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We are going to close out our entire stock of goods at cost. Sales beginning January 11th, ending January 25th. Catch the astonishing prices below.

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O. N. T. Thread 5ct. Childrens union suits 25cts up. Mens' woolen over shirts from \$ to \$1.75. Mens' and boys' hats, caps, shoes, hosiery, pants, overalls and everything else in proportion. We are doing this clearing out to give room for the immense stock of goods that we are going to put in next season.

Mr. and Mrs. ALEXANDER, Brownfield

Believes in Newspapers.

"The Lee Mercantile Company of Salina is doing something that is being done by no other wholesale house in this territory. They are advertising extensively in all the local papers and paying good hard cash for it, too. The products are as good as are manufactured any place on earth—they are a western institution and they deserve what they are getting—the patronage of the western people."

The above is taken from the Concordia Blade is an entirely deserved commendation. The Lee Company is one of the few that advertises all the time and in all the leading papers of its territory. It is also noticeable that the Lee wholesale houses are the largest in the state are greater in extent of business than the Kansas City houses. Some weeks ago when a proposition was made to the Lee company to advertise in another manner the reply was: "We believe that the best advertising medium is the newspaper and we do all our advertising there." The result is plain. If a company like Lee's finds that it can build up a half million dollar plant by advertising in the newspapers, it is a good example for business men generally to follow.—Abilene (Kansas) Reflector.

When a farmer can raise and gather five bale of cotton off of six acres, it shows beyond doubt that there is wonderful productive qualities of the land. The very thing was done in Lubbock county in 1907, and that was a dry year too, if you remember. The name of this gentleman can be furnished on application if any one doubts our statement.—Lubbock Avalanche.

No one who knows anything about the central and southern plains country will doubt the Avalanche's statement. This country is not only the best cotton section in Texas, but has proved itself a great corn country, and in fact is unexcelled in producing anything the farmer desires to raise. The lands in Terry and Yoakum counties are equal to those in Lubbock in fertility and everything else which make a fine agricultural country. The greatest advantage which Terry and Yoakum counties have over other counties on the plains is the cheapness of their lands. While the lands in other plains counties north of us are selling at from \$15 to \$30 per acre, just as good lands can be bought Terry and Yoakum from \$2 to \$7 per acre. To be more explicit and better understood will state that school lands in these

counties are priced from \$2 to \$5 per acre bonus, and patented lands from \$5 to \$7 per acre. These low prices will not prevail very long, the great demand for homes will soon advance the prices.

W. F. Jones and F. E. Sheriff of Amarillo and Dr. A. A. Peterson of Muscatine, Iowa, have become the joint owners of a tract of 157 acres on the Amarillo creek, nine miles west of the city, which they are developing for truck farming on an extensive scale. Water underlies the tract at a depth of about fifteen feet and irrigation pumps will be used. Greenhouses also will be erected. The tract lies at Probst Switch, on the Fort Worth and Denver, and the proprietors will be able to ship products direct to the Amarillo market a few hours after they are picked. Orchards will be planted.—Stockman Journal.

This will prove a profitable enterprise. Experience has fully demonstrated the fact that no other country excels the plains of Texas for truck raising. The soil seems especially adapted to growing all kinds of vegetables, and the water being so near the surface, and so entirely free from alkali and gyp adulterations, that irrigation will insure a full crop every year. It will not be long until the plains of west Texas will be the greatest vegetable growing country in the United States.

Big Land Deal.

Chas. E. Dusenberry has sold a third interest in 1,000 sections of land in Edwards, Gaines, Kerr and Sutton counties to Gen. Thos. S. Riley. This land was formerly owned by Messrs. Dusenberry, Russell and Bulkey, all of whom are northern capitalists. There is about 312 sections of this land in Gaines county, all of which is fine farming land. The consideration was \$1,000,000.—Seminole Sentinel.

It was indeed a relief at the closing of the polls Saturday

evening to learn that the vote was almost unanimous for the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$40,000 with which to build a new court house for Martin county. Steps will at once be taken to place the bonds on the market and when sold the contract for building will be let. Architects and contractors are already becoming quite numerous who come to see about the work.—Stanton Reporter.

Growth of the Cattle Markets:

One million head of cattle in a year is the record the Fort Worth market will make this year (1907), a record not equaled by any live stock market in this country, considering the years established.

Some idea of the amount of business done on local markets is secured by comparing the following markets.

Chicago began business in 1865. It was well along in the 70's before the receipts of cattle reached 1,000,000 head.

St. Louis began business in 1874. It was not until 1903 that the receipts of cattle aggregated 1,000,000.

Kansas City began business in 1871. In 1888 the million mark was first reached, when receipts aggregated 1,056,000.

Omaha began business in 1884 and in 1892 receipts reached 1,056,000.

Fort Worth began business five years ago. Up to today the total receipts in round numbers were 999,000, and by the end of the year will be many thousand head in excess of that figure. Taking into consideration the fact that the Fort Worth market is new and has had sharp competition from open markets, this record is declared all the more remarkable.—Dallas News.

The ladies of the Parsonage and Home Mission Society will on the night of January 25th give an old time candy pull and spelling bee. Everybody in Terry adjoining counties invited to come and take part. Remember the date, Saturday night January 25th. The fun will begin at early candle lighting.

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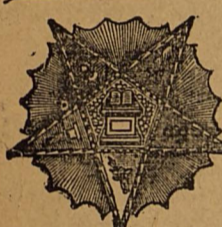
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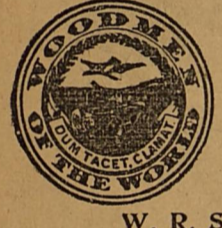
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 D. ROBINSON, Worshipful Master
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 W. R. SPENCER, Junior Warden
 M. O. ADAMS, Secretary
 M. V. BROWNFIELD, Treasurer
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 FRED WOFFORD, Junior Deacon
 Lodge meets Saturday before the full moon in each month at 4 o'clock p.m.



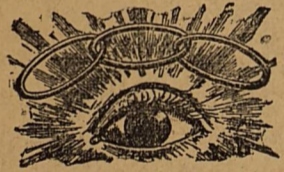
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 Of the
 Order of
EASTERN STAR
 No. 317
 Meets at the
MASONIC HALL,
 — in —
 Brownfield, Texas,
 on Saturday
 before the
 full moon of each month at 1:30 o'clock p. m.
 Mrs. D. Robinson, W. M.
 W. R. Spencer, W. P.
 Mrs. C. M. Spencer, A. M.
 J. A. Foreman, Secretary.
 E. Wolforth, Treasurer.



Brownfield Camp No. 1989.
W. O. W.
 Meets the first Saturday night after the full moon in each month.
W. R. Spencer, C. C.
 D. Brownfield, Clerk.

Brownfield Grove,
 No. 462.
Woodmen Circle.

MRS. ALMEDA L. DIAL, --- Guardian.
 D. BROWNFIELD, --- Clerk.
 Meets on the first and third Wednesdays in each month at 7:30 p. m. in I. O. O. F. Hall



Brownfield Lodge,
I. O. O. F.,
 No. 530,
 G. E. LOCKHART, Noble Grand.
 PERCY SPENCER, V. G. Grand.
 A. D. BROWNFIELD, Treasurer.
 GEO. W. NEILL, Secretary.
 Lodge meets every Friday night, at 8 o'clock d. m. in the Lodge Room in the town of Brownfield.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Brownfield:
 M. D. Williams, 1st Sunday.
 P. E. Riley 2nd Sunday.
 J. B. Kerr, 3rd Sunday.
 P. E. Riley 4th Sunday.
Gomez:
 J. O. Gore, 1st. Sunday.
 A. L. Estes, 2nd Sunday.
 J. O. Gore, 3rd Sunday.
 J. R. Miller, 4th Sunday.
Meadow:
West Point:
 T. J. Fouts 2nd Sunday,
Arnett:
 T. J. Fouts 3rd Sunday.
Aldie:
 T. J. Fouts 4th Sunday.
 Sunday School every Sunday morning at all of above named places at 10 o'clock A. M.

Announcement Column.

For County Judge,
GEO. W. NEILL.

For County and District Clerk,
T. J. PRICE.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
GEO. E. TIERNAN.

In Jumbo District.

Stamford, Texas, Jan. 9th.—From present indications, the Congressional fight in the Jumbo District is going to be very hotly contested. Judge W. R. Smith of Colorado is the present congressman, having had the office for two terms. He is opposed by Hon. J. F. Cunningham of Abilene and, from the newspaper controversies already indulged in, the fight is going to be one that will draw the lines very tightly. Mr Cunningham opposed Congressman Smith two years ago and was defeated by a very small margin. He claims that he has grown stronger in the district and is confident of his election. He has already opened his campaign, the opening speech having been made at Hamlin last week. He will pursue his campaign with as much energy as possible.

Congressman Smith spent the holidays in his district, having left for Washington last Monday to resume his duties. He says that he has gained much strength since the last election and thinks that his re-election is assured. He will remain in Congress until the session is ended and will then make a vigorous campaign throughout the district. There are 57 counties in this district and it will be impossible of course, for either of the men to make a close canvas, but it is quite likely that as soon as Judge Smith arrives from Washington a joint canvas will be made, in which there is no doubt that the campaign will increase the warmth and interest.

For County Judge.

In this issue of the HERALD we place before its readers the name of Geo. W. Neill as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Terry county, subject to the action of the Democratic party. Judge Neill holds the office to which he seeks election by appointment of the Commissioners' Court, and has made the people a pains-taking and impartial official. He is a lawyer by profession and understands the duties of County Judge, and during his incumbency he has given these duties his full time and undivided attention. Among the matters which has had his close attention, is the public school interests of the county. He has seen that the school funds were equitably distributed among the various districts, and has spent considerable time visiting the schools. His record is a good one and he now comes before the voters of Terry county asking an endorsement of it.

New Odd Fellows Lodge at Tohoka

A lodge of Odd Fellows was organized at Tohoka last night. The following members of the Brownfield Lodge were in attendance: Judge Spencer, District Deputy, Dr. Ellis, Judge Neill, M. V. Brownfield, G. E. Lockhart, Ed Ellis, Claude Criswell, A. D. Brownfield, E. T. Powell, Aut. Graham, W. A. Pyeatt, W. J. A. Parker, M. D. Williams and R. M. Means.

R. J. Heflin and J. W. Welch returned from a trip to Big Springs last Friday.

For District and County Clerk.

Mr. T. J. Price authorizes the HERALD to place his name before its readers this week as a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk. Mr. Price is serving his first term and as is a custom where an officer performs the duties of his in a satisfactory manner he is given a second term, he asks the voter of Terry county to pass judgment on his work and actions and if no fault is found to attest their approval of his course by a re-election. No other officer can be found who gives the duties of his office closer attention, treats those having business with him with more courtesy, or shows less partiality than Mr. Price. These are qualifications that should be taken into consideration in the selection of public servants, and a man who possesses them deserves well at the hands of his fellow citizens. Mr. Price's record is before you, and the HERALD asks its readers to give his candidacy the consideration it deserves before casting their vote in the coming primary or general election.

Asks a Re-Election.

Geo. E. Tiernan authorizes this week to place his name before the people of Terry county as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector. Mr. Tiernan is serving his second in the office he now holds and has made a record as an officer to the satisfaction of the voters of the county. He has performed the duties of his office with a promptness and efficiency that could leave no room for fault finding by the most exacting of his constituents, and feels that if he is again the choice of the voters of the county, with the experience he has acquired in the past, he will be better able to discharge the duties of the office in the future. His record is before you—he thanks you for your support in the past and if you can give it to him again he will certainly appreciate it.

To be on the safe side, it is advisable that persons who have sent checks to the State Treasurer to pay interest on their school land, send him a money order for the amount due. The checks sent are on deposit in one of the banks of Austin which has refused to cash them. Land Commissioner Terrell stated one day last week in the presence of Mr. A. P. Cunningham of this county, who was in Austin on business, that checks are not money and when the Treasurer makes his report showing the interest is not paid he will cancel the land, notwithstanding the checks have already been sent in. Where parties have not receipts showing their interest paid they should send in money orders for the amount of interest due and order the checks returned.

The HERALD's fees will be \$10 for announcing County Candidates and \$15 for District candidates, the same price charged in the last campaign. Each candidate who announces will get a good write up in the paper, and no partiality will be shown anyone.

It is a fact not generally known that the sale of poultry and eggs in the United States greatly exceeds that of cattle or hogs. The poultry products last year in the United States sold for \$600,000,000.00.

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Shingles, Post, Stays and Wire.
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 Our prices are as low as in any competing towns. Good goods and courteous treatment to all.
 We solicit a share of your patronage.
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 J. J. OXFORD, Manager
 Plainview Texas

Local & Personal

N. L. Nelson of Plains was over Wednesday.

D. Robinson of Meadow spent last Saturday night in Brownfield. Ed Belcher spent several days this week with Brownfield friends.

THE TERRY COUNTY HERALD and the Dallas Semi-Weekly one year for \$1.50.

"Deacon" Donaldson is now running the lighting mail and express between Brownfield and Meadow.

R. J. Heflin started for Big Springs Monday after a load of household goods belonging to Mr. A. L. Hill.

Dave Shaw, a prominent citizen of north part of Yoakum county was looking after business in Brownfield Tuesday.

Judge Neill spent Monday and Tuesday in the northeastern part of the county looking after the public school interests.

Among the names of prospective candidates, the Herald has heard that of Mr. Bob Glover, of Gomez, for Tax Assessor.

Tom Arnett of the southwest part of the county was looking after business matters in Brownfield Monday and Tuesday.

W. S. Dumas, one of the prominent citizens living in the southwest portion of the county was in town Monday and Tuesday.

Uncle Tom Bess, the first sheriff of Terry county and now a resident of Yoakum, was among his friends in Brownfield Monday and Tuesday.

Ray Brownfield and several assistants are out on his bonus in Yoakum county this week putting in some substantial improvements.

A. L. Hill, a subscriber to the HERALD, of Wetumka, Okla., has arrived with his family and will make his home on a section of land he purchased last Summer, two miles south of Brownfield.

W. E. Bradshaw, a former citizen of Terry, but now a resident of Seminole, Gaines county, was here Thursday on his way to Meadow where he still owns one of the finest sections of land in that vicinity.

A. P. Cunningham, living in the southern part of the county was transacting business in Brownfield Thursday. Mr. Cunningham has just returned from a trip to Austin where he went to look after his land interests.

W. B. Standifer of Haskell county arrived here last week for the purpose of looking at a tract of land south of Gomez belonging to D. C. Lane, one of his neighbors, with a view of exchanging land in Haskell county for it. He is highly pleased with the land and will probably close the deal when he returns to Haskell.

Miss Ollie Currier, of the J Cross ranch, accompanied by her cousins, Misses May and Lula Currier of Gomez, were in Brownfield yesterday and paid the HERALD office a pleasant visit. Miss Ollie is a member of the "Art Preservative," having worked seven years as a compositor, the last four of which were in the office of the San Angelo Standard.

Notice

Those indebted to us for work done by the Herald while owned by us, will certainly do us a favor by remitting at once, as we are desirous of getting accounts settled as soon as possible.

Ed Neill
Elma Neill

For Sale.

Five passenger Jackson Automobile, almost new, has run less than 1000 miles, has an extra tire, inner tube and mud chains, supply of tools. Will sell for \$1,100 cash, or will trade for Plains land.

DILLARD-POWELL LAND CO.
Lubbock, Texas.

Uncle Jack Coble is the recipient of a \$27 suit of clothes presented him by M. V. Brownfield as a Christmas present. The order was taken several days before Christmas, but the goods did not arrive until last week. The suit is an extremely nice one, and Uncle Jack's friends are keeping a close watch on him on Sunday afternoons when he drives out in one of his best rigs.

H. C. Phillips of Yoakum county came in on the Lubbock mail back Wednesday evening on his return home from Austin, where he had been looking after some land matters. Mr. Phillips informed the Herald that he has closed the deal disposing of his four sections of land in Yoakum county and will soon move to Vernon to get the benefit of school.

If the farmers of West Texas will break their land while there is a good season in the ground, and harrow each half day's breaking before they leave the field, they will have their land in mighty fine condition to make a crop. After once getting the land well plowed and harrowed, if they will plow and harrow after each rain until planting time they will be sure to make a crop, as land treated in this manner will retain all the moisture that falls during the winter and spring and will not require so much rain in summer to make crops.—Big Springs Enterprise.

Uncle Charley Crawford was badly hurt last Saturday while rounding up some cattle by his horse falling with him. He was alone and in falling his hip and leg were caught under the horse and as the horse did not get up, Mr. Crawford was held fast and lay there for some time, until he was seen by Mel. Donaldson as he was coming in with the Lubbock mail, who went to his assistance and brought him to town, where he has been confined to his bed ever since. His hip is badly bruised and he is yet unable to walk, but will be able to be out again in a short time.

The attention of the readers of the HERALD is called to the real estate advertisement of Robert M. Means, who has opened an office and commenced business at Shafter Lake, a candidate for the county seat of Andrews when that county gets ready to commence doing business for itself. Mr. Means is Justice of the Peace for Andrews and is prepared to do notary work, and is, also, getting up a complete set of abstracts for Andrews and will add that line to his business. Andrews is one of the best counties on the southern Plains and those seeking homes in that part of the country would do well to see or correspond with Mr. Means.

A Pretty Home Wedding.

Married at the home of the bride's mother, near Brownfield, Sunday January 12, Miss Ann Pyeatt to Mr. P. M. Horn.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Kerr, of Knott, in the presence of a large assemblage of relatives, neighbors and friends. Misses Doll Pyeatt and Fay Bynum, of Brownfield, were bridesmaids and Messrs. Ed. Belcher, of Lamesa, and Jeff Pyeatt, of Brownfield, were groomsmen.

The bride's charming manner and sweet disposition has won her a large circle of friends.

The groom is a highly respected and successful business man, and the young couple start life together with bright prospects for the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Horn will reside for the present at their ranch near Pride.

The HERALD joins their many friends in wishing for them the best of everything.

Dr. J. W. ELLIS, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON

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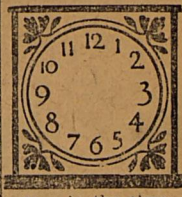


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The cowman's Mecca and the farmers Paradise. No blue weeds at all, and loco very scarce. A variety of soils, especially adapted to fruits, cotton, corn and forage crops

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For further information call or write

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R. M. MEANS

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Also relieves headache, backache, dizziness, cramps, dragging pains, nervousness, irritability, etc.

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RATES:

35cts per meal. \$1.35 per day
4.50 per week. \$18 per month

Pictures Here in Value.
A picture by Guido, sold in Torquay a few years ago for 5s., fetched shortly afterwards £2,000. Millet's picture, "The Angelus," sold by the artist for £72, later on rose in value to £23,268.—London Answers.

Warning.
Look not upon the blackberry brandy when it is red. It may contain salicylic acid, which is almost as bad as some other things usually found in strong drink—alcohol, for instance.—Minneapolis Times.

Luxurious Auto.
Some enthusiastic automobilists in Paris are having their cars built large enough to hold ten passengers. In luxurious appointments they remind Americans of Pullman palace cars.

What Grandpa Knows.

SOME folks say 'at Red Riding Hood She didn't live at all nor go Down where th' wolf was in 'at wood, But grampa says 'at it is so!

An' some folks say 'at Goldilocks Don't meet th' bears an' run away, A-bumpin' into trees an' rocks, But grampa's seen her many a day.

My grampa takes me on his knee An' tells me all 'bout Puss in Boots An' 'bout th' fairies you can't see For their in-vis—their funny suits. An' he knows where the beanstalk is 'At Jack th' Giant Killer climb' To get 'at gold an' things o' his, 'Cause grampa's seen it many a time.

An' Cinderella, too, my pa let laugh an' say 'at he don't know, But grampa—w'y, my grampa saw Her slip 'at clipper on her toe! An' Simple Simon—would you think He never was like some folks say? But grampa only laugh an' wink, 'Cause he has seen him many a day.



CAUSE GRAMPA'S SEEN IT MANY A TIME.

'At Alfred Brown, 'at lives nex' door To us, I don't like him, 'hecause He say 'at he don't think no more 'At there can be a Santa Claus, But grampa whisper in my ear 'At Santa will find me all right, 'Cause he has seen his sleigh an' deer An' pack o' playthings many a night.

My grampa knew Boy Blue an' all Th' children 'at live in th' shoe, When Humpty Dumpty had 'at fall He's standin' close as me an' you! An' he say 'at to don't buehieve Th' folks 'at say there ain't no chimie O' reindeer bells on Christmas eve, 'Cause he has heard 'em many a time. —Chicago Tribune.

Everybody's Nice.

The janitor is courteous now, The bellboy too, Obsequious is the barber's bow When he gets through His fussing o'er your raven hair. On every side You meet with truly loving care At Christmastide.

The bootblack piles a busy whisk On unseen dirt, And every one is prompt and brisk And never curt, Politeness is with all the rule, For they, ahem, Devotedly hope and trust that Yule Remember them. —Louisville Courier-Journal.

Woman's Opportunity.

Meeting a negro, a certain southern gentleman asked him now he was getting on. The negro assumed a troubled look and replied:

"Oh, so far's physicality goes I'm all right, but I sure do have ma troubles wif ma wife."

"Well, Sam, I'm sorry to hear that. What seems to be the matter?"

"She thinks money grows on trees, I reckon. All de time she keeps pesterin' me for pinch o' change. If it ain't a dollah it's half or a quarter she wants."

"What on earth does she do with the money?"

"I dunno. Ain't nevah give her none yet."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Good Country

L. B. Elam, living in the southern part of Gaines county, gives the results of his farming in the Shafter Lake Herald as follows:

I am not much of a farmer. I raised corn, Kaffir corn, maize,

sweet and irish potatoes. I have been out here four years, and I have been trying to farm for three years, and I planted cotton two years, but planted it too late the first year and did not make much. Last year it did very good, averaging about three fourths of a bale; corn and caffir corn wers good; maize and June corn were good; got a good crop this year. Got in about seventy-five acres of feed stuff, and I worked it all my self. Got an orchard three old this year. My June corn made 50 bushels to the acre. Corn is late this year. The Kaffir corn grows better here than maize, I have no idea how much it would make if it were cultivated. Caffir, June and Indian corn grow fine here. We have not enough farmers: we want more farmers. I was raised in Southern Texas; had to farm down there twelve months in the year to make a living, but since coming up here can work one-fourth the time and make more money. Have seen cabbage and tomatoes here as fine as I ever saw. I am satisfied with what I am raising and I am making money."

Mr. Elam's experience in farming in Gaines county is similar to the experience of many farmers in Terry and Yoakum counties. They have all found that they can raise anything here in the way of farm and garden products that they could in any country in which they have ever lived, and with a great deal less labor.

THE THREE WISE MEN.

Who Were They?—An Unsolved Christmas Mystery.

One Christmas mystery remains unsolved. Who were the wise men of the east—the magi who followed the star of Bethlehem from afar to do homage to the newborn Saviour?

The simple story as told in the Bible is one of the most familiar in Christmas lore. Any child could recite it in detail. Painters and sculptors have made it the theme of the most inspired products of their brushes and chisels, but to this day the identity of these wise men remains a mystery. A search of the great paintings in which the subject is treated produces a bewildering number of different ideas presented. The varying versions of the books of the ages are as many.

It is fair to assume from the fact that the visitors were received at court by King Herod and that they carried gifts of value that they were in their own country men of royalty or close to it. Herod evidently deemed it well to treat them with deference, for disquieted though he was by their news of the comet that was to lead them to the birthplace of the Redeemer he dissembled and told them that when they had found the newborn he would return to worship with them.

Much of our information about the early days of the Christian era comes from the monks of the fourteenth century, who delved deeply into historical sources since lost to the world. Their story of the three wise men has received wide credence. According to these monks, the wise men were three great kings called Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Caspar was the oldest and from the north. At the time of the birth of Christ he was sixty years old, and for more than two-thirds of that time he had ruled in Arabia. Balthasar was black, a native of Saba, from the east, and forty years old. The youngest was Melchior, from the south, whose country was Tarshish. He was twenty years old.

Impelled by some mysterious power, they dropped all the cares of state and followed a single star thirteen days and nights without eating or sleeping till it led them to Jerusalem.

Then the story follows that of the Bible until they returned to their own countries.

The story does not stop here. It tells circumstantially the after life of the three wise men. The good Apostle St. Thomas journeyed to their country and baptized them, and all three went out to preach the doctrine of the Christ.

They were slain by barbarous gentiles, and later the Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, recovered their sacred bones and took them to Constantinople. Thence they were carried to Milan and finally found a fitting resting place in Cologne, where they now are.—New York Post.

MINDING ONE'S OWN BUSINESS.

One of the Most Excellent Rules a Person Can Follow.

To tell a man to his face to mind his own business would be considered about equal to knocking him down, or, as the Frenchman said: "Horizontalizing his perpendicularity." And yet it is one of the simplest rules of right conduct and the most useful that mankind can adopt in their intercourse with each other. There is a great deal of the Paul Pry spirit in the human heart, or wonderful inquisitiveness in regard to the personal and private affairs of friends and neighbors. This spirit makes more mischief than almost any other cause, and creates more malice, envy and jealousy than can be overcome in a century. Let every man mind his own business, and there will not be half the trouble in the world that there is at present.

English Nobility in Trade.

From duchess down, the haughty dames of England are going into trade. The duchess of Abercorn owns a flourishing creamery at Baronscourt, Ireland; Lady Warwick has many irons in the fire; another countess bought motors and let them out for hire, and Lady Essex is, or was, part proprietor of a flourishing laundry business. London laundresses leave much to be desired and a few society women including Lady Essex and Mrs. Hwfa Williams, have started a well managed French laundry in one of the nearer suburbs.

Figures on Smiths.

Some statistician has figured that there are 600,000 Smiths in the United States. Three thousand are employed by the United States government and nineteen Smiths die every day. In New York alone there are 123,000. Including the Smythes, the Schmidts, Shmidts and other variations, the family is roughly estimated to comprise 1,000,000 in this country.

Special Delivery in Germany.

In any large city of Germany a special delivery card or stamp, costing less than eight cents, will cause a message to be shot by tube anywhere in the city. A messenger will carry it from the point of reception to the receiver, and will wait for an answer. Message and answer in Berlin take about two hours.

Addressing Letters for Italy.

A correspondent in Italy advises those who send letters to friends in that country to write only the initials of the first name, because it is quite customary in Italy to place the surname first, which leads to many mistakes when letters are asked for by foreigners.

To Extinguish Burning Oil.

Burning oil cannot be extinguished by water. The water only serves to spread the flames. The right thing to do is to throw down flour, sand, or earth. Thus the area of the configuration is limited and the fire extinguished.

A DREAM OF THE CZAR.

How Father John Explained Vision of Russian Monarch.

This fable, dealing with the fall of Witte, the Russian finance minister, is related in a recent brochure entitled, "A Glance at the Secrets of Russian Policy," published at Vienna: "The czar dreamed the following singular dream. He saw three cows, one fat, one lean and one blind. The next day he sent for the Metropolitan Paladius and begged him to explain the dream, but the metropolitan declined. The czar then sent for Father John of Kronstadt and made the same request to him. Father John stroked his long curly hair with his hand and made reply in the following words: 'Your majesty, I understand your dream in this way: The fat cow is the finance minister, the lean one is the Russian people, and the blind one—' 'Don't be afraid; go on,' said the czar. 'The blind cow is—you majesty!'

Discouraging Suicides.

A favorite method of suicide in Japan lately has been to leap over certain waterfalls. So frequent have such occurrences become that police are now constantly stationed in their neighborhood, and large notice boards are erected bearing inscriptions in large letters, of which the following is an example: "Do not drown yourself here! Intended suicides are warned that heaven disapproves of the utilization of Keoka waterfall for the purpose of committing suicide. The consequences will be as follows: 1. The soul is guaranteed. To drown is also forbidden by the police authorities."

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