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CORRESPONDENT IN HONG KONG, CHINA

Hong Kong, China, Oct. 4, 1912.
Editor Mail:—

We have now been at sea for 27 days excepting short stops in the Howaian Islands, Japan and China.

We arrived in Nagasaki, Japan on Sunday, Sept. 29th, and spent the day there while the good ship "Nile" was being reloaded with coal. There were about 50 small boats came out where we were anchored in the harbor all loaded with coal and this was all put in the ship by Japanese women, using little grass or straw baskets and by lining up from the small boats up a roughly constructed ladder to the decks passing each basket from one to the other 500 tons of coal was put in the ships hold. These laboring people seem to be happy but are undoubtedly the lowest grade of humanity for one can hardly realize that they are really human beings. They wear practically no clothing except what they call a "G," string and a broad smile.

The harbor of Nagasaki is very pretty as it is entirely surrounded by mountains except for a narrow channel leading out to the sea. These mountains are absolutely covered with small gardens from top to bottom.

We visited all the places of interest but none of them compared with the things seen in Yokohama and Tokyo. Leaving there we came thru the inland sea of Japan which was one of the prettiest scenes of our trip. In some places the channel was only a few hundred yards wide and on each side were islands of all shapes and sizes, from small and uninhabited rocks to wove-encircled hills, terraced and cultivated to their very summits.

We lingered here all day upon the steamers deck like passengers on a train, in passing the Grand Canyons of Ariz, fearing to lose a single feature of the varied panorama gliding by on either side. By night it was more glorious even than by day, for then, from every dangerous cliff flashed forth a beacon light, the villages along the shore displayed a like of glittering points, and, best of all at a late hour, moonlight lent enchantment to the scene.

When we emerged from these inland waters we saw between us and the setting sun the stretch of ocean called the Yellow Sea. After a two days voyage from the Japanese coast we anchored off the coast of China near the city of Shanghai. We were met by a small steamer and carried up the river to the city and it was the most up-to-date we had seen since leaving Honolulu, with its pretty large buildings of stone and brick and wide streets, for in Japan all the buildings are of wood and never more than two stories high and the streets are very crooked and narrow and look like our alleys.

Leaving Shanghai we had departed with about three-fourths of our passengers and we could not keep from being lonely but

RUST & M'CAULEY DRUG CO. CHANGE

A deal has been consummated here, by which Mrs. E. M. Rust & Son become the owners of the Rust & McCauley Drug Company, heretofore owned by Dr. C. M. McCauley of Abilene and Mrs. E. M. Rust.

The old name of the firm which is authorized by a charter will continue the same for the present but the management will be exclusively centered in Mrs. Rust and son, Dem Rust. Mr. M. A. Mabry, formerly of Grapevine will have charge of the prescription department and book work of the business. Mr. Mabry comes here very highly recommended.

after a two days journey we were assured that the next morning we would reach this this ship's destination.

That night the agitation that precedes one's arrival in a foreign land made sleep almost impossible. It seemed to me that I had not closed my eyes when suddenly the steamer stopped. To my astonishment, the morning light had already found its way into my state-room. We had arrived. Hurrying to the deck, therefore, I looked upon the glorious harbor of Hong Kong. A hundred ships and steamers lay at anchor here, displaying flags of every nation on the Globe. Steam launches covered with white awnings, were darting to and fro like flying fish. Innumerable smaller boats called Sampons, propelled by chinese men and women, surrounded each incoming steamer. Mountains which were a part of the main land of China, but for the moment they presented little to attract us. It was the other shore of this magnificent harbor that awoke our interest, for there we saw an island 27 miles in circumference, covered with mountains rising boldly from the sea. Along the base of one of these elevations, and built in terraces for upon the precipitous slopes, was a handsome city. As soon as possible after landing we started to explore the British settlement. I was delighted with its streets and buildings. Along the principal thoroughfare, the banks, shops, hotels and club houses are built of fine gray granite. Even the district of the town inhabited by chinamen is kept by constant watchfulness cleaner than a chinese city. The police who guard the lives and property of the residents are "Sikhs" a race imported from India, renowned for bravery, loyal to the British government, and having no sympathy with the chinese. These Sikhs have handsome faces, brilliant eyes and dark complexions, and wear red turbans conspicuous two or three blocks way.

We sail Saturday on the S. S. "Zafiro" for Manila, Philippine Islands, where I will write my next letter. I will not say any more in this letter on China as I expect to return to China soon to stay quite a while and I will then write something of the interior cities and its country in general.

Yours truly,
Ernest C. Counts.

'12 OUR GOOD READERS '13 The Old and The New

A Democratic President and a big subscription business is about all the joy and happiness we can hold at one time. In the last eighteen or twenty days we have added more than 100 new subscribers to our list of paid-in-advance subscribers. It is very natural though for we have the best people and the best country on earth.

The following is our new and renewals for the time.

City—J. M. Meeks, Mrs. R. A. Travin, F. M. Dudley, B. B. Throop, Mrs. L. L. Huddlestone, Sam Roberts, W. P. Derrington, J. J. Stallings, W. F. Wilson, B. J. Rhodes, Burk Pribble, C. F. Annis, M. D. Angus, E. L. Ash, H. C. Floyd, W. W. Wheeler, C. L. McNees, E. L. Rogers, H. H. Tittle, A. L. Clemons, T. M. Pribble, W. H. Laney, Tom Coats, W. D. Hutcheson, S. P. Foster, R. E. Bowles, J. D. Southworth, J. G. Hail, H. B. Wheeler, J. B. Foster.

Routes—Belle Gardener, E. Howell, E. E. Wheeler, J. B. Beasley, A. R. Toombs, J. H. Campbell, W. A. Cozort, T. J. Purdon, Mrs. B. Jenkins, W. T. Keen, Sam Martin, D. D. Coats, Sam Province, Roy Harrell, O. B. Boden, R. B. Bryan, F. W. Reid-enbach, C. L. Brown, J. T. Copeland, W. L. Meeks, J. A. Woodard, W. M. Hope, Roy Riney, J. M. Brown, W. J. Rogers, Hamp Campbell, Arthur Clark, W. J. Childers.

Others—N. C. Bush, Lem Dudley, R. C. Gones, C. R. Tittle, L. E. Harris, Sid Criswell, S. H. Meeks, Wade Lewallen, N. B. Teaff, F. T. Hogen, Mrs. Ona Cozart, Jess Anderson, Horace Hogan, C. R. Hutcheson, G. C. Johnson, J. C. Morris, A. R. Payne, G. M. Brown, A. W. Woods, H. H. Toombs, J. T. Teasley, A. L. Stanley, J. L. Perrey, F. R. Jones, W. I. Cogburn, R. E. Dillard, N. Harrison Blair, Jesse W. Henderson, Stith; B. B. McRee, Trent; T. C. Jenkins, Dora;

Forign—F. T. Barlow, Normangee; Mrs. L. P. Young, Blair Okla; J. S. Owens, Lott; Geo. S. Berry, Tulsa, Okla; Marion Winters, Wellington; Sterling Hays, Monroe City, Mo; Mrs. F. A. Jones, Welty, Okla; Holland Teaff Waco; Jno. Daniel, Rule; A. F. McLean, Ennis; R. C. Young, Duncan, Okla; A. L. Renean, McKinny; J. H. McDonald, Trees La; Bascomp Sears and T. E. Sears, Whitewright; W. F. Galladay, Mrs. M. S. French, Alvin; Mrs. Elizabeth Vuder, Milledgeville, La; Mrs. J. D. Gaither, Mexia;

Mrs. J. T. Dennis who has been in the Alexander sanitarium in Abilene for several weeks following an operation for appendicitis, was able to return to her home Wednesday. Mrs. Dennis seemed very much improved but as yet has not fully recovered from the effects of the operation.

Miss Hodges of Sweetwater who has been here visiting the families of Jno. Wheeler and J. N. Teaff, returned to her home Wednesday afternoon.

WILSON-MARSHALL ARE THE VICTORS

Hands off, for everybody but the Democrats, that Win-with-Wilson never slipped a cog and if you mixed your drinks when you went to the ballot box Tuesday no part of the victory belongs to you, it is for the men who voted straight. Taft and Teddy are two discards from the playing hand of the American people. The victory was complete, hats off to President Wilson and it is now for us to watch how he fills the chair

Below are the returns complete up to Wednesday morning.

State—	Taft.	Wilson	Roosevelt.
Alabama	12	—	—
Arizona	3	—	—
Arkansas	9	—	—
California	13	—	—
Colorado	6	—	—
Connecticut	7	—	—
Delaware	3	—	—
Florida	6	—	—
Georgia	14	—	—
Idaho	4	—	—
Illinois	—	29	—
Indiana	15	—	—
Iowa	13	—	—
Kansas	—	10	—
Kentucky	13	—	—
Louisiana	10	—	—
Maine	6	—	—
Maryland	8	—	—
Massachusetts	18	—	—
Michigan	—	15	—
Minnesota	12	—	—
Mississippi	10	—	—
Missouri	18	—	—
Montana	4	—	—
Nebraska	8	—	—
Nevada	3	—	—
New Hampshire	4	—	—
New Jersey	14	—	—
New Mexico	3	—	—
New York	45	—	—
North Carolina	12	—	—
North Dakota	5	—	—
Ohio	24	—	—
Oklahoma	10	—	—
Oregon (5) not heard from.	—	—	—
Pennsylvania	—	38	—
Rhode Island	5	—	—
South Carolina	9	—	—
South Dakota	—	5	—
Tennessee	12	—	—
Texas	20	—	—
Utah	4	—	—
Vermont	4	—	—
Virginia	12	—	—
Washington	—	7	—
West Virginia	8	—	—
Wisconsin	13	—	—
Wyoming	3	—	—
Total electoral vote	—	531	—
Wilson	—	410	—
Roosevelt	—	104	—
Taft	—	12	—
Necessary to choice	—	266	—

More Cotton Pickers.

From the Blair community comes the reports of two more boy cotton pickers that helped themselves to the amount of 553 pounds and 418 pounds of the fleecy staple within one day. The boys are Grover and Kyle Blair age 19 and 17. The cotten was picked some two weeks ago from the fields of the Riney farm in the upper Canyon.

Thos. Largent returned home Tuesday afternoon from a trip to Dallas, Shreveport and Little Rock where he has been looking after a part of the Largent Prize herd of Blue Ribbon Herford Cattle. At Dallas the Merkel cattle captured 52 first prizes out of 58 entries, some of the prizes being Grand Champions.

If it's Paint we have it. Burroughs Drug Store.

DOINGS IN COUNTY COURT LAST WEEK

Abilene, Nov. 3.—County court wound up rather a busy week yesterday afternoon when Judge Bledsoe gladly suspended a trial he had been engaged on all afternoon for a compromise between the litigants.

This was the case of W. L. Lilly vs. Hamp P. Abney, a suit for a specific performance of contract.

It was a suit involving a real estate transaction. Judge Abney of Sherman had some land he sold through agents here and the party to whom the sale was made, it was alleged, couldn't fulfill his part of the contract and Judge Abney got judgment against the party traded with, because he had to pay the agents their commission, and the case was finally settled by the defendant in the suit agreeing to divide his judgment with the plaintiff in the case.

Other cases tried were: Abilene Mule & Horse Co., vs. T. & P. railroad, damages, judgment for the plaintiff by agreement.

V. E. Muir vs. Morgan Weaver, suit for commission, defendant plead the privilege of being sued in his home county, and it was sustained by the judge.

E. N. Kirby vs. R. Johnson, suit on note, case dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

First State Bank of Ovalo vs. J. F. Mc... suit on and closure, and agreed for the

v. Carter Jr., pass, suit on contract of jury.

A THROUGH TRAMP'S

The show going pu afforded the pleasure of oughbred Tramp, a comeey ma which comes heralded a success and have been playing some large towns east of here.

The play is supported by Frank P. Prescott Amusement Company and is presenting Miss Josephine Wowsey, Hal Williams, Frank Carman and others, and deals with the attempts of an unscrupulous bank president, who has been an unsuccessful rival for the hand of the cashier's bride and the plot runs on with a pretty love story in which the cashier is forced to leave the country to escape a crime of which he is innocent. Personally we are not in position to commend the play but we trust it will be a success in the eyes of our show going people

T. J. Floyd of Tuscola was here last week visiting his brother H. C. Floyd. On returning home he was accompanied by Miss Essie Floyd and her brother D. who will spend several days there the guests of their uncle.

H. M. Warren can supply you with any amount of cord or out wood, Oak or Mosquite.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Motion Pictures at the Opera House.

Miss Lila Sandlin was at home from Abilene Sunday.

Bread, Cakes, Pies and Bakers Sweets at Bradshaws.

Mrs. C. M. Tandy of Abilene is here visiting friends.

Latest novelties in Florsheim Shoes. Star Store.

Mrs. J. A. Miller of Trent was in the city Monday shopping.

Ladies shoes in Black and Tans. Hogue-Hamilton Co.

Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Cypert left for Abilene Wednesday for a short visit.

A nice line of new Jewelry and more to come. Burroughs Drug Store.

Big reductions in Stinson Hats. Merkel Dry Goods & Grocery

a Clark returned Monday after 5 days here with fri-
tokens and Eggs b
Kent Street Gr

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Merkel Store

want good Bread, phone
shaw, it will be delivered
ar home.

J. R. Lamar, J. P. Sharp and
J. T. Warren left for Abilene
Tuesday night to attend federal
court.

We will not allow any mer-
chant in Merkel to under sell us.
Merkel Dry Goods & Grocery
Company.

W. B. Wyatt of Henderson
county was here last week visit-
ing his old friend D. L. Boyd of
Nubia, he left for Sweetwater
Saturday afternoon on business.

Phone your orders to Brad-
shaw for your Bread, Cakes and
Pie. Will make deliveries to
your home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Provine re-
turned last week from Alvin, Ed-
na and Meridian where they
have been visiting relatives for
several weeks.

Every nickle counts on your
dollar. We give you tickets
with each purchase. 20 tick-
ets get 2 fish and bowl. Mc-
Clain Drug Store.

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and had we sold for the profit
that our competitor did we would
have been able to retire and join
the Whittling and Marble Club.
Come to see us before you buy
your winter supply.
Hamblet & Rogers.

The conference held at Abilene
during this week was well at-
tended by members of the local
Methodist church. Among those
going from here were Rev. and
Mrs. Clements, Mr. and Mrs. H.
C. Williams, Rev. C. F. Annis,
H. D. Clark. Mrs. L. F. Collins
of Colorado who had been here
visiting was also in attendance.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—
From T. J. Coggin's home place,
1 sorrel horse, belonging to W.
H. Kendrick, branded V on left
shoulder and C on hip, about
15½ hands high. Anyone find-
ing same will please notify W. H.
Kendrick, Route 2, Merkel.

L. Brown left for Dallas Sun-
day where he goes to accept a
position with the Empire Drug
Company of that city.

List your orders for Fruit Cakes
with me. R. L. Bradshaw.

CLASSIFIED ADS

HOUSE FOR RENT—With good
windmill and barn. House is close in
town. See Dr. J. H. Warnick.

LAND FOR SALE—Owing to my
health I have decided to sell all my
land of 300 acres, also my fine horse
stock and cattle. Will give bargains
if sold soon. James Baker, Trent, Tex.

FOR SALE—On easy terms, or will
trade for vendor lien notes, or revenue
bearing city property. 232 acres in
Jones county, near Noodle. One set of
improvements, and forty acres in culti-
vation. 80 acres ten miles southeast
of Merkel in Taylor county. One set
of improvements, and seventy acres in
cultivation. 80 acres nine miles south
of Abilene, in Taylor county, unim-
proved. All good land. Write me for
prices if interested. W. S. McGregor,
Temple, Texas. 113

T. & P. TIME TABLE.

EAST BOUND
Train No. 2, leaves Merkel... 10:01 p.m.
Train No. 4 " " " " 11:38 a.m.
Train No. 6 " " " " 12:13 a.m.
Train No. 8 " " " " 9:02 a.m.

WEST BOUND
Train No. 1, leaves Merkel... 4:02 a.m.
Train No. 3 " " " " 5:32 p.m.
Train No. 5 " " " " 5:26 a.m.
Train No. 7 " " " " 4:20 p.m.

The Mail is the Paper the People Read
Nos. 3 and 5, 4 and 6 stop at Sweet-
water, Eskota, Merkel, Abilene, Clyde,
Baird, Cisco, Eastland, Mingus, Weath-
erford and Fort Worth. West of Sweet-
water all trains are locals except 3 and
4; they do not stop at Itan.

Don't Slaughter Our Birds.

I am impressed that the aver-
age sportsman does not realize
the injury that he is doing his
neighbor farmer, when he shoots
his birds. Let's reason together
that this is a great country for
insect pests, and that both our
field crops and gardens are often
badly damaged by various in-
sects, and do you know that
nearly all birds feed largely on
said insects? If not, take a day
off and watch the different birds
searching for food. It is true
that they eat a little grain oc-
casionaly, but their up keep, or
expense in the amount of grain
they use, is exceedingly light in
comparison to the amount of good
they do in destroying insects
that are the farmers enemy. Mrs.
W. N. Montgomery at Colony
Hill relates to me a beautiful
story as to how she petted and
induced a bunch of quail to take
up their abode in and about her
garden some two years ago. And
while on her premises no insect
disturbed her garden, and she
had splendid vegetables, but
since, for some reason, perhaps
some sportsman's recklessness
they have disappeared, the in-
sects are again in her garden,
and she sadly misses her beauti-
ful bunch of quail, and often
speaks of them. Now the little
innocent quail makes a beautiful
pet, and is quite an ornament to
anyone's premises, as well as be-
ing so useful in holding in check
almost any kind of an insect
pest. The English Sparrow is
about the only pest we have in
the way of a bird. If they have
one redeeming trait I do not
know of it, so I say let's turn our
batteries loose on them, and see
who can make the best record in
the slaughter of them. Won't
some one offer some kind of a
prize for the person slaughtering
the largest number of these
troublesome little creatures. But
don't forget, dear people, almost
all other birds are our friends.

F. A. Peel,
U. S. Dept. Agriculture.

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The Texas Wonder cures kid-
ney and bladder troubles, weak
and lame backs, rheumatism and
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Motion Pictures at the Opera House.

P. C. Jones the barber invites
your patronage.

Mrs. W. B. Farmer is in Baird
this week visiting.

Full line of shoes for men just
received. Hogue-Hamilton Co.

All new Jewelry at Burroughs
Drug Store.

Miss Mamie Rister is away
visiting friends.

New Watches just arrived at
Burroughs Drug Store.

A Clean-Up-Sale on odds and
ends in mens shoes. The Star
Store.

H C. Floyd was in Abilene
this week attending the North-
west Texas conference.

A new line of shoes in Black
and Tans for Misses and Girls.
Hogue-Hamilton Co.

Fred Hail of Trent was down
on business going from here to
Abilene on the noon train Tues-
day.

All kinds of Bread, Cakes, Pies
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shaw's.

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE SOUTHERN NATIONAL BANK

At Close of Business Wednesday, September 4, 1912

RESOURCES

Loans.....	\$121,952.03
United States Bonds (at par).....	12,500.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures.....	14,000.00
CASH: Cotton Drafts.....	\$25,721.93
In Vault and other banks.....	53,126.30
Total	\$227,300.26

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock.....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits.....	7,435.94
Circulation.....	12,500.00
Bills Payable (not due).....	35,000.00

DEPOSITS: Of Other Banks.....	None
Cashiers' Checks.....	24.14
Certificates of Deposits.....	311.30
Individual Deposits.....	122,028.98
Total	\$227,300.26

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Merchant's Matinee.

The local manager of the Opera House, Mr. Groene has filled in the Wednesday's moving picture show with a matinee on each Wednesday afternoon from 2:30 to 5 o'clock, with no show at night as has been the custom heretofore.

Mr. Groene is offering a free merchant's matinee on each Wednesday afternoon, tickets will be given out by various firms of the town, these tickets will be good for one admit to the matinee any Wednesday afternoon. This matinee is given by the merchants for the benefit and pleasure of their friends and customers.

Helps A Judge in Bad Fix.

Justice Eli Cherry, of Gillis Mills, Tenn., was plainly worried. A bad sore on his leg had baffled several doctors and long resisted all remedies. "I thought it was a cancer," he wrote. "At last I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and was completely cured." Cures burns, boils, ulcers, cuts, bruises and piles. 25 cents at H.C. Burroughs. Ad.

Real Estate Deals.

H. T. Roberts of Cuba, to W. J. Wright of Smith county, Texas, lot 1, block 11, College addition to Merkel \$10 and other considerations.

P. W. Bouldin and wife to I. S. Brown, 105 8-10 acres land out of Lary Hargis survey 407, \$3500-

W. D. Dalton et al., to A. Spenser, 50 acres of land out of the A. Woolsey survey 444, \$600.

W. O. Boney and wife to Stamford Dry Good Co., 100 acres of land, being S. 1-2 block 3 of R. E. Edmison subdivision of 1812 acres land out of league 145, Guadalupe school lands, \$800.

T. P. Scott to Geo. L. Paxton subdivision No. 8 of Steffins subdivision Allen Middleton pasture, containing 190 8-10 acres land off South end section, 10 in block 16, T. & P. lands, \$4275.

T. A. Burford and W. H. Tricken, trustees Lamm M. E. Church, to D. T. Harkrider, 1 acre out of Wm. Bell League 425, \$20.

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Notice.

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FREE MERCHANT'S MATINEE TICKETS

The following Merchants of Merkel have formed a "Merchants Matinee Club" for the benefit and pleasure of their friends and customers, will give

Tickets Absolutely Free

for the show at the Opera House every Wednesday afternoon from 2:30 to 5 O'clock. Commencing Wednesday, November 6th and continuing indefinitely

These Tickets are Absolutely Free to Everybody and may be had at any time from either the following firms

- West Texas Hardware Company
- Behrens McMillen Furniture Co.
- W. D. Woodroof and Company
- The Farmers State Bank
- The Cash Grocery Company
- Rust & McCauley Drug Company
- The Merkel Jewelry Company

Call for Tickets Anytime

Sick Headache.

This distressing disease results from a disordered condition of the stomach, and can be cured by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Get a free sample and try it. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Milk Mills.

There is a tradition of a little slum boy from London who was very disappointed with the country, where he went for a short holiday, because he saw them "pump milk from a dirty old cow." The boy's idea of artificial milk is within realization, for, according to "L'Opinion," after manufactured butter we are to have artificial milk. It is already consumed extensively in China, and a mill is to be set up in France. The Chinese drop a few grains of powder into water, stir it, and it becomes milk. The powder is the soja bean crushed, and the French mill is to treat the bean so as to enable the milk powder to be sold in packets. It is said that an excellent cheese is obtained by the same process.—London Globe.

Farm Mortgage Loans.

Wanted: \$50,000 to \$100,000 worth of applications for loans on land in the Merkel country during the month of November and December.

I am in position to give you prompt service and just as good contracts as you can get anywhere. Interest 8 per cent and reasonable charges for commission.

Jno. G. Jackson, Merkel.

For Sale Cheap.

Big black farm horse, coming 5-years old, 16 hands high, 1150 pounds, well broke. Dr. Geo. L. Miller.

Gin Notice.

After Saturday Nov. 9, I will gin on Tuesday's, Thursday's and Saturday's until further notice. R. E. Bowles.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Window Glass at Burroughs.

Buy your fall bill now and save money. Merkel Store.

G. B. Tittle of Abilene was up last week shaking hands with friends.

150 pairs of MENS SHOES to close out at and below cost. Star Store.

E. M. Britain formerly of this place returned this week to visit his brother W. E. Britain.

All Jewelry guaranteed at Burroughs Drug Store.

Scholarship to Brantley-Draughons Buisness College for sale cheap. Apply at Merkel Mail office.

New line of gingham and outtings to arrive Friday or Saturday. Hogue-Hamilton Co.

Miss Rebecca Acree of Abilene, Tenn., came in to visit the family of T. E. Burroughs.

Don't worry about your Coal for H. amour.

Mrs. J. C. Buford returned to her home in Abilene Wednesday after a short visit here with relatives.

500 more go on away at Merkel Store.

Mrs. J. C. Buford returned to her home in Abilene Wednesday after a short visit here with relatives.

Misses Virginia and Katherine Guitar returned to their home at Abilene Friday, after a short visit with their uncle Fred Guitar.

G. E. Comegys, J. C. Comegys, W. T. Potter, Walter Clark and A. H. Thornton attended court in Abilene Wednesday, making the trip in Mr. Comegys car.

H. M. Warren has the largest amount of Coal ever brought to Merkel in 3 of the best grades on the market.

J. M. McClelan of California was here this week visiting his cousin S. H. L. Swafford whom he had not seen in thirty years. Mr. McClelan left for Abilene Wednesday to visit two of his daughters.

Visit our grocery department for bargains in every thing to eat. Special prices on every thing in the house. Merkel Dry Goods & Grocery Company.

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TELEPHONE No. 61

If you have visitors, or if you know any item which would be of interest to readers of The Mail, the editor would appreciate a note or a telephone message to that effect. Or, if an occurrence of unusual interest transpires, a reporter will be promptly sent to get the full particulars.

PERMANENT HEALTH EXHIBIT.

Public health experts and sanitary engineers now realize that the public is intensely interested in the movement to cut down the death rate in preventable diseases, especially in typhoid and tuberculosis. It is in response to this demand that the government has decided to provide permanent health exhibits in Washington and to send others to the more important cities of the country, in order that the public may learn from observation the great dangers which surround us in the most sufficient way in which they can be

de which the Red Cross Society in number of years ago against the disease has had its effect. Seeing the accomplished, the health in the Union, and in country, adopted it and movement. The crusade has since then. effective. At first the discouraging, but later the in the death rate began to show in sections. How many children saved it is impossible to say, but thousands of little lives are rescued each year by the of treatment, in the public schools, and combative fight that is being made against the spread of the disease.

This will be the first permanent exhibition to be established by the United States. The new project will be provided with plans worked out by Rupert Blue, surgeon-general of the government, and approved by the administration officials. The plans are now awaiting the attention of the secretary of the treasury, in whose department the United States public health service is a bureau.

Ignorance is responsible for the spread of most contagious troubles affecting the public health. Those afflicted unconsciously circulate their disease without understanding how they do it. It is not only for the sick that this educational health exhibit is provided, but it will show those who are not afflicted how they may guard and protect themselves, and show those who are, how they can help themselves and help others with whom they come in contact.

The results of the government's first fight against typhoid, yellow fever and tuberculosis and other diseases will be shown by charts and models and modern methods of sanitation and purification of the water supply will be graphically illustrated. These permanent exhibits will be furnished every part of the country. It is a well-directed move and should be encouraged by the health authorities of the nation.—Exchange.

"MR. FARMER'S ANSWER.

On the day before the election half-page advertisements in behalf of the Republican ticket appeared in the leading Indiana newspapers ad-

ressed to "Mr. Farmer" in which he was told that today he possesses "all the comforts of life and most of its luxuries," and that it is the "Republican protective tariff system, as applied to manufactured articles which is responsible for your prosperity" and in conclusion he was asked "not to kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

At this writing Wilson's plurality in Indiana is hovering around 90,000 and they are still counting. This is the answer of "Mr. Farmer" to the goose and the golden egg fable. Pretty good answer, don't you think?—Exchange.

HIGHEST PRIVILEGE OF AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP.

We have seen the result of the expression of the will of more people than ever before in the history of the world took part in the peaceful selection of a ruler.

More people voted Tuesday than ever before in any one election under any other government.

There are more free people boasting an allegiance to the American flag than ever existed in any other republic.

We get sentiment orders from 90,000,000 people. There is no doubt about their desires.

It is a glorious privilege that the people of this country of 90,000,000 souls are able to come together at voting places and peacefully express their wishes.

The American voter finds no man standing at the gate whom he must salute. No braided soldier with sword or gun is sentinel over the ballot box. Everything is done in peace and order.

That an election such as we held Tuesday can be peacefully conducted, that the result is accepted as final by victor and vanquished, is a glorious tribute to our form of government and a vindication of the civilization under which we enjoy life.

The nation Tuesday was divided into five factions. Today 90,000,000 people are behind one man, and as head of the nation he will have the support of the citizens of the greatest republic that man, under the goodness of God, ever contrived to set up. That republic will survive just so long as the people keep their souls clean, their minds pure, their honor unstained and put their trust in the Lord.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

The Appeal is somewhat at loss as to the conditions all over the country. Down at Corpus Christi a bunch of Greaser Mexicans, armed to the teeth were placed on guard over the voting booths; not that it was the wish of the American people of that country and we are not prepared to say who the thing came about, it was a fact nevertheless, one which we had no power to prevent.

ELECTION OBITUARY.

It is an assured fact that Teddy can continue to hunt, not for the President's place but most anything else he chooses and if he is as successful as in the past he will likely return with an empty bag. And Mr. Taft seems to think because every cloud has a silver lining that it justifies him staying out in the rain, at least he can say he got his feet wet but only to the tune of twelve,

We fully trust that the Bull Moose leader will recover from the wound of the pistol shot but are inclined to think he will forever carry the scar of the shot from the Wilson gun, his power to overcome such things is very great even greater than his genial friend Mr. Bill. For Bill we cannot see anything but a quite life on the golf links at Beverly patch, a place that has already become an old landmark on the history of time with on which the face will be completely worn, away on March 4th., of the coming year,

ROUSSEAU'S VIEWS ON LOVE

Recently Discovered Letter Written to a Friend of the Philosopher Has Been Found.

A remarkable autograph letter of Jean Jacques Rousseau, showing in a vivid light his views on the subject of love, has just been made public in connection with the Rousseau centenary, and is considered by the critics to be an important addition to our knowledge of the great philosopher. The letter was written in 1759, the year in which "Nouvelle Heloise" was published, and is addressed to Deleyre, Comte de Croisouil's secretary, who had just become engaged to be married. It runs as follows:

"Dear Deleyre: You have made an idiotic mistake, for if you continue to love a promise is superfluous, while if you cease loving it is useless, and you may cause yourself the greatest embarrassment. But perhaps your promise has been paid for in spot cash. If so, I have nothing more to say. You have signed it with your blood. That is almost tragic. However, I do not know that the ink wherewith one writes makes any difference in the faith of the person who signs. I quite see that love makes children of philosophers, just as it does of the rest of us.

"Without being your friend, my dear Deleyre, I have a friendly feeling for you, and I am alarmed at your present condition. For heaven's sake, consider that love is only an illusion, and that one sees nothing as it really is when one loves."

It is pointed out as showing a curious trait in Rousseau's character that the letter was written at Montmorency, in the house in which Madame Depley, one of his admirers, had just built for him.

SOMETHING NEW AT WEDDING

Japanese Paper Handkerchiefs for the Guests at a Recent English Ceremony.

It needs some imagination to make a wedding remarkable. No longer is there anything unprecedented in the fact that the bride and bridegroom passed from the church through an avenue of crossed swords, scythes, or whatever implement signified the bridegroom's profession.

Nor is it any longer considered original or revolutionary if the bride omits her promise of obedience during the service. These are everyday happenings of the modern wedding.

Nevertheless, a truly memorable wedding was solemnized in London recently.

Whatever else the marriage of Lady Eileen Butler and the Marquis of Stafford, heir to the Duke of Sutherland is remembered for, it will surely be remembered as the first wedding, with the exception of those of royalty, at which a Japanese paper pocket handkerchief was struck off as a memento of the event.

Indeed, the ceremony becomes still more suggestive of a royal wedding when it is realized that the "portraits" upon the souvenir of the bride and bridegroom are—whatever else they may be—remarkably good likenesses of the crown prince and princess of Sweden!

Below is given a wealth of information concerning the ceremony and the various participants therein. Purchasers are not only informed of the names of the 14 bridesmaids and given many details as to the bride's dress, but are also told that the bridegroom intends seeking parliamentary honors at the next election.

The souvenir is embroidered with gayly-colored flags, which, in some mysterious way, seem to have got mixed up with numerous sprays of what may or may not have been meant to be shamrock of a hue rarely met with.—London Daily Mirror.

Faith and Germs.

The firm belief of the people in the very existence of the disease germ is a touching instance of the power of faith. Which of us has seen the germ of tuberculosis at any time? Certain holy men in our laboratories declare that they have seen it through the eye of the microscope, as holy men of old reported their visions of devils and of angels. We accept the reports of our seers as did our fathers in the so-called Age of Faith. Woe to us if through skepticism or callous indifference we neglect the ceremonial purifications which they have established. If my house has been possessed by the foul devils of scarlet fever, it is at peril of active persecution by the law that I fall to burn my sulphur incense. By force of public opinion, and by law as well, I should be compelled, did not my abounding faith lead me of my own accord to purchase indulgence against the purgatorial pains of the smallpox through the rite of vaccination. The penance imposed is but the discomfort of a sore arm and some pence paid to the ministrant.—Robert Kilburn Root in the Atlantic.

FLOWER GOD GRANTED WINGS

Humming Bird Has Well Been Called the Gem of the Feathered Creation.

Our continent has a monopoly of humming birds, the gems of the feathered creation. Of these there are said to be as many as 400 species, most of which confine themselves to the tropical regions.

Only eighteen varieties live further north than Mexico. It is generally thought that humming birds live upon honey. This, however, is a mistake. They do devour some honey, it is true, but most of their food consists of the small insects which inhabit certain flowers.

The little bird is therefore useful as well as beautiful and has been called a flower to which God has granted wings.

Humming birds are so small that when they are captured for commercial purposes it is impossible to use even smallest shot for fear of injuring their skins. They are therefore stunned with a drop of water from a blow gun or syringe and fall into a net, when they are quickly poisoned.

Humming birds vary in size from those half as large as a sparrow to those about the size of a bee. Their flight is so swift that they can be well seen only when poised on a flower. The little creatures bid fair to be exterminated on account of the senseless and cruel fashion of using them as trimming for women's hats.—From the Ave Maria.

ORDERED, AND WAS OBEYED

Natural Masculine Exercise of Authority Acceded by Small Boy's Playmate.

They were about six years old. They were climbing along an old stone wall. At least she was. He did not seem to get the combination very well. He stood on the sidewalk and watched her, making occasional abortive attempts himself to scale to the position she had attained, but unable to accomplish much. Finally she got down on the sidewalk and showed him how. A ledge ran along the wall. She helped him up on to this, showed him how to grasp an upper molding and then how to cling close, sidling slowly along with the inspiring feeling of accomplishing the impossible and the delightful sensation of danger in the process.

Having started him on the circuit of the wall, she climbed up to her former position. In a few moments he overtook her. "Get down," he commanded, "so I can pass." She protested. She had been up there first. He should get down and climb up again ahead of her if he wished to pass, or else he should not hurry so much. "Get down," was his only comment. After some futile remonstrances she let herself drop down to the sidewalk. He passed quickly along without looking at her or so much as a thank you. She watched him a moment. Then she clambered up the wall again and meekly followed him. And the author, observing them from the window of her flat across the way, had an idea for her new novel.—New York Press.

"There could be no better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. My children were all sick with whooping cough. One of them was in bed, had a high fever and was coughing up blood. Our doctor gave them Chamberlain Cough remedy and the first dose eased them, and three bottles cured them," says Mrs. R. A. Donaldson of Lexington, Miss. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Memory of Bacon.

Mr. Balfour recently unveiled the statue of Bacon which the Benchers have erected in Gray's Inn. In the fashioning of Gray's Inn Gardens Bacon played a considerable part. The records of the inn show that in 1597 it was ordered that "the summe of £7 15s. 4d. due to Mr. Bacon for planting of trees in the walkes be paid next terme."

There is evidence that Raleigh, just before his last voyage to America, had a long conversation with Bacon in the "walks." On the northwest side of the garden there is a catalpa tree which is believed to have been planted by Bacon. "It is," says the historian of the inn, "one of the oldest in England, and may well have been brought from its native soil by Raleigh."

Don't waste your money buying strengthening plasters. Chamberlain's Liniment is cheaper and better. Dampen a piece of flannel with it and bind it over the affected parts and it will relieve the pain and soreness. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

PILES get immediate relief from Dr. Shoop's Magic Ointment.

ABILENE HAS 8600 BALES OF COTTON

Up to Saturday afternoon Abilene had received from wagons this season just 8600 bales of cotton.

The Ross yard has weighed 7200 bales while the Farmers Union yard has received 1400 in round numbers.

Public weigher L. W. Ross says the receipts have dwindled down from 150 bales per day to about 75 bales per day.

Last week he was receiving 100 bales per day but this week he is only receiving 75 bales, which means nothing more or less than that the end of the season is drawing near and will soon be here.

The frost Saturday morning has served to kill the immature bolls and also make the mature bolls open and so it will soon be over.—Abilene Reporter.

Gin Notice.

Beginning Tuesday November 5th gin days with us will be on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays of each week until further notice.

Brown's Gin,
By Fred Guitar.

DODSON'S LIVER TONE BEATS CALOMEL

No Need Now to Risk Your Health Taking Dangerous Drugs. New Remedy is Guaranteed.

Next time your liver gets sluggish and you feel dull and headachy go to Rust & McCauley's Drug store and get a bottle of the successful medicine, Dodson's Liver Tone.

It will start your liver, gently but firmly, and cure an attack of constipation or biliousness without any restriction of habit or diet.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant tasting vegetable liquid, for both children or grown people. Its use is not followed by any of the bad after-effects which sometimes follow taking calomel.

Rust & McCauley's Drug Store will give you your money back if you do not find it a perfect substitute for calomel.

Dead Letter List.

The following letters remain in the post office at Merkel, Texas for week ending Nov. 9, 1912:

Marten Q. S.

Bogl, Miss Sbil

If not called for will be sent to dead letter office Nov. 23, 1912.

H. W. Derstine, P.M.

All kinds of feeds at the Kent Street Grain and Grocery Co.

DICTIONARY MAKERS AT FAULT

Some Notable Blunders, With Elephantine Efforts at Wit, Have Been Put on Record.

Dr. Johnson perpetrated many jokes in his dictionary, but among his most famous blunders was his definition of "pastern" as "the knee of a horse."

The dictionary makers often took occasion to make their definitions hit their enemies. Wesley defined "Methodist" as "one that liveth according to the method laid down in the Bible." Dr. Johnson defined oats as "a grain which in England is generally given to horses, but in Scotland supports the people." He defined "pensioner" as "a slave of state, hired by a stipend to obey his master," which definition was made much of by the doctor's enemies when he himself was awarded a pension.

Balley's dictionary defined the Loriot or Golden Oriole as "a bird that, being looked upon by one who has the yellow jaundice, cures the person and dies himself." Fenning, who was the next dictionary maker, was afraid of this, and merely said "Loriot, a kind of bird." But one of the best bits of misinformation was given in the dictionary of Edward Phillips, who in one place declared that "a gallon is a measure containing two quarts" and in another place declared "a quaver is a measure of time in music, being the half of a crochet, as a crochet is the half of a quaver," which leaves the subject as clear as mud.

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A Texas dealer is developing cross-bred cattle that are absolutely immune to the Texas fever tick—the insect responsible for an annual loss in the South alone of from \$40,000,000 to \$100,000,000. This new breed is the result of six years of experimenting and is being watched by experts with the keenest interest.

What these tick-proof cattle are, how they are made immune and who the discoverer is, are all explained by H. D. Smith, of the Kansas Agricultural College, in the article,

Tick-Proof Cattle for The South

in this week's issue of

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NOW READY

Five Other Big Features in This Issue Are:

Have You Made Your House Spark-Proof? by Harry Snowden Stabler, the insurance and financial expert. This is one of a very valuable series of articles on "Our \$100,000,000 Fire Waste." It explains many practical precautions that will prevent fires in country houses.

Shall We Grow Or Buy Peaches? by Professor Frank A. Waugh, head of the Horticultural Department of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, an expert at the Massachusetts Experiment Station and one of the country's leading authorities on peach culture.

Ready-Made Farms, by A. C. Laut. An

interesting account of how the new settlers in the West are helped by the better government and the land companies to get a good start on new land.

Our Living From Ten Acres. A personal account of the experiences of a man who started an irrigation farm in Idaho and succeeded from the beginning, written by J. E. Butler—the man who did it.

The Burnt Hills Claim, by Francis Lynde. A story of pioneer adventure and love, by the author of a number of popular Western novels. It will be published in two parts.

The foremost authorities in the country are conducting the valuable, regular weekly departments. The Country Gentleman deals with the many interests of the farmhouse, particularly with cooking and home management; The Farm Business Forecast is a look ahead at business conditions; The Sign Boards of Science gives significant facts about new and practical methods that are being used in progressive farming communities; The Political Observer writes of the political subjects and new laws that are of interest to cattlemen and farmers; The Home Acre explains the newest and best ways of conducting the home garden, and the Poultry and Dairy Departments give the newest and most important information concerning these two subjects.

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CASS TARVER WILL FIGHT MR. MORRIS

Fort Worth Nov. 6.—Word just received from E. M. Dean, who is handling the affairs of Cass Tarver, the Texas white hope, that Cass has just been matched to meet Carl Morris, most renowned and most disappointing of all "hopes," at Shreveport, La., Nov. 16.

In securing this bout Tarver is fortunate. Although the Oklahoma mastodon isn't the greatest fighter in the world—see records of Jim Flynn and Luther McCarty—he is a great drawing card and any man who can beat Morris must be adjudged within the first rank of heavyweight. Flynn was unable to knock Morris out, but McCarty turned the trick. If Tarver can slip over the sleep wollop it will give him an excuse to ask for a match with Flynn or McCarty.

Before the Morris bout, however, Tarver must face Frank Tuggles, a Dallas husky, on Nov. 6. Tarver and Tuggles are now working out at Shreveport and are watched daily by large crowds.

Manager Dean says he is sure Tarver will defeat both Tuggles and Morris. Tarver is picking up the fine points of the game and is determined to retrieve himself for his defeat by John Willie.

Gin Notice.

Beginning Tuesday November 5th. gin days at this gin will be on Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays of each week until further notice.

Brown's Gin
By Fred Guitar

Fruit Cakes.

Now is the time to place order for your Xmas. 25 cents per pound order. R.

Window G.

Mrs. Paul Hark, daughter of Mrs. W. Noodle community, w one of the sanitariums a Wednesday. She was acc nized by her husband. The n friends and relatives of the couple here wish for her a speedy recovery.

We sell Dry Goods at right prices. Come to see us. Hogue-Hamilton Co.

Mrs. A. Hamilton of Big Springs returned to her home Wednesday after a visit with the family of J. O. Hamilton of the place.

Mr. Haley of Matidor who has been here visiting his daughter Mrs. W. E. Britain, returned to his home Wednesday.

Prisoners Seated at Small Tables.

Preparations have been completed at the federal penitentiary for seating the prisoners at small tables in the dining-room instead of seating all the 800 men together at long, low benches. The new method of seating the prisoners for their meals is one of a number of improvements which the warden has made in the prison system in the past few years. It involved the relaying of the dining-room floor and the manufacturing of 104 small, neat tables for the men.

Each table will seat eight men, and under the new arrangement white and colored prisoners will be separated. Formerly the men were seated in rows on benches at long, desk-like tables, and there was no discrimination as to color.

Believing that the new system would conduce more largely to the individual prisoner's self-respect and aid in establishing a new viewpoint as to his obligations, the warden succeeded in providing the small tables.—Atta Constitution.



MRS. W. H. DICKSON, EDITOR

XXth Century Club Met.

Miss Lucy Bean and Mrs. Fred Bigham entertained the members of the XXth Century club Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bigham's. The house was beautifully decorated with pots and vases of golden chrysanthemum.

The president, Mrs. Hamilton called the meeting to order at 3:30 p. m. Twelve numbers responded to roll call and with quotations from the play, King John. Miss Mabel Collins was elected to membership. An interesting program was carried out, the lesson being conducted by Mrs. George L. Hamilton.

The hostesses assisted by Misses Willie Bigham and Elma Sheppard served a dainty and delicious salad course to Misses Orra Long, Maude Martin, Mesdames M. D. Angus, G. H. Adams, W. H. Dickson, George L. Hamilton, A. C. Rose, W. A. Scott and Geo. F. West. Little Misses Alice Bigham, Lenora Williams and Louise Scott. Miss Willie Bigham will be the next hostess.

Questions for the XXth Century Club.

King John. Act III. Scene I. Quote the line in the preceding act where scene I is foreshadowed.

Characterize the emotional state of constance at the opening of this act.

What is Arthur's attitude toward his mother?

What is the dramatic purpose of lines 110 and 111?

What was signified by the lion's hide? Upon what mission does Pandolph come?

What motive led John to defy the pope and suffer excommunication?

Estimate the character of the French King.

Why did he withdraw from the agreement with John?

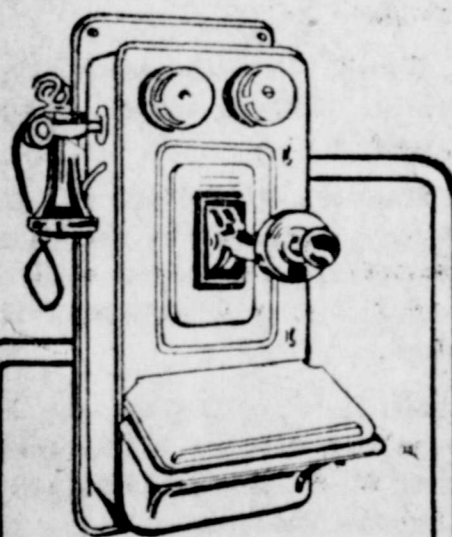
What bearing has this scene of broken oaths and broken vows upon the main theme of the plot?

What is the Bastard's comment upon the scene?

What points of resemblance are between him and Enobarbus of y and Cleopatra?

er of young people met all at the home of Mrs. Fred they made candy, enjoyed an gram, string

vening dance at the was a delightful af- rkel stringed orchestra xcellent music for the danc- eir chaperons who were Miss- a and Olga Sheppard, Jessie ant, Kent of Abilene, Mesdames



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The neighborhood club, known as the Needle and Thimble club met with Mrs. B. H. Wheeler Monday afternoon at 3 p. m. Misses Ina and Maggie Wheeler were guests of honor. The membership being Mesdames B. C. Gaither, P. G. Penn, J. J. Russell, J. P. Suthpen, W. A. Scott, W. W. Wheeler and B. H. Wheeler, and as is always the case each one was in her place busily engaged.

Brown-Bicks.

Mr. Andy Brown and Miss Mary Lee Hicks were married Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m., at the brides home on South Oak street. Rev. N. Roberts pronouncing the ceremony that united their young lives.

Only a few intimate friends and the immediate members of the families were present. These young people are held in high esteem by a wide circle of friends who wish them health, happiness and prosperity.

Campbell-Gilmore.

Married at the home of Chas. Gauden at Garland, Texas, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock Mr. R. N. Campbell and Miss Mattie Lou Gilmore of Merkel, Rev. Snyder of McKinney performing the ceremony. The bride was formerly of Garland and has many friends here who wish them much happiness and prosperity. They will make their home in Merkel.

Escapes an Awful Fate.

A thousand tongues could not express the gratitude of Mrs. J. E. Cox, of Joliet, Ill., for her wonderful deliverance from an awful fate. "Typhoid pneumonia had left me with a dreadful cough," she writes. "Sometimes I had such awful coughing spells I thought I would die. I could get no help from doctor's treatment or other medicines till I used Dr. King's New Discovery. But I owe my life to this wonderful remedy for I scarcely cough at all now." Quick and safe; its the most reliable of all throat and lung medicines. Every bottle guaranteed. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at H. C. Burroughs. Adv.

SALVAGE SHOT FROM THE SEA

Seamen on English Coast Earn Money by Selling Old Projectiles to the Admiralty.

Shot picking is the "art" of retrieving shot and shell from the bottom of the sea. In order to practice this profession nowadays a man must be in possession of a boat, plenty of courage and a license.

Target practice is carried on almost every day at Portsmouth, England, and the admiralty are willing to pay a good price for shells which are recovered from sand banks and shallow water.

Shot pickers go out to sea in boats, watch the fring intently while it is in progress, and then, as soon as the last shot has settled in the water, disperse in various directions in order to discover the shells.

These are located by means of a long line weighted with lead, which has a small buoy fixed at one end. This end is thrown overboard, and the boat is rowed slowly in a semicircle. The weighted line drags over the sand beneath the water and catches against any shell that is projecting above the sand. A thin, firm pole is then lowered, so that it makes a clean line from the shot to the side of the boat, and, while this is held in place by one man, a pick is thrust down by another to draw the projecting shot from the sand beneath the water.

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ther Did. at I have used Cure for Skin trouble. I was cured me after using about \$8.00 worth of other ointments and salves. Nothing like Hunt's Cure for Skin troubles. Rev.H.T.Sizemore, Hemphill, Texas. Adv.

League Program.

Subject, Teaching in Parables Key work, knowledge.

Leader, Miss Bertha Harris, Hymn—I love to tell the story. Silent prayer.

Scripture lesson, Mark 4-3, 10-12. Sam. XII, 1-7.

Leader's comment.

Prayer, That we may know about Jesus—T. A. Johnson.

References, John VII, 17, 10, 14—Homer Laney.

Corenthians II, 14, XIII, 9-12—Ollie Shaffer.

How does telling stories to primary and junior children compare with using parables?—Miss Smith.

The people who heard Christ speak did not understand his parables, because they were not accustomed to connecting everyday experiences with religious and spiritual matters. What advantage have we over them?—Dr. O. F. McMaster.

Announcements. Benediction.



Advertisement for Calumet Baking Powder. Text: 'When Buying Baking Powder For this is the baking powder that makes the baking better.' Includes image of a Calumet Baking Powder can and a testimonial: 'You don't save money when you buy cheap or big-can baking powder. Don't be misled. Buy Calumet. It's more economical—more wholesome—gives best results. Calumet is far superior to sour milk and soda.'

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Advertisement for John R. Daniel. Text: 'JOHN R. DANIEL Livery, Feed and Sale Stable SOUTH SIDE Automobile Service in Connection Phone No. 44. Opposite T. & P. Depot. MERKEL : : : : TEXAS'

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OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Inkum Items.

Nov. 4.—Messrs. Cambell of Nubia and Harris of Mt. Pleasant were buying cattle in this section this week.

T. E. Reynolds was transacting business in Merkel Monday.

N. C. Bush and family who have been living near Nubia for the past year, have moved back to their old mountain home.

T. E. Reynolds was summonsed to Hawley, Thursday to attend the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Wileman, as she is not expected to live.

School opened Monday at Elm Grove with Mr. Bob Evans of Simmons College, teacher. We are expecting to have a very successful school this year.

J. E. Hallmark was a Saturday visitor to Merkel.

G. W. Wilson and wife were shopping in Merkel Saturday.

Frank Reynolds of Hawley is visiting in this neighborhood.

Miss Collie Hallmark was shopping in Merkel Saturday.

Ben Payne took his wife to Merkel Saturday for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Tubbs of Abilene moved into our midst the past week and are occupying the Frank Whizenhunt house. We welcome them to our community.

G. T. Atkins and family were trading in Merkel Saturday.

Mr. Sears of Mulberry was buying cattle in our community last week.

John Atkins and R. C. Wetsel returned from Paducah Monday.

Richard Dalby slipped and fell Friday night and in trying to regain his footing, thrust his hand through a glass door. The hand and wrist being so badly injured that Drs. Martin and Miller deemed it necessary to remove him to the Abilene sanitarium for treatment, possibly for the amputation of the injured member.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis of Bethel were visitors to Inkum Sunday.

Mr. Teaff of Merkel made a business trip to this section last week.

Tom Lail of Shep stopped over Sunday to visit his uncle, T. E. Reynolds on his return from Hawley.

Messrs Scoggins and Scoggins of Tye made a business trip to this section Monday.

The Demons of the Swamp

are mosquitos. As they sting they put deadly malaria germs in the blood. Then follow the icy chills and the fires of fever. The appetite flies and the strength fails; also malaria often paves the way for deadly typhoid. But Electric Bitters and cast out the malaria germs from the blood; gives you a fine appetite and renews your strength. "After suffering," wrote Wm. of Lucama, N. C., "three years ago I was afflicted with malaria from my stomach, and I've had good health ever since." Best for all stomach, liver and kidney ills. 50 cents at H. C. Burroughs. Adv.

Salt Branch News.

Austin and Houston Robertson, Cartha Lyles and Burley Taylor have returned home from their cotton picking trip.

Misses Selena and Olive Teaff were the charming guests of Miss Smith's Sunday.

Wesley Hardy and family moved Monday into the George Harris place.

Several from this community were shopping in Merkel Saturday.

Chas. West and wife of Merkel were guests of W. M. Hay's Sunday.

Miss Dovie Teaff of Merkel spent Monday night with her cousins Misses Selena and Olive Teaff.

School opened here Monday with Prof. and Mrs. Henderson, teachers.

Is your husband cross? An irritable; fault finding disposition is often due to a disordered stomach. A man with good digestion is nearly always good natured. A great many have been permanently cured of stomach trouble by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

For Rent.

One-half mile of Shilo in Jones county, 175 acres in cultivation, 2 pastures, good improvements. For further particulars write or see, A. C. Boney, Merkel, Texas.

Compere Items.

Rev. Burley preached here Sunday.

We had a fine rain Thursday night which was lots of help to the young grain.

The cotton picking is about all over in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Childers were shopping in Abilene last week.

Henry Foster returned to Compere Saturday.

Rev. Robinet preached at Compere Sunday, everyone enjoyed his sermon very much.

What Would You Do?

In case of a burn or scald what would you do to relieve the pain? Such injuries are liable to occur in any family and everyone should be prepared for them. Chamberlain's Salve applied on a soft cloth will relieve the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a very severe one, will cause the parts to heal without leaving a scar. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Inlaid Silk Was Changeable.

One of the large Kansas City stores owes it success, in a great measure, to its policy of exchanging goods if returned in a salable condition. An exception is made when dress materials have been cut from the bolt.

One day recently a customer purchased ten yards of a two-toned silk, which the clerk assured her was the most fashionable fabric of the season. When she reached home with her purchase she decided, on reflection, that a woolen material would be more serviceable.

Accordingly, she returned to the store the next day and requested the exchange. The clerk explained that it was an impossibility, as the goods had been cut.

"Why, I bought this with the distinct understanding," remonstrated the woman, "that I could return it. Did you not tell me it was a changeable taffeta?"

The exchange was made.

Not Fit For Ladies.

Public sentiment should be against it, and we believe it is, there can be no reason why ladies should have to suffer with headaches and neuralgia, especially when Hunt's Lightning Oil gives such prompt relief. It is simply a question of getting the ladies to try it. All druggists sell Hunt's Lightning Oil in 25c and 50c bottles. Adv.

Every Man to His Own Specialty.

When there is no politics in the air a Kansas City (Kan.) negro who generally responds to the stage name of "Big Eye," earns a livelihood by helping the white folks "clean house." On a recent occasion "Big Eye" contracted to assist a local matron with the spring cleaning and the first task assigned to him was to pick up a heating stove and carry it to the wood shed.

Carrying stoves is not in "Big Eye's" line. He likes work, mark you, but he is not crazy about it. Stoves are heavy. "Big Eye" hesitated for a moment, then scored.

"Lady," he said, "I forgot to tell you that I'm a believer in Union principles. I ain't allowed to touch that stove. I'm a carpet beater, not a stove lifter."

Eyes Sunken With Pain.

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Addison Mizner, the noted viveur, told, during a visit to Atlantic City, a story about a beautiful young widow. "In her white bathing suit," he said, "with her blond hair and her supple grace, the widow is certainly not—ha, ha, ha—the widow is certainly not a-miss.

"Two show girls discussed her rather enviously as she glided past them in her rolling chair the other day.

"She looks so demure," said the first, "and she is so rich and so beautiful—I wonder if she ever had a joy ride!"

"Oh, I'm sure she had," said the other show-girl, "when she attended the sepulture of her octogenarian millionaire husband."

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Nature's Hints to Inventors.

The view has been advanced in more than one quarter that during the next two or three centuries invention will probably be in the direction of imitating the wonderful economy and the simple, direct methods of nature.

An instance in point is the electric eel. Its electric organ is in no sense a storage battery, but a contrivance by which electric energy is liberated at the moment when it is required. At rest the organ shows so small an electric force that a good galvanometer is needed to detect it, but a sudden nervous impulse from the eel's spinal cord raises a potential of many volts with very little heat and so small an expenditure of matter as to defy the most expert chemist to weigh it. Fireflies, glow-worms, and many deep-sea fishes produce light without heat at a cost which would make a match an extravagant outlay.—Harper's Weekly.

Calomel is Bad.

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Forty sounding balloons carrying registration apparatus, sent up by the Royal Meteorological Society of England, reached different heights. The mean altitude attained was 16,411 meters, the maximum 23,010 meters. At a certain altitude the temperature increased instead of decreasing. This could not have been due to solar radiations because the maximum height was reached after sunset.—Harper's Weekly.

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