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## LOOKS LIKE ANARCHY

### NIGHT RIDERS BURN LARGE TOBACCO WAREHOUSE.

## NO PERSONAL VIOLENCE DONE

### Thirty-Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco Burned on a Plantation by Marauders.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 10.—Night riders at 3 o'clock Sunday morning burned a warehouse on the farm of A. H. Cardin, in Crittendon County, containing 35,000 pounds of tobacco purchased for Buckner, Dunkerson & Company of Louisville, and a barn containing 10,000 pounds of tobacco belonging to Cardin & Company. Cardin is said to be the only independent tobacco buyer in the district. He was not at home at the time.

A few shots were fired by the night riders, it is said, but no personal violence done. They went through Fredonia, about six miles away, in Caldwell County, captured the telephone operator, cut the telephone wires and kept the town under guard until the work at Cardin's was completed.

The main body of the riders passed back through Fredonia about 5 o'clock in the morning.

## BANKER SUICIDES.

### A Prominent Financier Takes His Own Life.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 10.—Linton C. Hutchins, forty-nine years of age, Second Vice-President of the Fort Worth National Bank, one of the largest financial institutions in the city; also Vice-President of the Manning Lumber Company, was found dead in the bank building, at the corner of Fifth and Main Streets, just before the noon hour Sunday, with a pistol shot wound in his right temple, near the center of his forehead, and a pistol clutched in his hand, which was folded across his breast.

His lifeless body was found by one of the clerks. The Justice of the Peace held the inquest and decided that death was due to a gunshot wound inflicted by the deceased with the object of self-destruction.

## For Federal Soldiers' Home.

Biloxi, Miss.—Northern winter visitors have held an enthusiastic meeting and organized to secure the passage of the Brick bill for the establishment of a soldier's home on the Mississippi coast in the heart of the South for old Grand Army men. Congressman Brick of Indiana has such a bill now before Congress carrying half a million dollars. Both Union and Confederate veterans attended the meeting here and all joined in the memorial to Congress.

## Roasts the Doctors.

Waco. A warm letter has been received from State Health Officer Brumby calling attention to the failure of physicians and midwives of McLennan County to report deaths and other vital statistics. Dr. Brumby says that the records here show two deaths for December, whereas, according to the average, based upon the population of the county of 65,000, it should have been eighty-five deaths.

A fire last week at Shalluck, Ok., which started in a restaurant, destroyed property to the value of over \$75,000.

## A New Plot Story.

London: The Paris Correspondent of the Central News says word has reached the French capital of the discovery by the Empress of Russia of a Terrorist warning in the Czarevitch's bed, stating the Czar and Czarevitch have been sentenced to death. Secret police agents found a network of electric wire ingeniously concealed and connected with seventeen powerful bombs placed at distant points in the palace.

## Bank Robbers Made Good.

Sulphur Springs, Ark.: Four men Sunday morning blew open the vault of the Bank of Sulphur Springs and secured \$1000 in cash, notes and other valuables. The citizens were aroused by explosions, but by the time officers got downtown the work had been accomplished and the four men were seen to mount their horses and ride westward, in which direction the mountains are filled with many gorges.

## THE RIO GRANDE QUESTION.

### Likely That a New Treaty Will Soon Be Made.

City of Mexico, Feb. 8.—It is highly probable that the treaty of 1848 between the United States and Mexico, fixing the boundary line along the Rio Grande, will be abrogated and another one signed and ratified, as a result of the negotiations which are now in progress.

The question at issue is not to make the Rio Grande navigable to a greater extent than is enjoyed at present, but to destroy its present navigability in the interest of agriculture and the development of the adjacent lands on either side of the stream. The treaty of 1848 establishing the Rio Grande as the dividing line between a portion of the frontiers between the two countries stipulated that neither country should for any purpose divert the channel of the stream or take from it a sufficient amount of water to render it unnavigable to a certain distance from the mouth.

It was believed at that time that the navigability of the river would be of prime importance to the commerce and interests of the frontier. Times, however, have changed in the last sixty years, and the great advancement of the frontier States and the development of lands have been so important that the navigability of the stream has become a secondary consideration and is giving way to the growing demands of agriculture and cultivation of arid lands.

## Money to Build Dam.

Washington: The House Rivers and Harbors Committee has agreed to report favorably the bill permitting the balance of the amount contributed by the citizens of Dallas to be used for the construction of lock and dam No. 2. The balance is about \$2,500,000, and will be sufficient, it is said, added to that appropriated in the last bill. This amount is the balance of \$66,666 contributed by the citizens of Dallas to snag and clean the upper section of the river. When it was discovered that the amount appropriated in the last general bill was not enough for the building of two locks and dams provided for, it was thought that this balance could be diverted to that use without an act of Congress, but the legal authority of the War Department held otherwise, hence the introduction of the bill here reported.

## Thrown on Barbed Wire Fence.

Bonham: L. B. Chitwood, a young farmer living six miles southwest of here, met death late Thursday afternoon while riding a mule. The animal ran away, throwing him on a barbed wire fence. His foot hung in the stirrup, and he was dragged along the wire for some distance, the wire cutting his throat and almost severing the head from the body. He was a Mason, and was buried by that fraternity at Ector Saturday.

## Much Corn Will Be Planted.

Dallas: John Hearndon, who owns and cultivates several black land farms in Dallas County, said, in a recent interview, that the winter so far has been very favorable for agricultural operations and that farmers are right up with their work. Many of them are beginning to plant corn, and if the weather continues open thousands of acres of that grain will be planted in the county during this month.

Battling Nelson and James Britt of San Francisco have signed articles for a ten-round fight in Los Angeles before the Pacific Athletic Club on the night of Tuesday, February 25.

## Child Burned to Death.

Snyder, Ok.: Friday morning the little four-year-old daughter of W. H. Brewer, who lives seven miles north of Snyder, started to the field where her father was burning off the land, when a sudden gust of wind scattered the fire into the pasture, and the child, unable to get out of the path of the flames, was burned to death. The father started to head off the fire and found his child with her clothes burned off and dying.

## New Rules for Confederate Home.

Austin: Captain Reagan, the superintendent of the Confederate Home, has presented to Expert Printer Richardson the copy for a new set of rules and regulations for the government of the veterans in the home. There will be printed one thousand copies of the new regulations, which were adopted at the last meeting of the board. The new rules are very much more rigid than formerly.

## TWO FIRES THURSDAY

### TEMPLE AND KINGSTON SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES.

## ONE IS SEVERELY BURNED

### Loss at Temple, \$175,000; the Town of Kingston is Almost Destroyed.

Temple, Tex., Feb. 7.—A disastrous fire broke out shortly after midnight, which for a time threatened to consume the whole block of business houses on North Main between Avenue A and Central Street. The fire started in the McKelvey Dry Goods store in the second story. The loss by fire, smoke and water will probably exceed \$175,000, not fully covered by insurance.

The greatest loss falls on the McKelvey company, whose stock included that of The Fair, the loss to both being estimated at \$125,000. The other losers were the Mississippi Store, \$50,000; Burwitz & Riley, loss on building, \$15,000; Charles Roeder, tailor, \$1000, no insurance; Howell, photographer, \$1000, insurance not known; Misses Spencer, millinery, \$2500, insurance not known; Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, music, \$1500; Dr. White and A. J. Jarrell, loss on Mississippi Store building, \$2500, insurance not known.

At an early hour Thursday morning almost the entire town of Kingston was destroyed by a fire originating in a building owned by Dallas parties and occupied by the Kingston Star office and T. A. Lewis' barber shop.

Following is a list of losses: I. O. O. F. Hall \$3000, insurance \$1000; Shields Brothers' printing office \$500, insurance \$375; J. E. Rose & Company, Dallas, \$1500, insurance unknown; T. A. Lewis, barber, \$100, no insurance; J. W. Barr estate \$3000, small insurance; J. W. Ross, groceries, \$800, insurance \$450; W. S. Ross, drugs, \$1250; insurance \$800; Rebekah Lodge in I. O. O. F. building, \$250, no insurance; W. J. Moore Lumber Company \$150; James Moore, groceries, \$75, no insurance; W. F. Pierce, of Commerce, \$100, insurance unknown; J. R. Thomason, \$100, no insurance.

## SON SLAYS FATHER.

### Judge James Hargis of Breathitt County, Kentucky, Is Killed.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 7.—A special from Jackson, Ky., says: Former County Judge James Hargis, for many years a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee, accused of complicity in many killings and a prominent figure in the feuds which have disrupted Breathitt County for several years, was shot and instantly killed at his general store here about 3:30 yesterday afternoon by his son, Beach Hargis. The son fired five shots in rapid succession at his father, who fell dead while his clerks were waiting on customers.

The exact cause of the murder has not been learned, but it is supposed to have been the result of differences which have existed between father and son for some time. The two men are reported to have had a severe quarrel several nights ago, when the father, it is alleged, was compelled to resort to violence to restrain his son.

## Lumber Road Building.

Houston: William Anderson, connected with the Carlisle Lumber Company of Trinity, says the Carlisle Company is building the Beaumont and Great Northern Railway, fifteen miles of which has been completed, from Trinity to Livingston, and surveys have been carried into Beaumont. When completed the road is to be exactly one hundred miles in length and run through the virgin pine lands of East Texas.

## House Bank May Pay Out.

Houston: The prospect brightens daily for the creditors of the House Bank. Present indications are that the estate will pay off in full. Appraisers of the property have been most conservative in their report. W. V. Lauraine, expert accountant, says that some of the paper pronounced worthless by the appraisers had been partially realized upon and in more than one instance it seemed that the total amounts would be collected.

## OKLAHOMA BANK INSURANCE.

### State Banking Board Provides for National Banks.

Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 6.—The State Banking Board has formulated the procedure under which Oklahoma National Banks may avail their depositors of the State guaranty law, and has directed a letter carrying that information to the 300 such institutions in the State. It is stated that a National bank will be required to first apply to the State Bank Commissioner, upon which the bank will be examined. If the bank is found in a satisfactory condition, the board will require a contract stipulating that such National bank agrees to pay the assessments and abide by the provisions of the state banking act, to the extent of insuring the deposits. The contract is to be ratified by the stockholders of each bank at a meeting held for that purpose.

An amendment to the State banking law is pending in the house, which supplies for the consent of the comptroller of the currency, the sanction of the individual stockholders and makes the guaranty of National banks purely a contract between them and the state of Oklahoma. The board has given notice that the only exception in the application of the law to National banks will be that wherein the method of liquidation might conflict with the National banking provisions, the method provided by the comptroller of the currency shall govern. In all other respects it is to be a state provision.

## Coil Tightens on Pierce.

Washington: The supreme court refused a writ of certiorari to Henry Clay Pierce in his effort to take out of the hands of the circuit court in St. Paul his appeal against being taken to Texas on a charge of false swearing. The effect of the decision is that if the circuit court also decides against Pierce his second appeal now before the supreme court will fail.

## May Release McLean Today.

Tangier: Caldwell Sir Harry McLean, who has been in the hands of the bandit, Raisuli, for the past seven months, is now within four hours' ride of Tangier and probably has been released. The British Government has finally succeeded in bringing the negotiations to a close for the release of Sir Harry, for which they will pay \$100,000 to Raisuli and guarantee him protection and immunity.

## Woman Invents a Flyer.

New York: Miss E. Laura Todd is the latest New Yorker to design an airship. She has completed a model of a flying machine, which she says will comply with all the requirements of the signal corps of the army, which recently advertised for bids. She estimates that her machine will easily carry two men at the rate of forty miles an hour. Miss Todd has been interested in flying machines for a number of years.

## Progress on Interurban.

Dallas: The second locomotive to be used in the construction of the Sherman-Dallas interurban railroad was delivered Tuesday. The first arrived and was put to work on the first of the year. The company now has at work two construction trains of eleven cars each and has besides ten camp cars in which to house and board men. The steel is down from McKinney north to Van Alstyne, about twenty miles.

## Deal for Farm Is Off.

Austin: The deal for the Cunningham plantation at Sugarland is off. This statement was made by Judge W. H. Gill, chairman of the State Penitentiary Board, after a consultation with the governor, following the receipt of a letter from Captain J. A. Herring, superintendent of penitentiaries, who has just inspected the Cunningham property. It consists of 13,000 acres and the State was to have paid \$450,000 for it.

## Fine Specimens of Queer Found.

Paris: A few days ago while Constable Jack Basen had a negro man employed cutting up his woodpile, the woodchopper unearthed a small sack of counterfeit money. The sack was a neat paper bag and contained eight of as bright silver dollars as were ever turned out of a government mint. The coins were all of recent date and had evidently been placed at the secluded spot by the counterfeiters.

## THE WEEK'S EPITOME

### A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

## NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

### A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

The ordinance recently passed by the board of aldermen of New York City forbidding women from smoking in public places was vetoed by Mayor McClellan.

There was a desperate fight in the office of United States District Attorney Robert P. Whitehouse at Portland, Maine, when an indicted smuggler attempted suicide.

The Wichita and Southern Railway has completed its line to within one and one-half miles of Olney. It has ties laid into that town, but lacks the steel, which is expected daily.

The Annona Lumber Company's drying kiln was burned Saturday night at the company's saw mill, five miles south of that place, entailing a loss of \$300 or \$400, with no insurance.

A woman and her infant child were killed in a collision between two freight trains on the Oregon Short Line Monday. The wreck was at Layton, north of Salt Lake City.

Failing to recoup his fortune lost in speculating, Edward C. Brooks aged thirty-five years, committed suicide at the Produce Exchange building in New York by taking cyanide of potassium.

The Palestine Railroad Young Men's Christian Association at Palestine was damaged by fire, smoke and water Saturday to the amount of nearly four thousand dollars, fully covered by insurance.

William Perkins, a former resident of Rose Pine, La., who had been residing in Arkansas, killed himself by shooting. The act of self-destruction resulted from despondency over financial affairs.

By an overwhelming majority, Tulsa, Okla., voted for a special charter and with it the commission form of government. This is the first city in Oklahoma to adopt this plan of government.

Major Charles W. Anderson, aged eighty-two years, a member of General Forrest's staff and general freight agent of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway, is dead at his home near Florence Station, Tenn.

Dr. George R. Tabor, ex-State Health Officer of Texas, now a resident physician of Dallas, was elected to the Presidency of the International Tuberculosis Congress at a meeting of the Executive Council of the congress which was held in New York during the past week.

The jury in the case of Jack Early, charged with the murder of City Marshal J. Terrell Calloway of Mount Calm, who was killed on October 24, 1905, after being out thirty-six hours returned a verdict finding him guilty of manslaughter and assessing his punishment at two years in the penitentiary.

Application has been filed to organize the Home National Bank of Stanton with \$2,500,000 capital stock.

The first brick was laid on Sherman's new \$50,000 high school building Thursday morning shortly before noon.

It is announced that Swift & Company, the great packers, will build a great plant at Portland, Ore., to cost not less than \$6,000,000. Over 2000 acres of land have been bought for the plant.

It is a sensational rumor that King Leopold of Belgium is the next in line of victims marked by the Red Hand.

The total poll tax payments and exemptions in Dallas County and city amount to 20,922.

Senator Cullom's bill to provide for participation by the United States in an international exposition to be held in Tokio, Japan, in 1912, has been reported favorably from the committee on foreign relations.

Representative Smith has introduced a bill appropriating \$25,000 for establishing a weather observatory at Abilene.

Low prices and slack demand for oil have played havoc with developments in Oklahoma.

Something like 500 school books have been presented to the Texas Text Book Board for competition for State contract.

Prof. R. B. Cousins, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has officially announced for re-election to his present position.

The Isthmian Canal Commission has awarded a contract for four million barrels of cement to be used in constructing the locks and dams.

It is announced that the new railway now building from Salt Lake City to San Francisco by the Goulds will use electricity for motive power.

A thousand bushels of cotton seed are being sent out from Waco in four pound packages by the Government, under the free seed distribution.

The Secretaries of Commercial Associations of Texas are arranging for a "Safe and Sound" legislation convention to be held in Fort Worth March 15.

Fire in Fort Worth Sunday morning in the White House Restaurant, on upper Main Street caused damage estimated at \$3300. One man had a narrow escape.

George Stuart, a negro, was electrocuted in the state prison at Trenton, N. J., Tuesday, for the murder of John Snell in Camden county several months ago.

In raising a bootlegging joint at Pawnee, Ok., Sheriff Pomeroy and a force of deputies found among some rubbish a bomb sufficient to blow up the entire town.

As a consequence of a shooting affair at Luling Wednesday afternoon S. J. Wyatt of Gonzales, a bystander, and Jim Dukes of Luling are dead. Ed Reedy was arrested.

Mrs. Mary I. Sherrer died in Brocton, N. Y., Monday at the age of 102. She read without glasses and had vivid recollections of Andrew Jackson and the war of 1812.

Secretary Paddock of the Fort Worth Board of Trade has issued formal invitation to the state Democratic executive committee to hold the next convention in the city.

An election was held at Oran to decide whether the town should be incorporated for municipal purposes. The result was as follows: Votes for incorporation 108, against 42.

At Shawnee, Ok., Leander Adams, ten years of age, a son of a widow, was killed Sunday afternoon by a Santa Fe freight train. His head was severed from his body. He was walking in company with a playmate on the right of way near Main Street when struck.

Bids for three aeroplanes, ranging in price from \$10,000 to \$25,000, which must have a speed of at least forty miles an hour and carry two persons with a combined weight of 350 pounds and sufficient fuel for a flight of 125 miles, have been accepted by the war department.

It is reported direct from headquarters that the proposed Shawnee Central Railroad, surveyed during the summer between Checotah and Shawnee by the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, will be under course of construction within a very short time.

The farmers in the Miles section are planning for the 1908 crop on a large scale. Last year's partial failure emphasizes the importance of a strenuous effort. The prospect is made bright by the fact that the winter rains have been good.

Mrs. M. E. Bean, an old resident of Lamar County, who has eight children living, celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday anniversary Sunday at her home in Brookston. She is still hale and hearty.

Gaston Thetford, son of Walter Thetford, who lives about two miles northwest of Groesbeck, went in Sunday and surrendered to Sheriff Pritchard, saying that he had killed Manuel Acosta, a Mexican. Thetford was released on \$500 bond.

A vote was taken at Krum Saturday to determine whether or not the voters of that school precinct were in favor of levying a tax to build a school building. The vote was 67 to 1 in favor of the tax.

J. T. Munson has presented the city of Denison with 130 acres of land for the purpose of providing a public park. The land is situated just outside of the city limits, beginning at the north end of Houston Avenue, and is valued at \$26,000.

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce E. H. Sparkman a candidate for the office of County Judge, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce A. V. Patterson a candidate for the office of County Judge subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce J. M. Standifer candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

We are authorized to announce G. G. Ainsworth a candidate for the office of sheriff and tax collector subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce J. L. Latham a candidate for the office of sheriff and tax collector subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce Harry Tweedie a candidate for the office of sheriff and tax collector subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce N. L. Douglas a candidate for the office of county and district clerk subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce Leonce B. Cole a candidate for the office of county and district clerk of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce W. V. Charehill as a candidate for the office of county and district clerk subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce R. B. Cummins a candidate for the office of tax assessor subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce D. C. Durham a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce W. E. Allen a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce Ed L. Gilmore a candidate for the office of Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic primary

We are authorized to announce A. A. Gamble a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce D. S. Smith a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce M. Black a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce S. M. King a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce D. D. Davis a candidate for offices of commissioner and justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

MINUS THE TWO DOLLARS.

You can't get even with a physician by returning his calls.

MIKE SULLIVAN IS DEAD

It is with sorrow that we chronicle the death of M. T. Sullivan, which occurred at his home Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock. He was suffering from an attack of pneumonia, and was apparently recovering until a few hours before his death.

When the news was flashed over the country, we were all shocked, and realized that we had lost one of our noblest men and best citizens.

M. T. Sullivan was born in Wisconsin December 15th, 1862, and came to Texas when a mere boy and has resided here about twenty-five years. He leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father. He was a member of the Methodist church at this place, Master Mason and a Woodman.

The funeral, which occurred yesterday, was mainly conducted by the Masons. Hundreds of people, from far and near, came to look for the last time on the face of their dead friend. Hardly a dry eye could be seen among the great crowd who had come to pay the last tribute to the one whom they loved.

Mike Sullivan is gone. The great hearted cowboy, who would have shared his last crumb with suffering humanity, is now over the Great Divide with his last Roundup. When the Pale Messenger from the Cross outfit came to summon him to meet the great foreman, Jesus, at a point on the River of Life where the Trees of Healing grow, he was ready to go. Mounting the swift steed of christian faith, he rode straight for the green range of Eternity, where the waters never fail and drouths do never come. Never more with his comrades will he stand guard around the trembling herd at night and watch the glittering shaft leap from the crest of the approaching storm cloud; for where he now is, there is no night, and the thunders break not the tranquility of his resting place.

NEVER LIVED AT ALL

A man, says a newspaper story, made millions in his 99 years of life by never doing the usual thing.

These were some of the things he never did: He never traveled. He never joined anything. He never paid the ticket of admission.

He never ate in a hotel or a restaurant.

His total expenditure for car fare was less than one dollar. For forty years he had not voted.

He wouldn't smoke, not because it was harmful, but because it cost him twelve cents a week.

And when he died he had amassed \$1,500,000.

Poor, lonesome old man!

The world was no better for this man. He took all it would give, but gave nothing in return, either of money or sympathy or life.

So when he died they told about him in the newspapers, and now others will spend the money that he gave up everything to gather. There can't be many to care whether he is gone or not. Probably he had a few who loved him, because the most unlovable of us are nearly always loved by somebody; but there isn't any street full of friends, who feel that something has gone out of their lives. He hasn't left an empty place, for he never cared about other people or other things or to see and understand and feel, and to put out his hand and get hold of the hand of the throbbing, living world around him.

People say that's a queer story. It's more than a queer story, it's a real tragedy, because it is the story of a man who died but he had never begun to live.

KNOWN BY BACK OF HEAD.

Physicians Have What They Say in a Certain Method of Identification.

Medical men often identify old patients by some peculiarity of hand or head. Have you ever observed that the back of every man's head is different? This fact was brought to my attention in a curious way. I was with a friend in a Third Avenue car, bound uptown. Somebody behind touched my friend on the ear and said: "I've been looking at the back of your head for the last five minutes, and I'm curious to know if you are the newspaper man who was in the Minturn hospital five years ago?" "That's who I am," replied my friend, and the other man said with much elation: "I knew it. I knew the back of your head. I'm Dr. Blank." There was a great powwow, and Blank seated himself with us to explain.

"I always tell men by the back of their heads," said the doctor. "I'm not much on remembering faces, but I never forget the general make-up lying behind the ears." He nudged me in the side. "I only caught one glimpse of the back of your friend's head here, but I remembered it. They also take diphtheria and scarlet fever cases over in the Minturn. Eyes and ears are my specialty, and I was called in when your friend was pretty low. There was something wrong in one ear, and all I saw of the rear half of his head was when he was half lifted, when lying on his back, and laid on his side. But it was enough. That was full five years ago. My best case of the kind so far, but I've heard of lots that beat it. Try the plan. If there's some one you are bound not to forget, take a squint at the back of his head. You'll remember it. The face changes, you know. Sickness, or coming into a fortune or losing one may do it, but the back of the head is always the same."—N. Y. Press.

Signal to the President Case.

It now seems that while the question of a general amnesty for all persons concerned in the Dreyfus case was being examined by a commission of the French senate, Commandant Esterhazy, who was then in London, made an exhaustive deposition before the local French consular general, which, however, was either not communicated to the commission or rejected by it. A recent number of the Independence Belge, published in Brussels, contains the full text of the deposition, which was sworn to by Esterhazy. Copies of the document to substantiate the declarations are also in some instances presented. The deposition incriminates Colonel du Paty de Clam, Colonel Henry, General Billot, General Boisdeffre, General Gonse and General Sauriez.

Esterhazy swears that the border-au, which was the sole legal piece of evidence against Dreyfus, was forged by Esterhazy, and that therefore the examination of it by the handwriting experts was illusory. He practically confirms the conclusions arrived at by the court de cassation, as far as they went, admitting the truth of the charges made by this court against him, but declaring that in forging the document he acted in obedience to orders. Moreover, he declares that the alleged letters from the kaiser containing evidence of Dreyfus treason, were simply fabrications.

Less Work for the Bride-to-be.

All of the fashionable stationers in the larger cities this fall have women in their employ whose sole work consists of preparing and sending out wedding invitations. This is more onerous than one would think, for the approval wedding invitation contains a blank space in which must be written the name of the person to whom the invitation is extended. Previously it began: "Mr. and Mrs. Soandso request your presence, etc." Now it starts off: "Mr. and Mrs. Soandso request the honor of —"; then the name is written in. Of course, this entails quite a lot of work, and the prospective bride, who is busy with her trousseau, is only too glad to have the stationer take it off her hands for a consideration.

J. M. STANDIFER

In this issue we announce J. M. Standifer a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Mr. Standifer, while not an old resident of our county has been in West Texas the major part of his life and comes to us well recommended; which, during his three years of citizenship here, he has well verified. Office of public trust is not a novelty to Mr. Standifer, having been four years treasurer of Concho county and six years deputy sheriff, which positions he filled with credit to himself and to the entire satisfaction to his constituency. Honest, alert, a man of tried and proven courage, a clear sense of justice and his natural kindness eminently fit him for the office to which he aspires. If elected, we know we shall have in Jim Standifer a splendid officer.

Sterling County Man Wins.

The rabbit drive last Thursday resulted in the ridding the county of something over sixty jack rabbits. J. C. Rabb received the prize for killing the most in the drive, which was eight.—Robert Lee Observer.

We knew it! We knew that when our friend Rabb joined the rabbit twisters he would surprise his friends by his proficiency in the art of accumulating rabbit flesh. It is said that Rabb can knock a rabbit's eye out sixty yards every crack with a rock. He never takes a second throw at one.

D. D. DAVIS

This week we announce D. D. Davis a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace No. 3.

Mr. Davis' official record is a good one and is a criterion for his eligibility. Here, in emergency, we commend him to the voters of Precinct 3, and voice for his ability.

The space of this paper is for sale for legitimate purposes—we do not be the judge—but the editorial policy is not for sale or barter under any circumstances. He who hopes to swerve us from what we believe to be right and just between man and man, either because of his money or influence, has undertaken an impossible proposition. We love our friends, but they should not expect us to advocate a wrong policy in order to gratify their notions.

This paper advocates the building of good, straight roads. We hold that a tract of land is practically worthless without the easement of free egress and ingress to it. We believe the law providing that public roads should run to their terminal points on the nearest and most practicable route is just. We stand committed on these propositions without fear or favor. If any man takes issue with us on this proposition, we will give him space to air his views, but reserve the right to reply.

SAUSAGES IN ART.



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142 High Grade Yearlings For Sale

Owing to failure of parties, the sale of my yearlings has fallen through and I have again placed them on the market. These cattle are high grade Durhams and Herefords, and will be twins in the spring. They will go at a bargain. L. C. Hodges, Sterling City

HEROD'S OCCUPATION GONE.

Twentieth Century Death Rate of Babies Would Satisfy Him.

In one summer there were 52,837 infants' deaths in the large towns of England, the rate being 275 in 1,000 for the same period. Frequently during summer the hospitals for children in London are taxed beyond their capacity. In Birmingham more than 3,000 babies die annually.

Germany has a record which is astounding for that domestic country, where all young women are supposedly learned in the domestic arts.

Two million children are born in one year, and yet as many as 400,000 die before one year old, making the rate for the German empire 200. In pretty Munich, where it would seem that conditions are favorable for public hygiene, the death rate has been as high as 419, an average of 324 in 1,000.

Our own country makes little better record, for in the District of Columbia the rate in 1900 was over 275, other states being a little lower, but still too high. In Massachusetts eight cities averaged 186 to 304, and New York was about 159, almost all the New England states being higher.

From various British reports it is learned that improper feeding is the prime cause of the great mortality among infants under one year of age, and in a German record of investigation the statement is made that of the 4,075 deaths of infants which occurred in Munich in the year 1903, 3,395 were bottle fed, which would show conclusively that artificial feeding has its very serious side, largely because of the "unclean" milk given.—World To-Day.

SKELTON KEY A MYTH.

"There is nothing to the skeleton key idea we hear so much about," said an Indianapolis safe and lock expert. "Such a thing as a skeleton key that will unlock all locks does not exist. The locksmith is supposed to have such a key, and we have been made to swallow more than one robbery story told on the theory that there was such a thing as a skeleton key, which, by some magic trick of construction, would unlock all sizes and conditions of locks. The idea is all rot.

"For hotels the lock factories manufacture a series of locks for one floor, for instance, which can be unlocked by a master key. Of course, every lock on the floor has a separate key, and no one of these keys will unlock more than the door for which it was made. There is, in addition to this 'master key,' a key referred to as the 'grand master,' which will unlock any door on any floor of the hotel. But it is readily understood that all the locks in a particular hotel series are of similar construction, and the matter of furnishing a 'master' or 'grand master' key is comparatively simple."

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Done by the order of the Commissioners Court of Sterling Co. Tex. Sept. 23, 1907. S. T. Wood, Sheriff, Sterling Co. Texas.

Notice to Trespassers

Notice is hereby given, that any person or persons who shall hunt, fish, cut or haul wood, work or drive stock, or otherwise trespass upon any land owned or controlled by us, or either of us, without our permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Those driving stock down lane must keep in the lane until across Beal's creek. W. R. Felton

By N. D. Thompson clerk

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French Minister's New Home. The French government is to have an official residence in Washington, and it will be a fine one. Nearly two acres of ground have been bought, well located on a high knoll commanding a fine view of the city, and there the famous French architect, Carre, is to design a home for the embassy which shall be the finest specimen of French architecture on this side of the Atlantic.

Another \$109,000-a-Year Man. Wall street is greatly interested in the latest "self-made" man, Frederick P. Fish, who will draw \$100,000 for twelve months' service as president of the American Bell Telephone company. He was counsel for the New York Airbrake company against the Westinghouse company after the reorganization of the General Electric company.

# THE EDGE OF THINGS

By FRANCIS B. L. HOWE

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Theodore sat on the wall that divided the lawn and the kitchen garden and kicked his heels viciously against the unresponsive stone. They were small feet but they kicked with an energy quite out of proportion. Dore surveyed them with rueful satisfaction, noting with a fierce delight that the toes were stubbed and that green stains had appeared on his white trousers. In short Theodore was looking on the world and its vain attractions "through a glass darkly."

The red setter came bounding across the lawn to the forlorn little figure on the wayside wall, his flaming red flag of a tail hoisted to the breeze.

The boy's only greeting was a pull at the glossy coat of such astounding energy as to bring forth a yelp of wounded pride.

Dore's arms were about his neck as he said: "Scuse me, Reddy, I only wanted to see if you was 'per-tender' too," then, with a deep sigh, "I guess me and you is the only really things around here."

Yesterday, oh fateful day, Dore had learned a lesson that had straightway clouded his fair sky, and since which he had looked out on the world through earnest brown eyes which never before had held a look of unbelief.

He had mentioned casually, in the tone one can afford to adopt when one possesses a young and beautiful aunt, that his Aunt Eleanor was going to take him to ride behind her bran new ponies. "An' she ain't never rode behind them herself yet," he added, proudly.

To which Batty Jones had scornfully replied: "Aw, what yer givin' us? She ain't no more your aunt than she is mine. I could call her 'aunt' too if I liked. My ma said so an' she knows 'cause my pa aster be coachman fer them 'fore he come here."

That night after a silent tea in the nursery Dore walked upstairs, undressed and crawled into bed before Mary had a chance to help him.

"Did you say your prayers, Master Theodore?" she asked.

"No," said Dore, soberly.

"Well come and say them now, that's a good boy, so Mary can go downstairs."

Then it was that Master Theodore, standing as erect as a downy mattress on jumpy springs would let him, and holding tightly to the head board of his little brass bed, replied: "I shall proberly never say my prayers again, Mary, so please don't speak of it. There isn't any Aunt Eleanor—there isn't any Santa Claus and how do I know there's any God?"

Then he lay down and pulled the covers up snugly while the deeply shocked Mary rushed from the room fumbling her beads, too perturbed to hear the boy's "Good-night, Mary; I hope you will sleep well," for he always remembered his manners, did this little chap.

For a long time he lay very quiet thinking it all out. He wasn't hurting anyone by believing these things and they made him happy. What business had anyone to tell him? Then his mind would fill with righteous wrath, but his sturdy little spirit at last asserted itself and as he fell asleep he muttered: "I'm glad I know, anyhow. I don't want to 'believe' 'per-tenders'."

Still there were tears on his cheek for his dear Aunt Eleanor, the sweetest of them all, and he sweetly flung of them all, and he sweetly hoped that Batty Jones would not call her "auntie," even if he could if he had a mind to.

All that was last night. This morning he was not quite sure whether he was glad he knew or not.

First he thought he would go away out of sight of the road where the enchanting pony cart would not be visible to eyes that somehow would watch in spite of their determination not to. Then he dug his heels more tightly into the crevices of the wall and decided to stay right where he was, so close to the road that he could almost shake hands with those who passed.

All this was of course perplexing, but the problem that made the deepest wrinkles in the boy's forehead was what to say to this willom "Auntie" when she appeared.

Clearly he could not tell her that he could not ride with her because she was a "per-tender." That would not be polite to say to a lady and Dore's ideas of civility were deep rooted.

"Hallo, Dore! Ready?" a gay voice called. "Jump in beside Rags. We're going to have a famous drive."

Dore looked from the beautiful girl and the bull pup beside her to the ponies impatiently champing on the bit and back to the girl again. This was very embarrassing. He felt his face grow hot. Some boys would have looked sheepish and would have fligeted, Master Theodore did neither.

He stood in the dusty road, cap in hand, and the sun beat down on his closely-cropped head, but he only planted his feet more firmly as he looked the girl squarely in the eyes and said slowly: "No, thank you. I don't think I'll go to-day."

An amused smile crept into the girl's eyes. She had often laughed with his father over what she called the lack of "dirigibility" of this small youth.

"I'll drive around the block and let you think it over," she said. She

smiled him a "good-by," the ponies started up, and he was left alone. Something like a sob arose in his throat. He was afraid he had been rude, but he could not tell a lady that she was a "per-tender." Better to let her base his rudeness upon refusing to ride with her than that.

A few paces away the cart stopped, and Aunt Eleanor looked back expectantly, but he shook his head and she drove on.

He suddenly awoke to the consciousness that the sun was very hot on his bared head, and putting on his hat he crossed the lawn and entered the house.

His father would not be home till night; his bicycle was tame; his pony had lost its savor. The one thing that still had about it the glamour of brighter days was The Picture in his father's study. Father's favorite arm-chair stood under this picture and Dore could not remember the time when he had not said his prayers kneeling beside it as his father sat there. But this was before father became so busy and had to stay so late nights in the city.

Dore took off his hat and looked at The Picture as he had looked at Aunt Eleanor a few minutes ago.

"You weren't a 'per-tender' were you, ma'am?" he asked, politely. "They told me that God took you away. It seems like they don't want me to have anything, don't they? I'm sorry, cause I think from your face I would like you, ma'am."

Then even while standing there a thought broke in upon him, a thought so delicious and yet so audacious he held his breath as he clung lovingly to it.

If Aunt Eleanor could not be a truly auntie, couldn't she be a truly mother?

Nipper Brown had had three mothers. Now Nipper was the garbage gentleman's boy, and if he could have had three, couldn't this little lad have one?

He sat down in one of the big slippery chairs to think it over. He suddenly remembered that last night he had refused to say his prayers. He would not make a truce now and say them just because he wanted something, but, he said aloud: "I will just to mention it before I go to bed to-night and p'raps God might hear, who knows?"

Dore sat up in bed blinking at the light and rubbing his eyes to get the sleep out.

"What is it, Mary?" he asked.

"Sure 'tis yure father wants you downstairs, Master Theodore, jist as you be."

The boy crawled out of his little bed, gathered the folds of his long night



His Father and Aunt Eleanor Stood There.

dress together and holding it high, went down the stairs.

The study was lighted and his father and Aunt Eleanor stood there.

When pretty Aunt Eleanor, the color coming and going in her pretty cheeks, had snuggled him up close in her warm bare arms and explained what it was all about the child was silent. The girl and the man looked at each other in dismay.

Suddenly he sat up very straight and asked wistfully, for he dared not hope too much:

"Aunt Eleanor, did God truly tell you to ask father if you could be my mother?"

The girl's eyes danced as she said: "Yes dear."

"Father, did God tell you to say she could?"

"He certainly did, my little man," his father said with face aglow.

Then Dore slipped off the girl's lap and said very earnestly: "I'll go upstairs and say my prayers now, and I'll get down on both knees, too. I didn't mention any names but he got it all right."

They kissed him and let him go, and as the door closed the girl lifted a tremulous face in which tears and smiles strove for mastery as she said: "O Jack, I feel just as though he had said: 'God bless you, my children.'"

And Dore, upstairs, as he crept back into bed, said in a comfortably confidential tone:

"That was 'most as quick as tele-foun' Lord."

**Hilarious.**

Eva—I understand that when Kathleen eloped from the house at 2 a. m. her father made strenuous efforts to raise the window of his room.

Edna—Wanted to intercept her, I suppose?

Eva—No; wanted to shout: "Hurrah, ma, she's gone at last!"

# The "New Directoire"

The Foremost Creator of Fashions for Women of Fashion, Approves of It When Modified to Suit the Individual.

BY MRS. OSBORN.



Every Part Should Be Subordinated to the General Effect to Make the Perfect Ensemble.

The princess, the empire, the directoire! The transition steps, though gradual, have been clearly marked.

I have watched its development with interest and pleasure—interest because it gives me an odd thrill to see on the streets of this most modern of cities the legitimate descendants of gowns that once trailed over ball-rooms and grand stairways of old world palaces. Pleasure, because I see in every varying change of dress not a petulant flinging aside of something that was wearing a jaded fancy, but a keen-sighted discarding of that which can be replaced by something better, lovelier and more pleasing. It is in this manner that the directoire has come to us from Paquin and other French houses.

### Consider Suitability.

I like it very much, though I recognize that Paquin's version of it is too extreme to be becoming to many women. Therefore, a new silhouette has developed—a graceful, becoming style that accentuates the waist line and gives the effect of slenderness and length of limb so desirable this season.

The silhouette shows the waist line slightly lifted above the normal—the same old short-waisted effect that has been jogging along for a year and a half. When empire gowns first came into vogue they were so loose they looked like nothing but wrappers.

Now the clever dressmaker makes a compromise. It is neither directoire, nor empire, nor long-waisted; you cannot say that it is the creation of any dressmaker in Europe, for it is not. It is a becoming style and one that will be seized on at once, for almost any one can wear this new mode with the modified outline.

### Errors in Costuming.

Every woman will not accept it, of course, and I am not sorry for that. In fact, I would be better pleased if fewer women adopted it, and those few were the ones to whom it is best suited. A new style will always appear hideous if worn by the wrong person. If you are a person of average intelligence—and in the question of dress that seems to be of no intelligence whatsoever—and you see, for example, an enormously stout woman complacently wearing an empire gown exactly suited to a slim girl of 20, you will probably turn your back henceforth on the empire. Your mistake is quite as flagrant as the stout woman's. Her error and yours are identical.

So of the directoire. You will see it on every type of woman extant. I personally would like to put it on many women—modifying it here, accentuating it there, adapting it to each so that it concealed her bad points and made the most of her good ones.

Making the most of oneself! That is a text on which I want to preach a sermon every time I drive on the avenue or enter a crowded street car. It is suggested just as strongly by the woman whose dress allowance runs into the thousands as by the poor creature whose pathetically inappropriate white chiffon hat and velvet coat struggle bravely to conceal the shabbiness of her dress and shoes.

### Inborn Gift of Dress.

The gift of dress seems to be something inborn—as difficult to acquire as blue eyes or a rose-leaf complexion. Yet, if I considered it altogether hopeless, I would not pause to dwell on a condition already too painfully familiar to us all.

The most hopeful feature of the situation is that every woman sincerely

desires to look well. When she fails it is from one to three reasons—granted, of course, that she has sufficient means to dress in keeping with her station. In the first place, she may be totally lacking in all sense and feeling for what is beautiful and effective in color, in line and in texture.

Her case is hopeless unless she can put herself unreservedly in the hands of a woman who is more clever than herself, who possesses the quality she lacks. She belongs to that most helpless class of those who turn their houses over to professional furnishers. It lies with the hiring whether the result is beautiful or merely showy and costly. In neither case do the people themselves know the difference.

### Select What is Suitable.

Then, there is the woman who loves the beautiful and is quick to recognize it when she sees it. Her failure lies in an ignorance of what is suitable. I see great possibilities for her, for she is capable of being educated to select the beautiful thing that is appropriate. She will be quick to grasp the fact that success in dress is achieved by simplicity and harmony; a beautiful, restful, satisfying whole, in which every part is so subordinated to the general effect that not a single detail of it will assert itself above the rest. She can be taught that certain colors are suitable only for certain places and occasions. Under the proper guidance she can learn from her own mistakes to avoid tones and lines that have proved trying and unbecoming. Above all, she must be brought to realize that the whole success or failure of a gown depends upon its cut; that no amount of trimming can conceal the fact that a garment does not fit.

### The Greatest Offender.

Last of all, there is the woman who ought to be ashamed of herself. I have no patience with her at all; she knows how to choose her clothes and how to wear them, yet does not do so. You meet her to-day looking radiant, distinguished, beautifully dressed. You meet her two weeks later, and it is with difficulty that you recognize either the woman or the clothes. Her gown is wrinkled, her shoes have not been cleaned and it is only too obvious that she does not take the trouble to keep them on shoe-trees. A button is missing from one glove and an ever-widening rip shows in the seam of the other. Her hair has been hastily arranged and does not fill out the wide frame of her picture hat. The average woman can keep herself and her clothes in order unless she is indolent and indifferent. If she does not know how to care for her hair and hands, she cannot spend a few dollars more profitably than in taking lessons from a capable professional. Women of this last class cannot be helped by anyone else. Everything lies in their own hands, and the impetus must come from within.

*Louisa Wilson Osborn*

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### Sleeve Draperies.

French frocks are very artistically handled in regard to sleeve and shoulder draperies. The cape idea begins where the kimono idea leaves off, and it is difficult to decide sometimes whether a model should be termed a draped cape or a kimono effect. All the designs lend themselves readily to the lavish use of soutache and coarse lace.

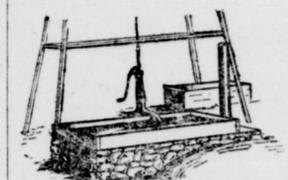


### HEATER AND COOKER.

How One Farmer Supplied His Needs at Small Cost.

The cheapest and most economical heater ever used was one of my own construction. I made a frame of 2x8-inch pine seven feet long and 27 inches wide. I put a bottom on this of No. 18 galvanized iron, letting it project one-half inch on each side and 14 inches at one end for a stovepipe fitting. I spiked the frame together and covered the corners with heavy tins to prevent any leaking. The bottom was nailed on with two rows of eightpenny nails.

I made a fireplace on the ground of stone and blue clay, 2 feet wide by 3 feet long and 18 inches high. I then piled up dirt 1 foot high and 3 feet wide at the end of the fireplace for a fine, put stone on the earth the length of the galvanized iron, placed the tank on this foundation and banked it up with dirt. In cutting a hole for the stovepipe I turned up strips of the galvanized iron for a collar, then drove an iron rod into the ground,



Cheap Water Tank and Cooker.

put on two lengths of stovepipe and wired it fast to the rod. A piece of sheet iron was set up before the fireplace to control the draft and keep the fire.

This heater was located near the windmill and storage tank and I could fill it from either. I could heat the water quickly with cornstalks, straw, cobs, brush or trash. I boiled pumpkins and small potatoes for fattening the pigs, and cooked ground feed by pouring scalding water on the meal in barrels and covering with old blankets or carpets. One light fire would take the chill from ice water for the milch cows. I regretted that I did not make it of 12-inch plank, as that would have increased its capacity one-third and furnished warm water for all my stock.

I found constant use for this small tank the year round, continues the writer in Farm and Home. I cut off the projecting part of sheet iron where the stovepipe fitted on and left it on the foundation, while I moved the tank about and used it for various purposes. For a time I used it in a sheep pasture, then to mix mortar in little building, then as a pond for white ducks, as I could easily tip it over and put in fresh water with a hose every day.

### AVERAGE MUST BE RAISED.

Importance to the Farmer of Care in Selection of Seed Corn.

Prof. P. G. Holden in his A B C of Corn Culture says that while the average yield of corn in the United States is less than 25 bushels per acre, yet there are hundreds and thousands of farmers who produce 60 and 70, and even 80 and 90 bushels per acre. "I have in mind," he says, "scores of instances where of two fields just across the road from each other, or perhaps adjoining, but on different farms, one yielded more than 70 bushels and the other less than 20, yet the land values were the same and the labor required to produce the 20-bushel crop as great as to produce the 70-bushel crop. If one man can produce 60 and 70 bushels per acre, the other man can do it also, and not only that, but must do it if we are to achieve our agricultural possibilities."

Test your corn carefully, and if it is found defective send away at once for a supply, but test that also.

### Using Commercial Fertilizers.

The pure nitrate of soda, muriate of potash, super-phosphate or ground bone, can be used in the garden, but unless a person has had experience or handles these very carefully, results are apt to be disappointing or disastrous. Plants of which the leaf or stalk are the edible portions must have plenty of nitrogen, which is available in the guano and animal manure. When the roots or fruits are to be eaten, phosphoric acid should be added in the shape of wood ashes or super phosphate. Ground bone is too slow in becoming available.

### Keep Corn Dry.

Experiments have shown that corn which is thoroughly dry will not be injured by any degree of cold. This, while interesting, is not as comforting as it would appear to be, for the reason that some confusion may result in deciding when corn is thoroughly dry; and further, corn once dry does not necessarily mean always dry. If left subject to a moisture-laden atmosphere it will very likely take up enough moisture to render it liable to injury from severe freezing.

### Watch the Heifers.

Look out now for the heifers that are about due to calf. If they drop the first calf safely there is not much danger of trouble afterwards.

### BARNs THAT ARE HANDY.

Edgar L. Vincent Suggests That Improvements Can Be Made.

"My! That's hard work! Why do folks have such awfully hard barns to get around in?"

Well, sir, that was a fair question, and I wish I might have answered my boy; but I couldn't, just because I don't know myself why it is that so many barns about the country are terribly hard to work in.

Take the one we were in at that moment for example. There was no ladder in the whole building. When you wanted to go up overhead you just had to shin up a post or swing yourself from one beam and get to another. It takes a better athlete than I am to do that right along and stand it. Think of the waste of strength! And then, there was no way to get down from the big barn floor to the basement. You had to travel away round out of doors, no matter what the weather might be. All because there were no stairs.

Now, when we built our barn we made plans for plenty of good stairs. One pair leads from the first floor down to the basement. We are never compelled to go out of doors to get from one floor to the other. Another pair of stairs leads up to the hay loft. No steep, hard stairs are they either, but good easy ones, that anybody can get up comfortably.

And then, the barn my boy and I were in that day had the worst scaffolds you may ever saw. They were made of the slabs of logs, laid with the rounding side up. You can imagine how slippery such a scaffold would get to be in the course of time. It was almost as much as one's life was worth to try to skate around on those treacherous slabs. My life was not insured, so I did not try it.

If any part of a barn ought to be secured against accidents it should be the scaffolds. They are high. A fall from them might mean death, or at least lifelong injury and suffering. The boards ought to be carefully laid down and strong enough so that there would be no danger of breaking.

Another point often overlooked in the construction of barns is convenience in foddering. I have been in barns where every spear of hay had to be dragged two or three rods over the floor before it could be put through the chute to the cattle. And one barn I know of is so made that the farmer must haul the hay as much as 75 feet to get it to the stock! A terrible waste of time and strength. What wonder that farmers wear themselves out long before their time.

By a little foresight the shutes may be put in so that one may stand on the mow and send the hay right down to the feeding floor. The sides of the chute may be so built that they may be taken off as the mow goes down to avoid lifting the hay high in the air.

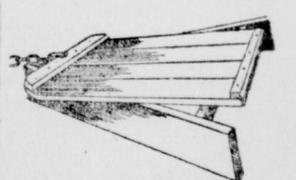
Barns ought to be handy to the house, too. Sometimes we see them located a quarter of a mile away. What an amount of travel one must go through in the course of a lifetime on farms like that!

The first thing to be done, as I look at it, continues Mr. Vincent in Farmers' Voice, is to sit down and make a good plain diagram of the barn. Anyone can do that if he ever has had a bit of experience in doing work at a barn. A little time at this point will save years of hard and altogether unnecessary labor.

### HOME-MADE SNOW PLOW.

You May Have Use for It Yet This Winter.

To the bottom and front end of a logging drag or stone boat bolt two pieces of 2x8 or wider, and of the de-



A Snow Plow.

sired length. They meet at a sharp angle at the front and diverge sufficiently to move the snow well away. This, explains Prairie Farmer, may be loaded for one or two horses, according to the depth of the snow.

### NOTES.

The feed problem is getting harder.

The finer the soil is pulverized the better it will retain moisture, which is one of the necessary elements in the garden.

The soil should be a mellow loam and in the best possible tilth, well fitted with humus obtained by annually plowing under well rotten manure. For some of the garden crops this may be supplemented by the addition of some of the commercial fertilizers. Peruvian guano is one of the cheapest and most satisfactory concentrated fertilizers to use in the garden.

### Testing the Cows.

It takes just a few days to find out how much a cow is worth. In a recent Kansas test, covering the cows of 82 creamery patrons, the best cows made \$42.09 per cow, while the poorest ones made only \$7.54 per cow—a difference of \$34.55 per cow.

### Must Like the Business.

A correspondent asks what are the essentials for making a dairy pay. First the man must understand and like cows, and then he must have only good cows.

W. F. KELLIS,

STERLING CITY, - TEXAS

The Marrying Age.

It has often been said that "a woman is no older than she looks;" and this is really true. Some women are younger at 40, in appearance and manner, than others are at 30. In this connection it is proper to consider the most suitable age for a woman to marry. This depends upon circumstances, for the reasons above given. A generation ago, when 25 was not far from the average marrying age, a woman may have been considered verging on old maidhood at 30. Nowadays, however, the tendency is to marry late rather than early in life, and the sensible woman who at 35 finds herself still unwed by no means despairs of being led to the altar. As a matter of fact, the majority of men only consider a woman old when she is close to the fifties, and even then they often find attractive qualities in her which younger women lack. Gone are the days when a man regarded youth and beauty as essential to the happiness of married life. He looks for a mature, steady and practical mind, usually found in the woman of 35 and 40, and forgets her age. Where women make the greatest mistake, however, is in trying to appear younger than they generally are, thus placing themselves in a false position and utterly marring whatever other charms they may possess, says the New York Weekly. No woman, of course, likes to advertise her age, and she owes it to herself not to add to the same by unsuitable or dowdy dress, for instance. On the other hand, it is ridiculous for her to endeavor to take five or ten years off her age by dressing in the garb of a younger sister, and striving to cover telltale wrinkles with powder and rouge. Men easily see through such artifices and regard the woman who practices the same with a feeling bordering on contempt.

Insanity and the Nation.

Not long ago the United States census bureau issued a report which should have provoked instant and widespread discussion. Of all the publications giving the results of the twelfth census there is hardly any of such importance to the American people. For in language the most explicit, and supported by statistics gathered with the scrupulous care that has characterized all the enumerations of the latest census, it reveals the existence of conditions making strongly against the continued prosperity of the United States and its continued progress to headship among nations. The reference is to the special report on "Insane and Feeble-minded in Hospitals and Institutions." At first glance, remarks H. Addington Bruce in North American Review, nothing alarming is to be seen in the statement that in 1903 there were in the insane asylums of the country a total of 150,151 inmates. What is this, it may be asked, in a population exceeding 80,000,000? But the matter quickly assumes another aspect when it is observed that in 1890, the year of the preceding census, the insane asylums held only 74,925 unfortunate; and that, ten years earlier, the asylum population was but 49,492. In other words, there has been a progressively more rapid increase in insanity than in population. Just what the difference is it is impossible to say. Statistically it is enormous.

American cartoonists represent the Democratic party as a donkey, the Republican party as an elephant. These symbols have grown tiresome and have exhausted the ingenuity of comic draftsmen. One of the best of the joyous brotherhood of cartoonists, Mr. John T. McCutcheon of the Chicago Tribune, suggests several animals from which new party symbols may be chosen. Among them are the owl, the symbol of wisdom, says nothing, prominent in Hoo's Hoo in America; the dog, the friend of the common people, symbol of vigilance and fidelity, indigenous to all parts of the country; the turkey, the most popular thing in November, when the elections occur; the cat, hard to kill, having nine lives, symbol of the home; the buffalo, exclusively American and nearly extinct; the goat, can leap from crag to crag and from platform to platform, can live on anything, knows how to take a joke, and butts in where angels fear to tread; and finally, the turtle, slow but sure, long-lived, and hard to kill, carries its own house and can vote in any ward.

A couple in New Jersey have given social theorists, legislators and moralists a hint as to the war against divorce. They wished to be separated, but finding that \$10, the limit of what they were willing to pay for expenses, would not be enough, declared they would stay married, and went away together, presumably to live happy ever after. The idea of making divorce a costly luxury, instead of encouraging its present trend as a cheap necessity, might do much toward curbing the flood of martial unrest.

He "Followed Copy."

Mrs. Marble, after the death of her husband, went to Mr. Stone (a dealer in headstones) and consulted him in reference to an inscription. She said: "Put on it: 'To my dearest husband, and if there be any room left, we shall meet in heaven.'"

Entering the cemetery and going to her husband's grave, she noticed the headstone, and quickly rushed to see how he had engraved it. The poor old widow's heart beat with pain when she read the following on the headstone: "To my dearest husband, and if there be any room left, we shall meet in heaven."—Port Chester Record.

Gloomy Outlook.

Long Winded Orator (lowering his voice to an impressive whisper)—"Have you ever, O, my friends, allowed yourselves to wonder where you will be and what you will be doing when another century shall have rolled around?"

Wearied Auditor (in an equally impressive whisper)—"Yes—we'll still be here waiting for you to finish your speech!"

PURE FOOD.

No Food Commissioner of Any State Has Ever Attacked the Absolute Purity of Grape-Nuts.

Every analysis undertaken shows this food to be made strictly of Wheat and Barley, treated by our processes to partially transform the starch parts into a form of Sugar, and therefore much easier to digest.

Our claim that it is a "Food for Brain and Nerve Centres" is based upon the fact that certain parts of Wheat and Barley (which we use) contain Nature's brain and nerve-building ingredients, viz.: Phosphate of Potash, and the way we prepare the food makes it easy to digest and assimilate.

Dr. Geo. W. Carey in his book on "The Biochemical System of Medicine" says:

"When the medical profession fully understands the nature and range of the phosphate of potassium, insane asylums will no longer be needed."

"The gray matter of the brain is controlled entirely by the inorganic cell-salt, potassium phosphate."

"This salt unites with albumen, and by the addition of oxygen creates nerve-fluid, or the gray matter of the brain."

"Of course, there is a trace of other salts and other organic matter in nerve-fluid, but potassium phosphate is the chief factor, and has the power within itself to attract, by its own law of affinity, all things needed to manufacture the elixir of life. Therefore, when nervous symptoms arise, due to the fact that the nerve-fluid has been exhausted from any cause, the phosphate of potassium is the only true remedy, because nothing else can possibly supply the deficiency."

"The ills arising from too rapidly consuming the gray matter of the brain cannot be overestimated."

"Phosphate of Potash, is to my mind, the most wonderful curative agent ever discovered by man, and the blessings it has already conferred on the race are many. But what shall the harvest be when physicians everywhere fully understand the part this wonderful salt plays in the processes of life? It will do as much as can be done through physiology to make a heaven on earth."

"Let the overworked business man take it and go home good-tempered. Let the weary wife, nerves unstrung from attending to sick children or entertaining company, take it and note how quickly the equilibrium will be restored and calm and reason assert her throne. No 'proving' are required here. We find this potassium salt largely predominates in nerve-fluid, and that a deficiency produces well-defined symptoms. The beginning and end of the matter is to supply the lacking principle, and in molecular form, exactly as nature furnishes it in vegetables, fruits and grain. To supply deficiencies—this is the only law of cure."

Please observe that Phosphate of Potash is not properly of the drug-shop variety but is best prepared by "Old Mother Nature" and stored in the grains ready for use by mankind. Those who have been helped to better health by the use of Grape-Nuts are legion.

"There's a Reason."

BRAIN POWER

Increased by Proper Feeding.

A lady writer who not only has done good literary work, but reared a family, found in Grape-Nuts the ideal food for brain work and to develop healthy children. She writes:

"I am an enthusiastic proclaimer of Grape-Nuts as a regular diet. I formerly had no appetite in the morning and for 8 years while nursing my four children, had insufficient nourishment for them."

"Unable to eat breakfast I felt faint later, and would go to the pantry and eat cold chops, sausage, cookies, doughnuts or anything I happened to find. Being a writer, at times my head felt heavy and my brain asleep."

"When I read of Grape-Nuts I began eating it every morning, also gave it to the children, including my 10 months old baby, who soon grew as fat as a little pig, good natured and contented."

"I wrote evenings and feeling the need of sustained brain power, began eating a small saucer of Grape-Nuts with milk, instead of my usual indigestible hot pudding, pie, or cake for dessert at night."

"I grew plump, nerves strong, and when I wrote my brain was active and clear; indeed, the dull head pain never returned."

POSTUM CEREAL CO., Ltd.  
Battle Creek, Mich.

FARMING IN THE SOUTH

A GOOD SHED FOR THE COW.

How One May Be Constructed Cheaply and Easily For Protecting Cows.

The open shed for dairy cows will come into more general use, especially in the mild climate of the south. It affords protection from rain and winds and at the same time gives all the fresh air that there is to be had. By making the shed floor of clay pounded in firmly, the manure can be saved in good condition; and if one desires to go to the expense of making a cement floor the manure can be saved without fear of any of the liquid part leaching away. A good supply of bedding will return its cost by saving the manure and by itself being turned into fertilizer.

The part of the shed that is to hold the hay or other roughage is in the middle of the shed. This arrangement permits the storing of the feed beside the racks in which it will be fed. If a silo should be used, it can be located so as to make the distribution of the silage an easy matter. A small room for milking in can be built off near one end of the shed. This room need be only large enough to hold twice as many cows as there are milkers. The cows, particularly the heavy milkers, may not eat all the grain ration while they are being milked; and the extra stall room will make it possible for them to eat during two milking periods. The herd will soon learn to come to the passage that lets them into the milking room. They are let out by another door than the one they entered at, into a division that keeps them from the cows not milked.

The manure will be kept tramped so solid that it will not deteriorate quickly, and can be hauled to the fields as it may be convenient. In building, care should be taken to make it easy to load the manure and to unload the roughage that is stored in the center of the shed. Racks for feeding this roughage should be right against the storage part, so the roughage can be thrown into the racks with one easy handling.

The shed can be entirely open; or, better still, it can have the sides built up solid with lumber, provision being made to have windows all along under the eaves. The windows can swing up under the roof to be out of the way and where they are not likely to be broken. This will give all the fresh air needed and will also keep the bad winds from striking the cows with full force.

If it is intended to keep the windows closed a good part of the time, it will be well to stretch cloth on frames to fit in where the ordinary window might go. All the cloth should be on one side of the shed, the side from which cold winds are the least likely to come. This arrangement reduces drafts.

The roof need not be steeper than necessary for making the roof carry off water well. If some of the composition roofing is used, the roof can be almost flat. It will carry off water just as well when nearly flat, and the composition does not run down a comparatively flat roof when it softens in warm weather.

Provision should be made to make the shelter airy and breeze-swept in the warmer part of the year. It will keep the cows comfortable, and enable their owners to get a larger part of their manure to haul out where he most desires it. Considering the cheapness of such a shed and its many virtues, a dairyman will find it satisfactory to a high degree. It will be found useful for other breeds of stock, also, with slight modification to suit special needs. Any farmer should be able to build it without the aid of skilled labor, and make it that much cheaper.

The question will naturally arise as to how much shed room each cow should have. Some will favor only forty square feet, while others will advocate something near four times as many; but from eighty to one hundred square feet per cow will give good results for the amount invested. That is a space from about nine feet square to ten feet square per cow, the storage room for the roughage being provided in addition.

Those truck farmers who suffered so much this year from the ravages of cut-worms should not forget that turning the worms up with the plow this winter will dispose of most of them. The oftener plowing is done during the cold season the fewer will be the cut-worms that live through the winter to destroy the young cabbage or other tender plants in the spring. If the worms are not killed before planting time, the truck growers and the home gardeners will have to foot the bills a little later on.

Get the garden drained well before spring work begins. There is no way that so much labor can be saved in all future years of gardening. Good drainage will make earlier spring crops, later fall crops, better crops in both wet and dry weather, and make the land easier to work.

A breeder who sells choice breeding stock must ask a price to correspond. He can no more afford to sell breeders for little more than food prices than could a man with a \$150 mule afford to sell it for \$50.

ON FARM MANAGEMENT.

How Good Fences Help to Make a Good Farm.

Show us a farm without fences, and we will show you a farm that is not being allowed to do its best. Good farming can not be done without fences. The kind of farm management that keeps the soil in good condition or that puts it in good condition when it has been put out of condition requires fences to hold stock.

Stock raising on the farm without fences is not to be thought of. The matter is brought up at this time because for a while labor can be spared now from other farm work for fence building. Those who have been going on year after year with poor fences, or none, as is seen so often in a large part of the south, will exclaim that it would break them up to inclose their land in good fences and to use cross fences in a way that will be suggested; but the reply is that good fencing is a good investment, and that the fencing can be done gradually, a little at a time.

Those who have aimed to have good pastures, really good ones, have not fared more than once that, because the sod becomes too dense for producing good pasturage or because weeds crowd out the grasses, breaking up the sod has frequently improved it. Every farmer of any experience in the matter also knows that sod land will raise big crops of corn. The roots of the pasture land has the soil so full of humus that a rank feeder, such as corn is, will make a big crop. By turning under the pasture and growing a cultivated crop, one gets rid of all the weeds. If there are any parasites that would prey on sheep in the pasture the cultivation of the land would kill them. Cultivating land that has been used for pasture will also diminish the number of Texas fever ticks, if it does not kill them out entirely.

Changing land from one plowed crop to another disposes of many plant diseases and insects or worms that would prey on the crop if the same kind of crop were raised from year to year. Supplanting one crop with another also help the soil, since various crops feed at different depths in the soil and may use the various elements of fertility in different proportions. It will not always be practical to change land from pasture to plowed crops, but where it is practical it is, after a time, gainful. While the pasture plants have been filling the soil with vegetable matter, the stock grazing there have scattered much manure over the ground very evenly; and this manure and the vegetable matter in the soil together supply that humus that will enable the land when used for plowed crops to absorb rain quickly, to retain the water for the crop till droughty periods come, to supply nitrogen for the crop, and to convert other plant food that is in the soil into forms that the crop can use. Without fences, a piece of land can not be used for these different purposes with any great degree of success.

If land is to be used for nothing but pasture, better results will be got if the pasture is not all in one field. There will be times when sick and wet stock should be separated, or when young and old stock should be separated, or when sheep with lambs should be kept separated from the hogs. It is also true that more stock can be carried on forty acres of pasture if the pasture is fenced into at least two fields. The pasture will yield more food if it has a little rest occasionally. When the pasture plants are nipped quite close to the ground, the pasture will suffer, because the sun will beat right down on to the very crown of the plants and bake the soil around the roots till the grass will have a hard time to grow. Too much tramping over the land injures the roots of the grass. But if the stock is kept off a part of the pasture for a short time the pasturage will shoot up with surprising rapidity.

Bee Culture and Horticulture.

Bee culture and horticulture are closely allied and should be more often combined than they are. Some claim that the bees injure fruit, but a careful examination of the mouth of the bee shows that this is a mistake. The jaws of a bee work sideways and have no teeth in them, consequently it is impossible for them to eat solid fruit. Experiments have been made by putting sound fruit where bees could have free access to it and after several days it was found uninjured. Bees like fruit and will quickly attack any that is damaged so they can get at it, but such fruit is useless, anyhow, and it is a good thing the bees will make some use of it.—Southern Fruit Grower.

Do not neglect to plow the garden several times this winter to kill undesirable worms that may be in the soil and to make the plant food more available for the next crop.

If you have started out with one pure breed, stick to it. Do not be led off by a foolish desire to cross it with some other breed or to introduce scrub blood into the flock. If a change is to be made, get better blood of the same breed as the one now on hand.

Have you bought good birds and neglected them, and then said: "Fancy birds are good for nothing but to sell." If we do not remember that the feed and the care are as important as the breeding, the results we get will remind us of it very forcibly.

STILL HAD USE FOR BOOTS.

Kafir's Newly-Acquired Treasure Put to Queer Use.

An army officer in charge of a native district in South Africa presented to the kafir boy who acted as his particular servant a pair of strong, heavily nailed army boots.

The boy was delighted with the gift, and at once sat down and put the boots on. They were the very first pair he had ever had in his life, and for several days afterward he strutted proudly about the camp with them.

But at the end of the week he appeared as usual with bare feet and the boots tied round his neck.

"Hello!" said his master. "Why don't you wear your boots? Are they so small for you?"

"Oh, no, sah," replied the kafir, "they plenty big. Berry nice boots, sah, but no good for walking or running. Make um fellah too much slow, sah. Keep boots now for wear in bed."—London Answers.

When He Skipped.

Suddenly the lone woman awoke, and pressing a button flooded the apartment with light. In the full glare stood a burglar.

"I don't wish to alarm you," she said to him, "but in just a minute the hour of midnight will strike."

He did not seem impressed.

"Are you aware," she continued, "that the coming of the hour will usher in the new year?"

Still he stood mute.

"And that it will be leap year at that?" she added.

Then it was that he fled into the darkness.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss.  
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the CITY OF TOLEDO, COUNTY and State of OHIO, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY,  
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1908.  
A. W. GLEASON,  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for particulars free.  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

IN BUG HOLLOW.



Dr. Moth—What's the matter?  
Artie Ant—I think I must have eaten too many marshmallows over at the swamp party.

The First Advertiser.

The author looked up from the first chapter of his mammoth history of advertising.

"I wonder," he murmured, "who could have been the first manufacturer to advertise? It is an item that would fit in well here."

"There is no extant data on the subject," said the farmer, "but I have every reason to believe that the hen is the person you are looking for."

That's All.

Edward Payson Weston, the veteran walker, talked regretfully in Chicago about walking's decay. "Pedestrianism," he said, "has died out shockingly. A little boy said to me the other day: 'What is a pedestrian?' I answered truly enough: 'Oh, he's just one of those fellows who kick up a row when an automobile runs them down.'"

"It Knocks the Itch"

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

Treadmill Still in Use.

The barbarous custom of using convicts in treadmills is still practiced in some English prisons, declares Popular Mechanics, and an interesting picture shows the convicts at this trying task. The speed is about 30 steps a minute, and if a man misses a step a cross-bar strikes the calves of his legs.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson* in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

The Ruling Passion.

The young man asked the banker for his fair and only child; The banker nodded gravely, And then he grimly smiled. Amazed, the young man heard him Reply in business phrase: "I'll have to file your notice—Come back in sixty days."

On Diminutives.

The Sphinx was asking a riddle. "Why does a man in love always want to call a 200-pound maiden his 'little girl'?" With one accord they gave it up.

To Break in New Shoes

Always shake in Allen's Foot-Ease a powder. It cures sweating, aching, swollen feet, growing nails and bunions. At all Drug-gists 25c. refuse substitutes. Sample mailed FREE. Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Of course there is nothing new under the sun, but almost any druggist can give you something just as good.

HELPFUL ADVICE



You won't tell your family doctor the whole story about your private illness—you are too modest. You need not be afraid to tell Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., the things you could not explain to the doctor. Your letter will be held in the strictest confidence. From her vast correspondence with sick women during the past thirty years she may have gained the very knowledge that will help your case. Such letters as the following, from grateful women, establishing beyond a doubt the power of

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

to conquer all female diseases.

Mrs. Norman R. Barndt, of Allentown, Pa., writes:

"Ever since I was sixteen years of age I had suffered from an organic derangement and female weakness; in consequence I had dreadful headaches and was extremely nervous. My physician said I must go through an operation to get well. A friend told me about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I took it and wrote you for advice, following your directions carefully, and thanks to you I am today a well woman, and I am telling all my friends of my experience."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, nervous prostration.

The Prevailing Excuse.

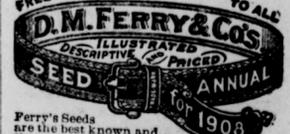
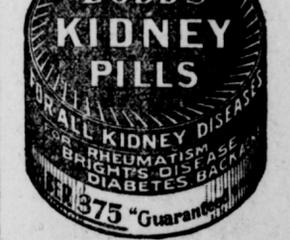
"Jedge," said the prisoner, who had been caught with a chicken in a sack, "you oughter go easy with me."

"Why? You stole the hen?"  
"I admits it, jedge; I admits it," responded the prisoner. "But it's my solemn truf dat hen jest seemed to be my affinity; yes, sah!"

FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.

PAZE OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

The boy may lose his hair, but not his cunning.—Dutch.



Ferry's Seeds are the best known and the most reliable seeds grown. Every package has behind it the reputation of a house whose business standards are the highest in the trade.

TO YIELD 8%

The 5 year, 6 per cent. convertible gold coupon notes of the El Paso Electric Company.

These notes may be had in \$100, \$500, \$1,000 pieces. Price 92 and interest.

Ask for circular 205.

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**THE STERLING CITY NEWS-RECORD.**  
 Published at Sterling City, every Friday.  
 \$1.25 per year.

**Sells & Henderson editors & proprietors**  
 Advertising rates:—  
 Locals, 6c per line for first issue and  
 per line for each subsequent issue.  
 Single column, 50c per inch per month.  
 Double column, \$1. per inch per month.  
 Special rates to those wishing large  
 space.  
 Fine job printing a specialty.

**General Directory.**

**Distalot Officers.**  
 Judge—J. W. Timmins.  
 Attorney—L. H. Brightman  
 Clerk—J. S. Cole,  
 Court meets 4th Monday after first  
 Monday in February and September.

**County Officers.**  
 Judge—A. V. Patterson.  
 Attorney—Pat Kellis.  
 Clerk—J. S. Cole  
 Sheriff—H. T. Wood.  
 Treasurer—D. C. Durham  
 Assessor—W. F. Brown.  
 Inspector—W. T. Conger,  
 Mayor—W. F. Kellis  
 Court meets first Monday in Febru-  
 ry, May, August and November.

**CHURCHES.**

M. E. Church—Preaching every second  
 and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and  
 7 30 p. m., and fourth Sunday at 7:30 p.  
 Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. every  
 Sunday.  
 Rev. S. J. Franks Pastor.  
 S. W. Foster, S. S. Supt.

Baptist—Preaching every 1st 3rd, 4th  
 Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m.  
 and 7 p. m. Conference Saturday night  
 before the 4th Sunday. Sunday school  
 every Sunday at 9 o'clock p. m.  
 Rev. L. C. Durham, Past.

Presby. teran—Preaching every 3rd  
 Sunday on each month at 11 o'clock a. m.  
 Rev. Black, Pastor.

**STERLING CORNET BAND**—W. C. Fisher  
 Director.

**SOCIETIES.**

Masonic—Sterling lodge No. 728, A  
 F & A. M., meets Saturday nights on or  
 before the full moon in each month.  
 J. Curran W. M.  
 B. F. Brown Secretary.

Eastern Star—Meets Saturday P. M.  
 8 o'clock on or before the full moon  
 in each month.  
 Mrs. W. L. Oster, W. M.  
 B. F. Brown Secretary.

**County Commissioners.**  
 Com'r. Pre. No. 1—N. Black.  
 " " " 2—A. H. Allard  
 " " " 3—D. D. Davis  
 " " " 4—J. L. Glass

**Justice Court.**  
 Court, Precinct No. 1, meets 3rd Sat-  
 urday in each month. Malcom Black J. P

**LOCAL.**

Fresh line of candies, pecans  
 and goobers now at the restaur-  
 ant.  
 Baker's bread, pies and cakes  
 at the restaurant.  
 Hunters:—All persons are  
 forbidden to hunt on any lands  
 owned or controlled by me.—  
 W. L. Foster.  
 Want to trade your home for  
 one in east or north Texas? We  
 have all kinds of trade propo-  
 sitions. See us. Rasbury & Eppes  
 I have full and complete maps  
 and field notes made by the state  
 surveyor and approved by the  
 land office now on file. Those  
 wishing information concerning  
 these surveys or a survey  
 made of the same, can have  
 it done by calling on.  
 W. F. Keilis.  
 If its a well you want drilled.  
 You can make a trade with  
 Ned Eppes.  
 Say! how about that fire insur-  
 ance on your home? See us now.  
 Rasbury & Eppes.  
 For Rubber Shoes, Wool Blan-  
 kets, and Underwear, See Mabry

R. C. Sanderson passed through  
 here yesterday en route from San  
 Angelo to Big Springs.

Commissioners Court is in ses-  
 sion this week.

W. L. Foster was in San An-  
 gelo this week on business.

Z. L. Potts rode the auto to  
 San Angelo last Sunday. Zack  
 says them things go some.

The editor is on the grip list  
 this week.

Where should you buy your dry-  
 goods? At Mabry's.

George J. Simmons, of Big  
 Springs, was shaking hands with  
 old friends here Tuesday.

Judge Woldert, candidate for  
 District Attorney, of San Angelo,  
 is hero in the interest of his  
 candidacy.

L. F. Clifton was a pleasant  
 caller at this office yesterday.  
 Mr Clifton has purchased prop-  
 erty in our town and expects to  
 become a citizen of our town.

Mr and Mrs. W. H. Sparkman  
 moved to town this week.

Prof. McMillan returned Tues-  
 day from Stanton.

A. H. Manning and J. W.  
 Wood are putting in a telephone  
 line to town.

Want a nice suit of clothes, go  
 to Mabry's.

John Williams was down from  
 Konoassett today and reported  
 that city thriving.

N. B. Fisk, of Brownwood was  
 here this week looking after his  
 ranch interests.

Ned A. Eppes returned last  
 Saturday from the Colorado  
 country, where he has been on  
 business.

W. P. Walling and family, of  
 Robert Lee, attended the fune-  
 ral of M. F. Sullivan here yester-  
 day.

Hamilton Brown shoes are the  
 best. at Mabry's.

Frank Ramsey, of Lamesa, was  
 here yesterday.

Bert Wier passed through here  
 Monday enroute to his home  
 at Monument.

J. T. Davis returned Tuesday  
 from a visit to relatives at Waco

Editor D. M. West and A. H.  
 Wilson, of the San Angelo Press  
 News, are here in the interest of  
 the Concho-Colorado special  
 edition of the Press-News.

Best thread now 5 cts. at  
 Mabry's.

Commissioners Court will meet  
 Saturday Feb. 22 to go over the  
 Colorado road and let contract  
 for grading of the same. All par-  
 ties who wish to bid on any of  
 this work are requested to be  
 present and go over it with them

Calicoes at 6 1-2 cts per yard  
 at Mabry's.

**FOR SALE.**

The repairing and manufactur-  
 ing department of my saddle es-  
 tablishment. Will sell for cash  
 or secured note, or will take cat-  
 tle or good horse trade. Regu-  
 lar stock on hand need not go  
 unless desired. This is a good  
 lay for some body.  
 K. B. Cummins.

**GENEROSITY.**  
  
 His Sister (generously) — You  
 needn't have given me the biggest  
 half, Willie.  
 Willie—Doesn't matter; you've got  
 a worm in it.

**RASBURY & EPPES**  
**REAL ESTATE.**  
 WE CAN SELL YOUR LAND, NO MATTER WHERE IT IS  
 FIRE, LIGHTNING, WIND AND OLD  
 LINE LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE  
 Office on North Side Sterling City, Texas

**DORAN HOTEL**  
**Z. L. POTTS, Proprietor**  
**Best Hotel in Sterling**  
 Clean beds Good meals

**CLAUD HALE,**  
**BLACKSMITHING, WOOD WORK AND**  
**HORSE SHOEING.**  
**ALL WORK GUARANTEED.**

**Martin**  
 The Martin Model 72, 32 caliber, uses .32 short and long  
 loading, also .22 short and long center-fire cartridges all in one clip.  
 These cartridges are satisfactory in every way but much lower  
 in price than other .32's.  
 This Martin is the only revolver made for these sizes. It is  
 much more effective than a .22 caliber on such game as hawks, owls,  
 doves, woodchucks, squirrels, mice, etc.  
 Described in detail in our complete 136-page catalogue, mailed  
 free for six cents postage.  
 The Martin Firearms Co.,  
 42 Willow Street, New Haven, Conn.

**SADDLES! SADDLES!! SADDLES!!!**

That skilled raised stamp sad-  
 dle I've been selling for \$62.50  
 now \$55.00. My standard stock  
 saddle always \$55.00 now \$50.00.  
 A good line of mens and boys as  
 well as side saddles, all of which  
 I will cut in proportion, for the  
 dough.  
 R. B. Cummins.

Wanted:—to take in a bunch of  
 stock to pasture.  
 S. M. King.

We can give you the News-  
 Record and St. Louis Semi-Week-  
 ly Republic for \$1.50 cash.

**NOTICE**

Any person hauling wood, fish-  
 ing, hunting, or in any way tres-  
 passing on any lands owned or  
 controlled by me, will be prose-  
 cuted.  
 W. L. Foster.

We are late again this week on  
 account of the poor service of the  
 back line in not delivering our  
 material on time. However, we  
 have made arrangements to dis-  
 pense with their services, and  
 have entrusted our business to  
 the reliable hackmen of the Colo-  
 rado line, who are not so crowded  
 with so much business as to make  
 us late each week.

**Not Her Staffs.**

It is characteristic of the perva-  
 sity of human intelligence to find  
 the most amusing things in the  
 midst of the most serious circum-  
 stances—such as railway accidents,  
 for instance.

It is related that a solemn faced  
 woman was once riding on the train  
 from Brookfield to Stamford. Some-  
 where between the two stations an  
 accident occurred, and the train  
 rolled down an embankment.

The solemn-faced lady crawled  
 from beneath the wreckage, and  
 asked of a brookenlegged man who  
 was near:

"Is this Stamford?"  
 "No, ma'am, the man gasped.  
 "This is a catastrophe!"  
 "Oh, dear!" she answered. "Then  
 I hadn't oughter got off here, had  
 I?"

**The Czar Heard Them.**

Two jolly New York brokers, hav-  
 ing finished their day's work, were  
 discussing the latest news as the  
 rods homeward on the "L." The  
 car, as usual, was packed. One big  
 man in particular made his pres-  
 ence felt, because he occupied not  
 only his own seat, but projected a  
 little over the partition arms de-  
 signed to separate one passage  
 from another. "I see the czar is  
 having a close call," one broker re-  
 marked, reading the dispatches from  
 Livadia. "He won't be missed," re-  
 plied the other. Raising his voice  
 he added: "I don't go much on  
 czars anyway. They are too dicta-  
 torial. We had ample experience of  
 one, and were lucky to retire him to  
 private life. He is a very decent fel-  
 low now." Glancing in the direc-  
 tion of the big man, who was hid-  
 den behind his paper, a reporter  
 detected a broad grin on the moon  
 face of the Hon. Thomas B. Reed  
 former speaker and czar. The brok-  
 er noticed it also, and, with a wink  
 at his companion, arose and left the  
 car.

**SAVING THE INDIAN NAMES.**

It is a good idea, this perpetua-  
 tion of the old Indian place names,  
 which, according to the Indian office  
 of the interior department, is now  
 the fashionable thing for hotels and  
 homes. The prevalence of Indian  
 names in summer resort notices in-  
 dicates that there is a very general  
 appreciation of the euphony of many  
 of these words. The primitive and  
 uncontaminated American Indian  
 did not possess a large vocabulary,  
 and even of this a part has been lost.  
 In old Indian deeds we find words  
 in the Massachusetts language which  
 no one is able to translate. In pre-  
 serving those names which remain  
 we are keeping perpetual about all  
 that is left of our primitive Indians,  
 and it is well worth while.

**VERY OLD TREE.**

In the island of Cos, in the Aege-  
 an sea, still totters a venerable plane  
 tree, nearly 18 yards round and es-  
 timated to be over 2,000 years old.  
 Close is a marble seat, from which  
 Hippocrates is believed to have lec-  
 tured on the healing art. The tree  
 has spread its shade, according to  
 Dean Farrar, over St. Luke and St.  
 Paul. The arboreal relic is guarded  
 day and night by the sultan's orders.

W. H. Eddleman, Pres., A. V. Patterson, Vice Pres., Emmet Westbrook, Cashier  
**FIRST STATE BANK**  
 OF STERLING CITY, TEXAS.  
 SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENT INSPECTION  
 CAPITAL, \$10,000.  
 We will appreciate your business.  
 Accommodations cheerfully extended.

**FROM THE RESTAURANT ON  
 NEW YEAR**

The finest line of Fruits, Nuts,  
 Bon Bons, and Candies of all  
 kinds. The swellest Choco-  
 lates ever in our town

**WILLIAMS BROS**

**SAN ANGELO & STERLING CITY  
 STAGE LINE.**  
 WILL DAWSON, PROPRIETOR. PHONE 424, SAN ANGELO  
 Leaves San Angelo every day, except Sunday, at 8.00 and ar-  
 rives at Sterling at 4 p. m.  
 Leaves Sterling at 7 a. m. every day, except Sunday, and ar-  
 rives at San Angelo at 4 p. m.  
 Will make the east bound evening train out of San Angelo,  
 for \$1.00 extra of fare. Let us know evening before if you  
 want to take the train.  
 All express left at Doran Hotel

**Dr. C. R. CARVER.**  
 General Practitioner with Surgery  
 and Chronic diseases a specialty.  
 Calls promptly answered day  
 or night. Office first door north of  
 Fisher Bros' Drugstore. Phone 48  
 STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

**Dr. B. B. Beakley**  
 Physician & Surgeon  
 OFFICE AT COULSON & W. ST.  
 BOOK'S DRUG STORE.  
 Sterling City, Texas

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 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 LAWYER AND  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.  
 STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

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 Dealers in  
 Coffins and Caskets  
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 line of Undertaker's Goods.

**The Personal Parlor**  
**H. H. Hooker, Prop.**  
 HAIR CUTTING AND SHAVING  
 IN MOST APPROV. SYL

**TRESPASS NOTICE.**  
 Any person hauling wood, fish-  
 ing, hunting or in any way tres-  
 passing on any lands owned or  
 controlled by me, will be prose-  
 cuted.  
 R. W. Foster

**Cascarets**  
 CANDY CATHARTIC  
 BEST FOR THE BOWELS  
 Genuine stamped C.C.C. Never sold in bulk.  
 Beware of the dealer who tries to sell  
 "something just as good."

**TRESPASS NOTICE**  
 Notice is hereby given that any  
 person who shall hunt, fish, cut  
 or haul wood, or otherwise tres-  
 pass on any of the lands owned  
 or controlled by me will be prose-  
 cuted by the full extent of the  
 law.  
 A. F. JONES

**POSTED.**  
 Our pasture is posted and all  
 persons are hereby put upon  
 legal notice that any one who  
 shall hunt, cut or haul wood or  
 otherwise trespass upon any of  
 the lands owned or controlled  
 by us will be prosecuted to the  
 full extent of the law,  
 10-26-'01 Fisher Bros.

**Notice to Hunters.—Posted.**  
 My pasture is posted accord-  
 ing to the law made and provided  
 in such cases and all persons are  
 hereby warned and forbidden to  
 hunt, fish, or otherwise trespass  
 upon any of the enclosed lands  
 owned or controlled by me, under  
 pain of prosecution to the full  
 extent of the law. J. T. Davis  
 5-6-'02 tf

**NOTICE—KEEP OUT.**  
 Notice is hereby given that any  
 person who shall hunt, fish, cut  
 or haul wood or otherwise tres-  
 passes on any of the lands owned  
 or controlled by me will be prose-  
 cuted by the full extent of the  
 law.  
 G. W. Allard.

**Posted.**  
 I have posted my pasture accord-  
 ing to the laws made and provided  
 in such cases, and all persons are  
 hereby warned and put upon notice  
 that any person who shall hunt,  
 cut and haul wood or otherwise  
 trespass upon any enclosed  
 land owned or controlled by me, will  
 be prosecuted to the full extent of  
 the law  
 J. S. Johnson.

**TRESPASS NOTICE**  
 Any person hauling wood, fish-  
 ing, hunting, or in any way tres-  
 passing on any lands owned or  
 controlled by us, will be prose-  
 cuted.  
 W. R. MCENTIRE & SON

## FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

Tom Smith has taken the contract to rebuild the Texas and Gulf railroad from Waterman to Grigsby.

It is said that seven houses were entered in Dallas Tuesday night by burglars.

The office of the telephone company at Mineral Wells was broken into one night recently and \$15 in currency taken.

Two holdup men marched Henry Crittenden off a business street in Fort Worth to a secluded place and relieved him of \$50.

After telling her husband she would cook no more biscuits, Mrs. Geale Owens, a bride of two months, ended her life at Rockport, Ky.

The Railway Commission has granted further time to the Fort Worth and Denver road in which to build the proposed station at Amarillo.

Candidates in Johnson County, following the lead of those in Hill, have organized to boycott the county papers as a medium of publicity.

Rumors are afloat to the effect that the division headquarters of the International and Great Northern road at Mart are to be removed to Waco at once.

The contract for building the new Episcopal Church at Corsicana was let to local contractors, the consideration being \$14,000. The building will be of brick.

The State Democratic Executive Committee will meet at Fort Worth on February 15. The official call was issued a few days since by Chairman Carden.

The Lufkin Land and Lumber company mill which has been closed down since the beginning of the financial scare, started up last week to run full time and six days in the week.

It is learned that there is a well defined movement looking to the incorporation of Spindle Top, including the towns of Guffey and Gladys, with the idea of forming a corporation.

Williamson county has a permanent Good Roads organization, whose purpose is to take steps to secure to Williamson county roads that will at all times be in good condition for use.

A martyr to duty, Dr. Wm. D. Gross died at his home in Philadelphia from blood poisoning caused by the infection of a cut upon his thumb, received about three weeks ago in performing an operation.

The officers and directors of the San Angelo Business Club have organized for work by selecting Will Cunningham for secretary and establishing an office. An active campaign is promised for a greater San Angelo.

It is reported that in the spring the Gulf Pipe Line Company will begin laying a second line from the Tulsa oil field to Beaumont. The single line is heavily taxed to carry off the oil at present, and new wells are being brought in.

It is stated that Dr. Simmons, owner of the great Simmons Ranch in Atascosa and Live Oak counties, containing 95,000 acres has bought forty miles of steel with which to lay the first section of a railway from San Antonio to and through his lands.

The Corporation Commission of Oklahoma has issued a promised order that passengers shall not be required to surrender their tickets unless they are provided with a seat while traveling on passenger trains.

One of the largest and perhaps the last rice sale of consequence of the present season took place at Haywood last week when the Raywood Rice and Canal company will sell 10,000 sacks of rough rice under the system of competitive bids.

Last year 762 cars of the fine onions were shipped out of Laredo section, and this year there will be 1500 cars. The business is growing wonderfully, and all are giving attention to the raising of onions.

By a method of preservative treatment used for piling in harbors and salt water generally, the forestry service hopes to outwit the marine borers, of which the teredo of the Gulf of Mexico is one of the most troublesome types.

K. K. Leggett, aged eighty-nine years and his wife, aged eighty-four years, were buried at Keller Monday, having died but a few hours apart Saturday. They had been married sixty-five years.

The Sullaway bill calling for an increase in the pension to the widows of Mexican war veterans from \$9 to \$12 per month, has passed the house of representatives. It is estimated that there are 9500 widows of veterans of this war in the United States.

## CARE OF THE KITCHEN.

Clean Walls Are an Essential to Sanitary Cooking.

It is not only important to know how to cook, but it is equally important to know where to cook. Cooking in a dirty kitchen can never produce good food. The idea is simply preposterous, yet kitchen walls are left for months—sometimes for years without cleansing.

In the first place the kitchen wall should have a light tint that the merest fleck of dirt can be seen; that the sheerest cobweb can be brushed away; that the tiniest water bug can be discerned. It is all folly expecting clean food in a kitchen with dirty walls.

Never put a wall coating on a kitchen wall that is mixed with hot water or that has glue in it, or sour milk in it if mixed with cold water. Glue walls made from horses' hoofs colored up with cheap colorings do not indicate good housekeeping. The glue is constantly flaking off, falling into the food and the idea of food flavored with glue made from horses' hoofs is not appetizing.

Kitchen walls to be thoroughly satisfactory should be alabastined the same as every other wall in the house. They should be coated regularly in the spring and fall of each year with a light tint.

The care of the pantry requires constant attention. The walls should be brushed over every year, the dishes removed from the shelves which should be thoroughly wiped with hot water. If there are ant holes or any other insects in the pantries a thick putty of the wall coating can be made and all the ant holes, even small mice holes can be filled with it which will protect the pantry from the incursions of disagreeable insects and mice.

## ANOTHER NARROW-MINDED MAN.



De Quiz—What do you call good winter weather?  
De Whiz—Weather cold enough to make a man's wife think her own fire-side a better place than a matinee.

**SHE COULD NOT WALK**  
For Months—Burning Humor on Ankles—Opiates Alone Brought Sleep—Eczema Yielded to Cuticura.

"I had eczema for over two years. I had two physicians, but they only gave me relief for a short time and I cannot enumerate the ointments and lotions I used to no purpose. My ankles were one mass of sores. The itching and burning were so intense that I could not sleep. I could not walk for nearly four months. One day my husband said I had better try the Cuticura Remedies. After using them three times I had the best night's rest in months unless I took an opiate. I used one set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills, and my ankles healed in a short time. It is now a year since I used Cuticura, and there has been no return of the eczema. Mrs. David Brown, Locke, Ark., May 18 and July 13, 1907."

**Satan Terrified.**  
There is as great genius displayed in advertising as in the higher branches of literature. No problem daunts the modern advertising man. In the window of a little bookstore in Eighth avenue, New York, was recently heaped a great pile of Bibles, marked very low—never before were Bibles offered at such a bargain; and above them all, in big letters, was the inscription: "Satan trembles when he sees Bibles sold as low as these."—Woman's Home Companion.

**Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best**  
One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known.

**Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.**

**Took Two to Beat Her.**  
Timkins—Your wife seems to be quite a fluent talker.  
Simkins—You bet she is. I never knew her to be outtalked but once.  
Timkins—Indeed!  
Simkins—Yes; and then it took two other women to do it.

**OVER NINE MILLION (9,200,000) SOLD THIS YEAR.**  
Sales Lewis' Single Binder cigars for year 1907 more than.....9,200,000  
Sales for 1906.....8,500,000

**Gain .....700,000**  
Quality brings the business.

Making things appear to prove what we want them to prove, is one way; having them prove what they do prove is another way.

The very wisest advice: take Garfield Tea whenever a laxative is indicated! Pleasant to the taste, simple, pure, mild, potent and health-giving. Made of Herbs—not drugs.

The young man who hesitates during leap year is won.

## THE TIME TEST.

That is What Proves True Merit.



Doan's Kidney Pills bring the quickest relief from backache and kidney troubles. Is that relief lasting? Let Mrs. James M. Long, of 113 Augusta St., Staunton, Va., tell you. On January 31st, 1903, Mrs. Long wrote: "Doan's Kidney Pills have cured me" (of pain in the back, urinary troubles, bearing down sensations, etc.) On June 20th, 1907, four and one-half years later, she said: "I haven't had kidney trouble since. I repeat my testimony."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.



**DR. SIMMONS AND THE SOUTHWEST.**

Dr. C. F. Simmons, whose advertisement appears in another column of this paper, has probably helped more people to acquire homes of their own in the most delightful and fertile section of the country, where life is really a pleasure, than any other man now living. Dr. Simmons is a Southerner by birth, a broad-minded, kindly gentleman, who is never happier than when helping others to help themselves. He would not misstate anything for all the wealth of the Rockefeller, and any of our readers interested in land in the sunny Southwest can enter into negotiations with him with the fullest assurance of a square deal at any and all times.

**Women Not in Demand.**  
Mr. Arnold Shanklin, just returned from Panama, says that men who go to Panama seem to think a wife one of the first necessities, but generally they are provided with sweethearts, who either come to them properly chaperoned or they go back to the states for them. The government builds nice six-room houses for the married men, and there is a very pleasant social set being formed. He did not seem to agree with Miss Helen Varick Boswell that old maids or bachelor girls are wanted there, the inference being that the right sort of men are either married or about to be when they go to Panama.

**This Cold World of Business.**  
The messenger boys paused outside the Army building, says the New York Sun. One of them was selecting a cigarette from a box.  
"Gimme one," said the smokeless boy.  
"Now," said the other, "they cost money."  
"I'll owe you a cent," said the first boy. "Come on, I'll pay you after."  
"They cost more than a cent," said the boy with the cigarettes. "Nothin' doin'." Your credit ain't no good." And they parted.

**Don't Delay**  
The season of coughs and colds is not yet past—they will be prevalent for some months to come. Do not neglect or experiment with them. Use the safe and sure remedy—Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals the soreness and stops the cough.

**An Unlucky Answer.**  
Wealthy Aunt—Oh, I know you are all just waiting for my death.  
Niece—Why, aunt, what an idea! It's a matter of perfect indifference to me.—Illustrated Magazine.

**When Your Throat Feels Sore**  
get a 25c box of Brown's Bronchial Troches. They give immediate relief. Contain nothing injurious.

It may be a blessed fortune for Socrates that Xantippe didn't keep a diary to be published 2,000 years after her death.

**Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein** is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

The best swimmer is the first to drown himself.—Italian.

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.** For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

As a man dresses so he is esteemed.—Danish.

## Millions in Oats and Barley.

Nothing will pay you better for 1908 than to sow a plenty of high yielding oats and barley with oats at 40c to 50c a bu. (Salzer's new Emperor William Oats averaged 90 bu. per acre more than any other variety in 1907) would pay immensely while Salzer's Silver King Barley which proved itself the biggest yielder at the Wisconsin Agricultural Station during 1907 if you had planted 50 acres would have given you in 1907 just \$3,500.00 on 50 acres. It is an enormous yielder.

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and we will mail you the only original seed catalog published in America with samples of Emperor William Oats, Silver King Barley, Billion Dollar Grass which produces 12 tons per acre. Sainfoin the dry soil luxuriator, etc., etc., and if you send 14c we add a package of new farm seeds never before seen by you.

**The Bird Told Her.**  
Henry eyed the canary solemnly. Then, threateningly, he pointed his finger and said emphatically:

"Chirpy, I think a heap of you, but some things uv just got to stop or—well, it won't be good for you. There's not a single thing I've done lately but what ma's found out. And it's always the same—she says a little bird told her when I want know how she's heard about it."

"Now, Chirpy, you're the only little bird around here now. I'm just goin' to go straight through the pantry from top to bottom, and if ma hears about this from any little bird, Chirpy—why you're goin' to dekerate the inside of the cat, that's all."

**Makes Pain Go Away.**  
Are you one of the ones who pay in toll For your right of way through this life?

If so you will find Hunt's Lightning Oil A friend which will aid in the strife.

To those who earn their own way by their own labor, accidents occur with painful frequency. Burns, bruises, cuts and sprains are not strangers to the man who wears corns on his hands. A better remedy for these troubles does not exist than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

True life should be a perpetual climbing upward. We should put our faults under our feet, and make them steps on which to lift ourselves daily a little higher.—J. R. Miller.

**ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE"**  
That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Is it not sheer madness to live poor to die rich?—Juvenal.

## Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna

acts gently yet promptly on the bowels, cleanses the system effectually, assists one in overcoming habitual constipation permanently. To get its beneficial effects buy the genuine.

Manufactured by the **CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.**  
SOLD BY LEADING DRUGGISTS—50¢ BOTTLE.

## SICK HEADACHE

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Bile, Dropsy, Nausea, Dizziness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. **SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.**

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. **REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.**

## Clovis, New Mexico IN THE PUBLIC EYE

The new and fast growing town of Clovis, N. M. Division Point of Four Railroads. Population 1200 in Four Months. \$26.00 in improvements spent in that time. \$1,000.00 more contemplated. Send immediately before prices advance for maps and literature. Lots \$50 and up. **E. J. CARLIN, Agent, El Paso, Texas.**

## GREGORY'S SEEDS

are the kind you can depend on. Catalogue FREE. **J. J. H. GREGORY & Son, MANASSAS, VA.**

## STIFF, YES?

WET AND DAMP CAUSE COLD IN THE JOINTS

# ST. JACOBS OIL

TAKES OUT THE PAIN AT ONCE, REMOVES THE STIFFNESS, PREVENTS ITS RETURN, TOO. FINE FOR BRUISES, SPRAINS AND SORENESS. Price 25c and 50c.

## \$210 Buys a Farm

Dr. Chas. F. Simmons has Cut Up His 95,000 Acre Ranch Just South of San Antonio and Will Sell You a Farm of From 10 Acres to 640 Acres, (Including Two Town Lots) for \$210. Payable \$10 per Month Without Interest.

San Antonio, Texas, April 22, 1907.  
Dr. C. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas:  
Dear Sir—I have just returned from a trip over your Atascosa County property, and to say that I am surprised at what I saw, but fairly express my feelings. I had expected something pretty good, because I have considerable faith in your agents, whom I happen to know; but what I saw is far beyond my expectation.

I drove hurriedly over probably twenty-five miles of ground, passing several of your flowing wells and tanks, and I don't believe that there is an acre of ground that is not fit for first-class cultivation.

Upon my return to Little Rock I shall take out several more shares before they are gone, and will advise my friends all to take as many as they can afford.

I have just written to my brother in Indiana, advising him to do this on my judgment. I certainly think your proposition is one of the most liberal propositions I have ever seen offered, and I certainly think that the people of South Texas will owe to you an everlasting debt of gratitude for the method you are using to settle this veritable garden of Eden with new people.

I thank you for the courtesies extended me on my recent visit, and I trust the time will not be long when the division will occur, and I certainly shall return to Little Rock figuring on eventually coming back to Atascosa County. Yours very truly,  
**E. A. KINGSLEY,**  
City Engineer, Little Rock, Ark.

Write today for full particulars and photographs showing views on the ranch.  
**DR. CHAS. F. SIMMONS,**  
215 Alamo Plaza, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

## W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES

\$3.00 SHOES AT ALL PRICES, FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY. MEN, BOYS, WOMEN, MISSES AND CHILDREN.

W. L. Douglas makes and sells more men's \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world, because they hold their shape in better wear longer, and are of greater value than any other shoes in the world to-day.

W. L. Douglas \$4 and \$5 Gilt Edge Shoes Cannot Be Equalled At Any Price.

See CUT IN. W. L. Douglas name and price is stamped on bottom. Take No Substitutes. Sold by the best shoe dealers everywhere. Shoes mailed from factory to any part of the world. Illustrated Catalog free to any address. **W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.**

## RED CROSS FEVER & HEADACHE POWDERS

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