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## THE LEADING STORE IN TOWN

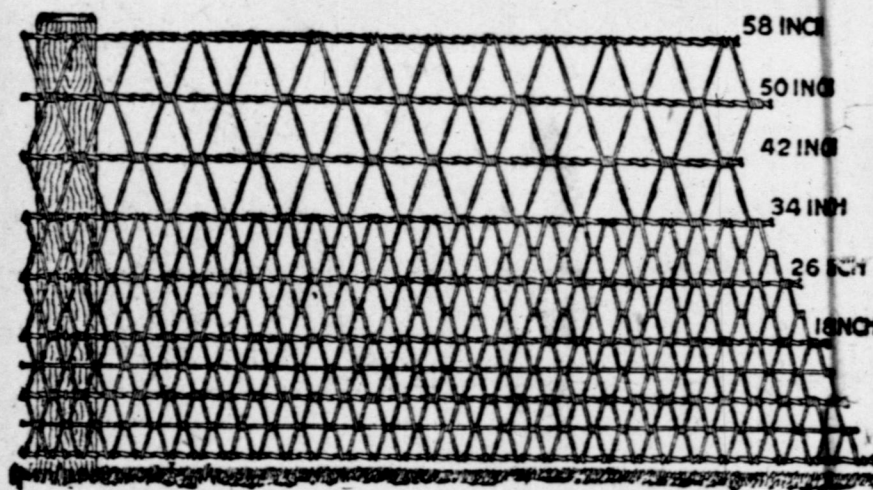
Men's  
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### The Strongest Fence

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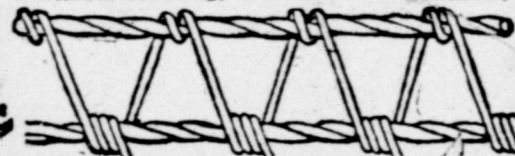
## ELLWOOD FENCE

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Heavy steel cables lapped about and held together by steel wire, forming uniform meshes. Simple, isn't it? No chance for weakness in any part; uniformly strong. The reasons for the superiority of ELLWOOD FENCE are not hard to find. This company owns and operates its own iron mines and furnaces; its own wire mills and six large fence factories—either one of the six being larger than any other fence factory in the world. These facts should be convincing.

Dry  
Goods  
and  
Groceries

## PETERSEN & COMPANY

### RECEIVES SOME FINE CHICKENS.

### August Herzing Pays Five Dollars Each For Six Hens.

August Herzing is another convert to the belief that there is money in raising good chickens in Del Rio and he is going into the business. Mr. Herzing recently received six fine Black Spanish hens, which cost him \$62 laid down. They are beautiful chickens indeed. He has two fine roosters also of the same breed, and will offer eggs for sale to the people here who wish to raise the Black Spanish. He says this breed of chickens are noted as good layers, and that the eggs are large, fine ones. We are glad to see more people taking interest in the raising

of fine chickens in Del Rio; our people, instead of having to buy from abroad, should always have this product for sale.

### Don't Be a Pessimist.

A town whose citizens have no public spirit is on the way to the cemetery. The citizen who will do nothing to help his town is helping to dig its grave. The citizen who growls about his town being "The worst ever," is assisting in its burial. The business man who will not advertise is driving the hearse. The citizen who is a chronic grumbler and always pulling back in every public enterprise is throwing bouquets on the graves. The citizen who "knocks" and howl, "hard times" preaches the funeral sermon. Point to a town whose citizens count every dollar

gotten from their neighbor a gain, and every dollar given to a school or college or church or library or chautauqua or lecture as loss, and you point to a town on which there rests a business and social blight, which will be known throughout your state as "A good town to move from." Do your part, then, as citizens! Count for something in the affairs of your town or city. Pledge your word and honor that so long as you reside in a community it shall be your constant aim to "boost" it in every way you can. That you will not "knock," but will do all you can for every public enterprise that has for its object the best interests of the community. That you will submit to the majority rule, and not growl if things are not always as you think they should be. That you will keep in mind that if a town is good enough for you to make money in, it is the legitimate place for you to spend it, and will buy everything you can of your home town merchants. That you will always say something good of your town and people or keep silent, except in case of a public nuisance. That you will not encourage nor contribute to injurious reports about your neighbors or business competitors but will use the scales of charity in weighing the shortcomings of your fellows. Practise this teaching and your town will be one into which the best families will come as the children gather round a fire on a winter's night. Take a big dose of cheerfulness and feel that the best is yet to come.

### For Sale.

A fine cook stove cost thirty dollars wood and coal burner latest style will sell for twenty dollars call at Printing Office.

### Uvalde Boy Makes Records.

The report comes from Georgetown that Jim Sheffield, a Uvalde boy at Southwestern University is making some excellent records in athletics. In the Southwestern and Baylor University track meet recently he made the 120-yard hurdle race in 16 seconds, breaking the record at Southwestern by one second and getting close to the world's record of 15 2-5. He also broke the Southwestern record in 220-yard low hurdle race in 26 seconds, the former record being 27 seconds. Besides these he won in two other events, and at the date of a recent letter from Lester Barnhill, had pitched two winning games out of three in baseball. He has won marked distinction in football, track meet and baseball, and at the same time has made good records in his classes.—Uvalde Leader-News.

### The Home Merchant.

In an editorial on "Why It Pays to Buy Goods at Home," the Liberal (Kan.) Independent has this deserved appreciation of the home merchant. Print it in your paper.

Without any thought of sentiment or suggestion that we owe allegiance to anyone, the cold hard truth is that the retail merchants of our home town are the best business friends we have.

The retail merchant conducts a school of commerce for our education and the tuition is free. Every man, woman and child gets the benefit of seeing in the home town about anything that is of real importance. He protects us against fraud and deceit. He stands for the square deal.

You never ordered a \$10 lightning rod of your home merchant and then found your note for a

thousand dollars in the bank next day as a result. You never paid him \$60 for a range that warped out of shape in six months—with out your wife getting the money back. He never charged you \$75 for a "trailer" buggy that you found out afterwards could be bought anywhere for \$60.

"No, the home merchant is just like you. He lives where he does business and his success depends on making a friend of you and your neighbor. Like you, he has to 'make good.'"

The retail merchant is now the one great factor of our commercial system and this is true solely because he renders us better service than we can get elsewhere. Take him away and our home town is gone; take our home town away and we deprive our children of the retail store, which is the greatest single educational factor in modern life. No, it cannot be. The retail merchant will continue to abide in our affections so long as we value our homes, because the average citizen is proud of his town (he always tells how close his farm is to it) and he secretly despises the method of peddlers—and the peddle system is now

known to be the legitimate father of the whole catalogue house business.

### Strayed or Stolen.

One grullo horse branded 4 H on left thigh. Will give \$5.00 reward for the return.

FRITTER & ROSS.

### NOTICE.

My pastures formerly known as the Furnish Ranch are posted. There will be no fishing, camping or hunting allowed in any of them, any one found violating this notice will be prosecuted.

A. W. WEST.

### \$100.00 Reward

I will pay 100.00 [one hundred dollars] reward for information resulting in the conviction of any party or parties leaving open the gates or injuring the fences of my pastures on the Nueces. See articles 794 and 795 page 144 revised statutes.

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Shampoo, Toilet Soaps, Hair Tonics and Dyes at Holmes Drug Store.

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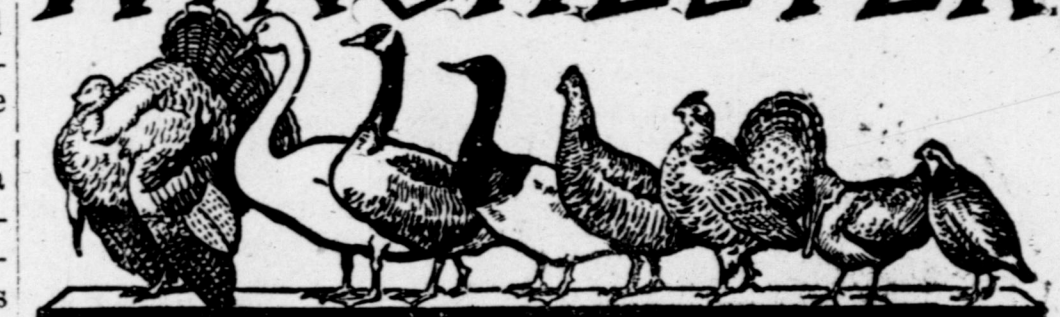
The combined banking power of the U. S. today is \$17,600,000,000. Farm value of farm products for 1908, was \$7,788,000,000. These figures indicate the rapid growth of finances in the past few years, and fore-shadow the wonderful advance probable in the near future, especially in Texas.

**BE PREPARED** by husbanding your resources to take advantage of possible great opportunities.

**THIS BANK** will help you save, and hold your money ready for your instant use.

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The Winchester Repeating Shotgun has stood the trying practical tests of sportsmen and the rigid technical trials of the U. S. Ordnance Board. Its popularity with the former and the official endorsement by the latter are convincing proof of its reliability, wearing and shooting qualities.

Send for Catalogue of Winchester—the Red W Brand—Guns and Ammunition.  
WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS CO. NEW HAVEN, CONN.

# The Brackett News.

Published Every Friday.

WILL W. PRICE, Editor and Prop.  
BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

## NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

The directors of the Brady Fair Association have set the date for the fair this fall for October 6, 7 and 8.

The grass fire in El Paso County, which started more than a week ago, is still burning and can be seen plainly from Pecos, a distance of seventy-five miles.

Delegates to the numbers of more than 200 are in San Antonio for the convention of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, which opened Tuesday morning.

An automobile line has been established between Blue Ridge and Melissa, making several trips daily.

Rev. W. P. Kimball, 80 years old, for thirty years a preacher in the Methodist Church, was found dead Wednesday on the gallery of his boarding place in Paris.

Fisherman Tib Dobson caught with a hook Wednesday night on Elm River, three miles west of Aubrey, a catfish weighing seventy-four pounds, this being the largest caught in this community this season.

Monday morning between 2 and 3 o'clock, one of the show windows of Joseph Roth's jewelry store, New Braunfels, was broken and \$200 worth of jewelry stolen.

Franchise taxes of corporations are being paid into the Department of State at Austin, at the rate of \$15,000 a day. Taxes must be in by May 1, or a 25 per cent penalty attaches.

A movement is on foot among the Texas and Pacific Railway officials to establish a branch railway hospital in Bonham. Being a division point, the company employs a physician here.

Reports received in Dallas tell of rains in various sections of Texas Monday. No heavy falls are reported, but the fact there was some rain encouraged many in their hopes for good rains soon.

Considerable damage resulted Tuesday, in Fort Worth, from the wind which preceded the rain. Trees were uprooted or blown down at a number of points, awnings and smokestacks were damaged.

Burglars broke into the Pastor's study at the Methodist Church Tuesday night in Waxahachie, and stole a typewriter valued at about \$75 and \$11 worth of stamped envelopes.

The Concho Mill and Grains Company at San Angelo, is planning to start its flouring mill within ten days or two weeks, after which the citizens of San Angelo can partake of bread made from home-produced flour.

Some sunshine, but more cloudiness and rain, made Thursday a day of cool weather, and the highest reading of temperature for the day was 74, against a rate of 85 for the same day one year before. The lowest run was 41 degrees.

In the postponement of the temporary injunction hearing relative to the transportation of Texas cattle into Osage County, Oklahoma, shippers will have about all the time required in which to get their cattle located on Osage pastures.

After adopting the resolution fixing the retail price of bread at 5c a loaf, the present price, and the wholesale price at 4c the Master Bakers' convention in San Antonio Thursday afternoon selected Houston as the next meeting place and adjourned finally.

A complete investigation of all the circumstances connected with the shooting up of Brownsville, Texas, on the night of Aug. 13-14, 1906, will be made by the court of inquiry, which will soon meet in pursuance of an act of Congress passed last winter.

Beginning Tuesday morning and lasting throughout the greater part of the day, rain fell over the greater part of Northern, Central and Eastern Texas, with scattered general rains in portions of the Panhandle and Western Texas.

Saturday was tag day in Mount Pleasant. The day was set apart to the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, under whose direction the work was carried out.

Two Erath County pioneers were buried Thursday. John Wilson, who was one of the best-known millers in this part of the country and had lived in Stephensville for about thirty-five or forty years, was buried with Masonic honors, and Frank Carr, who had reached the age of 80 and had lived in this county for forty or fifty years, was laid to rest at the Alard Cemetery.

Fire broke out Saturday night in Winnsboro, completely destroying one block with most of the contents. The damage is estimated at \$20,000.

Chief Justice Rainey, in the Court of Civil Appeals of Texas Saturday morning, rendered a decision of State-wide interest. He held that the payment of the gross receipts tax does not exempt corporations from the payment of occupation taxes imposed by the act of 1897. There are, perhaps, several hundred cases in the Attorney General's office at Austin on this decision.

"It is now up to the cattlemen of Texas to make a speedy finish of tick eradication so their cattle can go anywhere unrestricted." This was the statement made Thursday by H. E. Crowley, of Ft. Worth, secretary of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, referring to the pending injunction troubles in Oklahoma.



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### SYNOPSIS.

"Vanishing Fleets," a story of "what might have happened," opens in Washington with the United States and Japan on the verge of war. Guy Hillier, secretary of the British embassy, and Miss Norma Roberts, chief aide of Inventor Roberts, are introduced as lovers. The government is much criticized because of its lack of preparation for strife. At the most inopportune moment Japan declares war. Japan takes the Philippines without loss of a man. The entire country is in a state of turmoil because of the government's indifference. Guy Hillier starts for England with secret message and is compelled to leave Norma Roberts, who with military officers also leaves Washington on mysterious expedition for an isolated point on the Florida coast. Hawaii is captured by the Japs. Country, in turmoil, demands explanation of policy from government. All ports are closed. Hillier goes to England on last boat. England learns that Jap fleet is fast approaching western coast of America. Hillier decides to return to America by any means. Siego, Japanese spy, discovers secret preparations for war. He follows into carrying presidential cabinet. He uncovers source of great mystery and flees, murmuring: "The gods save Nippon." Flooding to Pacific coast, Siego is shot down just as journey to get awful news to Japan seems successful. Japan announces intention to attack seaports.

### CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

One day, two days, and three, passed before Japan felt anxiety, or the world began its discussion as to the cause of the long delay. Then, when the fleet was more than a week overdue it became almost a certainty that some disaster had overtaken it, although from no section of the sea had there been a typhoon reported or anything but excellent barometric conditions. Ten days passed in this same way and on the last report from Honolulu was identical with that which had been made on all those previous: "Nothing in sight, and nothing arrived."

Once more the world stood in expectancy, and vainly sought the solution for the latest enigma. Storms were eliminated; for no tempest could have wiped out such a magnificent body of ships so effectually as to leave none to bear the sad tidings to the west port. And then, as a full realization of what must have happened came upon the watching powers, a shudder of dread passed through their all. It was plain that America had some new and terrific naval strength, some unheard-of monster of the deep, that gave it the mastery of the seas. The evolution of submarines had been anticipated; but no one had knowledge of a craft that could steam such a distance as would have been necessary to intercept the Japanese before they reached Honolulu, engage them and either destroy them completely or capture and convey them to an American port.

It must have been total destruction, the world argued, because in case of capture great battle ships themselves would scarcely have been able to make the complete trip to a Pacific coast on the supply of coal they carried in their bunkers. Forced drafts required great expenditure of fuel, and never at any time had there been any other intention than of replenishing at Hawaii. It seemed impossible that a civilized nation should have chosen deliberately to exterminate its enemies by wholesale; and yet there was no other conclusion tenable.

How terrific must have been that onslaught, coming up out of the waters of the sea, and how remorselessly executed! All losses of life in previous naval engagements sank into insignificance when compared with this sudden and swift obliteration of a fleet of warships, transports and colliers. It would be nearly impossible to spare lives in such a battle, and it seemed a certainty that the great steel monsters that had sailed away to easy conquest had become mere metal coffins for those who manned them, and were now resting somewhere on the floor of the heedless Pacific. If such was the case, it was time the United States ceased to exist as a nation, when peopled by inhuman monsters who calmly slew their adversaries when threatened.

Japan was left a helpless little island in the sea, without ships to assail an enemy or to defend herself. Shorn of power and pride, she was plunged as deeply in mourning as only a few weeks before she had been exalted in glory. She plaintively bewailed the barbarities of her enemy, and proudly pointed to her own high state of civilization, which made such warfare impossible. She asserted that had she possessed such monsters of destruction as were evidently owned by the United States, she would have scorned to use them without notifying the whole world of her power. It was a country of desolation.

There was hardly a prominent home in Japan which had not contributed some member of its family to that splendid navy which had sailed so proudly away when early June was spreading its flowers over the empire; now there were sobs of bereavement and woe.

Across the ancient lands of the Pharaohs and up through the provinces of kings there swept a unanimous desire for an explanation. It could come from only one source—this land of mystery which had cut itself off from all the world and stood silent, guarding its secret, and suddenly grown ominous in its possibilities and potentialities.

At first, on impulse, he almost answered "No," but before his lips could formulate the monosyllable there suddenly returned to his memory several conversations he had had with Dr. Roberts on this subject, and also he recollected that in one of these talks Norma had participated. There was no reason so far as he could think why he should conceal this knowledge.

"Yes," he replied, "I do know something of the subject, but nothing tangible or of value. That which recurs to me is a conversation I had a few months ago with a scientific inventor who is a friend of mine."

"And his name, pray?"

"Dr. William Roberts."

Every man in the room gave a start and looked at his neighbor. The mention of the name seemed to have affected them. The prime minister repeated it as an exclamation. "That is the man," he said, "who is supposed to have gone insane, but who at one time, according to our secret reports, was working on some electrical discovery which might be utilized for an improved submarine. What do you know of it?"

"I know only this," he said, "that Dr. Roberts told me he believed it perfectly feasible so to use electricity through metal as to change its structure and at the same time lessen the resistance, or skin friction, through the water of a boat so constructed."

"Were you at the time discussing submarines?"

"Yes, we were. The subject arose through his describing certain experiments in which he and his daughter were then engaged. His contention was that a submarine could never be made totally effective unless it gained a speed so far beyond anything known that it could traverse great distances and maneuver with such rapidity that

United States, your perfect knowledge of the Canadian border line, and your ability to talk personally to the president if he can be reached. We are not at war with the United States, and do not believe that vessels sent by us would be attacked unless war was declared. In the interests of the national dignity, however, we are compelled to make some kind of demonstration of strength off the American coast—this for the reassurance of our own people in Canada, if for no other purpose. We are going to send our most powerful fleet into Canadian waters, where it will be stationed until this war is at an end. You recognize the danger?"

Hillier sat thoughtfully for a moment and then said: "Yes, I think I do. You are afraid that if a great fleet was sent toward Canada it might be misinterpreted by the United States as a warlike move against her; there might be accidents; and then our vessels would disappear as completely as did those of Japan."

"You are right," the minister assented, and his companions nodded in approval. "Now, under those circumstances it is necessary for us to get word through, without any chance of miscarriage whatever, fully and clearly explaining to the United States that this demonstration is for the reassurance of Canada; that it has no intention of interfering with American affairs, and requesting that measures be taken to prevent its being attacked under misapprehension. If that message did miscarry or was delayed in its delivery to one sufficiently high in authority, the results might be fatal."

"And you wish me to make an attempt to deliver these advices?"

"Yes, because we have tried through other agencies and failed. This time there must be no failure, because the North Sea fleet is now being mobilized to its full strength, including the Dreadnought and her two sister ships, and will sail within a week after your departure. Do you think you can pass the lines?"

Guy's heart gave a great bound of satisfaction. Now he would have all the aid his government could give to penetrate the cordon and reach a place where he stood the best chance of finding Norma, or of learning where she was and what had happened to her and her father.

"No one can try harder, sir," he hastened to assert, "and I believe that if anyone can enter I can."

"When can you go?"

"As soon as you are ready."

"Then let it be to-night. One of our fastest dispatch boats, probably the Norfolk, will take you, and will land you wherever you deem it best to make the attempt. I suppose, however, you will endeavor to go through by way of Canada?"

He answered that such would be his intention, shook hands with them all, received his messages and left the chambers, his blood tingling with the excitement of action and elated because the call of duty was leading him back into the land where Norma lived and might be found.

In the chamber he left behind a group of men, who looked at each other and said: "He is the fourth man to try it; and is not only the best, but our last hope."

### CHAPTER VIII.

#### The Lone Voyager.

A special train breaking records for speed swung shrieking into the archway of the Liverpool station, and Hillier, carrying nothing but light baggage, jumped out of his compartment and walked along the Queen's landing to the gangplank of the waiting Norfolk. Two men in sailor's uniform, who evidently had been posted for the purpose of keeping curious loungers away from the boat, halted him, and were joined almost on the instant by two officers in waiting. Hillier recognized one as a personal friend. They shook hands, boarded the ship, and almost before their feet were planted on the deck the landing stage was swung into the air and she proceeded to get under way.

It was plain to Hillier that no time was to be lost in this trans-Atlantic journey; for before the Norfolk had passed out of the river she was working under forced draught. He found himself the only passenger, and that instructions had been given placing the destination of the ship under his orders. That the government purposed to spare no expense or effort in assisting him to a successful conclusion of his mission was evident. He was tired of hearing of war, and felt a secret sense of satisfaction as day after day passed in respite from such news.

Out of the North sea, sluggishly rolling in the swells and floundering through the waves, gathered a fleet almost as powerful as that which had been mobilized by Japan. Other nearby stations sent in their quota of cruisers, torpedo-boat destroyers and swift-moving dispatch boats. Five of the world's greatest battle ships formed the heart of this apparently invincible gathering, which was to cross the ocean to a land of mystery, always facing the possibility of destruction by a terrible and unknown engine of warfare.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### Lord and Marquis.

The title lord is applied to five grades of English nobility, dukes, marquises, earls, viscounts and barons, so that we cannot say that a lord is higher or lower than a marquis. The grades of nobility in England run in the above order, with the addition of the baronet. The latter, however, does not receive the title of lord. The son of a duke is by courtesy a marquis, and the son of a marquis is similarly an earl.

## THE TWO SIDES OF HISTORY.

Some Pertinent Observations Made by Writer Evidently Not Fond of Subject.

History is a running account of how King Somebody-or-other either did or did not get to a certain place, which nobody ever heard of, before King Somebody-else got there, from which we are usually supposed to conclude that it would have made quite a difference whether he did not.

Like nearly everything else, history has two sides. The history of the Garden of Eden depends upon whether it is related by a man or a woman. The history of the American revolution reads quite different in English books from the way it reads in our own books. The history of the civil war depends upon which side of the Mason and Dixon line you happen to be sitting when you write it.

History is a bore, not only because you are unacquainted with the people who figure in it, but because it repeats itself.—Life.

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"Didn't you give me this tie, dear?"

"Yes, love. Why?"

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The man looked annoyed.

"No! I am Booth Tarkington himself."

"Then buy a copy of 'Three Weeks,'" persisted the boy. "You ain't Elinor Glyn, too, are you?"—Everybody's Magazine.

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They Shook Hands.

no greater consternation. The very terms of the reply showed insolence toward all the world, and demanded explanation. But who dared attempt it? What country was brave enough to take the risk of meeting those terrible submarines, which were capable in a night of destroying the most complete flotilla that ever had been mobilized and sent away? If they only knew what form these monsters took, what dire warning they gave as they advanced to the attack, there might be some means of offsetting them or perhaps repelling them. That information, at any cost, must be gained. In its reaching out for anything which might suggest a way, the British ministry set for Hillier.

Guy, sleepless and worn from nights and days of anxiety, responded to the call, listlessly wondering what further information he could give as to the situation in America, or what if any duty could be expected of him when the ministry itself was unable to accomplish anything.

He was ushered into the room where on several previous occasions he had answered questions, and found there the same men who had met him on the day of his arrival in London; but there was a different attitude this time, however, and the officials before him seemed anxious and ill at ease. Plainly they were ready for any suggestion he might offer, or any measure that might seem possible.

"Mr. Hillier," the lord of the admiralty began, "in all the time you were in Washington did any rumors or stories or information reach you regarding some new form of submarine boat projected, or being experimented with, by the United States government?"

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# GREAT CONGRESS OF PEACE WORKERS HELD IN CHICAGO

Thousands of the Opponents of Warfare, Including Many Distinguished Diplomats and Statesmen, Gather to Discuss Disarmament and Worldwide Arbitration.

Chicago.—Every civilized country on the globe was represented in the second National Peace Congress, which began here Monday. The gathering was the greatest of its kind ever held in America, and brought to Chicago some 25,000 persons who are zealous workers in the cause of world-wide peace. Among these were eminent statesmen and diplomats of this and other nations. Unfortunately, official duties prevented both President Taft, the honorary president, and Secretary of War Dickinson, the president of the congress, from being present.

On Sunday there were special services in most of the Chicago churches, peace meetings under the auspices of socialist and labor organizations, and a large mass meeting which was addressed by President Schurman of Cornell University, Rev. Jenkins Lloyd Jones and Dr. Emil G. Hirsch of Chicago.

Welcome to the Congress. Orchestra hall was filled to the limit Monday when the first session was called to order by Robert Treat Paine of Boston, the presiding officer, for governors, mayors and hundreds of clubs had been asked to appoint delegates, and most of them had responded. President Dickinson's address, the same he delivered several weeks ago before the Hamilton club, was warmly welcomed by Gov. Charles S. Deneen for the state, Mayor Fred A. Busee for the city and Rev. A. Eugene Bartlett, chairman of the reception committee. The secretary then read a brief letter from President Taft, in which the chief executive heartily commended the aims of the congress.

Miss Anna B. Eckstein of Boston next was introduced to the meeting and read a "World Petition to the Third Hague Conference." This was



William J. Calhoun.

followed by an address by Dr. Benjamin F. Trumbull, secretary of the American Peace Society, on "The Present Position of the Peace Movement."

What has been accomplished. Dr. Trumbull said in part: "Let me sketch in the barest outlines what has already been accomplished. The interpretation will take care of itself."

"The men and women, now a great host who believe that the day is past when blind brute force should direct the policies of nations and preside at the settlement of their differences, are now thoroughly organized. A hundred years ago there was not a society in existence organized to promote appeal to the forum of reason and right in the adjustment of international controversies. To-day there are more than 500, nearly every important nation having its group of peace organizations. Their constituents are numbered by tens of thousands from every rank and class in society—philanthropists, men of trade and commerce, educators and jurists, workmen, statesmen, rulers even."

"The organized peace party has its International Peace bureau at Berne, Switzerland, binding all its sections into one world body. It has its International Peace congress which has held 17 meetings in 20 years—congresses over which statesmen now feel it an honor to preside and which are welcomed by kings and presidents with a warmth of interest and a generosity of hospitality scarcely accorded to any other organizations. It has its great national congresses in many countries, like this present one, and the Carnegie hall, New York, two years ago; and its special conference like that at Mohonk lake. It has its unsurpassed banquets and festivals, like that given to the Seventeenth International Peace congress by the British government in London last July, and those recently given by the Peace society of the city of New York."

Triumph of Arbitration. "II. The position which the peace movement has reached is no less distinctly determined by the practical attainment of arbitration. We are this year celebrating what is really the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of our movement, for it was in 1809 that Dr. L. Dodge, a Christian merchant of New York city, wrote the pamphlet which brought the move-

ment" was the general topic of the Orchestra hall meeting Tuesday afternoon, and the chairman William J. Calhoun of Chicago. Prof. William I. Hull of Swarthmore college discussed the advances registered by the two Hague conferences, and James Brown Scott, solicitor of the state department, talked about some questions which the third Hague conference probably will consider. "Legal Problems Capable of Settlement by Arbitration" was the subject of a learned paper by Prof. Charles Cheney Hyde of Chicago.

Special Collegiate Session. In Mandel hall, at the University of Chicago, a special session was held for universities and colleges, a feature of which was an oratorical contest participated in by students. Louis P. Lochner of Madison, Wis., spoke on "The Cosmopolitan Clubs." The general session of Tuesday evening was perhaps the most interesting of the congress. "Next Steps in Peacemaking" was the topic. The audience was aroused to great enthusiasm by an eloquent and spirited ad-



Richard Bartholdt.

dress by Congressman Richard Bartholdt of Missouri, president of the American Group, Interparliamentary union. Another paper that met with deserved applause was that of Edwin D. Mead of Boston on "The Arrest in Competitive Arming in Fidelity to the Hague Movement."

Competitive Arming. In discussing this question, Mr. Mead said:

"Let us consider simply Great Britain, Germany and the United States. It is unnecessary to go further, because these three nations control the situation, and they are the chief sinners. If these three nations began today to act, with reference to armaments, in accordance with the spirit and purpose of the Hague convention, the peace and order of the world would be assured to-morrow."

"In 1898 Great Britain spent on her navy \$124,000,000; Germany spent \$29,000,000; and the United States spent \$50,000,000. Last year Great Britain spent \$70,000,000; Germany, \$33,000,000; and the United States, \$104,000,000. The increase in precisely ten years when there should have been decrease was enormous. Our own army expenses last year were as great as our navy expenses. Our navy expenses this year will be \$30,000,000 greater than last year. We are today paying for expenses of past wars and preparations for possible wars 65 per cent, practically two-thirds, of our total national revenue, leaving barely one-third available for all constructive purposes. What would Washington and Jefferson and Franklin say to this? We know what they did say about things of this sort. They would say to-day that the republic was standing on its head."

Hope for the Future. "This is what has come about in ten years in these three nations because the Hague conference in 1899 did nothing about the reduction or arrest of armaments. As we now look back, we see that it could not do much directly at that time. The war system of nations could be supplanted only by the gradual development of a system of international law and justice to take its place. When the first Hague conference created the international tribunal, it did indirectly the most probably which it could do in behalf of the reduction of armaments, because it took a long step in furnishing the nations with such legal machinery for the settlement of their differences as makes recourse to war machinery more and more unnecessary and inexcusable. It has been in the line of this thought that the international lawyers have had their hopeful assurance. Develop the legal machinery, they said, and the armaments will perform crumble of their own dead weight."

"The continued and rapid development during the decade of provision for the peaceful settlement of international disputes has been something unparalleled in history. The leaders of the movement for international justice are sometimes reproached with being dreamers. The only trouble with them in the past ten years has been that, so far as the development of the instruments of international justice are concerned, they have not been able to dream daringly enough or fast enough to keep up with the facts."

Among the diplomats who came to Chicago to attend the Peace congress were: Ambassador Count Johann Heinrich von Bernstorff of Germany; Herman de Lagerantz, envoy from Sweden; Wu Ting Fang, envoy from China; Alfred Mitchell Innes, counselor of the British embassy, and Dr. Halvdan Kont of the University of Norway. The Japanese, Turkish and French embassies also were represented.

## LEGISLATIVE NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL OF TEXAS

In the House. The house was called to order Saturday morning.

No quorum was present. Representative Cureton rose to a question of personal privilege to reply to Senator Senter's speech in the senate last Saturday.

The Alexander-Terrell (McLennan) bank guaranty bill and the Terrell (Bowie) fraternal insurance company bill, received from the senate, were referred, respectively, to the committees on banks and banking and insurance. At the conclusion of Cureton's remarks, Representative Stratton's amendment to the miscellaneous items of the appropriation bill providing for an appropriation of \$50 to pay M. M. Scott, architect, for services rendered in preparing plans and specifications for a quarantine station at Galveston, was adopted.

An amendment by Robertson and Schuler of Travis, appropriating \$2237 to reimburse the city of Austin for brick repairing work on the State's property abutting on Congress avenue, to be expended by August 31, 1911, was adopted.

Schuler introduced an amendment appropriating \$20,000, or as much of that sum as necessary, for the purchase of two paintings, "Dawn of the Alamo" and "The Battle of San Jacinto," by Huddle.

At the suggestion of Davis, the amount was reduced to \$15,000 and the amendment adopted.

Crockett (Washington) procured the adoption of an amendment attaching the emergency clause.

Bills Introduced. The following bills were introduced in the House Saturday:

No. 77, by Mr. Turney—Extending the time in which lands sold to the state for taxes may be redeemed. Senator Hudspeth introduced bill extending the time for which land may be redeemed which has been sold for taxes two years from the time that the bill goes into effect if passed, and thus giving the owners two years additional time to redeem the land.

In the House. In the house Friday morning Hamilton McCulloch sent up a memorial resolution on the death of W. T. Milion, a former representative, who died April 28. It was adopted by unanimous rising vote.

Anderson's resolution requesting President Taft to visit Waxahachie when he comes to Texas met with a stormy reception and was tabled by a vote of 90 to 4.

Ray sent up a concurrent resolution providing that the legislature adjourn sine die on Saturday, May 8, at 5 p. m. It met with considerable opposition and objection was raised by several members to its second reading.

Crockett (Mitchell) secured the final passage of the bill providing an independent school district for Lubbock.

Bowles secured the final passage of the bill reorganizing the Fifty-ninth judicial district.

A bill providing for a road law for Wood county was engrossed.

Bell secured the passage to third reading of a bill providing for the organization and incorporation of interurban railway lines using power other than electricity.

Davis secured the final passage of his bill giving interurban railways the right of eminent domain.

Thursday's Senate Doings. The bank bills were on the calendar Thursday morning as pending business and Lieut. Gov. Davidson, from the chair, sounded a note of warning relative to the consideration of the several bank guaranty bills, stating that the killing of a bill on that subject would preclude further legislation thereon for this session.

First came the Cureton bank guaranty bill, as passed by the house. After some remarks it was placed on the table, subject to call, on motion of Senator Alexander, by a vote of 16 to 8, as follows:

Ayes—Adams, Alexander, Hayter, Hume, Kelle, Masterson, Meachum, Murray, Paulus, Peeler, Terrell of Bowie, Terrell of McLennan, Ward, Watson, Weinert, Willacy—16.

Noes—Brachfield, Bryan, Cofer, Holsey, Mayfield, Stokes, Thomas, Veale. Senator Alexander's guaranty bill was next on the calendar, adversely reported from the committee, with a favorable minority report. The minority report, apparently by agreement, was unanimously adopted.

In the House. The house met Wednesday and resumed consideration of the appropriation for the treasury department included in which is the school land department, \$53,180 for each year.

The appropriation for the comptroller's department, calling for \$62,330 for the first year and \$61,995 for the second year, was taken up and had easy sailing until the item calling for the salaries of two porters at \$400 each was reached, when an amendment cutting the amount to \$300 precipitated a short fight. This was voted down.

In the Senate.

The senate convened at 10 a. m. Saturday.

The following new bill was introduced:

By Hudspeth—Amending the law providing for the redemption of lands and lots sold for taxes.

The house bill finally passed:

House bill amending the law relating to incorporation and regulation of interurban railroads. This bill gives motor car lines the same powers and rights as are enjoyed by roads using electricity as a motive power.

Senate bill by Sturgeon and Harper authorizing cities and towns incorporated under general or special laws to provide by taxation for street improvements. Common councils or other governing bodies are authorized to hold elections to adopt this act and on failure to call an election they may be compelled to do so on petition of 100 citizens.

Appropriation Bill Passed.

The house of representatives Saturday passed the general appropriation bill after making several additions thereto, the most notable being the amendment by Mr. Hill and others appropriating \$1,068,900 to pay off state bonds maturing July 1 of the present year. This amendment was adopted notwithstanding the assertion made by Mr. Mobley that it was a slap at the administration of Gov. Campbell and intended to bring upon him the blame of raising the tax rate.

The total amount carried by the general appropriation bill is \$9,804,610.42, of which \$1,157,732.66 is immediately available, \$4,645,239.76 is available for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1910, and \$4,001,638 is available for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1911.

In the Senate.

The senate convened Friday morning. Rev. Mr. Bell of McKinney invoked the divine blessing.

Harper's resolution that all guaranty bank bills now in the hands of the printer be withdrawn was adopted.

House bill authorizing a new charter for the city of Amarillo was engrossed.

House bill regulating electric railways and permitting them to sell light and power was received and referred to committee.

Senator Veale offered an amendment requiring railroads to build overhead causeways, and another providing for the creation of an independent school district within the city, were adopted and the bill finally passed.

The senate concurred in the house amendments to the senate bill changing a term of holding court in the Fifty-ninth judicial district.

The Holsey bank guaranty bill was ordered to lie on the table subject to call.

The following bills were introduced in the House Wednesday:

No. 65, by Mr. Baker of Hood—Creating the Alexander independent school district in Erath county.

No. 66, by Mr. Highsmith—Galveston-Harris criminal court bill.

No. 67, by Mr. Cathey—Wood county road law.

Remove Ban From Ball.

The senate Wednesday failed to furnish its daily explosion, but the house, having a clear field, furnished sensation sufficient to satisfy the habitues of the galleries who relish that sort of thing. In the forenoon the house solemnly declared that no final ball or reception should be given by the students of the University of Texas with the official sanction or recognition of that institution, otherwise no money would be paid from the state treasury for the support of said institution. Later in the day, after the members had partaken of dinner and perhaps felt better, they reversed their action as expeditiously as an engineer reverses a locomotive when he sees a broken rail ahead and removed the ban from the ball.

Thursday's House Doings. Mr. Spradley offered a resolution declaring that a great deal of time had been wasted by the house in "venting hot air" that none of these debates were calculated to change the votes of members and limiting speeches hereafter to five minutes, with only one speech a week from each member, excepting the chairman of the appropriation committee. The resolution met with favor from many, but was the Lubbock independent school district referred to the committee on rules.

Senate bill by Mr. Veale, creating the Lubbock independent school district, was passed to a third reading.

Bill by Mr. Bowman, the Amarillo city charter, was passed finally.

Senate bill by Mr. Willacy, creating the Corpus Christi independent school district, was finally passed.

Bill by Mr. Flournoy, transferring Bell county from the Twenty-fourth to the Thirty-sixth judicial district, was passed finally.

Mr. Jenkins' appeal upon bill of exceptions bill passed finally.

In the Senate.

The senate convened Wednesday morning. Petitions came from Grimes county protesting against the state railroad bill and approving the course of Senator Meachum, and from Guadalupe county protesting against the Cureton bank guaranty bill and approving the course of Senator Weinert.

Senate bill by Peeler and Watson providing for the admission of foreign surety companies into the state and authorizing them to form associations to reduce losses, gather statistics, exchange experiences, etc.

## NEGRO WAS LYNCHED

AT TYLER FOR ATTEMPT AT CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

## TROOPS ARRIVED TOO LATE

Young Lady Could Not Positively Identify Him, But Mob Broke Into Jail and Hung Him.

Tyler, Tex.—Friday afternoon a negro attempted to criminally assault Miss Winnie Harmon, aged 18, at the farm of her parents, three miles southeast of Tyler. The young lady was some little distance from the house, hanging out clothes, when she was approached by the negro, who asked her if Mr. Harmon was at home. When told that he was not and would not be back until Saturday evening, he suddenly seized and gagged her and dragged her to the barn, where he securedly tied her to a ladder. It was three hours later when she was found in a semi-conscious condition.

The officers were promptly notified over the telephone, and hurried to the scene with bloodhounds. About 3 o'clock Saturday morning they arrested Jim Hodge, who answered the description given by the young lady of her assailant, and brought him to the city and lodged him in jail. The officers were assisted in their search by every male inhabitant in and near the community where the crime occurred.

By Saturday morning the news of the assault and the subsequent arrest of the negro having spread throughout the city and county, hundreds of people began to gather around the jail, and threats of lynching were openly heard. When the northbound International & Great Northern passenger train came in at 11:15, and it was ascertained that there were no troops aboard, threats were louder, and in a few minutes hereafter the crowd made a rush with sledge-hammers, etc., and in a short time had battered in the doors leading to the prison cells, and with chisels the lever to the negro's cell was opened and he was taken from the officers. He was carried to the third house below the jail, where Miss Harmon had been brought by her relatives, but the young lady could not positively identify him, but that in her opinion he was too small.

He was then hustled back to the jail and soon the young lady, with members of her family, was ushered into the jail and into the presence of a large number of prisoners. She pointed out the negro, Jim Hodge, saying that she believed he was the one, but was not positive.

This seemed to satisfy the crowd, and with a yell the negro was rushed from the jail, followed by the immense crowd, to the courthouse square, where the rope on a derrick used in lifting stone in the construction of the new courthouse was placed around his neck.

He was pulled up exactly at 12 o'clock and died in a few minutes. Troop arrived about two hours after the lynching.

May Be Murder.

Lufkin, Tex.—The dead body of George Burkley of Lingo, a confederate veteran, 63 years of age, was found at an early hour Saturday morning on the right of way of the Houston East and West Texas Railway, near the Angeline river, nine miles north of Lufkin. Charred and burned almost beyond recognition as it lay amidst the ashes of his clothing, and although the evidence might lead to the belief that murder had been done, nothing definite can be learned because of the fact that the companion, Abe Hilton, who was last seen with him, was perhaps fatally injured in an attempt to board a moving train several hours before Burkley's body was found, and has been unconscious since that time.

Enormous Onion Movement.

Galveston, Tex.—The movement of Texas onions through the port of Galveston for New York during the month of April reached enormous proportions and exceeded any previous record ever made in the history of the industry. During April 300,000 crates of Texas onions were transferred from cars to ships at this port and forwarded to New York in lots of 10,000 to 30,000 crates. The movement continues in heavy volume. Loaded to full capacity an ordinary freight car will carry 500 crates of onions. According to this measure, 600 full carloads of onions passed through this port in April.

Had to Replant Cotton.

Missouri City, Tex.—The dry weather is proving a great hindrance to the cotton crop. A very large per cent had to be planted over and still there is a large percent of bad "stands." Corn is in excellent condition, though needing rain. The potato crop is in fine condition and promises a very good yield, though a good rain would be of great benefit to them.

Gonzales Farmers' Union Warehouse.

Gonzales, Tex.—The regular annual meeting of stockholders of the Farmers' Union Warehouse company met at the court house Saturday. Reports of the manager were received and approved and a substantial dividend declared. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: George Minear, president; E. A. Minear, treasurer; H. A. Porter, secretary. Board of directors, George Minear, E. A. Minear, H. A. Porter, W. G. May, A. Jahn, J. L. Mooney and A. Jungerman.

# DIRECTORY.

## COUNTY OFFICERS:

Jos. Veltmann, - County Judge  
 Chas. Kartes, - County and Dist. Clerk  
 W. F. Holmes, - County Treasurer  
 Frank Lane, - County Attorney  
 J. E. Stadler, - Tax Assessor  
 Tom Perry, - Sheriff and Tax Collector  
 Charles F. Hodges, - Surveyor  
 N. Castro, Commissioner Prec. No. 1  
 Albert Schwandner, - Com. Prec. No. 2  
 R. E. Cannon, - Com. Prec. No. 3  
 J. F. McCormick, - Com. Prec. No. 4  
 R. R. Whistler, - J. P. Precinct No. 1

## CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Services first and third Sunday in each month.  
 High mass at 9:30 A. M.  
 Rosary and Benediction at 7:30 P. M.  
 Sunday School every Sunday at 10:00 A. M.  
 Rev. F. X. Brule, O. M. I.

## ST. ADREWS CHURCH.

Services every Sunday.  
 Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 a. m.  
 Evening Prayer at 7:30 p. m.  
 Chaplain Mills.  
 Priest-in-charge.

## EVANGIL LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Meets every third Sunday in each month at 2 p. m. in Episcopal Church.  
 Hans Krouse Pastor.

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## LOCAL.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Read Holmes' advertisement in this issue.  
 T. B. Overstreet was in court Tuesday.

District Court will convene in Brackett May 17th.

P. J. Griffin returned Tuesday from a trip in Mexico.

Fishing Tackle and Base Ball goods at Holmes Drug Store.

F. D. Bunce the busy abstract man of Uvalde was in Brackett Sunday.

J. C. Linn and family, of near Rock Springs, were in Brackett Tuesday.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Fresh Candies at the City Bakery next door to Holmes Drug Store.

J. P. Jones was visiting in Eagle Pass and C. P. Diaz Sunday.

Adolph Bitter left Sunday for San Antonio to receive medical treatment.

Deputy Sheriff Henry Etter of Eagle Pass was in Brackett Monday on official business.

Hancock Fritter and J. F. Nance were among those who were in C. P. Diaz Sunday.

Get Photos and Postal Cards of the new school house at Holmes. He has them for sale.

Rev. Father Joseph of Eagle Pass was in Brackett Sunday and conducted services at the Catholic Church.

# W. F. HOLMES' DRUG STORE

Candy

Cigars

## A FULL STOCK OF

Fishing Tackle, Base Ball Goods, Diamond Dyes, Putnam Dyes, Oil Paints, Liquid Veneer, Shoe Polishes, Spectacles, Pipes, Stationery, Combs, Brushes, Soaps, Perfumery and Post Cards.

## ALSO

Poultry Foods and Remedies, Stock Foods and Remedies, Blacklegoids, Stock Chloroform, Stock Calomel, Pure Chloroform, Shoo Fly Horn Paint, Pure Tar, Kreso, Kreso Dip, Moth Balls, Camphor, Carbolic Acid, Copperas, etc. etc.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Amos Weaver of Nueces was in town Monday for supplies.

Fine cigars and tobacco's at John Rowland's Restaurant.

Joe Platt of Del Rio was in Brackett Tuesday on business.

Joe Slator of Uvalde spent Sunday with relatives in Brackett.

For galvanized tanks see Wm. Haines of Brackettville, Texas

Freddie Zuehl of Spofford was visiting friends in Brackett Saturday.

Miss Millie Caden of Augusta Ky. is visiting her sister Mrs. J. E. Wright.

J. J. Andrada of Eagle Pass was registered at the Brackett Hotel Monday.

Sheriff Tom Perry has been busy all week summoning jurors for District Court.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Winn were visiting relatives in Brackett a few days this week.

W. S. Davidson, a prominent lawyer of Del Rio was in Brackett Monday on legal business.

O. F. Seeger returned Sunday from the hot springs at Hermanos Mexico.

Fish Hooks, Silk, Linen and Cotton Lines, Jointed Rods, Reels and Artificial Baits at Holmes Drug Store.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Mrs. N. P. Petersen left Tuesday for San Antonio where she will spend several days visiting friends.

Mrs. O. W. Stadler left Monday for El Paso where she will spend a week or two with relatives and friends.

On the last page in this issue will be found the delinquent tax list. Look it over and see if your taxes are delinquent.

Jim Clamp, R. C. Ballantyne and Geo. Herzing spent Sunday at the Woodhull ranch in the southeastern part of the county.

The many friends of George Herzing were glad to see him again on the meat wagon Monday morning. George has been off duty since the 30th of December.

Miss Annie Taylor who has been the efficient book keeper for Stratton & Co. left Sunday for her home near Tyler where she will make an extended visit with relatives.

The best confectionery in town at John Rowland's Restaurant.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Fruits at John Rowland's Restaurant.

R. E. Cannon of Mud Creek was in Brackett Friday on business.

The many friends of Miss Hattie Jones are glad to know that she has fully recovered.

J. A. Winn was in from the ranch Sunday. He left Monday for San Antonio on business.

Holmes Stock Chloroform is sold under a positive guarantee.

Dan Fritter, Joe Rose, Ben Jones and Leo Clamp were in C. P. Diaz Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hutchison of Tularosa were visiting relatives in Brackett this week.

W. A. Johnson of San Antonio was in our city Saturday calling on our busy merchants.

Liquid Veneer makes old Furniture new—at Holmes.

Mrs. T. J. and H. G. Martin of the Martin ranch were visiting friends in Brackett Monday.

Misses, Nora and Thresa Nolan and Mrs. Otto Postell were visiting relatives in Eagle Pass Sunday.

The troops of the third cavalry are expected to leave here for Ft. Sam Houston about the 10th of June.

The regular quarterly May term of Commissioners Court will convene in Brackett Monday morning.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Mrs. J. M. Ballantyne returned Sunday from a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in San Antonio.

Lunch at any hour day or night at John Rowland's Restaurant.

Miss Lucy Felthouse of San Antonio is visiting in Brackett this week, the guest of Miss Addie Rivers.

Fresh fruit at the City Bakery next door to Holmes Drug Store.

Geo. Ray, W. D. Dooley, Geo. McIntosh and Rufus Winn enjoyed a pleasant day outing on the Pinto Sunday.

Geo. Schwandner of Nueces was in town Tuesday. Geo. reports everything quite prosperous out his way.

Spectacles, Pipes and Trusses at Holmes Drug Store.

Jesse Flanders and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ray were dewberry hunting on the Las Moras Sunday.

San Antonio Bread at John Rowland's Restaurant.

The contractor for the new court house vault arrived Monday and commenced work Tuesday morning. He will have it completed in about two weeks.

The gasoline engine for Petersen & Co. arrived Tuesday. They will have it in running order in a few days so it will be in readiness to pump water in case of emergency.

### Delinquent taxes last page.

Lunch served at all hours at John Rowland's Restaurant.

## 128 OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the First State Bank of Brackettville

At Brackettville, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 28th day of April, 1909, published in the Brackett News-Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Brackettville, State of Texas, on the 7th day of May, 1909.

### Resources.

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$57,622.19
Loans, real estate	7,945
Overdrafts	000.
Bonds and Stocks	000.
Real Estate (banking house)	000.
Other Real Estate	000.
Furniture and Fixture	2,013.17
Due from Approved Reserve Agents	31,542.35
Due from other Banks and Bankers	1,786.98
Cash Items	33,329.33
Currency	8,639
Specie	4,842.43
Other Resources as follows:	000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114,382.12</b>

### Liabilities.

Capital Stock paid in	15,000.
Surplus Fund	3,000.
Undivided Profits, Net	2,411.29
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	000.
Individual Deposits, subject to check	93,970.83
Time Certificates of Deposit	000.
Demand Certificates of Deposit	000.
Cashier's Checks	000.
Bills Payable and Re-discounts	000.
Other Liabilities as follows:	000.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114,382.12</b>

STATE OF TEXAS ss.  
County of Kinney

W. N. P. Petersen as president, and Geo. A. Giddings as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

N. P. PETERSEN, President.  
GEO. A. GIDDINGS, Cashier.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.  
W. L. CLAMP, Notary Public  
Kinney County, Texas.

Correct-Attest:  
JIM CLAMP,  
JOS. VELTMANN,  
W. F. HOLMES,  
Directors.

## District Court.

District Court will convene in Brackett Monday morning May 17th. The following is the list of jurors:—

GRAND JURY.  
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PETIT JURY.  
Jno. McGowan, Jack Gay, J. M. Harwood, Jim Lathan, Fritz Poehler, T. B. Gargill, Charlie Schwandner, Sam Harwood, Geo Schwandner, Perry Witt, Henry Schmidt, Roy Coston, Roy Barksdale, Herman Hencke, R. V. Sauer, Wm. Yancey, Nath Isgrig, Jim Yancey, Chas. Gaebler, Chas Flanders, Albert Postell, A. Zinsmeister, Fred West, V. Miller, J. F. Nolant, B. H. Barnett, Jacob Schaffer, Jim Griffin, Geo. Ray, Louis Somora, J. C. Yeates, J. R. Rowland, Philip Bitter

SPECIAL VENIRE.  
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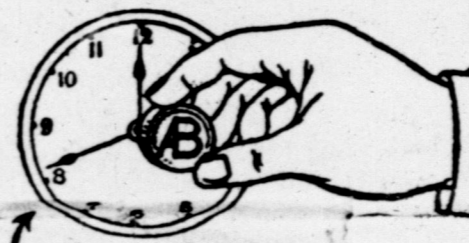
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## Proposed Amendment to the Constitution in Regard to Formation and Taxing Power of School Districts.

House Joint Resolution No. 6. Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts, Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxing voters of the district voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above- and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas, in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall be directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the holding of such an election for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

Sec. 3. That \$5000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

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**SPOFFOOD NEWS.**  
Tom Black was in town one day last week.  
Frost Woodhull was in from the ranch Saturday.  
Miss Ruby Curtis spent Monday and Tuesday in Del Rio.  
Mr. Herbert of San Antonio is here prospecting this week.  
Mr. A. W. West left for San Antonio Wednesday morning.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Musgraves were in town Tuesday shopping.  
J. H. Flynt of Uvalde arrived Saturday on a visit to Mrs. G. C. Cox.  
Messrs. Bell and McCormick spent Tuesday afternoon at the West ranch.  
Sheriff Tom Perry and Mr. Jno. Stadler were here on business Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bautarch of Monte Vista were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Saturday.  
Messrs. O. W. Zuehl, F. O. Long and Romus Salmon are attending court in San Antonio this week.  
Mr. Pat Vivian and family moved in from the ranch Tuesday, they will occupy the Elledge

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cottage recently vacated by Mr. Elledge and family.  
Edd Gilder and Edgar Stevenson came out from Uvalde Saturday and visited C. P. Diaz Sunday.  
Mr. L. T. Meade and Misses Ruby and Katie Curtis visited the Curtis and Elledge Apairy Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gay and Mr. Oscar Miller were among the out-of-town visitors here Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Black and daughter Ruth, left for San Antonio Sunday where they will visit for a few days.  
Mr. and Mrs. Buck West of Uvalde came in Monday and left immediately for the West ranch where they will reside in the future. Mr. West having purchased of his brother A. W. West a part of the ranch.  
Shampoo, Toilet Soaps, Hair Tonic and Dyes at Holmes Drug Store.  
**PROPOSALS FOR TRANSPORTATION.** San Antonio, Texas, April 20th 1909. Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received here until 11 o'clock A. M. May 20th 1909, for furnishing transportation (drayage by wagon) of military supplies for Fort Clark and San Antonio, Texas, and Fort Logan H. Roots, Ark., during the fiscal year commencing July 1st 1909. United States reserves the right to reject or accept any or all bids or any part thereof. Full information on application. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked "Proposals for Transportation on Route No. ---," and addressed to Col. Jno. L. CLEM, C. Q. M.

**Death of E. L. Witt.**  
E. L. Witt, one of Uvalde county's most prominent Angora goat raisers, died Monday while on a visit to his Kinney county ranch. His death came very suddenly from heart trouble, or some similar affection. He was buried Tuesday at Montell, in this county which has been his home for many years.  
Edward L. Witt was born in Dallas county, Texas, March 26, 1849. His father and uncle were early settlers in Peters' colony, and they built one of the first steam mills in North Texas, on the Elm fork of Trinity river. This was called Trinity Mills and it and its owners became widely known and the oil-milling plant is yet well remembered by many a man who as a boy took grain to that place to be converted into meal or flour. Upon reaching his maturity Mr. Witt married and settled in Jackson county where he engaged in farming and in raising cattle and hogs. He moved to Uvalde county in 1882, but returned to Jackson county after about a year. A few years later he returned to Uvalde county and resided here until 1889 when he moved to Kansas, where he remained for two years. While in Uvalde county he had taken up the sheep industry and upon his return from Kansas he continued in the business, but in the early nineties met with severe financial reverses because of the great fall in the prices of sheep and wool. This led to his embarking in the Angora goat business in the fall of 1894. He found a good sale for mohair at a profitable price and had since then continued in the business with gratifying success. For several years he had been joined by his sons under the firm name of E. L. Witt & Sons.  
Mr. Witt was a member of the Baptist church, also of the Masonic fraternity and the Knights of Honor. He was a prominent and influential citizen of the county and enjoyed the esteem of a wide acquaintanceship. He is survived by his wife and seven



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children, six sons and one daughter.—Uvalde Leader-News.  
**New Court Schedule.**  
The present legislature has made a considerable change in the time of holding district court in the various counties of this, the sixty third district. We publish below the schedule for holding the courts in this district in future prepared by Judge W. C. Douglas.  
Fort Davis, August 2nd, and January 3rd.  
Marfa, August 16th, and January 17.  
Alpine September 6th, and Feb-

ruary 7.  
Ft. Stockton, September 27th, and February 28th.  
Sanderson, October 11th, and March 14th.  
Brackett, October 25th, and March 28th.  
Eagle Pass, November 8th, and April 11th.  
Del Rio, November 29th, and May 2nd.

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**Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.**  
Senate Joint Resolution No. 6.  
Joint Resolution to amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.  
Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:  
Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:  
Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.  
Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purposes shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.  
Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall [be] duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.  
At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution."  
Sec. 3. That \$5000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding election provided for above.  
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# HUNTING BIG GAME IN EAST AFRICA

## Lion Shooting in Somaliland

By Lord Delamere

Foremost among the great hunting authorities of the English speaking world is Lord Delamere. He is credited with being the heaviest killer in the party which bagged the record number of African lions some few years ago. In East Central Africa his prowess is familiar to every native. Not long ago a locality beset with lions sent a delegation four hundred miles to call on Lord Delamere to ask him to come and wipe out the destroyers of their cattle. In this article he vividly contrasts the theory and practice of lion hunting in the region which Ex-President Roosevelt will invade.

**T**HE best piece of lion tracking I ever saw lasted five full hours and is so memorable in several respects that I purpose to use it as an introduction to that general method of lion hunting.

Two of my men got badly mauled by a lion, so our camp had to stop where it was till they could be moved. After a time one of them was able to walk about with his arm in a sling, and the other was getting on well, so one night I decided to leave the big camp next day and go with two or three camels to some villages only a day's march away. Early the next morning Mahomed Noor, the headman, started with the camels. I stopped behind to get some breakfast. Just as we were going to follow, a camelman, who had gone up the river-bed close by to get some water, came running back to say that a lion had been down to drink at one of the shallow sand wells in the night. I started at once with Abdullah and two other trackers, telling my pony-boy to follow on as soon as he could get the pony saddled. When tracking, I have always found it the best plan to have the pony led some distance behind. The boy ought to have no difficulty in following the tracks of two or three men and a lion, and if the pony is kept close up, it is sure to stamp or blow its nose at the critical moment.

When we got to the well there was the spoor plain enough in the sand, but rather blurred by some rain which had fallen at daybreak. This made the tracking a little difficult after we left the river-bed, but when we had followed it slowly for some distance, we came to a place where the lion had lain down under a thick bush, evidently to shelter from the rain, as the spoor after this was quiet distinct on the top of the damp ground. This made us think we were in for a short track, for it must have been light when the lion went on again from here, and lions generally lie up shortly after the sun rises; but this day proved an exception, because it was cloudy and cool through the forenoon.

**Trailing the King of Beasts.**  
The spoor now led us along a sandy path, where we could follow it as fast as we could walk. When it turned off into the bush we quite expected to see the lion at any moment; but not a bit of it—he wandered about through endless clumps of mimosa and "irgin" bushes, as if he did not mean to lie up at all.

The track at last led us down a little sandy watercourse, which it followed for some distance. Up to this time we had had no real difficulty in making it out, but now came our first serious check. The nullah turned off along the side of a stony ridge, and, instead of going along it, the lion had turned up the hill. We had got the general direction of the lion had been going in, but this was no good to us, as on casting forward in the same line to the bottom of the other side of the ridge where there was some sandy ground, we could find no sign of his having passed in that direction. We spent some time hunting about, growing less hopeful as time went on. A man following a trail by sight certainly has an enormous advantage over a hound hunting it by nose, because time is of no particular object to him, and every direction can be tried in turn. After making out eastward we went back to the little water-course, and followed that down for some distance, hoping that the lion had turned down

hill again; but here, too, we were disappointed, and gravitated back to where we had first lost the spoor. We knew that the lion had not gone straight on, nor had he turned back; he must have gone along the top of the ridge and then crossed into other stony hills where it was hopeless to try to track him.

Abdullah, who is never defeated, said there was a big river-bed further on in the direction in which the lion was going. It seemed a very slender chance, as he might have turned off anywhere in between, but it was the only one, so off we went. We were evidently in luck that day, for we had only gone about a quarter of a mile when we struck the spoor. The lion seemed now to have made up his mind as to his direction, for he kept on straight down the middle of the river-bed. The sun had come out from behind the clouds, and in places the sand was very deep, so that we were not sorry when at last the track led into a little island of bush in the great flat sand. There was no doubt the lion was at home, for on casting round no sign was perceptible of a track coming out. The island, raised a little above the river-bed, was formed of a mass of thick-tangled bush and creepers clustered round a few big trees. The water coming down the river after heavy rain had washed it roughly into the form of a triangle, the apex of which pointed up the river. From this point the sides widened out to the other end, which was about thirty yards broad, the whole length being somewhat under a hundred yards.

**Driving the Lion to Bay.**  
The shape made it an easy place to drive, for a little way out from the

quite unable to move. All the life in him seemed concentrated in his eyes, which glared at us furiously. Another shot put him out of his misery. The first shot, a very bad one, had grazed the spine just in front of the withers; another quarter of an inch higher and it would have missed altogether.

This lion was quite maneless, except for a few long hairs on each side of the neck, and his teeth were worn down quite short, so he was evidently very old. He was in very good condition, notwithstanding, but his stomach was quite empty, which accounted for his going so far before lying up. We had to stop at the main camp for the night when we got there, and did not follow up our camels till the next day. I have described this track rather at length because it is a good example of many similar days.

### Perils of the Man Eater.

My first experience in tracking lions was early in 1892, and the night before was rather an exciting one. After hunting elephants unsuccessfully for about a month, we were on our way south, when we arrived one day at some villages where the natives had been very much bothered by five lions which were said to be still in the neighborhood. A girl had been killed two days before, and an enormous amount of damage had been done among the sheep and cattle. The first day we camped there two of our party had shooting zerebas made at the village to which the lions generally came, and just before sunset they went off there.

I tied up our two donkeys just outside the camp, on the chance that the lions might come and look us up. Just after dark we were having dinner in the tent when there was a scuffle out-

We had a shot or two at the sound, and the beasts, whatever they were, went away. As at that time we knew nothing about lions, we were not quite sure that they were not hyenas after all; but Abdullah stuck to it they were lions, so we got our beds and lay down one on each side of the opening, just behind the fence to watch, hoping that the brutes would come back. Nothing further happened, however. At daybreak we sallied out to see if by any chance we had managed to hit a lion, but we only found two or three dead hyenas. One of these brutes had been partly eaten; we thought at the time by other hyenas, as it was still too dark to make out tracks. We came to the conclusion we had made bluffs of ourselves, and had been shooting all night at hyenas, and we did not feel any the better when our friends came back from their night at the village and told us we had probably frightened every lion out of the country by our bombardment.

### Reading the Lion Tracks.

Abdullah still insisted that there had been lions round the camp, and a little later we found the spoor of one big lion by the body of the half-eaten hyena. The ground was very stony and there were no other tracks to be seen, but one lion could hardly have dragged the donkey and heavy barrel away so quickly, so there were probably more. The other hunters had got hold of a man at the village who said he knew where the lions always lay, so they went with him. Soon after they left, Abdullah, who had been hunting about, came and told me that he had picked up the track of one lion on soft ground a little way from camp, and that we ought

I shot, but so badly that I wasted seven bullets at different ranges without touching her. The first six did not seem to annoy her at all, but the last hit the ground just under her teeth, and either the bullet so close, frightened her or a stone hit her, for she sprang off with a snarl and a flourish of her tail and, putting on the pace, in a minute or two ran clean away from us. I was terribly disappointed and annoyed with myself, and I thought of course, that everything was over for the day after all this shooting; but Abdullah, who was almost weeping, hardly gave me time to get my wind a little before he rushed me back again. As we ran round the place where we had first seen the lioness, a fine lion appeared walking slowly out of another thicket towards us. As I shot, he turned and plunged through an opening in the bushes to our right. We ran round an outstanding bush to head him if he broke out, and met a lion facing us. Just as I fired I heard a moan to the right, so I was sure it was not the same lion. This one staggered away at the shot and fell stone dead close by.

### Death of the Jungle Lord.

Abdullah called up Jama and the pony boy, and they soon had the hide off and tied on the pony. I thought all the time that Abdullah knew all about the other one, but as he seemed to be going right home, I asked him if we had not better go and look for it, and he replied that it was the same lion all the time, and that I had missed it the first shot. I did not feel quite sure about it myself, but the moan in the bushes could only have come from a wounded beast, so I told him we had better go and look anyway. He evidently thought it was waste of time, but when we got back to where the lion had been hit we soon found some blood, and going quietly down a little path between the "irgin" bushes we came round a corner almost on top of the lion. He was stone dead. I was very pleased at scoring off Abdullah, as he had shown such evident disgust at my shooting.

We met one of our party on our way back to camp, and told him he might run across the lioness if he followed our track back to the place we had come from. An hour after we got back to camp he came galloping up, having seen two lions, curiously enough both males, and had shot one with a better mane than either of mine. I have at another time described



HE PLUNGED OFF WITH AN ANGRY SNARL.

point one could easily command the whole of it. The lion was almost certain to break out of one of the sides towards the bush on the banks of the river-bed, in which case I should get an easy broadside shot. If we followed the track into the place, the noise we were sure to make would be very likely to get the beast on his legs, and he would sneak out at one side as we went in at the other, especially as the water had left a lot of dead sticks along the edges, over which it would be impossible to walk quietly. Abdullah also said that from the way he had wandered about this lion must be very hungry, and would sleep lightly. These considerations decided us to drive. I posted myself with Abdullah a few yards out from the point, and the other two men, having collected some stones, began throwing them in at the far end. Abdullah was right about this lion sleeping lightly; for at the first stone there was a growl and a crash in the bushes and then, for a minute or two, not a sound. The men started to walk down, one on each side, shooting and throwing in stones. I was watching them, and wondering what had happened to the lion, when there was a faint crackling just in front of us, and he appeared at the point of the island. Although we were standing within a few yards of him, and absolutely in the open, he did not see us.

He was facing straight towards us, and was so close that I did not like to fire at him as, on receiving the bullet, he would be very likely to plunge in the direction he was going and be into us; nor did I want him to come any closer; so, as he stepped down on to the sand, I moved my rifle up towards my shoulder to attract his attention. He saw the movement at once, stopped dead, and turned his head sharply towards us. For the fraction of a second I thought he was going to be startled into charging, but he plunged off to the left with an angry snarl at us over his shoulder. As he passed I pulled, and he skated along on his stomach and fell down a little ledge in the sand. This slewed him round, and he lay facing us, spread-eagled on the sand, evidently

side, and it was evident that something was attacking our donkeys. It was pitch dark, and we fired several shots in the direction of the sound before we discovered that the attacking beasts were hyenas. We did not mind having a donkey killed instantaneously by a lion, but we had not bargained for the poor beasts getting mauled by hyenas, so taking a lamp we went out to see what had happened. My donkey had got off with a nasty bite in the hollow of the hind leg above the hock, and we had him taken into the camp at once. The other was completely disembowelled and must have been killed instantly. We could not find any dead hyenas, but we were pretty sure that one or two must have been hit. Seeing that if the lions did come to the dead donkey there would not be much chance of hitting them on so dark a night, we pulled the carcass right under the skerm or fence round the camp, and to prevent hyenas dragging it away, tied a rope to one of its legs, and passing it over the fence, fastened it to a heavy water barrel inside the camp. We sat up for a bit and got a few shots at hyenas, and then we went to bed, telling the sentry to keep a sharp lookout and to let us know if lions came to the carcass.

Some time after I awoke to find Abdullah bending over me, with my rifle in his hand. He was frightfully excited, and all I could get out of him was "Libah, sahib, libah!" ("Lion, sir, lion!") Jumping up I rushed out just as my companion fired two shots into the darkness. The first thing I saw when I got to where he stood was that a great piece of the skerm round the camp had disappeared, leaving a broad gap. I could not for a moment think what had happened, and then it struck me that when the carcass had been dragged away the water barrel must have got hitched against the inside of the interlaced mimosa boughs and the whole lot had gone together. It was frightfully dark outside, and we stood peering out for some time without being able to distinguish anything; but after a few minutes we could hear something tearing at the flesh quite close by.

to follow it. At that time none of us knew much about tracking, and we had had such bad luck after the elephants that we did not think much of our shikaries, and I did not think it was much good, Abdullah persuaded me and I went. After we had followed the track for some distance I quite caught his enthusiasm, and when the single track was joined by three others, I was divided between delight at the prospect of having four lions all to myself and the thought that perhaps I had more on my hands than I could manage alone.

After a track of about an hour we came in sight of two or three big thickets of "irgin" bushes surrounded by open mimosa scrub and intersected by narrow paths. My second shikari at that time was a very tall fellow, called Jama, with enormous feet. Several times during the track Abdullah had turned round to pitch into him for making such a noise, and now he confided to me that "Jama walk all same cow," and that we had better leave him behind here with the pony and boy, as the lions were sure to be in the place in front of us. Knowing nothing about it, I agreed and went on with Abdullah. We were walking quietly along the outside of one of the thickets when Abdullah suddenly clutched me by the arm and pointed towards a tree standing on the edge of the bush yards off. The tree was divided into two towards the bottom, and the sun was throwing the shadow of a bush on the ground inside the hollow.

This was where Abdullah was pointing, getting more excited but I could make out nothing at all, until a great yellow beast moved suddenly out of the shadow and slipped away on the far side. I fired from the hip, letting off both barrels into the tree. We rushed round to the other side of the thicket just in time to see a fine lioness come out. I could not get a clear shot at once, and when I did, after running some distance, I was shaking so that I could not get on her at all, and missed. She kept lobbing along just ahead, every now and then stopping to look around and show her teeth at us. Each time she stopped

two different methods of hunting lions. One of them could hardly be called a method at all, as it depended on news brought in by natives as to where a lion had actually been seen. The second plan consisted of tying up a donkey for a bait, and sitting up to watch at night. A much more interesting way of hunting lions than either of these and a very successful one if the native shikaries employed are any good, is this process of tracking them. A lion lies up in some cool, shady place for the day, unless the sky is overcast and the sun cannot get out, when he will occasionally be found hunting at any hour. If you can strike his spoor the night before there is a very good chance of following it up to where the lion lies, should the ground be suitable. There is no form of hunting so exciting as this. When the spoor is found there is generally nothing to show if you have struck it early or late in the lion's wanderings, so that it is quite a chance whether it leads you for hours over all sorts of country, or whether, after half a mile down on a sandy river bed or path, it turns off into a thick patch of reeds or bush close by, where the lion is lying. It is extraordinary how the excitement grows as time goes on, and still you keep the track some times very slowly, where only now and then a part of a footprint can be seen on a soft place between the stones, at other times as fast as you can walk over soil where the track is visible many yards ahead. And when the spoor is lost and minute after minute goes by while you cast about vainly in every direction, how wretched you are, and how quickly your spirits rise again when a low whistle or snapping of the fingers announces that one of the trackers has hit it off further on!

At last certain signs show that you are getting near the end; the trackers take off their sandals and tuck up their loin-cloths under their belts, lest a corner flapping in the wind should scare the lion. For the first time you take your rifle from the native who has had charge of it, and, with your head shikari carrying a second rifle,

steal forward until the lion is sighted or ringed in a small clump of bush. Then, when all is over, and the skin is being taken off, how pleasant it is to sit in the shade, listening to the excited talk of the natives, and letting your nerves quiet down again after the hopes and fears of the morning. You ride home to camp with the lion skin behind your saddle, while one of your men after another gives his version of the morning's proceedings in a hunting song. On the other hand, when you get a shot, and miss after a long and difficult track, it seems as if any number of lions killed in the future will never make up for the loss of this one, which is always the biggest lion, carrying the finest mane you have ever seen. The ride home to camp is then a silent one, as no lion means no sheep for the men, and they are correspondingly down-hearted.

The first thing to be done in tracking is to find fresh spoor. Natives will often bring news of spoor, but unluckily the average villager's idea of a fresh track is rather hazy. I have several times gone a long way to find at the end a track several days old. On one occasion two natives arrived, saying there were fresh lion tracks in a river-bed, luckily not more than half a mile from camp, but when we got there the fresh lion tracks turned out to be the spoor of two hyenas, at least a week old.

The spoor of the large spotted hyena is not unlike that of a lioness on certain ground, but the difference can easily be told, because a hyena has claws like a dog, whereas the retractive claws of a lion are always sheathed and leave no mark. The best way to find spoor is to look for it yourself with good trackers. Should there be any villages near camp which lions have been in the habit of raiding it is very necessary to get there as early as possible in the morning. If once the large flocks of sheep and goats and herds of camels which have been shut up in the villages all right are let out, the ground all about is a mass of indistinguishable footprints, and even if a path through the village is choked with long strings of beasts going off to their feeding grounds. Hitting off a lion's spoor under these circumstances is almost impossible, and the dust raised by the herds is very disagreeable.

Besides villages, any well in the neighborhood is a good place to look for spoor. If a lion is about there ought to be no difficulty in picking up his spoor within a day or two.

### Baffling Ways of the Jungle Folk.

Rather curious coincidences are sometimes brought to light by spoor. Not very long after the date of the story just related, one of our party went to a place where two lions had been killing regularly, and sat up two nights for them with a donkey as bait. The lions must have left the district for a day or two while he was there, as there were no fresh tracks to be found anywhere about. The day after he came back to camp it happened to ride out in that direction. Soon after we started we came on the spoor of two lions, which led us along a path till we came to the shooting zereba. The night after he had left, the lions had walked over the very spot where his donkey had been tied up in the middle of the path.

A little later, again, I happened to be at a place where he had camped a few days before. A lion roared near my camp several times in the night, and next morning I heard he had taken a sheep from a village close by. We picked up his spoor in a river-bed near the camp, and after following it for some distance came to some wells. The lion had drunk twice, and between the drinks had laid down under the fence of a shooting zereba, which had been made to watch the water. After drinking the second time he had gone away.

Now and then when tracking you come across places where lions have killed, and if it is on sand or bare soil, you can tell everything that has happened almost as well as if you had seen it. We were camped once on the edge of a river-bed and thick covert ran right down to the back of the camp. One night there was a tremendous scuffling in these bushes, so in the morning I went out to see what had been going on, and found that two lions had been chasing a warthog, which had just saved its bacon by getting underground. It must have been a very near thing, as the lions had ploughed great furrows in the sand at the mouth of the hole, showing they had pulled up pretty sharp. Warthogs generally go to ground when pursued, and as there is no second opening to the burrows, and presumably no chamber at the end where they can turn, they always go in backwards. This has actually been seen by sportsmen who have been riding after them with a spear. I should think this pig can hardly have had the time to do this. Perhaps he got jammed in head first, as he refused to be smoked out when we tried it.

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Agitation regarding the pay of French military officers has had some effect, for the minister of war has asked for an extraordinary credit of \$400,000 to supplement the pay of the officers, which has not been increased since 1870. In that time nearly every grade of state official has had his stipend raised, but the sub-lieutenant has had to make both ends meet, as best he could with six francs a day and the lieutenant with eight.

**Hospitable.**  
She—And did you enjoy your African trip, major? How do you like the savages?  
He—Oh, they were extremely kind-hearted! They wanted to keep me there for dinner.

# NEWS AS IT HAPPENS

NATIONAL, STATE, FOREIGN, OF INTEREST TO READERS.

## THE WHOLE WEEK'S DOINGS

Short Mention of Interesting Happenings From Day to Day Throughout the World.

### WASHINGTON.

The senate committee on finance Friday heard protests from a large delegation of tobacco men and cigarmakers against the free admission into the United States of Philippine tobacco. The delegation included the tobacco men of Connecticut and Cigarmakers' Union.

According to statements by senators who visited the White House Friday, the next census will be taken by Director S. N. D. North.

Aroused by the report that the likeness of Jefferson Davis, president of the confederacy, will adorn the silver service to be presented to the battleship Mississippi, Representative Hollingsworth of Cadiz, Ohio, has prepared a resolution of remonstrance for introduction in the house.

Postmasters are being warned by the second assistant postmaster general of the practice of some physicians of sending improperly packed disease cultures through the mails.

An exhaustive treatment of the lumber schedule of the tariff bill by Mr. Simmons (N. C.) was the feature of the session of the senate Wednesday. Mr. Simmons spoke for three and a half hours in support of the retention of the present tariff, which he maintained was but a revenue rate. Several times the national democratic platform of 1908, which declared for free lumber, was injected into the discussion by republican senators and Mr. Bacon (Ga.) remarked that he was not bound by declarations written into a platform at midnight by a few interested men.

Mehmed V, the new sultan of Turkey, was Wednesday officially recognized as the reigning ruler of that empire by the Washington government.

The senate finance committee is understood to have practically decided to place a duty of \$5 per ton on printing paper and \$3.38 per ton on wood pulp, which is a slight reduction from the Dingley rate in both cases. A canvass of the senate has, however, almost convinced the committee that it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to get any duty through, and as a consequence the committee is in a quandary as to how to proceed.

Discussion of the tariff was resumed in the senate Wednesday Mr. Brown of Nebraska spoke to his amendment, recently proposed, authorizing an income tax. He argued that the people of the several states should have the opportunity of voting on the question in order that the validity of such a law never would be questioned.

### STATE AND DOMESTIC.

The list of dead in the wind, rain, hail and snow storm which swept across the country between the northern lakes region and the gulf states Thursday night gradually has grown as reports have crept in over disabled telegraph and telephone wires. The list now totals fully 100, with hundreds injured, and the property loss reaches millions.

While making a daring effort to rescue a small barefoot boy from the tangles of a live wire which was burning and shocking him to death, Ignatius J. Raif of Houston, Texas, a young blacksmith, was electrocuted Friday afternoon.

Eight persons, five of them children, were burned to death and fourteen others were injured, some in a five-story tenement in New York Friday occupied by twenty Italian families.

Two negroes under indictment in connection with the killing of Deputy Sheriff Mark Huffman and the wounding of another officer early Monday morning in Marshall, Texas, were taken from the Harrison county jail between 2 and 3 o'clock Friday morning by between thirty and forty lynchers and hanged to a large willow tree.

The woman whose body was recovered from the lake in Chicago Friday was identified as Mrs. Ella Lewis, said to have well-to-do relatives at Detroit.

Fourteen persons were injured, two seriously, in a tornado in Knoxville, Ark., Friday. Many houses were wrecked and great damage done to property generally.

Porter Smith of Chicago, a Dartmouth College student, shot and fatally wounded Miss Helen Marden of Somerville, a student at Smith College, on the Smith campus Thursday and then shot and killed himself.

One man was killed, nineteen persons injured and three houses demolished in Chicago as the result of a bomb explosion a few days ago, attributed by the police to labor troubles.

A petition is being circulated among the girls working in a Chicago shirt factory for a Carnegie medal for Miss Marguerite Lacey, a 17-year-old girl, who risked her life to save William Street, who was caught in the machinery recently.

One distressing feature of the protracted drouth in Texas is the tendency of live stock to eat "loco" weed, the only green thing on the range. An animal afflicted with loco is like the human "dope fiend." It becomes crazed, and finally dies miserably.

### PAINT EVERY YEAR.

No One Wants to Do It, But Some Paint Will Wear No Longer.

When you have a job of painting done you don't expect to have it done over again very soon. But to make a lasting job, several things must be taken into consideration—the proper time to paint—the condition of the surface—the kind of materials to use, etc. All these matters are fully covered in the specifications which can be had free by writing National Lead Company, 1902 Trinity Building, New York, and asking for Houseowner's Painting Outfit No. 49. The outfit also includes a book of color schemes for both interior and exterior painting, and a simple instrument for detecting adulteration in the paint materials. The outfit will solve many painting problems for every houseowner.

Meantime while buying paint see that every white lead keg bears the famous Dutch Boy Painter trademark, which is an absolute guarantee of purity and quality. If your paint dealer cannot supply you National Lead Company will see that some one else will.

### PROVED POINT BY HOLY WRIT

Granddaughter of Gladstone Proved She Had Not Read Scriptures for Nothing.

Miss Dorothy Drew, who was presented at court a few days ago, was the favorite granddaughter of the late W. E. Gladstone, and among the stories told of her childhood days is the following: One morning she refused to get up, and, all other things failing, Mr. Gladstone was called to her. "Why, don't you get up, my child?" he asked. "Why, grandpa, didn't you tell me to do what the Bible says?" replied Dorothy. "Yes, certainly." "Well, it disapproves of early rising—says it's a waste of time," rejoined the child. Mr. Gladstone was unable to agree, but Dorothy was sure of her ground. "You listen, then," she said, in reply to his exclamation of astonishment, and taking up her Bible she read Psalm 127:2, laying great emphasis on the words: "It is vain for you to rise up early."—Tit-Bits.

### EASE.

**Drather Sitdown—Dat's a mighty short stub yer smokin', Dusty.**  
Dusty Dodgework—Yep! I knows it; dat's de way I allers like 'em; you don't hev ter pull de smoke so fur!

**A Frank Opinion.**  
Once a young thought in his solemn duty to learn something about Henry James. So, to the great admiration of his frivolous friends, he picked up "The Wings of the Dove" and disappeared into its pages.

Two weeks later he was thinner, but still at it, when one of the aforementioned frivolous friends came into the room, and, for the first time showed interest.

"Say," he observed, "is 'The Wings of the Dove' a collection of short stories or one long story?"

The deliver into James glanced up from the pages.

"One darned long story," he replied, throwing his whole soul into the words.

**Salting a Diamond Mine.**  
Howard DuBois, the noted mining engineer, told a good story to the Tech men recently, illustrating the "art" of salting a diamond mine. The story was told of a man in South Africa who, while walking one day over his property, suggested that they assay some of the soil.

In the search that ensued eight rough diamonds were found and offers began to fly through the air at a rapid rate for the land, when the host's wife called out to her husband: "Why, John, where are the other two?" The sequel of the story was left to the imagination.—Boston Record.

### OLD SOAKERS

Get Saturated with Caffeine.

When a person has used coffee for a number of years and gradually declined in health, it is time the coffee should be left off in order to see whether or not that has been the cause of the trouble.

A lady in Huntsville, Ala., says she used coffee for about 40 years, and for the past 20 years was troubled with stomach trouble.

"I have been treated by many physicians but all in vain. Everything failed to perfect a cure. I was prostrated for some time, and came near dying. When I recovered sufficiently to partake of food and drink I tried coffee again and it soured my stomach.

"I finally concluded coffee was the cause of my troubles and stopped using it. I tried tea and milk in its place, but neither agreed with me, then I commenced using Postum. I had it properly made and it was very pleasing to the taste.

"I have now used it four months, and my health is so greatly improved that I can eat almost anything I want and can sleep well, whereas, before, I suffered for years with insomnia.

"I have found the cause of my troubles and a way to get rid of them. You can depend upon it I appreciate Postum."  
"There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.  
Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

### NEW STRENGTH FOR OLD BACKS.

No Need to Suffer Every Day from Backache.

Mrs. Joannah Straw, 526 North Broadway, Canton, S. D., says: "For three years I suffered everything with rheumatism in my limbs and a dull, ceaseless aching in my back. I was weak, languid, brosy with headache and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were thick with solids. I was really in a critical condition when I began with Doan's Kidney Pills, and they certainly did wonders for me. Though I am 81 years old, I am as well as the average woman of 50. I work well, eat well and sleep well."

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### WARNING TO ALL CONCERNED

Simple and Comprehensive Sign Put Up by Small Boy with a Grievance.

The Langworts lived in a corner house so easily accessible from the street that they were constantly annoyed by persons going to ask where other possible inhabitants of that block were to be found. Finally, goaded to desperation by these interruptions, the family boy attempted to put a stop to the nuisance.

"I guess," said he, complacently, "there won't be any more folks asking if the Browns, the Biddles or the Hansons lives in this house. I've fixed 'em."

"What have you done?" queried Mrs. Langwort.  
"Hung out a sign."  
"And what did you print on it, lad?"  
"Just five words," replied Harold, proudly: "Nobody lives here but us."—Lippincott's.

### RASH ALL OVER BOY'S BODY.

Awful, Crusted, Weeping Eczema on Little Sufferer—A Score of Treatments Prove Dismal Failures.

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### SHE KNEW.

The Masher—Does your sister know I am waiting out here for her?  
The Boy—Yes! She gave me a nickel to tell her when you had gone.

### Too Wise.

"Will you take a chance on kissing a pretty girl?" asked the young lady with the raffle tickets at the church fair. The crusty and confirmed bachelor held up his hands in horror.

"What, me?" he gasped. "No, indeed, I don't take any such chances as those. Chap took a chance like that one time and six months later he married the young lady."

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Doctor—Most—er—fortunate you consulted me. I'm just the very man to—er—cure—you.  
Patient—Ah, that's lucky! You are quite familiar with my complaint, then?  
Doctor—Familiar? My dear sir, I've had it myself—er—this 20 years!

**A Mild Reproach!**  
One cold morning little Elsie was being bathed by her mother, and usually her bath was a great delight to her. But this morning her mother talked incessantly, while she worked.

Elsie loved her dearly and tried hard to be patient. But the lecture was so tiresome! Her mother was laying out a course of conduct for the day—and it was all so old. She had heard it over and over again!

Finally she said very sweetly, but very wearily: "Please, mamma, don't talk any more. You do make such a draught!"

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When, therefore, he heard it ring, he picked up the receiver and shouted: "Hello, who's there?"

The answer came back: "I'm 105."  
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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. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, it is swollen, and prevents the hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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"Mamma has given me orders that when a young man gives me anything I must give it right back."  
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"What for?"  
"I'm going to give you a kiss."—Houston Post.

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Both father and mother struggled valiantly to teach Effie to repeat the letter "A." The child emphatically refused to pronounce the first letter of the alphabet, and after many vain efforts the father retired from the fight discouraged. The mother took the little girl on her lap and pleaded with her affectionately.

"Dearie, why don't you learn to say 'A'?" she asked.  
"Because, mamma," explained Effie, "des as soon as I say 'A' you an' papa will want me to say 'B.'"

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