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ADVANCE OF GERMANS INTO POLAND CHECKED

RUSSIAN CLAIM DECISIVE VICTORY IN FIERCE FIGHTING BEFORE CRAWOW.

KAISER IS NOW IN THE EAST

Official Reports From Headquarters of Armies Are in Conflict as to Results.

London.—While deprecating the exaggerated reports of Russian successes in the battle in Northern Poland, where the German emperor has joined Field Marshal von Hindenburg to offer his advice and to encourage his troops, the latest available official reports from Russian headquarters state that the advantage in the fighting still lies with the Russian army. It is also officially said that enormous losses have been inflicted on the Germans, but no mention is made of the capture of German divisions which has been so freely claimed by the Petrograd correspondents of London and Paris papers.

Opposed to this are the German official reports, which say that the Russian attacks have been repulsed and that the German counter attacks have been successful.

Some days must elapse before this battle, which promises to prove the most decisive of the war is decided.

German Advance Halted.

So far all that is definitely known is that the German advance has been brought to a standstill. Some of the German troops have been partly or wholly surrounded, but were still fighting stubbornly to break their way through the Russian lines.

In the battle before Crowsow, the Russians do claim decisive success. During the last week they took 30,000 Austrian and German prisoners in this region.

The Russians likewise announce success on the Austrian side of the Carpathians and against the Turks in the Caucasus, although in both regions the worst of weather has prevailed.

Comparatively Quiet in West.

In the western arena the Germans, although making an occasional infantry attack, seem at present content to bombard the allied positions, but with somewhat lighter guns than they have been using. This may mean either that they are sending troops and artillery to the east to use against the Russians, or that they are preparing a new attack against the allies.

RAILROAD ARBITRATION BEGUN

Board to Consider Plans to Settle Trouble on Western Lines.

Chicago.—What those at interest declare is the most momentous arbitration case in the history of the country, brought about by the intervention of President Wilson, begun here Monday morning.

The case is that of the employees of 88 western railroads belonging to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers and their employers, represented in the proceedings by the conference committee of managers, which was named for the purpose by the Western Association of Railways.

The arbitration was arranged under the provisions of the Newlands law. Ninety days are allowed to hear the evidence, and ten days additional for the delivery of an award. The number of men involved is 55,000 and the railroad mileage affected is 140,000 miles.

Bomb Dropped on Warsaw.

Washington.—A bomb from a German airplane fell in front of the American consulate at Warsaw Tuesday, breaking the windows of the consulate, but injuring no one within, according to a telegram from American Ambassador Mays at Petrograd. Several persons in the street in front of the consulate were killed and wounded, but no Americans.

\$63,000,000 Increase in Exports.

Washington.—Secretary Rodfield told the house appropriations committee that the commercial expansion of the United States was evidenced by the fact that the total exports for November showed an increase of \$63,000,000 over November last year, and undoubtedly would have shown \$140,000,000 increase if cotton and copper had been exported. Part of the increase in exports he attributed to the war.

Ambassador Herrick Leaves Paris.

Paris.—Myron T. Herrick, retiring American ambassador, accompanied by Mrs. Herrick and members of his family, have left Paris for Havre, where they will take the steamer Rochambeau for New York. A special car was placed at their disposal by the French government. Nearly all the Americans remaining in Paris crowded the invalids station to bid farewell to the retiring diplomat. Among them were William Graves Sharp, who succeeds Mr. Herrick as ambassador.

TEXAS NEWS CONDENSED

Texas railroads are announcing reduced rates to the north, east and southeast to remain in effect until after the holidays. A special Christmas rate will be put into effect for points within the state.

The state health department has issued a statement relative to the prevention of the spread of diphtheria and the contraction of the disease. Diphtheria is a preventable disease.

Groesbeck parties have closed a contract and will begin at once installing an ice factory, bottling works and creamery. Local capital is behind the proposition, which will cost more than \$20,000.

One of the largest farm land transactions in Dallas county for many months was shown in a deed filed for record in the county clerk's office. It showed 388 1/2 acres, 12 miles south of Dallas, sold for \$42,833, or more than \$110 an acre.

Bert Moody, 13-year-old son of Carlton A. Moody, of Dallas, was instantly killed when he was caught between the platform and gate of the freight elevator on the seventh floor of Sanger Bros.' wholesale department. His chest and back were crushed, and death came almost instantly.

The board of regents of the university of Texas has filed estimates of appropriations for the next two years with the comptroller, the aggregate amount being \$3,261,760, of which \$1,561,760 is for support and maintenance and \$1,700,000 for new buildings.

James E. Ferguson, governor-elect of Texas, declared at Freeport last week that Texans should welcome every rich man to this state, and that there should be laws enacted which absolutely would protect them in the investment of their capital and the development of the commonwealth.

Citizens, especially business men, taxpayers and city officials, are greatly interested in the suit of the Underground Construction company against the city of Fort Worth for the collection of approximately \$210,000 which the plaintiff alleges is due on the contract for the construction of Lake Worth reservoir and dam.

"The most significant development in the cotton situation at this time is the announcement of the Texas committee to have charge in this state of the \$125,000,000 cotton pool." This opinion is expressed by Professor J. H. Connell, president of the Texas division of the Southern Cotton association, engaged in a campaign for the holding of cotton, reduction of cotton acreage and for crop diversification.

Work has started on a \$400,000 brick plant which the International Bricklayers' union is erecting at El Paso to compete with the other brick plants.

At a meeting of the Cook county commissioner's court at Ganesville a resolution was adopted to build a \$20,000 jail, to be furnished in the most up-to-date manner possible.

A large financial transaction took place at Mount Pleasant in the consolidation of the M. & P. National bank with the First State bank. It was voted to name the new institution the State National bank and make the capital stock of same \$75,000.

Twenty steamships entered the port at Galveston one day last week, which breaks all records this season, as the highest to enter so far had been 11. The average traffic on inbound steamers is six or seven daily.

Texas horses in the cold climate of Canada are being attacked by pneumonia. Out of a batch of 742 purchased in Texas by an agent of the French government for light cavalry service in France, more than 50 have died of the affliction.

Resolutions were adopted by the city council of Paris ordering an election on Dec. 29 on two propositions for the issuance of bonds, one for \$100,000 to continue street paving and the other for the same amount for school buildings.

The Farmers' Union gin at Decatur was destroyed by fire last week. A number of bales of cotton in the gin yard at the time were also destroyed. The property was valued at about \$6,000, with \$4,500 insurance.

Pipe with which to lay the gas pipe lines to Corsicans and Waco has arrived at Mexico. The line to Waco will use 10-inch pipe, that to Corsicana 8-inch pipe.

The sixty-sixth annual session of the Baptist state convention convened in Abilene. Dr. S. P. Brooks was elected president, succeeding Dr. R. C. Buckner. M. H. Wolfe, of Dallas, J. D. Sandifer, of Abilene, and O. S. Latimore, of Fort Worth, were elected vice presidents.

EVENTS BOILED DOWN

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

One Italian laborer was killed and three others were injured by a cave-in of the East river tube of the B. R. T. in Brooklyn last week.

Four were killed and two seriously injured near Bloomington, Ill., when an automobile party, going to a Thanksgiving dinner, was struck by a passenger train.

A dispatch from Athens says advances received in the Greek capital from Mitylene state that a Turkish mine layer has been torpedoed and sunk in the Bosphorus.

Twelve hundred bales of cotton were burned in a fire which destroyed a warehouse at Georgetown, Ga. The loss is estimated at \$60,000.

The three class C directors of the Kansas City federal reserve bank matched pennies to fix the length of their terms of office.

The British steamers Rowanmore and Asian, cleared from New Orleans, carried 2,444 horses said to be for the use of the British and French armies, in addition to large cargoes of cotton and grain.

Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer in London, in a speech in the house of commons last week said the United States was due England five billion dollars and still they could not do business.

Sweeping investigation of the charge of the Turkish government interfering with code messages addressed by Ambassador Morgenthau to the American government has been ordered by Secretary of State Bryan. If true vigorous representations will be made to the Porte.

A dispatch from Lisbon says that the Portuguese congress has decided that Portugal should co-operate with the allies when it considers the step necessary. The minister of war issued a decree for partial mobilization.

American grain dealers have sent the European warring nations since July 1, \$150,000,000 in wheat and flour, and to this is added \$50,000,000 for other grains purchased in this country since that date.

With prospects of a graduating class of 95 students and with a total enrollment approaching 600, the college of Industrial Art at Denton is the only state institution of higher learning, except the state university, which opened its session this fall with an increased attendance over all previous years. The enrollment for last year was 545, while the list of graduates totaled 76.

It was reported that two British steamers were sunk off Havre Thursday by German submarines. The steamers were the Malachite and the Primo. The crews of both vessels were rescued.

The German press bureau gives out this information: "A dispatch from Bern says reports from a reliable source set forth that the French losses up to Nov. 1, were 130,000 men killed, 370,000 wounded and 167,000 missing."

British orders for more than \$15,000,000 worth of vehicles—automobiles, wagons, sleds, harness and equipment—were brought back by Frederick S. Fish, of South Bend, Ind., who has just returned from England, it was announced.

President Wilson has consented to see a delegation of Democratic women who want him to urge support of a constitutional amendment for woman suffrage. He will receive them early in December.

Europe bought 550,000 bushels of wheat for export in the Chicago market through local traders, one day last week.

The navy department has found it possible to turn discarded one-pounder guns of the Mark VI type into effective anti-aeroplane guns. About 50 of these guns, made in 1899, are being converted at the Washington navy yard into "sky searchers." The department figures it has effected a saving of about \$100,000.

Forty cars of horses have been shipped from Texas over the Santa Fe to Canada, where they will be shipped to Europe for use in British and French armies.

United States cavalrymen will not act as continual guard for the non-union miners employed by Franklin Bache as receiver of the Bache-Denman interests in the Prairie Creek, Ark., vicinity, according to orders issued by Major N. F. McClure, in command of the camp.

The steamship Admiral Grandtme, loaded with refugees, was sunk in the channel Oct. 26 by a German submarine, the British admiralty declares.

Both houses of the English parliament have adjourned until the New Year. The house of lords will reassemble Jan. 6, but the house of commons not until Feb. 2.

A dispatch from Constantinople says it has been announced officially that the interest on the loan of 1909 will be paid only to such bondholders as present themselves at the central office of the ministry of finance. The announcement refers to a loan of \$31,800,000 issued at 4 per cent in 1909.

The German authorities in Brussels have arrested 300 British civilians, according to reports received at Amsterdam.

Wives of Lake Shore millionaires who are to chaperon a series of Chicago municipal dances raised their eyes in surprise when they were advised that they should be "properly gowned."

Cardinal Cavallari, patriarch of Venice, is dead. Cardinal Cavallari was born at Chioggia in 1849. He became a cardinal in 1907.

Laden with toys for the stricken children of the countries involved in the European war, the United States collier Jason, the American Christmas ship, has arrived at Davenport, Eng.

For the first time the report of the umpire of runs in the Cushing oil field in Oklahoma, has shown production in excess of 200,000 barrels a day. This was for last week. It is due to the exemptions that were made under the conservation order of the corporation commission.

It has been transferred that Oklahoma oil promoters have quietly secured leases on several thousand acres of land near Denton and will begin in a few days sinking a well, expecting to go 3,000 feet in search of oil.

John D. Rockefeller's only hope of relief from Cuyabaca county, Ohio, tax assessment of \$1,200,000 upon an involuntary personal tax return of \$311,053.337 now lies in the federal courts. The board of tax complaints dismissed Mr. Rockefeller's complaints asking for abatement.

Giving a touch of cheer to the Thanksgiving season, the department of agriculture's crop estimate bureau published a bumper crop review. This showed that all crops yielded about 94 per cent larger than last year. War prices prevail, giving all figures a higher trend than last year, despite the fact that the crops are larger.

Nearly 58 years after it was written and posted to him, a letter has just been delivered at Colorado Springs to Prof. James H. Hutton, by the name of the letter was Prof. E. F. M. Facts, Prof. Kerr's former instructor in civil engineering in an eastern school. It was written at New London, Pa., March 20, 1857, when Prof. Kerr was not quite 50 years of age. He is now in his 78th year.

As an aid in the Red Cross Christmas sale and the anti-tuberculosis campaign, a motion picture dealing with the problem of tuberculosis in children has been prepared by Thos. A. Edison, and will be shown throughout the country. The film was produced in co-operation with the national association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis. The picture is entitled "The Temple of Molech."

The Lackawanna railroad has determined to operate all its trains between Hoboken and Buffalo by wireless and to maintain the regular telegraph system only for use in emergency between the points, according to an announcement.

The American steamship St. Helens, Captain Odland, which sailed from New York Nov. 17 for San Francisco, arrived at Colon and reported that she had been fired on by the British cruiser Berwick.

The running expenses of the university of Texas for the present fiscal year, 1914-15, including expenditures for salaries and supplies, but excluding the cost of repairs and temporary buildings, amount to \$743,750.82.

President Wilson will not adopt the suggestion of the American federation of labor that steps be taken to have a receiver appointed for the Colorado coal mines involved in the strike for the purpose of having them operated by the federal government.

The new plant of the Texas Power and Light company, one of the largest in the southwest, which will furnish electrical energy for places 100 miles from Waco in all directions, will soon be ready for occupancy.

An increase of 15c in ocean freight rates to Barcelona—a jump from 85c to \$1—is announced by steamship companies operating out of Galveston. The increase was expected, since the rate to other ports advanced some 20 days ago.

PORTUGAL NOW TO AID GREAT BRITAIN

Army Will Mobilize Soon, Say Lisbon Dispatches—Treaty of 1703 in Operation.

RENEW ASSAULTS ON ALLIES

German Forces Reinforced, They Try Again to Rush to Coast—The Russians Victorious in Western Poland.

(Summary of Events.)

A brief dispatch from Lisbon says the Portuguese congress has decided that Portugal should co-operate with the Allies. The minister of war has called for a partial mobilization of the army. The treaty by which Portugal believes it is bound to aid the Allies was made in 1703 with England, and it provides that "each shall mutually aid and help the other" in case of attack.

The only neutral countries left in Europe now are Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, Spain, Italy and the Balkan states, exclusive of Serbia and Montenegro. Portugal is the tenth nation to enter the war. Portuguese troops have already fought side by side with the British in putting down the Boer revolt in South Africa. The peace footing of the Portuguese army is about 35,000. A war footing doubles the size. The navy is composed of a dozen second and third rate vessels.

Heavy Attack on Allies.

The Allies have been attacked in force from Ypres to La Basse. A terrific battle has commenced. The Germans have heavy reinforcements and fresh guns for this renewal of the effort to cut through the Allies' line. The English artillery, however, thus far has thwarted all the German attempts.

It is now said the plan is to reach the French coast by December 10. The Germans show few signs of being staggered by their enormous losses and dispatches from Berlin set forth that the German troops are far better able to stand exposure to the cold than are the Allies. The forces of Emperor William are trained and clothed for just such an emergency, while the troops of the Allies, from the south of France, from Morocco and from India must necessarily suffer greatly.

Cold and Fatigue.

The extreme cold weather and the exhaustion of the troops engaged have virtually brought the battle in Flanders to a standstill.

A desultory artillery duel continues at some points along the wide front and there has been an occasional infantry attack, but for the last five days the fighting has been mild compared with the fierceness of that which for more than a month preceded it.

Freezing in Belgium.

Freezing weather has set in throughout the length of the battle zone in Belgium, the temperature varying between 25 and 28 degrees above zero Fahrenheit. Snow is falling in the Vosges mountains and also at Marseilles.

French Silence German Guns.

French forces have captured the heights of Ornes near Verdun and silenced two German batteries, according to official dispatches to the French embassy.

Losing Guns in the Flood.

Many heavy guns have been lost by the Germans in the floods in Flanders. The official French communiqué in stating this declares that the artillery fire from the coast to the Lys has slackened somewhat. Snow is again falling in Flanders and the bad weather prevented any infantry attacks being made by the Germans. The Germans followed up their advantage at Chauvaucourt in the region of St. Mihiel and have re-occupied the village.

Victory for Russians.

The Russians have won an important battle with the Germans between the Vistula and Warta rivers in Poland. Danger of the capture of Warsaw, capital of the vast territory, is once more dissipated by this victory. About a week ago the Russians had driven the Austro-German army about 150 miles southwest of Warsaw. Then the Teutonic allies turned on their pursuers.

So sudden and fierce was the attack that the Russians retreated. They were followed by the Germans, who pushed the center of the long Slav fighting line to a point within fifty miles of Warsaw. There another battle has been staged—this one between the rivers.

GERMANS IN DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO REACH COAST

London.—Behind all bluster of the German press we may read a resolute Teuton determination to continue attacking and a confidence in ultimate triumph of Germany which are almost sublime. An effort is to be made to burst through to Calais. Upon this task one-half million German troops will be engaged within the next few days. Perhaps one hundred thousand Ger-

A Second Battle Probable.

The same dispatches that tell of Von Hindenburg's reverses, however, say that the German re-encforcements were being brought up so that another great battle is likely to develop on a line nearer to the frontier of Posen, where the Germans will have the same chances of renewing a vigorous offensive as had the Russians in the present instance.

General Von Hindenburg has about 400,000 men, but if the Petrograd report can be accepted, they have been separated, badly cut up and thousands taken prisoner, so these German forces will require reformation and rest.

Another Russian army is operating along the border of East Prussia, and a third one is pursuing a vigorous campaign in northern Austria. It was said by military experts that the purpose of the Austro-German attack and pursuit of the Russian center was to draw off the second and third armies from East Prussia and Galicia. What these lesser Slav forces are doing has not been revealed.

Veil of Secrecy.

The veil of secrecy has been drawn over the battles between the Russians and the Austro-German forces. The headquarters of both armies now are confining themselves to the briefest statements concerning the hostilities, saying merely that fighting is in progress.

Przemysl About to Fall.

A dispatch from Petrograd says that it is announced there that the siege of Przemysl appears to be rapidly approaching its end. The trenches surrounding the fortifications are in the possession of the Russian troops. Many of the trenches are filled with lime, confounding statements of prisoners that cholera is raging in the garrison of Przemysl.

Austrians Tell of Success.

Reports from Vienna tell of successes in Galicia, including the occupation by the Teutonic allies of Tarnow and Wlisczka.

Turks Are Winning Fast.

Official reports given in Constantinople relate the continued successful Turkish advance upon Batum, the Russian port on the Black Sea. All the territory between the Turkish border and the River Churuk is in Turkish hands, while a Turkish force in the southern part of this territory has taken Artvin. The Turks declare that the English losses at Shatt-el-Arab amounted to 750 dead and several thousand wounded.

Russian Port Bombed.

The Russian port Hamidieh, followed by a flotilla of torpedo boats, appeared off Taushe, Russia, and opened fire, hurling 125 projectiles into the neighborhood. The Russian artillery immediately replied with a very effective fire.

Turks Reach Suez Canal.

An official Turkish statement says that the Turkish troops have reached the Suez Canal. In fighting near El Kantara the English suffered heavy losses and took flight.

Riot in Constantinople.

The British embassy in Constantinople has been sacked and the Russian hospital pillaged and all foreigners have been more or less seriously abused.

May Attack Italy.

The Italian government is aware that Austria is doing its utmost to induce Turkey to attack Italy, but none the less hesitates to believe the report that has just come in from one of its most reliable agents that common action of the combined Austro-Turkish squadron is to be expected against Italy at a very early date.

GENERAL YOUNGBLUTH



Among the Belgian commanders who have gained distinction in the war is General Youngbluth, aide-de-camp to King Albert.

ALWAYS ONE ROAD

Earnest Seeker Will Never Find Path to Christ Completely Blocked.

The one thing that brought fame to the four friends of the palsied man, mentioned in the Scriptures, was their resourcefulness. They were not easily embarrassed by some sudden difficulty. If they could not do the thing in the way they expected to do it they would try something unusual. When they found the house where Christ was speaking so crowded that they could not force themselves and their burden through the door by which visitors were expected to enter, they climbed up some other way and accomplished their purpose.

There are generally obstacles in the way of doing anything that is worth doing. The worth of a thing is not always in proportion to the obstacles in the way. To climb a snow-capped mountain is a difficult and hazardous undertaking. It gives some splendid exercise, a magnificent view is obtained from the top, there is a sense of satisfaction in having done what others have not been able to do. But there are easier things which have more real profit in them. Many difficulties must be overcome before the great rewards of life are gained. Skill to be an artist or musician or expert workman must be paid for in persevering application. Knowledge does not come without careful observation and hard study.

Some of the obstacles in the way may be avoided by taking another path, some of them must be forced out of the way before we can proceed. There are not always two or more ways of gaining some goal. An education can be secured in only one way—by long and tedious study. If that path is blocked, it will be impossible to climb up some other way. There is but one way which leads to heaven. The Lord declared that those who tried to climb in some other way are thieves and robbers.

More Than One Way to Christ.

But there is more than one way into the presence of Christ. On that day in Peter's home some found him by entering the door and some by breaking up the roof. Bartimaeus found him by sitting still by the roadside until the Lord came where he was, but Zaccheus, with that same resourcefulness which made him head of the customs house at Jericho and rich, climbed into a tree and found a Savior. Some today may find him in the church, and others may find him in the tabernacle of the evangelist, and still others may come face to face with him by following a most extraordinary course. Greater in number than the number of the roads which lead into Rome are the paths which lead to Christ. If one path is blocked, there is always another by which the earnest seeker can go to him.

LOOKING TO THE INDIVIDUAL

People Who Will Not Look Up to God Have Eyes Fixed on the Professing Christian.

The saddest thing about the European war is that it discredits Christianity before the world. Many who disbelieve the doctrines of Christianity are utterly and bitterly opposed to war. They know that all the nations involved in the present struggle call themselves Christian nations. They read that the opposing sovereigns exhorted their armies to pray for victory, which can only mean success in slaughter. They say: "This is Christianity!" and turn away in disgust.

The only answer can be that this is not Christianity. A great pagan was once asked what he thought of Christianity, and replied: "It has never been tried." So the governments of Europe today are not putting their Christianity into practice. Christ never taught co-operation and self-denial and selflessness for individuals, and strife, self-assertion and oppression for nations. They have misunderstood and misrepresented him.

Visitors to the Sistine chapel in the Vatican purchase mirrors from the guides so that through the mirrors they may gaze comfortably at the exquisite Michael Angelo paintings on the ceiling. So many people will not raise their eyes to look at God. But they have expected to show them what Christ is like—The Christian Herald.

Hidden Music.

There are many lives which to those who dwell close beside them seem to make no music. They pour out their strength in hard toil. They are shut up in narrow spheres. They dwell amid the noise and clatter of common task work. They think themselves that they are not of any use, that no blessing goes out from their life. They never dream that sweet music is made anywhere in the world by their noisy hammering. But out over the world, where the influence goes from their work and character human lives are blessed, and weary ones hear with gladness, sweet, comforting music. Then away off in Heaven, where angels listen to earth's melody, entrancing strains are heard—Selected.

Let Your Light Shine.

Be such a man, live such a life, that if every man were such a man as you, and every life such a life as yours, this earth would be God's paradise—Phillips Brooks.

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

Thanksgiving in Sterling consisted of good dinners and grateful hearts. The continual downpour of rain made impossible a public program.

The general sentiment of our farmers seems to be that they are willing to let the sucker raise the cotton next year. They say that they have raised a two-years' supply of cotton this year, and will let the other fellow have the job.

The hog has a chemical laboratory stored away under his bristly hide which can convert more waste materials into values than any four-footed beast known. If he is given a chance with his rooster, he will lift a heavy mortgage from the farm.

The reason why West Texas is not noted for its mineral products, the people have devoted most of their time in searching for grass and water. Because of this, little, or nothing is known of the vast riches which nature has stored away for the use of future generations.

The rain which has fallen here during the past ten days will add much wealth to Sterling County. The grass is still as green as the proverbial wheat field, every ranch has an abundance of winter forage, the winter forage weeds are far advanced, and the stock are all fat. With all these blessings, we should be truly thankful.

A good school is one of the best assets a town or a community can possess. Good schools cost money but where we consider their importance and value, we get more out of them in proportion to the money we expend than anything else. They add big values to every acre of ground and every industry within their range.

Property owners within the range of Sterling City high school are to be congratulated on the showing the school is making this year. This showing will bring a class of people who have the means to buy homes and build industries. Our superb climate, soil and natural resources will induce the best classes to come here to live.

The lack of drainage to our public roads is going to cost Sterling County thousands of dollars some day. We have fine natural roadbeds, but the neglect of drainage will soon cost the taxpayers big sums to repair the damage that is constantly going on. The engineer's level, the plow and scraper, properly applied to our roads at this time, would save thousands in the future.

Then and Now

Ye old time Commissioner from a country precinct was a man distinguished for his ignorance and prejudice. His chief ambition was to keep tax valuations on country property at a minimum, and that of the town at a maximum. He gloried in bad roads, rotten bridges and a tumbled-down court house and jail, surrounded by uncouth evidences of neglect. He was "agin' education," and hated towns and "town fellers"—in fact, he was "agin' the town, tooth and nail.

We are glad to say that that sort of men are nearly all dead or laid on the shelf—and God speed the day when we shall have the exquisite pleasure of writing the political obituary of the last of their tribe.

Your County Commissioner of today is quite a different sort. He is the son of his daddy, but he did not inherit the scales and bristles of his sire. He reads and thinks. He sees things in their true light. He has learned to regard the town and the town people as his true friends. He has learned that his prosperity is chiefly dependent upon the up-building and prosperity of the town. He has learned the newer a prosperous town his property is situated,

TRUSTEE'S SALE

The entire B. F. Roberts Stock of Merchandise now selling AT FIRST COST

This excellent stock of Dry Goods Boots, Shoes, Hats, Suits, Notions Croceries, etc., are being retailed at wholesale prices

The profits heretofore taxed on these goods go to the man who buys them. If bargains are what you want, you need go no further than the B. F. Roberts old stand to find them in goods that have been carefully selected and bought. This is the first sale of the kind that has ever occurred in Sterling City, and it will be a noted one for its bargains. Now is the time to lay in your ranch supplies, as well as supplies for your family, while

you can get them with so little money. As this sale is to be made quickly and the business closed out, it will pay you to come early. Since the money must be made out of these goods as quickly as possible, cash must be paid for every purchase.

Remember the place: B. F. Roberts' store, north side of the square, next door to First National Bank, Sterling City, where I will sell anything in the house at cost.

All persons indebted to B. F. Roberts will call and pay their accounts without further notice.

E. D. GRIMMER, Trustee, Sterling City, Texas

ed, the greater the value; and that good roads and bridges bring him nearer the town, and the better they are the more value it will add to his property. Therefore, he is willing to give the town a square deal by helping to bear a part of its burdens. He takes a pride in seeing his county's property properly cared for. He glories in good roads and bridges, a decent courthouse and jail, with their environments made comely. He is a friend to education, and always votes for the best interests of the schools. He has learned, also, that the man who is always cussin' the town and "town fellers" knows but little more, and thinks but little more than the cows that roam his pastures—in fact, he has learned to regard such men as darn fools.

Pecans

Again we urge our friends to plant pecan trees. They are natives, and are the logical trees to plant, if properly set, the loss will be exceedingly small.

A hole about two feet in diameter and from two to three feet deep should be dug and filled to within six or eight inches of the top with good soil, and then fill the hole with water. In taking up a scion, care should be taken not to bruise the roots. Cut the tap root off smoothly and trim the broken roots so as to leave no jagged ends. In setting, see that the soil is pressed firmly around each root, and see that no air spaces are left. A tree should not be set deeper than it stood before it was taken up, and should be set with its north side to the north as it grew. During the first year, give the young tree plenty of water and you will have no trouble in getting it to live and grow.

The pecan is one of our most symmetrical trees, and will grow according to the treatment you give it. A few pecan trees about your home will add greater value to it than any other investment.

Our High School Among The Best

W. S. Taylor, School Inspector of the University of Texas, called last Wednesday and inspected our high school and its premises. After going through and subjecting every department to a rigid examination, Mr. Taylor pronounced Sterling City high school one of the best of its size in the State.

He said he was greatly surprised when he came here, for he was not expecting to find such a school in a little town like ours. He said that in all his rounds he had found no superiors and but few equals, and all that we lacked of having permanent affiliation with the State University and all the other schools of the state, was the assurance of sufficient funds to maintain our school for nine months each year.

Mr. Taylor was loud in his praise of our teachers and their work. He also congratulated us in having a good, level-headed School Board, whose wisdom had brought about this splendid achievement. He urged those of us whom he met to keep up the good work, as it meant the making of the country and the people.

MISS DAVULT IS HARD TO SURPASS

Last Monday night, as per announcement, a large audience assembled in the school auditorium to hear Miss Davault, the renowned reader and impersonator. Then it was learned that the train on which she was to come was two hours late; but the crowd patiently waited for the belated train.

At 9 o'clock Miss Davault began, and for two hours she held her audience spell bound. After entertaining with several light numbers, she gave the "Music Master." So perfect was her rendition and impersonation of the characters of this story, that it seemed, instead of one

person, all the characters of the drama were present.

We feel sure that all who heard her will agree that the young lady is a most wonderful woman in her line.

Celery

Celery ought to be a paying crop here. It grows to perfection in this soil when irrigated, and we see no reason why it could not be profitably grown here.

Last June the writer received a package of celery seed from the department of agriculture, which certain politicians assured us were sterile. These seeds were sown on a spot of wet ground caused by a leaky water pipe. They soon came up and grew rapidly. On August 18th, one hundred of these plants were transplanted to trenches about eight inches deep and kept watered, and by the middle of October the writer's table was abundantly supplied with the finest quality of celery.

This one hundred plants occupied three rows, about 35 feet long, and at present prices would be worth \$10.

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS

THE STATE OF TEXAS

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Pat Kellis, whose postoffice address is Sterling City, Texas, did on the 30th day of Oct., A. D. 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of The State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to construct an impounding reservoir and divert therefrom by means of a pumping plant 12 cu. ft. of water per second of time for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the North Concho River, by means of said dam and pumping, the dam constructed across the North Concho River and the pumping plant located on the S. W. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4 of Survey No. 8, Block No. 12, S. P. Ry. Co. survey in Sterling County, Texas, on the south bank of the Concho River.

You are hereby further notified that the lands to be irrigated are described as follows: all of the valley lying between the North Concho River on the north and the range of hills on the south belonging to Pat Kellis, containing about 23 acres; and all that tract or parcel of land lying north of the north boundary line of the above described tract of land and south of the North Concho River, owned by J. L. Glass, containing about 2 acres; all aggregating 25 acres and situated in Sterling County, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said Pat Kellis will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of The State of Texas, at the court house, in the City of San Angelo, County of Tom Green, said State, on Monday, the 7th day of Dec., A. D. 1914, beginning at ten o'clock, a. m., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 31st day of Oct., A. D. 1914.

J. C. Nagle } Board John Wilson } E. B. Gore }

Attest: [Seal] W. T. Potter, Secretary.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Geo. H. McEntire, whose postoffice address is Sterling City, Texas, did on the 30th day of Oct., A. D. 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of The State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate 4 cubic feet of water per second of time for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the North Concho River by means of a pumping plant located on Section 7, Block 14, S. P. Ry. Co. Survey in Sterling County, Texas.

You are hereby further notified that the land proposed to be irrigated is described in the application as follows: A field about halfway of the east line of Section 7, Block 14, S. P. Ry. Co. lands in Sterling County, Texas, containing 41.3 acres.

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Notice is hereby given that driving any stock across, working stock or otherwise trespassing upon any lands owned or controlled by me is hereby forbidden under pain of prosecution. p11-20-14 E. F. Atkinson

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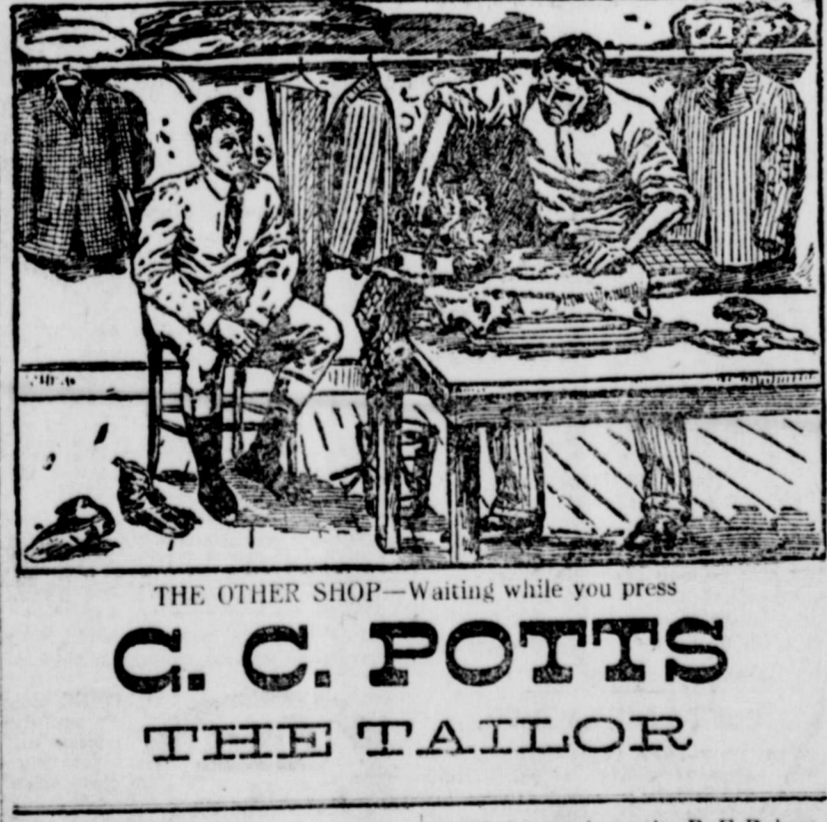
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W. L. Foster is at his ranch nearlatan, looking after livestock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lane were in from the HS ranch this week.

Born—On the 26th ult., to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Latham, a girl.

Mrs. J. D. Gowen, of Christoval, is the guest of her son, Dr. Chas. R. Gowen.

Judge M. B. McKnight and son, Tom, are here looking after ranch interests.

Nelson & Reynolds shipped 4 cars of cattle to Fort Worth markets last Wednesday.

The family of R. P. Lehr came in last Monday and are domiciled in our town.

Bargain Days for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Dec. 1 to 15. \$3.25 per year.—Christian Aid Society.

When you need a new tire for your automobile, don't forget A. A. Gamble and the Miller Tires.

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Go in and see the new steam pressing outfit at G. C. Potts' tailoring shop. Bring your suit along.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hodges came in from their ranch last Monday evening and attended the lyceum.

The Houston Chronicle, the big \$6 daily, to new subscribers only, 100 days for \$1.—Christian Aid Society.

J. L. Copeland and sister, Miss Fannie, motored over from Bliss to attend the lyceum last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glass were among those from out-of-town who attended the lyceum last Monday evening.

The entire stock of goods, formerly owned by B. F. Roberts, is now being sold out at cost by E. D. Grimmer, Trustee.

Will name location of bazaar next week. Be sure to ask about the doll wedding. Participants real Schenck dolls.

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Don't fail to read the big bargain offers of the big daily papers. Give your subscriptions to the Christian Aid Society.

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C. J. Dunn sold a car of horses for various parties this week. These horses will be shipped to the war zone in Europe.

Caulb & Conger received a car of calves, this week, which they recently bought from Harry Jackson. These calves, together with others, will be placed on the Caulb ranch, near Lamesa.

The ladies of the Wimodaughis Club will conduct a bazaar on the 22 and 23, and a market on the 24 of December. Proceeds to go for the library.

Winter is coming and you will need a heater and stove pipe, and you better look after your flues, also. Austin & Williams carry a full line of these things and will sell them to you at a price that will allow you to live and let them live.

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10-17-13, d W. J. Mann

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force should be divided equally between the city man and the farmer. We suggest it is unfair for the banker to coerce the farmer to diversify by the power of a loan. Let him agree to finance the diversified crop while in process of production. It is co-operation, not dictation, the farmer needs. Agriculture is already bed-ridden with free advice and if the city man will come back to the soil and co-operate direct with the man who plows instead of basing his action upon typewritten reports of book farmers, we will understand each other better and the south will blossom like a rose."

Statement Issued.

The following statement was issued from the joint meeting and signed by Mr. Lewis, Peter Radford and J. A. Kemp, Chairman Bankers' Committee:

"The farmers and bankers of Texas, through their representatives, being united in the determination to work and stand together in the matter of holding this year's crop and reducing the average of the 1915 crop at least 10 per cent, urge all who have cotton to sell none for less than a pound and we urge the co-operation of all farmers, bankers and business men in this campaign. With absolute confidence that the price of 10c a pound can and will be reached in the near future."

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A. C. Pearson
R. B. McEntire

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PEANUTS AS FOOD.

Peanuts are the cheapest and most commonly used of all nuts, yet because of their cheapness they are undervalued. The following are some ways of serving them: Peanut butter can be made at home. Fresh shelled roasted nuts put through a grinder and mixed with butter and salt to suit the taste. If the butter is fresh and the peanut mixture is put in jars it will keep some time and be good.

Sweet Peanut Sandwiches.—Take half a cupful of grated maple sugar or brown sugar, one-fourth of a cupful of chopped peanuts and a tablespoonful of rich milk. Mix well and spread on buttered graham bread or crackers.

Peanut brittle is a favorite candy with the children. Melt two cupfuls of sugar in a frying pan, stir until brown, then pour over a pan of shelled peanuts.

Nut Pudding.—Mix a cupful of chopped nuts with two cupfuls of bread crumbs, add two eggs mixed with a pint of milk. Season with salt and pepper and bake until firm and brown. Serve as a vegetable.

Scalloped Tomatoes With Nuts.—Mix half a cupful of fine-chopped nuts with two cupfuls of bread crumbs and two tablespoonfuls of melted butter. Put a layer in the bottom of the baking dish, then add a cupful of tomatoes, another layer of crumbs, another cup of tomatoes and over the top the rest of the nut and crumb mixture. Bake in a quick oven until brown, and serve hot.

Potatoes With Nuts.—Mix together one cupful of chopped nuts and two cupfuls of bread crumbs, and put in a greased pan. Alternate layers of cold sliced potatoes and this mixture, finishing with the crumb mixture, pour over a cupful and a half of milk, well seasoned with salt and pepper. Bake slowly one hour.

Peanut soup, peanut bread and peanut cookies are more of the tasty dishes which one may prepare. Peanuts served with lettuce with French dressing and a bit of chopped onion makes a most satisfying salad.

Tell me what you eat and I will tell you what you are.—Brislat Savarin.

To obtain that we may enjoy, is the epitaph of reason.—Rousseau.

CHRISTMAS DISHES.

There is any number of dainty dishes which will add much to the Christmas dinner when nicely prepared.

Giblet Sauce.—Cook the giblets until tender, drain, cut in cubes and put in a buttered baking dish in which a layer of buttered crumbs has been placed. Cover with a white sauce, and sprinkle with bread crumbs and grated cheese, then brown in the oven.

Sweet Potato Croquettes.—Peel and boil in salted water until tender seven large sweet potatoes and mash while warm, season with cream, add a beaten egg and whip until light, and when cold mold into small croquettes and fry in deep fat. Garnish with parsley.

Escalloped Turnips.—Take five or six white turnips, according to the number to be served. Parboil the turnips until tender, drain, cut in cubes and put in a buttered baking dish in which a layer of buttered crumbs has been placed. Cover with a white sauce, and sprinkle with bread crumbs and grated cheese, then brown in the oven.

Chestnut Dressing.—Boil a quart of shelled chestnuts in salted water until tender, while warm mash to a paste, adding a teaspoonful of salt, a dash of paprika and half the quantity of bread crumbs, two tablespoonfuls of melted butter and a teaspoonful of poultry dressing. Blend the ingredients thoroughly and if a moist dressing is desired add a cupful of boiling milk.

Custard and Spinach.—Boil a quart of spinach in salted water until tender and press dry, setting aside until cold. Beat two eggs, add a "teaspoonful of salt, and gradually a pint of hot milk, stirring well. Add the fine-chopped spinach, and cook in hot water until firm. Cut in cubes when cold and serve as a garnish with clear soup.

Nellie Maxwell.

No Hurry in Japan. It will save you much waste of energy and loss of comfort, and if you would enjoy travel in Japan you will readily learn the art of "resignation" to your fate, and you will sometimes have many good opportunities of studying Japanese life in its natural pictorial setting. Don't get annoyed, either, if nearly every casual Japanese acquaintance you meet asks you a lot of personal questions. To ask personal questions is the Japanese way of showing interest in your welfare. Philadelphia North American.

Their Days of Comfort.

We have come to the belief that the happiest ones in the world are those who, having experienced wealth and the intolerable bother of keeping to a certain standard of fashion and high living, lose their money and are then able thoroughly to enjoy the ease and comfort of poverty and privation.

Uncle Eben.

"De man dat tries to put on airs," said Uncle Eben, "throws himself on de mercy of folks dat is too polite to laugh."

GATHERED SMILES

EVEN SO.

Young Arthur—studious, solemn little chap that he was—looked up from the paper the other evening and asked his father a question: "What is a minor operation, father?" Father started to explain—for he always encouraged questions from his young hopeful—but paused suddenly and smiled. "My son," he said, "a minor operation is any one the fee for which is less than three figures. Your uncle is a surgeon—ask him and he may tell you the same thing!"

THE VERY BEST.



She—What's the name of the best tortoise teller? He (absently)—Bradstreet.

Namur. "There is one fortress I don't believe the Germans have taken, in spite of their claims to the contrary." "Name 'er!" "Yes, that's the one."

Same Case. "I see where Mexico has the same provisional government as some homes." "What's that?" "The cook's."

A Frolicsome Miss. Although her face was fair to view, it was her greatest pride. Upon a ballroom floor to do The Cubanosa glide.

At Odds. "It is queer that our garbage man has a very cheerful disposition." "What is queer?" "Because it is his business to be in the dumps."

Defined. Willis—Would you call him a good mixer? Gillis—Yes; there is no class of society in which he really behaves himself.—Puck.

The Reason. "I guess it takes a lot of capital to go into the bakery business." "Why that business especially?" "Because you can't make bread unless you have the 'dough'."

Danger Averted. "Betty said that if any man kissed her without warning she would scream for her father?" "What did you do?" "I warned her."—Boston Transcript.

Instances. "Every class in life seems to have its peculiar disease." "Then I suppose jailbirds have a breaking out, and carpenters have the shingles?"

HE'D PUT HIM TO SLEEP.



Mr. Green—Doc, try as many remedies as I can, I can't put my youngest kid to sleep. What would you advise me to do? Doctor Wise—Hire a prize fighter for a nurse.

A Diplomat. "You were with papa a long time. Did he seem reluctant to give me up?" "No. Before I asked him for you I talked a half an hour about the way the war was going to affect dress goods and foodstuffs."

An Exchange of It's. "What is meant by an eye for an eye?" asked the boob. "That's what happens when two egotists start a conversation," replied the cheerful idiot.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The New Cult. "She wears futurist gowns, you know." "No, I don't know a thing about it. What is a futurist gown, anyhow?" "You can search me—perhaps they are gowns which are yet to be paid for."—Puck.

A Business Prejudice. "So the cook at the club was caught beating his wife." "So I heard. I suppose he thought that, like a steak, by beating her he could make her tender."

Their Clan Song. "I wonder," said Naggsby, "what would be the most appropriate hymn for ice harvesters." Waggsby—"Shall We Gather Up the River."

Sure. "What does begging the question mean?" asked the boob. "That's when a girl is trying to snare a man into proposing," replied the grouch.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Natural Animosity. "I saw a most unusual sight of harmony at the beach this morning." "What was it?" "An old sea dog getting on finely with a catboat."

Literal. "I saw Harry hand Jane a lemon at the church bazaar." "To pay her up for her flirting with George?" "No, to make lemonade with."

A War Disease. "They say war starts epidemics of diseases." "Yes. The European war started an epidemic of homesickness among traveling Americans right away."

Explained. Indignant Young Lady—That gawky freak! Why you told me he has a nobby young fellow! Treacherous Friend—Yes, but I spelled it with a k.

His Practice. "So Jim is going to England to enlist in the army. Has he had any experience in war?" "Oh, yes. He's had considerable practice in Maine shooting guides."

Incredulous. "An honest man is the noblest work of God," quoted the Wise Guy. "Yes, but the self-made man is rather inclined to doubt it," added the Simple Mug.—New York Mail.

DEAD SURE IT WAS.



Doctor Emdee—I hope the patient's temperature is lower this morning than it was last night. The Nurse—It is; he's dead.

Not the Best of Husbands. "Dubkins used to say, 'A good woman deserves the best of everything.'" "Yes?" "Then he showed his inconsistency by becoming the husband of one."

The Ideal. He—Do you know I've called full a dozen times and not found you in. She—Nor will you ever find me in if you call in that condition.

Hopeless Case. "Dobble worries me. He's an inveterate punster." "Why don't you sit down on him?" "He'd probably make a pun out of that."

Faded Away. "Did you bet all that money on a horse?" "Maybe it was a horse," replied Mr. Sportwell; "and maybe it was an optical illusion."

A Distinction. "Did you meet any nice men at the summer resort, dear?" "I should say I did, and I met a couple of rich ones, too."

Marvelous. For nearly half a century We've tended to our mutton, And never yet have had to chase A rolling collar button.

Revised Rates. The Justice—Ten for exceedin' the speed limit. Comin' back this way? The Victim—No. The Justice—Then it's twenty.

Locations Alter Cases. He—But you didn't object to my holding your hand at the summer resort last week. She—That's different. We are alone now and there isn't another girl in sight to be jealous of me.

Many Responded. Foreman (typewriter factory)—Have you had any experience in assembling typewriters? Applicant—Oh, sure! I advertised for one once at twenty a week.—Judge.

Those Canal Tolls. "Have you noticed the terrible amounts of those canal tolls for large vessels?" "Yes, I was wondering how many years it would take me to save up enough to pay the tolls for a rowboat."

In a Manner of Speaking. "That last prize fight of Jabaley's was the result of an appeal to his pride." "Oh, I see. Sort of vanity-box, as it were."

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LAND AND WATER NAVIGATION

No Trick at All for Missouri Farmer to Reach Home With His Purchase in Boat.

"My state," says a Missouri man, "possesses in the Osage river one of the most crooked streams anywhere. They tell of a farmer living on the banks of the Osage who had a small flatboat, which, one day, he loaded with produce and floated down to market, six miles away. He exchanged the produce for goods at one of the stores and loaded his goods in the flatboat."

"How are you going to get your stuff home?" asked a bystander. "Got a steamboat to tow you back?" "I'm going to float it back," was the reply.

"How, I'd like to know." "I reckon you don't know much about this river. It doubles on itself just below here and runs back within less than a quarter of a mile of my place. I've got a landing on both banks and a team of horses that can drag the boat from one landing to the other."

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Properly Named. Umson—What variety of chestnuts do you sell here? Vender—I dunno. Why? "You ought to call them the early birds." "Early birds?" "Yes. They always seem to catch the worms."—Youngstown Telegram.

In Word and Deed. "Your father and mother had an awful fuss last night, didn't they?" "Perfectly awful." "Which side did you take?" "Papa has promised me a piano for Christmas and mamma has promised me a diamond, so I am strictly neutral."

Or His Heir. Alice—What is your favorite air? Betty—The millionaire. — Boston Evening Transcript.

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A woman hates a male flirt worse than she hates a mouse—unless he's flirting with her.

Swapping horses is only one kind of a stock exchange.

TRAINED HORSE A NUISANCE

British Officer's Experience Shows That It is Not Always Wise to Teach One Tricks.

It is not always wise to teach a horse to play tricks, as this story, told by Gen. Sir Robert Baden-Powell in Pearson's Magazine, proves. John Leech's inimitable circus horse that insisted on sitting down with his rider whenever he heard a band play, which, in a weak moment, I had taught to rear up and "salute" whenever I leaned forward to make a bow.

It was all very pretty when I was out riding and met any lady of my acquaintance, but it became an infernal nuisance when I was out pig stinking. I would lean forward to meet the rush of a charging boar with my spear—just at the moment when his safety depended on my taking a true and deadly aim with my spear point. The consequence was that his hind legs showed many scars from boars' tusks, and he was lucky that he did not end his career with his belly ripped open.

I had, too, at one time, a fine, but somewhat nervous charger. One day, on a parade, my mount suddenly gave way with me, and quietly lay down. I thought for the moment he was ill, but, on rousing him, he immediately sprang to his feet again, quite fit and well. A week or two later, when riding with a friend, we stopped for a moment to admire the view, when down he went again. It was evident to me that he had been trained to lie down at a given signal, but I never could discover for the life of me what that signal was.

Historic Clontarf.

Clontarf, where the collision between the national volunteers and the soldiers took place, is one of the most historic spots in Ireland. It was there, on Good Friday, April 23, 1914, Brian Boru and the men of Munster, Connaught and Meath fought the Danes. Brian was killed in his tent; Sigurd Earl of Orkney and Cathness, perished also; and 11,000 Irishmen and 12,000 Danes are said to have fallen. Victory remained with the Irish, but the Danes recaptured Dublin. In modern times O'Connell's monster meetings for repeal were to have culminated at Clontarf. But the meeting was prohibited by the government, and O'Connell was put upon his trial for conspiracy and convicted, though the verdict was eventually reversed by the house of lords.—London Chronicle.

A Knockout.

Senator Smith of South Carolina, who was recently re-elected, tells this story of a little argument in the court room between a rising young attorney and an elderly physician. The attorney was prosecuting a damage suit, and the physician's testimony being detrimental to his cause, he was trying to show that the doctor was inexperienced.

He asked several satirical questions. The physician answered patiently. Finally he tried a final shot. "You've sent a good many of your patients to heaven, haven't you, doctor?" he asked.

"Well, I presume they went there," replied the physician, "unless they had formed too close an association with lawyers."

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Ne-tral. "Can't you give a poor old soldier a dime?" whine the panhandler. "I just come from fighting for France and I ain't gotta cent to my name."

"Sorry, old man," said Dinglebat, with a deep sigh. "I'd like to help you out, but in these delicate moments I must adhere to our national policy and decline to give aid to belligerents."—Judge.

No Chance. "Better stop the car," said the owner. "These three women crossing the street." "I think I can dodge through," suggested the chauffeur.

"Not without wings. One of them will dodge forward, another back and the third probably will go up in the air."—Pittsburgh Post.

Worth Hoping For. Pa—"What's that dreadful noise in the parlor?" Ma—"Sarah's new beau is showing her how he can throw his voice."

Pa—"Well, don't disturb him; maybe he'll throw it so far he won't be able to get it back again."—Youngstown Telegram.

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IS MATTER OF COMPARISON

True Significance of World's Styling a Man Wise and Virtuous Beyond His Fellows.

It is usual to compare one man with another; and finding very few whom we can call wise or virtuous, we are apt to entertain a contemptible notion of our species in general. That we may be sensible of the fallacy of this way of reasoning, we may observe that the honorable appellations of wise and virtuous are not annexed to any particular degree of those qualities of wisdom and virtue, but arise altogether from the comparison we make between one man and another. When we find a man who arrives at such a pitch of wisdom as is very common, we pronounce him a wise man; so that to say there are few wise men in the world is really to say nothing; since it is only by their scarcity that they merit that appellation. Were the lowest of our species as wise as Lord Bacon, we should still have reason to say that there are few wise men. For in that case we should exalt our notions of wisdom, and should not pay a singular homage to anyone who was not singularly distinguished by his talents.—David Hume.

HOW RESINOL CURED ITCHING SKIN TORMENT

Baltimore, Md., May 23, 1914: "My limbs from knee to ankle were completely covered with eczema for a year. I commenced with several small water pimples, which burst when I scratched them, until they developed into sores, and oozed a yellowish fluid. I hated to go in company, it itched and burned so badly. I had no rest at night. I tried a good many remedies for eczema, both liquid and salve, but they did me no good, only made the skin more rough and scaly. I learned of resinol ointment and resinol soap and tried them, and was relieved of the severe itching and burning AT ONCE, and after a month's steady use was completely cured." (Signed) T. S. Lewis, 1821 Summit St. Resinol soap and resinol ointment are sold by all druggists.—Adv.

Early Dams on the Nile.

What the British are undertaking in the Nile country, in the introduction of irrigation plans, was carried out to an interesting extent about 4,500 years ago by King Menes. He is credited with the earliest irrigation works, when dykes were made on the west bank of the Nile to retain the flood waters on the land for a longer period, the east bank being left open for the foundation to spend itself freely. Two thousand years later Amenemhat III extended the same system of "basin irrigation" to the east bank and in order to ward off the danger of a high flood he made Lake Moeris where is now the Fayum. Into this great artificial lake, one of the wonders of the world at that period, the high waters were allowed to escape, and from it, when the crest of the flood had passed, the basins of lower Egypt were kept supplied, without danger of overflowing.

Possibly the Truth, but— "I understand you were punished in school yesterday, Thomas?" said Mr. Bacon to his twelve-year-old boy. "Yes, sir," promptly replied the truthful Thomas. "It was for telling the truth, sir."

Your teacher said it was for some reflection you made on her age. "That's the way she shot it, father. You see, she drew a picture of a basket of eggs on the blackboard and while she was out of the room I just wrote under them: "The hen that made these eggs isn't any chicken."

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