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## X-MAS PRESENTS

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Knives and Forks Ladles Cups Genuine Cut Glass

Come and See! Come and See!

Rock Drug-Jewelry Store **SELF** Jeweler and Optician.

### Died in Loneliness.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 8.—P. C. Arvensen was found this morning lying upon his bed at 607 Girard street, shot through the stomach and suffering from what proved to be a fatal wound.

Beside him upon the bed lay his revolver, and his body about the spot where the bullet entered was blackened with powder burn.

"I was tired of living," he gasped weakly. No other explanation of the event can be learned.

Police Officer Crum investigated and Dr. Brumby was summoned. The wounded man was taken to the Houston Infirmary. His heart beats were almost indistinguishable and he was seemingly in the throes of death.

The man is 61 years of age and without a relative in the country. For thirty-six years he had resided in Houston, and at one time he was proprietor of a grocery store at 208 Washington street. He has otherwise been employed as a blacksmith. Up to last Tuesday he lived on Preston avenue, near its junction with Washington street.

A few months ago the wife of the man who early today says he sought his own life died. Since then he has been living without association, and the loneliness preyed upon his mind. On Thanksgiving Day he was melancholy. A year ago he had spent the occasion with his life companion.

His advanced age made it difficult for him to secure work in a blacksmith shop, and for some time he has been without distraction in his trouble.

Only recently he moved to the house where he was found as though dying. At 5:30 o'clock this morning the sound of what might have been a pistol shot echoed through the house.

But the significance of the sound was not appreciated. Presumably a window had fallen, and no investigation was made.

Later, however, the sound of a man in agony was heard and his room was entered. Arvensen lay helpless. It was then that the officer was notified.

Arvensen is a Dane and is well known. His name is written "F. C. Aransen" upon the cards he had printed when in the grocery business. It does not appear in the city directory.

A notation contained in the record book was in effect an injunction to notify Mr. Theo. Dreyling in case of accident. Various attempts were made to convey the message, but to no result.

Two watches, \$10 in money and some tools, together with wearing apparel and a number of documents written in a foreign language, were found in his room. Records of deposits of money and withdrawals were also found.

The nature of the wound, if

self-inflicted, was such as to cause intense suffering.

Seemingly no effort was made to reach a vital organ, but was as if the man had, as he lay in bed, drawn the pistol from beneath the pillow, pressed the muzzle to the very center of his body and pulled the trigger.

Whether laboring under the effect of some death-inspiring dream, or in the depression of sleeplessness the shot was fired, that it was not deliberated is evidenced by the nature of the injury and the fact that no definite word was left.

At the hospital it was found impossible to perform the necessary operation on account of the low vitality of the victim. The administration of drugs was of little effect, and the patient did not rally from the shock.

### Joke Killed Boy.

McKinney, Tex., Dec. 2.—Sheriff Beverly and Assistant County Attorney Truett returned this evening from Frisco, sixteen miles west of McKinney, where they went to investigate a killing which occurred there just before one o'clock last night.

George Bell, a boy of 15, accompanied by ten companions, had gone to the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Fryer, recently married, for the purpose of charivari. Another party of young men, apparently for the purpose of frightening the serenaders, slipped upon them and fired several shots. Young Bell immediately sank to the ground with a bullet hole in his head, and soon expired. While the killing is looked upon as an accident, yet from the evidence adduced at the inquest warrants were issued for H. H. Hand and Addis Talley. Both men were allowed bond in the sum of \$1000 each. Hand is a rural route mail carrier.

### Intruder Was Shot.

Richmond, Tex., Dec. 2.—E. Wolfe, a young German farmer living in the western part of the county, came to town yesterday. He went to sleep in a livery stable early in the night, and about 5 o'clock this morning got up and began to try to take his bearings. In some way he imagined that he was at Rosenberg and began hunting for a wagon yard where he claimed to have left his wagon. Wandering around among the different residences he came to the house of Mr. H. F. Randle, a merchant, and entered the yard. Going to the blinds he began rattling them, as if to effect an entrance, which awoke Randle, who got up, and, after calling to the intruder, fired twice, both balls taking effect, producing serious, but not fatal wounds, among them being a badly shattered arm.

Hear the free band concert by Eiler's Rip Van Winkle show at noon on Friday, December 15.

### Took Possession of Coach.

Girard, Kan., Dec. 3.—Mrs. Im Berry, who arrived here on a railroad ticket good for passage from Spokane, Wash., to Tulsa, I. T., took possession yesterday of the car on which she was a passenger, driving the other occupants out with a pistol. She is still in the car. No efforts have been made today to capture her except by persuasion, and she has threatened to shoot if not left alone.

Last night a dummy was fixed up and moved toward the door of the toilet room, which she has been using as a fort, and she fired a shot from above the transom, the bullet striking the dummy squarely on top of the head. The ruse was repeated, but she could not be induced to shoot at it again.

There has been no fire in the car since it was sidetracked here, and the woman has had nothing to eat, unless she had something with her when she entered the toilet room. Offers have been made to her and baskets of provisions carried to the car, but she has positively refused to receive anything and has threatened to shoot any one who would build a fire.

### One-Legged Men Fight.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 2.—One of the most amusing fights ever stopped by the police took place last night in a little rooming house on Main Avenue.

The room was dark and a ranchman who is wearing a crutch in place of his left leg, was sitting on a stool. Another ranchman from Dillon county, who lacks a leg on the same side came into the dark room and was struck in the face with such force that he could not see for a few minutes. He described a circle about his body with the crutch and struck the one-legged man in the chair. The man in the chair felt both the blow and the injustice and proceeded to defend his rights as an American citizen with the result that a man in the room above heard the sword play with the crutches and came down in time to see one of the men on top of the other and a considerable amount of hair being pulled from both hands. The police appeared and took both men to headquarters, where they discovered they are the best of friends and after shaking hands resolved first that they would never fight in the dark again, and, next, if they ever catch the man who started the trouble they will both give him a measure of what they meted out to each other.

### Ten Miles of Ducks.

Corpus Christi, Texas, Dec. 1.—A great phenomenon in the way of game was witnessed on Corpus Christi bay this evening when a veritable island made up of blue bill ducks could be seen out in the bay about a mile in front of the city. The grand spectacle attracted hundreds of visitors to the docks, who were amazed at what they saw. The island of ducks reached from one end of the bay to the other, and was about ten miles long. At other places in the bay could be seen groups of a hundred or more ducks separated from the string. Many hunters in the northern part of town killed their full quota from groups of ducks near the shore's edge. Ducks have been plentiful during the season, but this is the most wonderful sight ever witnessed in Corpus Christi in the way of game.

## VISITORS TO OUR CITY

WE BID YOU WELCOME!

We take pleasure in requesting you to make our store your headquarters during your stay in our city. Our second floor has plenty of comfortable seats. Here you can enjoy a rest, with telephone, messenger, hack service and package room, all at your elbow. Have your mail addressed to our store. Don't fail to visit our newly-arranged men's, women's, youths', misses' and boys' ready-to-wear apparel departments. The brightest styles and cleverest ideas are with us. Prices will be especially attractive during the Fair.

**Washer Bros. Co.**

November, 1905.

San Antonio, Texas.

### Fired on By Negro.

Rogers, Texas, Dec. 1.—Last night at about 8 o'clock a yellow negro named Allen Bouser fired five times at Julian Hill, a guest at the Johnson hotel. The negro was a fugitive from justice and had returned and was trying to force an entrance into the room occupied by a negro who was employed at the hotel as a cook. Mr. Hill was going, in company with a negro boy, to eject Bouser from the premises when he was fired upon. Officers Kelly and Gibson were called and searched the premises, but, failing to find Bouser, had left the hotel. About two hours later, as Mr. Hill and Milton Williams, another guest at the hotel, were going to their rooms to retire for the night, Bouser, who was secreted in a corner, fired another shot at Mr. Hill, the ball passing through Williams' hat. Sheriff Burkes and Deputy Crow were summoned and they and other officers are now out hunting for Bouser, who fled after firing the last shot.

### Sermon By Centennarian.

Ennis, Tex., Dec. 3.—Rev. August Johnson, of Avalon, the oldest known minister in the Presbyterian church, preached for the first Presbyterian church, preached for the First Presbyterian church of Ennis this morning and his aged wife sang a solo. Mr. Johnson has been actively engaged in the ministry more than seventy years. He is now in his ninety-seventh year and is remarkably active, both in body and mind, for one of his years.

### Adjourn Without Election.

The directors of the San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railway company met Monday afternoon in their seventh adjourned meeting to elect officers, and adjourned without any election, this time until December 20. When asked what was the reason of adjournment the reply was: "The reason we adjourned is to meet D. C. 20."

Eiler's big show presenting that famous play, Rip Van Winkle with high-class specialties. You will make no mistake by going, Friday, December 15.

Piano and furniture polish at McKelvey's Music House.

### Fire at Leaky.

A message was received by the editor on Wednesday, bearing the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. John Davis and the burning of the Davis home, which occurred about one o'clock that morning. The house caught on fire from a fire in the back yard. The kitchen caught first and every effort was put forth to extinguish the flames. This was impossible as there were only two small boys present. The main part of the building was soon all blazing, and at this point Mrs. Davis ran into the house for some purpose and on finding that she was followed by her baby, she became frightened and fainted. She was immediately carried out, but in only a few moments Mrs. Davis expired. Seeing that further efforts to check the flames would be of no avail they were permitted to continue in their rapid destruction. The fierce tongues of fire leaped high and the building and contents were soon in ashes. Scarcely anything was saved and the loss is estimated at about \$2000. The property was uninsured. Mr. Davis was not at home at the time as he had gone to Sabinal the evening before. The accident is the saddest that has happened in this vicinity for many years. The public as a whole will deeply sympathize with Mr. Davis and children. —Uvalde News.

### Oldest Mason in County.

S. S. (Uncle Seth) Ramsey and daughter, Miss Edna, were up from Cottonwood the first of the week. Mr. Ramsey was eighty years old on the 15th, and has been a Mason 54 years. Here is what the Cottonwood Fax says about "Cottonwood can boast of one octogenarian. Mr. S. S. Ramsey, of our town, was born Nov. 15th, 1825, which made him 80 years old Wednesday, Nov. 15.

"He was made a Mason in 1851, at Phidelta lodge, No. 556 at Phidelta, Ga., and is a member of the fraternity and in good standing today, having been a Mason 54 years. If any community has an older Mason bring him forward.

"Uncle Seth is hale and hearty and looks like he is in no hurry to shuffle off this mortal coil. Who'll be next!



# "THE FAMOUS"



OSCAR ROSENTHAL, Proprietor,

NEXT DOOR TO POSTOFFICE, KERRVILLE, TEXAS.

THE FAMOUS is headquarters for Christmas Goods, New Year Presents, Birthday and Wedding presents. We have just what you want at the right time and at the lowest price. There is nothing left over from last year, all new goods, and we don't want to carry any Christmas goods in stock after January 1st, so it would pay you to look at them.

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Remember we give you a ticket with each cash purchase, which is a saving to you of 4 per cent. You could not invest your money any better. Try it and you will be happy. Yours for a Merry Christmas,

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TELEPHONE 67.

**THE FAMOUS,** O. ROSENTHAL, Proprietor.

### PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE

Gathered Here and There By SUN Reporters.

Piano and furniture polish at McKelvy's Music House.

Mrs. L. A. Schreiner, who had been spending several weeks with relatives at San Antonio, returned home last Saturday.

Walnuts, almonds, dates and figs at The Famous.

Editor T. A. Buckner, of the Bandera Enterprise, was in Kerrville on business Tuesday.

A nice selection of fancy dress goods at Dietert & Bro.

Capt. A. W. McKillip and Geo. W. Walther left Monday for the west on a two weeks' hunt.

Soule Jackson, of Ponca, I. T., was in Kerrville Monday.

City Secretary A. R. Jones left Tuesday for Waco to attend the meeting of the Masonic grand lodge.

Capt. Chas. Schreiner left Monday for Austin to attend a meeting of the directors of the Sour Lake Oil Co.

N. B. Smith and S. H. Huntington are out on a hunting trip.

Remember the "Star" brand shoes at Dietert & Bro.

Remember the Christmas sale of fancy work at the rectory, on December 12th.

Capt. T. Thomas and John Grider left Tuesday for the thick woods on a bear hunt.

Very fine line of Christmas candies at The Famous.

Will Parker, of Harper, was at the Gerdes Thursday.

See Beyer in his free bicycle and unicycle exhibition during the Rip Van Winkle band concert at noon, Friday, December 15.

Dr. J. D. Robinson, of Ingram, was among the guests at the Gerdes Thursday.

A big supply of children's and men's suits at Dietert & Bro.

Buy your cranberries, English walnuts, almonds, filberts, seeded raisins, currants, mince meat, citron, spices and extracts from H. Noll.

John Cowan, of Rock Springs, was registered at the Gerdes Monday.

Apples and oranges, bananas, coconuts and fresh fruits of all kinds for Christmas at The Famous.

H. Fleischer and daughter, of Rock Springs, were guests at the Gerdes hotel Monday. They had been visiting at San Antonio and were returning home.

### Suits Cleaned and Pressed.

I do all kinds of repairing and altering work promptly done. Ladies skirts cleaned.

**S. Friedman,**  
The Tailor, Kerrville, Texas.

### Woodmen of the World Election.

At a regular meeting of the Woodmen of the World held Wednesday night, December 7th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. A. Fawcett, C. C.; H. R. Grona, advisor lieutenant; J. T. Ligon, banker; L. G. Dubus, clerk; R. M. Hagens, escort; C. O. Welge, watchman; Jos. Ferris, entry; Drs. F. L. Fordtrau and E. E. Palmer, medical examiners.

### Harper School House Burned.

From Herman Harper, who was in Kerrville Thursday we learned of the burning of the Harper school house which occurred Monday evening about 7:30. The building was a frame structure and was a complete loss. It was valued at about \$1500. No fires had been in the stoves in the school building Monday afternoon. The teachers were unusually careful. The origin of the fire cannot be explained. Messages of sympathy and offers of assistance from various communities have been received.

Big stock of fireworks. You can't celebrate good without rockets. See us for all kinds of fireworks. The Famous.

### Ladies' Aid Bazaar.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society of Kerrville, will give a bazaar at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Enderle on Tuesday, December 19, 1905, from 4 to 10 p. m. A specialty will be made of dolls and refreshments will be served. Everybody invited to be present.

### X-mas Presents

at 75 Cents to \$5, \$6 and \$7 a Dozen.  
Come now to the

### Crooked and Straight Photograph Gallery

and get some good Photos of yourself, baby, or family group; or if you don't want those, get some pretty views of the river, or your home, or your favorite horse, and until the first of January. I'll give any pretty 5x7 view I have, with every four dollar order.

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MRS. O'NEAL, Photographer.

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Leaves Houston 10:15 p. m. Arrives San Antonio 7:45 a. m.  
Leaves San Ant. 9:45 p. m. Arrives Houston 7:45 a. m.

Each train strictly up-to date, wide vestibule, pintsch lighted, soft berth Pullman sleepers, free parlor car, one combination coach and one baggage car.

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#### Wealth of the Presidents.

Washington left an estate valued at \$800,000; John Adams left about \$75,000; Jefferson died so poor that he would have been a pauper had not congress purchased his library for \$20,000; Madison left about \$150,000; Monroe died poor, and was buried at the expense of relatives; John Quincy Adams left about \$55,000 at his death; Jackson about \$80,000; Van Buren, \$400,000; Polk, \$150,000; Taylor, \$150,000; Tyler married a woman of wealth; Fillmore left \$200,000; Pierce, \$50,000; Buchanan, \$200,000; Lincoln, \$75,000; Johnson, \$50,000; Grant lost his wealth in the Grant & Ward failure; Hayes, Garfield and Harrison were all moderately well off. Cleveland's fortune is probably of respectable size. McKinley's fortune was not much over \$60,000.

#### Belongs to Literary Family.

Mrs. Ward, as is generally known, is a daughter of Thomas Arnold, editor and author; a granddaughter of the famous Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, and a niece of Matthew Arnold. Thus it appears that not only in the character of her work but likewise by inheritance and association she is allied to the traditions of England's best literature, and stands in line with the eminent writers of that land. Her husband is Thomas Humphrey Ward, known to the literary world through his edition of "The English Poets," and the author of the exceptionally discerning art criticisms which have appeared for many years in the London Times. Mrs. Ward has lived all her life in an extremely intellectual atmosphere, and her books—one and all—bear the stamp of a mind extraordinarily well trained and acute.

#### Torture of a Preacher.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Harpersville, New York, will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies without relief, until I took Dr. King's Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of the throat and lungs. At the Rock Drug Store for 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

#### High Priced Singers.

Emma Eames would be richer than Rockefeller or Carnegie if her income averaged as high throughout the twenty-four hours as it shows in spurts. To make \$125 a minute is not bad sledding, and that is what Mme. Eames did at the Carnegie hall in New York one day last month. She spent twenty minutes on the stage and earned \$2,500. Corried got his bit out of this, of course, because the great singer would not have appeared without his permission. It is a hard and fast rule of the Metropolitan opera house that singer shall not be allowed to sing for charity and thus cheapen themselves, and for this reason it was necessary for the managers to purchase the services of Eames at a fancy figure. In receiving \$2,500 for one night of concert Mme. Eames gets into the Melba class. Patti, in her palmy days, would receive \$5,000 for a recital, and Calve, after her Carmen triumphs, received \$2,000. In passing the \$2,000 mark Eames marks the zenith of her career and is easily the most high priced songstress now singing, with the exception of Melba.

#### Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my diseases by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold under guarantee to do the same for you by the Rock Drug Store, at 50c a bottle. Try them today.

#### A Curious Hair Comb.

When King Edward made his famous Indian tour as Prince of Wales, the rajahs vied with each other in laying the choicest productions of their native arts at his feet. One of the most interesting specimens he brought home was a haircomb of ruby and emerald Jey-pore enamel, pointed in gold, and surmounted by a curved row of large pearls, each pearl topped with a green glass bead. Superb in design, it is one of the finest pieces of Indian jewelry made in modern times—but one marvels to see ordinary glass set with gems of such price. No one has given a satisfactory explanation of this. The glass happened to give the tone desired, better than the emerald. Perhaps this was the reason for the use of the baser material.

#### A Philippine Magazine.

Felipe Buencamino, son of the man who was secretary of state for Aguinaldo when the latter was head of the Filipino government, has announced that the Filipino magazine which he, with other Filipinos now at the University of California, is preparing to issue, is expected to have as its patron resident Roosevelt. Letters have been forwarded to the president by the Filipino contingent at the university, of which young Buencamino is a ruling spirit, asking permission to dedicate the new Filipino magazine to him and use his name as a patron. Three-fourths of the contents of their magazine will be printed in Spanish and one-fourth in English.

#### A Fearful Fate.

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson, of Masonville, Ia., "that for blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at the Rock Drug Store.

#### A Laughable Mistake.

A Washington photographer wanted the picture of the president's friend, Seth Bullock, the sheriff of Deadwood, who was selected to lead the cowboy bunch in the inaugural procession. He sent an assistant out to round up Bullock and bring him to be photographed. Presently the assistant came back with a gray-mustached man in tow and announced that this was the man wanted. The man sat for several pictures. As he was going out the clerk in the gallery said: "By the way, Mr. Bullock, please give me your full name for the pictures." "Bullock nothing!" said the man. "I am not Bullock. I am Morgan Bulkeley, senator-elect from Connecticut."

#### In Mad Chase.

Millions rush in mad chase after health from one extreme of fadism to another, when, if they would only eat good food, and keep their bowels regular with Dr. King's New Life Pills, their troubles would all pass away. Prompt relief and quick cure for liver and stomach trouble. 25c at the Rock Drug Store, guaranteed.

#### Largest Wireless Station.

The largest station for receiving and transmitting wireless messages is being erected near Pisa, Italy. On its completion, by the end of the year, it is expected to afford direct communication with all countries of Europe, as well as the United States and Canada, and with all vessels on the Mediterranean, Indian and Atlantic oceans.

#### Notice to Taxpayers.

I will be at the following places on the following dates for the purpose of collecting the State and County taxes for 1905:

Comfort, December 12; Moore Station, December 13; Center Point, December 14; Ingram, December 15; Kerrville, December 16.  
J. T. MOORE,  
Tax Collector, Kerr Co.

### WHY KIDNEY DISEASE IS DANGEROUS.

Neglect of the First Warning Symptoms is the Prime Cause of so Many Deaths from the Dreaded Bright's Disease.

It is Easily Curable in the Early Stages.

Kidney diseases are so destructive to human life because they do not manifest alarming symptoms until the constitution is seriously weakened and the strength exhausted. Then, too often, the remedies employed by many physicians are of indifferent or doubtful value, and the patient rapidly sinks under the disease. The wisest course is to apply a reliable kidney and liver remedy on the first appearance of the symptoms. A little uneasiness in the small of the back, digestive troubles, bowel irregularities and disorder in the urinary organs are matters of small moment in the estimation of strong men and women, yet they have a serious meaning. They show clearly that the kidneys are suffering and need help, which must be forthcoming at once to prevent serious, perhaps fatal consequences. A few doses of Prickly Ash Bitters at this time would prove of incalculable value in restoring the weakened organs to health. An investment of one dollar in a bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters when the disease is yet in the early stage will save hundreds of dollars in doctor's bills, besides the suffering that would surely follow should the disease be allowed to fasten itself in the body. The excellent curative power of Prickly Ash Bitters is not confined to the first stages of kidney disease. It is equally efficacious in severe or chronic cases. Physicians have used it as a last resort, in cases that defied their best efforts, with the most brilliant results, and it has shown its superiority over the many so-called kidney cures, now being loudly advertised, in instances innumerable.

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We have on sale now by far the largest and best selected stock of Christmas Goods ever shown in Kerrville. We bought in large quantities and at the very lowest prices; therefore we know that we can sell you your Christmas Goods as cheap or cheaper than anyone else. We have Christmas goods that will suit all.

We name below just a few of the many things we have for the Holidays.

Japanese Lanterns, Boys Express Wagons, Hobby Horses, Velocipedes, Doll Buggies, Croquet Sets.

Games and Blocks, Iron, Mechanical, Wooden and Steel Toys, Stationery, Marbles, Flags, Etc.

Dolls, Toys, Toilet Cases, Metal Goods, Medallions, Fancy Wares, Mirrors, Toy Books, Work Boxes.

With every dollar's worth of Holiday Goods bought of us at one time we give a ticket on a 100-Piece Dinner Set. It is made of a good material and is absolutely given away. The following is a list of some of the things we have to offer:

We invite you to come early this year; make your selection while the stock is complete. We will pack and store any goods you buy if you do not wish to carry them home at once. No such opportunity for Holiday buying has ever been offered in this country.

We have PRESENTS for both Old and Young. Every one invited to call and inspect our line

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#### Happy Center Point.

Grandma Emeline Coldwell has presented the Christian church with a handsome wall clock that is a pleasure to all who attend service there. An individual communion service has been provided, and a beautiful new table takes the place of the old one.

New line of books for Christmas presents at the Center Point Mercantile Co., Center Point, Tex.

Miss Etta Rees has accepted a position with the First National bank as assistant cashier. She began her new duties Monday of the present week.

After a visit of two months with her parents in St. Louis, Mrs. Homer T. McCorkle has returned with baby Horace to her home in Happy Center Point.

Captain Neal Coldwell left Monday for Waco to attend the coming together of the Masonic grand lodge of Texas.

Mr. Mack Burney, of Austin, has been in this valley several days visiting the "old folks at home."

Dolls and toys of all kinds, fine candies, and a general line of Christmas goods. Center Point Mercantile Co., Center Point, Tex.

The Christian Endeavor is growing in numbers and becomes more enthusiastic each meeting. Every body should attend. It lasts less

than an hour, and is a good training auxiliary to the church. On next Sunday night new features will be added to the music. Miss Lessie Walker will play the violin and Mr. F. A. Donald will use the flute. Miss Ethel Jack will preside at the organ.

Mr. J. A. Jack has purchased the Evans homestead and will soon make it his permanent place of residence.

Mrs. C. G. Walker, after a fortnight's visit to her son Ganahl, near San Antonio, has returned to her beautiful country home east of town.

We are headquarters for Christmas goods. Our stock includes a great variety of useful and beautiful gifts. You are cordially invited to do your holiday shopping with us. Center Point Mercantile Co., Center Point, Tex.

Mr. J. E. Grinstead, the bustling, bustling editor of the Mountain Sun, artist, musician and story-teller, was in our town Monday collecting bills and saying cheerful words to the boys. He did not deny the suggestion that a senatorial honey-bee is flirting with him.

Editor T. A. Buckner, of the Bandera County Enterprise, came to Center Point early Saturday morning to be present at the wheelbarrow collision that was advertised in these columns last issue. He spoke very kindly of our enterprise and said he had witnessed the wreck at San Antonio, and that the wheelbarrows really made the fastest time.

Mr. Homer McCorkle went to San Antonio Wednesday on business and while there met Mrs. McCorkle. They came home Friday morning.

Young ladies: It does not matter how beautiful or how smart or how educated, or how anything else you may be, the world will never love you if you wear a cat-frown on your face, or if you have a spiteful disposition. The other girls will bring your sweethearts away from your feet to their own, and eat the candy that you should have had and hear the sweet messages that should have been said to you. Don't be silly enough to giggle, but "Jay-zee-lamb" my happy home, don't frown or pout. A-MER-I-CUS.

A gentleman said to me a few days ago, "I bought my piano from a San Antonio dealer. They warranted, and promised to tune it. Now, one end of the case is split and I have insisted that they make the warrantee good and tune the piano as promised. But they have not done it." Ah! Too bad! I am right here at your door and will make my contract good or refund your money. Your home music dealer, J. J. McKELVY.

#### Boys of Woodcraft Election.

At a regular meeting of the Boys of Woodcraft, held Friday, December 1st, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Chas. Real, commander; Henry Scholl, advisor lieutenant; Edward L. Koester, clerk; Hal Garrett, escort; Crockett Robinson, watchman; Rodger Remschel, sentry.

Hats, caps, gloves, shoes, ladies' skirts, jackets and capes, men's, children's and ladies' underwear, blankets and dry goods cheaper than elsewhere, at H. Noll's.

Christmas pianos, organs, guitars, violins, strings, etc., at McKelvy's Music House.

#### Ho! Kris Kringle.

The jolly saint with rotund figure and smiling face. Who does not thrill with pleasure at the thought of his childhood days, when, round the fire at nights for weeks before Christmas, he talked with his fellows of what Santa Claus might bring when he made his mysterious annual visit to the earth, and, with flying reindeer, brought happiness to millions of childish hearts?

Long live the jolly Saint! Pile high the faggots on the old yule log; hang up banks of holly and bowers of mistletoe. Make the little one happy, and in doing so be a child again yourself and be happy with them.

It is not so much the intrinsic value of the present, as the goodwill of the giver. We have a very handsome assortment of all kinds of Christmas presents, and it would be a pleasure to us to show you through our stock. Of course, we want to sell our goods, but we have published this story more to let you know that the Christmas spirit is in our bones. We appreciate the liberal trade you have given us for the past year and we wish you a big, full stocking and a merry, merry Christmas. The Famous is Santa Claus' headquarters and the door is wide open. Come in and see us.

CSCAR ROSENTHAL.

A coated tongue, foul breath and clogged condition in the bowels suggests the use of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is just suited for such ailments.

#### Horses to Trade.

I have a number of gentle horses to trade for unbroken ones. Apply to BLACK BUCK, The Horsebreaker, Kerrville, Tex. 24-1f

Ladies—Your attention is called to our Cut-Price Millinery sale. We do not propose to carry over anything in this line. Those who have waited for their Hats, will secure great bargains. Chas. Schreiner Co.

#### Eller's Big Show.

Why not attend a first-class entertainment when you have an opportunity, it costs no more. This company producing the great play of Rip Van Winkle under canvass, also including between each act specialties that are of the very best. Ben Beyer, the world's greatest trick bicycle and unicycle rider, doing the most wonderful work on a single wheel ever attempted. Miss Anna Eising, Chicago's favorite singer, Riley Blair in impersonations, and others making a continuous performance. The press, wherever they have been, pays them the compliment of having the best show ever seen under canvass. So confident is the manager of this company of pleasing the people that he guarantees to refund the money to anyone not satisfied, and our people can rest assured that they won't regret the fact that they attended, as their show will be fully up to the expectation of all. At Kerrville Friday, December 15.

Before deciding what Piano or organ to buy, send for a catalogue or see J. J. McKelvy. He handles fifteen makes and will order any instrument you may want and save you money. Music House, Kerrville, Texas, near Postoffice.

A very handsome line of fascinators at enticingly low prices at The Famous.

**HOME NEWS.**

Interesting Items From  
Town and County.

Dr. Edward Galbraith,



**Dentist**

Office Next to Rawson's Drug Store  
Kerrville, Texas.

**AMUSEMENTS**

Manager Pampell announces the following attractions at Pampell's Opera House:

Dec. 22—The Kerrville Dramatic Company in the 4-act comedy drama—"TOLD IN THE HILLS."

Dec. 26—THE MOBILE MIN-STRELS.

Dec. 29—The Comedy Drama—"PEACEFUL VALLEY."

**DR. S. J. HARRELL,  
DENTIST**

Office Over ROCK DRUG STORE.  
Hours—8 to 12; 1 to 5. Telephone 86.

We are receiving daily new and fresh groceries and fruits. Welge Bros.

L. K. Bingham returned Monday from a visit to his old home at Mineo, I. T.

The largest line of Christmas goods ever brought to Kerrville at **Kerrville Book Store.**

Mrs. C. B. Campbell, of Mineo, I. T., is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. K. Bingham, of this city.

Prepare for peace in time of war. Make quilts before winter comes on. Cotton batting for quilt stuffing at The Famous.

Buy your holiday goods at the **Kerrville Book Store.**

You will find they have the largest stock and at the very lowest prices.

**I CARRY**

A nice selection of Fall and Winter samples. Call at my place of business on Mountain street, and look at them.

**S. FRIEDMAN,**  
The Tailor, Kerrville, Texas

indications are for a warm winter. We bought a big stock of winter goods and in order to sell them have reduced the price on all kinds of winter goods. The Famous.

San Antonio Flour, "Liberty Bell" brand. The best and finest flour made. Try it. Welge Bros.

M. G. Lowry, formerly of Dilley, has purchased the F. M. Moore place, four miles above Kerrville, and is now permanently located in Kerr county.

G. C. Woods, manager of the Center Point Nurseries, was in Kerrville Wednesday. Mr. Woods says the season has been very favorable to nursery stock of all kinds and he is in position to furnish patrons with the very best trees obtainable.

**For Christmas Gifts**

A very handsome line of

**WICKER ROCKERS**

at  
**Fawcett, Barnes & Company.**

Miss Frida Rummel, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. F. Schreiner, left Tuesday for her home at San Antonio.

W. C. Kaiser, a representative Johnson Creek farmer, was in the county-site Monday attending to business. Mr. Kaiser paid the Sun office a visit and said the winter crops were looking good to him. Most of the stock people had plenty of feed and there was no reason that stock should not come out in the spring in good shape.

Mrs. G. F. Schreiner is visiting in San Antonio.

D. H. Comparette has purchased the residence formerly owned by Dr. R. P. Wright and will reside there. Dr. Wright and family leave at once for their new home near Junction, in Kimble county.

There will be a sale of fancy work at the rectory on Tuesday, December 12, beginning at 3 p. m. All are cordially invited. Refreshments will be served.

**Millinery!  
Millinery!**

A Great Slaughtered-Price Clearing Sale in Seasonable Millinery will begin at Schreiner's December 9th and continue fifteen days.

The goods are new and extremely pleasing, viz:

**Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Hats**

- \$1.50 Hats at ..... \$1.00
- \$2.00 Hats at ..... \$1.35
- \$2.50 Hats at ..... \$1.85
- \$3.00 Hats at ..... \$2.00
- One lot Children's Hats at 25c each.
- One lot Children's Hats at 50c each.

**Ladies' Dress Hats**

- \$2.00 Hats at ..... \$1.25
- \$2.50 Hats at ..... \$1.85
- \$3.00 Hats at ..... \$2.00
- \$3.50 Hats at ..... \$2.25
- \$4.00 Hats at ..... \$2.50
- \$4.50 Hats at ..... \$2.85
- \$5.00 Hats at ..... \$3.00
- \$6.00 Hats at ..... \$3.50

-If nothing in stock to please, shapes trimmed to order at same low price.

This slaughter in prices applies to Veils and Veilings and other such merchandise as kept in a first-class Millinery Store.

**Chas. Schreiner Co.**

**"Ten Nights In a Bar Room."**

The Kerrville Dramatic Company presented "Ten Nights in a Bar Room," at Pampell's opera house on Saturday night of last week. Comment by us on the merit of the play would be superfluous. The rendition of this well-known drama by the local talent at that time was a splendid success. The performance reached a high standard in every detail, and the pronounced success of the entertainment from every viewpoint spoke much for the credit of the company and of Mr. G. Steinlein, who had the management. The house was packed with an appreciative audience, all of whom were well pleased.

**Charles Schreiner Co.,  
Kerrville, Texas,  
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in  
GENERAL MERCHANDISE  
And Leaders in Low Prices.**

Agents for Eclipse and Aermoter Windmills Collins' Pump Jacks, Moline Disc Plows, Deering Harvesters and Springfield and Studebaker Wagons and Vehicles.

**Pasteur's Vaccine for Blackleg.**

**BIRTHDAY AND  
CHRISTMAS GIFTS.**

You can hardly blame the young lady as she glances over the monotonous collection of silverware, china, cut glass, etc., for saying: "Oh! Why didn't some one think to give me a

**GUITAR, ORGAN OR PIANO**

or even a music folio, from J. J. McKelvy's Music House." I would be glad of an opportunity to show them to you. Free catalogue upon application.

**J. J. M'KELVY,  
KERRVILLE, TEX.**

**Just Received**

- Fresh lot of
- Cranberries,
- Mince Meat,
- Seeded Raisins,
- Currants,
- Citron,
- Flavoring Extracts, Etc.

**A. Dietert & Bro.**

Buy a piano or organ for Christmas from J. J. McKelvy.

**Cotton Seed for Sale  
at Welge Bros., Kerrville, Texas.**

Come and see our rare and beautiful line of Xmas presents. We have an attractive line at astonishing low prices, at H. Noll's.

**Two Fine Bucks.**

Judge Julius Real, while attending the San Antonio fair last week, purchased two very fine bucks, paying \$300 for the two. No man in Kerr county is a better judge of sheep than is Judge Real, and few have done more toward making Kerr county sheep. Kerr wools are equal to any in America.

**Hanged in Kerrville.**

The history of Kerr county is that fewer hangings have taken place here than in almost any county in the State. The record has recently been broken, however. Several bodies may now be seen hanging in the show windows at The Famous—they are the bodies of dolls. An unusually large stock of all kinds are now being offered at our store. O. ROSENTHAL.

**There is Satisfaction**

In using a GARLAND Stove, then why use a poor, cheap Stove because you save a dollar or two

**It's Poor Economy**

To buy a cheap Stove when you consider standing over it three times every day, year in, year out, they take more wood and don't last near as long as a "GARLAND." You should by all means see our line before buying. Sold by

**Fawcett, Barnes & Co.,**  
FURNITURE AND STOVES,  
Kerrville. Center Point.

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STORE.**

Everything Good to Eat Served or Sold Over the Counter.  
Private Dining Room For Ladies.

Geo. W. Walther, Prop., Kerrville, Texas

**New Royal Sewing Machines** DON'T SEND AWAY FOR SEEDS.  
We Handle Them in Bulk.

**Best in the World.**

We have a big shipment of these Machines which we will sell on easy payments. They are equipped with the latest movement, and we have any style.

**Fawcett, Barnes & Co**

For each dollar you spend with me I give you a ticket good for a chance on \$15.00 worth of your own choosing from my entire stock.

**SELF.**

Purify the sewers of the body and stimulate the digestive organs to maintain health, strength and energy. Prickly Ash Bitters is a tonic for the kidneys, liver, stomach and bowels.

#### Eiler's Rip Van Winkle Show.

Has a tent built expressly for them. It is made of khaki which is used and recommended by our government as the best. It is absolutely water proof. This elegant tent is built egg shape and has no center poles in front of the stage, therefore giving everyone a good view of the performance. The stage is lighted with acetylene gas, which can be lowered and raised to give the proper effect, as desired. Lightning and thunder is made by an electric storage battery. The scenery for each and every act is all new and painted especially for this elegant production. Mr. Eiler prides himself in having the swellest outfit in the country and delights in having people come and see his pavilion theatre before the performance. They appear at Kerrville Friday, December 15.

Johnny was a good boy but he loved to fight. He had been re-proved over and over again, and at last had promised to battle no more. That very evening he returned from school with a cut cheek and a swollen nose.

"John," said his mother, "you promised me this morning that you would not fight again."

"But I haven't been fighting ma. This is an accident."

"An accident?"  
"Yes, ma. I was sitting on Tommy Biggs, and I forgot to hold his feet."—New-York Tribune.

Little Tommy attended church for the first time last Sunday and when the usher "passed the plate" for the collection the polite little chap said to him, "No, thank you sir. I've got some money of my own." At another time he was told to be careful how he carried the newly arrived kittens, as he might hurt them, but he reassured his mamma, I won't hurt 'em I'm carrying 'em by their little stems."

A Muscatine county farmer receiving a note from a young man who had been "going with" his daughter recently which read as follows: "Dear Sut: Wood like Jessie's hand in, marage. She and I are in luv and I think I need a wife. Yures, Henry. "The farmer replied by letter saying: "Friend Henry, you don't need a wife. You need a spelling book. Get one and study it a year. Then write me again."

It was the little boy's first appearance at church; and in order that he might sit perfectly still and keep his little chatter between his teeth, he was told that a big dog would bite him if he didn't keep silent. The little fellow cast several glances up and down the aisle, and at last just at the most interesting part of the sermon, startled the congregation by piping: "Mamma where is the dog?"

#### Heart Beats After Death.

Hearts of cold-blooded animals will beat for a comparatively long time after death or removal from the body (if kept cold and moist) because of powerful internal collections of nerves, known as ganglia whose automatic impulses cause the regular contractions of the muscles. Similar ganglia exist in man and other warm-blooded animals, but their action is less prolonged. Scientists have ascertained that a turtle's heart will beat after removal if put on a piece of glass, kept cool and moist and covered with a bell jar. It has been known to beat thirty-six or even forty-eight hours; twelve or fourteen hours is a common record for a turtle's heart.

#### The Nose and Its Meaning.

A nose which in any way suggests our apelike ancestors, whether snub, flattened or abnormally small, is deemed ugly. Generally speaking, the long nose belongs to the people of Europe, whereas the negroes and Mongolians have short noses. With the Esquimaux the nose is said to be in many cases so flat that a ruler might be placed so as to rest upon both cheeks without touching it. In man the muscles of the nose have little flexibility except about the nostrils, which visibly dilate and contract under the influence of passion. Mantegabba has remarked that among civilized people the nose is nearly always directed toward the right, which he attributes to the custom of wiping the nose with the right hand. Leonardo da Vinci discovered that there were over ten different varieties of nose, seen in profile, and eleven when looked at in front. Charles Blanc considered the nose the most characteristic feature of the face, and recommended ladies to regulate the style of their dress with reference to its shape; and Lavater went so far as to assert that a beautiful nose was worth more than a kingdom, that it is never associated with an ugly face.

#### Japs Make Good Surgeons.

Sir Frederick Treves, the great English physician and surgeon, says in his notes of travel: "There is every probability that the Japanese school of surgery will become a great school, for the native of Japan has qualities which are excellent in the making of a surgeon; he is not troubled by nerves; he is infinitely patient, astidiously clean, as well as most neat and dexterous with his hands. Moreover, he has a love of ritual, as well as of precision in ritual, and in the prosecution of antiseptic surgery this counts much. The Japanese are broadly observant, nimble of apprehension, receptive, and of large-minded and catholic views. It is said that they are neither logical nor profound. If this be true, they seem to have come to small ill from the lack of these qualities."

#### Longest Telephone Line.

The longest distance over which speech is regularly transmitted is between Boston and Omaha, 1,600 miles. A business house in the Western city talks daily with its representatives in Boston. The human voice is transmitted between those distant points on a copper wire in less time than it would take it to cross an ordinary room without electrical propulsion.

#### Negro Colleges.

There are at the present time twenty-six schools for negroes in the South, which, though not formally connected in any way with the Tuskegee institute, still, either because they were founded by graduates of Tuskegee or because their teaching force has been largely recruited from there, maintain their allegiance to the Tuskegee tradition, work in its spirit and extend the sphere of its usefulness.

#### A Prince's Hospitality.

The late Adolph Von Menzel owed one of the pleasantest surprises of his life to the German emperor. On the occasion of the painter's 80th birthday Kaiser Wilhelm invited him to Sanssouci. As he drove through the park there were a number of rooco statues and statuettes to remind him of the epoch he had particularly studied. At the castle he was met by an old grenadier attired in his buttons exactly as Menzel had painted his ancestors. The ballroom was filled with ladies and gentlemen in the dresses he had put on the canvas.

#### Need a Lightning Rod.

For the first time in history, it is said, one of the pyramids has been struck by lightning. The pyramid struck is that of Khephen, and the fact is another illustration of the gradual change that is being brought about in the climate of Egypt by the great dam at Assouan and the irrigation works made possible since British occupation of the Nile valley.

#### Ancient Love Letter.

The world possesses many love songs of the old Egyptians, but a genuine love letter had not heretofore been found. Only recently, in Chaldea, was a love letter found, written on clay. Though the letter has much formality for such a missive, the reader can feel the tenderness that lies hidden between the lines. The document was written in the year 2200 B. C., and was found in Sappara, the Biblical Sappharani. Apparently the lady lived there, while her beloved was a resident of Babylon. The letter reads: "To the lady, Kasbaya (little ewe), says Giml Marduk (the favorite of Merodach), this: May the sun god of Marduk afford you eternal life. I write that I may know how your health is. Oh, send me a message about it. I live in Babylon and have not seen you, and for this reason I am very anxious. Send me a message that will tell me when you will come to me, so that I may be happy. Come in Marchesvan. May you live long, for my sake."

#### Digging Out Heroulanum.

The proposed formation of an international organization to conduct extensive excavations at Heroulanum is regarded at Naples as impracticable, because it is known that the greater part of the buried city was destroyed by incandescent lava, which has penetrated every fissure, and has now become with the old city itself an impenetrable vitreous mass too hard to excavate. The only successful work done by the Italian government at Heroulanum was in places where the ashes of the volcano had prevented the lava from penetrating. The success of the excavation at Pompeii was due to the fact that the whole city had been buried in ashes before the incandescent lava reached the place.

#### Never Made an Arrest.

Patrolman Dennis Reardon, thirty years on the Cincinnati police force, broke his record the other day by arresting John Mesbaum on a charge of failing to provide for his family. It was the first arrest that Reardon had ever made. The only other time he ever did anything besides walking his beat was some years ago when he plunged into the river and saved a little girl from drowning. For this he was put on the roll of honor. His salary is \$8.1 a month.

#### Let the Women Do the Work.

In Japan ships are loaded with coal by women and girls, but the work is made comparatively easy by putting the coal in small baskets which are passed on from one end of a line to the other.

#### Disraeli's Dress.

A contemporary of Disraeli in his memoirs records this impression of that famous dandy's personal appearance: Usually he wore a slate colored velvet coat, lined with satin, purple trousers with a gold braid down the outside seam; a scarlet waistcoat, long lace ruffles falling down to the tips of his fingers; white gloves, with brilliant rings outside them, and long black ringlets rippling down over his shoulders. When he spoke in parliament he was accustomed to wear a bottle green frock coat, with a white waistcoat, collarless, and a copious supply of gold chains.

#### Trespass Notice.

I have leased the hunting right on Morris Ross, ranch, on the North Fork of the Guadalupe and will prosecute any person violating the trespass laws, prohibiting hunting and shooting upon the premises of another without permission. C. T. WESTON.

#### Notice to Trespassers.

All persons are hereby notified that no trespassing of any kind or hunting with dog or gun will be allowed in my pasture. Any person found so trespassing will be prosecuted. ALBERT REAL.

#### Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby notified that no trespassing of any kind or hunting with dog or gun will be allowed in my pasture. Any person found so trespassing will be prosecuted. tf-24 WALTER REAL.

#### Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby notified that no trespassing of any kind, or hunting with dog or gun in my pastures on Campmeeting creek, will be allowed. Any person found so trespassing will be prosecuted. 21-3t J. T. S. GAMMON.

#### Notice to Trespassers.

All persons are hereby notified that no trespassing of any kind or hunting with dog or gun will be allowed in the Holekamp pasture, better known as Lynn Prong pasture. Any person found so trespassing will be prosecuted. MORITZ HOLEKAMP. ALBERT REAL.

#### Notice to Trespassers.

All persons are hereby notified that no trespassing of any kind will be allowed in my pastures adjoining the city of Kerrville. Any person found so trespassing will be prosecuted. H. REMSCHEL.

#### Trespass Notice.

All persons are warned against trespassing in or upon my pasture or premises, known as the W. M. Eager pasture I will pay \$100 reward for the conviction of any person stealing a cow or hog in my pasture. C. P. BACON.

#### Trespass Notice.

Anybody found hunting or shooting on our fenced lands in Kerr and Kendall counties will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. St-20 AUG. S. FALTN.

#### To Loan.

Three thousand dollars in amounts to suit borrowers. Apply at this office. tf-22

## Coughs

are troublesome at the best. Often they lead to serious complications

## and

therefore they should not be neglected. A bottle of our White Pine and Tar quickly cures Coughs and

## Colds

A 25-cent bottle will probably be enough, if taken in time.

### Rock Drug Store

CHAS. F. CARSON, Proprietor.  
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A Delightful Beverage,  
A Safe Stimulant,  
A Good Medicine

For Sale By  
C. T. WESTON.

## \$100 REWARD \$100

I will pay \$100 reward for the conviction of any person for theft of cattle hogs, goats, sheep or horses in Kerr county after this date. 251-43

J. T. MOORE, Sheriff.

## \$100.00 REWARD.

We will pay \$100.00 for the conviction of any person stealing any horse, cow, hog, goat or sheep. Also \$25.00 for the conviction of any person found trespassing in any of our pastures.

J. T. EVANS,  
G. A. STOWERS,  
B. M. HIXSON,  
SAM H. HILL.

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Modern Conveniences,

Special Apartments (en suite)

Large Sample Rooms

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We make a specialty of caring for Transient trade, and invite the Stockmen of this country to stop with us.

WATER STREET, KERRVILLE TEX.

# H. & A. PFEIFFER THE NEW STORE

You have always heard the expression, "Follow the crowd like sheep," but did you ever stop to think that the reason sheep follow the crowd is that they want to get to some particular place, and the reason people follow the crowd to our store is that they want to get to the place where they can get most goods for their money. We do not pretend that we are rivals for John Wanamaker; in fact, we know our store is not large, but we want to call your attention to the fact that

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We have a big stock of Christmas goods of all kinds and our prices are easy. We are selling Holiday Goods at year-round prices. You are cordially invited to call at our store and inspect the stock. We shall be pleased if you buy, but not offended if you do not. We are especially anxious to get acquainted with every buyer in Kerr county. The latch-string is on the outside. Make our store your headquarters.

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## FUNNY THINGS

FROM THE PAPERS.

### Wanted His Money's Worth.

A southern congressman tells a story of an old negro in Alabama who, in his bargaining, is always afraid that he may "get the worst of it." On one occasion it appears, this aged darkey went after a calf that he had pastured all summer, and asked what he owed for the pasturing.

"I have a bill of \$10 against you," said the farmer who had undertaken the care of the animal, "but, if you are willing, I'll take the calf and call it settled."

"No, sah!" promptly exclaimed the negro, "I'll do nothing like dat. But," he added after a pause, "I'll tell you what I will do—you keep the calf two weeks longer and you can have it."

A good story is told of an old gentleman, who was traveling along the highway, and happened to fall in with three young men. As the young men saw the old man approaching, one of them said: "Now, for a bit of fun. One of us will say, "Good morning, father Abraham, another good morning, father Isaac, another good morning, father Jacob." This was at once agreed to and was carried out to the letter. The man eyed the young gentlemen critically, and replied in this quaint manner, "Gentlemen, I am neither Abraham, Isaac nor Jacob, but am Saul, and was sent out on the hunt of my father's asses, and I have found all three of them.

There was once an editor who was most anxious to please. One of the methods he adopted to ascertain the wishes of his patrons was to send each of them return postal cards on which was to be written an answer to the query: "How shall I run my paper?" A prize was offered to the best answer received. One intelligent but plain spoken patron fired back the postal with the indorsement: "Run it as you d—m please." The editor examined the replies critically, thought over the matter awhile, and finally awarded the prize to the plain-spoken friend. —Weatherford Democrat.

### A Wealth of Meaning.

This is told of a Philadelphian whose mother-in-law was alarmingly ill. One night a physician who was attending her shook his head and said impressively:

"She has got to go, to a hot climate. Mind, I don't mean a warm place, but a hot one."

The son-in-law disappeared, but soon emerged from the cellar carrying the axe. Handing it to the doctor, he exclaimed: "Here Doc, you do it; I can't.—Philadelphia Ledger.

An Irish merchant who had more money in his pocket than his appearance denoted, took a seat in a first-class car. A dandy fellow passenger was very much annoyed at Pat's presence and missing his handkerchief, taxed him with having picked his pocket. After recovering his handkerchief which he had put in his hat, he made a lame apology, but Pat stopped him with this remark: "Make yourself easy darlint; don't bother about the matter. You took me for a thafe and I took you for a gentleman. We were both of us mistaken, that's all, me honey.

### A Tight Place.

They were newly married and on a honeymoon trip. They put up at a skyscraper hotel. The bridegroom felt indisposed and the bride said she would slip out and do a little shopping. In due time she returned and tripped lightly up to her room, a little awed by the number of doors that looked all alike. But she was sure of her own and tapped gently on the panel.

"I'm back, honey; let me in," she whispered.

No answer.

"Honey, honey, let me in," she called again, rapping louder. Still no answer.

"Honey, honey, it's Mabel. Let me in!"

There was silence for several seconds; then a man's voice, cold and full of indignity came from the other side of the door:

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## Teachers' Institute.

I hereby call a teachers' institute for Kerr county, Texas, to be held at the Tivy High School building, Kerrville, for five days, beginning Monday, January 1st, at 9 a. m., sharp. All teachers in Kerr county are hereby notified to attend. The ruling of the State superintendent in regard to institutes is given below.

JULIUS REAL,  
County Judge Kerr County, Texas.

State Dept. of Education,  
Austin, Tex., Nov. 4, '05.  
To County Superintendents and  
ex-Officio County Superintendents:

Your attention is respectfully invited to Sections 37, 42, 65, 71, 92, 93, and 144 of the School Laws of Texas, issue of 1905, and to the following rules and regulations of the State Department of Education, bearing upon the subject of county teachers' institutes:

1. The county superintendent is required to hold at least three county institutes of two days each, or one county institute of five consecutive days. In the meaning of the law a school day consists of not less than seven hours, including intermissions and recesses.

2. The session of the county institute must consist of either two days or five days, a session for less than two days not being authorized by the law.

3. The county superintendent is authorized "to cancel the certificate of any teacher who willfully and persistently absents himself from the county institute."

4. The county superintendent is required by law to keep a correct record of the attendance of the teachers at the county institute. This record must show the number of hours each teacher attends the county institute during each day of the session. A failure to keep this record will prevent the extension of teachers' certificates.

5. Teachers who attend two-thirds of the sessions of the county institutes and also attend, either as pupils or teachers, a summer normal institute in Texas for at least twenty days each alternate summer and who teach in the schools of this State each year during the validity of their certificates, may have their certificates renewed without examination.

6. Teachers who faithfully attend the county institute the required number of hours and days shall receive full pay as provided under their contracts for the time thus spent.

It is requested that you notify this department of the places and

dates of your county institutes as soon as the same have been determined. Yours sincerely,

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ABIGAIL KATHERINE REES.

## At the Churches.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH, J. T. King Pastor. Services every Sabbath, except the 3rd Sabbath in each month, at 11 a. m. and at 7:15 p. m. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., J. J. Starkey, Superintendent. Senior League 3:30 p. m., A. L. Starkey, President. Junior League Sunday: 2:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting every Wednesday 7:15 p. m.

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