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A worldwide campaign against the hookworm is said to be the first work of the Rockefeller \$100,000,000 foundation.

The Morgan line freight steamship Eldorado, to days overdue at Galveston, Texas, after leaving Baltimore, January 1, was entered on the Maritime Exchange in New York Saturday as officially lost.

Turkey Wednesday submitted to the will of the powers. The grand council of the Ottoman empire decided in favor of accepting the proposals of Europe for a peace settlement between Turkey and Balkan allies.

Officially announced, the grand council approved the government's point of view, declared its confidence in the sentiments of equity voiced by the great powers and expressed the wish to see their promises and proposed assistance effectively realized.

Three hundred and fifty Mohammedans, pilgrims from India to Mecca, were drowned Wednesday by a flood which overwhelmed the entire caravan.

The Colima volcano, in the state of Jalisco, Mexico, is in violent eruption, having begun Tuesday. Smoke, ashes, sand and poisonous gases are pouring from the crater.

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TEXAS LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Governor's Inauguration.

Austin, Tex.—With the customary impressive ceremonies and with a pervading atmosphere of pleasantness and cordiality the oaths of office were taken by Governor O. B. Colquitt and Lieutenant Governor Will H. Mayes, with formalities beginning at high noon in the house of representatives Tuesday.

Governor Colquitt, following his oath of office, reiterated his determination to abide by the golden rule, pronouncing it a platform superior to any of which he knew.

Lieutenant Governor Will H. Mayes in addressing the members of the legislature in joint session Tuesday, said: "It is not my purpose to detain you with an address, but I wish to express my appreciation of the compliment paid me by the people of Texas in electing me to the office of lieutenant governor of this state."

McGregor's resolution calling for an investigation of the attorney general's department was adopted, 24 to 2.

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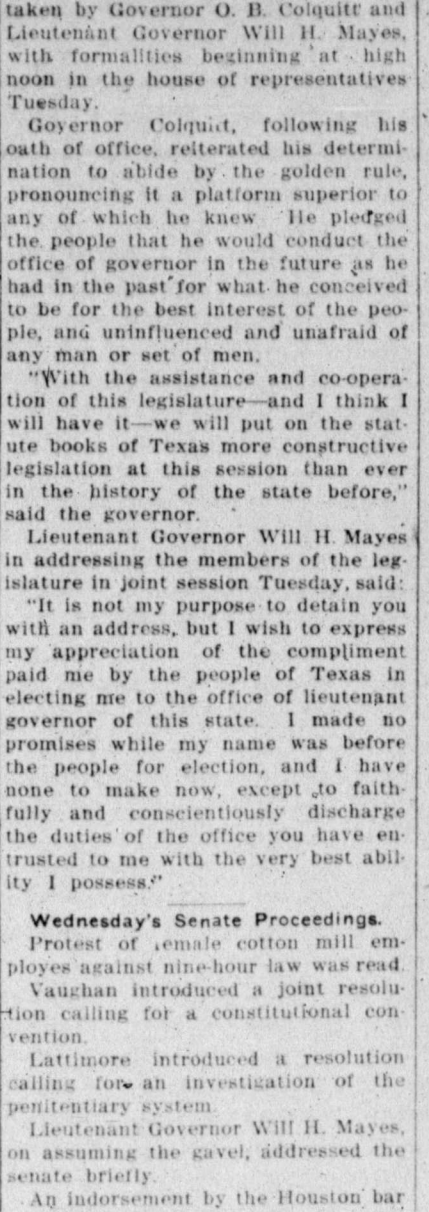
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Latest in Luncheon Sets French Jewelry in Vogue

At midseason one always goes over the house to find what needs renewing in linens, and bureau needs are usually among the things which must be replaced.

With the makers of this attractive jewelry growing more clever each year and copying more closely the genuine, it has long since ceased to be a social error for the well-dressed woman to use it.

It is particularly suited for gift giving, particularly from one woman to another.

Then there are corsage pins to hold one's flowers in place, delicate trifles that are almost as pretty as the blossoms they hold.

What with ruffles and frills and Ribesque collars and other neck flings, she is an unusual woman who does not need for several hair pins.

Skirts are unquestionably and indisputably wider.

Coats are closed at the throat in imitation of the military style.

Separate white waists in quaint designs are worn with many of the frocks.

Skirted coats are fashionable and almost always becoming to the slender figure.

Shoulders of the blouse coat are quite unique, with the material rather draped into the shoulder seam under a band or strap.

Building Crumbles; 8 Killed

Department store collapsed at McKinney, Texas. Customers and clerks could not escape—Many were injured and buried alive.



McKinney, Tex.—Eight people are dead, fourteen others are seriously injured and customers may be hidden beneath the ruins of the three-story department store of Cheeves Brothers & Co., which collapsed Thursday evening late while a bargain sale was under way.

Abandoned in Gulf of Mexico

Mobile, Ala.—The British bark Alexander Black, from Mobile, for Cincinnati, has been abandoned in the Gulf of Mexico in a waterlogged condition.

Warm Foot Muff

A foot muff of leather, for lined, fitted with an electric or hot water foot warmer and made so that it can be drawn on singly under the ankles.

French Plumes

French plumes in solid and two toned effects are in evidence. Many small hats depend on some ostrich novelty, placed at some odd angle for decoration.

Accordian Plaited Waists

Nowadays the waist has entered upon a new phase, and the accordion plaited example is carrying all before it.

Shrink Woolens

The question is frequently asked, how to shrink woolen goods, and for the benefit of those who have a task of this nature here is a simple method.

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Opponents in the house of the bill passed by the senate to appropriate \$2,000,000 for a memorial structure to Abraham Lincoln in Potomac Park at Washington, considered a successful filibuster Wednesday against submission of a favorable committee report on the measure. Adjournment was finally forced and Representative Garner of Texas gave notice that parliamentary technicalities would be exhausted to prevent the report getting before the house again.

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STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

Miss Helen Miller Gould was married Wednesday at Lyndhurst, her country estate, near Tarrytown, N. Y., to Finley Johnson Shepard, an American railroad man.

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Sweeping Change in Election Bill.
Austin, Tex.—In view of the opposition expressed to Mr. Kennedy's election bill by Representative Padlock and others, and the postponement of consideration of same in committee until January 29, a synopsis of the changes made from existing law by this measure is here presented.

The most sweeping changes occur in the sections regulating campaign funds, requiring all parties to hold a primary election for the nomination of candidates, pledging all candidates in such primaries, cutting down election expenses in order to facilitate voting and counting, providing facilities for poll tax payment, and providing for political publicity and seeking to punish what is defined as political criminal libel. Political parties are brought under stricter control of the law, and such organs as the Anti-Saloon League and the Anti-Prohibition Association are brought under control as in collections and disbursements. The bill is to take the place of the Terrell election law, and also the statutes now governing election returns. It comprises 127 printed pages, or about 65,000 words.

Otherwise than as here indicated the bill adopts the provisions of the law in the principal places.

No election precinct shall contain more than 100 poll taxpayers and exponents; a voting booth shall be provided for each fifty voters or less. Public school buildings are to be used as voting places if school is not in session. No election is to be held within 100 feet of a saloon.

Bills Favorably Reported in Senate.
Austin, Tex.—Senate judiciary committee No. 1 Wednesday favorably reported bill by Mr. Johnson et al amending the fish and oyster law, as proposed by W. G. Sterrett, game, fish and oyster commissioner; also Mr. Lattimore's bill defining loan sharks and adding jail sentence for those guilty of usury, in addition to civil action. The bill was amended so as to limit interest to 2 per cent per month, with a minimum charge of 50c for loans of \$25 or less. Westbrook's bill on the same subject was reported adversely.

Senate state affairs committee favorably reported the house resolution providing for a joint legislative committee to visit the Texas coastal waters and investigate the fish and oyster industry.

TEXAS LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Thursday's Senate Proceedings.

Heard a tribute by the Bell County Bar Association to the late George C. Pendleton.

Adopted a substitute by Vaughan for the house concurrent resolution indorsing the Shepard-Kenyon bill.

Tendered the use of the senate chamber on the evenings of January 27 and 28 to the State Conference of Charities and Corrections.

The committee appointed to investigate the attorney general's department met, prepared a list of witnesses to be subpoenaed and set Monday to begin hearings.

Thursday's House Proceedings.

Bill creating State board of optometry reported favorably by committee on public health.

Katy consolidation bill reported favorably by senate committee on internal improvements.

House committee recommended emergency appropriation of \$125,000 for the penitentiary system.

Refused to repudiate demands of democratic platform and adopted Terrell amendment to rules, giving privileges precedence over all other bills by vote of 86 to 46.

The Workmen's Compensation Bill.

Austin, Tex.—The workmen's compensation bill agreed upon by the Texas Federation of Labor was introduced Thursday in both branches of the legislature.

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Tuesday's Senate Proceedings.

Participated in inauguration of governor and lieutenant governor.

Santa Fe railroad consolidation bill presented.

Judicious silver case given A. B. Davidson, who retired as presiding officer.

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Adjourned at 3:30 in honor of seventh birthday of Representative Padlock of Tarrant County.

Adopted special commission report suggesting appropriation of \$10,200 for the proper preservation of valuable historical documents said to be piled promiscuously in the capitol basement.

Monday's Senate Proceedings.

Resolution offered to investigate attorney general's department for five years preceding January 1, 1913; action deferred until Wednesday.

Counted vote for governor and lieutenant governor; chief of office to be administered by Chief Justice Brown of supreme court.

Confirmed all appointments made by governor on vacation.

Monday's House Proceedings.

Committees announced.

Further appointments made by Speaker Terrell.

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BUILDING CRUMBLES; 8 KILLED

DEPARTMENT STORE COLLAPSED AT MCKINNEY, TEXAS.

Customers and Clerks Could Not Escape—Many Were Injured and Buried Alive.

McKinney, Tex.—Eight people are dead, fourteen others are seriously injured and other bodies may be hidden beneath the ruins of the three-story department store of Cheeves Brothers & Co., which collapsed Thursday evening late while a bargain sale was under way.

The dead are: L. W. Hark of Allen.

Mrs. Mary Stiff, saleswoman, taken out alive, but died in half an hour at the Wiley sanitarium.

Miss Rosa Welch, customer.

Miss Katie Milligan, customer.

Miss Bessie Wade, long distance operator, McKinney Telephone Company.

Russell Hight, 4-year-old son of R. L. Hight.

Miss Eva Seary, clerk, died at sanitarium within 30 minutes after being taken from the building.

R. N. Presley, clerk, died before rescuers could get to him, although he conversed with them and told of others who were in the building when it collapsed.

The injured:

Mrs. Wick Graves, Miss Cassie Seay, John Thomas, clerk, serious; Miss Annie Curtis, clerk, serious; Vernie Graves, clerk, escaped through ventilator without injury.

Mrs. Hugh Kistner, customer, slight; Mrs. Belle McWilliams, clerk, fatality; Mrs. W. M. Shirley, clerk, fatality; Mrs. Jennie Barnett, customer, very serious, perhaps fatality; Miss Lida Moreland, customer, slight; Miss Lula Seary, clerk, slight; Miss Stella Russell, slight; two unidentified women.

Mrs. Belle McWilliams did not die as was reported.

J. W. Tinsley's implement store, a two-story structure next to the Cheeves Brothers, collapsed at the same time, but the three occupants escaped injury.

NAZIM PASHA, TURKISH GENERAL, SHOT DEAD

The Turkish Cabinet Resigns and is Replaced by Young Turks. Crisis Dramatic.

Constantinople—Nazim Pasha, the former war minister and commander of the Turkish army, was shot dead during the demonstrations Thursday night which preceded the resignation of the cabinet.

Enver Bey and Talat Bey had given explicit orders that no blood should be shed. But Nazim Pasha's aide de camp fired from a window of the porte at Enver Bey and his command.

Their bullets killed Nazim Pasha. In spite of this tragedy there was no disturbance elsewhere.

Constantinople—A crisis in Turkish affairs came Thursday with dramatic suddenness. The grand vizier, Kiamil Pasha, and the Ottoman cabinet resigned, and Mahmoud Shekief Pasha, formerly minister of war and commander of the 31st division army which enthroned Mustafa V as sultan, was appointed grand vizier.

The grand council, representing the intellect and wealth of the nation, pronounced in favor of peace. A vast crowd, drawn from all classes, declared for war rather than peace without Adrianople. And, because the crowd was backed by public opinion, the government, which had announced its intention of continuing the war, was obliged to make way for the same men whom the popular movement brought to the top after the revolutions of 1908 and 1909.

The resignation of the cabinet was announced in the following statement: "The decision of Kiamil Pasha's cabinet, taken in response to the note handed to the Turkish government by the European powers to abandon the fortress of Adrianople and part of the islands in the Aegean sea, and the conviction of an extraordinary assembly of the grand council of the Ottoman empire, to which the cabinet's decision was submitted, to a course contrary to the prescriptions of the constitutional charter and violating the sacred rights of the people, roused the indignation of the Turkish nation, with the result that the people made a demonstration before the sublime porte and brought about the resignation of the government."

18,921 Bales in Bee County.

Beville, Tex.—According to ginners' reports made under oath to the federal government, the cotton crop of Bee County for the year 1912 was approximately 19,000 bales.

Forty-Five Carloads of Homeseekers.

Houston, Tex.—The homeseekers to points in the Gulf coast country arrived in Houston Friday, there being approximately forty-five carloads.

Potato Planting Near Eagle Lake.

Eagle Lake, Tex.—A great many of the potato planters of this section began planting early potatoes the first of this week. This is the earlier planting of potatoes that has ever been done in this section since potatoes have been raised at Eagle Lake.

Hog Shipment From Alleyton.

Alleyton, Tex.—A carload of extra fine fat hogs was shipped

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FOR EGG PRODUCTION

Important to Give Hens Feed Rich in Protein.

Clover and Alfalfa Are Excellent Chicken Feeds and Should Be Used More Extensively by Farmers During Winter Months.

(By OSCAR RIFE)
The food requirements of a laying hen are very like those required by a growing chicken. The production of eggs requires material similar to that required to produce flesh. One addition to the list is, however, required for egg production, which is lime, of which the shell of the egg is formed. In the summer time hens on the range will find sufficient lime to supply their needs. Yarded or shut-in chickens should be supplied with more lime than the food contains. Crushed oyster shell is now sold for this purpose, and answers the purpose admirably.

A supply of green food is one of the requisites of successful winter-feeding. Vegetables and refuse from the kitchen help out in this matter, but seldom furnish a sufficient supply of this kind. Vegetables are sometimes



A Successful Poultry Raiser.

especially grown for this purpose. Mangels and sugar beets are excellent. Cabbage, potatoes, and turnips answer the purpose fairly well. Mangels are fed by splitting in halves and stroking to mals driven in the wall. Clover and alfalfa are excellent chicken feeds and should be more extensively used by farmers in winter feeding. The leaves that shatter off in the mow are the choicest portion for chicken feeding, and are best fed by scalding with hot water and mixing in a mash.

Almost all grains are suitable foods for hens. Corn, on account of its cheapness and general distribution, has been more widely used than any other grain for feeding chickens. Many people, having found out that an addition of other kinds of food to a corn diet results in a better egg yield, have concluded that corn is not a good egg-making food. This conclusion is a mistake, and, when other mixed foods are superior to a diet composed chiefly of corn, it has also been found by repeated experiments if hens are supplied with green foods, as alfalfa, with mineral matter, some form of milk or meat food, and are fed on a moderate amount of exercise, the danger from overfatness due to the feeding of a reasonable amount of corn need not be feared.

As has already been emphasized, the variety of food given is more essential than the kind. Do not feed any grain all the time. The more variety fed the better. Corn and alfalfa, corn, being cheap grains, will perhaps form the major portion of the ration, but, even if much higher in price, it will pay to add a portion of such grains as wheat, barley, oats or buckwheat.

Bees and Fruit Industry.

There is one industry that is very much allied to the fruit industry, and that every farmer or fruit grower should add to his business is fruit growing, says a Southern Fruit Grower. While, from a money-producing standpoint, the bee industry may not be very attractive, yet as an aid to nature in the cross-fertilization of plants and orchard fruits, they have no equal.

Preparation in Advance.

Some spring manure will be needed next spring to place in the bottom of the flats, and probably to mix with soil to be used for seed sowing and transplanting. Now is the time to look out for this supply. Either rotten horse manure or cow manure will serve the purpose. If this cannot be found a compost pile should be made at once and turned a few times during the winter to improve its texture.

Avoiding Disease Germs.

The first few squirts of milk drawn from the udder may have germs in them, as they might get into the ducts. If you are very particular, milk these on the ground before milking into the pail.

Mend Your Fences.

Live stock is hard on the fences during the summer months. Go over the lines and mend the breaks now.

Changing Blood.

A change of blood is all right; some of the old blood should be changed out in the winter.

CURING THE FAMILY BACON

Good Maryland Pickle for Keeping Beef or Pork—Corn Cobs Make Good, Sweet Smoke.

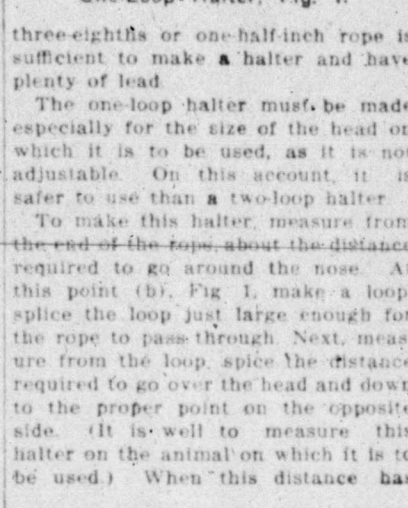
An excellent Maryland pickle for preparing beef or pork is as follows: Six gallons of fresh well water, nine pounds of coarse salt, two pounds of brown sugar, three ounces of pulverized saltpeter and one quart of New Orleans molasses.

Boil all together skimming it carefully. When boiled, set aside to get cold before using. Pack the large hams and shoulders in clean, well-scalded barrel or stone tub, at the bottom, at medium sized pieces next and the middlings at the top. Put two small pieces of boards over the meat, then weight with one or more stones. Pour on the cold brine. The brine should be fully one inch over the boards. If the meat is not fully covered with the brine the meat will spoil. Place the barrel in a cool, well covered cellar. The large hams should remain in the pickle 25 days; the medium sized hams and shoulders, 21 days; the middlings and joints, 14 days.

If the meat remains in brine longer it will be hard. At the end of this time take out the meat, wash of each piece in clear, cold water, wipe dry with a clean cloth and hang up in smokehouse. The pieces should not touch one another. Let the meat dry for a few days. Then smoke with hickory stumps or oak wood. Corn cobs make a sweet smoke. Smoke the meat with cool smoke a mahogany brown. Make a number of cotton sacks, a little larger than the hams, and place one in each sack and press with the hands a little fine cut timothy hay around the hams. The sacks closely and hang up in a dark, cool room. No flies or bugs will get into the meat if the sacks are tied tight. The sweating of the hams will be taken up by the hay, and the hay will impart a fine flavor to the meat. The hams should be smoked and sacked by the middle of January, before the weather turns mild. Hogs are in their highest perfection from 16 to 24 months old, when they do not weigh more than 150 or 160 pounds. Hogs grazed on grass and clover pasture and fattened on old corn will make the sweetest and best flavored meat.

CHEAPLY MADE ROPE HALTER

Directions Given for Making Noose That is Inexpensive, Yet Convenient and Serviceable.



One-Loop Halter, Fig. 1.

Three-eighths or one-half-inch rope is sufficient to make a halter and have one grain all the time. The more variety fed the better. Corn and alfalfa, corn, being cheap grains, will perhaps form the major portion of the ration, but, even if much higher in price, it will pay to add a portion of such grains as wheat, barley, oats or buckwheat.

Brains Make Difference.

A great deal of butter that sells for 20 cents per pound and the other kind that sells for 15 cents per pound is raised on the same land, with only a rail fence between. The difference lies entirely in the brains of the men who produce it and the man who puts it on the big markets.

Horse Collars.

Collars should not be changed from one horse to another any more than you and your hired man should change shoes.

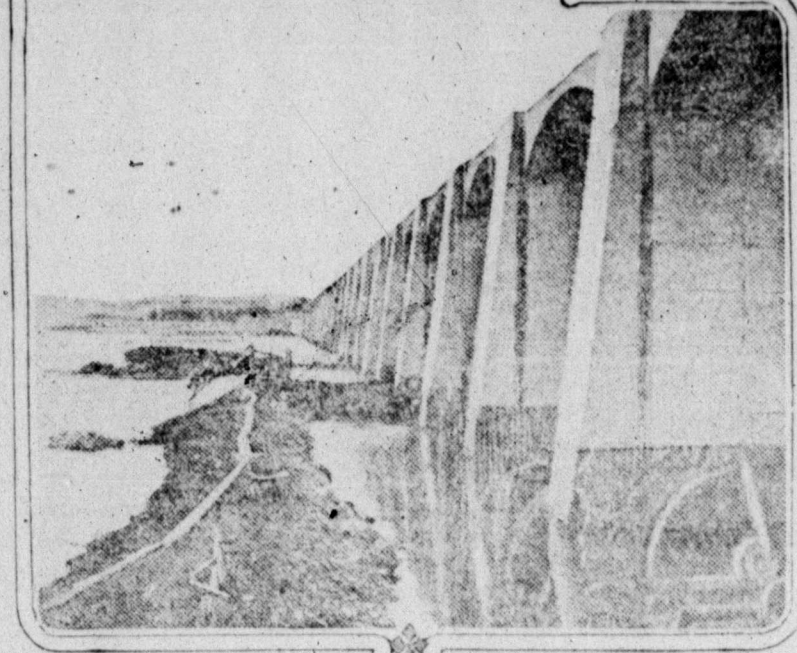
More Profitable System.

If the farmer would cultivate the garden better, and thus have some of the many dollars he spends for the provisions at the store—articles he could easily grow—his field products would come nearer being more profitable than under his present system.

The Grade Cow.

The good grade cow is all right, but the poor grade cow is all right, too.

Water Power of World Wide Effects



SECTION OF DOWNSTREAM SIDE

IN THE heart of the United States, but at a point which is one of the nearest by transportation routes to the countries of Central and South America, is being built a giant water power plant which will greatly affect for good not only its immediate environment, the Mississippi valley, but the whole nation and all the nations in Pan America. The colossal size of the water power there would cause appreciable effects anywhere in the world, and it is located almost exactly at the point where its commercial influence may be exerted most easily and effectively upon world commerce.

Nearly Mile Long.

The basis of the water power development at Keokuk, in the south eastern corner of the state of Iowa, is a great dam extending for nine-tenths of a mile from the Illinois bluff to the junction with the Illinois pass or house near the Iowa shore. This dam is a composite structure of 19 arched spans, all alike, with piers six feet thick thirty feet apart, and spillways in the spans, all alike, over which the water will flow. This dam is a mammoth of massive concrete and several feet into the hard rock bottom of the Mississippi, but impounding the water by its immense weight. The structure, with the exterior appearance of a bridge, is 53 feet high, 12 feet wide at the bottom, and 29 feet wide on top. The spillways between the piers are 32 feet high, fill the width of the dam at the bottom, have vertical upstream faces, and their downstream face is an ogee curve which delivers the water at the bottom horizontally to the river current. On top of each spillway will be a steel gate 11 feet high. By varying the number of these gates, which are open and closed, the amount of water flowing over the dam will be regulated, with the result that at varying stages of the river the spillways will have always an unvarying depth and its surface will always remain at the same place.

The water wheel itself is another example of overcoming the impossible, for experts said that it was impossible to build a turbine which would meet the unusual conditions there. But Chief Engineer Cooper called a council of war and a little later rose from the head of that table with a new design of turbine which tests show has several times as large an efficiency as compared with the best result ever attained of 80 per cent, and a textbook figure of 75 per cent of efficiency as the norm to be used in engineering calculations. The 20 turbine wheels in the Keokuk power house are several times as large in dimensions as any ever made before. Each is at the lower end of a shaft 25 inches in diameter, on the upper end of which is the revolving part of the electric generator standing on the power house floor. The revolving part of the turbines at each end weighs about 352,000 pounds, and it is supported on one bearing which is supported by bearings all between its surfaces at a pressure of 350 pounds to the square inch. From this bearing a steel cone carries the weight to

Work of Many Years.

The origin of that water power development is most interesting. It is the result of remarkably persistent labor on the part of the people of that community through several decades. In the middle of the last century the value of the vast quantity of power going to waste there was recognized and various unsuccessful movements to utilize it were launched. Ten years were spent in work which was successful at last. A corporation which really was a trust for the people of the neighborhood was organized and obtained a franchise act from congress, and searched for capital to build the water power installation. It obtained its funds from the municipal treasuries of Keokuk and of Hamilton, Ill., and from the state of Iowa. It was only after it interested in the project Mr. Hugh L. Cooper, who organized the present proprietor company only after much labor and many re-buffs, and succeeded finally chiefly because of his record of successful business of water power plants at Niagara Falls, Sao Paulo and other places.

Many Abandon Religious Faith.

Generally, according to the religious statistics of the empire, has an increasing number of persons without any religious profession. At least they are so registered. The number has grown from 17,000 in 1907 to nearly 200,000.

UNCOVER AN ANCIENT CITY

Ostia Centuries Ago Was One of the Most Important of Rome's Centers of Population.

Pompeii has a rival in Ostia. The third international archaeological congress met in Rome recently and took a day's excursion to visit the site. The few ruins of this lost city realized the importance of the excavations there going on.

Ostia was founded in the third century B. C. and was about 15 miles from Rome on an island at the mouth of the Tiber. The ruins of this port that the naval expeditions set out that made Rome the mistress of the Mediterranean.

GOOD JOKES

CLOSE RUB. TRY IT YOURSELF SOMETIME.

The steamed was on the point of leaving and the passengers lounged on the deck and waited for the start. At length one of them espied a cyclist in the far distance, and it soon became evident that he was doing his level best to catch the boat.

Already the sailors' hands were on the gangways, and the cyclist's chance looked small, indeed. Then a sporting passenger wagered a sovereign to a shilling that he would miss it. The offer was taken and at once the deck became a scene of wild excitement.

"He'll miss it!"
"No; he'll just do it!"
"Come on!"
"He won't do it!"
"Yes, he will! He's done it! Hurrah!"

In the very nick of time the cyclist arrived, sprang off his machine and ran up the one gangway set.

Stripes and Bars. The thin girl and the stout girl were admiring some handsome gowns displayed in the show window of a department store.

"I'd like that one," said the fat girl, indicating one of the prettiest.

"Huh!" said the other, "I never wear stripes!"

With a glance at the more than sylphike figure of her companion the stout girl replied:

"Of course not. It would be utterly impossible. There wouldn't be room to put more than one stripe used lengthwise, and if you wore them horizontally they'd be bars."

Different Kind. Mayor Gaynor of New York was once talking about the fondness of some men for tacking official titles onto their names.

"I once met," he said, "a man who called himself Judge Green, and I ventured to ask him if he was a United States Judge or a circuit court judge."

"I ain't neither," he told me, "I'm a judge of horses!"

PROOF. The June groom said he'd cherish her. Love her and never tire. And now he lies a-bed and lets her rise and build the fire.

The Stranger. A stranger knocked at a man's door and told him of a fortune to be made.

"Um," said the man. "It appears that considerable effort will be involved."

"Oh, yes," said the stranger, "you will pass many sleepless nights and tollsome days."

"Um," said the man, "and who are you?"

"I am called Opportunity."

"Um," said the man, "you call yourself Opportunity, but you look like hard work to me."

And he slammed the door.

And Then She Said— "That's a sad case," said Mrs. Jones, as she laid the paper on her knees and wiped her spectacles. A bride struck dumb after leaving the altar, and by last accounts she hadn't recovered her speech.

Dr. Hartman Says:

Write to Peruna Testimonials if You Want to Know the Truth.

The following letter was received by Dr. Hartman through his regular correspondence:

"I notice the testimonial of Mrs. Alice Bogie, which you give in your last article. If I should write her do you suppose she would give me further particulars? I have heard it said many times that such testimonials are fakes; that they are either absolutely fictitious or else the people have been misled to write them. I have heard it said to write your a great many times but these stories about patent medicine advertisements have discouraged me from doing chronic am afflicted with catarrh and should like very much to find a remedy such as your article describes."

To the wife, like yourself, that she has something to do besides write letters, that she is a woman of moderate means and cannot afford to write these letters and pay her own postage. I hope you will enclose stamp so she can answer you without loss to herself. Mrs. Bogie is a very estimable lady and no doubt you will both profit by being acquainted with each other.

I wish you would write Mrs. Bogie, as one woman to another. I wish you would ask her whether she has been hired to write such testimonials, whether her testimonial represents the truth.

I hope you will remember that she is a homelike, like yourself, that she has something to do besides write letters, that she is a woman of moderate means and cannot afford to write these letters and pay her own postage. I hope you will enclose stamp so she can answer you without loss to herself. Mrs. Bogie is a very estimable lady and no doubt you will both profit by being acquainted with each other.

Should you conclude to try Peruna for your catarrh I would be very glad to hear of the result. I can assure you that no use will be made of your letter, except by your written consent. Write these letters and kindly consent to have me use her letter, which is my reason for doing so, and you will be treated exactly as she has been.

People recover from chronic catarrh who take Peruna. There is no doubt about that. Some surprising recoveries are reported almost daily. I have thousands of them in my files. Peruna is for sale at all drug stores.

ASK YOUR DRUG-GIST FOR FREE PERUNA ALMANAC FOR 1913.

LET GOOD CHANCE GO BY

Bluffers Had Perfect Right to Be Mad, Considering the Extremely Unfortunate Circumstances.

Bluffers bounced into the club, jammed his hat down on a table with a fierce, resounding bang, and flung himself into an easy chair.

"What's wrong today, Bluffers? You look bad."

"I'll never forgive myself. I kicked a man out of my house last night!"

"Humph!" I've kicked out many a one. Young fellow, I suppose?"

"No; past middle age."

"Well these old codgers have no business to be coming round courting young girls. I would have kicked him out myself."

"Yes, but I have found out since that this man wasn't courting my daughter. He was after my mother-in-law."

Man's Preference. Miss Lillian Hill, lecturing on eugenics in Cleveland, said:

"It is a good thing for the human race that beauty counts for more than intellect when it comes to love. Intellect too often means nerves—in-somnia—hypochondria."

"Yes, it is a good thing for the human race that, as an old maid from Vassar put it rather bitterly:

"Men prefer a well formed girl to a well informed one."

Swat Indirect. Mandy—What foh yo ben goin' to do postoffice so 'ter'lar? Are yo' correspondin' with some other female?"

Rastus—Nop, he since all ben a readin' in de papers 'bout dese 'conscience funds ah' bout de thought ah might possibly git a lettah from dat ministah what married us.—Life.

Solved. "Twelve persons for dinner! Aren't you crazy?"

"We might invite a thirteenth; that would perhaps take away their appetite."

Better Way. "Does your wife raise a rumpus when you stay away from home at night?"

"No; but she does when I get home."

Now Is The Time

those pains and aches resulting from weakness or derangement of the organs distinctly feminine sooner or later leave their mark. Beauty soon fades away. Now is the time to restore health and retain beauty.

DR. PIERCE'S Favorite Prescription

That great, potent, strength-giving restorative will help you. Start today. Get Your Druggist Will Supply Ten Little Pills.

ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE

The Antiseptic powder shaken into the shoe—The Standard Remedy for the feet for a quarter century. Sold everywhere. Sample FREE. Trade Mark. Beware of cheap imitations. Cracked Heels. E. E. E. T. The Man who put the 's' in F. E. E. T.

Tutt's Pills

stimulate the torpid liver, strengthen the digestive organs, regulate the bowels, and cure all the ills that attend a bilious condition. For sick headache. Unruffled as an ANTI-BILIOUS MEDICINE. Elegantly sugar coated. Small dose. Price, 25c.

PISO'S REMEDY

Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. The only one in Use. Sold by Druggists. FOR COUGHS AND COLDS.

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DIVERSIFIED farming will do as much or more to reduce the high cost of living than any other thing, especially in the rural districts. The farmer who raises wheat for his flour, corn for his meal, hogs, mutons and fowls for his meat and lard, sorghum for his molasses, bees for his honey, oats and forage for his feed, with a little surplus for market, of each to buy clothing and other necessities not manufactured on the farm, can live almost independent of the agencies that are starving the working classes in the cities today. And there is not a section so well adapted to diversified farming anywhere as the Hill Country.

GEN. Daniel S. Sickles of New York, a Federal General who lost a leg, shot off by Gen. Longstreet's Confederate troops at Gettysburg, is under arrest for alleged misapplication of about \$20,000 of public money. Mrs. Helen Longstreet, widow of the Confederate general, has proposed to raise the amount among Confederate veterans to relieve Gen. Sickles. Without questioning Mrs. Longstreet's motives we think the old Confederates will not interest themselves in the matter. If Gen. Sickles is innocent of wilful wrongdoing let his own comrades and personal friends come to his rescue.

PRESIDENT-ELECT WILSON has protested against an inaugural ball, and the managers of the inauguration at Washington on March 4 have cut the ball out. A majority of the Texas Legislature are on record against these balls in the future. President Wilson has set a good example to the country. There is no sense of patriotism in spending thousands of dollars for display and ceremony at which only the exclusive set show themselves.

GOVERNOR SULZER of New York signed his first bill last week which

is a law recently passed providing a penalty of imprisonment or a fine of \$500 or both against every chauffeur who was intoxicated while driving a car. Intoxication is being outlawed by every respectable business.

MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin, is known as the beer city. Schlitz & Co. claim that their beer has made Milwaukee famous, and yet Hon. Eugene Chapin, late Prohibition candidate for president, says Milwaukee expects to raise a larger campaign fund for prohibition than any other city.

Senator Morris Sheppard.

Tuesday both Houses of the Texas Legislature elected Morris Sheppard United States Senator to succeed Senator Joseph W. Bailey, both for the unexpired term and the long term of six years, beginning March 4th, and on yesterday (Wednesday) the Legislature in joint session ratified the election, so until March 4, 1919, this talented and splendid representative of Texas young manhood will honor his native State in the world's greatest deliberative body. Morris Sheppard was born in Texas 37 years ago, he graduated at the Texas University and also is a graduate of Yale, Pres. Taft's alma mater; he was elected five times to Congress, succeeding his father who died while a member of that body.

Morris Sheppard has a national reputation as an orator and statesman and is beloved everywhere by the great order of the Woodman of the World, of which he is the head. He has wielded his axe to cut out by the roots the greatest evils of the century, and to promote peace, progress and prosperity. He has without equivocation or apology manfully fought the liquor traffic and his bill in Congress to prohibit the shipment from other States of liquor into prohibition and local option territory will soon become a law.

We congratulate Morris Sheppard and Texas upon his election, and wish for him a great career.

FOR SALE—134 acres farm, well improved, two miles from Kerrville fronting on river. All stock on place to be included in sale. Apply for further information to owner, R. L. Brown, R. R. 1, Box 5.

Work Has Begun on Fredericksburg Railroad.

Fredericksburg, Tex., Jan. 27.—The work of grading the San Antonio, Fredericksburg & Northern Railroad has actually been started near the San Antonio & Aransas Pass bridge over the Guadalupe River. Temple D. Smith of Fredericksburg handled the scraper that turned the first dirt, under the instructions of Charles Vann, the subcontractor, who has charge of the grading. It is said that work will begin at Fredericksburg and at the big-hill this week.

Mr. Farmer or Mr. Grocery Man, if you want a cheap buggy for taking home or delivering your groceries or going to mill, I can give you a bargain. This is a buggy good for all purposes. See me at my office in the rear of Newman's Store. Gilbert C. Storms.

Her dear little brother came into the somewhat darkened room where sat his sister with Mr. Jones.

"Do you know what I think, sister, dear?" he asked sweetly.

"No," said the sister; "what is it?"

"Well," said the boy, "I think if I were not in the room Mr. Jones would kiss you."

"You impudent boy," said sister. "Leave the room instantly."—Newark Star.



TRUE LOVE

"Does your doggie love you?"

"Betcher life he does! I'd kick the stuffin' out of 'em if he didn't."

HAD TO BE MANUFACTURED

Professional Humorist Could Not See Anything Funny About Political Convention Crowd.

"Sam" Blythe, whose josh stories about politicians and things political are well known, arrived in Chicago to "do" the Republican convention. Immaculately clad in a light gray suit, with a hat and cane to match, the gray-haired young man made an interesting figure in the lobby of the Congress hotel. And he seemed to know everybody on the floor.

He was approached by a younger newspaper man, who stood somewhat in awe of the older man's prominence, and addressed as follows:

"How are you, Mr. Blythe?"

"Hello," said Blythe.

"You are Mr. Blythe, aren't you?"

"I sure are!"

"Well, I'm Blank of the Yankee Doodle and I've got a column of funny stuff to write and I want you to tell me a funny story about some of this gang."

"Son," quoth Blythe seriously, "if you can find anything funny in this sad outfit you're pretty good!"—Chicago News.

SIMPLE, ONCE YOU KNOW.

"How do you manage to keep your cook, Mrs. Endfield? You have had the present one several years, haven't you?"

"Yes, Mary has been with us ever since we began housekeeping. I find it easy enough to keep her. Whenever any of our neighbors offers her a dollar a week more than I'm paying her I give her a raise of a dollar and a half. It's very simple."

GASOLINE ENGINE FOR SALE

We have a brand new Waterloo Boy gasoline engine, 2 1/2 horse power, which cost us \$80 laid down in Kerrville. For quick sale we will let it go at \$75.00 cash. It is a fine engine and cheap for the money.

Apply at ADVANCE office.

M. N. Baylor

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ALSO BUYS FURS. Main Street near Sanitarium Kerrville, Texas

Some Land Bargains

Having formed a partnership for the sale of real estate we offer a few good propositions below. This list will be added to each week as we have new propositions to offer. All properties listed with us at the owner's selling price will be advertised by us without charge.

No. 1. 2680 acres in ranch and farm. 15 miles north-west of Kerrville, two hours' ride with a loaded wagon to shipping point and good market, Kerrville, Texas. 100 acres in cultivation, and 60 acres of this has been irrigated with a 12 H. P. engine. 100 or more acres can be put in cultivation in one body and three or four hundred can be put in cultivation in smaller tracts. 400 acres will cover the roughs on the whole tract. There is a mile river front on the Guadalupe River, with overlying water. 8 room house, large sheds and barns. Pasture, and in fact the entire 2680 acres is fenced with an 8 barbed-wire fence and is goat, and hog proof around entire tract. There is a pecan grove on the tract which yields from 1000 to 2000 pounds of pecans. Price is \$10.50 per acre, with 1-3 cash, and balance at low interest and on terms to suit purchaser.

The Judge Kelley home in Kerrville fronting Water St. 8 blocks south of business center. Contains tract 300 by 400 feet. Has water works costing \$600, two acres can be irrigated. Nice young orchard. This is a fine home with plenty of room and many conveniences. Can be bought on most liberal terms at \$4000. \$500 cash down will get it.

160 acres black land in Jones Co., 10 miles from Abilene and 1 mile from Hamby. 90 acres in cultivation, 50 more tillable. 6-room house almost new, well, etc. \$40 acre.

Two well improved homes in San Antonio, one and one-half blocks from Beacon Hill car line on San Pedro heights. Each has 6 rooms, bath, front and back galleries, water works, electric lights, lavatory, etc. \$6,500 for both. Will consider some ranch property in part payment.

134 feet front on Garza street in San Antonio, 160 feet in depth, all fenced, good outhouses, 1 1/2 story house in good repair, city water telephone, electric lights, 1 block from West End car line. \$2,500, all \$1000 cash, balance \$20 monthly payments. House has 7 rooms.

105 by 185 feet, near high school building, Kerrville. 4-room house practically new, price \$1100. And, if purchaser wants it, a 2-chair barber shop in center of city can be had for \$300.

A BARGAIN, if sold soon, 4 lots on corner 200 feet square near high school building, 6-room house with fire place and 4 porches. Large underground cistern and deep well. One of the best propositions in Kerrville. Price \$1,100. See Storms & Buckner, Kerrville, Texas.

No. 3. 800 acres 4 miles from Kerrville, 20 acres in cultivation, balance pasture land, all fenced hog proof. Good 6-room house almost new, with fire place. Good spring near house, other springs in pasture. Price \$5000.

No. 4. 528 acres, 374 in one tract, 1 1/2 mile from Kerrville. House has 7 rooms, 1 under-ground cistern, one tank-over-head-water works all through house, hot and cold water in bath rooms, toilet, gas lighting plant, and lights through house, irrigated garden, modern in every particular. \$31.50 per acre.

154 acres in other tract 2 miles from Kerrville, unimproved, except for fencing. \$25.00 per acre.

446 acres 1 mile from Center Point, 50 acres in cultivation, 150 more tillable, 20 acres in orchard, fine pecan grove, 12 acres under irrigation, 2 good wells and tank, fair improvements. \$25 an acre.

8 lots in Center Point, fenced chicken proof and into six separate parts, for yard, garden, etc. Nice orchard, good 5-room house and outbuildings, good well and 3,000 gallon tank with complete water works. \$1600, half cash.

341 acres 1 mile from Pleasanton depot; 60 acres in cultivation; all tillable. Windmill, tank and small house; artesian belt. \$27.50 acre.

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GILBERT C. STORMS' LAW OFFICE
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KERRVILLE
Is the county seat of Kerr County, has a population of about 2500, is situated 20 miles northwesterly from San Antonio, and is the terminus of the Kerrville branch of the S. A. & A. P. railroad. It has two daily trains to and from San Antonio, and daily mail routes, carrying passengers in hacks, to Ingram, Junction, Rock Springs, Harper and other places north and west of Kerrville, and also a daily line to Fredericksburg. From Kerrville to Fredericksburg is 25 miles; to Bandera and Medina, City, 25 miles; to Junction 60 miles; Ricksprings 80 miles, Harper 21 miles.

The elevation at Kerrville is 1750 feet. The Guadalupe river, which heads 30 miles north of Kerrville, runs through the city. On the east side where the city is located, there are high bluffs on the river, and on the west side is a fertile and beautiful valley, and mountains surround the city on the east and west. The Guadalupe valley is occupied by thirty farmers and ranchmen, and the mountain regions, among which there is considerable valley, creek and arable land, there are large ranches of cattle, horses, sheep and goats, all of which do well in the Kerrville country. The land generally is well wooded, principally with live oak, Spanish oak and cedar, and the range is good, and water excellent.

Our farmers grow wheat, oats and all other small grain, cane and alfalfa, cotton and corn, and fruit and vegetables do well. Kerrville is one of the largest wool markets in the state, and large quantities of wool, mohair, cotton, oats, cattle, etc., are shipped from this point.

The climate of the Kerrville country is un surpassed. The winters are short and generally mild and invigorating owing to the dryness of the climate and the prevalence of sunshine. The summers are cool and delightful, and the mountain air is pure and bracing. Game abounds in the Kerrville country, and fishing in the Guadalupe, especially north of Kerrville, is good. Kerrville and the adjoining towns are popular resorts for health and recreation.

The Kerrville Commercial Club, any of the different Realty Companies or any of our citizens, will be pleased to give prospective residents or visitors further information.

When you read this copy of the Advance, pass it along to your neighbor.

H. C. Geddie
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GENERAL LAW PRACTICE IN ALL COURTS
Newman Building
KERRVILLE, TEXAS

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W. A. Fawcett, C. C.
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Meets on the Second and Fourth Mondays in each month at Fawcett's Hall.
Mrs. Lillah Moore,
Guardian
Mrs. Elizabeth Mosty,
Clerk.

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Silas F. Howard,
Chancellor Com.
J. D. Motley,
Keeper of Records.

M. W. A.
Meets at Fawcett's Hall, 2nd and 4th

LOCAL DIRECTORY

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Methodist Church
S. J. DRAKE, Pastor
Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. J. J. Starkey, Superintendent.
Epworth League 7 p. m. Mark Mosty, President.

First Baptist
D. P. AIRHART, Pastor
J. T. S. GAMMON, Treasurer
Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Sunday School 10 a. m. A. B. Williamson, Superintendent; Louie Moore, Secretary.

Prayer Services every Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock.
Church choir practice every Friday night.
The Ladies Aid meets every Tuesday at 2 p. m. Mrs. R. S. Newman, President; Mrs. A. A. Roberts, Secretary and Treasurer. Missionary Program 1st Tuesday in each month.

Presbyterian Church
W. P. DICKEY, Pastor
Preaching every Sunday, 10:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.
Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:00 p. m.
Services will begin and close promptly on time.
A cordial invitation is extended to all to visit these services.

Episcopal Church
J. E. ELLIS, Pastor
Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every Sunday.
Liturgy and sermon Friday nights at 8 o'clock.
Sunday School at 7:45 a. m.

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L. A. Mosty, Consl.
W. W. Noll, Clerk.

A. F. & A. M.
Lodge No. 697 meets at Masonic Hall on Saturday night on or before full moon each month.
A. W. Henke, W. M.
E. Gold, Secretary.

O. E. S.
Meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday nights of each month at Masonic Hall.
Mrs. Ettie Townes,
Worthy Matron
Dr. E. Galbraith,
Worthy Patron
Mrs. Eron Williamson,
Secretary.

PYTHIAN SISTERS
Meets 1st and 3rd Friday evenings of each month at Fawcett's Hall.
Mrs. J. E. Grinstead, M. E. C.
Miss Mabel Davis, M. of R. & C.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

THE COURTS

DISTRICT COURT
R. H. Burney, District Judge; L. J. Beukes, District Attorney.
Court meets First Monday in January and Fourth Monday in June.

COUNTY COURT
Meets for Probate business on First Monday's in February, April, June, August, October and December.
Lee Wallace, Judge.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT
Meets Second Monday's in February, May, August and November.

COUNTY OFFICERS
Lee Wallace, Judge
W. G. Garrett, County Attorney
John R. Leavell, Clerk
J. T. Moore, Sheriff
A. B. Williamson, Treasurer
W. G. Peterson, Assessor
A. L. Starkey, Surveyor

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Arthur Reel, Pre. No. 1
John Rees, Pre. No. 2
Hugo Wiedenfeld, Pre. No. 3
J. M. Webb, Pre. No. 4
E. H. Turner, Justice P. Pre. No. 1
Jas. Crotty, Justice P. Pre. No. 2
Ed. Smith, Justice P. Pre. No. 3

"SAP" Time Table

Arrives—
Regular Passenger
Daily except Sunday 7:30 p. m.
Regular Passenger
Sunday 11:50 p. m.
Mixed Train Daily except Sunday 12:25 p. m.

Departs—
Regular Passenger
Daily except Sunday 6:45 a. m.
Regular Passenger
Sunday only 5:00 p. m.
Mixed Train Daily except Sunday 1:25 p. m.

Williams Mercantile Company

SLAUGHTER SALE PRICES WILL SAVE YOU MONEY

GROCERIES

19 pounds Sugar	\$1.00
5 lb. Best Bayo Beans	25c
Quart Bottle Blueing	10c
4 packages Dr. Prices Wheat Flakes	25c
7 packages Hippo Washing Powder	25c
1 gallon tins Syrup or Molasses	40c
3 1-2 gallon tins Aunt Jemima Food Syrup	50c
Shredded Wheat Biscuits per pk.	10c
Quaker Puffed Wheat or Rice, 4 pkgs.	25c
7 cakes Clariette Soap	25c
7 cakes Grandpa's Tar Soap	25c
Evaporated Apples per pound	6c
Best Baking Powder 25c tins, 3 for	50c
7 packages Faultless or Eddy's Starch	25c
Seed Corn, per pound,	7c
White Onion Sets, per pound	8c
Red Onion Sets, per pound,	5c

With a \$10.00 cash purchase we will give a handsome gilt picture frame, value \$1.50.

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Item

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R. L. Burnett, J. was at the St. Ch.

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EMIL E. H. WELG

Items of Local Interest

Miss Laura Wilson spent last week in the Alamo City.

R. L. Burnett, Jr. of San Antonio was at the St. Charles Tuesday.

Rev. S. J. Drake made a visit to San Antonio Monday.

Attorney Gilbert C. Storms went to Comfort Saturday on business.

Rev. D. P. Airhart visited Center Point yesterday.

Jas. Sellers was here from Center Point Tuesday.

Rev. J. D. Overton of Center Point was here Friday and made the Advance office a pleasant call.

Paul Besson of the Guarantee Shoe Co. of San Antonio, spent Sunday in Kerrville, visiting friends.

Hugh Edens from the Center Point community was selling baled cane on this market Tuesday.

Go to W. P. Renfrow's at the K. H. Parker old stand for Groceries and Feed.

Stockmen report conditions rather serious and many are having to feed to bring their cattle through the winter.

Mr. J. T. Clark was down from Ingram Saturday and called in to have the Advance sent to him regularly.

Mr. H. Noll returned Tuesday from Beaumont where he has been on a visit to his son, Dr. Julius Noll.

Mr. Chas. Utterbach and family arrived from Houston a short while ago and will probably make Kerrville their home.

The B. Y. P. U. will be entertained at Mr. and Mrs. Roebuck's next Friday evening. All members are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Dewees and daughter, Miss Graves, left Sunday to visit at San Antonio, Devine, Poth, and Falls City.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hughs and little daughter have returned to their ranch near Japonica. They were accompanied by their nephew, George Fordtran.

Rev. S. H. C. Burgin of San Antonio, presiding elder, preached Sunday at the Methodist Church, and notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a good congregation. Mr. Burgin is a minister of splendid ability and devotion to his church work, and always receives a hearty welcome throughout his district.

MODEL TAILORING CO.
OPPOSITE
St. Charles Hotel
Cleaning and Pressing
Suits Called for and Delivered

Don't forget to ring 117 and tell us that item of news.

Miss Emile Rennert is visiting her niece, Mrs. G. F. Schreiner at Cedar Lodge.

Miss Alice Lane of Center Point visited relatives and friends here last week.

Robert Callahan, tailor, went to Comfort and Center Point Thursday in the interest of his business.

A. W. Mayfield and family, from Medina visited relatives in Kerrville and Ingram Saturday and Sunday.

Our Lace and Embroidery department is complete and prices are right. West Texas Supply Co.

Addison McDonald from the lower Turtle creek valley was in town Saturday selling farm produce.

Judge J. R. Burnett made a business trip to San Antonio this week, returning Tuesday-night.

Renfrow can supply you promptly and satisfactorily with groceries and feed. Phone orders given careful attention.

The Advance will gladly publish the account of social functions when sent in. Copy must be in by noon Wednesday and earlier if possible.

Mrs. A. G. Morriss and children returned Monday from a visit to relatives at San Antonio and Floresville.

Don't buy a buggy or hack until you have seen and priced our large stock. We can save you money. J. Q. Wheeler & Son

We are glad to learn that Dr. Julius Noll who had to undergo an operation for appendicitis recently at the hospital in Beaumont is doing nicely and will soon be up.

C. W. Moore and family have just moved to their pretty new home just completed on Washington street.

A. B. Cooper, now of San Antonio but who spent most of last year in Kerrville, came up Monday to spend a few days visiting friends.

6 lots, 5-room house with chimney, good well. On Main St. next to Chataqua grounds. Price for quick sale, \$850.00. Apply to, Buckner & Storms.

Dr. Roberts reports the following births: A boy to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Covert on Jan. 26; twin boys to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vowel, Jan. 23; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson.

"Oh You Shoes!" Question: have you looked at the new Easter and Spring line of Oxfords and Pumps for men, ladies and children. They are up-to-date. WEST TEXAS SUPPLY CO.

Miss Bernice Cox from Center Point spent Saturday and Sunday with her friend, Miss Dove McElroy, in Kerrville.

White Goods such as corduroys in plain white and stripes, white linen, flaxon, linare and madras, have just arrived at WEST TEXAS SUPPLY CO.

The Rock Drug Store is in the hands of L. W. McCoy who has been appointed Receiver by District Judge Burney on the petition of the San Antonio Drug Co.

Mrs. Dr. Domingues and Mrs. J. L. Pampell left this (Thursday) morning for San Antonio to witness the celebrated play "Every Woman".

Sheriff J. T. Moore returned Saturday from Houston with a prisoner, one Maddox, who was indicted here upon a felony charge several years ago.

Our new lace and embroidery allover arrived Monday. Come and take a look ladies. A pleasant surprise. H. Noll Stock Co., The Big Glass Front Store.

Mrs. Etta Townes returned on the train Wednesday night from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Mallory in Houston.

W. T. Leavell made a business trip to Bandera last week in his new Ford car, returned Saturday in the mud.

The smartest and latest styles of new Spring Shoes and low-quarters for ladies, men and children arrived at our store Monday. Come and take a peep.

H. Noll Stock Company, The Big Glass Front Store.

Rev. J. H. Jackson, pastor of the Baptist Church at Ingram, was in Kerrville yesterday.

Mexican Dinner.

The ladies of St. Peter's Episcopal Church Parish Guild will give a Mexican dinner in the basement of the Lowery building on Saturday, Feb. 1st from 11:30 to 2 p. m. Price of dinner, 25 cents.

Our new Spring Dress Goods, arrived Monday. Come and take a look, ladies.

H. Noll Stock Company, The Big Glass Front Store.

District Judge R. H. Burney appointed a Finance Committee to audit the books of the Kerr County offices, as follows: J. M. Hamilton, S. H. Huntington and Jas. Sellers. He also appointed the following jury commissioners: W. D. Burney, Jas. Starkey and Nathan Herzog.

The Baptist Ladies Aid held their regular Missionary meeting with Mrs. T. B. Roebuck Tuesday evening. An interesting time was spent and a good attendance was present. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Hodges.

EASTER IS COMING

early this year and we are prepared for it. We have just received our Spring Dress Goods in the latest styles and patterns such as Voil, Pongee, Ratine, Soiesette, Splash Voil, plain and striped Linen, Lawns, Gingham, Zepher, and a lot of other dress goods too numerous to mention. Come and let us show you, if you are from Missouri. We have the goods and try to stay in the lead for the latest patterns in up-to-date goods.

The many friends of Rev. J. E. Ellis will be sorry to learn that he has resigned from the charge of St. Peter's Episcopal church and has accepted a call from St. James church at Taylor. The change will take place March 1st.

Rev. Felix Buldian, an ex-Catholic priest, now an ordained minister of the Baptist church, preached to the Mexicans and quite a number of visiting Americans at the Mexican school house last Saturday. Rev. D. P. Airhart preached at the same place in the afternoon and we are informed there was good attendance and splendid interest at both services. Rev. Buldian has been employed to preach for the Mexicans once a month and they have agreed to assist in the support of his ministry.

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Program for Social Meeting and Dollar Day of Ladies Aid Society of First Baptist Church, Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1913.

1. Song No. 133.
2. Scripture Reading.
3. Prayer.
4. Instrumental Solo--Mrs. Gammon.
5. Duet--Mesdames Williamson and Howard.
6. Reading--"Walking With the World," Mrs. Newman.
7. Scripture Memory Work, conducted in the old-fashioned Spelling-Book order.
8. Piano Selection.
9. Roll Call, responded to by members, giving their experience of making their dollars.
10. Closing Song and Prayer.

This would be a good time to subscribe for the Advance.

The Kerr County Farmers' Institute held its regular monthly meeting at the court house here last Saturday. An interesting program was carried out the subjects discussed being, Corn, Milo, Maize, Gardening and Good Roads.

Hugh Pritchard, formerly of Bandera but who has been auditor on the SAP railroad running south out of San Antonio for about six years, is now running on the Kerrville branch. It was our pleasure to meet Mr. Pritchard this week and renew our acquaintance with him. He is a young man who has won his way in the world by adhering to certain rules which all young men will do well to follow as a safeguard of success. Mr. Pritchard has a habit of sticking to his job. He says the greatest asset a man can possess in business is strict honesty and the next is stability. "Stay with your job, be honest and truthful with your employer and his patrons, live a clean and honorable life, and you will make good," is his experience.

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Papa took Harry to the country to visit his grandparents. They lived a short distance from the village where the train stopped. Harry insisted on running as they approached the home of his grandparents. They had not gone far, however, until Harry's breath was coming in short jerks and he coughed—hardly—talked.
"Wait—wait—a minute—papa," he gasped.
"What's the matter, son?" asked the father.
"My—breath—is all out of place," gasped the little fellow.
Slow Chap.
"Yes," laughed the girl with the pink parasol. "He is the slowest young man I ever saw."
"In what way, dear?" asked his chum.
"Why, he asked for a kiss and I told him I wore one of those knotted veils that takes so long to loosen."
"And what did he do?"
"Why, the crowd took time to untie the knot."—Mack's Monthly.

Analyzing the Philosopher.
Finley Peter Dunne was sympathizing at a New York club, with a playwright whose play had failed.
"Bravo up!" he cried. "Take it like a philosopher!"
Then Mr. Dunn smiled the whimsical Dooley smile and added:
"A philosopher is one who has trained himself to bear with perfect serenity the misfortunes of others."
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Will you please answer the following questions in regard to a reception?
How is punch or frappe served?
Should one shake hands with those who serve it and with those serving in the dining room?
Do they have some one to show you around and introduce you to those you have not met? If not, do you introduce yourself?
Tell me some of the pleasant things to say to those receiving.—Greenhorn.

Punch and frappe are served from a large bowl in small glasses. It is not necessary or customary to shake hands with anyone except those in the receiving party.
There should be several intimate friends to look out for and introduce strangers to at least two or three persons, thus putting them at their ease. Under certain conditions you might introduce yourself.
It is impossible to write out in detail pleasant things to say. Express your pleasure at being present and, of course, remark that it is a charming affair, or words to that effect.

For a Huntsman's Party.
I wish to entertain a party of huntsmen and would like you to suggest the table decoration and what refreshments should serve. I expect to have them in the evening and thought a Dutch supper would be suitable for men always like plain things with few frills. Why not have a caper, ket with flowers for the centerpiece, with small ones filled with salted nuts at each place? It would be fun to have a regular camp supper—broiled bacon, some baked potatoes, apples and string, with coffee. This would be a decided novelty and very informal. Ask the men to come in huntsman's garb and the ladies in abersweat suits. You might have a fish and game dinner.

A Valentine Reception.
The junior class of our high school is going to give a reception to the seniors on February 14. How soon before the reception should the invitations be sent out? What could we serve for refreshments? We do not desire anything very elaborate—about two courses. Could you suggest a pretty way for decorating the table.

Wedding Refreshments.
What would be the proper refreshment for a two o'clock wedding, and should a bride wear a veil? The wedding is to be in June.—Greenhorn.

Chicken salad, sandwiches, coffee, ice cream and wedding cake with coffee will be the proper outfit, just the same as for an evening wedding. It all means a bride should wear a veil. It is the one and only occasion a girl has that privilege and she should avail herself of it. What is sweeter than a June bride? June is the month of roses and of brides.

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Will you please send me suggestions for a handkerchief booth for a church fair, to be all in white?—Chairman.

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WHAT WORRIED HER.
"I asked your father and he said you were old enough to know your own mind."
"He didn't tell you how old I was, did he?"

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"By my long study of the science," was the reply.
"But surely the lines on my hand—cannot tell you the name?"
"Oh! I said anything about lines?" replied the prophetic one, with a withering scorn. "You are wearing the engagement ring I returned to him three weeks ago."

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"I asked your father and he said you were old enough to know your own mind."
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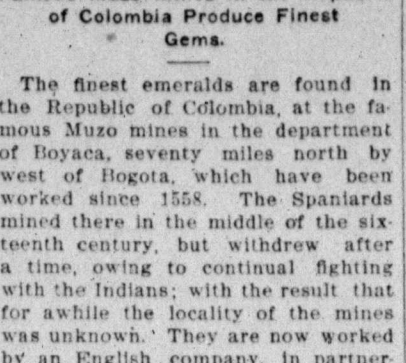
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The net from Cairo to Bagdad

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"Ten Pounds," Repeated Ryann, a Hand in His Pocket.

SYNOPSIS.

George Percival Algernon Jones, vice-president of the Metropolitan Oriental Rug company of New York, thirsting for romance, is in Cairo on a business trip. Horace Ryann arrives at the hotel in Cairo with a carefully guarded bundle. Ryann sells Jones the famous Holy Yliorides rug which he admits having stolen from a pasha at Bagdad. Jones meets Major Callahan and later is introduced to Fortune Chesedov by a woman to whom he had loaned 150 pounds at Monte Carlo some months previously, and who turns out to be Fortune's mother. Jones takes Mrs. Chesedov and Fortune to a polo game. Fortune returns to Jones the money borrowed by her mother. Mrs. Chesedov appears to be engaged in some mysterious enterprise unknown to the daughter. United Romance and Adventure company, a concern which for a price will arrange any kind of an adventure to order. Mrs. Chesedov, her brother, Major Callahan, Wallace and Ryann as the United Romance and Adventure company, plan a risky enterprise involving Jones. Ryann makes known to Mrs. Chesedov his intention to marry Fortune. Mrs. Chesedov declares she will not permit it. Ryann are had to leave the hotel and return home. Ryann steals Jones' letters and cable dispatches. He writes agent in New York, in Jones' name, that he is renting house in New York to some friends. Mahomed, keeper of the holy carpet, is on Ryann's trail.

CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

What to do? mused the rogue. On the morrow Mr. Jones would leave for Port Said. Ryann shook his head and with his cane beat a light tattoo against the side of his shin. Abduction was rather out of his sphere of action. And yet, the suppression of Percival was by all odds the most important move to be made. He had volunteered this service and accomplished it he must, in face of all obstacles, or poof! went the whole droll fabric. For to him it was droll, and never it rose in his mind that he did not chuckle satirically. It was a kind of nightmare where one hangs in mid-air, one's toes just beyond the flaming dragon's jaws. The rewards would be enormous, but these he would gladly surrender for the supreme satisfaction of turning the poisoned arrow in the heart of that canting hypocrite, that smug church-deacon, the sanctimonious, the sleek, the well-fed first-born. And poor Percival Algernon, for no blame of his own, must be taken by the scruff of his neck and thrust bodily into this tangled web of schemes and under-schemes. It was infinitely humorous.

He had had a vague plan regarding Mahomed, guardian of the Holy Yliorides, but it was not possible for him to be in Cairo at this early date. That he would eventually appear Ryann never doubted. He knew the Oriental mind. Mahomed-El-Ghedi would cross every barrier less effective than death. It was a serious matter to the Moslem. If he returned to the palace at Bagdad, minus the rug, it would mean self-betrayal to the Arabians. Ryann, heretofore the most important part of his excellent anatomy, his head. Some day, if he lived, Ryann intended telling the exploit to some clever chap who wrote; it would look rather well in print.

To turn Mahomed against Percival as being the instigator would be an adroit bit of work; and it would rid him of both of them. Glorconda said that she wanted no rough work. How like a woman! Here was a man's game, a desperate one; and Glorconda, not forgetting that it was her inspiration, wanted it handled with gloves! It was bare-hand work, and the sooner she was made to realize this, the better. It was no time for tuning fiddles.

Manned out of it, there was a certain English bar in the Quarter Rosetti, a place of dubious repute. Many derelicts drifted there in search of employment all more dubious. Ryann preferred his own legs. So did Mahomed. Once, so close did he come that he could have put his two

black and brown and white men, not soldiers of fortune, like Ryann, but their camp-followers. In short, it was there (and Ryann still felt a dull shame of it) that Wallace, carrying the final instructions of the enterprise, had found him, sleeping off the effects of a shabby rout of the night before. It was there also that he had heard of the history and the worth of the Yliorides rug and the possibility of its theft. He laughed. To have come upon an adventure like that, with nothing but the fumes of wine in his head!

For a few pieces of gold he might enroll under his shady banner three or four shining lights who would undertake the disposal of Percival. Not that he wished the young man any harm—no; but business was business, and in some way or another he must be made to vanish from the sight and presence of men for at least two months.

As for Major Callahan's unforeseen danger, the devil could look out for that. Ryann consulted his watch, a cheap but trustworthy article, costing a dollar, not to be considered as an available asset. He would give it away later in the day; for he had decided that while he was in funds there would be wisdom in the purchase of a fine gold Longines. A good watch, as every one knows, is always as easily converted into cash as a London bank note, providing, of course, one is rich enough to possess either. Many watches had he left behind, in his place or in that; and often he had exchanged the ticket for a small bottle with green neck. Wherever fortune had come against him heavily at cards, there he might find his latest watch. And another good idea, he mused, as he swung the time-piece into his vest-pocket, would be to add the splendor of a small white stone to his modest asset. There is only one well-defined precedent among the sporting fraternity: when flush, buy jewelry. Not to the cause of vanity, but at all; but precious stones and gold watches constitute a kind of reserve-fund against the evil day. When one has money in the pocket the hand is quick and eager to find it. But jewelry is protected by a certain quality of caution: it is not too readily passed over bars and gaming-tables. While the pawnbroker stands between the passion and the green-baize, there's food for thought.

Having settled these questions to his satisfaction, there remained but one other, how to spend his time. It would be useless to seek the English bar before noon. Might as well ramble through the native town and the bazaars of Cairo. They were to him no less enchanting than the circumpolar regions of his youth. In certain ways, they were not to be compared with those in Constantinople and Smyrna; but, on the other hand, there was more light, more charm, more color. Perhaps the magic nearness of the desert had something to do with it; the rainless skies, the ever-recurring suggestions of antiquity. His lively observation, his sense of the picturesque and the humorous, always close to the surface, gave him that singular impetus which makes man a prowler. This gift had made possible his success in old Bagdad. Some years before he had prowled through the narrow city streets, had noted the windings, the blind-alleys, and had never forgotten. Faces and localities were written indelibly upon his memory.

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brown hands round the infidel's throat. But, patience! did not the Koran teach patience among the higher laws? Patience. He could not, mad as he was, do as he did, throttle the white liar here in the bazaars. That would not bring the Holy Yliorides to his hands. He must wait. He must plan to lure the man out at night, then to hurry him into the desert. Out into the desert, where no man might be his master. Oh, the Holy Yliorides should be his again! It was written.

The cries, the shouts, the tower of Babel proclaimed the intermingling of the races of the world; the Egyptian, the American, the German, the Italian, the Frenchman, the Greek, the Levantine, the purple-black Ethiopian, the bronze Nubian; the veiled women, the haughty eunuchs; all the color-tones known to art, but predominating that marvelous faded tint of blue, the Calene blue, in the heavens, in the waters, in the eyes.

"Make way, O my mother!" bawled a donkey-boy to the old crane peddling matches. "Backsheesh! Backsheesh!" in the eight tones of the human voice. From the beggar, his brother, his uncle, his grandfather, his children and his children's children. "Backsheesh, backsheesh!"

"To the right!" he shrilled into Ryann's ear, and he dodged. A troop of donkeys passed, laden with tourists, unhappy, fretful, self-conscious. A water-carrier brushed against him, and he whiffed the fresh dampness of the bulging goat-skin. A woman, the long, black, headscarf streaming out behind in the clutch of the monkey-like hand of a toddling child, carried a terra-cotta water-jar upon her head. The grace with which she moved, the buoyancy of the roller-or-changer, caught Ryann's roving eye and filled it with pleasure.

Dust rose and subsided, eddied and settled; beggars blind and one-eyed squatted in it, children tossed it in play, and beads of burden shuffled through it.

The roar in front of the shops, the pressing and crowding of customers, the high cries of the merchants, the gurgle of the water-pipes, the pleasant fumes of coffee, the hardy laughter rolling before the khaza or caravan-saries; a veiled face at a lattice-window, the violet shadows in a doorway, the sunshine upon the soaring minaret; a true believer, rocking and mumbling over his lattered Koran; gold and silver and jewels, amber and copper and brass; embroideries and rugs and carpets; and the pest of fleas, the plague of flies, the insidious presence of men for at least two months.

Ryann found himself inspecting "the largest emerald in the world," worth twelve thousand pounds, which looked more like a fine hexagonal of onyx than a gem. It was one of the curiosities of the bazaars, however, and tourists were generally round it. To his experienced eye it was no more than a fine specimen of emerald quartz, worth, what any fool of a collector was willing to pay for it. From this bazaar he passed on into the next, and there he saw Fortune.

And as Mahomed always stood at hand, saw the hard lines in Ryann's face soften, the cynical smile become tender, he believed he saw his way to strike.

CHAPTER IX.

The Bitter Fruit.

Fortune had of heavy contempt for persons who ate their breakfast in bed. For her the glory of the day was the fresh fairness of the morning, when every one's step was buoyant and all life stirred energetically. There was cheer and hope everywhere; men faced their labors with clear eye and fearless nostrils; women sang at day break. It was only at the close of day that despair and defeat stalked the highways. So she was up with the sun, whether in her own garden or in these odd and mystical cities. Thus she saw the native as he was, not as he later in the day pretended to be. For the pawnbroker stands between the passion and the green-baize, there's food for thought.

She had the same love of prowling that lured Ryann from the beaten paths. She was not inquisitive but curious, and that ready discerning smile of hers opened many a portal. She was balancing upon her gloved palm, thoughtfully, a Soudanese bead-trinket, a pendant of twisted gold wires, flawed emeralds and second pearls, really exquisite and not generally to be found outside the expensive shops in the European quarters, and there infrequently. The merchant wanted twenty pounds for it. Fortune shook her head, regretfully. It was far beyond her means. She sighted only once in a great while she saw something for which her whole heart cried out. This pendant was one of these.

"I will give you five pounds for it. That is all I have at present."

"Salaam, madame," said the jeweler, reaching for the pendant. "If you will send it to the Hotel Semiramis this afternoon . . . But she faltered at the sight of the merchant's incredulous grin. "I'll give you ten for it; not a piasa more. I can get one like it in the Shariah Kamel for that amount."

Both Fortune and the merchant turned. "You, Horace?" "Yes, my child, and what are you doing here alone, without a dragoman?" "Oh, I have been through here alone many times. I'm not afraid. Isn't it beautiful? He wants twenty pounds for it, and I cannot afford that."

She had not seen him in many weeks, yet she accepted his sudden appearance without question or surprise. She was used to his turning up at unexpected moments. Of course, she knew that he was in Cairo; where her mother and uncle were this secretive man was generally within calling. There had been a time when she had eagerly plied him with questions, but he had always erected barriers of evasion, and finally she ceased her importunities, for she concluded that her questions were such. No matter to whom she turned, there was no one to answer her questions, questions born of doubt and fear.

"Ten pounds," repeated Ryann, a hand in his pocket. The merchant laughed. Here were a young man and his sweetheart. His experience had taught him, and not unwisely, that love is an easy victim, too proud to haggle, too generous to bargain sharply. "Twenty," he reiterated.

"Salaam!" said Ryann. "Good day!" He drew the somewhat resisting hand of Fortune under his arm and made for the door. "Sh!" he whispered. "Leave it to me." They gained the street.

The merchant was dazed. He had misjudged what he now recognized as an old hand. The two were turning up another street when he ran out, shouting to them and waving the pendant. Ryann laughed. "Ten pounds, I am a poor man, efendi, and I need the money. Ten pounds, I am giving it away." The merchant's eyes filled with tears, a trick left to him from out of the ruins of his youth, that ready service to forward the merited rod.

Ryann counted out ten sovereigns and put the pendant in Fortune's hand. And the pleasure in his heart was such as he had not known in many days. The merchant wisely had not asked for his shop.

"But . . ." she began protestingly. "Tut, tut! I have known you since you wore short dresses and tam-shanters." "I really cannot accept it as a gift. Let me give you the ten pounds."

"And why can't you accept a little gift from me?"

She had no ready answer. She gazed steadily at the dull pearls and the flaky emeralds. She could not ask him where he had got those sovereigns. She could not possibly be so cruel. She could not dissemble in words like her mother. That gold she knew to be a part of a dishonest bargain whose forestep had been a theft—more, a sacrifice. Her honesty was like rare gold, unalloyed, unadorned with sophistic subterfuges. That the young man who had purchased the rug might be mildly peccable had not yet occurred to her.

"Why not, Fortune?" Ryann was very earnest, and there was a pinch at his heart. "Because . . . " "Don't you like me just a little?" "Why, I do like you, Horace. But I do not like any man well enough to accept expensive gifts from him. I do not wish to hurt you, but it is impossible. The only concession I'll make is to borrow the money."

"Well, then, let it go at that." He was too wise to press her. "And can you afford to throw away ten pounds?" with assumed lightness. "My permanent impression of you is the young man who was always forced to borrow carfare whenever he returned from Monte Carlo."

"A fool and his money, but I'm a rich man now," he blundered. And briefly he sketched the exploit of the Yliorides rug.

"It was very brave of you. But has it ever occurred to you that it wasn't honest?" "Honest?" frankly astonished that she should question the ethics. "Oh, I say, Fortune; you don't call it dishonest to get the best of a bargain? Aren't they always getting the best of us?"

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"If you had bargained with him and beaten him down, it would have been different. But, Horace, you stole it; you admit that you did."

"I took my life in my hands. I think that evened up things."

"No. And you sold it to Mr. Jones?" "Yes, and Mr. Jones was only too glad to buy it. I told him the facts. He wasn't particularly eager to bring up the ethics of the case. Why, child, what the deuce is a Turk? I shouldn't cry out if some one stole my Bible."

"Good gracious, do you carry one?" "Well, there's always one on the room stand in the hotel I patronize."

"I suppose it all depends upon how we look at things."

"That's it. A different pair of spectacles for every pair of eyes."

"If only he weren't in love with her! thought the girl. He would then be a simple, comrade. But whenever he met her he quietly pressed his suit. He had never spoken openly of love, for which she was grateful, but his attentions, his little kindnesses, his obtrusive protection when those other men were at the villa, made the reading between the lines no difficult matter.

"What shall you do if this Mahomed you speak of comes?"

"Turn him loose upon our friend Jones," with a laugh. "And what will he do to him?" "Carry him off to Bagdad and chop off his head," Ryann jeered.

"Tell me, is there any possibility of Mr. Jones coming to harm?" "Can't say." Her concern for Percival annoyed him.

"Is it fair, when he paid you generously?" "He did not look into the grave eyes. They were the only pair that ever disconcerted him. 'My dear Fortune, it's a question which is the more valuable to me, my ship or Percival's.'"

"From my point of view it's fair enough. I warned him; I told him the necessary facts, the eventual dangers. He accepted them all with the Yliorides. I see nothing unfair in the deal, since I risked my life in the first place."

"And why must you do these desperate things?" "Oh, I love excitement. My one idea in life is to avoid the humdrum."

"Is it necessary to risk your life for a few pounds?" "I do not seek it. My only temptation is to see how near I can get to the Man in the Shroud, as some poet calls it, without being touched. I'll make you my confessor. You see, it is like this. A number of wealthy men recently formed a company, whereby monotony became an obsolete word in our vocabulary. You must not think I'm jesting; I'm serious enough. This company ferrets out adventures, and romances and sells them to men of spirit. I became a member, and the first trip to Bagdad is the result. One never has to share with the company. The rewards are all yours. All one has to do is to pay a lump sum down for the adventure furnished. You work out the end yourself, unhindered and un-assisted."

"A strong, healthy man like you ought not to court death."

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"Are you really serious?" "Never more so. Now, Percival Algernon has always been wanting an adventure, but the practical side of him has made him hold aloof. I told him about this concern, and he refuses to believe in it. So I am going to undertake to prove it to him. This is confidential. You will say nothing, I know."

"He will come to no harm physically."

"Lord, no! It will be mild and innocuous. Of course, if any one told him that an adventure was toward his especial benefit, it would spoil all. I can rely upon your silence?"

"I see that, after getting Percival Algernon into an adventure, I've got to close him safely out of it. Well, I accept the responsibility. Some days later he was going to recall this assurance."

"Sometimes I wonder . . . " "pen sively."

"Wonder about what?" "What manner of man you are."

"I should have had a great deal better man had I met you ten years ago."

"What? When I was eleven?" with a



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these excitements? Is your life nothing more to you than something to experiment with?"

"Truth, sometimes I don't know. Fortune. Sometimes I don't care. When one has gambled for big stakes, it is hard to play for penny points."

gal because of its shining character. It finds that it closely resembles artificially prepared salts of uranium, and that its luminosity is due to spontaneous radioactivity. The light it sheds is stronger than that of nitrate of uranium. Upon parting with its water of crystallization the metal loses its luminosity.

Destroying Weeds in Ponds. Copper sulphate is often used for destroying the scum-like weeds in ponds. But precautions must be taken, for unless the right proportion of sulphate is used any fish which may be in the pond will be injured. The proportion of copper sulphate used in the ponds at Kew Gardens is one part to from 750,000 to 1,000,000 parts of water. Sulphate of copper in a pulverized state is placed in a porous bag and dragged through the water until dissolved. The water in St. James's Park, London, it might be mentioned, has for two summers been kept free from scum by this method.—London Mail.

Don't lie to be entertaining—only lie when it is profitable.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 2
THE FLOOD.

LESSON TEXT.—Genesis 6:9-12; 7:1-24. GOLDEN TEXT.—"The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Rom. 6:23 R. V.

The first great fact recorded in the book of Genesis is that of Creation, which may be divided into several lesser facts. The second great fact is that of the Fall, which began with the temptation and ended with the exclusion from Paradise. In this lesson we come to the third great fact, the flood, the account of which embraces the fifth to the ninth chapters. Chapter five gives us Noah's genealogy; six, the history of the building of the ark; seven, the occupancy of the ark; eight, Noah's departure from the ark; and nine, God's covenant with Noah. In this lesson six fourishes like the proverbial green bay tree. "Every imagination of the thoughts of man's heart was only evil continually," v. 5. These thoughts were crystallized into the lives of men, for we read that "the earth was filled with violence." Viewing this awful development of sin, God was so deeply grieved in his heart that he turned aside (repeated) from his plan and purpose thus far, to a determination to destroy man (v. 7). Noah, however, found grace in God's sight, as we see from v. 8, even in the midst of these adverse circumstances. Environment is powerful but not all-powerful, and it is never a match for God's grace. We must not gather from this verse that Noah was faultless, but rather that he sought to conform his life to God's will and not to the standards of those among whom he dwelt. Noah gave himself to a wholehearted service to God. We are told that the foundation of Noah's acceptance before God was his faith, Heb. 11:7, like his great grandfather Enoch, he "walked with God" (5:22). Noah stood absolutely alone and was thus thrown upon companionship with God, compare v. 9 with 1 John 1:3.

Given Due Warning.

God could no longer ignore the sins of men, their iniquity was full, therefore God determined to destroy them. He did not, however, cut them off, for we read that they had 120 years' announcement of the coming of the flood (v. 12). Time enough in which to repent. He also had a faithful preacher to warn them during this time, 2 Peter 2:5. But their apostasy was complete and they would have none of God's mercy nor heed his warning. Prov. 29:1. Noah's obedience as he built the ark was a daily reminder of the impending flood.

The ark was a flat-bottomed chest 450 feet long, 75 feet broad and 45 feet deep, built ofypress (gopher wood) and coated with pitch. Under the eaves of the roof was an open space for ventilation and its three decks were divided into compartments.

As to the "eight souls" (1 Peter 3:20) who entered the ark we need to remember that usually children and servants are understood without mention in such enumerations. We are not to infer that of all created animals two of each entered the ark. The flood certainly was not universal and hence such a miracle was uncalled for.

Attention has been called to the fact that "zoologists tell us there are in reality less than 400 distinct species of animal life. Further, we must compare Chapters 7:2, 3 and 6:19. These animals were preserved for future increase, also for sacrifice. Exodus gives ten such clean beasts. Therefore of those for sacrifice Noah had but seventy in all. Modern ships carry hundreds of beasts with their food besides hundreds of human beings.

Attention has been called to the detailed instruction Noah received for the building of the ark, yet God is ready and willing to give us as clear specifications for our life and work if we will walk as consistently with him as did Noah.

Race Swept Away.

At last the flood arrived at the exact moment prophesied. Its cause seems to be twofold, a subsidence of the ground and a downpour of rain. The Euphrates valley where this event took place fills all the necessary conditions. Subsidence would cause a foundation from the sea. Such a foundation took place in 1911 in the Yangtze valley and another in 1901 rendered more than ten million people homeless; the water rising from 50 to 90 feet. All that the account demands, however, is that corrupt race was swept away and that God saved his righteous servant and his household. It is the privilege of every believer in God to save his household. See Acts 16:31, 2:9; 1 Cor. 7:14.

The only way God could insure the purity of the race was to destroy it, rovocably the impure. This seeming severity was the essence of tenderness and another evidence of the love of God. Sleepless have read into the story of the flood much extraneous matter. Some have sought to prove that because nearly every race under the sun has a flood tradition therefore the writer of Genesis is merely passing on a "Babylonian tradition." It is far more reasonable to believe that these traditions are corrupted forms of the true account found in the Bible. Few of these traditions but are full of polytheistic varieties, as for instance the Assyrian epic poem giving this story, but which is without a single endearing lesson. Whereas in this account Moses has given us a clear presentation of the facts. He has made it a medium of spiritual instruction. His account is the work of inspiration revealing the majesty, the righteousness and the mercy of God.