglas threw up his hands and dashed off into the thicket, and Harriet, with the true instinct of a general, took possession of his boat, bade Hans lift me in—I was too dumb with anger and sorrow to resist—and thus we rowed home.

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THAT WATCH OF YOURS

is in many respects similar to a railway engine. Let an engine be run without oil or cleaning and before long it will stop dead. Upon examination it will be found that the friction and wear and tear has ruined the machinery, and it is fit only for the old iron heap. Likewise your watch: you put it in your pocket and while there is a kick in it, you, in your mistaken economy, do not consult the watchmaker and consequently rob your watch of years of good service and also much of its former accuracy. The time keeping qualities of a good watch are maintained and often improved by timely and skilful attention. If you want your watch to be true to you, you must be true to your watch.

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thing I kin do I'll do it. Blessed if I
won't."
"Come back in an hour," I whispered.
"I may have a letter for you."
"For the yacht?"
I nodded and he disappeared.
I sat down to write to Mr. Douglas
Clara, but I could not. I would in the
first place have to ask him to break his
word to his mother and to that other
woman, and all for the sake of one who
could not fall to be a burden to him. I
would have to tell him that every
word that Harriet had spoken was true,
and I could not do it, Clara. I feel the
force of Harriet's words. I should be a
drag on him, and a hindrance to him,
and it is better that I pass out of his
life, and let him pursue the even course
laid out for him before the unhappy
hour when first we met.

Ah, Clara! it gives me some sad com-
fort to know that my love for him is
strong enough to let me sacrifice my
own happiness for his.

Good-bye, dear; I hear Hans outside.
Be kind to me, Clara, and pity me that
next week I must give my promise to
that doubly hated Pryor D.

Your Broken-Hearted Friend,
NANETTE VAN CORTLAND.

P. S.—Oh, Clara! What do you think?
Hans tells me that Mr. Douglas has just
been here for his boat, and that he,
Hans, told him all he knew about me,
and that Harriet had not been speaking
the truth, and that I was crying, and
here, Clara, right before my eyes I have
a pencilled note from him. This is what
it says: "Nan, I do not sail till five; I
will wait here for a word with you all
the night. Hans says he thinks he can
bring you to me. I feel sure that you
can explain every thing to me, and if
you can, Nan, nothing shall part us."
"DOUGLAS."

Clara, I shall go to him; and the
future? Clara, the future must take
care of itself. I love him—that is all.

FOURTH WEEK.

DEAREST CLARA: I am too happy to
write, but I love it to you to let you know
the end of that dreadful night last week.

Where do you suppose I am writing?
Leaning on the roof of the cabin of
Douglas' yacht. We are in New Rochelle
harbor, and to-morrow is the day I have
to render my decision to my lawyer. I
shan't go to his office, though; he is
coming here to my wedding, my wed-
ding with Douglas, and while I am writ-
ing you Douglas' mother is sitting be-
side me interrupting me every now and
again to tell me what a good, brave,
noble fellow her son is. As if I had not
found that out for myself ever so long
ago.

Let me tell you:
About ten o'clock that awful night I
wrote you about, Harriet entered the
room and gave me a long lecture on my
iniquities, and upon the sin of flying in
the face of Providence and making a
poor drudge of myself, when I could
have all the money in the world that I
wanted just for saying so. I listened to
her patiently. Had I not got Douglas'
letter safely buttoned up in my frock,
and at every heart beat couldn't I hear
a faint crackle of the paper it was writ-
ten on?

At last she got drowsy, and bidding
me good night went out, locking the
door behind her and taking away the
key. Soon after I heard her go to her
room, and all was quiet.

Judge Perryman spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Alley at Tanoka Lake Ranch.

Mr. Tom Simons bought the W. E. Porterfield wagon-yard and every stable.

Mrs. Doak dined Mr. and Mrs. Donway, Judge Perryman, Rev. Griswold, the presiding elder who was in Tahoka for the purpose of holding his first quarterly conference.

Thursday during the Holidays the Misses Gilmore entertained their friends at a conversation party. Only a small crowd was present but all enjoyed themselves immensely.

Rev. J. O. Gore has moved into the new parsonage in the west side town.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Brown entertained a select few last Monday night.

Judge T. M. Bartley married Henry, of Floydada, at the home of the bride's parents on Sunday Dec. 24, 1905. Judge Bartley returned to his home in Tahoka Saturday Dec. 30, accompanied by Mrs. Bartley who is a welcome addition to the social life in Tahoka. We heartily congratulate the Judge upon winning so charming a lady for a wife and we wish the bride a long and happy life.

Friday night Dec 29 was quite a busy night in Tahoka: The party at Mrs. McDaniels, a party at Mrs. Crie's, a stewards meeting at the office of judge Perryman, and the Farmers Alliance at the court house: All going at the same time. Who can say Tahoka is not growing?

Mrs. S. N. McDaniel gave a party to the youngsters Friday Dec. 29. The house was full and every one present vied with each other in making the gathering a success. Games of all descriptions were played, apples were passed about the middle of the evening, when the fun began anew to last until the "Wee Sma" hours; When the party broke up amid thanks to their kind hostess for one of the gayest parties of the festive season and regrets that Christmas comes but once a year.

Mrs. Crie entertained the grown up young folks Friday night Dec. 29 at one of the quietest parties of Christmas. Snap was engaged in during the earlier part of the evening, after which the guests subsided into conversation which again subsided into silence, then the guests quietly stole away. Any how in a very quiet way Mrs. Crie's party was a howling success.

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Miss Lela Miles spent part of the Holidays in Tahoka among her many friends and incidentally made a very pleasant call on the Lynn County News.

The Boys Entertain.

Wednesday evening while the grown ups were being entertained at Mrs. Cowans, Mrs. J. S. Wells of Tahoka was entertaining the younger set, commonly called "frying size" by their elders. Mrs. Wells turned the management of the party over to her sons Messers Thurman and Claude, who did the honors of the evening to perfection. The nimbleness of the youngsters brains in contriving games, was only excelled by the nimbleness of their feet in executing them. When the clock struck ten, good-byes were said and a tired, but jolly set of youngsters sought their homes to dream of parties every evening and Christmas twice a week.

Prof. Walker has moved from Judge Bartley's place into Dr. McCoy's house.

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