

## NIGHT RIDERS ARE PLACED ON TRIAL

EIGHT ALLEGED LEADERS OF THE  
REELFOOT LAKE BAND ON  
TRIAL FOR THEIR LIVES.

## THEIR FRIENDS GO ARMED

Union City Filled With Rough Clans  
From the Reelfoot Lake  
District.

By Associated Press.  
Union City, Tenn., Dec. 14.—Late to-  
day eight men, alleged leaders of the  
night rider band of Reelfoot Lake, will  
be placed on trial for their lives, charged  
with the murder of Captain Quentin Rankin.  
The men who will be placed on trial today, who,  
when they were formally arraigned last week  
declared themselves not guilty of the charge  
for which they were indicted, are: Garrett  
Johnson, Sam Applewhite, Roy Ransom, Bud  
Morris, Fred Platon, Arthur Clear, Tid Burton  
and Robert Huffman.

Night Rider Clans Gather in Union City  
Special to the Times.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 13.—Clad in  
rough homespun, with ragged trousers  
tucked deep into cowskin boots, innocent  
of polish, with straggling beard and huge  
slouch hats, but always with the inevitable  
long-barreled rifle or big pistol in plain  
view, the denizens of the Reelfoot lake  
district are assembling in this quaint little  
town today for the opening scene of the  
night rider trials. They are friends and  
relatives of the men who are held under  
military guard over at the barracks. They  
ignore the townspeople or glance at them  
with scorn. When they are all together a  
whispered word is all that passes between  
them. Silently and singly they wander  
through the streets or stand for hours  
outside the barracks, gazing curiously  
up at the windows from above in which  
their friends are held incommunicado.  
Sometimes they approach the trim young  
sentries on guard below, taking careful  
inventory of the all-seeing bayonets and  
business-like rifles. They feel keenly this  
trouble, so these rough but simple grown-up  
children of the Reelfoot lake district. They  
believe they are being persecuted and that  
the entire world is against them. Old Tom  
Johnson, whom the state says was the first  
leader of the band who was deposed because  
of his immense stature and mutilated hand,  
made him an easy victim of identification,  
expresses the belief of all of them when he  
says:

**Simple and Child-Like.**  
"It's like this heah, stranger. God put them  
red hills up theah, an' put some of us people  
o' folks that He did not have room for  
nowhere else up theah, too. And then he saw  
we could not make a livin' farmin', so he  
ordered an earthquake, an' the earthquake  
left a big hole. Next He filled the hole  
with water and put fish in it. Then He  
saw we could make a livin' between  
rainin' and fishin'. But along comes  
these rich men, who don't have to make  
no livin' and they tells us all that we  
must not fish in the lake any more,  
cause they owns the lake and the fish  
and put theah. It just nat'ally ain't  
right, stranger; it ain't no justice."  
This is their view, and there are many  
who sympathize with them. But the  
primary object was forgotten and the  
organization began to be used to vent  
personal spite of members and to  
attempt to regulate the most private  
and intimate affairs of everybody for a  
hundred miles around.

**Dropped Dead in Court.**  
Special to the Times.  
San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 14.—J. Mc-  
Cormack, a railway conductor who ar-  
rived a few days ago from Mexico,  
dropped dead in the police court today,  
leaving over a thousand dollars in Mex-  
ican money on his person.

**Granted a New Trial.**  
Special to the Times.  
Weatherford, Tex., Dec. 14.—Joe Dav-  
is, a wealthy Shackelford county cattle-  
man, in jail here under the death pen-  
alty, charged with killing his wife, was  
granted a new trial today. A change of  
venue will be asked.

**Attempted Suicide in Jail.**  
Special to the Times.  
Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Florence  
Thomas attempted suicide by hanging  
herself in the county jail today, but was  
cut down by the jailer in the nick of time  
to prevent death. The woman was  
charged with larceny.

## Admiral Sperry Goes Ashore.

By Associated Press.  
Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 14.—Admiral  
Sperry landed from the battleship Con-  
necticut this morning to pay an official  
visit to Sir Henry McCallum, governor  
general of Ceylon. A guard of honor  
had been assembled and there was a  
big crowd on the water front composed  
of natives and Europeans.  
The admiral was cheered as he stepped  
on shore.

## SEVENTY HORSES ARE BURNED AT DENISON.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 13.—E. E. Davis,  
livery stable on West Chestnut street  
was destroyed by fire at 8 o'clock to-  
night. Seventy horses perished in the  
flames. Fifty of these were the property  
of Mr. Davis. Mr. Davis estimates  
his loss at between \$15,000 and \$20,000,  
with \$4,000 insurance.

The livery stable was a landmark in  
this section, having been erected twenty-  
five years ago.  
An effort was made to save some of  
the horses, but the frightened animals  
could not be driven away from the blaz-  
ing structure and frantically rushed  
back into the building to a fiery death.  
Of the eighty horses in the barn at  
the time only ten escaped.

## KATY DID RECORD BUSINESS IN NOVEMBER.

M. K. and T. Agent George L. Moore  
says that the freight receipts at this  
point in the month of November were  
the largest for a single month in the  
history of the station.  
The Denver also had the largest busi-  
ness ever known, last month, all of  
which indicates progress and prosper-  
ity.

## Postoffice Robbed.

By Associated Press.  
Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Dec. 14.—  
Three unknown men entered the post-  
office here last night while Deputy  
Postmaster Higgins was making out  
the payroll and knocked him senseless  
with a sandbag and escaped with twenty-  
five hundred dollars. They are sup-  
posed to have gone to Canada.

## \$10 SEATS WILL BE DRAWN TONIGHT

The subscribers for the \$10 seats at  
the opening of the new theater will  
meet tonight at the Chamber of Com-  
merce rooms for the purpose of draw-  
ing for seats.  
Subscribers are requested to be present  
at 7:30 and the method of allotting  
seats will be as follows:  
The name of each subscriber will be  
written on a card and placed in a box;  
someone to be selected by the subscrib-  
ers will be blindfolded and draw the  
tickets out of the box. The first name  
drawn will have the choice of seats, re-  
gardless of the number subscribed;  
the second, the choice of remaining  
seats, and so on until all names have  
been drawn.  
Tomorrow night subscribers for the  
\$7.50 seats will meet and the same  
method will be pursued, and the same  
system will be inaugurated for the  
\$5.00 seats on Wednesday night.

## Cattlemen Will Win Says Cowan.

Special to the Times.  
Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 14.—Judge S.  
H. Cowan, attorney for the Texas Cat-  
tle Raisers' Association, returned today  
from Washington, where he had been  
arguing with the ways and means com-  
mittee in behalf of the cattlemen.  
Cowan, despite the pessimistic re-  
ports from Washington, says he is con-  
fident that the tariff on hides will not  
be reduced. He says that the commit-  
tee may put hides on the free list, but  
that congress will decide the matter.  
He declares that Culberson and Bal-  
ley, with many congressmen, oppose  
the reduction, which assures the cat-  
tlemen of a victory despite the com-  
mittee's recommendation.

## LOCALS DEFEATED BY HENRIETTA

The second eleven of the Wichita  
Falls high school again met defeat at  
Henrietta Saturday, the final score be-  
ing 5 to 0.  
The Henrietta team is reported to  
have heavily outweighed the Wichita  
players, but nevertheless the locals  
fought gamely and in the first half held  
the Henrietta players more than even.  
In the second half, however, the great-  
er strength and weight of the Henrietta  
team proved too much.  
The same teams will play in this  
city on Christmas.

## THE BROWNSVILLE AFFAIR UP AGAIN

PRESIDENT SENDS SPECIAL MES-  
SAGE TO CONGRESS IN SUB-  
MITTING REPORT.

## COMPANY "B" IS BLAMED

Roosevelt Says Investigation Shows  
That All Members of Company B  
Were Concerned in Attack.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—Presi-  
dent Roosevelt sent a special message  
to congress in regard to the Brown-  
sville affair today in which he says that  
he submits to congress a report of an  
investigation made by Herbert Browne  
in conjunction with Captain Baldwin.  
This report, he says, enables him  
with a tolerable definiteness to fix the  
guilt on some of the criminals who  
took part in the murderous shooting  
of private citizens of Brownsville on  
August 13 and 14, 1906.

He says it appears that almost all  
the members of Company B must have  
been actively concerned, either in  
shooting or virtually encouraging those  
who were actual participants.  
As to Companies C and D there can  
be no question that practically every  
man in them must have had knowledge  
of the shooting done by some of the  
soldiers in Company B, and possibly  
one or two others in other companies.  
The concealment was itself a grave  
offense, the president says, which were  
greatly aggravated by their testifying  
before the senate committee that they  
were ignorant of what they must have  
known.

President Roosevelt, in concluding,  
recommends that a law be passed al-  
lowing the secretary of war within a  
fixed period of time, say one year, to re-  
instate the soldiers whom he, after a  
careful examination, finds to be inno-  
cent, and whom he finds to have done  
all in their power to help bring to jus-  
tice the guilty.

Meanwhile, the investigation will be  
continued, the results having made it  
obvious that only by carrying on an in-  
vestigation, as the war department ac-  
tually carried it, was there the slight-  
est chance of bringing the offenders to  
justice or separating the less innocent,  
for there were doubtless none entirely  
innocent, but a few less guilty, from  
those whose guilt was heinous.

## THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

**Cotton—New York Spots.**  
New York, Dec. 14.—Market for spot  
cotton quiet and unchanged. Middling,  
9.10. No sales reported.

Cotton—New York Futures.			
	Open	High	Close
January	8.52	8.54	8.53-54
March	8.62	8.63	8.62-63
May	8.69	8.69	8.69-70
December	8.88	8.91	8.90-91

**Cotton—New Orleans Spots.**  
New Orleans, La., Dec. 14.—Market  
for spot cotton steady. Middling, 8 3/4.  
Sales, 1100 bales, F. O. B., 1,150 bales.

Cotton—New Orleans Futures.			
	Open	High	Close
January	8.56	8.64	8.63-64
March	8.63	8.69	8.68-69
May	8.67	8.74	8.74-75
December	8.60	8.66	8.64-66

**Cotton—Liverpool.**  
Liverpool, Eng., Dec. 14.—Market for  
spot cotton steady and unchanged. Mid-  
dling, upland, 4.87d. Sales 10,000  
bales. Receipts, 28,000 bales.

Cotton—Liverpool.			
	Open	High	Close
Jan.-Feb.	4.63 1/2		4.62
Feb.-March	4.62 1/2		4.61
March-April	4.62		4.61
Dec.-Jan.	4.63 1/2		4.62 1/2

**Chicago Grain Market.**  
Wheat—Open High Close  
December 100% 100% 100%  
January 106 106 1/2 104 1/2  
July 98 1/2 98 1/2 97 1/2

**Corn.**  
December 57 1/2 58 1/2 57 1/2  
January 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2  
July 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2

**Oats.**  
December 57 1/2 58 1/2 57 1/2  
January 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2  
July 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2

**Fort Worth Livestock.**  
Cattle receipts, 7,000; hogs, 4,500.  
Steers—Quality choice. Market was  
higher. Tops sold at \$4.00.  
Cows—Quality fair. Market steady.  
Tops sold at \$3.25.  
Calves—Quality choice. Market was  
higher. Tops sold at \$5.50.  
Hogs—Quality choice. Market was  
higher. Tops sold at \$5.70.

## HUGE METEOR SEEN THIS MORNING

EARLY RISERS SAW GREAT BALL  
OF FIRE SWEEP ACROSS  
THE HEAVENS.

## WINDOWS WERE RATTLED

Passed Over the City in Southeasterly  
Direction—Explosion Shakes  
Houses at Mineral Wells.

At about 6:45 o'clock this morning  
a huge ball of fire swept across the  
heavens north of Wichita Falls, going  
in a southeasterly direction and accord-  
ing to some reports, bursting into a  
thousand brilliant fire-balls in the  
southeastern heavens.  
Some few minutes after the meteor  
had passed every window in town was  
rattled and later a sound resembling  
the far away rushing of a thousand  
wings was heard.

The meteor was of a brilliancy that  
far surpassed any electric light and  
lighted up the whole heavens. Many  
citizens were aroused from their beds  
by the glare of light.

The Times has telegraphed in all di-  
rections, hoping to find some trace of  
the meteor, and so far as has been  
learned the only other places where it  
was seen were at Weatherford and  
Mineral Wells. At the latter place the  
explosion is said to have shaken the  
houses and occasioned great alarm to  
the citizens, who feared an earthquake.

## Davis' Trial Nears Close.

Special to the Times.  
Gainesville, Tex., Dec. 14.—Argu-  
ments in the murder case of Sam Dav-  
is, charged with the killing of Lem  
Clark, begins this afternoon, the testi-  
mony having been finished this morn-  
ing. The sentiment seems to be that  
Davis will get a light conviction, if  
not a hung jury.

This is the second trial, the first ver-  
dict being murder in the second degree,  
but this was reversed.

The defense at this trial produced  
two witnesses who did not appear be-  
fore, the testimony of whom thrown  
favorable light upon the case on the de-  
fendant's side.

## McCue's Fate Will Soon Be With Jury.

Special to the Times.  
Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 14.—With the  
district court room-packed until there  
was not even standing room, the argu-  
ments commenced this morning in the  
trial of Frank McCue, charged with the  
murder of Earl Mabry in Dallas. Four  
State and four defense attorneys will  
speak. The case will not go to the  
jury before night. W. P. McLean  
of this city closes for the defense, and  
Judge Cunningham of Abilene for the  
State.

## Cannot Compel Him to Answer.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—In an  
opinion given by Justice Holmes of the  
Supreme court of the United States to-  
day, it was held that E. H. Harriman  
and Otto Kahn, the latter a New York  
banker, should not be required to an-  
swer the interstate commerce commis-  
sion's questions concerning dealings in  
stocks between the Union Pacific and  
other roads, to which they refused to  
make response when the subject was  
under investigation in New York.

## Taken to St. Charles, Ill.

Special to the Times.  
Port Arthur, Tex., Dec. 14.—At noon  
today the special train which has been  
kept standing here for a week pulled  
out, bearing the body of Mrs. A. A.  
Gates, mother of John W. Gates. The  
train will go to St. Charles, Illinois.  
All members of the family were on  
the train.

## Inspecting the Santa Fe.

Special to the Times.  
Galveston, Tex., Dec. 14.—Railroad  
Commissioner Colquitt left Galveston  
today at noon by a special train to in-  
spect the Santa Fe lines. He was ac-  
companied by General Manager Pettibone  
and General Superintendent Maxson.  
He will first go to Aginerville and  
then to Paris.

## Work to Begin on New Railroad Within Forty Days.

Baillinger, Tex., Dec. 11.—Morgan  
Jones of Fort Worth was here this af-  
ternoon and citizens of this city closed  
the contract with him for the construc-  
tion of the Abilene and Southern rail-  
road from Abilene to this place. Un-  
der the terms of the contract work is  
to begin at this end of the line with-  
in forty days.

## VICTIM OF GIN ACCIDENT.

Bob Woods, Employee of Gin at Petrolia,  
Loses His Right Arm.

As a result of a gin accident, which  
occurred at Petrolia Saturday after-  
noon, Bob Woods is lying at the sanitarium  
in this city minus a part of his  
right arm, which was re-amputated just  
below the elbow after Woods had been  
brought to this city on a special train,  
which was sent from here to Petrolia  
shortly after the accident happened on  
orders from Woods' friends, who be-  
lieved there was danger of the victim  
bleeding to death.

The accident was caused by Woods  
placing his right hand too close to the  
gin saws.

## Wets Meet in San Antonio.

Special to the Times.  
San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 14.—The anti  
prohibition club convened here this  
morning with a large number of dele-  
gates attending from all parts of the  
State.  
W. L. Hoefen, president, called the  
meeting to order.  
The president urged the necessity of  
paying poll taxes and a more active  
campaign.

## Greenbugs at Jacksonville.

Jacksonville, Tex., Dec. 13.—There is  
considerable complaint of the destruc-  
tive work of the green bug in this sec-  
tion. This insect made its appearance  
here last spring and has been rapidly  
increasing ever since. It has damaged  
many tomato crops, and later has been  
working on sweet potatoes, pea vines,  
turnips and almost anything green that  
can be found. Some fear is expressed  
that the insect may prove as destruc-  
tive to growing crops next season as  
the boll weevil has been on cotton in  
recent years. The department of agri-  
culture sent an expert here to investi-  
gate this pest, but his report has not  
been learned. Commissioner of Agri-  
culture Kone was here Friday on his  
return from Rusk, and he is also mak-  
ing an effort to stop the ravages of the  
pest.

## SPECIAL VENIRES FOR MURDER CASES

Sheriff Walkup will be kept busy for  
the next several days serving summons  
for three special venires for trials in  
January and February.

The first trial for which a special  
venire is required is that of Mrs. Marie  
Allen for murder, which is set for Jan-  
uary 18th. A special venire of ninety  
talent men is being summoned for that  
case.

On January 20th J. W. Bennett will  
be tried on a charge of rape. This case  
was venued here from Young county,  
and a special venire of fifty men is also  
required in that case.

Another trial for which a special ven-  
ire is being summoned is that of Wal-  
ter Hickey, on a charge of murder,  
venued here from Haskell county.

## President Elect in New York.

By Associated Press.  
New York, Dec. 14.—President Elec-  
t Taft who is spending several days in  
this city prior to going to Augusta, Ga.,  
for five weeks' rest preceding his trip  
to the Panama Canal devoted most of  
his time today to the preparation of  
several speeches which he will deliver  
at the National Civic Federation and  
Ohio Society Banquets. Among his  
callers this morning were Frank Kel-  
logg, Leslie Shaw, and Congressman  
Fowler.

## A Twenty Year Sentence.

Special to the Times.  
Anderson, Tex., Dec. 14.—Goodee  
Wheeler, charged with killing Sam  
Thomas near Shiro last July today re-  
ceived a twenty year sentence. His  
trial lasted five days. The jury was  
out three hours.

## VENEZUELAN TO RESIST THE DUTCH

By Associated Press.  
Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 14.—The  
news of the capture of the Venezuelan  
guard ship Ajax by the Dutch cruiser  
Golderland last Saturday became  
known in Caracas Sunday morning. A  
big crowd was assembled in the Plaza  
Bolivar and made a demonstration in  
support of the government. A decree  
was issued by Acting President Gomez  
placing the republic in a state of de-  
fense.

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## RIGID OBSERVANCE OF LIQUOR LAWS

GOVERNOR'S "BIG STICK" CRU-  
SADE WILL EXTEND BEYOND  
SAN ANTONIO.

## WILL NOT SEND RANGERS

Governor Denies Intention to Send the  
State Rangers to Santone—Many  
Rumors Flying.

Special to the Times.  
Austin, Tex., Dec. 14.—After again  
denying today any intention to send  
the State Rangers to San Antonio be-  
cause of alleged violations of the liquor  
laws there, Governor Campbell today  
intimated that he may extend the "big  
stick" policy to other counties where  
the Baskin-McGregor law is not rigidly  
observed. He refused to name the  
counties or disclose his plan of action.  
The governor is reported to have  
said to Mayor Callahan during his re-  
cent visit to San Antonio: "I propose  
to come to San Antonio and put the  
lid on for you." Mayor Callahan re-  
plied: "Governor, you will have to  
bring your own attorneys, judges and  
juries to do so."

Many State officials today said this  
was only the beginning of a battle  
which Campbell proposes to wage to se-  
cure adherence to the law, and that his  
zeal to enforce the law was equal to  
his devotion to platform demands,  
which he seems bent upon carrying out  
to the letter.

A sensation was sprung today when  
it was announced that the next move  
by the governor would be to appoint  
agents over the State to secure evi-  
dence to cancel saloon licenses and  
that county judges found slighting this  
work would afterwards be dealt with.

## Says Liquor Interests Control.

Special to the Times.  
Austin, Tex., Dec. 14.—Governor  
Campbell today received a letter from  
Justice of the Peace Bronson Bywaters  
at Vanormy, Bexar county, asking that  
a commission be issued to him. He  
said he was unable to perform his duty  
in full because of the lack of support  
from other county officials and declared  
that it was impossible to secure con-  
victions when the liquor or anti-gam-  
bling laws were violated. The letter  
says that the liquor interests were in  
complete control. Bywaters promised  
his aid to the governor in an attempt  
to enforce the laws.

## Complimentary to the Bride Elect.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. C. C. Huff  
entertained informally and charmingly  
for Miss Jenness Frieze, whose wed-  
ding is soon to be solemnized.  
The afternoon's diversion was novel  
and unique. Two Japanese napkins,  
a few pins, three lead pencils, a bunch  
of cotton and an Irish potato were  
given each guest and were told to give  
the bridal party. When this was done,  
amid much merriment, the party was  
arranged in bridal array and in proper  
order on the dining table, while the  
handwork of the guests was admired.  
Mrs. Huff then gave each guest a sheet  
of paper and pencil, requesting each to  
write a Christmas greeting to Miss  
Frieze, to whom was given a pretty  
clipping book in which to collect the  
messages and keep them to be read  
Christmas day. From the expressions  
on the faces of the writers there must  
be great things to be read on that  
great day. Several of the guests furnished  
music, and "lastly, but not leastly"  
toothsome refreshments were served.

Those present were the bride-elect,  
Miss Frieze, the Misses Durrett, Gor-  
line, Kemp, Brooks, Kell, McGlasson,  
Jollie, Smith, Walker, Crystal and Fel-  
der and Mesdames Felder, Darnell,  
Langford, Hughes, Greenwood and Rob-  
erts.  
A GUEST.

## Only a Five-Foot Channel.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—Texas  
congressmen and delegates to the Riv-  
ers and Harbors Congress appeared be-  
fore the board of engineers today, but  
received scant consideration. The Tex-  
ans urged a nine-foot channel for the  
intercoastal canal, but the board ad-  
vised Congressman Garner and W. H.  
Holland of Victoria that five feet was  
all that was permitted, according to  
the act of congress.

Marriage licenses were issued Sat-  
urday to L. J. Byette and Miss Janie  
Bradford, E. L. Brooks and Miss Mattie  
May, Frank Sandefur and Mrs. Mattie  
Lawrence and to C. Vernon and Miss  
Laura Crenshaw.



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An automobile that swallows its own dust is described in Popular Mechanics. Pipes suck up the dust from the rear wheels and draw it into a box from which it is again deposited on the road in granulated form.

## SHOULD HOLD THEIR COTTON

A strong letter has been issued by Joe E. Edmondson, State lecturer and organizer for the Farmers' Union, urging the farmers to reduce the acreage of cotton in order to keep their wives and daughters out of the cotton field. He defends the warehouse system and says that the Farmers' Union prevented the recent panic from being as severe as the panic of '93.

"We had in 1894 a little less than 10,000,000 bales of cotton which was sold at the rate of about 3,000,000 bales per month. What was the effect of this rapid selling when money was tied up?"

"Cotton sold below four cents. The average price for the 1894 crop was 5 1/2 cents. How about the panic of 1907? We had 11,500,000 bales of cotton, but sold it at the rate of about 1,000,000 bales per month. In the month of November, when the panic was at its very tightest, we are told that we sold less than 2,000,000 bales. What was the effect of this low selling?"

"Cotton never got below the 9 cent point at the ports and the average price until we began to gather and dump the 1908 crop was 11.29 cents per pound, a difference of more than \$25 on the bale, brought around by the holding and slow selling of cotton.

### Rally Your Courage.

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"A central agency should be maintained. Bond your local warehouse, keep your central agent informed as to the number of bales stored in them to be sold through this agency, and keep all cotton that can be financed at home in these warehouses, to be sold at the minimum price, that this agent may be able to find you a buyer.

### Keep Children in School.

"Don't worry your family to death on the one-crop system, because your neighbor does. The man who plants only one crop, and that crop cotton, is the man that is forced to sell, and the man that is always in a financial strait,

the man that is forced to keep his children out of school and in the fields.

"Brother farmer, this dumping of our cotton on the world and forcing the buyer to do the pricing is what keeps the cotton farmers in poverty. It is what makes slaves of the hundreds of thousands of the purest of God's people.

"Husband and father will force his cotton on a depressed market at such low prices that he is not able to hire the laborer, who has gone to the city and to public works, where labor has wages, but the work in the cotton fields must be done, and since the husband and father are not able to pay a wage that will get the laborer, wife and daughter must perform this labor, and beneath the blazing sun and bleak winds they toil away their vitality and become the prey of disease and many times death comes prematurely, falling the helpless victims of this vicious system of one crop and dumping.

### Your Sense of Duty.

"May God pity them and help you, dear reader, to wake up and see these wrongs and arouse your sense of duty and patriotism. Can it be said that the Southern manhood has become so sordid, so deadened, that these great wrongs have no appeal to them? God forbid.

"No, I cannot believe that the Southern manhood will permit these wrongs to always exist. No, I believe the time has come when you are going to act, as you have never before. Let every farmer and business man who feels an interest in his country and who wants to see the noble Southern womanhood liberated from the cotton field of woman slaughter, join hands and change the vicious system."

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We regret that our business does not bring us in closer relation with the business men, inasmuch as a larger part of our work brings us in touch with the dark and somber side of life, and we are continually associated with tears and death. Yet ours is the beautifying of the city of the dead; ours is the erection of silent and imposing monuments, with emblems engraved, that mean more than the casual observer may see. Though they tell of a broken heart, we see the Christian's hope, the reward of virtue, and the better nature of each individual displayed, in simple wreaths, silent hand clasps, or, perhaps a pulseless figure, standing with bowed head, grief stricken, forever weeping for the departed dead.

Our future policy, shall be to further endeavor to please all who favor us with their orders, and in buying, we made special selection to meet the growing demand for better material, and in such quantities as to be able to undersell any of our out-of-town competitors. Feeling prompted by our dozen years of experience, we do not hesitate to say that we can please the most exacting.

We solicit a continuance of your favors, and assure all that we will endeavor to treat you with the same degree of courtesy we would ask for ourselves.

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"Pangwangling."

A little dubious as to the exact shade of significance, but certainly alluring to the ear, is "pangwangle." It expresses, well, what does it express?—a cheeriness under minor discomforts, a humorous optimism under small misfortunes, though indeed these seem dignified definitions for so informal a word. "I just pangwangled home in the rain," says a friend of mine, and I know he got there drenched, but good tempered. "We went pangwangling off to the theater last night," says my nearest neighbor, and I feel pretty certain they had been blue over something and felt the need of some small gaiety. It would do us all good if we pangwangled a bit more, I think.

A very meaning word is the southerner's "honing." "My, honey, I've just been honing to see you!" It is not so stilted as "I've been longing," and it is much more emphatic than "I've been wanting." It's a warm, affectionate, intimate word—honing. Let me put it into the addendum, well toward the front, for I love the sound of it. These words are not slang. They are not exactly—as one high brow friend informed me—"low colloquialisms." They have a place in language, and they add considerably to its color.—Atlantic.

An Outside Vegetarian.

"If you are not an outside vegetarian you are not really a vegetarian at all." The speaker was a member of Philadelphia's Little Vegetarian church uptown. An odd figure in his gray health shirt, gray ventilated suit, gray knit gloves, gray scented hat, gray cloth boots, he continued: "An inside vegetarian is one who puts in his interior nothing that has been procured by the slaughter of animals. An outside vegetarian puts on his exterior nothing that has been procured by the slaughter of animals."

"See my gloves—vegetable gloves of cotton, not made of the skins of murdered kids. See my boots—woven, owing nothing to some poor murdered calf. See my buttons—wooden, not made of grisly bones. Inside and outside," so the quaint faddist concluded. "I am a vegetarian, and inside and outside I get along without the murder of any creature—fish, fowl or fowl. There are many like me."—New York Press.

"Slipper Allum Tea."

The sidewalk stand, a soap box, was littered with rolls of brown katch, tobacco twists and withered switches tied with twine. The proprietor, a brown and shriveled old colored woman, sat on another box. A passing woman lingered to ask the old aunty the meaning of her wares. "Dese 'laccra twisses is for moths, an' de red oak-bark is good for cuts, an' de slipper allum chips is a cure for oie matls."

"You ought to make a fortune out of that, aunty. How does it work?"

"Hub, hub, chile, das us 'eney as a possum, clim'in' a tree. You see, ole maid laddes is most in ginral lean an' lonesome lookin', an' slipper allum tea makes 'em fat. When dey gets fat dey gets chipperish, an' some gemmun zwine come along an' take a 'miration to 'em unless dey takes to drinkin' de tea too late—hub, hub!"—New York Post.

Who Said Gunpowder?

"I don't want you to get scared at this story," began the baldheaded man, "but I hope you've all got good nerves."

The listeners eagerly drew together. "Well," began the narrator, "people lose their lives sometimes in the strangest ways. I know an Irishman—poor fellow—who a few months ago sat down on what he supposed was a keg of black sand to have a smoke. After finishing the first pipe he knocked the live ashes into the keg. There happened to be a crowd of workmen standing by at the time, and—

"Many killed!" exclaimed a breathless listener.

"Many what?"

"Killed—down up?"

"Why? Nothing explosive about black sand, is there?"—London Scraps.

His Conceit.

The Abbe Pradt, a rushlight of Napoleon's time, was a most conceited man. The Duke of Wellington met him in Paris at a dinner given in honor of himself. The abbe made a long oration, chiefly on the state of political affairs, and concluded with the words, "We owe the salvation of Europe to one man alone." "Before he gave me the time to blush," said the duke, "he put his hand on his heart and continued, 'To me!'"

An Oath of Silence.

In certain districts of Western Australia there are women who take an oath to remain silent after the death of their husbands. In some cases they will remain mute for two years after the funeral, and very often the oath is kept also by the mother and mother-in-law of the deceased.—Paris Revue Medicale.

The Poets.

"Poets are born and not made." "But they ain't born tagged," opined a rural philosopher. "Their fathers consequently haffet go ahead and eddicate 'em, jest as if they was going to be good fer something."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Defined.

"Pa, what is a knocker?" "A knocker, my boy, is a man who usually finds fault with another man who is doing something better than he could do it himself."—Detroit Free Press.

When men are friends there is no need of justice.—Aristotle.

STRANGE BODY OF WATER.

Shafter Lake, in Texas, Attracts Attention on Account of Peculiarities.

In Andrews county, about four and a half miles north of its geographical center, lies a most remarkable body of water, known as Shafter Lake. This lake covers about two sections of land, lies 3,500 feet above sea level and 50 feet below the elevation of the surrounding country, and is a lake of clear salt water, free from alkali. In this respect it differs from other salt lakes of the southwest. The lake is fed by flood rains, having no outlet.

Surrounding it is a beautiful beach of sand and salt, packed so hard that it affords an almost ideal course for automobiles and it is expected by Andrews county people that it will be used for this purpose when automobiles become common in the western country.

The town of Shafter Lake, aged one year, and a thriving infant of 150 souls, lies on the west bank of this remarkable round lake, and is the trading center for a rich area surrounding it. It aspires to become the county seat, the county not yet having been organized.

The remarkable part of this inland salt lake is that the grass grows almost to the waters' edge or to the beach, to be exact. There is no vegetation in the lake and no fish are to be found in its waters.

In the dry season the water evaporates to some extent, leaving shallows covered with a heavy deposit of salt coarse of grain, but pure and suitable for stock salt, preserving or other commercial purposes.

There is no alkali in this salt and the people of Shafter Lake do considerable business in digging it out and selling it to stockmen and other large users in the surrounding country, though the absence of railroad communication prevents its being shipped out.

The deposits are too soft for horses to tread upon with any success in getting out this salt and an ingenious contrivance has been put into use, whereby through a system of pulleys a great scoop holding five hundred pounds is run through the bed and dragged a distance of 150 yards to where it can be loaded in wagons. The salt is very similar to the Colorado salt made by solar evaporation, being very coarse of grain and pure white.

This odd lake is surrounded by many mineral deposits, changing in nature every few steps, abundance of building material being represented by fire clay, gravel, mica and flints.

But when the winds blow over the great lake and raise the white caps and at the time when ducks and other water fowls frequent this body of water, it is time to see Shafter Lake, and then to reflect that it is salt, while just a step or so away lies fertile lands, forming another of the unique features of Texas, the land of the unexpected and the remarkable in nature.—Correspondent of Dallas News.

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Who likes to have you with her, but who has enough respect for other demands upon your time to not make it hard for you to leave her.

Who doesn't tell you after you have worn a lavender gown for a year and decide to have it dyed that she never did think you looked very well in lavender anyhow.

Who is not so sensitive that she takes offense at imaginary slights, and thoughtless or unintentional injuries. To go through life, smoothing down hurt feelings or jarred tempers, makes one weigh the worth of a friendship.

Who just likes you for yourself, and not for a list of virtues you are supposed to possess, but might occasionally slip up on.

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It has been charged, and not without grounds, that Governor Campbell is afraid of the liquor men and their influence in this State, and would make no special effort to enforce the Baskin-McGregor liquor law in such towns as San Antonio and other places where liquor dealers continue to run their places just about as they please. Now it appears, that the governor is not going to stand for this charge against him longer, and has taken the first step toward the enforcement of the law by refusing to sign the commissions of county officers elected at the recent election who failed to enforce the law during the time they had been in office. If he stands by his decision, it will be impossible for an officer who has failed to enforce the laws to draw his pay. Every honest citizen in Texas will stand by Governor Campbell in his efforts to enforce this law, and as a great majority of the people of this State are honest and law-abiding, they will stand by their chief executive almost to a man when they become convinced that he is making a fight for the enforcement of a law that no other governor (not excepting the lamented Gov. Hogg) has ever succeeded in doing.

A real estate man is authority for the statement made to a Times reporter today that the demand for residences in Wichita Falls is greater today than ever before and owing to the scarcity of them that people who come here with a view of locating and becoming citizens of this city were forced to leave and seek other towns in which to locate. These conditions have prevailed in Wichita Falls for the past two years, and something should be done to relieve the situation. If there were more houses to rent, rents would not be quite so high. As it is now, rentals on residence property is bringing on an average in this city of at least twenty-five per cent. This is a great interest to pay on money, and while the Times would never like to see the day when resident property would not earn the owners a reasonable dividend, it firmly believes that the rentals now charged for such property is entirely too high. This real estate man made the assertion that he could rent two hundred resident houses within a week's time, but that as things were now he had no houses to rent at all, and it was an every day business with him to turn away applicants.

The following paragraph from the Colorado Citizen contains food for thought, and its careful perusal is recommended to our readers:

The way to build up a community is for every person in it who can, to put some money into industries that give the people employment, and push the industries to success. Industries that last all the year round are the best; but those that last part of the year are better than none. The most valuable power on earth is human power, and when it is not employed it is not only lost, but it also consumes part of what others earn. Work creates wealth; work sets money in motion; work pays debts; work is the vital power in prosperity, and that city, that community and that nation whose people are idle are poor, and poor in proportion to the number that work and the time they work. Heaven's greatest earthly blessing to any people is to give them honest, remunerative work."

The following beautiful sentiment is from the pen of Senator Bob Taylor: "I would rather fill my purse with money and keep its gates ajar to my happy girls while yet they linger under my roof than to clutch it with a miser's hand until all the harp-strings of youth are broken and all its music forever fled. I would rather spend my last nickel for a bag of striped marbles to gladden the hearts of my bare-footed boys than to deny them their childish pleasures and leave them a bag of gold to quarrel over when I am dead. I abhor the pitiless hawk that circles in the air only to swoop down and strangle the song of the linnnet or bury its talons in the heart of the dove. I despise the scullion man whose greed for gold impels him to strangle the laughter and song of his own family."

## BEXAR COUNTY OFFICIALS.

**Houston Post.**  
The refusal of the governor to sign the commissions of citizens elected to office in Bexar county is a most interesting proceeding. The story from San Antonio is that the governor wishes a judge from these officials that they will enforce the Sunday law and laws regulating the liquor traffic. We fear the governor has no right to exact such a pledge, and even if he had how could a personal pledge prove more binding than the solemn oath of office these men must take?

It is said that the Bexar county officials have determined not to make such a pledge and they will mandamus the governor if he persists in withholding his signature from their commissions. Anyway, it seems that all the men with the exception of one are already in office and can, therefore, proceed under the law to discharge their duties and draw their salaries until their successors qualify.

This, however, will be a very unsatisfactory situation all around. The people of Bexar county have indicated in the manner provided by law the men they desire to have the offices, and there should be no interference with the peoples' will.

We must not be understood, however, as entertaining the slightest sympathy with the persistent violation of the laws in San Antonio. The open saloons on Sunday and the disregard of other provisions of the Baskin-McGregor law constitute an evil for which the legislature at its present session should provide a remedy. There should be a way to remove officers who do not enforce the laws, and no doubt the legislature will enact a law of this character that will give San Antonio and Galveston an entirely new view of their obligations in the premises.

But the plan the governor has adopted is utterly futile for the reason stated, that no officer who deliberately violates his solemn oath of office would be apt to pay any attention to an unofficial pledge.

Such a pledge might have some effect if each officer were required to place his resignation in the governor's hands to be accepted by him whenever he became convinced that such officer was neglecting his duty. But this plan cannot be enforced under the present laws.

Governor Campbell should invoke the assistance of the legislature in the present emergency, for it is going to require more than pledges to bring San Antonio and Galveston to rights.

According to the Dallas News, which is a good authority, the vote of Texas for Bryan and Taft, and for the State ticket, is as follows: Bryan 227,264; Taft, 22,229; Bryans plurality, 158,035. For governor, Campbell, 219,879; Simpson, 72,508; Campbells' majority, 137,940. For attorney general, Davidson, 231,192; Atwell, 61,988; Davidsons plurality, 169,204. The vote for the amendments was as follows: For school amendment, 137,397; against, 54,925. For precinct amendment, 71,109; against, 79,925. For increase of salaries, 48,619; against, 117,600.

The editor of the Bloomington Panograph recently made the following announcement: "In these days when so many people go wrong, it may be well enough to remember how many here are who go right. The news paper blazon all the bad breaks of humanity, but they do not pretend to keep track of all who behave themselves and are faithful to every trust. The reason is obvious. For one person who goes wrong a thousand or more go right. But going wrong is sensational news, and doing right is taken or granted. The exception to the rule makes the story."

**Laying a Ghost.**  
This "ghost" story was among those omitted from Mr. Stead's famous collection. There was an ordinary cupboard door that always mysteriously creaked open at five minutes before midnight unless it was kept locked, and when it was kept locked it groaned and rattled instead precisely at the same hour. Then came along a spook expert, who discovered that at five minutes before midnight the fast express train passed along the highroad a mile away from the house and set in motion some vibratory wave that acted upon the cupboard and scared a whole household.

**Why She Was Absent.**  
A teacher in one of the girls' schools on the lower east side recently had the following excuse for absence handed her by one of her pupils:  
"Dear Miss—It gives me much pleasure to write to you, because I have a worryment, and you should please excuse my Annie, who does not come by you because she has to go to the hospital with her sister's sore eyes."  
—New York Times.

**A Cruel Dig.**  
Dolly—No, dear, I can't go any place with Molly. I hate her, the cat!  
Polly—But, darling, you used to be chummy with her. What did she do?  
Dolly—She told me a lot of the nasty things you said about me, dear.—Cleveland Leader.

**Higher Power.**  
Hardly any power is so exalted that it does not bend the knees to a higher one. Where there's a car there's usually a czarina.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

## Our Wonderful Railroads.

Gail Hamilton was right when she said that if there were never to be any railways on this continent it would have been an impertinence for Columbus to have discovered it. Only by the railways could its magnificent distances be bridged. Equally correct was Charles Carroll of Carrollton, the last survivor of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, when, on throwing up the first shovelful of earth for the first railway of the United States which was intended to carry passengers and freight, the Baltimore and Ohio, he exclaimed, "I consider this event second only to that of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, if second even to that." That was in 1828. But England was far ahead of us in railway building in the beginning. Even Russia got a better start than we did. At the outset we imported not only our locomotives and cars, but also the rails on which they were run and the men to run them. However, John Stevens, Peter Cooper, Evan Thomas, Matthias Baldwin and others changed all this and in their various fields laid the foundations of a railway system which is today in dimensions and completeness far ahead of that of any other half a dozen countries in the world combined.—Leslie's Weekly.

**The Franz Hals Museum in Holland.**  
Old Haarlem calls up the shadow of Franz Hals. The museum is really a sanctuary to his memory. There the famous corporation pictures hang. One sees the members of the various guilds in the fullness of careless life, eating, drinking and merry-making. Here Hals is seen at the height of his power. The splendid color and directness of work are a revelation. Every figure seems alive, and one is convinced they were all in the flesh once. This great master with one bold stroke of his brush made these men immortal, and his last picture hangs beside his masterpiece, Haarlem and Hals will be associated as long as the place lasts. One marvels at the execution of the Dutch painters, whether it be in the broad work of Hals or in the miniature finish of the genre masters. All of them had a splendid sense of values, atmosphere and human life; a perfect harmony of relation fills their canvases.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

**Unconquerable.**  
It was a veteran soldiery that re-peopled the plantations and the homesteads of the south, writes Thomas Nelson Page in the Old Dominion, and withstood the forces thrown against them during the period of reconstruction. In addition to personal pride, self reliance and physical courage, they possessed also race pride, which is inestimable in a great popular struggle.

However beaten and broken they were, the people came out of the war with their spirit unquenched and a belief that they were unconquerable. A story used to be told of an old Confederate soldier who was trudging home after the war, broken and ragged and worn. He was asked what he would do if the Yankees got after him when he reached home.  
"Oh, they ain't goin' to trouble me," he said. "If they do I'll just whip 'em again."

**Gold and a Candle.**  
Dr. Moss of the English polar expedition of 1875 and 1876, among other odd things, tells of the effect of cold on a wax candle which he burned. The temperature was 35 degrees below zero, and the doctor must have been considerably discouraged when, upon looking at his candle, he discovered that the flame had all it could do to keep warm. It was so cold that the flame could not melt all the wax of the candle, but was forced to eat its way down the candle, leaving a sort of skeleton of the candle standing. There was heat enough, however, to melt oddly shaped holes in the thin walls of wax, and the result was a beautiful lacelike cylinder of white, with a tongue of yellow flame burning inside of it and sending out into the darkness many streaks of light.

**Siege of Crete.**  
Crete can claim to have been the scene of one of the longest sieges on record, longer than the siege of Troy, for in the seventeenth century it took the Turks more than twenty years to capture its capital city. The island, in fact, is famous for protracted military operations, for, though the revolution of 1821 was speedily successful in the open country, the fortified towns were still uncapitulated when the powers intervened in 1830.

**Awkward For the Aeronaut.**  
An element of humor characterized one of Mr. Spencer's Indian experiences. One day, after making a parachute descent, his balloon, traveling on, came down among some fisher folk, who promptly unpicked the net to use for fishing lines and cut up the balloon to make waterproof clothing!—London Captain.

**Humility and Vanity.**  
It is the humble man that advances. He recognizes his imperfections and strives to improve. His progress is the result of his knowledge of self. The vain, conceited, arrogant man stands still.

**A Rule of Auto Etiquette.**  
No gentleman will take another man's automobile out in the country and blow it into such small pieces that it cannot be removed to a repair shop.—Chicago Record-Herald.

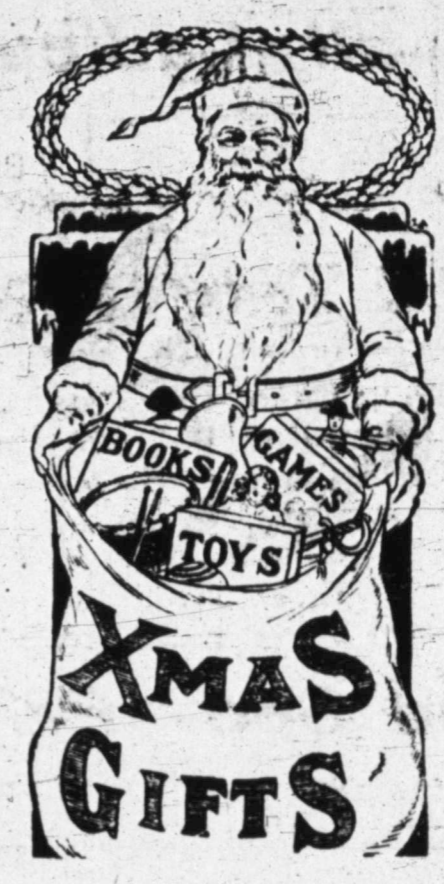
**Quite Obvious.**  
A needle has only one eye, but it looks sharp just the same.—London Family Herald.

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In Memory of Jennie Esther Bean

In Loving Memory of Jennie Esther Bean.

Through the workings of a mysterious yet all-wise Providence the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church of Wichita Falls, Texas, is bereft of one of its brightest and most interesting members, Jennie Esther Bean, who departed this life on Saturday, December 5th, 1908, at the age of 14 years and 5 months. Her many friends were shocked at the news of her untimely death, since but few ever knew that she was ill.

Jennie Esther was, in many respects, an unusual character; original in thought, quick in perception and bright in her ideas. In her departure her teacher and class have lost one of their greatest inspirations, and the school one of its most faithful members. Bowing submissively to the Divine will and recognizing that our Heavenly Father doeth all things well, he it therefore resolved.

First, That the Sunday school in session—December 13th, 1908, realizes in the death of Jennie Esther a distinct loss and that it shall henceforth tenderly cherish her dear memory.

Second, That we extend condolences to the bereaved family, who more keenly than all others feel this loss and hereby express to them our deepest sympathy in this sore affliction.

Third, That in this sad Providence we realize more keenly the sacredness of the opportunity we have in teaching the children committed to us a Sunday school, and that we humbly seek Divine wisdom in this great work.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be filed with the secretary of the Sunday school, that one be given to the public press and that one be sent to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bean.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. J. J. DALTON, C. O. KRUEGER, Committee.

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Four years ago a sunny-hearted little girl entered our ranks at the Academy of Mary Immaculate. Her genial disposition soon won her a place in the hearts of all.

Each year old faces were missed from the ranks—new ones took their places, but the bright face of our little friend, Jennie Esther Bean, was always there, and her merry laugh dispelled the gloom that hovered over school girls far away from home and loved ones.

The fairest flower, the sweetest fruit God gives, but for a day. The manna, in the desert land Till rising sun did stay.

And thus it was with this darling child, So winning and so gay— Beguiled our hearts with sweetest smiles, Then quickly passed away.

Dearest classmate! How we'll miss Thy witty words and wise; Thy kindly act, thy ringing laugh, Thy mischief-brimming eyes!

'Twere wrong to wish thee back again, Where evil breath could mar The beauty of this lovely soul, Kept white by mother's care.

Back to the hours of school-day life, Our thoughts will oft return, To where we sat in pleasant mood, With her we now so mourn.

How sweet 'twill be in after years, To think of her just gone— Who brought gladness to the hearts of all, And sorrow unto none!

When by our couch Death's angel stands, Life's tender oed to snap, We'll hope to meet in realms above, Our darling "Little Serap."

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No. 5 Leaves 12:05 p. m.

No. 7 Arrives 12:05 p. m.

No. 9 Arrives 6:25 p. m.

East-Bound Trains—

No. 2 Arrives 1:00 p. m.

No. 6 Arrives 3:15 a. m.

No. 8 Leaves 8:00 a. m.

No. 10 Leaves 2:40 p. m.

M. K. and T. Railway.

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No. 9 From Denison 12:50 p. m.

Leaves

No. 272 To Dallas 6:30 a. m.

No. 10 To Denison 3:00 p. m.

Fort Worth and Denver City.

Northbound— Arrives Leaves

No. 1 2 p. m. 2:10 p. m.

No. 3 12:45 p. m. 1:05 p. m.

No. 5 11:45 p. m. 12:05 a. m.

No. 7 2:05 a. m. 2:15 a. m.

Southbound Arrives Leaves

No. 2 11:35 a. m. 11:45 a. m.

No. 4 12:55 p. m. 1:45 p. m.

No. 6 3:15 a. m. 3:25 a. m.

No. 8 2:15 a. m. 2:25 a. m.





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**Food and Emotion.**  
The following really happened on board a pleasure steamer in the Kylos of Rute. A young honeymoon couple were sitting side by side gazing on the lovely scenery around them.

"Isn't it heavenly, George?" she murmured. "I feel thrills all over me."  
Then without a pause, as if still carried away by the inspiration of the moment, "Dearest, if there are any left I think I would like a chocolate."  
No good reason exists why spiritual emotions should not make one hungry. The bride who demanded sweets was wiser than a girl who once remained starving and inconsolable in her room after the departure of her lover for India. At last an amateur Hebe ventured upstairs with a cup of coffee and a plate of toast. Yielding to persuasion, the afflicted maiden was induced to eat and drink and began to look somewhat less dejected.

"I believe I was dying for something all the time," she finally confessed, "but I was afraid to ask lest people would believe me to be less unhappy than I really am."—London Black and White.

**A Tribute to Sauerkraut.**  
Those Americans who have visited Munich know well the noble statue at the head of the Kartoffelsaundstrasse, raised by grateful Bavaria to the memory of St. Hermann of Pilsen, inventor and protagonist of sauerkraut. The genial old saint, a smile upon his face, is seen stirring a large kettle of kraut with an ear of gilt bronze, and a life-like is the carving that the traveler, standing by, can well high scent he perfumed steam and hear the flutter of angelic wings. In these numerous United States we have no public monuments to Hermann, and his very name indeed is unknown to all save a few cognoscenti. But nevertheless the delicious victual he gave to the world is firmly enshrined in the hearts of the American people. Stewed gently in Rhine wine, it tickles the esophagus of the opulent; boiled in plain hydrant water, it nourishes the son of toil. It is at once a viand, a passion, and a public institution.—Baltimore Sun.

**Scared Out of the Duel.**  
One day M. Edmond About called upon Grisdler, the most celebrated fencing master of his day. "I am in a quandary," said About. "I allowed myself yesterday the pleasure of a joke in bad taste, and a duel is to be the result. I know nothing whatever about fencing, and, as you can see, I am fat. Will you give me a lesson, so that I may not make myself too ridiculous?" The lesson was given, but About proved a very poor pupil. On his way out he saw a photograph of Grisdler. "I suppose," he said, "I must not ask you for one of those?" "With the greatest pleasure," said the fencing master. And, with a chuckle, Grisdler wrote across the photograph, "To M. Edmond About, the best pupil I have ever had." A few hours afterward the seconds of About's adversary called on the writer, saw the photograph on the mantelpiece and, fearing for their friend at the hands of so redoubtable a swordsman, arranged the affair without any duel.

**How Henry Irving Wanted to Die.**  
"What have I got out of it?" said Henry, stroking his chin and smiling slightly. "Let me see. Well, a good cigar, a good glass of wine, good friends"—Here he kissed my hand with courtesy. Always he was so courteous—always his actions, like his little one of kissing my hand, were so beautifully timed. They came just before the spoken words and gave them peculiar value.

"That's not a bad summing up of it all," I said. "And the end—how would you like that to come?"  
"How would I like that to come?" He repeated my question lightly, yet meditatively too. Then he was silent for some thirty seconds before he snapped his fingers—the action again before the words.  
"Like that?"—Ellen Terry in McClure's Magazine.

**Microbes.**  
"Speaking of the ark," he said, "I saw a little boy at play with his Noah's ark the other day. I watched him put aboard all the people, all the painted animals, and then I saw him place carefully in a sheltered spot two tiny splinters of wood."  
"What are they, my son?" I asked.  
"Them's microbes," said he.  
"It had never occurred to me before, but there must of course have been a pair of microbes in the ark."—Harper's Weekly.

**The Honest Way.**  
"Money? Pooh!" exclaimed a successful financier contemptuously. "There are a hundred ways of making money."  
"Ah, but only one honest way!" protested his companion.  
"What's that?"  
"Um! I thought you wouldn't know."—London Telegraph.

**Indulgent.**  
"I have such an indulgent husband," said little Mrs. Doll.  
"Yes, so George says," responded Mrs. Spiteful. "Sometimes indulges a little too much, doesn't he?"—London Tit-Bits.

**Sweeping.**  
"That is a sweeping argument," remarked a husband whose wife used a broom to convince him that he ought to have been gone several hours previously.

The weeping at a wedding is never as real as that which sometimes comes afterward.—Acheson Globe.

**Milk Fed Edible Rats.**  
The Chinese diplomat regarded his grilled frogs' legs with faint disgust. "I suppose they are good," he faltered. "It is hard, though, to conquer my repulsion. Yet they are clean—clean feeders, eh?"

The American laughed long and loud. "You," he cried, "are repelled by frogs' legs, you who eat dogs and rats!"

"Ah, but," said the Chinaman, "our edible dogs and rats are the cleanest feeders imaginable. They are equal to celery fed duck or California peach fed hog. They are confined in runs, you know, and to make their flesh white, and delicate they are fed on mushes of bread and milk and vegetables—no meat whatever."

"You Americans think it disgusting to eat rats and dogs because you imagine them fattening on carrion and offal. But these frogs here—No, I'm afraid I can't. They may have fed on some tramp suicide for all I know." He pushed back his plate and waited for the next course.

**The Elusive Chuckwalla.**  
The chuckwalla is one of the most interesting of the creatures to be found in southern California's great desert. The chuckwalla seeks to escape his adversary by crawling into a crevice of a rock so narrow that it seems impossible to get him out. But the Indians have learned all his tricks and how to circumvent them. To the desert aborigine the chuckwalla is a luring. He feasts on the chuckwalla; hence he grows wise as to its habits. He takes a piece of strong wire or a bent twig, and, poking it into the crevice, he taps the chuckwalla on the end of the nose. In a moment the angered reptile exhales a kind of hiss, the noise being made by a rapid expansion of the breath. As he thus exhales he loses his hold on the rocks, and in a moment the Indian pulls on his tail. As speedily as a flash of lightning the chuckwalla inhales again and tightens himself in his recess. Another tap on his nose and then exhalation; another pull, another exhalation—so it goes until at last the Indian has him in hand. Then he cooks him.—Suburban Life.

**Depth at Which Miners Can Work.**  
Below fifty feet the temperature rises in the proportion of one degree for every sixty-five feet of depth except where currents of water carry the heat away. The result is that at a depth of about 4,000 feet we reach a temperature of 98 degrees, or blood heat. This renders it exceedingly difficult to work coal pits below that depth. This is the reason that Great Britain's coal-commission decided that mines are not workable below 4,000 feet.

The thickness of the solid rocks building up the crust of the earth is at least thirty to forty miles. At that depth the heat is such as would reduce everything on the surface of the earth to liquid. But the pressure of the overlying rocks is so great that until the relation of the heat to the pressure is known it cannot be said whether the earth at that depth is fluid or solid.—Chicago-Tribune.

**Not "Lost in London."**  
The confession of the provost of the Great St. Bernard hospice that he almost got lost in London and found it more bewildering than his own Alps recalls to the London Chronicle a remarkable feat of the great guide Melchior Anderregg of Melirigen. He had never seen a larger town than Berne when he visited London, and when two famous climbers, Leslie Stephen and T. W. Hinchliff, met him at London Bridge station and walked with him thence to Lincoln's Inn Fields there was a thick London fog. Nevertheless when a day or two later the three were at the same station, returning from a trip to Woolwich, Mr. Hinchliff confidently said, "Now, Melchior, you will lead us back home." And straight to Lincoln's Inn Fields Melchior guided them, pausing only once.

**Why Joyner Left Home.**  
"Are you ready to receive the obligations?" asked the most upright supreme hocus pocus of the Order of Hoot Owls.  
"I am," said the candidate firmly.  
"Then take a sip of this prussic acid, place your right hand in this pot of boiling lead, rest your left hand upon this revolving buzzsaw, close your eyes and repeat after me."  
Early next morning shreds of Joyner's clothing were found upon the bushes and trees all along the road to Pottsville, thirty miles distant, and at Scrabbletown, sixty miles away, he was reported still headed west.—Judge.

**Knew the Symptoms.**  
The Minister—John, John, I am surprised to see you. What good does it do you getting muddled like this, putting you off your work? When you go to bed you cannot sleep, your tongue is parched, your head is like to split, and you have no appetite. John—Gle us yer hand, sir; ye've been drunk yerself.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

**A Useful Key.**  
"What is this peculiar key on your typewriter? I never saw it on any before."  
"Hi! My own invention. Whenever you can't spell a word you press this key and it makes a hur."—Boston Transcript.

**Changed.**  
Neil—Maud couldn't have thought much of that fellow she married. Belle—Why? Neil—She boasts that she has made another man of him.—Philadelphia Record.

Everybody stumbles, but no man need lie in the mud.—Gentleman.

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### MOHAMMED.

His Vision of Heaven and the Story of the Mountain.

Habibi, the founder of Islam, was born at Mecca in the year A. D. 570. He died June 8, 632, at the age of seventy-two. He assumed the titular name of Mohammed, which means, according to some authorities, the "predicted Messiah."

One of the most extravagant relations which can be found in any language is credited to Mohammed. Speaking of the sights he beheld when "transported to heaven," he says: "I saw there an angel, the most gigantic of all created things. It had 70,000 heads, each head had 70,000 faces, each face had 70,000 mouths, each mouth had 70,000 tongues and each tongue spoke 70,000 languages. All were employed in singing God's praises."

When Mohammed first announced his divinely inspired and appointed system the Arabs demanded supernatural proofs of his commission. "Moses and Jesus," said the Arabs, "wrought miracles in the testimony of their divine authority. And if thou art indeed a prophet of God do so likewise."

"It would be tempting God to do so," replied Mohammed, "and bring down his anger, as in the case of Pharaoh."

As the story is told in Brewer's "Phrase and Fable," the Arabs were not satisfied with this answer, and Mohammed then commanded one of the numerous eminences near Mecca to come to him. The mountain not stirring at Mohammed's bidding, the prophet exclaimed: "God is merciful! Had the mountain obeyed my words it would have fallen on us to our destruction."

"I will therefore go to the mountain."

### JELLYFISH.

In Tropical Waters This Quaker Creature is at Its Best.

Few marine animals seem at first glance to betray less intelligence than the jellyfish. Up with the tide and down with the tide, carried along by this or that current, moving with the eddy of a backwater hither and thither, the jellyfish has become almost a synonym for helplessness. Scientifically, of course, the popular idea of the jellyfish is wholly mistaken, but it is perhaps only in tropical waters that it is found in the perfection of intelligence. In the south Pacific round the islands of Polynesia and as far south as the upper portion of the North Island of New Zealand there is a jellyfish that not only knows where it wants to go, but is even provided with a sail which it can and does hoist or lower at will. The sail, like the rest of this curious animal, is almost transparent; but, unlike the body of the fish, which is of the usual gelatinous construction, the sail is a membrane

almost as hard as shell. Round about the Elice group the navigating fish is often found with a sail measuring five inches across, and it navigates the shallow island waters with the skill of a pilot, steering in and out of snaggy places and avoiding obstructions both above and below the surface with unerring skill. Like its cousins in home waters, this navigating jellyfish has the power of stinging its natural enemies, and its sting is fatal to other fish and dangerous to man.—London Standard.

### An Unpleasant Visitor.

A frightful shape loomed up before the nearsighted eyes of the frightened professor. It was of heroic size, it stooped a little, its arms were unusually long, its forehead was retreating and its feet were bare and very broad.

"You have taken great liberties with me," said the shape. "You refer to me on every possible occasion, ascribing to me characteristics of which I know nothing. You have a reprehensible way of shifting to my shoulders a great many problems that are too much for your limited mind to grasp. Come, now, what do you mean by it?"

"I've never seen you before," stammered the professor. "Who are you?"

The shape laughingly drew itself up. "I am the primitive man!" it cried in a terrible voice.

And the professor is understood to be running yet.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Mrs. Geoffrin's Husband.

Mrs. Geoffrin, like most Frenchwomen, had the gift of making phrases. When Rulhiere had read in her salon a work upon Russia, which she feared might involve him in difficulties, she offered him a sum of money to burn it. The author waxed wroth at the insinuation implied and broke out into an eloquent assertion of his courage and independence. She listened patiently and then in a quiet tone of voice said, "How much more do you want, M. Rulhiere?" She married at the age of fourteen M. Geoffrin, a wealthy glass manufacturer, and lieutenant colonel of the national guard. His duty as husband seems to have been to provide the funds for her social campaigns and to watch over the details of the ménage. It is related of him that some person gave him a history to read and when he asked for the successive volumes regularly palmed off upon him the first, as if it were new. At last he was heard to say that he thought the author "repeated himself a little." A book printed in double columns he read straight across the page, remarking that "it seemed to be very good, but was rather abstract." One day a visitor inquired after the silent, white haired old gentleman who was in the habit of sitting at the head of the table. "Oh, he was my husband," replied Mrs. Geoffrin, "before he died!"—Argonaut.

### Birds That Make Incubators.

In the incubator the pale yellow chicks, their soft down not yet quite dry in places, fell in their attempts to rise and walk, like men dead drunk.

"There's another," said the chicken farmer as an excited little head came out of an egg. "Wonderful things, these incubators. Would you believe that there's a bird that makes them?"

"Yes, sir; a bird, the megapode, makes its own incubator every time it has a nest of eggs. It isn't bothered, like other birds, with the long and monotonous work of sitting."

"The megapode hails from Australia, the Barrier reef country. Its incubator is a simple affair, merely a great mound of leaves. In these leaves it buries its eggs, knowing that in that hot, moist climate the leaves will ferment and in their fermentation give off just enough heat to hatch the chicks."

"Who can deny intelligence to this bird, which makes its own incubator to hatch out its own eggs?"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

### "Belling the Cat."

"Who will bell the cat?" is a curious old proverb, famous in parable and in history. The mice, says the parable, held a consultation how to secure themselves from the cat, and they resolved to hang a bell about the cat's neck to give warning when she approached, but after they had resolved on doing it they were as far off as ever, for who would do it?

Both parable and proverb have immortalized themselves in history. When the Scottish nobles met at Stirling in a body they proposed to take Spence, the obnoxious favorite of James II., and hang him and so get rid of him.

"Ah," said Lord Grey, "that's very well said, but who'll bell the cat?"

"That will I," said the black Earl Angus. He undertook the task, accomplished it and was called "Archibald Bell the Cat" until his dying day.—Glasgow Times.

### A Quaker Census.

"When I was last in India," said the globe trotter, "they were taking the census. The returns were most remarkable. In the Allahabad census thirty-five citizens described themselves as 'men who rob with threats of violence.' There were 226 'batterers for gain.' There were twenty-five 'hereditary thieves.' There were twenty-nine 'howlers at funerals.' There were 145 'ear cleaners.' There were seventy-six 'makers of crowns for idols.' There were fourteen 'hereditary painters of horses with spots.' There were nine 'professional false witnesses.'

"It seems remarkable, doesn't it? Maybe, though, if we, too, told the strict truth to the census taker our own census would seem quite as quaint as that of India."



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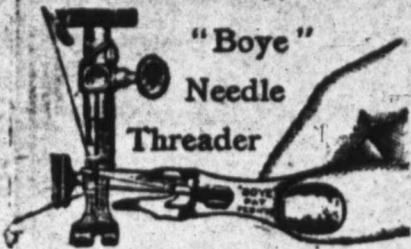
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### A CLASH WITH TURNER.

Retort of the Print Seller Who Longed to See the Artist.  
Turner, happening one day to pass a printshop, noticed in the window a copy of one of the engravings from his famous "Liber Studiorum." The print was in a very dirty, ragged state. Entering the shop, Turner asked to see the master and when the man came forward proceeded at once to blame him in no measured terms for having neglected so valuable a print and for having allowed it to become so disfigured. The man protested that it was no fault of his, as he did but offer the engraving for sale in the same state in which he had bought it from some other dealer.  
This did not satisfy Turner, however, and he and the man continued arguing for some time.  
At last the print seller lost all patience.  
"Perhaps, sir," he said, "when you have quite finished what you have to say you will kindly tell me what you have to do with this engraving and what business is it of yours whether the print is clean or dirty."  
"This is what I have to do with it," answered the enraged artist—"it was I who drew the original of that print. My name is Turner, and I did every line of that engraving with my own hand. Now do you wonder that I am angry at seeing my work in so disgraceful a state?"  
"Indeed, sir," replied the print seller. "So you are the great artist himself! All my life long it has been my wish that I might some day have the good fortune to see Mr. Turner. Now that I have seen him I sincerely hope that I may never see him again."

### REGULATING BALLOONS.

France Made the First Laws Governing Aerial Traffic.  
In 1871, when French balloons from beleaguered Paris were dropping on the "sacred soil" of Prussia, a royal decree declared them confiscate as contraband of war. And on the conclusion of peace a measure was passed through the German reichstag which forbade under penalty of death any future similar aerial violation of German territory during time of war.

So long ago as 1830, again, balloon ascents were made illegal in Turkey, so far as regards Constantinople and forty miles around, and in 1872 the prohibition was extended to include the entire Turkish empire. To France, however, belongs the distinction of having made the first laws for the regulation of aerial traffic. In 1784 it was solemnly decreed that nobody should be permitted to go up in a balloon "or any other kind of aerostatic machine" which was worked by burning spirits of wine or any other means of making a fire.

Later, in 1811, it was enacted in France that henceforth no balloon, whether free or captive, should be permitted to ascend with any species of furnace or stove, that no one should be allowed to ascend in a balloon unless he carried a parachute and that ascents were not to be begun later than one hour before sunset nor earlier than an hour after sunrise. Furthermore, no ascents whatever were to be undertaken during the garnering of the harvest nor for six weeks prior thereto.

The First New Woman.  
"We new women are really not so new as we think we are," said one of them. "In the thirteenth century there were lots of us. Can anything 700 years old be new? The University of Bologna had for professor of jurisprudence Movella d'Andria. She was no more new than beautiful. Her charms were so overpowering that the trustees made her lecture behind a curtain. When she lectured openly the students, their minds wholly occupied with her beauty, could not attend to what she said. Madonna Manzolina was professor of anatomy, Matilda Tromboni taught languages and Marie Magnesi held the chair of mathematics. This university was by no means a second rate one. On the contrary, it was perhaps the leading university of Europe. It had 10,000 students."

Called For the Author.  
The Friars, an organization of theatrical press agents, dined a manager more conspicuous for his shrewdness than for his culture. When the menu had been properly discussed the guest of honor amazed his hosts by making a speech notable not only for its grace and wit, but for some show of erudition. He sat down at last amid loud applause, when Augustus Thomas, at the same time joining the handclapping, shouted: "Author! Author!"—New York Tribune.

Emotional England.  
Ours is a nation of sentiment. We are probably more sentimental in a fearful way than any other country in Europe. The strongest man in England can weep when he hears a hymn that used to be played on the organ of the village church when he was a boy, but there is not much depth in the tears. They are not very salt.—London Ladies' Field.

A True Heroine.  
"What is your idea of a heroine, John?" asked the wife of his bosom as she looked up from the novel she was reading.  
"A heroine, my dear," answered John, "is a woman who could talk back, but doesn't."—Chicago News.

Helps Some.  
Church—And has he done anything to relieve suffering humanity? Go there—Oh, yes; he has sent his daughter abroad to take her singing lessons.—Yonkers Statesman.

### THE DARDANELLES.

Changes in the Name of the Famous Two Mile Strait.  
The Dardanelles, which is so familiar today, meant to our grandfathers not the Hellespont, but merely "two ancient and strong castles of Turkey, one of which is in Roumania and the other in Nátolia." The famous strait was known in early Victorian geography by the name of Gallipoli. But the brave, dominating castles swept away both Hellespont and Gallipoli and gave their own name to the two mile passage. Those venerable castles, built in 1650 to "secure the Turkish fleet from the insults of the Venetians," were known, according to an early geographer, as the Old Dardanelles to distinguish them from two others at the entrance of the strait, one of which "stands in like manner in Asia and the other in Europe" and called the New Dardanelles.  
In spite of the four castles, however, the passage was forced by a British fleet in 1807. In later years fortifications of a formidable nature have been constructed between the two sets of castles, and these are now properly the Dardanelles. The ultimate responsibility for naming the famous strait rests with Dardanus, the gentleman who crossed on his inflated skin from Samothrace to Asia and founded the town which afterward became the city of Troy.—London Chronicle.

### THE ARAB'S HORSE.

How He is Treated and Why He Excels at Long Journeys.  
It is most interesting to note the way the Arab treats his faithful friend, the horse. So injured indeed is the Arab pony by long usage and descent to the manner of life in the desert that even my own pony positively improved on the treatment, and I never saw him so fit as when he came back from the trip.

If the Arab and his horse are by legend closely allied they are in point of fact even more intimately connected. His mount is his first thought and at all times by far the most interesting topic of conversation.  
He is ungroomed, unclipped, unhaltered, for the Arab prefers to shackle him by means of two ropes, a short cord connecting the fore and hind fetlocks and a long line tethering him above the hind fetlock to a peg in the ground. Thus he can move about or roll at leisure and should there be any rough herbage at hand can forage for it.

Perhaps one of the principal reasons why the Arab so excels at long journeys is that he never worries himself, nor does he ever distress his mount unless there is real cause to do so. He simply continues a steady walk all day and hardly ever gallops in the wild way in which one so often sees him depicted by artists.—London Field.

Bill's Specialty.  
They found the old man sitting on the fence smoking his corn-cob.  
"Howdy, pap!—What's your son Jim doing these days?"  
"Jim? Oh, he's running a telegraph key at the depot. Jim's an operator."  
"And how's Zeke?"  
"Zeke? Waal, Zeke is captain of a lake steamer. He's a navigator."  
"And Pete? Is he still living?"  
"Oh, yes. Pete's working on an air-ship. He's what they call an aviator."  
"Well, what has become of Bill. Is he doing anything?"  
The old man blew a quid of tobacco at a wide eyed grasshopper.  
"Yep, stranger, Bill's hanging around the house all day grumbling and complaining and saying the country's going to smash. Bill's just an aggravator—just a plain aggravator."—Judge.

The Tall Chimney.  
It might puzzle the ordinary mortal to state in legal form just how much time and how much money he would require to take down a tall brick chimney. The contracting engineer would make it take itself down. After doing a small sum of arithmetic on his cuff he would direct certain portions of the base removed. In the spaces thus left he would fit a lot of very stout timbers, then remove the bricks which remained between them. Then he would set fire to the timbers and, watching from a safe distance with a camera, would take a snapshot of it as it fell.—Scribner's.

Grouchy.  
"There is a movement on foot," said Mr. Snooze, "to prevent the marriage of weakminded persons. What do you think of it?"  
"I think it's rot," answered Mr. Grouch. "Why, who else ever wants to get married?"—Cleveland Leader.

An Easy Stunt.  
"I see a premiere danseuse is advertised to dance with five snakes twined about her."  
"Should think she would. If a snake got on me I'll bet I'd dance!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Want of It.  
"The love of money," quoted the moralizer, "is the root of all evil."  
"That being the case," rejoined the demoralizer, "the want of money must be the full grown tree."—Exchange.

Safe.  
Hicks—You were dreadfully indiscreet to mention that important deal of ours to your wife. Wicks—Oh, it's all right! I didn't tell her it was a secret.—Boston Transcript.

Possibly the chap who grows about the wash day, dinner would have found it more pleasing to his fancy if he had done the washing.—Success.

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**Fads and Fashions.**  
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**Deceptive Woman.**  
 There seems to be no abatement in the jokes which pertain to one of woman's artificial aids to beauty, padding, and also there seems to be no fewer pads as the years roll on. An exchange tells of the new "location" for the rather deceptive, and, to many, necessary articles, as follows:  
 As it was rumored in the summer, the padded waist line has come to pass.

There is an oblong pillow worn down the center seam of skirt and princess frock to give a large waist line and a straight drop from bust to floor. Extra thin women are padding the corset at the back, where the straight frock or coat is apt to fall into a curved waist line. This spoils the effect of the wide, straight back, which is the feature of good fashion today.

Women who have large waists are happily letting them out and having comfort for the first time in their lives. The only thing is that one must wear gowns and coats in straight lines, otherwise the effect is absurd.

Anything that tends to enlarge hips and bust is considered bad management in dressing, and even though the waist line is not only let out, but padded, the hips are laced in absolutely tight from the waist down.

Every woman does not know how to lace a corset, and if she is in error the result will be worse this year than for many seasons before.

It must always be unlaced its entire length every time it is removed. Otherwise bones break and steels snap and the corset only lasts half its appointed time.

When it is put on it should be hooked first in front, then the hands put under it to draw up the flesh. Next the elastics are fastened to the stockings and the figure comfortably adjusted before the lacing begins.

The lacers which have hooks in the center should be pulled a little at that line first, then they should be pulled hard at the extreme lower edge, bringing the edges of the corset together.

This should be done all the way up over the hips, the extra length of lacers pulled out at the center.

The same method of lacing should then begin at the top of the corset, only it is not necessary to lace so tightly above as below.

The strings in the center are pulled as tight as one wishes and tied in a loose knot. They should never be brought around the corset and tied in front, as this destroys the waist line by denting it and finally breaking the corset bones.

In buying fireworks for Christmas don't forget that the Owl Confectionery carries a large line of these goods. Their prices are the lowest. 184-61

An American teacher, Miss Helen Hyde, is now living in Japan and using the life there as material for her prints. Miss Hyde has her house and studio at Akasaka, where she lives in Japanese style, but still retains "all the comforts of home."

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Mr. Bryan will probably not be a candidate for office again. He does not seek office for either fame or salary, and unless Nebraska calls him to office he has closed his political career. It has been like no other career in ours or any land. No other man with two national defeats on his shoulders was ever welcomed by kings and potentates as the representative of his country. The old world hailed Mr. Bryan as the typical American.

Like Henry Clay, he will never reach the presidency, but he has made a permanent impression on our politics. He has forced reforms upon the victorious party and has compelled it to explain and deny its alliance with the trusts. He has made it discreditable to be dishonest in politics and his terrific words have made predatory wealth shiver.

If Mr. Bryan becomes a senator, he will have a great opportunity to press reforms.

All the reforms that Mr. Roosevelt has attempted were suggested by Mr. Bryan and openly adopted by Mr. Roosevelt. He has purified politics as God purifies the sea, by constant agitation.

This defeat has not lessened the regard of the American people for the foremost private citizen. Mr. Bryan is greater than ever before.—Atlanta Georgian.

### HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Although "His Honor the Mayor" ran for five months in Chicago this fact was not advertised in the New York papers, as the Gotham critics often have a pleasant little way of roasting anything theatrical which comes from the Windy City. In fact, "His Honor the Mayor" crept into New York almost without any heralding whatever, and its instant success is the more noteworthy. For the first time in the history of the theater, an attraction moved from a \$1.00 house (New York Theater) to a \$2.00 house (Wallack's Theater) without any falling off of the business. Jos. M. Gaites shows much managerial shrewdness in bringing "His Honor the Mayor" on the road with Little Chip, Mary Marble and the metropolitan cast and production, and is receiving the proper reward which he deserves. So many New York successes are sent upon the road with secondary companies that the theatergoers have become skeptical and justly so. We can assure our readers that "His Honor the Mayor" will be given with Little Chip, Mary Marble and the English Pony ballet.

### Prepared for the Worst.

Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota was asked what was his attitude on the matter of being nominated for president.

"Why," he said, "I can best explain my attitude by telling you about a man I knew out West, who went to town one night and imbibed very freely at the various bars.

"He was weaving an uncertain way homeward along the road when he almost ran into a rattlesnake that was coiled in the road and rattling ominously. He looked at the snake for a moment and then drew himself up as well as he could. 'If you are going to strike, strike, drat yer,' he said, 'you will never find me better prepared.'"

### Carlisle Military Academy.

This Academy is one of the best schools in the State. It can accommodate only one hundred boys and has five men teachers, all college trained and experienced, also a regular army officer. The school will have a few vacancies after the Christmas holidays. Interested parties should write for catalogue to Carlisle Military Academy, Arlington, Texas. 185-61

The remarkable development of plant life in the Arctic region where the sun is weak is thought to be due to atmospheric conditions.

### Direct From the Factory.

Immense assortment of solid gold jewelry just received. 186-61

E. S. MORRIS & CO.

Let us sell you your coal. We handle the best, and our prices are reasonable. Phone 132, Heath Storage & Transfer Co. 186-47

The Owl Confectionery has a large stock of fireworks, cut glass and holiday goods. Call and see them. Our prices are the lowest. 184-61

WE CALL ATTENTION TO THE

# FACT

That we have stocked up with special reference to the holiday trade. Give us your grocery business for December and we'll take care of you to your satisfaction.

## Morris & Farris

Phone 60 609 Seventh Street

## Furniture and Stoves

We have just received and have on display at our store a fresh car of new Furniture, Stoves and Ranges

Heating Stoves From \$4 to \$65  
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Cook and Heating Stoves and Ranges are the best on the market and we are sole agents for this line of goods in Wichita Falls.

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We have a large line to select from and the prices are reasonable. We want you to see them. It's no trouble for us to show goods and meet prices.

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# GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

WHEN you get ready to spend your Christmas money and want to spend it in a sensible way come to us and let us show you what we can do to help you.

**We Suggest**  
A Fine Suit or Overcoat  
**\$12.50 to \$40**

Then—We Suggest for your approval: Neckties, Gloves, Hosiery, Umbrellas, Pajamas, Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Sweaters, Fancy Vests.

**Many other Appropriate Xmas Gifts to Numerous to Mention**



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## KAHN-THE CLOTHIER



### HATS OFF

To Mater-Magner, who have the finest stock of candy in the town. Everyone wants plenty of candy at Christmas time, but the same kind and price does not suit everybody, so Mater-Magner have all kinds and prices. The result is that

### THEIR STORE IS CROWDED

From morning till late at night, and everybody gets just what they want. If you want what you want and when you want it you better go to their store and get it.

### MATER-MAGNER DRUG COMPY

Free Delivery to Any Part of the City.

They will probably contest for the county seat if the voters of the inclosed territory decide that they wish a county for themselves.

The petition to the governor contains 25 per cent of the population of the territory involved. It stated that the new county will contain not less than 400 square miles of taxable area, not less than 15,000 inhabitants and not less than \$2,500,000 taxable wealth. The petition also states that Kiowa and Comanche counties, minus their contribution to the proposed county, will still contain more than 15,000 inhabitants each, more than \$2,500,000 taxable wealth each, and more than 400 square miles of taxable area each.

Kiowa county contributes three-fourths of the proposed new county, Comanche county losing only its western townships.

When in doubt give a book or a year's subscription to a good magazine.—Ralph Darnell.

After the initiation of a number of candidates tomorrow night the Elks will enjoy a social session. Candidates from Seymour and Frederick, Oklahoma, will be initiated.

Go to Ralph Darnell's for Christmas fireworks. 180-f-c

The Waco Tribune is opposed to prohibition but there is food for serious thought in the following article from its last issue:

The prohibition election next year will be close. The personal liberty idea has almost been obliterated by judicial decisions that put all laws under the head of police regulations where the citizens protest that his personal liberty is involved. A man cannot carry a pistol, take a drink on Sunday or on election day, can't bet his money on the red or green, or play the future market on cotton. We cannot practice polygamy nor make love to a woman and then not wed her without being held for heavy damages in breach of contract suits.

He cannot hunt except when it pleases the law makers and then he must keep on his own property and off his neighbors'. The ducks he kills he must eat as it is a violation of law for him to sell or ship them, though what rights a dead duck may have or be benefited by this law is hard to explain.

In a word, personal liberty is now a myth. The work of the average man is to pay his taxes, avoid being run over or running over any one, get all the money possible from one's neighbors and the general public, refrain from doing anything else except from paying campaign funds for candidates, taxes for office holders and more taxes for protected industries and still more taxes to trusts and monopolies. Any other act than paying taxes can be restrained and controlled under police regulations by the wide latitude placed on it by the courts.—Breckenridge Democrat.

### The Best Christmas Gifts.

Diamonds or solid gold jewelry. See the large assortment just received. 186-f

The Rhine was frozen over and loaded wagons crossed it on the ice in 1292. Travelers also crossed from Norway to Jutland on the ice the same.

The Cream Bakery is headquarters for everything in the line of Christmas Candles, Fruits, Nuts and Christmas-tree Supplies. 184-f

Switzerland has an estimated water-power of 1,000,000 horsepower. Of this, power 250,000 is already harnessed while 500,000 more is capable of exploitation.

Oleomargarine, twenty-five cents per pound. King & White. 178-f

On a wager, a negro ate 200 oysters in an hour at a restaurant in Burlington N. J.

Buy Christmas fireworks at Ralph Darnell's. 183-f-c

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We are giving away Absolutely Free one of the MOST BEAUTIFUL DOLLS ever brought to our town. With each 50-cent purchase you get a ticket. Call for it.

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### Winter is Here.

And if you want to be comfortable buy your coal from the Heath Storage & Transfer Co. They handle the best McAlester and the celebrated Colorado Martland coal. Deliveries made promptly to any part of the city. 180-f

As a proof of the lasting qualities of cypress a coffin was recently excavated at New Orleans which had been buried since 1803, yet the wood was as sound as when new.

Jackson Bros., undertakers and embalmers. Day phone No. 24; night phone No. 547. 96d&w-1f

The town authorities in Uruguay have been authorized by the national government to solicit the aid of the military forces in exterminating locusts.

Meadow Grove, extra creamery butter at Sherrod & Co's. Phone 177. 186-f

She has no power over the life when it has no partners in the heart.

We have Meadow Grove Extra creamery Butter. Good at the best. Phone 1771—Sherrod & Co. 182-f



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### CRIMINAL MENTION.

Mrs. S. A. Patterson of Petrolia, was shopping in the city today.

Sim Warren of Iowa Park is in the city attending district court.

Monti Hart, a business man of Archer City, was transacting business here today.

J. E. Duncan of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was here today meeting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Kell of Loveland, Oklahoma, were visiting friends in the city today.

Tom Lindsey, formerly of this city, but now of Dallas, is in the city visiting his brother, John Lindsey, and family.

O. S. Duncan, of the real estate firm of Duncan & Smith, left yesterday on a business and pleasure trip to his old home at Litchfield, Illinois.

L. E. McCurdy, a business man of Vernon, was in the city today on his return from Wilcox, Arizona, where he had been visiting his brother.

Miss Katie Lou Avis, who is attending Kidd-Key college at Sherman, returned home Saturday to spend the holiday vacation with her parents.

Mrs. Homer McGregor and little baby of Petrolia were in the city today on their return from Henrietta, where they had been visiting relatives.

Mr. W. M. Davis, who holds a position with Trevathan & Bland, left this morning for Hugo, Oklahoma, where he is to be married on Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. S. H. Hodges of Frederick, Oklahoma, came over to this city last Saturday for a week's visit to her mother, Mrs. M. E. White, and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. James J. D. Avis and H. C. McGlasson were called to Sherman last Saturday by a telegram announcing the serious illness of their sister, who died before they reached her bedside.

Mrs. L. B. Hardesty returned from Red Oak, Texas, yesterday, where she had been to attend the funeral of her brother-in-law, S. R. Hardesty, who died at that place on the 11th.

The friends of Mrs. J. W. Field, who has been making her home at Kell City, Oklahoma, for some time, will be glad to learn that she has rented the property on Burnett avenue now occupied by C. M. Andrews and will make Wichita Falls her home again at an early date.

Just received a fresh shipment of Bayle's chip potatoes. Sherrod & Co. Phone 177. 186-f

### A New County for Oklahoma.

Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 11.—Proposing the creation of a new southwestern county, to be called Park, and the territory for which is to be cut from Comanche and Kiowa counties, proclamation for an election was issued today by Governor Haskell. The election is to be held January 30th, 1909, and full quota of county officials are to be elected at the same time. A primary election to determine the candidates for the county offices of the proposed Park county will be held, according to the proclamation, January 5th.

The two principal towns in the territory embraced in the proposed new county are Snyder and Mountain Park.



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# THIS WEEK You Will WANT MATERIAL FOR Holiday Cookery

Your Mince Meat, Fruit Cake and Plum Pudding. We have everything you need and of the best quality. Pure Michigan Boiled Cider, cleaned Curren's, Seeded Raisins, Figs, Dates, Citron, Candied Lemon Peel, Candied Orange Peel, Shelled Nuts, fancy white thread Coconut in bulk, Fruit Cake Sugar, Cooking Molasses, everything you can possibly need and of the best possible quality, bought in the big markets early in the season while we could get the pick of everything. If you don't want to bother we can furnish you most any style and make of Mince Meat Fruit Cakes, and Plum Pudding and Plum Pudding Sauce ready for use and as fine quality as can be made. We have New England, Dodson & Braums, Erie Preserving Co's and Atmores Mince Meat, all styles, tins, jars, glass, Package and bulk. In Plum Pudding, Libbey's, Bishop's, Atmores and Lyon's Genuine English. This last is made by the most celebrated maker of Plum Puddings in England—the home of Plum Puddings. We much doubt if there is another one of these Plum Puddings for sale in Texas. We have Oxford Fruit Cake in 1, 2 1-2 and 5 pounds. We are also featuring some very fancy California Celery and South Texas vegetables.

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