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NEWS FROM MEXICO.

ADVANCEMENT SEEMS TO BE THE WORD THERE.

From \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000 to be expended on a System of Sewerage for the Great City of Mexico—A Beautiful Russian Princess Insane.

CITY OF MEXICO, Oct. 14.—Now that work on the grand canal and tunnel, the most important parts of the great project for draining the city and valley of Mexico, are substantially completed, attention is being turned to plans suggested for reconstructing an entire sewerage system for the city so as to insure an equal sewerage from all parts of the city to the mouth of the grand canal. President Diaz informs the city government that a resolution will be introduced immediately in congress appropriating \$25,000 monthly for ten years, to aid in reforming the sewers, providing the city council will appoint a board of directors to take charge of this money. The total cost of the work is estimated variously at from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000 and the result is pretty closely computed by competent engineers to be a certain reduction of the present heavy death rate by one-half. Several large concerns are in the field for the contract.

The Central Methodist of the conference of the Methodist church south, is in session in this city.

A grocery store keeper has returned to the archives of the nation a lot of ancient documents stolen by clerks, now in prison for violation of the trust.

Great interest is manifested here in peat exportation and the state of Mexico has authorized the town government controlling peat beds to make contracts with companies desiring to work them. Lake Xochilco, near this city, contains sufficient peat to make 60,000,000 tons of dry peat, suitable for combustion.

Two hundred more thieves were sent Saturday to the state of Vera Cruz to work on the coffee and tobacco plantations.

An inclined plane with cars to run by steam will be placed upon the hill at Guadalupe, the national Mecca. In former times devout pilgrims ascended the hill on their knees.

A preliminary meeting of the congress of Americanists will take place to-day.

The late Manuel Romero Rubio remembered all his clerks and employes in his will.

News from Acatempan, state of Guerrero, announces that a tremendous hail storm occurred there, destroying crops and causing the destruction of a dozen houses, and killing and maiming many cattle and domestic animals. Seventy-three large trees were felled, and the force of the wind dragged them some distance. The inhabitants were filled with terror, thinking that the day of judgment had arrived.

Military circles are talking of the contemplated reorganization of the army on principally German models, and no doubt the efficiency of the regular troops is to be greatly increased. This does not imply any desire for an aggressive policy, but rather that the government wishes to have the country in better shape. Many prominent generals who belonged to the old order of things, having come up during the revolution, have died during the past two years and their places are being filled by scientifically trained officers, graduates of the national military schools, and the most important military commands are now in their hands. There is no doubt of the complete loyalty of the army to the administration and the officering of troops by graduates of the military college is displacing men accustomed to revolutions. A high officer says any duly constituted government will have the adhesion of the army. This is one of the greatest achievements of President Diaz and has been quietly and unostentatiously effected.

The representatives of the British, Canadian and United States governments have arranged to meet at the state department at Washington to formulate a treaty for the settlement of the claims of the British vessel owners whose sealing craft was seized by United States revenue cutters prior to the announcement of the Paris arbitration and antecedent to the modus vivendi.

It is now stated upon good authority that the total number of killed, wounded and missing Armenians up to date as a result of the recent rioting in Constantinople is over 700.

Three Killed, and Others Injured.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 14.—By an accident last night on the Carnegie branch of the West End traction road three people were killed and twelve or fourteen badly injured. The killed are: George Rothman, furniture dealer at Carnegie; Jacob Heisel, glass dealer, Carnegie; Mrs. Elizabeth Bishop, 1509 Carson street. The injured are: Michael Foley and wife of West End, Pittsburgh, both dangerously hurt; Prof. Alexander Phillips of Pittsburgh, Pa., skull fractured; Miss Emma Laughlin, Pittsburgh, scalp wounds, both legs crushed; Miss Pearl Hoon, Beaver Falls, scalp wound; unknown boy, bruised; Robert Wiley, 10 years old badly bruised; George Waddles, motorman, leg crushed and head cut; Frank McGuire, conductor, badly bruised; Mrs. Leetz and 6-year-old son, both badly crushed condition serious. O. J. Baldwin is not expected to live until morning. The names of the other injured are not known, having left the scene before being recognized. The accident happened to car No. 56 on the long grade coming into West End on its way to Pittsburgh. Just as the car started down the heavy grade the brake broke and it was soon beyond the control of the motorman. The speed became terrific and when a sharp curve near the foot of the hill was reached the car made a wonderful leap, landing trucks uppermost in McCarthy's run, six or eight feet below the track grade. The accident occurred at a lonely spot and it was quite a while before assistance reached the sufferers, who were wedged tightly in the wreck, which was most complete. When the conductor saw that the car was beyond control he laid down on the floor and advised the others to follow his example. The killed were found wedged under the roof of the car, which had been smashed in upon them. The escape of any of those on the car was miraculous. The dead were brought to the Pittsburgh morgue and the injured to the several hospitals.

A Freight Wreck.

WATERBURY, Conn., Oct. 14.—A serious freight wreck occurred here last night when two parts of a broken train came together. Ten cars loaded with trotting horses, live stock and other exhibits from the Danbury fair, which closed last week, were crushed and thrown down a forty-foot embankment. Maseppa, the famous trick horse of the world, valued at \$40,000, was instantly killed, one man fatally injured and two others seriously hurt. The injured are: George W. Lusgro, groom, both legs broken, will die; Henry Thompson, Boston, cut about the head; James Carron, Boston, cut about the head and arms. The train, which was a long one, was made up at Danbury. When about a mile from this city it parted in the middle and the two sections came together again with a tremendous crash. Cars were splintered and piled up in every direction. Ten of them fell in fragments to the bottom of a forty foot embankment. The car containing Maseppa was reduced to kindling wood. He was owned by H. D. McGuire of Boston. The groom, Harry Thompson, had a miraculous escape from death. Carron was pinned under the wreck for two hours and had to be cut out with saws and axes.

Russian Princess Insane.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—A beautiful young Russian princess, Vera Keknatoff, who has been living in exile with her husband here, is insane and confined in Bellevue hospital. Prince Keknatoff was exiled from his native country two years ago on account of connection with the nihilists and belongs to a good family in Pollaros, Russia. His wife followed him a few months later. They secured rooms in the house of Dr. J. J. Sullivan. The prince made several ineffectual attempts to obtain employment. The remittance he received every month from home barely supported him and his wife and at last ceased. The rent became due, but Dr. Sullivan, knowing Keknatoff's history, was lenient with him and allowed him to retain his room. According to the doctor the couple have frequently gone two and three days without food, being too proud to beg or let their neighbors know of their unfortunate condition. The young wife a few days ago began to show signs of insanity. She began to act strangely and at last grew so demonstrative that her husband was reluctantly induced to agree to her removal to the hospital.

THE COUNTY FAIR.

THIS IS THE SEASON OF YE COUNTRY SHOW.

Jonathan Periam Tells the Farmer and the Farmer's Wife and the Farmer's Boys and Girls What they Should Know.

WITH the first of September the fair season is fairly opened. Citizens generally within reasonable distances make it a point to attend for general sight seeing and a pleasant outing. Farmers, year by year, are giving both county and state fairs more and more careful attention and consideration in respect to implements, farm products and stock, with a view to improve their knowledge of what so intimately interests them. It is wise so to do.

There is no place where comparisons can so easily and accurately be made between the better and the best of the productions, whether of the workshops, the fields or the stables; for if the farmer is not an adept in what is of the farm, who should be? And yet, what proportion of the working farmer really is an adept? Very few, compared to the whole, really are. The many in vegetables and fruits look more to size than to quality; in machinery and implements many look to cheapness rather than excellence; in cattle and hogs to overgrown specimens rather than to what proportion of valuable meat they carry; in horses, to the fat they tremble under rather than to bone, muscle and stamina; and in fowls, few farmers who have never seen the better breed, dressed, have little idea of the vast difference between the most excellent and the general ruck of fowls that have the run of the average farm.

There is no reason why any farmer should not be able to pick out every valuable breed of poultry by their distinctive coloring of feathers, shanks and head; of well-bred horses by their distinguished action and other characteristics of the several breeds; of cattle and hogs by their color and constitutional conformity—of each, in fine, by their several points of excellence as laid down in the standards.

The farmer should know why farm stock are good, ordinary or inferior. He should know something more than that certain samples of grain are simply wheat, rye, barley, oats, corn, flaxseed, sorghum, etc. He should know conclusively by examination what varieties they really are; and most certainly should be able to determine definitely whether they are fit for seed, and of varieties adapted to his soil. He should be able accurately to name the principal vegetables and fruits on exhibition. If not, there is no time better than at our county and state fairs this autumn to educate himself. The exhibitors certainly do know, and are generally willing to impart the knowledge they have carefully gained. There is one lesson that must be learned at home—that is: to produce as good, or nearly so, at least, by giving the proper soil, conditions and cultivation.

It is especially necessary that the growing up and the grown children should earnestly listen, examine and compare various samples. Get them well fixed in the mind. Then when you go home you will have something valuable for reflection, and the newspapers and books you will naturally read on the several subjects will easily become most valuable aids toward perfecting the understanding to the higher points of excellence. The time has come when ultimate profit must be reached by careful study of a practical means to the end sought. The time has passed when money can be made by slack farming. There has always been room at the top. There is yet plenty of room there, and it is practical education that leads thereto.

Jonathan Periam.

Sheriff Sues for Hangman's Fees. Sheriff DeFord, of Oklahoma City, Ok., has sued his county for \$185 for hanging John Milligan six months ago. The county commissioners offered him \$10. There never was any trouble about fees at previous executions in Oklahoma. Perhaps the fact that they were all lynchings has something to do with the state of affairs.

Wildcats are quite numerous in Connecticut this year. Several cases have been reported where travelers have encountered them on the highways.

THE ENGLISH OF THE ENGLISH.

Peculiarities That Struck a Recent American Visitor.

One of the first sermons the spectator heard on landing in England was preached in Westminster Abbey. The impressiveness of the Abbey service is, by the way, somewhat marred by the manner in which the crowd "crowds" the monuments, the women sitting on the pedestals and the men hanging their hats on the arms or any other projections in sight. The preacher that evening was the Very Rev. Dean of Ely. He gave an excellent sermon on certain problems of modern thought, but all the way through he pronounced evolution "e"-volution. The next evening the spectator was the guest of a well-known London journalist, a graduate of Cambridge, who also used the word evolution, pronouncing it also "e"-volution. So odd a pronunciation might be set down, in the case of a Church of England clergyman, as one of those pulp peculiarities or affectations—at least so they sound—which those unaccustomed to them cannot escape noticing. This theory can hardly be stretched to apply to a layman, and a newspaper man at that, and so the spectator asked his host if "e"-volution was the ordinary English pronunciation. The latter replied that he had never heard any other. The spectator thought he had discovered a new Americanism. Consulting various dictionaries on his return, the spectator changed his mind. Not one of them gave "e"-volution as even a possible or alternate pronunciation, nor the Century, nor the Standard, nor even Stormonth. Indeed, the last authority went so far the other way as to give e-volve as the proper pronunciation of evolve. The spectator was thus driven to the conclusion that the English are more independent of dictionaries than the Americans are not constantly "looking up words" as we are here, and accept the ordinary usage of the people with whom they associate as authoritative, which would be a typical British way of settling almost any question. An amusing bit of art slang came to the spectator's attention—was, in fact, thrust upon him—at this year's exhibit of the Royal Academy. The one comment (whether of admiration or surprise) was the invariable phrase, "How very extra-ord'n'ry!" This was applied indiscriminately to any and every picture, from a bit of realistic flesh painting—usually, in Paris and London alike, the back of some reclining woman with the reddish hair, which must be the latest fad with the realists—to one of Sargent's portraits, or a wonderful setting of many figures, such as Alma-Tadema's "Spring." It was extraordinary how tiresome the constant repetition of that phrase became after a single day at the Academy. But it was at the Royal Mews, the stables of Buckingham Palace, that the spectator had impressed upon him how much importance attaches to a proper discrimination in the use of English. The groom in attendance was a most impressive person, so very impressive from his cockade to his boots as to satisfy completely one's ideal of stateliness in even an humble royal flunkey. And he "lived up" to his livery. His manner was dignity itself. Referring to the parade at Hyde Park the day before, at which the spectator had been present, he asked the groom whether any royalties had been "out riding" there that afternoon. "Oh, no, sir," replied that functionary, with freezing sarcasm; "their Royal Highnesses and the ladies and gentlemen of the court 'ride' in the morning. They 'drive' in the afternoon." There may have been previous occasions in the spectator's experience when he was equally crushed by the sense of having used the wrong word in the presence of a critical authority; but he failed to recall them then, and he has failed to recall them since.

A Miniature Launch.

A novelty in a steam launch has just been completed. It is nine feet long, with thirty-two inch beam and a nine-inch propeller. The engine weighs sixty-five pounds, and is said to be the smallest marine engine ever made. The launch will carry three persons, and is complete in every respect. There are lockers and air and water-tight cabinets, for the launch was built for an artist, and every appliance necessary for the business has been provided. Cedar and oak are the woods used in the construction of this lilliputian craft, which, when full rigged, weighs 175 pounds.

Proof of Genius.

First Poet—I think Thomson's "Seasons" is the most remarkable book ever written. Second Poet—Why? First Poet—It contains over 1,000 lines on spring, and I managed to get it published.

THE OREGON DENTIST.

He Was Not Posted in Modern Appliances, but Was Willing to Try.

"When I was traveling through southeastern Oregon last month," said Attorney W. W. McNair, "I found myself in a small village and with a large toothache. I found the local dentist, with his whirling engine that resembled a small lathe, at the livery stable clipping a horse.

"Do you treat teeth?" I asked.

"Course; what do you suppose I'm here for?" he replied in a nettled tone.

"Well, I have one that needs attention."

"Want it pulled or plugged?" he asked.

"I want it treated. How do you treat a tooth that is aching?"

"Pull it or plug it."

"I think this could be saved if it had proper treatment."

"Want it plugged, then. What is it—jaw tooth or gnawer?" and he tried to force a finger that was covered with dirt and horse hair into my mouth. I had grown a trifle suspicious of him, so thought I would find out what sort of work he did.

"Do you do bridge work?" I asked.

"Not since I been practicin'. I did build a bridge across Cow creek when I was ranchin', but I mostly confine myself to draggin' fangs, doctorin' horses and barberin'."

"Do you ever transplant teeth?"

"Ay, I tried that oncet, but she didn't work. Of Bill Robinson had a tooth that was achin' an' he wanted it pulled. I got the wrong tooth. I tried to put her back, but Bill hollered an' cut up so that I thought I'd try to transplant it."

"I sawed off the snags and riveted it to Bill's plate o' false teeth, but she wouldn't work. The first time Bill bit a bone with it the tooth swung around on the rivet an' he bit a hole in the roof o' his mouth as big as a hazel nut."

"I concluded not to have my tooth treated. The dentist was sorry, and told me that 'if it was holler to heat a knittin' needle hot an' poke it in the tooth, or hold a chaw ' terbacker in my mouth.'"

WILL VIRTUE BE REWARDED?

A West Point Cadet Who Compelled His Colonel to Obey the Regulations.

The establishment of the color line in the West Point summer encampment recently gave rise to a good story on the commandant of cadets, Colonel Samuel Mills. The regulations prescribe that everyone crossing the color line or passing the colors should salute by lifting his cap with the right hand and placing it upon his left shoulder. Colonel Mills neglected this important ceremony not long ago and the sentry on duty promptly stopped him and compelled him to obey the regulation. The commandant next day sent for this cadet, a third class man, who, by the way, comes from Indiana, and talked to him long and earnestly. The young man refused to divulge the substance of the interview, but the general opinion is that the cadet will be given corporal's chevrons in the fall, when changes are made in the officers of the battalion.

One on the Professor.

Two or three West Pointers who were pending a part of their graduation leave in Europe, found themselves one evening in a Paris hotel.

While they were at dinner a man came at the door and asked:

"Does any one here speak English?"

An attendant engaged the inquirer in conversation, and one of the lieutenants said to the other:

"I wish we could see his face. The voice sounds very familiar."

"That's what I was thinking," replied the other.

In a moment or two the new arrival came in, and there stood the West Pointers' French professor.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph

Acute Kleptomania.

"When I was in India," said the man who had traveled, "the native thieves stole the sheets from under me while I slept, and I never knew it!"

"Yes, and when I was in the Northwest during the boom," said the man who will never admit that America can be outdone, "I had to sleep in a room where there were four real estate agents and one of them stole a porous plaster from my back without awakening me."

How to Sweeten the Breath.

The scent of onions can be entirely killed by drinking a cup of black coffee immediately after eating them. A clove or wintergreen cream will remove the smell of wine from the breath. If the breath itself is at all impure or tainted, gargle with camphor and myrrh.

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The citizens in and around Robert Lee are requested to meet at the court house to-night at 7.30 o'clock for the purpose of organizing for getting up an exhibit for the Concho Valley Fair. Every one who feels an interest in the county being represented at the fair are requested to come out.

It is the safest kind of a prediction that the prize fight won't come off at Purchell, I. T. Abe Mulkey is conducting a big meeting at that place, and in two weeks from now you couldn't hold up two cats by the tail and make 'em fight.—Colorado Times.

A meeting of the Texas Wool Growers association will be held in San Angelo Texas, on November 7, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of passing on matters of vital importance to wool growers. All sheepmen and others interested in the wool industry are requested to be present.

George Richardson,
 Secretary.

Cotton sells on the streets in Robert Lee from 8 to 8 1-2 cents per pound.

Chicago, Ill. Oct. 11 1895.

The market for Southern cattle has shown a decided improvement during the past week, to-days trading being active at an advance of 15 to 25 cents per cwt. all around over the closing prices last week; the greatest advance being on the best cattle. We attribute this advance in prices, principally to the decreased receipts of Western Rangers at the Northern Markets, and unless the supply during the first half of next week proves to be much larger than we anticipate, we think further improvement in prices is imminent. Some of our buyers are expecting heavy receipts next week, and if their expectations are realized, we cannot conscientiously look for an advance, but our opinion is that receipts will not be excessive, and on this opinion we base our hopes for stronger prices.

Calves are selling about steady with last week, but the demand has turned almost entirely to light calves, (weighing under 200 lbs.) and those averaging above that weight are hard to dispose of at anything like satisfactory prices. There has been very little change in either the hog or the sheep market since our last letter, and present indications warrant us in expecting nothing more than good steady to strong markets in these departments.

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- " Cotton Flannel at Cost.
- " Bed Ticking at Cost
- " 10-4 Sheeting at Cost.
- " Satine in the house at Cost.
- " Outing in the house at cost.
- " Flannels in the house at cost.
- " Cotton Batting in the house at cost
- " Comforts and Blankets at cost.
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240 Suits "	" 8 50; " 5 50
360 Suits, "	" 10 00; " 6 50
385 Suits, "	" 11 00; " 7 00
135 Suits, "	" 12 50; " 8 50
200 Suits, "	" 15 00 " 9 50
335 Suits, "	" 18 00 " 10 50
165 Suits, "	" 29 00; " 11 50
60 Children's Suits,	" 1 25; " 65
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50 Children's suits	" 2 00; " 1 25

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Half-Patent Flour, our Price	1 72 per 100 pounds
Good Ranch Flour our price	1 35 per 100 pounds
Choice Rio Coffee, green our price	18 cents per pound
Roasted Coffee any brand	" 20 cents a pound
Strict Granulated Sugar,	" 5 cents a pound
Y. C. Sugar,	" 4 1-2 cents a pound
3 lb. Standard Tomatoes	" 85 cents a dozen
2 lb. " "	" 75 cents a dozen
2 lb. " Derby Corn "	" 75 cents a dozen
2 lb. " String Beans "	" 75 cents a dozen
2 lb. " Morrowfat Peas	" 85 cents a dozen
Smoking and Chewing Tobacco at cost.	
Teas, Spices and Baking Powder at cost.	
New Crop Rice, 5 cent a pound	
New Crop Dried Fruit's at cost	
200 lb Sacks Salt, per Sack, \$1.00	

S. Lapowski & Bro., SAN ANGELO TEXAS.

Prof. Henry Carter of the Valley View country and L. H. Brightman of our town paid a visit to friends in Coleman county this week.

W. S. Billups returned from Garden city on Thursday, where he has been in attendance in District court.

Dr. Lane was in town last Wednesday and reports the health of the people in the Bronte section good.

Mr I. J. Good of the Pecan neighborhood was in the city Thursday and says the people in his section of the country are busy gathering their crops.

AFTERTWENTY YEARS

A MAN THOUGHT TO BE DEAD, TURNS UP.

His Aunt Died Recently in Denmark, Leaving Him Property Worth Over One Million—Would Bring Most Anybody Back to Life.

THROUGH THE efforts of J. N. Wallen, royal vice-consul for Denmark at Philadelphia, Sophus Linhard, now lying ill in the Burnett house, Stroudsburg, has been made aware of the fact that he is the heir of an estate estimated at \$1,000,000 near Elsinore, Denmark. Linhard, who is an intelligent man, came to this country over 20 years ago and engaged in farming not far from Philadelphia. His letters to his relatives in Denmark were few and soon they lost sight of him entirely. Some time ago he was taken seriously ill and went to the Burnett house in Stroudsburg, where he had friends. It was while he

who were very wealthy, but the last thing that entered his mind was the thought that they were after him. At first he was inclined not to pay any attention to the advertisement and he let the matter go by for a day or so. Finally he determined to write to Consul Wallen, and in reply received a copy of a letter which had been sent to the vice-consul on June 2. It was from Elizabeth Sophia Pontoppidan, of Portland, Ore., and among other things said:

"By advice of M. Larsen, Danish consul of Portland, Ore., I appeal to you for information of my brother-in-law, Sophus Linhard, of Hinge, or Aarhus, Denmark, of whom we have not heard for 20 years. At that time he had a farm near Philadelphia. He has fallen heir to the estate of his aunt, Elisa Sophia Lindhardt Pontoppidan. She died Jan. 15, 1895. He also had three children. I have lately become a widow and it is, therefore, of the greatest interest to me that the missing heir is found or proof of his death be secured, because the laws of Denmark permit of no division of the estate till such is done. Also, the authorities of Helmsen requested me to find him, if possible, or his children. If you insert an advertisement for him in the papers it may find him."

It will be some time before he will be able to do anything himself toward

property is in very moderate circumstances.

Wealthy, but Hard-Worked.

One of the most conspicuous business men of New York, who is the extensive head of a company with many millions of assets, said recently that he had not taken a vacation in ten years. He is a millionaire, and his statement indicates the high pressure under which men who manage the affairs of big companies sometimes work. During the summer his family live in their cottage on the Jersey coast. "I am able to get away from my office at 3:30 in the afternoon," he said, "by making use of my time on the trip down to my cottage. I go by boat and I take my stenographer with me. In this way I am able to clear up my correspondence on the way down. My stenographer returns at once to New York, and when I reach my office I find the letters that I have dictated this night before ready for my signature. That saves me about an hour a day. Vacation? No, I don't take a vacation. My clerks and assistants do that, but I find that it is impossible for me to get away. There are many little details that I have to attend to personally, and I can't turn them over to any other man."

There are probably few clerks in New York who work harder than this mil-

OUR WIT AND HUMOR.

CURRENT PRODUCTIONS OF THE FUNNY MEN.

Dainty morsels for our Lean Readers—The Girl of To-day—Quick and Sure—The Result of an Experiment—Notes.

HE has mastered Greek and Latin. She has read her Huxley through; She can sit in silk and satin And discourse on Trilby, too; She can argue evolution, She can bake a luscious tart;

She is up in elocution, And a connoisseur in art. She's the fountain-head of knowledge, And at tennis she can play; She came riding home from college On a bike, the other day; But I've heard of something better, Since with her I plighted troth; She can draw upon her papa For enough to keep us both! —T. C. Harbaugh.

Strategy.
When'er he saw the gay gallants, Who danced like puppets at her whim, He smiled to think no turn of chance Could e'er reserve such fate for him.

He married her. She seemed to view All things in lights that pleased him best; So well she planned, he never knew He was a puppet like the rest!

No Inconvenience.
"Do you not hear me?" she fiercely demanded. "Do you not hear me invoke curses upon your head?" He smiled a wan, apathetic smile. "I hear you," he answered in a hollow voice. "But what ice do a few curses cut on the head of bald man in the fly season? What, I say?" He sat as one in a trance, or church reception.—Detroit Tribune.

A Conscientious Flirt.
Prude—Well, why did you refuse him after you had taken him away from the girl he was engaged to?
Flirt—Oh, I haven't quite reached the point where I will receive stolen goods.—Detroit Free Press.

Quick and Sure.



Slob McGuirk—Say, Skaggs, lend me yer gun—I want ter com-it suicide.
Skaggs—Now! d'ye think I want ter lose a good gun? Look at here! Der easiest an' cheapest ting fur yer ter do is ter walk inter Duffy's saloon and say yer a dog-catcher—see?
(The coroner's decision was instantaneous death by shooting, stabbing and beating.)—Truth.

Precaution.
"In taking this albuminate of iron," continued the physician as he prescribed for a fair patient, "you must be careful not to get it on your teeth."
"Why so?" she inquired with mild surprise.
"Because it will decay them. Some take iron in capsules, but I think by taking it through a straw you can keep it from getting on your teeth."
"Well, now, doctor, suppose I should leave my teeth upstairs while I take the iron in the kitchen, do you think there would be any danger?"
"Well—er—no. I think that would be a reasonable precaution."—San Francisco Post.

The Result of an Experiment.



Lizzie—What do you call it?
Maggie—It ain't got no name yet—yer see father put an egg under a New-foun'tan' dorg an' mad' him set on it.—Truth.

Every dog has day. So has everything else.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County—ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.
FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
A. W. GLEASON, (Seal) Notary Public.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
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The devil is about the blishest fellow we know of, and he has plenty of help.

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Built on the solid foundation of pure, healthy blood is real and lasting. As long as you have rich red blood you will have no sickness.
When you allow your blood to become thin, depleted, robbed of the little red corpuscles which indicate its quality, you will become tired, worn out, lose your appetite and strength and disease will soon have you in its grasp.
Purify, vitalize and enrich your blood, and keep it pure by taking

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The One True Blood Purifier prominently in the public eye. \$1. All druggists.

Hood's Pills cure habitual constipation. Price 25c. per box.

Pains
in your Back, your Muscles, your Joints, your Head, and all diseases of Impure Blood, are caused by sick kidneys.
Sick kidneys can be cured, strengthened, revitalized by
DR. HOBBS' SPARAGUS KIDNEY PILLS
They relieve the pains, purify the blood, cure all diseases of which sick kidneys are the cause. At all druggists, for 50c. per box, or mailed postpaid on receipt of price.
Write for pamphlet.
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Since 1881, I have been a great sufferer from catarrh. I tried Ely's Cream Balm, and to all appearances am cured. Terrible headaches from which I had long suffered are gone.—W. J. Hitchcock, Late Major United States Volunteers and A. A. General, Buffalo, N. Y.

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ELY'S CREAM BALM opens and cleanses the nasal passages, kills the germ and inflammation, soothes the sores, protects the membrane from colds, restores the senses of taste and smell. The balm is quickly absorbed and gives relief at once.
A particle is applied to each nostril and is agreeable. Price 50 cents at druggists or by mail.
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A SPECIALTY Primary, Secondary or Tertiary BLOOD POISON permanently cured in 10 to 15 days. You can be treated at home for same price under same guarantee. If you prefer to come here we will contract to pay railroad fare and hotel bills, and no charge, if we fail to cure. If you have taken mercury, iodine potash, and still have sores and pains, it occurs patches in mouth, sore throat, pimples, copper colored spots, ulcers on any part of the body, Hair or Eyes falling out, it is the Secondary BLOOD POISON we guarantee to cure. We select the most obstinate cases and challenge the world for a cure we cannot cure. This disease has always baffled the skill of the most eminent physicians. \$500,000 capital behind our unconditional guarantee. Absolute proof mailed on application. Address CHAS. HENEDY CO., 307 Masonic Temple, CHICAGO, ILL.
Cut out and send this advertisement.

Millions of wealth is hidden under ground. With Hall's rods you can find it. Circulate free. Gen. Society, Fairbury, Ia.

FISH'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION



BELLE OF BRIGHTON, ILL.

(Brighton, Ill., Correspondence.)
This place is noted for the beauty of its women as well as for the chivalry of its men. The town is full of them, and her surrounding hills and valleys, and her smiling prairies, bloom and blossom with young womanhood that is the pride of the Prairie State.
Miss Josie Lash is the daughter of Mr. Geo. W. Lash, one of the old-time grain buyers of Brighton. Miss Josie lives a quiet home life with her parents in South Brighton. She was educated at the Brighton High School, and is an accomplished and genial young lady.
Miss Meda Merrill is one of the leading society girls here, and in all entertainments her presence is sought for. She is the daughter of W. C. Merrill, of the firm of Merrill & Chase, and our present postmaster, a graduate of the High School and at Jacksonville, Ill. She is well educated and accomplished.
Miss Marcella Glenny is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holly Glenny, the first editor of the Brighton News, and widely known for his newspaper work in this section. Miss Glenny is the soprano singer in the M. E. choir, and a general favorite in Brighton society. She is also a graduate of Brighton High

School, and takes quite an interest in musical culture.
Miss Jessie Dain is an alumnus of the High School, and adds to the entertainment in social functions. She is the eldest daughter of Capt. E. T. Dain, a veteran Indiana soldier, who fought through the war. Miss Jessie is an interesting conversationalist and entertains her friends genially.
Miss Mabel Martin is the daughter of the late Dr. Frank Martin, who died upon the threshold of a brilliant career in medical science. Miss Mabel inherits the magnetic qualities of her father and is loved by her many friends and admired by all.
Miss Addie Robertson is the daughter of the late Daniel Robertson. She resides with her sister, Mrs. Marshall Dickerson, and is a prominent character in social functions. She is cultured and genial, and her amiability and happy disposition draw about her many friends.
Miss Hattie Robings resides with her parents in their beautiful home on North Main street, her father, Mr. A. Robings, being an old citizen and veteran who fought as a private through the war. Miss Hattie is accomplished,

genial and well educated, and takes a great interest in Sunday-school work. She is also a product of the High School and a splendid scholar.
Miss Eva Short is a graduate of the High School, and the only daughter of the late Capt. Robert Short, who went into the army as a private, and was mustered out at its close as a captain. Miss Eva is a bright, fascinating, cultured young lady, and makes hosts of friends in social life. She is connected with many of the principal old families of Macoupin and Greene counties.
Misses Edith and Clarabel Potter are sisters who have been prominent in social circles here, since their graduation at the High School. They are daughters of Mr. Asa Potter, who was postmaster for three terms. They are popular entertainers and have a host of friends. The above list of young ladies have grown and developed into womanhood here in Brighton. They are fitted, like their many friends unmentioned, to adorn society and embellish the home. Wealth could not add to their qualities of true womanhood. They may be said to be a fair type of the American cultured woman, who is co-extensive with our country.

was a patient here that one day a copy of a newspaper was handed him. It was the first paper he had seen for some time and there he learned for the first time that the Danish vice-consul at Philadelphia was advertising to ascertain the whereabouts of Sophus Linhard.
He well knew when he left Denmark years ago that he had an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pontoppidan,

securing the money. His illness is of such a character that it will be several weeks before he can leave the hotel. Just what is the present worth of his aunt's estate he does not know, although he knows it is large. Her husband, at the time of his death, had large shipping interests and was the largest individual ship owner in North Europe. In addition he had large landed interests. The expectant heir to all this

millionaire, even though their hours may be longer.—New York Sun.
Sisters Held a Saloon.
Five daughters of John Granninger, of East St. Louis, Ill., made a raid on a saloon where their father got drunk and smashed up things considerably. They left word that the dose would be repeated if more whisky was sold to the father.

TROLLEY CARS AND PILLS.

From the Evening News, Newark, N. J.
 Mrs. Anna Burns, of 328 Plains Street, Newark, N. J., is a decidedly pretty brunette, twenty-six years old, tall, and a pleasant conversationalist. On the ground floor of her residence she conducts a well-ordered candy store. When our reporter visited her store, she in response to a question told him a very interesting story.
 "Until about two months ago," she began, "I enjoyed the very best of health and could work night and day if necessary. Suddenly, and without any apparent cause, I began to suffer with intense pains in my head, in my limbs, and temples. Almost distracted with this seemingly never ending pain, I tried cure after cure, prescription after prescription and almost a gallon of medicine of all kinds. Nothing did me any good. In fact I became worse. The muscles of my hands soon became cramped and the pain in my hips became more and more distressing each day. Business in the store had to be attended to, however, and so I was obliged, suffering as I was, to keep more or less on my feet and occasionally I was forced to go out. This was the ordeal I dreaded. Each time I went out I trembled when I came near the car tracks, for my pain at times was so severe that I was obliged to stand perfectly still no matter where I was. On one occasion I was seized this way while I was crossing the tracks on Market Street and I was crushed to a rigid, unable to move hand or foot while a trolley car came thundering along. Fortunately it was stopped before it struck me but the dread of it all lasted as long as my pain, for I never knew when crossing the tracks whether I would not drop to the ground and be crushed to death. My anxiety to get well grew apace and I had about given up in despair when I saw in the 'Evening News' one day, an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Here was something I hadn't tried before and I lost no time in getting to the nearest drug store. There I paid fifty cents for a box of these truly wonderful, health restoring pills. Before I had finished taking half of the pills I began to feel relieved; the pains in my hips gradually disappeared and for the first time in many days I felt as if there was some hope. I continued to take the pills and the more I took, the better I felt. I finished one box, got another and now, having taken only a few of the second fifty cents worth, I am free from all pain and as happy as the day is long. Since I began to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I have gained thirty pounds and now when I cross the car tracks I don't care if there is a dozen vehicles near by. It is a great relief, I assure you, and suffering humanity has a never failing friend in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I know what I am talking about. I speak from experience."
 Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. Pink Pills are sold in boxes at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Med. Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Fair Bull Fighters.

It is said a troop of "lady" bull fighters is now touring in Spain. These six fine olive-skinned girls are mill hands, or rather, they were, until they bettered themselves. Now they can earn \$20 each for every bull fight in which they are engaged. Of course, the animals they tackle are proportioned to the female standard of strength and agility, being younger and less fierce than the veterans. The proceedings are merely pretty until the final scene, when one of the pretty young ladies kills the bullock with a sword, and in Spain that is considered the prettiest thing of all.

To Our Laid Readers.

Nine-tenths of the women of the world are afflicted with some of the complaints familiarly known as "Female Diseases," or "Womb Troubles." There is scarcely a family but has an afflicted daughter, a cherished sister, or a dearly loved mother who suffers agonies that are endured in silence to protect her modesty. Proper treatment is postponed from month to month by dread of a physician's humiliating examination, or surgeon's knife. Most of these dangerous diseases can be successfully treated at home, but there is widespread ignorance among even the most intelligent classes of women regarding their natural functions and organs of generation, owing to so little information having been published in regard to this subject and a modesty that shrinks from investigation such a disagreeable matter. The Wine of Cardui treatment of female diseases cures thousands of cases of this kind of troubles every year. It can be used successfully in the privacy of the home and is cheap and effective. Ask your druggist for McEiree's Wine of Cardui.

Entirely Too Much.

The British government has given \$1 apiece to some native Indian soldiers as a reward for conspicuous gallantry in the late campaign.

The First Tool.

The first tool made by human hands was a celt, or handless ax of chipped stone. With it a man can kill or skin game, hack wood or spike an enemy. A handle put upon the celt transversely make it an ax; a handle longitudinally makes an arrow.

A Large Income.

Lord Windsor draws about \$500,000 a year of "unearned increment" from the mines of the south of England and Wales.

A Large Sum.

The steamer Rio de Janeiro sailed from San Francisco for Japan the other day with more than \$1,100,000 in gold cash. The larger part of it was remitted by Chinamen.

The Fish Industry.

The salmon pack of British Columbia this year amounts to 518,693 cases, an increase of about 25 per cent over last year. The output is valued at \$2,500,000, out of the fishermen get about \$600,000. See?

A DUDE, BUT VERY STRONG.

Some Bad Men Get Into Serious Trouble with Him.

"Appearances are deceptive," said the club man. "I remember, several years ago, I was a passenger on an avenue car one evening. A gentleman, accompanied by two stylishly-dressed young ladies, got aboard. He didn't look much for size, but he was gotten up regardless. His linen was the whitest, his collar the highest, his clothes fitted him to perfection, his tall hat was the shiniest, and his trousers couldn't have been creased more. He looked like a typical dude—nothing to him but clothes. The car was not crowded, but fairly well filled. On the rear platform were a couple of toughs who had evidently been drinking, for one of them loomed at the young ladies as they passed and made an insulting remark. The young man passed into the car apparently without noticing the insult. When the ladies were seated he politely lifted his hat and asked to be excused a moment. Upon reaching the platform he quietly said: "You made a remark as those ladies passed."
 "Well, what the— in that to you?"
 "Bim! I never saw such a quick blow. The fellow fell off the platform as if he had been shot out of a gun. Of course, his companion jumped to his assistance, but he had scarcely moved before he was met with one straight from the shoulder. He, too, landed on the asphalt. But the young man was not satisfied. He jumped off, and as one of his victims attempted to get up gave him a settler, and there they both lay completely knocked out. Of course, the conductor had stopped the car, but it was hardly necessary, for it was the quickest fight to a finish I ever saw or heard of. When the supposed dude rejoined the ladies his immaculate attire was not a bit rumpled, he wasn't even breathing hard. You could have thought he had simply gone out to speak to some one. He apologized for having left them, and I don't believe they had any idea of what he had done. The next day I saw the young man on the street, and said to a friend, 'Do you know who that is?'"
 "Why, yes. Don't you? I thought all the boys knew him. He's the champion all-round athlete of one of the big Philadelphia clubs, and has more medals and prizes for running, rowing, jumping, and sparring than any man in Philadelphia."

IT IS FADING AWAY.

A Kansas Town, Deserted and Distressed, Being Wiped Off the Map.

J. M. Davis, a member of the Kansas State legislature from Kiowa county, gives a doleful account of the condition of his section of Kansas, and especially of his own town. Five years ago Greensburg had 2,500 inhabitants; now there are 123. There is a bonded debt on the municipality of \$45,000, and practically no valuation to pay it with these bonds were issued for water-works, lighting and other improvements demanded by the progressive people who were trying to make a city. The few people there now decline to pay their taxes, and lots and buildings are being sold by the county treasurer or rather that official tries to sell them. Farmers come into town and buy tax certificates for comparatively nothing. These they desire for the buildings, which they remove, caring nothing for the lots. Five years ago a flouring mill was erected at a cost of \$7,000, the city giving \$3,000 in cash. Recently the building was purchased for a few dollars and removed to Colorado. Small as Greensburg now is, its population may soon be indicated by two figures, and then possibly by one. In the meantime the owners of \$45,000 worth of bonds will be looking for some one to pay interest and principal when due.

Women and Coquetry.

At what age does a woman cease to be coquettish? This query is suggested by the case of Mrs. James T. Taylor, of Linden, Wis., who is accused by her husband of being so overstocked with kisses that she throws them to other men, and who, in consequence of the fuss he has made about it, has sued for divorce. If Mrs. Taylor was a young woman we should not be surprised at these little evidences of coquettishness; but she is 69 years of age. If she intends to settle down to uneventful home life and abandon the fascination and excitement of seeing admiration we should think it almost time. Yet she is still, according to her husband, darting kisses at other men and looking at them coyly from the corners of her eyes. This would indicate that those students of womankind who have held that she never ceases to be a coquette when opportunely offers spoke wisely. Yet we must take issue with them on one point. They go too far in their assertion. They speak of that of which they are ignorant when they can put no limit to her coquetry. There is an end. At least we have no reason to believe that she carries it into the next world, or, at any rate, no proof.

When to Eat Soup.

The French have the best manners and the best cooks in the world, and it is worthy of note that M. Furetieres is a firm supporter of Dr. Koch on the question of soups. Dr. Koch never takes his soup till after the rest of the dinner has been eaten. It is unquestionably a mistake to fill the stomach with soup at the beginning of a meal. The origin of this company is purely French. It was the habit of the reduced aristocracy to fill their guests with soup in order to diminish the consumption of more costly articles of food. Soup after the roast or game is the proper thing now. By that time there is no desire to partake of it. What was encouraged by the poor but proud people of France is stuck to by the American landlord who is running his boarding house on the American plan. Soup is to be the stomach's dessert, and not its flood and blockade.

Are Ahead of Us.

As a nation the French are in advance of us in their application of the chemistry of food. Their little school children may be seen daily enjoying a luncheon of a piece of bread or a little roll or croissant with a bar of plain chocolate—not creams—and nothing is more nourishing for them; while French, Italians, and Spaniards alike dip bread into their morning cup of chocolate. The fact is that chocolate, like bread itself, requires for its assimilation the chemical action produced by mastication, i. e., the saliva of the mouth as well as the action of the stomach. Thus chocolate eaten can be digested by those to whom a cup quickly drunk is poison.

It is Doubtful.

A very pregnant piece of news is to the effect that President Faure of France, will be escorted to Copenhagen in the spring by a French squadron. He will visit the king and queen of Denmark and will then go to St. Petersburg. He will attend the coronation ceremonies of Czar Nicholas II at Moscow, returning by sea to France and visiting the Swedish and Dutch sovereigns en route. While in Russia he will be lodged in the czars' palaces.

Brains is one crop that should be thoroughly cultivated.

A Silent Appeal for Help.

When your kidneys and bladder are inactive they are making a silent appeal for help. Don't disregard it, but with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters safely impel them to activity. They are in immediate danger, and it is foolhardiness to shut one's eyes to the fact. Be wise in time, too, if you experience manifestations of dyspepsia, malaria, rheumatism, constipation or nerve trouble. The Bitters before a meal adds zest to it.

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With the exhilarating sense of renewed health and strength and internal cleanliness which follows the use of Syrup of Figs is unknown to the few who have not progressed beyond the old time medicines and the cheap substitutes sometimes offered but never accepted by the well informed.

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If you have borrowed from health to satisfy the demands of business, if your blood is not getting that constant supply of fat from your food it should have, you must pay back from somewhere, and the somewhere will be from the fat stored up in the body.

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History of the Polka.

The origin of the polka is not generally known, the inventor of the dance having been a young Bohemian girl named Haniczka Selezka. She was a blooming young peasant maiden and the best dancer in the village of Costelec, on the river Elbe, and used to perform solo dances of her own invention at the various village festivities. It was in the year 1830, at a farmhouse, that the assembled guests asked her to dance a solo, and she said: "I will show you something quite new," and to the music of her own singing she danced the polka step, though with more elaboration than it is now performed. The dance became so popular that it was later named a national dance, and Haniczka named it polka, as she said it was danced in short steps: from polku came polka, and finally polka, the dance three years later, in 1833, becoming popular in Prague, and in 1839 it was already danced at the Vienna balls, and one year later became the most popular dance in Paris. Haniczka Selezka is still alive, surrounded by numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren sprung from her own six sons and daughters.

They are making a chain at a Belgian factory to be twenty-five miles long. It will hardly be able to sustain its own weight, 680 tons.

Good breeding will pay as handsomely in the boy as in the calf, pig or goat.

Notice.

I want every man and woman in the United States who are interested in the opium and whisky habits to have one of my books on these diseases. Address, B. M. Woolley, Atlanta, Ga., box 377, and one will be sent you free.

Happiness is one crop that everybody should cultivate.

Piso's Cure cured me of a Throat and Lung trouble of three years' standing.—E. Cady, Huntington, Ind., Nov. 13, 1894.

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"I have tried Parker's Ginger Tonic and believe in it," says a mother, and so will you say when familiar with its revitalizing properties.

If you have nothing to do, better go to yourself to do it.

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As man grows older, it takes his nerves longer to tune.

FITS—All Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No Fits after the first day's use. Baraboo, Wis. Treatise and \$2 trial bottle free. 25c. cases. Send to Dr. Kline, P. O. Box 338, Phila., Pa.

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A Coke county exhibit at the Concho Valley Fair—Sure thing.

Prof. R. U. Smith and Johnie Ross were in town Monday.

Hurrah for an exhibit at the Concho Valley Fair. J. T. Hamilton, G. W. Webb, H. E. Johnston, F. B. Perry, R. P. Perry S. C. Wilkins and many others are at work for it and it is to be had.

The New Home Sewing Machine for sale by S. E. Neblett of Sweetwater.

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For a nice quiet room, with all home comforts, go to the Oaks when in San Angelo.

J. D. Halmark, M. B. Sheppard and D. W. Key of Coke county were in town this week.—S. A. Enterprise.

Notice Teachers.

The Teachers of Coke County are hereby requested to meet at the Court House in Robert Lee on Saturday Oct. 29th, 1895 at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of organizing the Teachers Institute for this year.

It is hoped that every teacher in the county will be present at that time.

Respectfully,
D. T. AVERITT,
Co. Judge.

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L. D. Sheppard of Bronte, Coke county, was in the city Wednesday. S. A. Standard.

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Capt. Hutchinson of Coke county has been here working in the interest of the Merkel Fruit Nursery. Before taking his departure gave the News a pleasant call.—Concho Valley News.

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O. D. Battle, Prop. of Coleman Nurseries was in town selling trees this week, doing a good business taking orders for trees shrubs, etc. Any one who he does not see will please call at the RUSTLER office and get his prices and send him in an order and it will be delivered at Robert Lee.
Respect. O. D. Battle.

The estimates on the cotton crop have got Texds down to 56 per cent, and the next estimate will be still lower.—McDade Plaindealer.

Mr. L. H. Brightman is now from home on legal business in Celm n county and is expected to return Friday.

Mr. Wm. Scarborough passed through town Thursday on his way home from San Angelo and reports sales on his cotton at 8 1-4.

BORN:—On Wednesday the 15 h to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Good a daughter.

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Mr. G. J. Moore returned home last Wednesday from the East, where he had taken some saddle horses and reports horse property a little on the advance.

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O. D. Battle.

Tom Henning has opened up a new store next door to Taylors' Grocery, with a full stock of Hats, Shoes, Dry Goods and Notions and most respectfully invites the Coke county people to patronize him.
San Angelo, Texas.

John Weathers and Tom Richard have taken a bunch of horses and gone east. They will probably be gone some two or three weeks.

J. S. Miles, Proprietor of the Brick Front Livery Stable in San Angelo is agent for the best buggy that ever rolled, The Hynes.

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Rev. W. J. Glass, of Olg, paid RUSTLER office substantial res. Thursday. Mr. Glass says he thinks he has the champion Sweet potato, but has not weighed it. If any one else has a large potato send the weight to us and Mr Glass will then tell what his weighs. He also says he has two acres in kershaws and has 1700 good kershaws, some of them very large. He is for a Coke county exhibit at the Concho Valley Fair and will send something to the RUSTLER office to go in the exhibit.

Come to this office if you want a bill of fruit trees, ornamental trees or shrubs.

When you see an X on the margin of your paper you may know that you are behind on your subscription and come forward and pay up at once.

Lon Arnett, of Coke county was in the city this week. He compromised his suit against the Santa Fe for killing and injuring his cattle, for \$600 and no court costs.—S. A. Standard.

Drs. Toliver and Latham report sickness in the town and county in the decline.

Judge Perryman bought of Mr E. C. Good one day this week his famous Dun saddle horse.

Dr. Riggs did quite a quantity of Dental work in our town within the last ten days and left for his home in Angelo last Tuesday.

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The Coke county people are invited, when in Ballinger to stop at the Pearce Hotel, only \$1.00 per day to them. All trains met by porter. Free feed yard to patrons.
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NOTICE.

To the Tax-Payers of Coke Co., Texas. I will be at the following places on the dates herein mentioned for the purpose of collecting the Taxes Assessed for 1895.—Viz. Hayrick, Monday and Tuesday Nov. 11th, and 12th, 1895 Ft. Chadbourne, Wednesday and Thursday November 13th, and 14, Bronte, Friday and Saturday Nov 15th, and 16th. Valley View, Monday and Tuesday Nov. 18 and 19. Mt. Margret, Wednesday and Thursday Nov. 20 and 21. Edith, Monday and Tuesday Nov. 25 and 26. Simpson, Wednesday and Thursday Nov. 27 and 28. Pecan, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 29 and 30. Silver, Monday and Tuesday Dec. 2 and 3. Sanco, Wednesday and Thursday Dec. 4 and 5th.

Respectfully,
L. B. MURRAY,
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By J. W. BARNETT, Deputy.

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Maverick Again.

Maverick, Texas, Oct. 13 1895.
ED. RUSTLER:—As there has nothing appeared from this part of the moral heritage lately, I will send you a few items, which will likely interest some one the many readers of your excellent paper.
Mr. W. D. McAuley has returned from a business trip to Kansas city.

He has bought 1140 head of cattle from Mr. Allen of McCulloch county. Terms private.

Miss Mollie Webb, of Bronte is visiting her uncle Jones Webb of this place.

Most all of Maverick went to Ballinger to the Show Tuesday.

The young people of Maverick enjoyed themselves highly at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Will Good's not long ago.

Miss Mayne Kyle of San Angelo has contracted for the Maverick school, which will begin 1st, Monday in November.

Messrs Ben and Andrew Glaser has returned to their work in the Panhandle.

Earnest McAuley is still chilling.

Mr. Editor I want to tell you a secret! We are trying to have a Sabbath School here for three weeks but can't get a leader. Come over and help us in the cry. We are told that Coke county affords lots of preachers, school teachers and the like. We want help to build up a good Sunday school. There is a good opening here. The health of the country is improving.

Mrs Gus Franks was at Maverick Sunday.

This is not a bit interesting, but the best we can do just now.
"RICA"

Garland Odem, of Runnels county will move 4000 cattle from his Arizona ranch back to Texas this fall. Mr. Odem will pasture the steer cattle near Amarillo during the winter, but will locate his breeding stock on his ranch at Ft. Chadbourne, in Runnels county. As these cattle were brought from a point in Arizona, having an altitude of 9900 feet above sea level, the experiment of moving them to a much lower altitude will be watched by stockmen with much interest.—San Angelo Standard.

Lum Hudson, bought from J. M. Piper, 1200 head of stock cattle, located in John Beray's Schleicher county pasture, at \$11 per head. They will be delivered at pasture Dec. 1st. On last Thursday Mr Hudson resold these cattle to Kearney Mayes at \$11.60 per head.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Childress and Frank Harris and family, of Coke county, were in the city Monday. —S. A. Standard.

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A MURDERER HANGED

KIT ROBINSON, COLORED, EXECUTED AT LIBERTY.

He Made a Full Confession of All His Crimes, Joined the Catholic Church, Forgave All His Enemies and Lived Without a Tremor.

LIBERTY, Tex., Oct. 12.—Quite a number of people came in from east Texas Thursday night to witness the execution of the negro Kit Robinson, for the diabolical murder and burning on June 10 last of John Johnson, an aged white man, who was working as a pumper on Houston, East and West Texas railway. Yesterday morning the trains from the east and west brought in a few more. By daylight people began to come in from the surrounding country and before the hour of execution fully 500 hundred visitors had arrived. The gallows was built just in the rear of the jail in full view. It was open above and below the platform and 800 people saw Kit Robinson shuffle of this mortal coil. The doomed man ate a hearty supper Thursday night and at 8 p. m. retired. Before getting into bed he knelt and said a prayer and when he arose he was weeping. He did not go to sleep until nearly 11 o'clock. He only awoke once during the night when he vouchsafed the information to Sheriff DeBlanc and the death-watch that he was going to heaven and felt much better than he did before being brought from Houston. He arose at 6 o'clock and attired himself in new clothes from head to foot, which had been bought for him by the kind-hearted sheriff. He wore a white and blue striped negligee shirt, a dark blue serge suit and his shoes were polished to an almost patent leather degree. Kit had recently professed the Catholic religion and at 7:15 o'clock he left the jail for the little Catholic chapel where he was to be received into the faith. He walked with a firm step out of the jail and got in and out of the sheriff's buggy unassisted. When the church was reached Rev. Father McSorley was waiting at the altar. It was not good light in the building, the only light being two candles. As Kit walked down the aisle with his chains clanking the scene appeared weird indeed. With Kit sitting on the front seat Father McSorley began the mass. Kit knelt and in a perfectly audible and strong voice repeated the apostle's creed and Lord's prayer and gave the answers to the articles of faith. He was then baptized and made his last confession to the holy father. He said a prayer of penance and received his last communion. Throughout the service Kit was calm and self-possessed and he seemed not at all nervous. Quite a number of men attended the service, also one little girl. The condemned man was taken back to the jail where at 8:15 he consulted with his religious adviser and to him reiterated his resignation and conversion. He did not want to see any one else, as his time was short and he wanted to utilize it for meditation and prayer. He made a full confession to Father McSorley and Sheriff DeBlanc which was in substance as follows:

"I wish to make a full confession of my crime. I went to Johnson's home about two weeks before the killing and robbed it, getting a six-shooter, shotgun and ladies' gold watch. I afterward made up my mind to kill him and rob him, which I did by striking him with a piece of iron which I picked up by the side of the railroad track. I got a silver watch off the body. If he had any money I did not find it, as I got frightened and ran off before I made a thorough search. I did not set fire to the body, but simply pulled the fire out of the furnace for the purpose of setting fire to the house with the body in it. No one else had anything to do with it or knew anything about it. I did it of my own accord. My object in accusing Claiborne Jefferson was that I was told that if I confessed and implicated others it might be light on me. I now make this confession that Claiborne may be exonerated, as he had nothing to do with it."

Robinson also confessed to Sheriff DeBlanc that he had about eighteen months ago burned Cruse's barn and set fire to his store at Keno, and that he was the man Cruse's clerk shot when he, Kit, was trying to burglarize the store; also that he burglarized Mrs. Booth's store at Cleveland and was guilty of knocking a Mexican in the head and robbing him near Cleveland. Up to this time the officers had been unable to locate the party who committed these crimes and his confession came in the nature of a surprise as it had been laid at the door of tramps. Kit also confessed that he burglarized the house of George Davis on Farkington's prairie and stole about \$200. This crime it was thought had been committed by some one living in the neighborhood. Kit said he lost most of the money gambling, so it would seem that even if he did not appear bright he was an artist.

About 9 o'clock he ate a hearty breakfast and spent the time between breakfast and 10:45 in praying. At

10:50 Father McSorley arrived and he and Kit, accompanied by Sheriff DeBlanc and Deputy Sheriff Will Duncan, went into the sheriff's office to participate in the last earthly service Kit would ever know. This was over at 11:15 and at 11:55 Kit, with his arms tied behind him and heavily guarded, came out of the jail and started for the gallows. He walked erect and steady and while he looked about at the crowd and seemed to speak to an acquaintance, his face was set and his eyes expressionless. He was alive physically, but mentally he was dead; he had so firmly fixed his mind on his religion. He mounted the stairs without assistance, and at once took his place on the trap. His eyes stared directly to the front into vacancy and never changed the direction of their vision. All except the physical in his being was dead. Father McSorley began the service and Kit repeated after him a short prayer. The crucifix was placed to his lips and he was sprinkled with holy water. The rope was placed around his neck. He never moved. No sign of life did he give, not a sound did he utter. A statue could not have been more lifeless. The black cap was placed over his head and at 11:32 Sheriff DeBlanc touched the lever, the trap-door dropped and the soul of Kit Robinson was sent to meet his maker.

At 11:52 Dr. Bailey pronounced Kit dead and he was cut down. An examination showed that his neck was only partially broken. After Kit had been placed in his coffin Father McSorley stated from the scaffold that Kit had confessed as given above, that he had forgiven everyone and that he asked the forgiveness of all, that he did not feel hard toward the judge and jury which tried him, as they only did their duty, and he returned thanks to Sheriff Erichson and Jailer Anderson of Harris county and Sheriff DeBlanc and his deputies of Liberty county for their kindness to him.

Shall Not Fight in Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 12.—Gov. Clarke, who has been examining the laws closely touching the gubernatorial power to prevent prize fights, last night crystallized his views and outlined his intentions in communications addressed to the officers at Hot Springs and the principals in the proposed fight. Upon the mooted question of the proper mode of proceeding the governor has counseled with other lawyers and his pronouncements, which is in favor of preventive measures, is regarded as final. The governor will hold himself ready to cooperate with Judge Duffie of the Hot Springs district to prevent the fight should it appear that the local authorities fail to impress the fighters and backers with sufficient force. Gov. Clarke states that the present law making prize fighting a misdemeanor was irregularly passed by the legislature of 1891 and is inoperative. The journals of the house show that after a disagreement the conference committee's report was adopted by a viva voce vote instead of by a roll call. This law being inoperative leaves in force the former law making prize fighting a felony. The section of the statutes referred to in the governor's letter to Judge Duffie empowers the governor to intervene when violations of the law are contemplated, regardless of the attitude of local authorities. The governor's letter to Judge Duffie and to the sheriff at Hot Springs are susceptible of but one interpretation, and mean that the fight shall not take place. He has been fair enough to address communications to Messrs. Fitzsimmons, Corbett and Dan Stuart giving them fair warning.

What Secretary Smith Says.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—Secretary Smith said yesterday that he had no knowledge that the Corbett-Fitzsimmons prize fight managers were intending to have the fight on the government reservations at Hot Springs, but that should any attempt be made to have the fight on the reservation he would see that the law was enforced. Corbett and Fitzsimmons would not be granted a permit from the interior department, and if any of the lesser officers should grant the privilege upon the lands they had obtained from the government he would revoke the lease of such person. Agent Wisdom at Muskogee telegraphed yesterday that he had received the letter of instruction from Commissioner Browning and would take immediate steps to prevent the fight taking place in the Indian Territory.

Chief Perryman of one of the tribes in the Indian Territory telegraphed the Indian office if they had any objection to glove contests and pugilistic encounters taking place in the territory. Acting Commissioner Smith replied that he presumed the chief meant prize fights and that Agent Wisdom had been instructed to suppress all such exhibitions.

A bill has been introduced in the lower house of the Danish parliament to authorize the appointment of twenty paid consuls for Denmark, including one at New York, Chicago, New Orleans and Rio de Janeiro.

STATE CONDENSATIONS.

A Summary of Daily Happenings from Various Sources.

A shooting affray took place at Twohig, La Salle county, the other morning in which U. T. Saub, a stockman of Pearsall, a Mexican and a Mexican girl were killed and a Mexican man and woman were wounded, the former badly. Mr. Saub owns a large ranch near Twohig. One of his men informed him that a calf had been killed. He informed Deputy Sheriff Swink of the matter and the two started out to catch the perpetrators. They traced them to within three-quarters of a mile of Twohig, when they came to a Mexican jacal. They found the carcass of a calf there and attempted to arrest two Mexicans who were present. The Mexicans resisted and opened fire on the officers. The fire was returned and several shots passed, resulting as above. The woman and girl were shot accidentally. The wounded man and woman were taken to Cotulla.

Those people who have been skeptical concerning the construction of the terminal railroad at Dallas, were surprised recently at the arrival of twenty-one cars of steel rail to be used in the construction of the road. The steel came from the plant of the Illinois Steel company at Joliet. When down, it will make about four miles of track, or nearly half the length of the whole road. It weighs sixty pounds to the yard, being as heavy as rail used on many trunk lines. So far as progress is concerned the terminal people say that work is going right along and will be pushed forward as rapidly as it can be done. President Connor is now making arrangements for the opening of the line by the new year. Rolling stock for the road is expected next month.

The other night Constable Burris of Paris, Deputy Constable Will Bryant of Brookston and others went to arrest a negro gambler named John Richmond. Richmond's reputation is tough, and he swore he would not be taken. He was found in a corn field, surrounded by a dozen negroes and a half dozen whites, all shooting craps. Richmond sprang to his feet, Winchester in hand, which he drew on the officers, which was knocked to one side, the bullet killing John Harris instantly. Richmond was knocked in the head with a pistol and his arrest accomplished.

Mr. Fred Paul Grosscup, late of Charleston, W. Va., and secretary of the Texas Oil and Mineral company, recently purchased a car load of heavy timbers from the Beaumont Lumber company and ordered it shipped to Sour Lake, Hardin county. Mr. Grosscup's company has recently contracted to bore for oil and gas at Sour Lake.

Mr. Tom McDaniel, while out hunting on the Sabine river, in Panola county, recently saw twenty-seven squirrels up one tree (a beach in full mast) and, without stopping to pick up any, killed seventeen, and hearing a noise from behind, turned and saw a yearling deer coming, and with a load of squirrel shot killed it. Next.

One evening recently at about 4 o'clock J. W. Miller, a merchant, who was returning to his home at Duffau, was waylaid when about a mile from Hico, Hamilton county, by two masked robbers. They bound him to a tree, after taking what money he had, \$15. He finally freed himself and returned to Hico and gave the alarm.

The 16-year-old son of ex-Senator Matt Gains, colored, was accidentally killed by a younger brother the other evening. They were out hunting, near Giddings, when the gun was accidentally discharged, the contents of which passed through the bowels of the older brother.

The railroad commission has granted the Texas and Pacific and the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railroads authority for the adoption of a rate of \$1.45 per ton on slack coal, carloads, minimum weight 35,000 pounds per car, from Thurber Junction to Brownwood.

In an altercation over a tamale transaction Richard Martenas, a Mexican, was cut four times the other night at Fort Worth by a man who escaped. One of the cuts is to the hollow and is regarded as dangerous.

The railroad commission has granted the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railroad authority to make a rate of \$12.55 per standard car on horses and mules, beef cattle, oxen and cows from Clodine to Houston.

At Weatherford, recently, Sheriff McCracken and Marshal Brown captured two men as they had just finished picking the pockets of a lady. The money was recovered and the parties fully identified.

There is a city ordinance of Beaumont that requires three days work on the streets, or \$3 cash, per annum, from each voter. The marshal is trying to enforce it, and the howl is long and loud.

The Texas Central railway company has just paid its quarterly tax on passenger earnings to the comptroller, amounting to \$164,24.

THE BIG SHIP CANAL.

WILL IT CHANGE THE COURSE OF GREAT LAKES?

Belief That It Will Eventually Dry Up the Falls of Niagara—Engineers and Scientists Are Now Becoming Alarmed to Be Ready in 1896.



THE Philadelphia Press says: "If contracts are kept the great canal which is to connect Lake Michigan with the Mississippi river will be finished in 1896, and one of the greatest projects of modern times will be brought to completion. The enterprise was suggested many years ago and a number of plans were proposed, but it is only in recent years that it was undertaken seriously. It has been pushed with vigor, however, the improvement in dredging machines and in blasting methods enabling rapid progress to be made. It will serve not only as a ship canal, but as a drainage channel for Chicago's sewage. There are in reality two canals, one extending westward from Chicago to La Salle on the Illinois river, where it is met by another canal, which extends eastward from Rock Island, on the Mississippi river.

"With the completion of these canals in sight the problem of supplying them with water is causing much discussion. The canal running eastward from Rock Island will draw its supply from the Mississippi river, but, as this water flows into the Illinois river and so is returned to the Mississippi river a few miles north of St. Louis, no harm to the navigation of the Mississippi river is anticipated. The same confidence is not felt in respect to the source from which the canal running westward from Chicago will draw its water supply. This supply must come from Lake Michigan. The canal is 70 feet wide at the bottom, where it is cut through rock, and 200 feet wide through earth cuttings, and it is intended to furnish a depth of 18 feet of water, although its full capacity may not at once be utilized.

"The quantity of water necessary to supply the canal at first it is calculated will be 300,000 gallons a minute, and, as it must all be drawn from Lake Michigan, the extent to which it will lower the level of that body of water and all the other lakes also is a matter of grave moment. Some engineers estimate that there will be a general lowering of three inches in all the lakes, while others estimate that five or six and even nine inches is nearer the quantity that will flow off. If such a material lowering of the lake levels takes place it may disastrously affect commerce, especially in dry years. Many harbors now having a sufficient depth of water for the largest lake vessels would be shallowed, and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers would not be navigable for heavy draft vessels. It is calculated also that the water now running over Niagara Falls would be diminished by 5 per cent at once and ultimately by 10 per cent.

"Professor Wright has estimated that the basins of Lakes Michigan and Huron are so delicately poised that it needs only a displacement of a few feet of rock and gravel at Chicago to spill them into the Mississippi valley. Lakes Huron and Michigan are about on the same level and elevated 580 feet above the sea, while Lake Erie is 8 feet lower, Lake Superior rests in a basin of its own, 20 feet higher. The drainage area of the four lakes is about 250,000 square miles, with an average annual rainfall of 31 inches. There have been theories that these great bodies of water are supplied by hidden springs, and the rise and fall of the lakes at times could be explained on this theory. But it is not generally accepted.

"The question of how much water will be drawn from the lakes into the canal is of sufficient importance to demand a definite answer before the canal is opened. The commerce of the Great Lakes must not be allowed to suffer, although every one will sympathize with Chicago in its effort to obtain a water channel to the Mississippi and a drainage outlet for its sewage. The carrying capacity of the lake is over 30,000,000 tons, and the value of the merchandise carried annually is many million dollars. The government has spent much money in deepening channels, and is now completing costly improvements at the Sault Ste. Marie Falls. Care should be taken nothing is done to injure this great commerce or to lessen the usefulness of the improvements made."

A Novel Business.

An enterprising firm has gone into a novel business, namely, the renovating of dress skirts. The badly-worn skirts are thoroughly cleansed, faced and bound with velvet binding, and when pressed look quite like new, all for the sum of seventy-five cents. This has proved to be a boon to women who are engaged in business and have little or no time to do such repairing for themselves.

CORSICAN BANDITS.

They Are Tolerated and Liked by Their Fellow Islanders.

The bandits of Bellacoscia reside at Pincta, on the side of Monte d'Oro, above the town of Bocagnano, some twenty-five miles from Ajaccio. They have lived here since 1850, and always in defiance of the law. Their history is interesting, if only because it tells how powerless France has shown herself to suppress the Corsican scourge of banditism. So long ago as 1848 Antonio, the elder of the two brothers who carry the nickname of Bellacoscia (literally "a fine leg," which they have so often shown to the pursuit of the law), committed his first blood crime. He shot the mayor of his commune because the honest man refused him a false certificate of exemption from military service, and, further, demanded rent and taxes from him as a settler upon communal land. A few years ago the bandits were judicially condemned for using force in the senatorial elections. But one sentence more makes no difference to them, and their candidate is always successful. They, with their wives and children and certain relatives who find it convenient to live in seclusion, make up a population of about thirty souls. There is never, therefore, any lack of sentinels in the gorge. No one can approach within a mile or two without being seen. The houses of the banditti are strong, and adapted to stand a tight siege if need be; but the bandits themselves rely for defense more upon their moral influence over their neighbors. The signals that pass between them and Bocagnano keep them posted in the doings of the world, and especially such as concerns them. As a last resort there is a certain cave, the secret of which is well kept, and thither by a fearsome track athwart the porphyry steps of Monte d'Oro, they can betake themselves in perfect security. Why not, it may be asked, send a column of soldiers against the Bellacoscia, and starve them out? Pincta ought not to be impregnable after Badajoz and Sebastopol. In effect it has been tried. In September, 1885, no fewer than 186 armed men assailed the gorge and blockaded it. Of course it surrendered in time. But meanwhile, where, think you, were the Bellacoscia? Safe in the house of a certain mayor of a village, one of the creatures of their own election. When the soldiers at length withdrew the bandits reoccupied Pincta. Such are the famous bandits Bonelli, or Bellacoscia. It really seems as if France were proud of them, and did all in its power to preserve them as remarkable specimens of lawlessness for the diversion of visitors. With a little management it is no hard thing to get introduced to the rogues and their home. The old men are civil enough to a stranger, and especially if he is rich and an admirer of eccentric types. They will give him the kiss of peace and bid their pretty daughters fetch wine-cups that they may drink his health. If they are asked to furnish proofs of their skill at musketry, to oblige him they will shoot at 20-franc gold pieces, or lift the cork from champagne bottles at a respectable number of paces, until the visitor begins to find the diversion expensive; but they must be treated with a becoming amount of respect, or there is no knowing what such despots may take it into their heads to do. They have received presents of value from ladies and gentlemen with royal blood in their veins, and they stand toward the rest of the world not a little like Napoleon himself in the height of his fortune. They are by no means ordinary beings. Heaven only knows whether they will die, as they have lived, out of the pale of the law; but it may safely be said that their end will not be a violent one. The district would revolt rather than suffer such a wrong to be done upon its heroes—its lords and masters. If certain local politicians are to be believed, Corsica has already lost much of its regard for the republic, simply and solely because M. Carnot confessed himself personally willing enough to pardon the Bellacoscia, but, in deference to the law, unable to do so. The Bellacoscia are the type of a kind of Corsican bandit, but not the worst. They do not seem ever to have indulged in indiscriminate brigandage. Doubtless if they were forced into a corner they would not mind kidnapping a lord and holding him for ransom, or even lifting a purse like an ordinary highwayman.

Tragedy Told by a Tombstone.

Under a hickory tree in an old graveyard at Mexico, Mo., is a tombstone with the following unique inscription: "In memory of John W. Ricketts, who was assassinated about sunset in Audrain county on the 24th day of February, 1857, in the 38th year of his age, on his return, and within sight of his home. He was born near Flint Hill, Va. The victim of a conspiracy in youth, haunted and traduced in after years by those who should have been his friends, and at last shot down by a murderer clandestinely. He was a man of mind, and energy, true to his friends, and forbearing to his enemies. A good brother, a kind and affectionate husband and parent, and a useful citizen. Dedicated by an affectionate wife and brother. Requiescat in pace."