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## GRAVE CRISIS ARISES IN MEXICAN PROBLEM

### HUERTA'S ORDER FOR BLOCKADE OF TAMPIOCO CAUSE OF NEW SITUATION.

## S. WANTS THE PORT OPEN

### When Vessels of Mexican Federalists Passed Vera Cruz They Were Followed by American Ships.

Washington.—Another crisis in the Mexican difficulty faced the Washington government Sunday night, a situation fraught with perils for mediation and with possibilities that might precipitate actual warfare between the United States and Mexico.

Gen. Huerta has brought about the new crisis by ordering his gunboats to blockade the port of Tampico and seize a cargo of ammunition on the steamer Antilla from New York.

The purpose of the United States to prevent the attempt to blockade and prevent interference with the Antilla was indicated when Secretary Daniels issued an official statement announcing that, while no new orders had been given Rear Admiral Badger, there had been no change in the policy of the government in reference to its desire that the port of Tampico shall be open to all commerce.

As to whether "all commerce" in this instance includes contraband of war or official of the government will be decided.

So far as known the only orders relating to Tampico that have been issued went to Admiral Badger on May 18 in a message informing him that, while it was not believed the Huerta gunboats would return to Tampico, it was deemed advisable that the commanders of American naval vessels understand that the government desired that there be no interference with commerce at that port.

That the blockade deepened was carried out as verified by Admiral Badger in a report to the navy department from Vera Cruz, announcing that the Mexican gunboats Zaragoza and Bravo, which left Puerto Mexico Saturday night, had passed Vera Cruz and were steaming toward Tampico.

The American cruiser Tacoma and the gunboat Sacramento are following the Huerta ships. What the American warships will do when the commanders of Huerta's ships attempt to seize the Antilla when she arrives at Tampico Wednesday no official in Washington would say.

## SUFFRAGETS INVADE CHURCHES

### Services Are Interrupted and Women Ejected by Congregations.

London.—Suffragettes for the first time Sunday invaded Catholic churches and attempted to harangue congregations. Worship was disturbed in both Westminster cathedral and the Church of the Oratory, Brompton.

Father Bernard Vaughan had just taken his place in the pulpit in Westminster cathedral at the evening service when a woman rushed up the steps into another pulpit and waving her arms toward the altar, shrieked: "In the presence of the Blessed Sacrament I protest against the farcible feeding of the women."

The congregation rose from their seats and murmurs of protest ran through the edifice. One woman worshiper tried to persuade the suffragette to descend from the pulpit, but she remained there waving her arms and yelling incoherently until the vergers forcibly pulled her down the steps and turned her over to the police. The woman declined to give her name.

## Balloon Bursts, Hurting Sixty.

Seraigne, France.—Sixty persons were injured, several probably fatally, by the bursting of a balloon at a fair here Sunday. A gust of wind blew the balloon against a tree, tearing the envelope. The escaping gas exploded, injuring bystanders and wrecking fair booths.

## Harbor at Tampico Being Fortified.

Tampico.—Fearing an attack on this city by the federal gunboats Zaragoza and Bravo, constitutionalists Sunday were rushing the work of fortifying the mouth of the river. Five heavy guns already have been placed. The river channel will be blocked if considered necessary.

## Three Men Drown in Lake Wichita.

Wichita Falls, Texas.—Three men were drowned in Lake Wichita near here within 24 hours. About midnight Saturday night Junius Proffman was drowned. Frederick Scott and D. J. Minnick lost their lives Sunday when they attempted to swim to shore from their boat. Proffman was one of a swimming party. The men who were drowned Sunday had paddled out several hundred yards from the shore in a small boat and attempted to swim back.

## TEXAS BREVITIES

Fairfield has recently voted \$15,000 in bonds for a new school building.

Scurry county has recently sold \$50,000 in bonds for road improvements.

The work of irrigating 20,000 acres of farm land near Wharton will start immediately.

Ohio miners and operators have abandoned all efforts to agree upon a wage scale and adjourned the joint conference at Columbus sine die.

The sixty-ninth semi-annual convention of the North Texas medical association met in Greenville last week. They meet again in Dallas during December. About 200 physicians attended.

The contract for constructing 30 miles of gravelled roads in the Holland district of Bell county, was let last week to a Temple firm. Bonds in the amount of \$150,000 was voted for this purpose recently.

The previous statement that a \$1,000,000 trust company is to be established in Dallas has been confirmed. The details of the new trust company have not yet been worked out.

The condition of cotton on an average date of May 23 was 78.2 per cent, compared with 80.5 per cent a year ago, 76.9 per cent in 1912 and 83.8 per cent in 1911.

Announcement is made that the Fort Worth Southern Traction company had obtained permission to change its name to the Tarrant county traction company and had increased its capital stock from \$1,500,000 to \$2,500,000. The company will build and operate the company between Fort Worth and Denton.

Transport Hancock left Galveston last week on a recent trip to Vera Cruz, carrying 273 passengers, the majority of whom were American citizens, who had been brought out of that port during the troubles after the landing of marines at Vera Cruz.

As a memorial to his father, August A. Busch has purchased one-half block of ground in St. Louis on which he plans to erect a 16-story hotel, to be known as the Adolphus, according to a report. The cost of the hotel has been estimated at \$2,500,000 and probably will be constructed on the plans of the new Adolphus hotel recently erected in Dallas by the Busches.

Application for a reduction in the insurance key rate of the city of Dallas and also in that of Oak Cliff, which would give the lowest rate of any municipality in Texas, has been forwarded to the state fire rating board at Austin by Mayor Holland and the city commissioners. The present key rate of Dallas is 22c and a reduction to 13c is asked. The Oak Cliff rate is 38c and this board is asked to cut to 16c.

Vincenzo Perugino, who stole the famous painting "Mona Lisa" from the Louvre in Paris was sentenced by the judge before whom he was tried in Florence, Italy, to serve one year and 15 days in prison. As Perugino had been in prison awaiting trial since December he will serve only about six months.

Early Saturday morning the levee along the bank of the Rio Grande river broke in the vicinity of the San Benito pumping station and flooded a considerable area in that section.

Grasshoppers are reported to be very active and numerous in several places in Oklahoma. The board of agriculture has complaints from Lincoln county in the vicinity of Wellston, and from Lindsey. The grasshoppers are reported to be destroying growing crops in these communities.

The tax collector of Dallas county has turned over to the state treasurer the sum of \$93,000 as the 1913 taxes collected. It is claimed this amount breaks all records for the state.

A total of 72,321,650 pounds of ordinary round cotton, valued at \$9,214,771, was exported through the port of Galveston during the month of May, according to the report of the collector of customs. Of the total of 72,321,650 pounds a total of 2,003,785 pounds left the docks at Texas City.

Plans are being perfected at San Saba for irrigating 220 acres of land in that county. Mrs. Fannie McKenney of that place is also preparing to work under irrigation about 60 acres. Work will start immediately.

A resolution calling upon the attorney general to inform the senate if the combination of railroad lines composing the New York Central system is in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law has been introduced by Senator Norris, Republican, of Nebraska.

## GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

### ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH PASSING NOTICE.

## WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

### Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space.

Drilling started on first well to irrigate 9,000 acre tract near Slaton.

George H. Hermann, a pioneer resident of Houston and famous locally as a philanthropist, presented to the city a 285-acre tract of land, located near the Rice institute, for a municipal park. The value of the gift is estimated to be \$427,500, or \$1,500 an acre. The park will be the largest in the city of Houston and probably the largest in the state.

Indictments were returned against 36 officials and members of the National association of master plumbers and officials of state organizations in Illinois Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa by the federal grand jury at Des Moines, Iowa, last week. The indictments charge conspiracy in restraint of trade in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Assistant Labor Commissioner Ashton succeeded in inducing refractory laborers to leave Evid, Okla., for the harvest fields without being guaranteed wages. Over 200 men accepted employment and left for Nash and other points northwest. The authorities supported Ashton in insisting that the idle either accept work or leave the city. The farmers generally have agreed to board harvesters until harvest in return for routine work.

Ten thousand workmen employed by the Westinghouse interests in the plants of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company, the Westinghouse Machine company and the Pittsburg Motor company at East Pittsburg went on strike Friday. Not a wheel in the vast intricate works moved during the afternoon. Delegates from each of the 60 departments held a meeting to consider extending the strike to other industries. The men are demanding recognition of the union, better working conditions and the elimination of the bonus, premium and piece systems.

Cherokee Indians in the Spavinaw hills, east of the Grand river, near Muskogee, Okla., rounded up 2,000 head of cattle that had been brought in by cattlemen from the west side of the river and drove them from the range, with a warning to the owners not to bring them back. The Indians have used the free range of the hills for their own cattle for half a century and they resent the intrusion of outside cattlemen. It is said the Indians are patrolling the east side of the river and that trouble will follow if the cattlemen endeavor to run their cattle back across the river to the hill range.

Rene Thomas, driving a French car, won the fourth annual 500-mile race on the Indianapolis motor speedway Saturday. All speedway records from five to 500 miles were broken. The first American to finish was Barney Oldfield, in fifth place. Thomas' time was 6:03:45.99. The winner maintained an average speed of 82.47 miles an hour. The former record of 3:21:0.03 was established by Job Dawson in 1912. Six men were injured, none seriously.

One woman was killed and three persons were injured, one of them seriously, when a passenger train struck an auto at the Lovett boulevard crossing of the Southern Pacific railroad near Houston Friday. The machine was demolished and strewn along the right of way a distance of a block. The dead: Mrs. Frank C. Bering, broken rib and scalp wound; Mrs. Charles Landrum, Charlottesville, Va., slightly bruised; Florence Bering, 5 years old, bruised and cut.

The cruiser Brooklyn, which has been stationed at the Philadelphia naval yard, nearly ten years, and which at the time was ordered to the scrap heap, will sail for China to take her place as flagship for the Asiatic squadron. The Brooklyn was Admiral Schley's flagship during the Spanish-American war and led the fighting when the Spanish fleet was destroyed at Santiago. About a year ago work was begun overhauling her. Today she is one of the best and fastest cruisers in the navy.

The senate amended the naval appropriation bill so as to authorize the sale of the battleships Idaho and Mississippi and the construction of a modern dreadnought with the money. Greece is understood to be the prospective purchaser. Explaining the plan of the government, Senator Lodge informed the senate that if the authorization were made it was expected a European country would offer to buy the two vessels at their cost or more. He added that the vessels were 13,000 tons each, while the latest battleships were of 30,000 tons.

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The landing of munitions for Huerta from the Hamburg-American liners Ypiranga and Bavaria passed into the realm of diplomacy when both ships were granted clearance by the collector of the port, Capt. Hergan O. Stickney, after Karl Heynen, general agent in Mexico of the company, had signed a bond covering the fines assessed against the steamers under the collector's interpretation of the Mexican navigation laws. Captain Stickney holds that diverting to Puerto Mexico the shipments consigned to Vera Cruz was a direct violation of the laws and a fine of 29 pesos on each vessel was assessed against the ships' masters. The total fines amount approximately to \$200,000 in gold.

A total of \$1,478,401 is carried in the sundry civil appropriation bill reported by the house appropriation committee Thursday for Texas projects for the year 1915. Harbor and channel improvements come in for \$1,236,500, being the amounts allowed on estimates for work already authorized. For public buildings and sites Texas gets a total of \$196,501. Oklahoma for all purposes gets a total of \$158,000. The total appropriations allowed reach nearly \$198,000,000, which is nearly \$18,000,000 less than the estimates asked for.

A charter has been secured for a branch sanatorium of the Battle Creek Mich. hospital at Sherman. The cost of the erection of the buildings will be \$75,000.

Jones county voted to continue in the dry column by a vote of more than three to one. Only one box in the county went wet, it being a small one. The large boxes went over whelmingly for prohibition, Anson going four to one. Stamford going over there to one and Hamlin two to one.

The Rightsman and Foster well in the northeast corner of section 5 in the Healdton field, near Ringling Okla., has been shooting oil and gas. A gas stratum that produced about 4,000,000 cubic feet of gas was found at 700 feet, a packer was placed in the well to conserve the gas and the well was deepened to 950 feet, where the oil sand was reached. The owners estimate the production at 1,000 barrels a day. This well is on a location south of the big gasser that had a production of 80,000,000 cubic feet when it was first brought in.

Change the Family Name. Brunwick, N. J.—Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Goose, with six daughters and seven sons, have changed their names to Wilgoose.

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## MOTHERS DUTY!

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Anticipation.  
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"She was seated at a table eating apple-dumplings when the man rode up. He broke the news as gently as possible. The woman listened quietly with a dumpling poised in the air half way to her mouth. When the man had finished, she stuffed the dumpling into her mouth and said:

"You-all jest wait till I finish this eyer dumplin' an' then you-all'll hear some hollerin'!"

For the Collection Box.  
Jimmy, aged four, had been sent upstairs by his mother to get ten cents, which she intended to use for the purpose of postage stamps.

Not knowing exactly what a ten-cent piece looked like, Jimmy called downstairs: "Mother, is ten cents a little piece of money?"

"Yes, Jimmy, the smallest piece of money in my purse."  
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Make money your god, and you'll find there's the devil to pay.

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FOR TREASURER

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COMMISSIONER

We are authorized to announce A. V. Patterson a candidate for re-election to the offices of Commissioner and Justice of The Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce E. F. Atkinson as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

We are authorized to announce C. J. Copeland a candidate for re-election to the office of county commissioner of precinct No. 3, Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries in July.

We are authorized to announce M. Odum a candidate for Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce J. F. Hester a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce S. L. Hull a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce J. S. Johnston a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

"I am a Democrat and Farmer. My motto is: DO THINGS" -Chas B. Metcalfe

Every man who speaks or writes for the public, should remember that "brevity is the soul of wit," if he would have hearers or readers.

Let us forget, there is going to be a bumper cotton crop raised in Sterling this year, and it is high time that the gin saws were being dressed and made ready for business, for we positively cannot afford to allow our farmers to haul their cotton away from here.

Quite a lot of pecan trees have been set out in this vicinity, and our friends find that it is no trick to get

them to live and thrive. This is the native home of this most valuable nut, and it should claim the first attention of every home builder. In five to seven years after setting, the tree comes in bearing and will continue for a century or more. There is no tree indigenous to West Texas that is more graceful and symmetrical, and enduring, than the pecan. Our friends are wise in planting the pecan.

Mud Slinging

If all that some of the papers are saying about Farmer Jim Ferguson and Col. Tom Ball were true, they both ought to be in the penitentiary. But common sense, tempered with tolerance, should teach all, except the glibbly sucker, that these papers in their zeal for their favorite candidate are handing out the same old brand of campaign lies that has been used a hundred years to catch the unwary voter who refuses to think.

The truth is, that Ferguson and Ball are both strictly honest, sober and clean men, for any man who uses his think for a moment should realize that such men as these could not have the backing of the best element of the country unless they were good men.

They are circulating a report on Jim Ferguson that he is a tax dodger. He made a statement, not long since, that he was the owner of a hundred fine blooded cattle. Then his traducers published a report, alleged to have been made by the tax assessor of Bell county, showing that Farmer Jim only rendered seven head of cattle in that county. This statement does not inform the public that Mr. Ferguson rendered these cattle in another county, or that he bought them since the first of January—sure not, for if they did, the old dodge wouldn't work, the voter would catch on and the intended victim would not suffer. If what Church and Sta—Home and State, we mean, says about Mr. Ferguson is true, why don't they go to the Bell county grand jury with their little tale of woe, instead of telling it to the public? In this way, Home and State, and its following, if what they say is true, could eliminate Jim Ferguson more effectively than if he was tried before a clerical court.

Then Tom Ball comes in for a lot of mud. They tell it on him that he is in league with a lot of lumber men who have cut the timber off their land and want to sell it, and if elected, he will proceed to mulct the taxpayers in order to sell these worthless lands to people, for homes, at a big profit to the lumber men. But these fellows never once tell the public that such a proposition is so ridiculous that a one-eyed nigger could see the point.

They further show, by the auditor's report of the Houston Club, of which Col. Ball is a member, that the Club sells booze to its members at a profit; and that the Club recently paid over \$300 for poker chips and other gaming devices. Now, if Mr. Ball is violating the law in this matter, why in the Sam Hill don't these truthful Johnnies go tell the Harris county grand jury about it, instead of telling it to the public?

All this rot about the personal honesty of two of the best citizens of the state is simply disgusting. These mud-slingers and scandal mongers are doing more to befoul politics and discourage good men in offering their services to the public than any other cause. Let us quit that sort of thing, so that when a man runs for office, he will, at least, be spared the hurt of having his good name blackened by damned lies.

Ball and Ferguson are both good men, and it is only the policies for which they stand, and not their private business, that we should concern ourselves.

A FINE COLT

G. W. Allard, one of our progressive stockmen, brought to town, last Saturday, one of his two-year-old colts, which weighed 1246 pounds and measured 16 hands, 1 1/2 inches in height. The colt is of the coach type, and was raised on the range of Mr. Allard's ranch, about 4 1/2 miles west of town. He is smooth and perfectly made, and not at all "ragged," as one would expect of a horse of his age, he being two years old the 7th of this month.

No better specimen of a young horse has ever been seen here, and but few better ones can be found anywhere. Mr. Allard is justly proud of this handsome animal. He says has some more mighty good colts out at the ranch.

ATTENTION!

The 31-piece Dinner Sets that Hargrave is giving away will cost you \$5.00 anywhere.

They are FREE at Hargrave's Don't fail to call for Tickets.

Highway Boosters Here

Col. A. L. Westgard, engineer of the American Automobile Association, and Vice-President of the Colorado-to-the-Gulf Highway, and party arrived here last Wednesday. They were accompanied by a party of San Angelo good roads boosters, composed of Henry E. Jackson, W. A. Guthrie, and others.

Our local motor club had planned an entertainment for the party, that failed on account of the party being delayed. However, a crowd of our people met the crowd down the road and escorted them into our town, where a big crowd of good roads boosters met them.

A. R. Pool introduced D. E. Colp who addressed the crowd on the subject of his mission. His talk was to the point, and he told the people the vital importance of building roads. His plan of an advisory board for the Commissioners Court in road building struck home, and sooner or later Sterling will adopt it.

Col. Westgard then gave us a very practical talk from an engineer's standpoint. He showed that when once the project of this great highway was laid out, the national government would take the matter up and help us with its money.

Being late in its schedule, the party left immediately for Big Springs. After Highway boosters left, our Motor Club held a meeting. R. P. Brown was elected a delegate from this club to attend the Association meet at Plainview.

The sum of \$100 was raised to pay our membership fee into the State Automobile Association. This money will be used to log, map and mark the highway and defray the necessary expenses of the association.

Quite a number of new names were added to the membership roll of the Club.

A DISTINGUISHED STERLING COUNTY YOUTH

Charles B. Metcalfe, the farmer statesman, in a communication to us, says:

"Speaking of the kind of men West Texas produces, it is a pleasure to take notice of young Mr. Wm N. Reed, of your county. He will graduate at the A. & M. College, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel of the cadet corps, which is earned

by merit alone. And he has the unique distinction of being declared the best student judge of live stock at Chicago last year, all of the United States and Canada competing.

"This is a source of gratification and pride to the whole State of Texas, as it shows what native ability, combined with A. & M. training, develops in the way of men. "May their tribe increase."

Yes, we are justly proud of Colonel Reed, but this is not the extent of our elation. Lieutenant F. A. Sparkman, another Sterling county boy, takes a B. S. degree from A. & M. College this year. Young Sparkman, also, has won some laurels in live stock judging contests. At Dallas, last fall, he received highest honors in swine judging (they had some Tamworths to reckon with, too, Charles) a second prize and a splendid average was to his credit.

But this is not all. There are two more Sterling boys at A. & M. who are on the way. Then there is a young fellow up at Columbia, Mo., who is some farmer. If you want to know about him, watch your newspapers next year. O, but we've got 'em.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Whereas, by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Kimble county, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1914, in favor of B. I. Joiner and against W. H. Trout, T. V. Trout and G. C. Mullanax, I did on the 18th day of May, A. D. 1914, at 11 o'clock, A. M. levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Sterling, State of Texas, and belonging to the said W. H. Trout, T. V. Trout and G. C. Mullanax, to-wit:

Six Hundred, Forty (640) acres of land, situated in Sterling county, Texas, and being all of Survey No. 24, in Block No. 32, Township 5 South, located by virtue of Certificate No. 2-1589, issued to the Texas & Pacific Railway Company.

And on the 7th day of July, A. D. 1914, being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 4 o'clock, P. M., on said day, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, at the Court House door of said Sterling county, all the right, title and interest of said W. H. Trout, T. V. Trout and G. C. Mullanax, in and to said property.

Dated at Sterling City, Texas, this 2nd day of June, A. D. 1914.

DEE DAVIS, Sheriff of Sterling City, Texas.

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BECAUSE it will require no attention to keep it in perfect condition

BECAUSE it carries its own life and fire insurance.

BECAUSE it will freeze as little as any silo on the market.

We claim that the Interlocking Cement Silo is the Cheapest—

BECAUSE it sells for less than a good wooden silo, and will last forever.

BECAUSE the first cost is the total cost; no expense for repairs, painting, attention and loss from spoiled silage caused by air leaks.

THEREFORE if you want the best and cheapest silo made, get the Interlocking Cement Silo from WEST TEXAS LUMBER CO

PROTRACTED MEETING

A protracted meeting under the auspices of the Baptist Church, will begin here tonight. Rev. W. T. Sherrod, of San Angelo, has been secured to do the preaching. Those who have heard Rev. Sherrod, will surely go to hear him again. He is a very forceful preacher.

H. B. Terrel, of Waco, is running for Comptroller without the benefit of clergy. A man in that fix needs help, and we are going help him. We don't know whether he is pro or anti, and don't give a darn, but think he is a pro; but that cuts no figure, seeing he is the best man for the place. We have not looked over his tax rendition to see if he rendered all his dogs and cats, and can't state for certain that he is a member of the Waco Tomcat Club, but we do know that Terrel (H. B.) will make a rattling good Comptroller—in fact he is the best of the bunch running.

GOOD CLOTHES

Tailor-made clothes are the proper thing. You can get identically what you want at prices that will surprise you. We suggest that you call on The Potts Shop.

TEXAS FACTS

WHEAT.

Texas ranks seventeenth in wheat production, but compares more favorably in the prices paid and the yield per acre.

In Texas the yield from one acre of wheat is worth \$2.16 more than the average acre's yield of this cereal in the principal wheat states.

There are 7,000 wheat planters in Texas located principally in the Panhandle section of the state.

The average wheat production per farm, in Texas is 1,545 bushels.

The wheat acreage of Texas is 780,000 acres, from which 13,650,000 bushels were produced in 1913 and sold for \$12,831,000.

Texas has 238 flour mills, which employ 2,000 persons.

During the past decade the population of Texas has increased 27 per cent, while the wheat production shows a gain of 30 per cent.

In 1913 the average acre yield of Texas wheat was 17.5 bushels and sold for 94 cents per bushel netting the growers an average of \$16.45 per acre.

Texas produces 2.8 bushels of wheat per capita per annum and consumes 5.4 bushels.

The capital investment of the Texas flour mills is \$13,219,000. The annual capacity is 7,800,000 barrels.

HAY AND FORAGE.

The production of hay and forage is one of the chief agricultural industries of Texas.

Tame or cultivated hay is raised on 111,000 farms of Texas.

Texas hay and forage crops have an annual value of \$15,000,000.

The Texas range grows \$19,000,000 worth of wild grasses annually.

PETROLEUM.

Texas ranks sixth in the United States in petroleum production.

Petroleum is the leading mineral produced in Texas, and constitutes 43 per cent of the annual output.

The oil wells of Texas produce 31,000 barrels of petroleum per

day. In pumping petroleum from Texas fields to the refineries, 30 miles of pipe lines are constantly in use.

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We have 8 oil refineries in Texas.

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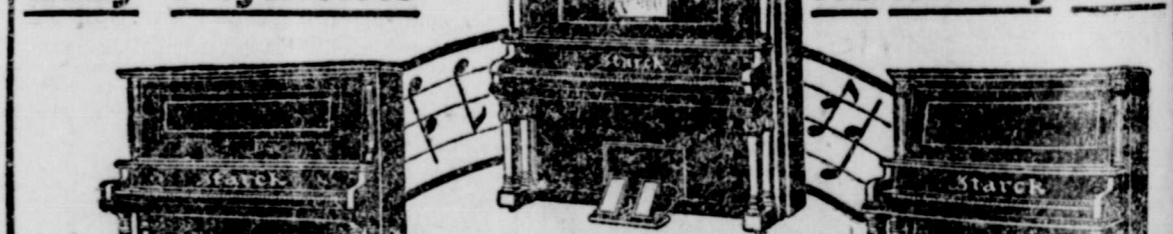
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 I am agent for the Partin-Palmer  
 automobiles. They have more power  
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 other car on the market for the  
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Every Ladies' hat in this store  
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San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas

**NOTICE**

We will not sell Gasoline, Tubes, Batteries, or any other supplies, on credit in the future. It will take cash to get any of these supplies. This applies to all alike.  
**BROWN & PEARCE**

**Arm Broken**

Last Tuesday, Mrs. R. W. Foster fell from the porch of the Foster residence and sustained a fractured wrist. While her injuries are painful, they are not serious, and it is thought she will recover soon.

**Forty-two Piece Dinner Set Given Away**

We are giving away to any charitable institution, lodge, man or woman, girl or boy holding the greatest number of coupons when our stock of Golden Fruit, Queen Pepsin and Spearmint chewing gum is sold out this dinner set absolutely free. One coupon with each 5-cent package. The set is now on display at our store.  
**B. F. ROBERTS**

**WELCOME NEWS FOR LOCAL PEOPLE**

People in this town will be glad to hear that the mixture of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adlers-ka, can be obtained at our store. This simple remedy became famous by curing appendicitis and it has been found that JUST A SINGLE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation INSTANTLY because it drains off such a surprising amount of old foul matter from the body.  
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 Don't worry—blot out your tailoring troubles. Have your next suit made-to-measure, by G. C. Potts The Tailor.

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 Why worry about wash day? Let G. C. Potts send your "washin'" to the Model Steam Laundry. Basket leaves Tuesday and returns Thursday. Remember the place—phone 12.

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**LOCALS**

Ice at Gamble's.  
 Pills and dipping dope at Coulson's  
 L. H. Penny returned from Talpa last Saturday.

Mrs. A. R. Pool is visiting her father, at Belton.  
 31 piece dinner set free. Get your tickets—Hargrave.

A supply of fresh bread always on hand at Austin's.  
 A fresh line of King's high grade chocolates at Austin's.

Fetereta, Sorghum and Milo Maize seed at the O K Yard.  
 For Laundry work, see Mrs. Cantwell, at the Walton residence.

Jeff D. Ayres was a business visitor to San Angelo yesterday.

Mrs. Dr. Gowen, of Christoval, is visiting her son, Dr. C. R. Gowen.  
 I have a few winter lap robes at reduced prices - R. B. Cummins.

Have you been to the new barber shop? If not, why?  
 Try the Sanitary Barber Shop. All towels are sterilized.

White Leghorn Eggs For Sale—at 50c per setting. J. M. Head. 12tp  
 All kinds of sewing done at reasonable prices.—Mrs. Carrie Finney.

I make a specialty of riding, driving and working gloves—R. B. Cummins.

Mrs. Dorman, of Oakwood, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ballou.

Every family can use a 31 piece dinner set. They are free, at Hargrave's.  
 Guy Douglas and Beryl Austin came in from A. & M. College Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Ira Rogers and son, Ira, Jr. visited friends and relatives at Miles last week.  
 Roy Foster returned Monday from a visit to friends and relatives at Dallas and Ennis.

The Woodmen of The World decorated the graves of their departed brethren yesterday.

Remember: We have the goods, the price is right, your trade appreciated.—Hargrave.

Rev. and Mrs. Shan Hull and children returned Monday from a visit to San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pearson were visitors to Sonora last week, making the trip in their automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bryson left last Saturday for Plainview, where they will remain for about six weeks.

Get your tickets at Hargrave's. He is giving away some nice, 31 piece dinner sets. Ask for tickets.  
 The Dixie air dome has been giving our people some splendid moving picture shows since it started up.

I will be at the State Hotel in Sterling City prepared to do dental work, June 17-18-19.  
**H. B. Bolt.**

**WANTED**—To buy from 100 to 1000 or any other number of chickens. Will pay 8c per pound for hens.—Robt. Brown. 4tp

**Found:** One brown cow, branded P on right side, about 8 years old. Owner may recover same by paying for this ad.

Bread baked every day at the City Cafe. A supply of cakes, pies and bread always on hand at living prices. Short order meals at all hours.

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For every \$1.00 purchase, for cash, of Dry Goods, or \$1.50 purchase of Groceries, I will give a free ticket to the Dixie Theater. And more than this, I will sell you the goods as cheap as you can buy them elsewhere.

**H. Q. LYLES**

**COTTEN & DAVIS**

The place where you get the MOST of the BEST for the LEAST  
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 Anyone found hunting—most especially hunting—fishing, gathering pecans, hauling wood, or otherwise trespassing upon any lands owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted. You'd better keep out.  
 10-17-13pd  
**W. J. Mann**

**TRESPASS NOTICE**  
 Any person found hunting, fishing, hauling wood or otherwise trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by us will be prosecuted. Take warning and keep out.  
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**A. C. Pearson  
 R. B. McEntire**

You won't have any sores on your face if you use sterilized towels. The very best of face creams, tonics and antiseptics used on you at the Sanitary Barber shop.—Roy Thomas, Proprietor.

**STOVE WOOD FOR SALE.**  
 M. W. Smith will deliver stove wood anywhere in town. When you need wood, give him your order as he keeps a constant supply on hand

Everybody wins on the Hargrave 31 piece dinner sets. Ask for tickets

**TEXAS FACTS**

**LUMBER AND TIMBER**

Texas forests grow four and one-half millions feet of timber per day.

The value of the annual lumber production is \$53,000,000.

The value of raw timber cut yearly is \$32,000,000 and the factory adds a value of \$21,000,000.

Texas ranks seventh with other states in timber production.

The lumber mills of Texas employ more men than any other of the state's industries.

Thirty-three per cent of the industrial laborers are employed in the lumber mills.

There are 800 lumber mills in Texas, representing an investment of \$45,552,000.

**IRRIGATION.**

Texas has 5,338 irrigated farms, comprising 451,000 acres.

There are 1,480 miles of main line irrigation ditches and 1,325 miles of laterals in Texas.

The cost of constructing our irrigation systems is estimated at \$13,500,000 by the United States Census Department.

The quantity yield per acre of irrigated crops is approximately 45 per cent higher than that of those raised by natural methods.

Eighty-three per cent of the water for Texas irrigation projects is supplied by streams, 13 per cent by wells, 3 per cent by springs and 1 per cent from lakes and reservoirs.

Rice is our principal irrigated crop.  
 There are 287,000 acres of irrigated land in Texas devoted to the culture of rice.

Jefferson County has 76,000 acres of land under water and leads all other counties in this respect.

We are under many obligations to Judge Renshaw for a box of fine dewberries last Tuesday. These berries were grown on the Judge's ranch three miles northeast of town and are of the finest quality.

Our friend G. G. Ainsworth was in from his ranch, wearing a smile that went some off. "Things couldn't be better out my way." "I never saw better range, fatter stock and better crops than we have now." Mr. Ainsworth is the proud owner of the finest flock of Angora goats in the country, and he says the kid crop this spring is all that could be expected.

Sterling Lodge, No. 728, A. F. & A. M., last Saturday night, elected the following officers for the ensuing Masonic year: D. S. Smith, W. M.; Dee Davis, S. W.; E. B. Butler, J. W.; W. L. Foster, Treasurer; H. Q. Lyles, Jr., Secretary; J. R. Lane, Tiler.

Installation ceremonies will be held in lodge hall at 3 o'clock, in the afternoon of June 24. All Masons are invited to be present.

**NEW OPTICAL IDEAS**

Our optical expert, Dr. Baker, has just returned from the State Convention, where he took a prominent part. The Doctor gained some new ideas from Dr. Eberhardt, of Dayton, Ohio, who has a national reputation on scientific optics; and he also brought back several new ideas in spectacle mountings selected from displays made by large Eastern optical houses.  
 Dr. Baker will visit Sterling City in a few weeks and give the people the advantage of this added and up-to-date optical service.

**Baker Optical Co., San Angelo**

RESINOL CLEARS PIMPLY, BLOTCHY SKINS

Pimples and blackheads disappear, red, rough, ugly complexions become clean, clear, and velvety, and hair health and beauty are promoted by the regular use of Resinol soap and an occasional application of Resinol ointment.

These soothing, healing preparations do their work easily, quickly and at little cost, even when the most expensive cosmetics and complicated "beauty treatments" fail.

Resinol soap and Resinol ointment heal eczema, tetter, ringworm, psoriasis and other skin eruptions, stop itching instantly, and are most valuable for sunburn, insect bites, sores, burns, boils, piles, etc. Sold by all druggists.—Adv.

Horn Jewelry. Billy—I hear that Paris is wearing sandals and rings upon the toes.

Willby—Hope we will soon adopt the style. I have a magnificent bunton that I can parade as a cameo.

London women are now wearing trousers with slit skirts.

It was her husband who finally brought home RUB-NO-MORE. Now she's enthusiastic about it. She had intended to buy RUB-NO-MORE WASHING POWDER. But overlooked it. Don't you overlook it.

RUB-NO-MORE WASHING POWDER is a sudsy dirt remover for clothes, sinks, toilets and cleans and sweetens your milk crocks. It kills germs. It does not need hot water.

RUB-NO-MORE Washing Powder Carbolic Soap. Five Cents—All Grocers. The Rub-No-More Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Zona Face Pomade "THE ALL DAY BEAUTY POWDER" Ideal when motoring—protects and beautifies the complexion—does not blow off—pure and harmless.

Zona Co., Wichita, Kansas. Whittemore's Shoe Polishes. Finest Quality Largest Variety.

W.L. DOUGLAS SHOES. Men's \$2.00 to \$3.00. Women's \$1.50 to \$2.50. Includes an illustration of a man's face and a shoe.

TYPHOID is no more necessary than smallpox. Any experienced doctor has demonstrated the almost miraculous efficiency and harmlessness of Antityphoid Vaccination.

DAISY FLY KILLER. Place anywhere, attracts and kills all house flies, mosquitoes, and other annoying insects.

Soda Fountain. Soda Fountain: We have made up ready for prompt shipment 6, 8, 10, 12 and 20 ft. front systems, pump service outfits, new and slightly used, at a big saving in price on easy monthly payments.

\$200.00 Guarantee to Deposition. Ask about this plan. State Agents also wanted. National Insurance Co. of New York.

PATENTS. Watson E. Coleman, Washington, D.C. Inventor of the "LA CREOLE" Hair Dressing.

SMILES

WARNING TO TALESMEN. A juror the other day appeared in court and claimed exemption on the ground of deafness.

"How long have you been deaf?" "Two years."

The judge, in a much less audible tone: "How was your deafness caused?"

Juror—I caught a severe cold. Judge (in a voice reduced almost to a whisper)—Don't you think your deafness is cured?

Juror—No, my lord. "Oh, you will do very well, sir," replied his lordship, and everyone in court laughed except the juror.—London Evening Standard.

Caution. Redd—This paper says that an Illinois inventor's metal ladder fire escape, which can be unrolled from a window as a person descends, is provided with guides to prevent it swaying dangerously from side to side.

Green—To make it safer it might be provided with suitable handles, so it could be promptly conveyed from a lodger's room when he is considerably behind in his weekly payments.

TOO LIKE HER. Miss Younggirl—Why do you dislike these photographs? Don't they do you justice?

Miss Oldgirl—Yes; entirely too much justice.

Real Mean. I came to town at half-past six. "Two this so early brought me— I wished those tangle tags to miss. But a sharp tag girl caught me."

The Standard Bearer. "I'm afraid our daughter is not going to make a very happy marriage," said Mr. Cumrox.

"Why not?" asked his wife. "She's worthy of the best of men."

"Yes. But she scares the really industrious fellows away. Her idea of a really able man is one who will sit on the front step and wave a little flag and holler, 'Votes for women!'"

Paradoxical Escape. "The fugitive from the police did a paradoxical thing when he hid himself in the old well."

"How was that paradoxical?" "Why, he jumped into a hole to get out of one."

Other Side of the Proposition. "A man ought to kiss his wife every day."

"Yes," replied Mr. Meekton; "but suppose she's busy writing speeches and doesn't want to be disturbed?"

It Certainly Is. Bill—I see the chairman of the canary bird group of an ornithological society in Germany rejoices in the title which ornaments his visiting card: Kanarienvogelzuchereinstand.

Mean Hint. "My theory is that men are what they eat, so we should be careful to select appropriate diet."

"I'm glad to hear that, Mr. Softy. We have calf's brains for dinner."

No Cutting There. "Did they cut out anything when you went to the hospital?"

"Yes, I think they cut out about everything they could get hold of except the bill."

Inartistic. "The color of that couple's lives does not form an artistic contrast."

"Why not?" "She has a rosy future and he has a purple past."

Appearances. "So you are a Chicago policeman?" "Yes."

"Plain clothes?" "Well, they may be plainer than I am used to, but they are very becoming."

Its Weight. "Jinks tells me he is building up a business to make stout women thin again."

"Then he must be making a fat thing of it."

He Must Have Been Her Brother. "I think I will study to go on the stage."

"You don't need to study." "Oh, you fatter me. I am sure I must study some."

The Thrill of Health

and vigor can only be experienced when the digestion is normal, the liver active and the bowels regular. Any disturbance of these functions suggests an immediate trial of

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS. It is for Poor Appetite, Indigestion, Cramps, Diarrhoea, Bilioussness and Malaria.

HER EXPERIENCE GAINED ON TRIP. Found That Ladies in State Agreed With Her on One Important Question.

Mangham, La.—Mrs. Liza Barber, of this town, who has returned from a trip in West and Middle Tennessee, has the following to say: "I have been on a trip in Middle and West Tennessee where I found many ladies using Cardul, the woman's tonic. While traveling I took great pleasure in telling what it had done for me—I not only praised Cardul—but advised poor suffering women to take it. I know that Cardul cured me and I believe it will do the same for other women."

Some time ago, I could hardly stand on my feet, and I had given up ever having good health. After using two bottles of Cardul I could tell it was helping me, and I continued taking it for awhile. I soon felt as well as I ever did, and could do all of my work.

I shall always praise this great medicine to every suffering woman. I think there is no other half so good."

Mrs. Barber would have found weak, ailing women taking Cardul almost anywhere she could have gone, because Cardul is recognized as the standard woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women back to health and strength in the past 50 years.

Why shouldn't it help you?—Adv. HYPNOTISM FOR THE AILING. Famous French Physician Claims to Be Able to Cure Many of the Ills of Mankind.

Dr. Bertillon of Paris asserts that psychotherapy, or soul-culture, is the medicine of the future.

He does not put his patients into hypnotic trances, but places them in an environment which creates an appetite for sleep. He invites them to repose on their beds and think of nothing. Then he leaves them, and they gradually succumb to the "tick-tack" of a metronome.

When a patient is in a hypnotic slumber, if it is desired that he shall be cured of a tendency to excessive indulgence in alcohol, the psychotherapist suggests to him that he cannot raise a glass of absinthe to his lips, and repeats the suggestion until the prohibition is so engrained upon the brain that if the patient would he could not do so.

Dr. Bertillon is frequently consulted by those who have had unhappy love affairs, and it is said that through hypnotism they obtain release from their unrequited passion.

A Dark Mystery. "Excuse me, Miss Oldgirl, but have you dyed your hair black?"

"Sir, that is not a fair question."

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills are sold with and without soluble sugar coating. They regulate the bowels, invigorate the liver and purify the blood. Adv.

The only time a Democrat wants protection is when he comes home soured and finds the light of his life waiting up for him.

—Take CAPUDINE— FOR HEADACHES and GRIPPE. It's Liquid—Prompt and Pleasant—Adv.

A good disposition is more valuable than gold, for the latter is the gift of fortune, but the former is the dower of nature.—Addison.

For sprains make a thorough application of Hanford's Balsam, well rubbed in. Adv.

Most women who claim to be men haters are unable to prove it.

The Roman Eye Balsam for scaling sensation in eyes and inflammation of eyes of eyelids. Adv.

A woman says a man must marry in order to attain perfection.

For galls use Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Half the truth may cause more trouble than a whole lie.

She Was the Cause. "There goes Bertha, the innkeeper's pretty daughter; she's broken many hearts, mine among them."

"Yes, my red nose lies on her cor science, too."—Flegge Blaetter.

SINGS PRAISE OF "BIGNESS"

Electric signs let out some brilliant remarks. Sold upon merit—Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Worms expelled promptly from the human system with Dr. Feery's Vermifuge "Deas Shot." Adv.

Where Friday night is amateur night Friday night is the proper night for attempting to kiss a girl for the first time.

Hicks' CAPUDINE CURES HEADACHES and COLDS—Easy To Take—Quick Relief—Adv.

Modern Life. "Your wife seems rather nervous."

"Yes; she is keeping up with six continued stories in the magazines and four in the movies."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Cures Ivy Poisoning. For ivy poisoning apply Hanford's Balsam. It is antiseptic and may be used to kill the poison. Prompt relief should follow the first application. Adv.

Pointed. Gibbs—So they have abolished liquor in the navy.

Bibbs—Yes, and I suppose the bayonet will soon be taken from the army. It is used to make a punch, you know.

Discovering the Real Mexico. Some of the correspondents with the army at Vera Cruz are acquiring a knowledge of Mexico which they are imparting to their readers to the benefit of the public. They are learning that cities founded by the conquering Spaniards before Jamestown or Plymouth began are not mere adobe villages, but are architecturally reminiscent of Spain in its heroic age. One correspondent admits that all the public buildings in Vera Cruz are good and compare favorably with what we have at home.

If the scribbles to whom real Mexico is a revelation keep on with their journeyings that may come to Omaha and see the great professional library of one hundred thousand volumes attached to the medical school. In the City of Mexico there are many structures that delight traveling architects.

Mexico is not all "militaristas" and "peons," though its trouble has always been too many of the former. There are cultured people in Mexico who find in culture a refuge from the turmoil of their disturbed republic.—Boston Transcript.

Show us a man who thinks he knows it all and we can show you a moving picture of a big mistake.

WOMAN COULD HARDLY STAND

Because of Terrible Backache. Relieved by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Philadelphia, Pa.—"I suffered from displacement and inflammation, and such pains in my back, sides, and stomach, and I could hardly stand. I took six bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and now I do any amount of work, sleep good, and don't have a bit of trouble. I recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to every suffering woman."—Mrs. M. FISHER, 1642 Juniata Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Another Woman's Case. Providence, R. I.—"I cannot speak too highly of your Vegetable Compound as it has done wonders for me and I would not be without it. I had my placement, bearing down, and backache until I could hardly stand and was coughing run down when I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It helped me and I am in the best of health at present. I work in a factory and long besides doing my housework so you can see what it has done for me. I give you permission to publish my name and speak of your Vegetable Compound to many of my friends."—Mrs. ABIGAIL LARSON, 126 Lippitt St., Providence, R. I.

Danger Signals to Women are what one physician called backache, headache, nervousness, and the blues. In many cases they are symptoms of some female derangement, which may be overcome by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Thousands of American women willingly testify to its virtue.

Why Scratch? "Hunt's Cure" is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure the terrible itching. It is compounded for the purpose and your name will be prominently retained WITHOUT QUESTION if Hunt's Cure fails to cure your Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm or any other Skin Disease. 50c per bottle. Manufactured direct by the maker. A. B. RICHARDS MEDICINE CO., Sherman, Tex.

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What is Castoria.

CASTORIA is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. Albert W. Kahl, of Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I have used Castoria in my practice for the past 25 years. I regard it as an excellent medicine for children."

Dr. Gustave A. Eisingraeber, of St. Paul, Minn., says: "I have used your Castoria repeatedly in my practice with good results, and can recommend it as an excellent, mild and harmless remedy for children."

Dr. E. J. Dennis, of St. Louis, Mo., says: "I have used and prescribed your Castoria in my sanitarium and outside practice for a number of years and find it to be an excellent remedy for children."

Dr. S. A. Buchanan, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "I have used your Castoria in the case of my own baby and find it pleasant to take, and have obtained excellent results from its use."

Dr. J. E. Simpson, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have used your Castoria in cases of colic in children and have found it the best medicine of its kind on the market."

Dr. R. E. Eskildson, of Omaha, Neb., says: "I find your Castoria to be a standard family remedy. It is the best thing for infants and children I have ever known and I recommend it."

Dr. L. R. Robinson, of Kansas City, Mo., says: "Your Castoria certainly has merit. Is not its age, its continued use by mothers through all these years, and the many attempts to imitate it, sufficient recommendation? What can a physician add? Leave it to the mothers."

Dr. Edwin F. Pardee, of New York City, says: "For several years I have recommended your Castoria and shall always continue to do so, as it has invariably produced beneficial results."

Dr. N. B. Sizer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I object to what are called patent medicines, where maker alone knows what ingredients are put in them, but I know the formula of your Castoria and advise its use."

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Tutt's Pills. FREE TO ALL SUFFERERS. Stimulate the torpid liver, strengthen the digestive organs, regulate the bowels. A remedy for sick headache. Unusually an ANTI-BILIOUS MEDICINE. Elegantly sugar coated. Small dose. Price, 25c.

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