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Conviction of Lieut. Burbanks for abandoning his Filipino wife, was affirmed.

Col. Robt. G. Lowe, vice president of the Galveston News Co., died in Galveston Tuesday.

Mrs. John S. Cope has been appointed to succeed her late deceased husband as district and county clerk of Fannin county.

The Channing Courier thinks the Fort Worth & Denver will build a branch line from that place to the county seat of Moore county, Dumas

Marshall Field, millionaire and the foremost merchant of his generation, died at New York Tuesday of this week, at the age of 70 years. His home was in Chicago.

An Arkansas man writes this testimony: "Dear Doctor, since taking your wonderful nerve medicine I have improved so much that I have announced for the legislature."

A fire at Jericho in Dunley county last Sunday destroyed the McKenzie building together with the stocks of merchandise of both McKenzie and Martin-Bennett Co. The former carried \$1500 insurance, the latter \$2000.

The snow in the mountains of New Mexico is, according to the government report, now six and eight feet deep. As this is greater than at this time last year, grave fears are entertained that when the snow begins to melt in the spring there will be a repetition of last spring's flood disasters.

Stop that Cough.

If you have a cough, cold, sore throat or chest, don't delay a moment—use it. Simon's Cough Syrup is a sure remedy. It makes you well.

To Disinfect Dishes.

Boils, in a 2 per cent solution, is recommended by Prof. Esmarch of Göttingen as the best means of disinfecting eating utensils.

Domestic Note.

Next to a good cook the most important thing in your house is to get along with your wife—Philadelphia Inquirer.

French Writer a Hard Worker.

Elisee Reclus was a great worker. Every year he turned out a volume of his "Geographic Universelle" from his studio at Geneva.

Great Peach-Growing State.

Georgia has held the lead in the production of peaches for the Eastern market since 1902. She has over 7,000,000 trees.

Want Butchers to Supply Forks.

The butchers of Tottenham, in London, in terms of a circular just issued by the medical officer to the district council, are, with the view of preventing contamination by handling of meat exposed for sale and of preventing the spread of infectious diseases, requested to provide a suitable supply of forks wherever with intending purchasers may make examination of meat before buying.

Good for Stomach Trouble and Constipation.

"Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done me a great deal of good," says C. Towns of Hat Portage, Ontario, Canada. "Being a mild physic the after effects are not unpleasant, and I can recommend them to all who suffer from stomach disorder." For sale at Central Drug Store.

THE THEATER.

An actor is a public instructor.—Euripides.

The theater is a mirror of life.—Sophocles.

Death is jealous of a good comedy.—Whitehead.

A comedian is a genial public character.—Shaw.

A comedy is the wine table of the mind.—Taylor.

Actors are the only honest hypocrites.—Hazlitt.

The stage is a school of manners.—William Woodfall.

The stage represents fiction as if it were fact.—Betterson.

The theater is the devil's own territory.—Edward Allyn.

The stage is the field for the orator as well as the comedian.—Roscius.

A passion for dramatic art is inherent in the nature of man.—Edwin Forrest.

It is in drama where poetry attains its loftiest flight.—Don Luis I. of Portugal.

The drama is the most refined pleasure of a polished people.—Dion Boucault.

The stage is more powerful than the platform, the press, or the pulpit.—Anna Dickinson.

A comedy is like a cigar; if good, every one wants a box; if bad, no amount of puffing will make it draw.—Harry James Byron.

When God conceived the world, that was poetry; he formed it, and that was sculpture; he colored it, and that was painting; he peopled it with living things, and that was the grand, divine, eternal drama.—Charlotte Cushman.

The drama embraces and applies all the beauties and decorations of poetry. The sister arts attend and adorn her; painting, architecture, and music are her handmaidens; the costliest lights of a people's intellects burn at her show, all ages welcome her.—Robert A. Willmot.

Old Specimens of Grille-Work.

In Winchester cathedral (Eng.) there is a door composed of four pieces of iron grille-work which have the distinction of being the oldest specimens of their kind in Britain.

Female Monkey Did Housework.

A female chimpanzee once went out to service at Loango, Italy, and made the beds, swept the house and assisted in the kitchen by peeling the potatoes and turning the spit.

An Optimistic Lover.

Tom—"You look happy to-day."
Dick—"I feel that way. I proposed to Miss Finkel last night."
Tom—"Go easy, old man. She's very changeable."
Dick—"That's why I'm so hopeful. She said 'No' last night."

Toll Taken by the Sea.

Statisticians find that something like 2,000 vessels of all sorts disappear in the sea every year, never to be heard from, taking 15,000 persons and involving a money loss of \$100,000,000.

Sale of Wheeler County School lands.

Senator Decker left Sunday for Ft. Worth. Before leaving he reported they had sold one-third of the Wheeler county school land last Friday, at prices ranging from four to eight and a half dollars per acre. The Senator expected the balance of the land to be sold within a week.—Quannah Tribune-Chief.

Judge L. C. Heare to Labor in New Fields.

Judge L. C. Heare, immigration agent of the Santa Fe was here this week on business and in conference with vice president and General Manager Avery Turner of the Pecon Valley lines in connection with further immigration work. Judge Heare is an old timer in the Panhandle and is well known in real estate and immigration circles throughout the southwest.

Concerning the immediate immigration work he said that he would work extensively in the northeastern portion of the United States, and in fields where there has been but very little done in inducing immigration to the Panhandle country. On his next trip north Judge Heare will be absent about one month, but before going he will confer further with local officials here.—Amarillo Herald.

Prosperous Texas.

Reports show that the increase in bank deposits in Texas during 1905 was 248 per cent. Texas stands fifth in the list in this respect, being surpassed by Arkansas with 503 per cent, North and South Dakota and Mississippi. The total deposits of the South are shown to have passed the one billion mark for the first time.

Cotton farms have increased in value \$460,000,000, the most prominent increase being in Texas where the value has increased \$115,000,000. Georgia stands second with \$77,000,000 and Mississippi third with \$62,000,000. These figures are taken from the annual report of James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture.

People of Beaver county can take care of themselves. They are the most resourceful people on earth. They are light-hearted and hospitable. They can live for months on kaffir corn or sit down to an elephant dinner and will not founder themselves. We know a party who lives near the railroad track and has a large family. He has only bought 45 cents worth of coal this winter. He hung a soda water bottle on the fence filled with red water. The firemen threw nearly a ton of coal at the bottle before they broke it. The gentleman came to town Monday after another soda water bottle.—Guyton Herald.

The senate appropriated \$200,000 to mark the graves of Confederate soldiers buried in the north.

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Profits of Cotton Manufacture.

At the meeting of the Cotton Growers at New Orleans last week it was brought out by President Jordan that at the prevailing prices of the manufactured products, this season spinners could easily have paid 12 cents for the entire crop to the growers and paid good dividends on their investments. Speaking further, he said:

"On this basis a crop of 10,000,000 bales should have brought the producers \$600,000,000. If we demand and receive 15 cents for the balance of the unsold portion of the crop (middling at interior points) we will still be unable to average the whole crop at 12 cents a pound due to the unwarranted low prices at which more than one-half the crop has been sold. The proposition to hold the balance of the crop at a maximum figure of 15 cents therefore is based upon sound conservative reasoning and is justified by all conditions surrounding the present legitimate laws of demand and supply. When our cotton sold at 5 cents a pound a few years ago, the price of print cloths was 2 cents a yard or 14 cents a pound for the manufactured product, leaving 9 cents between the purchasing price of the raw product and the selling price of the finished fabric to pay the cost of manufacture and declare dividends on investments.

"Print cloths are now selling at 3½ cents a yard or 26½ cents a pound. At an average price of 12 cents a pound for the raw cotton the manufacturer today has a margin of 14½ cents against 9 cents a few years ago, or a net difference at the present time of 5½ cents a pound, or \$26.25 a bale.

"The consumption of American cotton is enormous and will continue unabated for many months to come. There are 5,000,000 more spindles in active operation now than was the case one year ago. The present crop will not exceed 10,000,000 commercial bales. The crop has been practically all picked and ginned. The greater portion of the stocks of American cotton, 1,600,000 bales carried Sept. 1, 1905, already has been consumed. Consumption is

Fleishly Suffering

is often caused by sores, ulcers and cancers that eat away your skin. Wm. Be-dell of Flatrock, Mich., says: "I have used Bucklen's Arnica Salve for ulcers, sores and cancers. It is the best healing dressing I ever found." Soothes and heals cuts, burns and scalds. 25c at Central Drug Store; guaranteed.

going on at the rate of 1,000,000 bales a month. The whole civilized world is listening day and night to the hum of busy spindles. There can not and will not be a surplus from the present short crop. The policy of the planters during the next three months will largely determine their ability to maintain fair and profitable prices for the crop to be produced in 1906. Diversification must ever be the watchword and protective policy of the southern producer."

Hutton's Long Chase.

Sheriff Hutton, one of the best known peace officers in the Panhandle, has returned home after a chase extending several thousand miles bringing with him Rip Pearce who is badly wanted on a number of indictments in the Panhandle country.

Pearce is charged with the theft of two car loads of horses from R. S. Coon & Brother of Dalhart while there are no indictments out against him on other charges.

The capture of the prisoner after he left Dalhart was effected after a long search, which disclosed the fact that he had gone to Douglas, Ariz. Sheriff Hutton followed him there and concluded that he had gone to Southern California. Then at his own expense the sheriff followed him to California, to find that he had crossed into Mexico. Disguising himself by shaving off his mustache and putting on glasses, Sheriff Hutton then followed his man into Mexico, where he apprehended him with the aid of Gov. Terrasana of Chihuahua, a personal friend of Sheriff Hutton. Pearce did not know the officer even when Hutton placed his hand on his shoulder, so effectual was his disguise.

The horses which were stolen were traced to Kansas City and Eastern Illinois and have all been recovered.—Dalhart Texas.

Rev. W. H. Cleveland, brother of Governor, is dying at Columbus, O.

Wrong Disease.
Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, but because each package contains 10 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 4-ounce packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 15-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures, "15 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

The man who would keep his head above water can't let the grass grow under his feet.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'HARA, 223 Third Ave., N. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1909.

The trouble with our changeable climate is that we can't change it for a better one.

FITS permanently cured. No more nervousness after eating. Relief of all fits. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Send for FREE 60-day trial bottle and treatment. Price, 50c. Sold by all druggists. Pills, 10c. per bottle.

You can't acquire money without making sacrifices, even when you marry for it.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Including, Itching, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Druggists send for FREE 60-day trial bottle and treatment. Price, 50c. Sold by all druggists. Pills, 10c. per bottle.

When the ladder isn't down in the world it is up against it.

More Flexible and Lasting. Defiance Starch will not wash out, by using Defiance Starch you get better results than possible with any other brand—and one-third more for same money.

A satisfactory sweetheart doesn't necessarily make a satisfactory wife.

Important to Mothers. Scarcely essential every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and safe for that.

Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*
The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Many a man who attempts to stand on his dignity gets a hard fall.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.
As mercury will destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when absorbed through the mucous surfaces, such ointments should never be used except on prescription from a regular physician, as the damage they will do is too bad to be good. You can possibly do better by using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which is a safe and sure remedy for all catarrhs of the bladder and mucous surfaces of the system. In every case it is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Sold by all druggists. Price, 50c. per bottle.

After being swindled some men say nothing but proceed to get even.

WOMEN WHO CALL ON THEIR FAMILY suffering, as they imagine, from dyspepsia, another from nervous exhaustion, another with pain here and there in this way they all present themselves and their easy-going, or over-busy doctor, with their distinct diseases, for which he prescribes pills. In reality, they are all cases caused by some disease of the system, ignorant of the fact, therefore, of the cause, and instituting comfort in prolonged misery. It has been found that a disease known as half

Favorite Prescription is a delicate, carefully devised by a skillful physician, to woman's delicate system. It contains the most delicate and native medicinal roots and herbs, and its effects in only a few days.

Invigorating Tonic "Fountain of Health" imparts strength to the system and to the organs in particular. For over-coming "run-down," debility, milliners, dressmakers, "shop girls," housekeepers, and feeble women generally. Its favorite to Prescription sent early home, being an appetizing cordial and strengthening tonic. "Fountain of Health" is unequalled in allaying and subduing irritability, irritability, nervous prostration, vertigo, spasms, chorea, St. Vitus' dance, nervousness, hysterical attacks, and other distressing, nervous ailments. It is a most valuable and refreshing sleep and strength-giving tonic. Pleasant Pills invigorate the system and bowels. One to take as early as possible.

DID A WORLD OF GOOD
Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Cure Heart Pains, Dizziness and Weakness.
Easy to get, hard to get rid of; that is what most sufferers think of dyspepsia. They are astonished when their stomach begins to trouble them seriously. They had been eating hurriedly and irregularly for a long time, to be sure, but they supposed their stomachs quite used to that.

Some people know that the strength which the weak stomach needs, and for the lack of which the whole body is suffering, can be found surely and quickly in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. In hundreds of instances these pills have succeeded where other remedies failed.

"My indignation," said Mr. J. R. Miller, of Dayton, Va., "came in the first place from the fact that a few years ago I worked a great deal at night, and ate at any odd hour whenever the chance came, and always very hurriedly. One day I found myself a victim of terrible dyspepsia. It kept me miserable all the time for several years.

"I always had a great deal of distress after eating, and when I got up from my sleep my stomach would be so weak that it would hardly take any food. I had very uncomfortable feelings about my heart, and was dizzy and, whenever I stooped over and then straightened up, my eyes would be badly blurred.

"I read the statements of several persons who had got rid of obstinate stomach troubles by using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I bought some and they did me a world of good. They acted promptly and did just what was claimed for them. I have no more distress after meals; the bad feeling has gone from the region of my heart; the alarming dizzy spells have disappeared, and I am strong again."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists and by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

When the old man speaks of his oldest girl as the flower of the family he probably means the wall flower.

Worth Knowing
—that Alcock's are the original and only genuine porous plasters; all other so-called porous plasters are imitations.

A man isn't necessarily deaf because he is unable to hear the voice of conscience.

Insist on Getting It.
Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands, containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

A saucy girl is apt to make a saucy wife.

A SHORTAGE IS FOUND
Report of Expert Accountant of Kansas Treasury Submitted.
ABOUT \$78,000 IS MISSING
Disappeared Mostly Under Crimes Administration — Governor Hoch Unable to Say What Action Will be Taken About Result.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 18. — A total shortage in the Kansas state treasury of about \$78,000 is shown by the report of Accountant Morris in the treasury examination just closed, according to a summary of the report prepared by Gov. E. W. Hoch. The report covers all transactions made by the state treasurers from January 1, 1895, to June 30, 1905, including the two full terms of former State Treasurer Frank E. Grimes and one term and six months of the administration of Thos. T. Kelly, the present state treasurer. The bulk of the shortage appears in the accounts of the office during the Grimes administration.

Of the total of \$78,000 \$50,000 is due to missing coupons from bonds issued by the state school fund and \$18,000 is due to loss of interest on warrants issued by the territory of Oklahoma to the state of Kansas.

Gov. Hoch said he was unable to state the action he might take as a result of the investigation.

Former Treasurer Frank Grimes issued a statement. He absolutely denies any responsibility for the shortage in Oklahoma warrant interest and says he is able to account satisfactorily for all the bond coupon shortages except \$7,215. Mr. Grimes stated that he was willing to make good any shortages he was responsible for.

In his statement Mr. Grimes puts the responsibility for a number of serious discrepancies on C. R. Richey, his chief clerk.

Aside from the shortage shown the Morris representative makes sensational disclosures concerning the embezzlement of the "state property" stamp from the backs of the coupons and the mutilation of records in the office of the state treasurer and state auditor.

Thos. T. Kelly, the present state treasurer, issued a lengthy statement in reply to the Morris report. Mr. Kelly in his statement says he is pleased with the Morris report and considers it a complete vindication of his conduct while in office. Kelly admits that a few small shortages appear to have occurred since he became state treasurer, but charges them to clerical errors.

Cullom in Bad Health.
Washington, Jan. 18.—Senator Cullom, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, left Washington for St. Augustine, Fla. He is in bad health, and it is doubtful whether he can resume his senatorial labors in the near future.

CAPTAIN FRANTZ SWORN IN.
Guthrie, O., Jan. 17. — Captain Frank Frantz was inaugurated as the seventh governor of Oklahoma under circumstances which were in every way auspicious. Contrary to expectations, Charles H. Filson, who is to succeed William Grimes as secretary of Oklahoma did not take office and will probably not do so for about two weeks, as it will take that long to arrange his bond, and other preliminaries.

Gov. Ferguson called all of the territorial employes into his office for a brief farewell. He was also kept busy during almost the entire morning receiving delegations from the various Oklahoma cities who were here for the inauguration.

WILL NOT INTERFERE.
Ferri Leavenworth Lieutenant Must go To Prison.
Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 17. — Advice received at Ft. Leavenworth from Washington say the president has refused to interfere in the sentence of Lieut. Sidney S. Burbank of the Sixth Infantry, recently sentenced by court-martial in the Philippines to fifteen months' imprisonment and dismissal from the army.

Burbank's mother came all the way from the Philippines to appear before the president and the secretary of war in her son's behalf. Burbank was convicted of deserting his Philippine wife and becoming engaged to a Leavenworth girl while still married, also of embezzling funds of his company. The conviction of Lieutenant Burbank closes the career of the fourth generation of the Burbank family in the service.

Three Policemen Killed.
Riga, Livonia, Jan. 18.—A band of revolutionaries fell upon three lieutenants of police and killed them with revolvers. The assassins escaped from a conference at the palace of the governor-general.

Russian General Killed.
Penz, Russia, Jan. 18.—Major General Lisovki, who was said to be under sentence of death by the fighting section of the social revolutionaries was killed. The assassin escaped.

CRAZY SNAKE'S APPEAL.
Does Not Want Tribal Relations of Creeks Abandoned.
Washington, Jan. 15.—Crazy Snake, the most renowned chief of the Creek Indians, will call on the president to tell him why, in his opinion, the Creeks should not be forced to relinquish their tribal relations.

The old Indian warrior is very determined in his opposition to the treaty and through his interpreter will make a strong appeal to the president for himself and his people.

Pen Picture of Conan Doyle.
Here is a pen portrait of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle as drawn by a spectator at a recent London meeting, in which the author took a prominent part: The massive figure, the sun-scorched, crimson cheeks and the entirely healthy animalness of the man were unavoidably conspicuous, giving the lie in stentorian tones to the oft-repeated fabrication that brains can only be cultivated at the expense of the body.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle in every drug store.

The investment is for the other fellow when he sells it to you.

Defiance Starch is guaranteed biggest and best of money refunded, 15 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

The egotist may be imbued with his subject, but not to the extent that his subject is imbued with him.

The Race Question
Is a problem that has puzzled the profoundest minds, for many years. The best thing for the human race to do is to eat Pillsbury's Vitox for breakfast.

BIRTH RATE FOLLOWS TRADE.
What a Meeting of the Royal Statistical Society Revealed.
At a meeting of the Royal Statistical Society, held recently in London at the society's rooms, a paper was read on "The Changes in the Marriage and Birth Rates in England and Wales During the Last Half Century. With an Inquiry as to Their Causes," by G. Udny Yule. A careful examination of the fluctuations in the birth rate showed, declared Mr. Yule, that it appeared to respond, like the marriage rate, to the cycle of trade and industry, though the movement is curiously irregular as compared with that of the latter rate. The fall of the birth rate, or a marked increase in the rate of fall, commenced in many European countries just about 1875-6—that is, when the effect of the fall of prices from 1873 was just beginning to make itself felt. The turning point was too well marked not to be due to some very definite cause, and too widespread to be ascribed to any cause of a local character. The greatest intercessant increase in England and Wales occurred, it was pointed out, after periods of high prices.

Don't Wait.
Hanna, Wyo., Jan. 15th (Special)—Delays are dangerous. Don't wait until all the awful symptoms of Kidney Disease develop in your system, and your physician shakes his head gravely as he diagnoses your case. If you suspect your kidneys, turn at once to the great Kidney Specific—Dodd's Kidney Pills. You can do so with every confidence. A few of Dodd's Kidney Pills taken in time have saved many a life. The early symptoms of Kidney Disorder may be the forerunners of Bright's Disease, Diabetes and Dropsy. Dr. W. H. Jeffries, a resident here, tells below how he treated an attack of Kidney Trouble. He says:—

"Before I commenced taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I had always a tired feeling every morning when I got out of my bed, and my kidneys were in very bad shape. There was always a dull heavy pain across my loins, and I had hard work to stoop. I took two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, the tired feeling and back pains have entirely gone, and I am now cured."

The girl who sets her heart on a Reginald or an Archibald generally ends by marrying a Bill or a Tom.

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused It to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.



This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family. For some years she taught school, and became known as a woman of an alert

restore the family fortune. They argued that the medicine which was so good for their woman friends and neighbors was equally good for the women of the whole world.

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped on the stove, gradually filling a gross of bottles. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sons in Boston, New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful curative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it recommended it to others, and the demand gradually increased.

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until today Lydia E. Pinkham and her Vegetable Compound have become household words everywhere, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydia E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continuing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experience she was ever methodical in her work and she was always careful to preserve a record of every case that came to her attention. The case of every sick woman who applied to her for advice—and there were thousands—received careful study, and the details, including symptoms, treatment and results were recorded for future reference, and to-day these records, together with hundreds of thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and represent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's ills, which for authenticity and accuracy can hardly be equaled in any library in the world.

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THE CALL OF THE CANADIAN WEST.

The year that has just closed has done a great deal toward showing the possibilities of Western Canada from an agricultural standpoint. The wheat crop has run very near to the 100,000,000 bushel limit that was looked upon as too sanguine an estimate only a short time ago, and the area that has been broken to fall wheat for the coming harvest will go a long way towards enabling the farmers of the West to overlap on the 100,000,000 bushel estimate next year. And while the spring and winter wheat have been doing so well during the past few years, the other cereals have been keeping up with the procession. Rye and barley have made immense strides, and peas and flax have been moving steadily along. Dairying, also, has been successfully carried on in the new provinces, and in every stage the farmer has been "striking it rich." To such an extent has the success of the West taken hold of the outsiders that the rush of our Americans to Saskatchewan and Alberta, which was looked upon as marvelous last year, bids fair to be largely exceeded in 1906, and as there are still millions of acres of free homesteads available, which the building of the new railways will render accessible to the markets, new wheat lands will be opened ere long. Amongst the first to avail himself of the opportunity, in a large number of America's present will be the American can cities Dominion Government Agents are located, who are able and willing to give the latest and best information in regard to the new districts which the railways will open up, and there will be no abatement of the rush to the Canadian prairies during the coming season. Some time since a poet in the columns of the "Toronto Star" had the following striking lines, which throbb of the Western spirit:

There's a stir in the air, there's a thrill through the land,
There's a movement toward the great West,
And the eyes of all men for the moment are turned
To the country that we love the best.
For 'tis Canada's day in the world's calendar,
And to this merry toast let us sup:
'Here's to the land, the young giant of the North,
Where the prairies are opening up!"

They come from the East, and they come from the South,
They come over the deep rolling sea—
They come, for they know they will dwell 'neath a flag,
That makes all men equal and free.
Then, once more the toast, and let every man rise
And cheer ere he slips from the cup:
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HIGH CLASS DRUGGISTS AND — OTHERS.

The better class of druggists, everywhere, are men of scientific attainments and high integrity, who devote their lives to the welfare of their fellow men in supplying the best of remedies and purest medicinal agents of known value, in accordance with physicians' prescriptions and scientific formula. Druggists of the better class manufacture many excellent remedies, but always under original or official names and they never sell false brands, or imitation medicines. They are the men to deal with when in need of anything in their line, which usually includes all standard remedies and corresponding adjuncts of a first-class pharmacy and the finest and best of toilet articles and preparations and many useful accessories and remedial appliances. The earning of a fair living, with the satisfaction which arises from a knowledge of the benefits conferred upon their patrons and assistance to the medical profession, is usually their greatest reward for long years of study and many hours of daily toil. They all know that Syrup of Figs is an excellent laxative remedy and that it gives universal satisfaction, and therefore they are selling many millions of bottles annually to the well informed purchasers of the choicest remedies, and they always take pleasure in handing out the genuine article bearing the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package. They know that in cases of colds and headaches attended by biliousness and constipation and of weakness or torpidity of the liver and bowels, arising from irregular habits, indigestion, or over-eating, that there is no other remedy so pleasant, prompt and beneficial in its effects as Syrup of Figs, and they are glad to sell it because it gives universal satisfaction.

Owing to the excellence of Syrup of Figs, the universal satisfaction which it gives and the immense demand for it, imitations have been made, tried and condemned, but there are individual druggists to be found, here and there, who do not maintain the dignity and principles of the profession and whose greed gets the better of their judgment, and who do not hesitate to recommend and try to sell the imitations in order to make a larger profit. Such preparations sometimes have the name—"Syrup of Figs"—or "Fig Syrup" and of some piratical concern, or fictitious fig syrup company, printed on the package, but they never have the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of the package. The imitations should be rejected because they are injurious to the system. In order to sell the imitations they find it necessary to resort to misrepresentation or deception, and whenever a dealer passes off on a customer a preparation under the name of "Syrup of Figs" or "Fig Syrup," which does not bear the full name of the California Fig Syrup Co. printed on the front of the package, he is attempting to deceive and mislead the patron who has been so unfortunate as to enter his establishment, whether it be large or small, for if the dealer resorts to misrepresentation and deception in one case he will do so with other medicinal agents, and in the filling of physicians' prescriptions, and should be avoided by every one who values health and happiness. Knowing that the great majority of druggists are reliable, we supply the immense demand for our excellent remedy entirely through the druggists, of whom it may be purchased everywhere, in original packages only, at the regular price of fifty cents per bottle, but as exceptions exist it is necessary to inform the public of the facts, in order that all may decline or return any imitation which may be sold to them. If it does not bear the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package, do not hesitate to return the article and to demand the return of your money, and in future go to one of the better class of druggists who will sell you what you wish and the best of everything in his line at reasonable prices.

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If you want a good meal go to the Miami restaurant.

S. V. Gist made a business trip to Amarillo Wednesday.

The road to success starts right at the Amarillo Business College.

Attorney H. G. Hendricks spent several days over in Wheeler county this week.

Miss Holly of Oklahoma is visiting in Miami, guest of her cousin, Mrs. M. McCauley.

The Amarillo Business College is prepared to teach all commercial branches successfully.

The Pulaski residence was moved this week to the land Mrs. Pulaski owns near the Martin home.

F. P. Reid, alfalfa grower and stock-breeder of the Mobeetie country, was on a business trip to Miami yesterday.

There's a smile of satisfaction on the countenance after eating a meal at the Miami restaurant. Something good.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Winsett and Miss Mable Arnold made a trip to Canadian Tuesday, returning Wednesday morning.

S. L. McDonald and Fitch Stine, the real estate dealers of Mobeetie, passed through Miami Thursday on a business trip east.

Public is Aroused.

The public is aroused to a knowledge of the curative merits of that great medicinal tonic, Electric Bitters, for sick stomach, liver and kidneys.

Mary H. Walters, of 540 St. Clair Ave., Columbus, O., writes: "For several months I was given up to die. I had fever and ague, my nerves were wrecked; I could not sleep, my stomach was so weak from useless doctors' drugs that I could not eat. Soon after beginning to take Electric Bitters I obtained relief and in a short time I was entirely cured." Guaranteed at Central Drug Store; 50c.

At a congregational meeting last Saturday the Presbyterian church at Canadian called Rev. Samuel H. Cone as pastor.

Geo. Walstad left last Sunday for Hot Springs, Arkansas, to try the curative properties of the springs for rheumatism.

Why should any young man be with out a position, when it can be so easily obtained after attending the Amarillo Business College?

Mr. Philpott of Cooke county who purchased land on the plains last September arrived this week and will begin to improve his place.

Tomorrow is Presbyterian day in Miami. Rev. Cone came down from Canadian yesterday and will remain over to preach tomorrow.

J. C. Walstad and daughter of Medicine Lodge, Kansas, are in Miami giving a course of lessons in dancing. A big ball is listed for January 31st.

Opportunity knocks once at every man's door. The Amarillo Business College offers the best opportunity to the ambitious young man or woman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jackson and baby of Gray county were in Miami on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, guests at the B. F. Jackson home.

Might Have Been.

When Shakespeare said: "Aye, there's the rub," we do not know for certain he was thinking of the itch. But one thing we do know—and know it twenty years' worth—Hunt's Cure will absolutely, infallibly and immediately cure any itching trouble that ever happened to the human cuticle. Its guaranteed.

Frank Razor is in from Indian Creek today to meet Mrs. Razor and the children who have just returned from a visit to Mrs. Razor's parents in Clay county.

We call your attention to the attractive ad of D. C. Davis & Co., of Panama, on our front page. They propose to keep a complete line of all kinds of building material.

W. F. Peugh, Grand Visitor, accompanied by A. L. Winsett of Higgins, came down yesterday morning to put the Royal Arch Chapter to work under its new charter. Heretofore the lodge has been working under a dispensation. Rev. J. Samuel H. Cone, Judge Baker and Dr. C. W. Jones of Canadian were also in attendance.

A. C. Houston of Wichita, Kansas, and B. L. Stone of Canadian, owners of the lumber yard in Miami, were here a couple of days this week taking the annual inventory of stock. And we understand the owners complimented M. C. Moore, manager of the yard here, for his good work.

The wolf hunt last Saturday proved to be a very tame affair, the loaders again succeeding in evading the dogs, though several loaders were seen by parties that had no dogs. Two coyotes were killed.

Senator Dryden, of New Mexico, revised his bill contemplating the greatest control of insurance by the people of the state, introduced in the senate, and it is believed very closely the bill being conducted in New Mexico.

No Occasion to Get Wrathful.

Only ten more days for squaring your account with the State and County in the matter of poll taxes for 1903. If at the election on the 15th of next month and again next November you are not the possessor of an insignificant looking little slip of paper whereon is written a brief historical account of your genealogy and peregrinations within the county and state, and attested by the hand and official seal of the local tax gatherer, we say if you haven't this little slip of paper, don't swell up and seek to delude the Torrell Election Law with a torrid wave of assumed righteous indignation, but rather seek your warmest personal friend, lead him to some sequestered spot, meekly turn your back and in penitential tones request him to kick you good and awful hard, for by negligence or for \$1.75 you have sacrificed one of the grandest privileges of a true American citizen.

Cash Appreciation of an Editor's Efforts.

Talk about your surprised editors! There was surely one in McLean the first of the new year when C. S. Rice, the popular and efficient manager of the Cleero Smith Lumber Co's yard at this place, walked into the sanctum, and, after giving us a nice order for job work, handed us his company's check for \$25, with the remark that "there is a slight recognition of your efforts as an editor to build up McLean and the surrounding country." We had heard of one similar substantial compliment being paid to an editor once before—in the case of Bro. Oakes of the Channing Courier, but who, before he had opportunity to test its spending propensities, awoke and found it all a dream. Remembering this experience of Oakes' we rubbed our eyes and pinched our flesh to make sure that we were not about to suffer a like sensation. But we were sure enough awake and both the compliment and check were genuine. We do not know how we expressed our thanks to Mr. Rice, but will hereby state that with our new equipment and an increased patronage we will double our efforts to develop the "McLean Country" during the year 1906—not with the hope of more compliments of the above nature, but with the single purpose of assisting to make the McLean country what it is destined to be—the most prosperous section in the entire Southwest.—McLean News.

Texas, Paradise Regained.

When I was a barefooted boy away up among the mountains of east Tennessee where nature sings her sweetest song, and howling brooks laugh in the sunshine and dance in the shadows, I used to sit on the bank of the river and watch the caravans of covered wagons creeping like mammoth snails with their shells on their backs, southward to the wilderness of Texas. I did not dream then that the ragged, rosy-cheeked children who crowded under the wagon covers were the prophesies of the wealth and power and glory of the greatest empire that was ever born on this continent. But so it was. The caravans landed their precious freight in the wilds of Texas. The blue smoke began to curl upward from the cabins of the pioneers; the plowshares began to slice the broad prairies like a hot knife slicing a continent of Jersey butter; the reaper like a phantom ship began to sweep across amber seas of grain, and Texans who had read Milton's "Paradise Lost" began to talk about Paradise Regained. The little ragged, caddy-haired children grew up into a race of the fairest women and the bravest men that the sun ever shone upon. They married the sons and daughters of the heroes who won the independence of Texas, and there were more cabins on the prairies, and another generation was born whose vigor and strength have given increased power to this mighty commonwealth.

The spirit of the Alamo glorifies the brow of manhood, and the blood of San Jacinto warms the heart of courage and reddens the cheek of a buty of the people of the Lone Star state today. The dark-visaged demon as savage hate which once lighted the torch and brandished the scolloping knife, and spread his flaming wings on the horizon, have gone from Texas forever. The white crested billows of Mexican wrath which once rolled up from the south and then rolled back again crimson with blood, were calmed long ago, and the angel of peace is hovering over the land.—Gov. Bob Taylor.

Notice to Tax Payers.

Notice is given that all taxes due the county and State for year of 1903 must be paid on or before January 31, 1906, or a penalty of ten per cent, and interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum must be paid in addition thereto. Poll Taxes must be paid in person or by an agent who must possess an order as provided by act of Legislature of 1905. S. G. CARTER, Tax Collector, Roberts County.

For Higher Ideals.

It would be very gratifying to see the press and pulpit of our country unite their influence, as never before, in pleading for higher ideals in the individual life of every reader and hearer, that every unit of our society at large may realize his true interest in doing what he can personally for the right, instead of leaving to others the task of building and protecting good society, while they give all their time to selfish personal interests.—Amarillo Herald.

A Visit to Wheeler.

The editor of THE CHIEF and Mrs. Ladd and baby, made a flying trip to Wheeler, the new town in the center of Wheeler county, the former part of this week. The town has made rapid growth for the few months of its existence and at the rate people are buying homes and moving into the surrounding country it will be but a short time until there will be several hundred families tributary to the town. Being the accessible center of such a large territory, when the territory becomes well settled, the place is bound to make a thriving town, and should the much hoped for railway come Wheeler would make a strong rival for prominence above any Panhandle town, the natural location of the country and its adaptability to the growing of all field crops, all vegetables and fruits, being the basis of such a prediction. We understand that one of the prominent merchants of the county will put in a large stock of merchandise at the new town this coming spring and a cotton gin is assured in time to take care of the next crop. On our visit we stopped with our wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stanley. Two of Mr. Stanley's sons-in-law, A. B. Crump and Dr. M. M. Meeks have purchased land near the new town, will build right away and go to farming and stock raising.

GENTLY CYNICAL MUSINGS.

Marriage often results in cold feet.
 It's a pretty sharp woman that can't be flattered.
 Many a man's future is overshadowed by his past.
 You may kill time, but it will come back to haunt you.
 Alimony is often a satisfactory substitute for a husband.
 Beauty is only skin deep, and even then it is apt to rub off.
 The family photograph album is a nightmare to the girl of 20.
 Life is either a comedy or a tragedy, just as you choose to make it.
 This is a land of promise to the man who lends money promiscuously.
 If we could afford to buy a lot of things we want, we wouldn't want them.
 The portals of heaven are closely guarded, but the devil will meet you half way.
 It may be considered gallant to kiss a lady's hand, but most girls consider it out of place.
 Some fellows never go to work for a living until they have given everything else a fair trial.
 All the world asks of a man is for him to do his best. If that doesn't suit him he can get out.
 The fellow who says he would bet his last dollar on a horse race may eventually have a chance to do so.
 An editor throws more poetry into the waste basket in one day than lots of men have in their souls in a whole lifetime.
 Buy it Now.
 Now is the time to buy Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is certain to be needed sooner or later and when that time comes you will need it badly—you will need it quickly. Buy it now. It may save life. For sale by Central Drug Store.

One Room for Family.

The working classes in Mexico are for the most part content with one room for a family, a room in which the door does duty for both window and chimney.

Nice and Nasty.

Clarence, aged 4, had just taken a bite of a very large but unusually sour apple. "Gracious!" he exclaimed. "What an awful nice bad apple that is!"

Cholera Infantum.

Ruth, the little daughter of E. N. Dewey of Agnewville, Va., was seriously ill of cholera infantum last summer. "We gave her up and did not expect her to live from one hour to another," he says. "I happened to think of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I got a bottle of it from the store. In five hours I saw a change for the better. We kept on giving in and before she had taken the half of one small bottle she was well." This remedy for sale at Central Drug.

French Judicial Etiquette.

French judges and judicial officials are forbidden by the etiquette of their profession to ride in an omnibus.

Aquatic Birds in Majority.

Aquatic birds are more numerous than land birds.
 Immense Sun Dial in Greece.
 Greece boasts the largest sun dial on the planet. There is a large promontory in the Aegean sea, looking to the east, which extends 3,000 feet above the level of the water. As the sun swings around, the shadow of the mountain touches one by one a circle of islands separated by regular intervals, which act as hour marks.

Where Pretense Avails Not.

Heaven and hell are the two places where everybody has to drop pretenses.—John Oliver Hobbes.

English Post Office Savings Bank.

There are in England 15,000 post office savings banks.

Paper Car Wheels Prove Durable.

Paper car wheels made by pressure from rye-straw paper are usually good enough to take a second set of steel tires after the first set has been worn out by a run of 300,000 miles.

Development of the Orange.

Scientists say that the orange was formerly a berry, and that it has been developing for over 7,000 years.

English Copper Coinage.

Every year the English mint issues over 2,000,000 copper coins.

Many Men Do.

"Jones says he never lets the sun go down upon his wrath."
 "No; he expends it all on his wife as soon as he gets home from the office."—Houston Chronicle.

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How a Town Grows.

If a town does not reach out after trade it will come only as fast as it has to; but if the merchants go after the business in the surrounding country, advertising in every possible way and make good every word of their advertising, trade will come from an ever increasing radius, the town will gain a reputation for being awake and it will forge to the front. It is the men in the town and not altogether the men living within a certain number of miles from it that makes a town a hustling business center or otherwise.—Ex.

That New Leaf.

No, it is not a new leaf, but an old one from Channing, and, although the first of the year is past, you might profit by reading it every morning. Here it is:
 "To live content with small means—to seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement rather than fashion—to be worthy, not respectable, and wealthy, not rich—to study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly—to listen to stars and birds, to babes and sages with open heart—to bear all cheerfully, to do all bravely, await occasions, hurry never—in a word to let the spiritual, unbidden and unconscious grow up through the common—this is my symphony."—Channing Courier.

Homes Getting Dearer.

It is an interesting story of rapid enhancement in land values that is now coming from every portion of Texas. Even out in the Abilene country lands are selling at from \$30 to \$35 per acre, and it is said there are more people looking for homes than can be accommodated. All of which goes to prove that the era of cheap homes is rapidly passing from Texas, and the man who defers the acquirement of his home even for two years, is going to pay dearly for his procrastination.—Fort Worth Telegram.

An Indian's Idea of It.

An Indian went into Geary the other day to pay a merchant a debt he owed the latter, and when the money was paid in full the Indian called for a receipt. The merchant tried to show the Indian that a receipt was unnecessary, but the Indian thought differently, and finally said: "Me must have receipt to show me owe you nothing. Me go to Heaven and the Lord ask Injun if he pay all his debts, and Injun say yes, and the Lord ask Injun where is the receipt. What Injun do? Can't go all over hell hunting you up to get receipt."—He got it all right.—Ex.

One and Ten.

The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent of his earnings. He must spend nine dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he cannot be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seeds for his garden, will save several dollars outlay later on. It is the same in buying Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a few cents and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars. For sale by Central Drug Store.

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You can always find some one capable of imparting the secret of success. Others will think well of you so long as you do not think too well of yourself.

Economy is a subject which admits of being treated with levity, but it can not so be disposed of.

A man who seems very stupid in a crowd can often be extremely interesting in a dignified corner with only one other person present.

The Canon's Joke.

Dr. Goodall of Eton, was proverbially fond of punning. About the same time that he was made provost of Eton he received also a stall at Windsor. A young lady of his acquaintance, while congratulating him on his elevation, requested him to give the young ladies of Eton and Windsor a ball during the vacation.

"I am afraid I cannot accept of that request," said the doctor.
 "Oh, doctor, do. It would be so charming," she exclaimed, as she playfully tapped his wrist with her fan and caused the powder to fly about.
 "There, my dear, there is your answer. You see you can get powder out of the canon, but not the ball."

Development of the Orange.

Scientists say that the orange was formerly a berry, and that it has been developing for over 7,000 years.

English Copper Coinage.

Every year the English mint issues over 2,000,000 copper coins.

Many Men Do.

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