# Gapitan flews. 

## Gov. Prince's Convention.

The Albuquerque Morning Jourual's correspondent at Santa Fetells the following amusing story of the attempt of the statehooders, headed by Gov. Prince, to hold a constitutional convention:

Former Governor L. Bradford Prince, the most enthusiastic and almost the only advocate of a constitutional convention composed of those delegates elected in New Mexico for the joint statehood convention in November last, is apparently determined to have a constitutional convention exen if he has to be president, secretary, stenographer and all the delegates himself. Governor Prince's persistency in the chilling failure of response on the part of the delegates, is meeting wha sarin cominendation in Sana Fe where most of the people vild be glad to sse the convenwice it would serve to liven ......o $u_{\mu}$ untal such time as the legislative session shall begin to disturb the scenery.

Sume tiome ago in the face of positive declarations against a convention from a majority of the delegates-elect, Governor Prince announced that the convention would be held in Santa Fe on January 7th. Today is the 7 th of January, and the convention is being held. It is not exactly up to the mark in point of attendance, for out of the six-ty-six delegates only about eight are attending and some of these show signs of discouragement at the outlook. There were pres-- ent, so far as could be learned, Governor Prince, who was elected president, David M. White of Santa Fe , who was elected secretary, Don Margarito Romero of San Miguel county, two delegates from Mora county, two delegates from Rio Arriba county, and a pitcher of ice water. The situation is a trying one for the delegates assembled, but with Governor Prince to lead the discussion and formulation of the con-
stitution the prospect is for the formulation of an able document. There is no questioning Governor Prince's abilits to head such a convention. He has had wide experience in constitution making is a staong and able constitutional lawyer and will undoubtedly frame a constitution under which the people of New Mexico would be glad to come in as a state should they get the chance.
Seriously, Governor Prince has displayed admirable persistency in his demand for the holding of a constitutional convention. He has believed it to be for the best interests of New Mexico to hold such a convention and to adopt a constitution for submission to congress. The delegates-elect, however, have, after declaring themselves either against or indifferent to such a convention, displayed a discouraging lack of interest in the whole matter so that the forming of a constitution is likely to go over until some more auspicious time when there is some prospect of immediate need for a basic document upon which to found a state.

A New Mining Company for Lincoln County.
The Santa Fe New Mexican publishes a statement which is herewith reproduced, showing the incorporation of a mining company, the property of the corporation lying in Lincoln county. It was understood for merly that the claims were located in the Gallina mountains, but this article locates them in the Manzanas. Following is the article:
Articles of incorporation of the Corona Queen Mining company will be filed in the near future at the office of Territorial Secretary J. W. Raynolds. The total authorized capital will be $\$ 2,000,000$ and the principal place of business of the company will be in Santa Fe.
The organization of the corporation was practically completed at a meeting of the stockholders Saturday in the office of

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 E. Churchman and Oscar William Selligman of London, H. Harry Meyers of New York, and Miguel A. Otero and George W. Prichard of this place. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year from April 2, 1907:M. A. Otero, president; H. Harry Meyers, vice-president and general manager; and Oscar W. Seligman, treasurer. The election of a secretary will be made later. Ex-Governor Otero is designated as the agent upon whom process can be served as required by law, and Colonel Prichard is named as the solicitor of the company.The Corona Queen Mining Co. takes over the Corona Queen group of copper mines, consisting of eighteen claims located in the Manzano mountains in Lincoly county. The actual amount with which the company will begin business is $\$ 2,000$. The first stock will be issued to ex-Governor Otero, from whom the deeds of conveyance pass to the company $y_{2}$ and at a later day the president and secretary will issue sharés to the other stockholders in proportion to their holdings.
The vice and general manager of the company have gone to the mines with a view of laying out the work to be performed on the property. The work of developmedt will commence as soon as practicable. The articles of incorporation will be filed and published in due course of time.
The cash consideration and amount of stock for the mining

## Angus Happenings.

T. B. Zumwalt has been on the sick list this week.
Mrs. Rowland has moved to Angus to be near the school.
P. F. Griffith was calling on friends at Angus the first of the week.
P. G. Peters made a business trip to Angus the first of the week.
J. F. Perry has gone to the Gallina mountains to erect a sawmill for Will Slack.

Mr. Grafton's family now occupy the residence recently vacated by Fred Pfingsten.
Mrs. Stella Griffith has gone to Texas, where she will attend school for a few years.
F. M. Crockett is developing some promising mineral claims on his place above Angus.
Prof. Harper commenced school here last Monday, and by having a subscription school the term will last seven or eight months.
It is reported that J. H. Skinner has sold his place to a townsite company. who are arranging to lay out a town two miles below Bonito City, where large mining interests are developing.

For Sale.-The New Century mining claim, located in Baxter mountain, White Oaks mining district. Five yearly assessments have been done. For prices aphave been done.
ply at this office.

## THE CAPITAN NEWS

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NEW MEXICO

Lightning is reported to have twice strickon a former St. Louis physician. Most of us anxiously await the first stroke.

In competition with several archaeological societies, J. Pierpont Morgan has acquired a remarkable Grecian Brugg, in the canton of Aargau.

Sherman F. Denton, of the bureau of fisheries, has presented to the Agassiz. museum, Harvard university, a val. uable collection of Hawailan fishes, representing 140 species.

An English paper expresses sympathy for the duchess of Connaught because a boy ran into her automobile and was killed. It would naturally have been less regretable if the car had run into the boy with the same result.
Brig. Gen. Thomas H. Barry, acting chief of staff, has left Washington for Cheyenne, where he will join Secretary of War Taft, and together they will make inspections of several of the large western military posts, with a view of making selections for the establishment of brigade posts.

A French experimenter, named Vercier, has succeeded in keeping certain kinds of peonies more than three months in cold storage, with the flowthat period that period. Red and white China stood the long tests better than any stood the long
other blossoms.

James J. Hill is to turn literary critic. Recently he offered $\$ 8,000$ to farmers writing the best essays on agricultural subjects. The essays have been reviewed by Prof. Thomas Shaw ever, requested that prizes be withheld and not finally awarded until he could peruse the essays.

A group of several engineers and capitalists, headed by William $O$. Weber, of Boston, believe they have revolutionized the industrial system by a new device utilizing the power of the tides so as to manufacture compressed air. A plant is about to be erected at South Thomaston, Me., to tion.

Prof. Henry E. Armstrong, the distinguished London scientist, has joined Lord Kelvin in a protest against the proposition submitted to the British association that the production of helium from radium has established the fact of the evolution of one element into others. Prof. Armstrong says that no one has yet handled radium in sufficient quantities to be able to say precisely what it is.

Almost at the same time two dif ferent inventors in different places have announced their success with electrical devices for seeing at a disliam H. Thompson. In Fowler's device liam H. Thompson. In Fowler's device four wires are required to accompish
the combined effect of distant vision and hearing. Details of the operation are withheld, however, on the plea of has adopted the name "Televue."

California had some big calamities this year. She has also had big crops. Her mineral products alone have been exceptional, being valued at $\$ 43,000$, 000 , of which $\$ 19,000,000$ represented her greatest wealth is in her grain and fruit, and the yield this year has and fith such pros perity it will not take long to far perity it will not take long to far wrought at San Francisco, serious as was that calamity

DIRECTIONS FOR TEA COSEY.

## Useful and Ornamental Adjunct to the

 Table.Take four pieces of any dull colored silk measuring eight and one-half inches at the base, the half inch aldome shape 13 inches high.
Work the 13 inches high.
with a the front and back pieces with a Japanese inscription in gold ded that the lettering must be padded that the gold will be
raised when worked over.
Cut the inside over.
cut the inside pieces the same shape, but an inch or so longer, to allow for a thick wadding lining.
Pad each inside and outside piece. Insert a thick piece of cord to an inch in depth along the bottom to give the cosey
standing.
The inside wadding is caught
lining by occasional staugh
Ining by occasional stitches.
After the four pieces are line After the four pieces are lined and and the joins hidden by a flat silk cord, half an inch wider, a flat silk around the bottom and finishes at the top with four flat and one upstand top with
loops.

## To Cure Feathers.

Collect as soon as possible after the plucking of the fowl. Pick out the large feathers and place the rest in a heat pair of stout paper bags, and During this time they should be frequently stirred and shaken. The heat destroys the eggs of insects and drives off the oily matter. It also stiffens the feathers, rendering them more elastic. When thoroughly cured by heat they should be cleansed as follows: Mix one pound quicklime with a gallon of water. When the lime is the clear lime water. Put the feathers in a tub and cover with the lime water to the depth of several inches. When thoroughly wet the feathers will sink down and should then be left in soak for three or four days. Rinse in several clean waters, spread on a sieve to drain between washings and rinsings, then dry in mosquito netting bags in the sun. If one raises their own fowls, or buys their poultry alive they can easily keep themselves supplied with feathers for the many sofa pillows which are now in such demand as indispensable adjuncts to our comfort.

Golden Mousse.
For golden mousse beat well the yolks of three eggs, add a tablespoonful of pure maple syrup, and cook, stirring constantly until the mixture makes a thick coating on the spoon. Remove trom the fire, add three tablespoonfuis of sweet orange juice and one-hair tablespoonful of lemon juice, beating until the mixture becomes light and cold. Beat the whites of four eggs to a stiff froth, with a pinch of salt, and pour slowly into them two tablespoonfuls of boiling syrup cooked to the stringy stage. Add this to the yolks, put the two mixtures into a mould, and pack in ice and salt for four hours. A few white grapes or candied cherries may be placed in the bottom of the mould before the mousse is poured in. This may be served with whipped cream.

## Two Ways to Cook Eggplant.

 Stuffed with Nuts-Boil the eggplant till tender; then cut into halves, scoop out the inside, chop it fine andadd a cup of English walnuts or hickadd a cup of English walnuts or hickory nuts, a tablesponful of bread crumbs, two well beaten eggs, salt and
pepper. Mix well, fill the shell and pepper. Mix well
bake until brown.
With Cheese-Pare the eggplant and cut in thin slices; sprinkle with salt, and pile, with a weight on top. After an hour wash the slices in cold water and wipe dry; then dip into beaten eggs and crumbs and fry brown. Make a very large cup of white sauce, and put a layer of it into baking dish, then a layer of eggplant, then one of grated cheese, then sauce again, and so on. When the dish is full put crumbs and

## "THE MARRYING SQUIRE."

Justice Geo. E. Law, of Brazil, In Has Married 1,400 Couples.

Justice Geo. E. Law, of Brazil, Ind,
 title of "The Mar rying Squire," by which he is known ing already married ing already married
some 1,400 couples. some years ago he was deputy county treasurer. "At that time," sald Justice Law, "I was suffering from an annoying kidney trouble. My back ached, my rest was broken at night, and the passages of the kidney secretions were too frequent and contained sediment Three Luxes of Doan's Kidney Pills nine years I have been free from kidnine years I have been free f
ney complaint and backache. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## All in the Name.

A physician, writing to the British Medical Journal, says: "To-day thousands are taking 'aspirin' without a doctor's prescription. If we had al ways prescribed it as 'acidi salicylic bered the name; the same applies tc hundreds of others."

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iron-no blotches-no blisters, makes ironing easy and does not injure the goods.

He who hurries cannot walk with a stately step.-Chinese proverb.

## CRISIS OF GIRLHOOD

A TIME OF PAIN AND PERIL

## Miss Emma Cole Says that Lydia E .

 Pinkham's Vegetable Compound hasSaved Her Life and Made Her Well. Saved Her Life and Made Her well irls have been sacrificed just as they were ripening into womanhood I How many irregularities or displacements have been developed at this important
period, resulting in years of suffering !


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the coming change and start this try ing period in a young girl's life without pain or irregularities.
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writes
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ter health to tell you that $I$ amenjoying bet ter health than I have for, years, and I owe
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years I had soreness and pain in my side years I had soreness and pain in my side,
headaches and was dizzy and nervous, and headaches and was dizzy and nervous, and
doctors all failed to help me.
"Lydia E Pink
"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound health began to improve rapidly, and I think
it saved my life I ence will be a help to other girls who are pass ing from girlibood to womanhood. for I know

If you know will do as much ior them."
If you know of any young girl who is to write Mrs. Pinkham advice ask her to write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass.. will put her on the right road to strong. healthy and happy womanhood. Mrs. Pinkham is daughter-in-law of
Lydia E. Pinkham and for twenty-five Lydia E. Pinkham and for twenty-five
years has been advising sick women years has been
free of charge.

## COYOTE AMUSES HIMSELF

EnJoys Visit to Denver Country Club Grounds.
A coyote, unattended, ventured on he grounds of the Denver Country Jlub Sunday morning, says the aner Republican, creating something of lad appeared at that time. The aninal was discovered standing near one if the greens of the course. He had 10 apparent business on the grounds, vidently having wandered there out or curiosity or because he had nothing Nith which to occupy his mind. His rushings against the world of man or for he allowed several shots at him rom revolvers without showing any reat concern.
When a bullet whistled by him he ooked after it inquiringly, as though o ask what it was making all the fuss ibout. Several golf sticks were hrown at him, annoying him exceedingly, for he was compelled to get up ind move away.
Then it occurred to some of the nembers of the club that a pack of fox lounds had been recently added the the stock on the place, and that the axcellent opportunity for giving them xercise. But the kennels were locked and no one was present who had a key. While the members were debating methods of getting them out the coyte very leisurely yawned once or twice, cast reproachful looks at the slubs that had been cast at him and went away elsewhere for his breakfast. Safety of Alcohol
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# TABLE DECORATIONS 

## NOVEL IDEAS THAT COME FROM

 ACROSS THE WATER.WIII Be Welcome Change From the Conventional Forms So Long in Use-Are in Keeping With the Festive Occasion.
For the enlightenment of the host ess who is wearied of the conventional forms of floral decorations for lunch eons, debutante suppers and other fes. eons, debutante suppers and other fes.
tive occasions, a novel suggestion tive occasions, a novel su
comes from across the water.
The dictum of the master florist
The dictum of the master florist is
that table decorations must be in keeping with the occasion, the color keeping with the occasion, the colo scheme and arrangement of the fiow
ers, of course, to be the most artistic. An instance was a magnificent iora design for a christening luncheon. 1 was a large doll's crade made wholly of howers. The cot iself was com posed of white ten-week stocks. The coverlet was made of the same flower,
bearing a spray of pink carnations in bearing a s
one corner.
On a pillow of white blossoms a wax baby doll lay fast asleep. The curtains were made of white chiffon, on which were tacked sprays of white heather, and trails of smilax gave the finishing touch.

The new form of "doll" decoration is expected to prove very fashionakle this winter. One design for a wedding breakfast is a wedding procession of the $b$ ide and her maids. The
bride-a pretty wax doll-is to wear bride-a pretty wax doll-is to wear
a gown of lilies of the valley, while a gown of lilies of the valley, while her train will be composed of white rose petals. A coronet of real orange blossoms and a tulle veil with a miniature boquet of exotics fastened to her hand will complete the realistic picture.
The bridesmaids' dresses are to be carried out in Panama violets, with hats and miniature muffs of white violets trimmed with pink rosebuds. The
muffs are to be hung round the dolls muffs are to be hung round the
necks with pink satin ribbon.
A number of floral dolls dancing the A number of floral dolls dancing the
minuet is a design arranged for a deminuet is a design arranged for a. butante's ball supper.
The flower costumes will be dif. ferent, one table being carried out in violets, another in snowdrops, while a third couple will wear a gown and suit of pink anemones.
"Doll' decorations for large children's parties are suggested. The dolls can be robed in flower dresses. Little Red Riding Hood will wear a cloak of scarlet anemones; Cinderalia can be radiant in white lilies trimmed with frosted silver leaves. A tiny floral shoe will lie on the table behind her.

A ferocious giant doll, in a doublet of violets, will pursue Jack the GiantKiller, and in the center of the table Father Christmas will preside, dressed in holly and mistletoe.
For holiday celebrations it is predicted that the heretofore indispensable Christmas tree will find a rival in the floral doll that each little gues will carry off as a souvenir.

## Overskirts Again.

How fashionable dressmakers do enfoy makin poor women miserable! They now assert that overskirts are coming "in," and although a more unaesthetic sartorial style never afficted civilization, that does not keep the garment from being admired by the powers of the fashionable world. brown ciepe de chine costume just received from Paris demonstrates the overskiry vogue. It is made with oversk bias ruffes around the bottom of the full petticoat. Over this, in thin cloth of the same shade, are draped cloth of the same shade, are draped two front the points falling to the other for the skirt, the drapery at one bottom half way to the knees beside going hali way to the knees before it slopes away to the back and front. Whe that the overskirt may be is prayed that the overskirt may be hauled

NOTHING FUNNY ABOUT IT.
Man Has Good Reasons for Looking at Inside of His Hat.
"I see here that a woman writer wonders why a man always looks in his"at before he puts it on," said the his paper. "Here is looked up from his paper. "Here is what she says: When a man puts on his hat he most always looks inside it first. What he expects to see remains a mystery, but he looks for it an the same. That's easy. He looks in his hat to see it gether will be at the back of his ho when he puts it on Now if shell tell me why woman always pulls down her veil and purses up her mouth be fore she steps out of doors, we'll call tsquare.

Funny, the things you read in the Sunday papers. I see here that an other Chicago professor got up on his hind legs to declare that 'there should schools of love, and the young should be educated in love.' Slush! Schools of love aren't necessary. The young of the sotter sex inhert a sumciently large stock of knowledge on what they fan't teach thers, and men it isn't necessary for them to lnow."

Diet of Americans.
Die Woche, in a two-page article, ells its readers "what Americans eat," taking as a type the average New York business man. Hot cakes quick lunch dishes, pie, Welsh rabbit ce cream, grapefruit, oyster cocktails pork and beans and many other pure y American dishes, and ice water, are eferred to as indigestion promoters All this," says the writer, "the Amer can eats with relish. They are the dishes of the city and of the country He balks at only four things: Frank urter sausages, sauerkraut, butter milk and limburger cheese-these he calls 'Dutch foods.'

## A DOCTOR'S TRIALS

He Sometimes Gets Sick Like Other People.
Even doing good to people is hard ork if you have too much of it to do. No one knows this better than the hard-working, conscientious family doctor. He has troubles of his ownoften gets caught in the rain or snow, or loses so much sleep he sometimes gets out of sorts. An overworked Ohio doctor tells his experience:
"About three years ago as the result of doing two men's work, attending a large practice and looking after the details of another business, my health broke down completely, and I was little better than a physical wreck.
"I suffered from indigestion and constipation, loss of weight and appetite, bloating and pain after meals, loss of memory and lack of nerve force for continued mental application.
"I became irritable, easily angered and despondent without cause. The heart's action became irregular and weak, with frequent attacks of palpitation during the first hour of two after retiring.
"Some Grape-Nuts and cut bananas came for my lunch one day and pleased me particularly with the result. I got more satisfaction from it than from anything I had eaten for months, and on further investigation and use, adopted Grape-Nuts for my morning and evening meals, served usually with cream and a sprinkle of salt or sugar.
"My improvement was rapid and permanent in weight as mell as in physical and mental endurance. In a vord, I am filled with the joy of IIvig again, and continue the daily use f Grape-Nuts for breakfast and often $r$ the evening meal.
"The little pamphlet, 'The Road to 'ellville,' found in pkgs., is invarioly saved and handed to some needy atient along with the indicated remty." Name given by Postum Co., attlo Creek, Mich. "Ther'es a rear

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## CAPITAN NEWS Capitan, - New Mexico

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## JNO. A. HALEY,

SUBSCRIPTION hATES:
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The new board of county commissioners met and organized on Monday of this week. Captain P. L. Krouse was elected chairman. All the new county officers have assumed their respective duties. The new board went to work in a business-like manner, and were in session the greater part of this week, turning off old business that had accumulated during the past quarter, and a great quantity of new matter that was incident to the installation of a new board.

The constitutional convention for New Mexico, consisting of the delegates elected at the November election convened at Santa Fe Monday to drafta constitution to submit to congress with a plea for immediate statehood, adjourned until February 5, in order to be in session at the same, time as the legislature. Many of the delegates advocated a session in June.

The Exchange Bank at White Oaks has enjoyed a large increase of business during the past six months. The total volume of business December 31 st, was over $\$ 26,000.00$ greater than it was on June 30, 1906. This is one of the solid institutions of the country and merits its substantial increase of business. See the semiannual statement in this week's issue.

The amount turned over by retiring treosurer Canning to his successor, J. M. Penfield, was $\$ 28,522.23$. This is almost $\$ 10$,000.00 than two years ago, and greater, in fact, than it has been for many years. Taxes have been very closely collected for which the outgoing troasurer deserves his due mead of praise, and the fact that a good-collection has been made goes to show that general prosperity prevails

## Call for Bids.

Specifications for the construction of two (2) pass-ways on the new road around the crossings of the Bonito, three miles above the town of Lincoln, to-wit:
Pass-ways to be twenty (20) feet wide and forty (40) fect long, outside end slopes to commence where stakes are driven. Slopes: Banks to be sloped 2 inches to the foot; all the dirt to be placed in the low places so as to make the road as near level as possible; to use what stone necessary to cobble up outside walls, this to be sufficiently high where the fills are made.
All work to be done in a good, substantial and workmanlike manner. The Board has a right to reject any or all bids. Bond double the amount of bid must accompany bid. Bids to be opened January 21, 1907.
P. L. Krouse,

Chairman.

## STATEMENT

Of the Condition of
EXCHANGE BANK,
White oaks, new mexico.
At the close of business, December 31, 1906.
RESOURCES.
Loans and Discounts. - - \$98,726.42 Real Estate. Furniture
and Fixtures.
4,815.04 Cash and Sight Exclange, \$149,324.86

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Subscribed and sworn to
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Correct, Attest:


## notice.

Last Will and Testament of Nestor Chaves, deceased.

In the Probate Court, within and for Lincoln county, Territory of New Mexico.

To all whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given to all the world, that a paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Nestor Chaves, late of said county of Lincoln and Territory of New Mexico, has been filed in said court, and that the same will be proven, at the next regular term of said Probate Court within and for Lincoln

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Branch at Capitan, New Mexico.
county, New Mexico, to be held and convened at the court house at Lincoln, New Mexico, on Tuesday, the 8th day of January, A.D., 1907.

All persous having objection to the probating of said last will and testament will be heard at such time and place.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 22 nd day of December, A.D., 1906.
W. E. Kimbrell,

Probate Clerk.

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kNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS. MYRTLE LODGE NO. $19{ }_{6}$
Meets every Saturday night at 8 Gelock at K. Y. Hall, in school
building. Visiting Knighta cordially invited.
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J. E. Wharton...

Attorney at Law, -.
A tamogordo; New Mexico.
I do a general practice in all territórial, state aud federal courts, including the supreme sonal attention to business.
vote, for Monday is election day.
George Kimbrell, an old citizen of Picacho, spent Sunday in Capitan.

Judge M. H. Bellomy returned to Lincoln todav. He has been in Alamogordo the past month.

Walter Gray, who has been confined to his room during the past week with a well-developed case of la grippe, is improving.
Joe Cochran, A. A. Highfill and Wm. Booth, Jr., came over from Carrizozo and Nogal yesterday.
M. J. Gilmore came up from El Paso Wednesday, and has assumed charge of Henry Pfaff's business at this place.

Mrs. Phoebe Uwens, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wingfield, arrived last week from Rosalia, Kansas, and went out to Ruidoso this week to visit her father and mother.

John H. Canning, the retiring county treasurer, went down to Lincoln this week to submit his final report and turn the office over to his successor, J, M. Penfield.

A slight rain fell one day this week, which is another evidence that our seasons are changing.

Pull off your coat and go and Why should not this country be- Bonito is one of the busiest spots the bull by the horns and hold One seasonable, just as Kansas, in Lincoln county. The saw mill their election on the 7 th, a week Oklahoma and Western Texas is in operation, the ore mill is ahead of time. It developed durhave?
Alex. Ormand, who was manager of the Henry Pfaff saloon at this place last summer, and who resigned to take a position with the Improvement Company a.t a Carrizozo, is now a member of the El Paso police force.
Mrs. Stogden, who spent the
holidays with relatives in Alamo-
gordo, accompanied by Genevieve
Riggle, who visited friends at El
Paso on the same occasion, returned Sunday, and school was reopened Monday.
Tennessee C. Hill, at one time manager of the Southwestern Mercantile company store at this place, and later at Coalora, has been appointed postmaster at Dawson, N. M. The Dawson office is a presidential one, and carries a salary of $\$ 1,900$ a year.
Johnnie Williamson came in Saturday from bl Paso. Mr. Williamson has been in Arizona for some time, and says the industrial situation there is bad on account of a shortage of fuel. Mines and smelters have been forced to shut down during the fuel famine.
The Wiggins camp on the burg over the hill, decided to take
running- the townsite has been ing the progress of the election men are employed in various the calendar, when someone procapacities by the company. Some duced a copy of the Capitan N\&ws rich lead and silver ores have been and pointed out the election proancountered and prospects look clamation. Whether they will bright for the new camp. hold another election on the 14 th Ben Lujan, who, some four or remains to be seen. If they do, five months ago, was accused of and the result is different from murdering his wife in El Paso, the one of the 7th, there will be and who lost his sight and reason room for a contest. And if they while in jail, has been released on "stand pat" on the election of the a writ of habeas corpus, and is 7 th, then the rulings of the court now living in Carrizozo with re- caa be declared "null and void," latives. Lujan's mind has cleared and it will be up to the county considerably, but his sight is commissioners to appoint a justice completely gone. He is a native of peace and constable. Verily, of Lincoln, this county, where he it is not wise to run ahead of the has several relatives.

## A Little Premature.

The citizens of the new town of Carrizozo are not only up to date, but a week ahead of time. The election for justice of the peace and constable in the various precincts throughout the territory is set by law, and by order of the county commissioners, to be held on the second Monday in Jauuuary, which on this occasion falls on the 14 th. The "get there" element in our neigh boring
schedule.

## Examination of Teachers.

There will be an examination for third grade teachers' certificates held in the school house at Lincoln, N. M., on the 25th day of January, 1907, said day being the last Friday in said month. All those who intend to teach a spring or summer term of school, and who have not the proper certificates entitling them- to teach, are hereby notified that will have to attend this examination in order to procure the necessaty certificates.
S. L. Anderson, Superintendent.

## WORST CASE OF ECZEMA.

Spread Rapidly Over Body-Limbs and Arms Had to Be Bandaged-
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"My son, who is now twenty-two years of age, when he was four months old began to have eczema on his face, spreading quite rapidly until he was nearly covered. We had all the doctors around us, and some from larger places, but no one helped him a particle. The eczema was something terrible, and the doctors sald it the worst case they ever saw. At times his whole body and lace were covered, all but his feet. I had to bandage his limbs and arms, his scalp was just dreadful. A friend teased me to try cuticura, and 1 began to use all three of the Cuticura Remedies. He was better in two months; and in six months he was well. Mrs. R. L. Risley, Piermont, N. H., Oct. 24, 1905.

Legal Giant to Defend Thaw. Delphin Michael Delmas, regarded as leader of the Pacific coast bar, has been retained to defend Harry Kendall Thaw, indicted for the murder of Stanford White in New York. Mr. Delmas will have charge of the case in every particular. He was admitted to practice in the state of New York recently, and in any event will take up his residence in the empire city at the conclusion of the Thaw trial. He has a striking personality and is regarded as one of the most resourceful, aggressive and magnetic lawyers in the country. In facial characteristics he bears a wonderful resemblance to the first Napoleon.

The Original Porous Plaster. It's Allcock's, first introduced to the people sixty years ago, and to-day undoubtedly has the largest sale of any external remedy-millions being sold annually all over the world. There have been imitations, to be sure, but pare with Allcock's-the world's standard external remedy
For a weak back, cold on the chest or any wal pain, the result of taking or any local pain, the result of taking of compares with this famous plaster.

## Artists Dislike Solitude

Mme. Bernhardt and Signora Duse have mutual horror of being alone while traveling. Caruso, the tenor, is of the same temperament, always companied by some friend, who arranges traveling and other details for him, gives the singer advice and takes all similar responsibility from the artist's shoulders.

## How's This?

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case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall' We. the undersigned; have known $\mathbf{F}$ F., Toledo, $\mathbf{O}$. We. the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney orable in all business transactions and fnnancially
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bottle. Sold byall prukgrass.
Take Halls Famlly Pills for constipation.

## How Weeds Multiply

To give some idea of how weeds multiply it may be stated that a single plant of pepper grass will produce 18,000 seeds; dandelion, 12,000 ; shepherd's purse, 37,000 ; wheat thief, 7,000 ; common thistles, 65,000 ; chamomile, 16,000 ; ragweed, 5,000 ; pursvine, 375,000 ; plantain, 47,000 , and burdock, 43,000 .

By following the directions, which are plainly printed on each package of Derlance Starch, Men's Collars and Cuffs can be made just as stiff as desired, with either gloss or domesitic finish. Try ft, 16 oz . for 10 c , sold by all good grocers.

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## Picquart's Army Nickname.

Gen. Picquart was always so gentle in his manner while about his regimental duties that his nickname in the French army was Georgette.

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Picquart Shows Generosity. Gen. Picquart, the defender of Dreyfus and now the French minister of war, has defined his attitude toward his old prosecutors in the army. When an officer who was involved in the conspiracy that banished Picquart to the border of the Sahara, entered the minister's office and began to stammer out a statement on the subject Picquart stopped him, saying: "I only know one thing and that is that you have always been an excellent officer. You may be sure that I shall not forget that."

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North Carolina a Woodworking State. "North Carolina," said C. J. Field, of High Point, "is rapidly becoming the greatest woodworking state in the country. We are now second only to
Michigan in this particular industry and at the present rate of increase will soon pass that state. In the city of High Point we have 60 furniture factories and make everything from a hall rack to the finest bedroom suits.

Nine hundred solid carloads of fur niture are shipped out of High Point every month. Our trade is not con-
fined to the United States, for we ship fined to the United States, for we ship furniture daily to China, Japan, Australia, Cuba, England, France, Germany, and in fact to nearly every civ-
illzed country in the world."-Wash illzed country in the world."-Wash ington Post.

Schools Teach Card Playing.
Card playing has become so general
classes that regular lessons in play ing are now given in fashionable boarding schools for giris.

## RHEUMATISM STAYS CURED

Mrs. Cota, Confined to Bed and in nstant Pain, Cured by Dr
Williams' Pink Pills.
Rheumatism can be inherited and that fact proves it to be a disease of the blood. It is necessary, therefore, to treat it through the blood if a permaneut cure is expected. External applications may give temporary relief from pain but as long as the poisonous acid is in the blood the pain will return, perhaps in a new place, but it will surely return. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure rheumatism because they go directly to the seat of the
disorder, purifying and enriching the blood
Mrs. Henry Cota, of West Cheshire, Conn., is the wife of the village machinist. "Several years ago," she says,
"I was laid up with rheumatism in my feet, ankles and knees. I was in constant pain and sometimes the affected parts would swell so badly that I could not get about at all to allend to my household-duties. There was one period of three weeks during which I was confined to the bed. My sufferings were awful and the doctor's medicine did not help me.
"One day a neighbor told me about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I decided to try them. After I had taken them a
short time I was decidedly better and a short time I was decidedly better and a
few more boxes cured me. What is better, the cure was permanent." Remember Dr. Williams' Pink. Pills do not act on the bowels. They make new blood and restore shattered nerves. They tone up the stomach and restore impaired digestion, bring healthfu, refreshing miserable, complaiuing people strong, hungry and energetic. They are sold by all druggists, or will be sent postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six
boxes $\$ 2.50$, by the Dr. Williams Mediboxes $\$ 2.50$, by the Dr. Willi
cire Co., Schenectady, N.Y.

SWEET PEAS IN WINDOW BOX
Piant Ono of the Earliest to Blossom
After Planting. After Planting.
The recent improvement in varieties of sweet peas, according to Good Housekeeping, have rendered it possible to get an abundant supply of to have the a sunny window box and astonishingly few weeks after the astonishingly few
seeds are sown.
seeds are sown.
In a recent experiment three inches of loam garden soil were placed in a zinc window box four feet long, This was wide and four inches high. This was a solid box with no drainage hole, which rested on blocks of
wood on the window sill wood on the window sill of a window having a western exposure. The seeds of the Earliest of All sweet peas were
sown in the box March 16. They came up in about a week, and at the end of seven weeks from the planting the tallest ones were 24 inches high, and had begun to blossom, buds being formed in great abundance upon all the plants. Very few flowers which
are grown indoors will begin to yield are grown indoors will begin to yield
a crop of beautiful blossoms after so a crop of beau
short a period

- In another experience four varieties of sweet peas were planted in a sim-
flar zinc window-sill box flar zinc window-sill box on November
27 . They came up soon after and

They came up soon after and grew gradually through the winter, having reached a height of three feet
by the following April. Early in by the following April. Early in
April some blossom buds appeared, but for some reason, possibly because the soil was allowed to get too dry a few times, the blossom buds blight ed and fell off. Toward the end of April, however, a more vigorous
growth took place at the tops of the growth took place at the tops of the
plants, and strong blossom buds applants, and strong blossom buds ap-
peared in great numbers. The first peared in great numbers. The first
flowers expanded April 28, and thereflowers expanded April 28, and there-
after an abundance of beautiful blosafter an abundance of beautiful blos-
soms as large and fine as are commonsoms as large and fine as are commonduced.

## Fancies in Furniture

There is a great demand for the Sheraton, Chippendale, and Heppel white chairs. The antiques are too scarce, and therefore reproductions ton necessarily be made. The Sheraton chair with the open and carved back is the most popular design, though many patterns appear in the old plates. The Sheraton and Heppel-
white models are well suited for the parlor or reception room. Small Sheraton sofas are also appropriate for these rooms. In Sheraton days these chairs were not only made in mahogany, but also in white and gold, or in any other color. Sheraton was not a great admirer of mahogany, but he preferred satin wood delicately enda, or inlaid wood in the chip mendale style. He was also an adas well as gilded. It is said that Chippendale drew his inspiration from the French, Chinese, and Dutch, and his styles are the most mixed of the cabinet-makers of his day.

## For the Hall or Den.

Mission furniture in dark oak ny. If the hall is large, mission chairs may be accompanied with a table and tabouret. A settle of the same with a detached mirror having hooks for hats and coats is newer than the hat-rack and seat combined An entrance hall may also contain an odd chair, which may be a family heirloom.
A Chinese hour-glass chair, which is of willow, is a favorite in the den or studio. For comfort the chair hould have loose cushions a. the be covered in material of Oriuntal design.

Will Absorb Spilled Oil.
If kerosene is spilled on carpets rooks, or manuscripts, try removing $t$ by sprinkling corn meal thickly ver the article immediately. Renew requently abeorbed

## NOVEMBER ALLIMENTS

## THEIR PREVENTION AND CURE.

November is the month of falling temperatures. Over month of falling regions the hot weather has passed peared. As the great bulk of civilized nations is located in the Temperate TheHuman System of changing seaMust Adjust itself to Changing Temperatures.
so
ti sons is a ques tion of the highest importance
When the weatr
orbins t nights succeed hot nights, when clear cold days follow hot, sultry days, the human body must adjust itself to this changed condition or perish.
The perspiration incident to warm weather has been checked. This detains within the system poisonous materials which have heretofore found escape through the perspiration.
Most of the poisonous materia tained in the system by the checked perspiration find their way out of the body, if at all, through the kidneys. This throws upon the kidneys extra labor. They become charged and overloaded with the poisonous excretory materials. This has a tendency to inflame the kidneys, producing functiontimes Bright's Disease.
Peruna acts upon the skin by stimulating the emunctory glands and ducts, thus preventing the detention of poisonous materials which should pass and. Peruna invigorates the kidneys function in spite of the chills and disfunction in spite of the chills and dis-
couragements of cold weather. Peruna is a well-tried harm less remedies that have stood


P-ru-na is a World-
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edy For Climatic edy For Climatic
Diseases Many of these
remedies have been used by doctors and by the people in Europe and America for a hundred years. America for a hundred years
Peruna has been used by man in his private practice for many years with notable results. Its efficacy has been proven by decades of use by thousands of people, and has been substantiated over and over by many
thousands of homes.

Vanderbilt Popular with Comrades. Cornelius Vanderbilt is slowly but surely earning his wav to the front in the national guard of New Y urk. In 1901 he was elected a second lieutenant in the Twelfth regiment and is now senior first lieutenant in the organization. He has been detailed to the captaincy of one of the companies and will soon become a regular captain. The members of the regiment show no jealousy over this promotion, as they say it was earned by good work as a soldier.

Sheer white goods, in fact, any fine wash goods when new, owe much of their attractiveness to the way they are laundered, this being done in a
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being good Starch, which has sufficient strength to stiffen, without thickening the goods. Try Defiance Starch and
you will be pleasantly surprised at the improved appearance of your work.

## Youthful Boston Congressmen.

 All three of the congressmen justelected from Boston-Joseph F elected from Boston-Joseph F.
O'Connell, John A. Keliher and AnO'Connell, John A. Keliher and An-
drew J. Peters-are young men and drew J. Peters-are young men and
bachelors. It is the first time in the history of the city that husband and father has not been included in Boston's delegation to Washington and, incidentally, it becomes the youngest delegation that was ever sent from any city in the country.

Deflance Starch is the latest inven tion in that line and an improvement on all other makes; it is more economical, does better work, takes less time. Get it from any grocer.
Nine times out of a possible ten it's good policy not to.

THE BARTELDES SEED COMPANY, DENVER, COLORADO.

The Barteldes Seed Company, for-
merly Barteldes $\&$ Co , merly Barteldes \& Co., roveed into its large, substantial and admirably constructed new five-story building on Sixteenth street, near the Union depot, in Denver, about the 1 st of November.
This action was taken none too soon, as the rapidly increasing volume of business, which during the past year approximated one-third of a million

dollars, imperatively demanded more room and better business facilities
The new building is a landmark, only in the progress of the company, ony in the growress of the company, expansion of its wholesale trade. The company's business, which is increas ing all the time, covers all the states and territories west of the eastern line
of Coiorado and Wyoming, and Old of Colorado and Wyoming, and Old
Mexico and British Columbia as well, Mexico and British Columbia as well,
employing five active commercial travelers. The business has quadrupled in the last six years.
C. R. Root, the manager, under whom this increase has been accomplished, has been with the house for sixteen
yearz, and has every detail of the busiyears, and has every detail of the busi-
ness thoroughly in hand. What is ness, he has the confidence of his more, he has the confidence of his
customers and the respect of his employes. But Herman Warnecke is the Nestor of the company, having been with it for twenty-six years as associate manager and cashier. Although past the allotted three-score years and
ten, he has lost no jot of his efficiency ten, he has lost no jot of his efficiency
and has a strong hold on the old patrons of the house.
The new building, which is devoted to wholesale seeds only, has about onethird of an acre of floor space in its five stories. It is thoroughly up to date in its elevators and chutes for handling goods, which are unloaded and loaded directly from and into the
freight cars. Its facilities for loading freight cars. Its facilities for loading
into wagons and drays are equally good.
On the fifth floor, which has an almost perfect system of ventilation there are now seven carloads of onion sets. On the fourth floor are many carloads of grain an the third floor is amony the stock on the third floor is a carload of Kentucky bluegrass seed
Provision is made for recleaning seed by the latest and best styles of clean ing mills.
On the
On the second floor are the almost
numberless varieties of numberless varieties of vegetable and flower seeds. On this floor are the large and well-appointed offices of the The retail branch, familiar to al Coloradans, is a little more than a
block away, on Fifteenth street, connected by private telephone system.

## No Western Magazines.

An eastern exchange marvels at the fact that there is no magazine in the West. Even Chicago has failed to pro-
duce one of the highest order. San duce one of the highest order. San Francisco and Portland have better magazines than Chicago, but not in the class with the New York publica
tions.

Some one has computed statistics to show that of the 306 or more maga-
zines that have been started in Chicago, forty-nine per cent. lived but a year, while only about a quarter sur vived for five years. Only twelve per cent. are now in existence, and of these some thirty-six, about fifteen have ter all, pretty pictures, good stories and great celebrities do not make great magazines. It's a man with a pen over his ear and a business nose who sells advertising at $\$ 1,000$ a page who is responsible for the Harpers and Scribners of America. It's the soap advertisement that gives the people the literary gem at a bargain price.Butte Evening News.

When a woman asks a man how old lie thinks she is. he is justified in no
giving volce to his real thoughts.

## A Scheme That Failed <br> By martha morris.

16 TM QUITE too delighted to see you, dear," exclaimed Mrs. Violet Grant, as she clasped her cousin's hankse you know that it's to be quite course, you know that it's to be quite the biggest ball of the year-and, really, dear, balls are quite too delightully new and fresh to me. They hold some wonderful fascination for me which it is impossible to explain."
"Yes, of course. I understand," returned Veronica, the blase city cousin, and she let her big, blue, handsome eyes travel leisurely over Violet, "you are young and everything is new to you are young and ererything is new tolly it seems scarcely credible that but a few months ago you were in the land of arithmetic and geography, and now you are 'out'-and quite the rage, I hear."

Violet laughed lightly and her color came and went quickly
Great indeed were the changes that had taken place "just a few months ago," for during that time Violet had grown into an immensely pretty and graceful girl. There was a sweet, refreshing simplicity, a charming winsomeness of manner which the world-ly-wise Veronica foresaw would inevitably prove fatal to mankind as a whole.
She frowned and instinctively felt that this young cousin of hers might possibly prove to be a somewhat dangerous rival. Only a year and a half previously Veronica had scoffed at the proposal of a penniless, though extily refused to even "hear him aughtily refused to even har had finally swept from his pres. and had finally swept from his presence with the regal air of a queen, demanding that no further attempt should be made to address her on that
But it is the unexpected that inevitably happens, and it certainly octably happens, and it certainly ocsudden death of a wealthy uncle, a "railway king," Dudley Maitland had succeeded to that personage's vast possessions, and eronica reading the sible to recover, by strategy if by no other means, the ground she had lost. Hence her visit to her aunt's country house.
"You won't mind sharing my room, will you, dear?" cried Violet, as the little circle sat and chatted over their afternoon cups of tea; "you see the house is literally packed, and -"
"O, I sha'n't mind any thing," replied Veronica, deliberately, "that is, provided I have a good time.
"Her beauty," aid Veronica to herself, "if I could mar that, not permanenitly, but just temporarily, to prevent her from attending this ball. What can-what can I do?"
She waiked over to the lookfingglass. She surveyed the accessories on the dressing-table. A little accident happens so easily, she mentally concluded, and she lifted her head with an air of superiority and self-satisfaction characteristic to her nature. And later on, when Violet returned to her room, she was delighted to find her cousin looking so fresh and radiant.
"What pretty hair you have, child," remarked Veronica, later.
Violet only laughed.
"Now, mine absolutely will not wave," said Veronica, slowly, still regarding her cousin-"of course, I mean not without recourse to pins and tongs, etc. Naturg to be right down thank something to be right down thank-
ful for." ful for."
"Is it, really?" asked Violet, laugh-
ingly.
"It is." And thed
lapsed into silence. Finally the time arrived for both girls to retire for the purpose of lingering long over their respective toi-lets-a matter of the utmost importance.
Suddenly there was a loud shriek of dismay, and Violet's loveliness was marred.
She dashed into her mother's room with eves blinded with scalding tears. "Look! O, look!" she cried, scarcely knowing what she said. "I sha'n't be abde to go to the ball! O, and I'm fright before? Veronica did it but it was quite an accident! Do it, but her for it" seeing the look of dismay on her mother's face; "she is as distressed as I am. O, but it does seem hard; I shall be marked for weeks!" "But however did it happen, dear?" asked Mrs. Grant, as soon as she was able to speak.
"The tongs, dear," replied Violet still sobbing. "You see, she was doing her hair, and the hot tongs eprang from her fingers' and struck my face! It was purely an accident, but I am so sorry!"
"So am I, Vy," returned the elder woman; "so am I.
Apparently Veronica was terribly concerned, but all her sympathy and suggested remedies wère of no avail Nothing could possibly erase the ugly scar from Violet's cheek; and finally it was declared that she must forego the ball, great though the pain of so doing would be.
"You can write Dudley a little note, my dear," said her mother, when she and Violet were alone; "that will be politic and polite. You must not let him think you rude, and you know you promised him the waltzes. Poor child! The respectiv
The respective vehicles accordingly arrived, and as Veronica kissed her cousin good-night she had never looked derful brilliancy glittered in her bair on her neck and arms. Her dress was of some rich, soft, clinging material and she carried herself like a queen as she swept out of the room where her cousin lay upon the bed bemoaning the irony of fate.

Allured by the appealing eyes and coaxing words of his fair partner Dudley Maitland became the victim of the moment, and it was not long ere he was escorting her away from the throng of merry dancers into comparative solitude.
"This is quite like old times," Veronica said, as they entered the cool conservatory and sat down.
"Not quite"
"Not quite," replied Maitland, somewhat absently. "Indeed, times have changed considerably since we last met."
This was a discordant note, and Veronica did not feel quite at her ease. "I'm so gled you came to-night, Dudbreathing her thoughts aloudunarily breathing her thoughts aloud
Maitland raised his eyebrows slighty, but she failed to notice the danger signal.
brusquely he asked, somewhat brusquely.
"How strangely you speak," she returned, nervously, "but do you really care to know?"
"Naturally, I am interested,"
Veronica toyed with the petals of a rosebud, and her eyes were cast upon the ground.
"Because I have wanted to see you, to speak to you, to tell you how bitter ly sorry I am for my cruel Words! I softly. "I came back to the drawingsoftly. "I came back to the drawingwhile her eyes remained still downcast, "but you had gone, and I have cast, but you had gone, and I hare
never known a happy moment since!" Now, had Veronica's conscience permitted her to look into the eyes of the man at her side, with those wonderful liquid orbs of hers, it is possible that the fascination of her gave might have blinded him to the false ring of her words. but. as it was, he felt neither plensed $n \cap r$ flattered.

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