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A PLAIN DECLARATION

THE SENATORIAL IDEA OF THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Makes the United States the Sentinel and Arbitrer for this Hemisphere, Covering all Disputes Now Going on or that May Hereafter Arise.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The senate committee on foreign relations yesterday adopted a resolution prepared by Senator Davis under the instructions of the committee at its meeting held last Saturday.

The resolution will prove to be a clear and strong enunciation of the Monroe doctrine when its text is made public. It is a more forceful declaration than any that has been introduced in congress on this subject, and its terms are so explicit that they can not be misunderstood. The doctrine, it is asserted, is now in force and has been in force ever since it was established by President Monroe. The resolution declares it to mean the acquisition by purchase by aggression or otherwise of any territory on the American continent by a foreign nation as an unfriendly act, and such acquisition will not be permitted by the United States.

The most important feature is that which touches upon a new phase of the Venezuelan question; the report that England and Venezuela may reach an agreement and that English money will settle the boundary dispute. The resolution declares that in its boundary disputes on the American continent between foreign and American government are decided by arbitration, agreement, purchase or in any way whatever, the United States shall be the sole judge as to whether the Monroe doctrine has been violated in such arbitration or agreement. In fact, it means that arbitration or agreement between foreign governments and government on the American continent as to a boundary dispute can not become binding or effective unless sanctioned by the United States, and that if government is satisfied that no part of the American continent has been ceded to a foreign power by such arbitration or agreement.

This practically makes the United States the arbiter between foreign governments and those of the American continent in all boundary disputes. This portion of the resolution is considered most important and far-reaching in its effects. It caused misapprehension among some members of the committee, as it is claimed that it may lead to many entanglements. On the other hand the supporters of the resolution say that it leaves everything in the hands of the United States, where the final decision should be, and that the United States will interfere only when the Monroe doctrine has been violated.

The resolution is designed to cover all questions of boundary disputes or the sale of territory by one foreign government to another on the American islands or territory considered a part of the western hemisphere.

Pension Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The house yesterday passed the pension appropriation bill, to the consideration of which it has devoted the entire week, and then adjourned until Monday.

Mr. Bartlett, Democrat, of New York, raised points of order against all new legislation proposed in the way of amendments such as that looking to making a pension a vested right, etc., and Mr. Dingley of Maine, who was in the chair, sustained them. In this way the clause in the bill changing existing law so as to allow widows to obtain pensions under the act of 1890 whose net incomes did not exceed \$500 per annum were stricken out.

Mr. Bartlett, however, did not raise the point against the provisions making pensions under the act of 1890 rejected, suspended or dismissed and afterward allowed to date from their first application.

It was announced in the debate that bills covering the amendments ruled out yesterday would be reported from the invalid pensions committee.

The pension bill as passed carries \$141,325,820, about \$50,000 less than the estimate. The bill was passed fifty days ahead of any previous pension appropriation bill.

The chaplain of the house prayed fervently yesterday for "struggling Cuba" and the "success of her battle for independence."

A dispatch from Panama, Colombia, says many exiles from San Salvador have arrived there, including fourteen women.

Quit, a Sensation

WACO, Tex., Jan. 18.—The arrest of Mr. W. O. Richardson here yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Lee Davis was quite a sensation. A charge was made before the justice of the peace at Rosebud, Falls county, accusing him of obtaining money from the Blackland bank of Rosebud on false pretenses.

Mr. Richardson is well known in Texas banking circles. He spent last week in this city and while here opened a correspondence with the Blackland bank looking to the purchase of the bank or an interest therein. The correspondence led to a visit to Rosebud by Mr. Richardson. After arriving there he made a contract for the purchase of the interest in the bank of Mr. B. A. Goodwin, for \$10,500, for which amount Mr. Richardson drew on a Fort Worth firm, subject to their approval. He deposited with the Blackland bank drafts amounting to \$550, one drawn on Charles Robertson of Bridgeport, Conn., and another \$50 draft on a Fort Worth man. The \$50 draft was cashed by the Rosebud bank, and when the cashier, Mr. Wolf, was notified by wire that payment had been refused, he called on Mr. Richardson who promptly paid back \$49.00 of the \$50 and the negotiations for the purchase of Mr. Goodwin's bank share were declared off.

Mr. Richardson took the cars and came back to Waco and spent last night in the city. He was with a group of friends when the arrest was made. He said he had not intended any wrong, and regarded the failure to meet his paper at Fort Worth as the result of a misunderstanding.

He says he will be able to fully explain his transactions.

A New General.

MADRID, Spain, Jan. 18.—The cabinet has decided to appoint Gen. Polavieja to replace Gen. Martinez de Campos, who is ill, as captain general of the Spanish forces in Cuba and governor of the island.

When the Spanish government was organizing its forces to oppose the Cuban insurrection early last year, Gen. Polavieja was slated by public rumor for the position of captain general in Cuba to succeed Gen. Calleja, it being doubtful at that time whether Campos would be willing to undertake the task. But his success as pacificator in the former rebellion led to the selection of Campos and a reliance upon the most conciliatory policy which he avowed it was his intention to pursue toward the Cubans, with the hope of winning them to peace.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The reports of the prospective change in the commander-in-chief of the Spanish forces in Cuba are confirmed here by dispatches to Minister de Lome.

When Gonzales Quesada was informed of the change, he exclaimed with much enthusiasm: "Good! That is worth ten battles to us! If Gen. Campos has been unable to crush the rebellion, who succeeded in getting the Cubans to accept a compromise in 1878, it can not be expected that his successor, who never showed any military ability, as he was only an aide of Campos in the late war, will be able to stop the victorious revolutionary movement."

The Pope's Arbitrator.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Cardinal Satolli has not tendered the services of Pope Leo as arbitrator in the Venezuelan controversy, nor has the cardinal received any intimation that he will be called upon to offer the services of the pope in that capacity.

This is the answer given at the residence of the cardinal in response to inquiries as to the report that the pope had taken this step through the American delegate. There has been no communication, official or otherwise, it is stated, between Rome and the delegate on this subject. It is pointed out that Cardinal Satolli's functions are of a clerical and not official character.

About a year ago the pope tendered his services as arbitrator, a special delegate being sent to London for the purpose. At that time Lord Rosebery, then premier, declined to accept arbitration. This was accepted as final by the pope and in a communication from Rome to President Crespo the regret was expressed that there was no prospect that papal mediation would be accepted.

No further steps have been taken so far as known here.

Doolin at Guthrie.

GUTHRIE, Ok., Jan. 17.—Fully 3000 people were gathered at the Santa Fe depot at noon yesterday to see Bill Doolin, the notorious outlaw, brought in, and pushed, struggled and fought to get a glimpse of him as he walked from the car to a carriage beside Deputy Marshal Tighman, who had captured him at Eureka Springs, Ark.

TEXAS PENCILINGS.

Carelessly Culled Events and Happenings in the State.

At the Missouri, Kansas and Texas yards at Greenville the old passenger depot has been moved across the tracks to the west side for temporary use until the new depot is finished. The old freight depot has been moved south of where the passenger depot stood, and a two-story addition on the north end will bring it to Lee street. Company offices will be in the new addition. Excavating has begun for the basement of the new passenger depot for the furnace to provide steam heat in the new building. The contract calls for the completion of the new building by April 1. Eighty carloads of sand are being hauled from Dallas for use in and around the new building.

Soundings taken on the bar at Galveston recently showed a depth of 24 feet, with a tide of one foot. The partial survey was made under the direction of Major Miller on the Anna. This depth was found only on the bar, while inside the soundings showed no great change from the December survey—about 22 feet. There is a clay bottom to the channel inside the bar, which is not so easily moved by the wind and tides as is the sand on the bar, but when removed, the added depth is more or less affected by the shifting of the sand back and forth with the tide.

At Caddo Mills, Hunt county, the postoffice, drug and jewelry house of C. F. Stevenson was entered one night recently by thieves, who cut through the rear door panel with a pocket knife and then removed the bar. They rifled all the drawers in the postoffice, cut and pried open a locked jewelry showcase and took six gold watch chains, six gold watch charms, nineteen gold finger rings, nine of them having sets and the others plain. Both money drawers were robbed of small change amounting to \$2. The safe was not tampered with.

Conductor Jeff Finley of the Katy at Danison is in receipt of news to the effect that his great-great-grandfather, once gave a ninety-nine-year lease on a tract of land on which stands the greater portion of what is now known as Philadelphia. The lease has run out and the property, which awaits the identification of claimants, is valued at \$75,000,000. Conductor Finley's interest, if the news is verified, will be worth about \$1,000,000. His friends are congratulating him.

Mrs. H. C. L. Gorman of Fort Worth, well known as an authoress and lady of letters, has been appointed by Prof. Andrew M. McConnell of Montezuma university, Bessemer, Ala., founder of the Library of Southern Literature, Texas chairman of the movement. Mrs. Gorman has accepted. This movement is to collect and preserve for future reference all books written by southern authors.

The steamer San Jacinto, Capt. Ed. Anderson, owner, used as a pleasure boat on Lake McDonald above Austin, sunk recently in about ten feet of water. She was tied about 150 yards above the wharf and settled down very gradually, the result of a small leak which she sprung several days ago. She will at once be raised and caulked and put in first-class condition for the spring excursions.

At Rusk, Cherokee county, the other morning the 3-year-old son of W. P. Long was badly burned on the body and back of the neck. While the mother was out of the room attending to household duties the little fellow's clothes caught fire from the open fireplace. Physicians say the burns are very serious, though not necessarily fatal.

At Schulenburg, Messrs. Moore, Allen & Burns have just shipped 300 beehives, the remainder of 1200 head that they have fed there. They are preparing to feed 1000 head, to begin in February and fatten them for the June market.

Assistant Attorney General Lockett's opinion in regard to occupation taxes for fishermen fishing on Pelican island holds that the act of the legislature in 1856 leasing the island to the city of Galveston, which leased it to other parties, does not permit the lessees to fish there without an occupation tax, and that the tax should be collected.

Recently Mrs. Mary H. Telfords, an aged lady living one mile east of Caddo Mills, Hunt county, accidentally fell into a cistern in course of construction, and sustained injuries apparently internal, with concussion of the spine.

James D. Mulastkey, a Polish Jew, recently cut his throat with a razor in the Santa Fe freight yards at Galveston. He had a watch and 55 cents on his person when found. From the tenor of letters found on him it is supposed the deed was caused by a love affair. He is at the hospital in a critical condition.

In a row about a woman at a festival the other night on Mr. Taylor's farm, near Rosebud, Falls county, Andy Hawkins was painfully but not seriously cut across the cheek, and Phil Hearse was shot through the bowels. The physician says Hearse's wound is fatal. All colored. Hawkins was arrested and jailed.

The St. Louis Southwestern Railway company of Texas has paid the comptroller \$791.58 as a tax on passenger earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1895. The total passenger earnings for the months of the quarter were as follows: July \$26,864.78, August \$26,969.74, September \$25,325.60. Total \$79,159.12.

At Warrenton, Fayette county, recently, August Toll, a boy under 14 years old, while carelessly handling a 22-caliber rifle, accidentally shot Reinhardt Dippel, aged 15 years. The ball entered a little above the region of the kidneys, and has not been extracted. His condition is considered critical.

Peter Lambert has been appointed assistant keeper of the light station at Point Isabel vice Frank Garroga, deceased, and Jas. F. Bower has been appointed assistant keeper of the station at Brazos Santiago, vice Lambert.

James Baldwin and Bob Shaw, two farmers living in the Fincastle neighborhood, in Henderson county, got into a quarrel the other day over the hog law in that neighborhood, and Bob Shaw was mortally wounded.

At Burton, Washington county, a colored child, 3 years old, fell under the wheels of a wagon the other day, one wheel passing directly over his head, fracturing the skull. It is not expected to live.

Attorney General Crane has been in consultation with the railroad commission preparing evidence against the Southern Kansas railroad of Texas for alleged overcharging in shipments of coal.

A freight train on the Houston and Texas Central ran over a man named John Cotes at Chaneyville junction, Harris county, the other morning and caused injuries that resulted in death.

John T. Freeman died recently while riding in a survey between Temple and Belton. Mr. Freeman was in his 74th year and was a landmark in Bell county, where he had resided since the war.

At New Ulm, Austin county, recently Frank Kroulik, who drives the beer wagon for Mr. Find, fell from his loft while feeding his team and broke his right arm next to the shoulder.

While out hunting near New Ulm, Austin county, the other morning Hugo, oldest son of William Klump, accidentally shot himself through one of his fingers with a target rifle.

Mr. M. Ottonger, a farmer of Gabriel Mills, Williamson county, was killed by a Durham bull a few days ago. He was so badly mangled that he died within an hour.

The negroes of Wharton recently decoyed a negro doctor out of town and gave him a severe whipping. He proved to be a quack and they took revenge.

The Belknap Rifles of San Antonio have been disbanded by the adjutant general because of failure to send in their muster roll.

The Texas State Farmers' congress is called to hold its second annual meeting at Cleburne, on the third Tuesday in February, 1896.

The Texas and Sabine Valley road has paid into the state treasury \$14.49 to liquidate its quarterly tax on passenger earnings.

The Saengerfest will be held in San Antonio commencing April 27.

The Progressive league of Fort Worth has gone into a permanent organization.

The steamboat Dallas arrived at Dallas loaded with cordwood a few days since.

The county clerk of Hunt county issued eighty-eight marriage licenses in December.

The Carpenter's unions at Dallas and Houston are in a flourishing condition.

It is reported that Austin is to have in the near future an up-to-date opera house.

WHAT A GOAT HAD FOR LUNCH

They Ate the Pneumatic Tires of Bicycles and Munched the Cork Handles.

From the Minneapolis Times: Six years ago the baggage department of the Northern Pacific road issued an order that no goats should be transported in baggage cars. A peculiar incident brought about the general order. A goat had been placed in a baggage car that was bound for the Pacific coast. During the trip the animal had eaten the leather straps that hold the brass checks to the trunk. When Portland was reached the checks were all on the floor of the car and there was no way of identifying the trunks. It took nearly three months to straighten out the tangle and the general order was issued. The rule has never been disobeyed until the last few weeks. C. E. Stone, city ticket agent of the Northern Pacific ticket office in St. Paul, generally makes contracts with traveling shows that pass over the road. He had an Uncle Tom's Cabin company recently with bloodhounds and a donkey, that was booked in towns along the road. Among the properties of the show were a small wagon in which was seated two goats that were used to give a street parade. They were harnessed to Little Eva. Contrary to orders, Agent Stone took the goats and had them put in a baggage car with the bloodhounds and the donkey. In the same car were two bicycles belonging to a man and his wife. During the night the goats dined on veritable wind pudding, for they ate up the pneumatic tires of the bicycles and chewed the cork handles for a dessert. The owners of the bicycles filed a claim with the company. The claim was referred to the baggage department. When it reached Agent Stone there was a copy of the prohibitory order attached to it, with instructions that the one who was responsible for the violation of the rules should pay the claim of \$60. Agent Stone will "dig up" a portion of his monthly stipend to settle with the claimants.

GEORGIA REPARTEE.

One of the Funny Incidents Occurring at the Atlanta Exposition.

From the Philadelphia Record: Quite funny are some of the experiences narrated by persons returning from the Atlanta exposition. A local newspaper man, who got back from the South on Monday, tells this one on himself. Upon arriving in Atlanta he chartered a hack, and with that fine scorn of pecuniary considerations characteristic of his profession ordered the driver to convey him to the "best hotel in town." Entering the really gorgeous caravansary, he dropped his grip before the desk, held a pen poised above the register and inquired: "What kind of a room can you give me, and how much?" The clerk, a typical Southerner, with sallow complexion, drooping mustache and long goatee, replied, in an indifferant sort of tone: "Well, suh, Ah ken give yo' a fo' th' flo' room foh' dollahs a day, suh." "Fo' th' flo' foh' dollahs," repeated the visitor, facetiously, mimicking the soft, Southern accent, "then I presume you can give me a first floor room for one dollar, eh?" "N-o-o, suh," drawled the haughty Georgian, "Ah ko'in't give yo' a fust flo' room foh' one dollah, suh; but Ah ken give yo' a room without any flo' at all foh' nothin', suh. Jest go down thar to the bahn and inquit' foh' the mowel pah'tments." The Philadelphian made no further attempt to have fun with the natives during his stay in Atlanta.

Almost Incredible Coincidence.

The recent accident in Manitoba in which A. M. Bell of Portage La Prairie fatally shot J. Muir of Pembina, N. D., mistaking him for a deer, formed part of an almost incredible coincidence. On the same day, a similar accident took place near Sault Ste. Marie, in which a son of Mr. Bell figured. The son was out hunting with a doctor of the town and mistook the doctor for a deer that he was stalking and shot him. The wound, though dangerous, has not proved fatal, and the victim is recovering. A more remarkable coincidence has since occurred, father and son on the same day, hundreds of miles apart, mistaking their comrades for deer and shooting them.

New York is Safe.

A New York paper claims that in case that city should be besieged it could, so far as supplies are concerned, hold out for a year. The city, it is said, is always stocked with a food supply equalled by no other place on earth.

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The National Democratic convention will be held in Chicago next July.

The National Republican convention will be held in Saint Louis in June.

The Sterling City News reports several sections of good grass burned in two fires recently in Sterling county.

Official figures show the number of cattle imported from Mexico into the United States since the present tariff law went into effect to be 283,360, of this number Texas got 142,988 head.

Skillful builders never commence at the top of a structure and build downward. Many of our young men want to begin their life work at the top, or at least in the middle—never at the bottom.—Texas Farm and Ranch.

Prospects for the early completion of the San Saba Valley irrigation works are reported to be very promising.—Abilene Reporter.

It is said that Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, the great agnostic has become converted; if it is so, what will become of Ingersollism.

It is thought that President Cleveland will issue a proclamation recognizing the Cuban insurgents as belligerents.

When the American eagle began to rustle her wings, whet her claws and scream terror across the briny blue the British lion lowered his tail, rested his jaws on his fore feet and began to dream of peace. That's what.—Colorado Times.

It is reported in the late papers that Railroad conductor Jeff Finley, who used to run on the T. & P road, has fallen heir to property in Philadelphia worth \$1,000,000.

The Colorado Times has doubled its size and is newsy as ever.

The populists to have a daily—Southern Mercury, published at Dallas.

It now seems that the Republicans will split over Reed and McKinley; the Democrats are divided on the silver question and the Populist will have to hunt up something to split on.

The populist of Runnels county have nominated J. C. Kerby for governor.

We have private advices from many different points in Texas and elsewhere indicating that farmers are preparing to plant an unusually large area of cotton. If this policy is carried out, and this year should be a favorable one for the crop, the crop of regrets that will be harvested late in the fall will be phenomenal. It will yield more fruitage than cotton ever did, and it will be as bitter as hog pecans and as puckering to purse strings as green persimmons. Why farmers should by concert of action, undergo the hardships necessarily incident to a large cotton crop when one half the labor, one-half the outlay and one-half the cotton will bring them as much money, is a mystery difficult to solve on the assumption of agricultural sanity. The low prices of 1894 caused farmers to curtail their cotton and enlarge their food crops, and the salutary influence of the change is everywhere felt, even in one year. To return to the groveling elements of the overgrown cotton patch is to imitate the dog that returned and the sow that was washed. Let not be guilty of any such foolishness.—Texas Farm and Ranch.

Cheap Metropolitan Papers.

There is no excuse nowadays for a citizen failing to subscribe for a great metropolitan newspaper in addition to taking his own county paper. The "twice-a-week" Republic of St. Louis, which is credited with the large circulation of any weekly paper, is only \$1 a year, for this sum it sends two papers a week, or 104 papers in a year—less than one cent each. The weekly contains the best and brightest news condensed from the daily paper, together with a well assorted collection of reading matter and useful information. A popular feature in its columns next year will be the speeches of prominent men in the presidential campaign. These will be given almost in full. A reader of the "Twice-a-Week" Republic will always be abreast of the times, for no paper has greater news gathering facilities.

The Daily and Sunday Republic can now be had by mail for a little more than one cent and a half a day, or \$6 a year, when paid in advance. Though this paper has greatly reduced its price, it has increased its value twofold by adding many valuable features.

Statements in papers from all over the south show beyond a doubt that the cotton acreage for this year will be greatly increased and if the season is favorable that staple will probably not be worth picking after it has been raised. Dont depend on buying your living with that staple but raise as much of it at home as possible.

Messrs. B. F. Montgomery and Ed Mobley of Robert Lee, paid San Angelo a visit last Monday.—S. A. Standard.

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CABINS BLOWN INTO THE RIVER

Seven Lives Lost Near Sterling City, Texas.

San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 26—News reached here this afternoon of a disaster in which seven lives were lost and much property destroyed last Tuesday night. The wind and rain storm which swept over Texas assumed the fierceness of a hurricane and deluge at Hambricks ranch, near Sterling City, about sixty miles north-west of this place. Hambrick had a large flock of sheep and a big herd of cattle being looked after by three Mexican herders. Ortano Gardez his wife and daughter lived in a cabin and Juan Verges and Amelio Deltro, two herders boarded with them. The cabin was wrecked and blown into the stream and the five occupants were drowned. Two miles further down the river Alberto Jarlin and Petro Sadis were drowned while trying to escape from a sudden rise in the Concho. The storm coming on suddenly in the night time, the victims had no warning and could not protect themselves in the darkness. The whole country in the Concho Valley is overflowed and many sheep and cattle have been drowned.

The above communication was sent to the Memphis Commercial Appeal by some first class exaggerator at San Angelo. We are satisfied that he could make it more profitable to himself and the country as well, if he would write his fairy articles to the publishers of some ten cent Novel Company.—Sterling City News.



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Ft. Chadbourne, Tex., Jan. 20.
ED. RUSTLER:—Will you allow me a short space in the columns your widely circulated paper to make rather a little correction that appeared in the RUSTLER an issue or two since under my name in reply to a statement of Brother Fair to this effect:—

Brother Fair stated in his letter after he had attended the N. W. Texas annual conference at Temple in Nov. 1895 that he had been in attendance at said conference 5 or 6 days and never heard as much profanity used in that large town with quite a number of saloons as he had heard in the town of Robert Lee in 30 minutes time. I unthoughtedly took an occasion to criticise that letter and it appears that Bro. Fair was not pleased at my letter, so I suppose in all good humor I ought to apologize to the Brother. If I had taken time to reflect when I read Brother Fair's letter I would not have said a word. The Brother stated in his letter that he had been in Temple several days attending conference and had been in company with quite a number of ministers of the gospel and being a minister himself in attendance at said conference had a good stopping place with comfortable quarters. Now one would naturally suppose he would hear more talk and would most likely be in hearing of more profanity when on familiar terms with men accustomed to swear in a short time than he would hear in much longer time among men on guard and be himself feeling that the eyes of many were on him and his associates.

Now the truth of the matter is this, I suppose, that the Brother on one occasion did hear quite a sluce of profanity and it was used in his presence and the parties using it were talking to Bro. Fair at the time and the matter in controversy was over a misunderstanding between the Bro. and the gentleman over a business transaction, not intimating that the Brother did the swearing no, no. From the smack of the Bros. letter the above must be quite correct, so lets pray and make up.

Yours Respectfully,
KICKAPOO BILL.

Commissioners Court.

At a special session of the commissioners court held here on last Monday and Tuesday the official bond of J. A. Gardner, as county treasurer, was approved.

The two following orders were passed by the court: "It is ordered by the court that Ex-County Treasurer, W. C. Hayley, turn over immediately to said J. A. Gardner, county treasurer of Coke county, all money, books, papers and other effects now in his hands belonging to Coke county, taking said J. A. Gardner's receipt therefor."

"Ex-County Treasurer, W. C. Hayley, having refused to give up the books belonging to the treasurers office, it is ordered by the court that County Treasurer, J. A. Gardner purchase a new set of books, blanks etc., for his office and open new books in his office, and that the Tax Collector pay over, as the law requires, all money collected by him to said J. A. Gardner, county treasurer."

D. T. Averitt was allowed \$100 cash and ten per cent on the amount collected for the county, for his services as an attorney in the cause wherein Coke county vs. W. C. Hayley et. al., in the district court of Coke county.

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Mr. Irby, the photographer, wishes to remind the good people of the county and town that his time in Robert Lee is drawing to a close and if you want a good picture taken, come at once.

From San Angel Enterprise.
Several train loads of Texas cattle, averaging from 1150 to 1300 pounds sold last week in Chicago at from \$4.20 to \$4.62.

J. N. Farquhar sold to Charles McFarland of Weatherford, 30 three year-old steers at \$20.

J. S. Miles sold 27 mules and 4 horses to J. M. Oden of Louisiana, for \$1150.

C. B. Metcalfe sold 30 mules for \$1050 to J. M. Oden of Louisiana. He also sold a number of horses at \$19 per head.

C. C. F. Banchard and W. J. Wingate sold their car load of hogs last week at Fort Worth at about three and a quarter cents gross.—Ballinger Ledger.

C. M. Rawls has sold his ranch on the Divide to D. H. Reed. Mr. Reed will stock the ranch with cattle horses and Mr. Rawls will go into the sheep business.—Sterling City News.

Wm. Anson last week sold 200 steers to Martin & Beeman at \$20. The same steers were worth \$24 last fall, but there has lately been quite a decline in prices.—Colman Voice.

E. A. Nimitz sold this week his four lots on Concho Ave., where the old Nimitz hotel stood, 95x190 feet, to Jas. Landon, for \$2,000. Mr. Landon will commence the erection of a 95x35 feet two story rock Hotel about the 1st of April. The hotel will contain about 30 rooms, be fitted up with all modern conveniences, surrounded by shady galleries, and will have all the comforts that is possible.—S. A. Standard.

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ITS POLITICAL AND COMMERCIAL SIGNIFICANCE.

The Building of the Nicaragua Canal Will Give to Trans-Mississippi Gulf Ports the Business of Exporting the Products of the West.

Globe-Democrat, St. Louis, Mo.

The reception of the President's message demonstrated that the American people are a unit on the Monroe doctrine. Between nations no doctrine, no principle, no action can be upheld except by force. Twenty centuries of civilization have failed to establish the golden rule as the basic principle of the acts of nations. Thirty days ago English writers characterized it as the "nebulous Monroe Doctrine." To-day that principle has an entity, an individuality in the unwritten laws between governments.

A writer in the December number of the North American Review says: "We all know that the development and expansion of nationalities follow the lines of least resistance and are governed by inflexible natural laws. Equally well known are the principles which govern the redistribution of trade centers resulting from the opening up of new channels of commerce." The same writer says when the Nicaragua Canal is opened Europe will be brought to the very doors of America.

The Monroe Doctrine assures the Nicaragua Canal. The Nicaragua Canal will build up Trans-Mississippi Gulf ports. The total value of the exports of the United States of the United States is \$793,292,955. The Trans-Mississippi furnishes of that amount \$448,643,727. This business will be done by Gulf ports.

Great Britain is still suffering from the deflection of commerce from the Cape Route to the Suez Canal. Commerce follows the line of least expense. These incontrovertible arguments no doubt decided the great banking house of Alexander Brown & Sons to undertake the work of developing the natural harbor of Aransas Pass, Texas. Already they have so nearly completed the work that a festival of rejoicing on the occasion of the Homeseekers' Excursion, February 11th is being prepared. The railroad fare for the round trip from any point in the west is only \$2.00 more than the fare one way. A steamship ride through the harbor out into the Gulf, a Green Turtle and Canvass Back Duck Barbecue will be given to the excursionists. Everybody is invited to be present and look over the new town of Aransas Pass (whose motto is "Here Everybody Shall Make Money") and the rich and cheap lands surrounding that port.

St. Louis is the Place.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 20.—After a session of two days in this city, the Peoples' Party national committee adjourned Saturday afternoon without having selected a place to hold the next national convention, which will meet on July 22 next, unless the date is changed by the executive committee.

Later—a meeting of the executive committee was called Saturday night to consider new propositions presented by the Business Men's league of St. Louis. After discussing them for some time the committee decided to hold the national convention in St. Louis, July 22.

The basis of representation was fixed at one delegate for every 2000 votes or majority fraction thereof east for any Populist ticket in 1892, 1894 or 1895. Hon. T. L. Nugent having polled 179,000 in 1894 for governor, Texas is entitled to eighty-nine votes in the national convention.

NEW YORK, Sat. 20.—A local paper's correspondent in Montevideo, Uruguay, telegraphs that advices have been received at that point to the effect that civil war is imminent in the state of Rio Grande, Brazil, which has only recently been relieved of the disturbing element of rebellion. The cause of the present trouble as reported is the cruel treatment suffered by those who engaged in the insurrection, due to the severe measures adopted by Gen. Castillo, the governor of the state. It is stated that many dissatisfied persons in the Brazilian state are already under arms.

Fugitive Seal is in Jail.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 20.—"Dutch" Neal of this city, a well known pugilist of more than local reputation, was arrested last night for participating in a prize fight with Jack Hartley, a middle weight protegee of Peterson, the "Terrible Swede," whose residence is unknown. The fight occurred yesterday afternoon at 402 South Third street, and lasted only four rounds, Hartley being knocked out. Hartley is still at large. Edward Alern, one of the seconds, was also arrested and locked up.

What They Will Do.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The present indications are that the time of the senate will be divided this week between a discussion of the Monroe doctrine and finance, the former being based on the Davis resolution. Several senators, including Teller, Daniel, Cockrell and White, will speak on the Monroe bill during the week, and the probabilities are that the consideration of the bill will not be concluded when the end of the week is reached. No vote will be secured until the Utah senators take their seats, but it will come soon after that time. The silver substitute is the unfinished business, which fact gives it precedence over all business after 2 o'clock, thus rendering it impossible to take up the Monroe doctrine discussion during the morning hour unless by general consent. Senator Pugh has given notice that he will during the day try to secure a vote on his resolution for the payment of government obligations in coin, instead of gold alone, but his success in that direction is doubtful. The tariff bill will be considered during the week if Senator Jones of Nevada gives his consent.

A Brave Woman.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 20.—Yesterday morning about 2 o'clock five Fort Wayne sports, while out for a time, called at Mother Barnum's roadhouse and raised a disturbance. Mrs. Barnum ordered them away and slammed the door in Frank Chanvey's face. His nose was almost torn off. The boys then forced the door in and Mrs. Barnum seized a shotgun and fired down the hall way toward the boys. There were five separate trails of blood from the house on the snow and it is supposed every member of the gang was wounded. Chanvey has an ugly wound in his side which may prove serious. One of the gang named Bailey, got fifteen shot in his right leg. The physicians in charge of the other young men refuse to reveal their identity. Mrs. Barnum has not been arrested.

The British Squadron.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—The flying squadron has now been completed and is flying of Spithead. If the weather is favorable steam will be gotten up today to enable the admirable to put the squadron in motion. On Tuesday, according to the present programme, the lords of the admiralty will arrive at Osborne in the admiralty yacht Enchantress. The fleet will then move down to Cowes Road to be inspected by the queen and by the lords of the admiralty. The queen will not go aboard for this ceremony, but will witness the maneuvers from Osborne house. The squadron will sail on Wednesday probably for a long cruise, as no torpedo boats have been commissioned to accompany it. Rear Admiral Drake, in command, will only get his final orders for the cruise at the last moment.

Man and Wife Fatally Stabbed.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 20.—August Johansen, a saloonkeeper on Cottage Grove avenue, was killed shortly after 10 o'clock last night and at the same time his wife received fatal wounds. Both fatalities are attributed to a raid and an attack by burglars. Just at what time the attack was made no one seems to know at this hour. Friends who called at the house found Johansen lying on the floor with his wife near by. A sharp knife had been used on both and their bodies presented a sickening sight. Johansen had been stabbed in a dozen places and his wife's clothing had almost been torn from her in the desperate struggle which had taken place. The police are investigating the case.

A Tramp's New Trick.

KOKOMO, Ind., Jan. 20.—A tramp giving his name as George Hembeggar struck town the other day and worked a new trick. His plan is to approach a city to hide nearly all his clothing, walking without shoes, hat, coat or vest, saying that the authorities of a neighboring place sent him out of their city in that condition. In this way he gets a liberal donation. From here he went to Tipton and told his story, which was made the theme of the sermons of the Tipton pastors next day, and it was recommended that missionaries be sent here to civilize the people. The scheme has been worked successfully in nearly all the cities in this part of the state.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

BERLIN, Jan. 20.—Throughout the German empire Saturday the twenty-fifth anniversary of the crowning at Versailles of King William of Prussia, grandfather of the present emperor, as emperor of Germany and the consequent re-establishment of the German empire, was celebrated in some form or another. The anniversary was celebrated by decrees published at the instance of the secretaries of culture and worship in Prussia, Saxony, Wurtemberg, Baden, Hesse and the other German states, and all the schools in the empire suitably observed the day by applauding patriotic addresses delivered by the principals and teachers and by recitations and singing.

Competition under the government auspices for erecting the naval service of Mexico, will open at Vera Cruz and Mazatlan in June.

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HERE ARE FASHIONS in butter and eggs as there are in nearly everything else. Catering to a trade that they have created out of the whims of people for delicately and daintily put up

there have been established this past year or two a half dozen and more artistic shops. These have but little "shop trade," but from an early hour each morning their wagons through fashionable sections deliver cream, milk and eggs fresh from great dairies up the river, the products of world-famed herds and poultry yards. In each of these wagons is a smartly dressed "button," a delivery boy that seems, from his immaculate uniform, like a private servant, says a New York paper.

Though cream and milk—in immaculate jars—constitute the large part of the business of these dairies, daily deliveries of butter and eggs are also an important branch. The eggs are packed in dainty paper boxes, each in a compartment by itself, and are carefully stamped with the poultry yard's name, which is a guarantee of their absolute excellence. The dairies are selling such eggs nowadays at 48 cents a dozen, or double the ordinary price for "strictly fresh" eggs in New York today, and in some places they are sold for even more than that. The dairies have this enormous advantage—their eggs are bought because of the stamp upon them, and the price makes little difference to their customers. In most cases they would be purchased just the same if the price was raised 100 per cent.

An interesting fact about this is that at the same shops precisely the same eggs and be purchased, without the stamp and without the careful packing in dainty boxes, for as low as 30 cents a dozen, even. These, of course, are not "guaranteed," but, as a matter of fact, they are just as good. The distinction the dairies make is that these unstamped eggs are for kitchen use, and the stamped ones for the table. There are any number of orders upon the books of these shops for a dozen or eighteen stamped eggs to be sent to residences each morning of the year.

That old proverb, "eggs are eggs," is not correct according to modern ideas. One egg, it is certain, can quite differ from another in point of excellence. The poultry yards which are owned by these dairies find it no small task to keep their product up to their standard. To do this they have to pay the most careful attention to their fowls, feeding them a special diet and keeping them healthy by the best known scientific methods. These precautions entail no small amount of extra work, and "guaranteed eggs" therefore have quite naturally an increased market value.

With butter it is the same. The difference in price between every-day first-class butter and the products of the famous dairies that have a name behind them is even greater than it is in the case of eggs. Thirty-five to forty cents a pound is a goodly price for most people to pay, and yet there are hundreds of families that submit with great cheerfulness to a charge of from \$1.25 to \$1.75 per pound. Of course few of the dairies get up to this top figure, but it nevertheless is an established price for some people.

Fancy butter like this is beautiful to look at. Its rich, soft color is enhanced by the carefully, exquisitely made pats into which it is molded and the artistic stamp which adorns it. This stamp is the mark of the farm, and guarantees its quality better than a thousand affidavits could. A favorite method of putting it up is in square pound molds, divided by depressed lines into four small cakes, each weighing a quarter of a pound, and each bearing the stamp of the farm. Each quarter pound or pound, as the case may be, is delivered in a handsome pasteboard box especially made for it.

These dairy shops in town are fitted up in the most elaborate way. Pure white and gold constitute their decoration, and they are kept as spotless as a new pin. Floors, ceiling and walls are usually tiled a clear perfect white, the long counters are polished marble, and the railings and fittings are of the brightest brass.

Pay for Exclusiveness.

Four of New York's theaters now charge \$2 for orchestra seats, and three of them advanced their prices from \$1.50 at a time when the general business of the country necessitated reduction in wages. One manager says there are any amount of people who seem anxious to pay the steep price simply because they imagine that it guarantees exclusiveness.

QUEER SPECIES OF FRIGHT.

Why Some People Feel an Impulse to Leap from High Elevations.

Dr. Edward Lanning, the American physician who practiced his profession in Paris for ten or eleven years, says he has seen more cases of "elevation fright" in the French capital than he has in any other city he has ever been in.

"I do not know," said he, "that it is any peculiarity of the French character, but I have frequently been called in cases where death has resulted in a leap from a tall building or tower—not that I could do any good, but simply to see whether I could determine from previous family history whether the victim was insane or not. About two years ago I was visited by a sailor, an Alsatian, who told me he experienced the peculiar sensation of terror when at an elevation, and that he was unable to take a berth on any vessel where his duties would require him to go aloft further than twelve or fifteen feet from the deck. He consented to go with me to a tall building and go on the roof so I could observe his condition when he looked over the edge into space. I took two assistants with me as a precaution. One of them brought a rope at the sailor's request. He said he would not dare venture to the edge of the roof unless he had one end of the rope around his waist and felt that the other end was securely held. I acceded to that and told him to go as close to the edge as he pleased.

"We were very high—up 125 feet I should say. The sailor walked cautiously toward the eaves, and I walked alongside of him. He looked over and jumped back, and then walked forward again. I observed that the pupil of his eye had become dilated, and in a few minutes the perspiration ran down his face in streams. His pulse bounded, and his muscles twitched. He stood quietly without tugging at the rope but told me if he did not know that he was being held he certainly could not resist the desire to leap into space. He got down on his hands and knees and tried to become accustomed to looking over the roof's edge, but said he could not. He wanted to draw himself forward and plunge over head first. I finally took him downstairs, when he recovered his equanimity. He came to see me a year afterward, and said he had tried his best to cure himself of what he considered a weakness, but was unable to do so. The man was perfectly sane, and apparently cool and collected when on terra firma, but at seventy-five or 100 feet he became an abject coward. About three months ago I was not surprised when I received a letter from one of my colleagues telling me that the sailor had cast himself from a balloon in which he ascended with an aeronaut near Dieppe, and had been dashed to pieces."

The Baby in the West.

The Portland Oregonian has awarded a \$150 prize for the best definition of a baby. The Heppner lady who won the prize, sent in this answer: "A tiny feather from the wing of love, dropped into the sacred lap of motherhood."

The following are some of the best definitions given:

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That which makes home happier, love stronger, patience greater, hands busier, nights longer, days shorter, purse lighter, clothes shabbier, the past forgotten, the future brighter.

A Horse's Long Fast.

John Martino, of Reliance, Del., lost a horse and carriage about three weeks ago and supposed the same to have been stolen. He advertised and made diligent inquiry, all to no purpose. While in the woods near his home he discovered the animal standing with the carriage jammed between two trees. The horse was a mere skeleton from its seventeen days' fast, and had nearly eaten off a large gum tree, which was the only thing edible within reach. The animal was taken home and cared for and is rapidly recovering, despite its terrible experience. Mr. Martino thinks the horse strayed away with the carriage attached and became a prisoner by the entanglement of the vehicle between the trees.

Sneast of All Burglars.

Burglars in New York have been doing a lively business by going upstairs and informing a mother that her child has just been run over in the street. The frantic mother rushes down, and her pocket book, left on the table, soon rushes down, too.

The Suez canal represents at present a clear profit income of over £1,600,000 a year, and this, too, means a saving to the commerce between east and west of over £2,000,000 a year. Its political and military value is somewhat problematical, since the sinking of a single ship or dredger would render it impassable.

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ARNOLD'S COUNTRY PLACE.

Where the Traitor Once Entertained Ham and Eggs Are Now Sold.

If you wander far enough through the broad drives and cross the ample fields of Fairmount park, Philadelphia, you will presently encounter a commodious stone building, surmounting a wooded knoll, set down between two subsidiary ones of the same material, into and out of which a small crowd of people, mainly women and children, are constantly passing, says the New York Press. It is now known vaguely and generally as the "Dairy" and is a pleasant enough little place for ice-cream, tea and other light refreshments, pleasantly dispensed by a neat maiden, in the employ of the lessees of the house. But probably not one in 1,000 of the persons who so indulge themselves is aware of the fact that this quiet little refectory, with its trim gravel walk in front and its grassy banks in the rear, sloping gently down to the Schuylkill, was once the country seat of Benedict Arnold.

It was conveyed to him in 1776 by John McPherson, a Philadelphia merchant, for 16,240 pounds, subject to a mortgage of 1,760 pounds and a lease to Don Juan Miralles, the Spanish minister. In this sumptuous mansion, with its high ceilings, decorated walls, massive mantelpieces and deeply carved oaken doors and windows, Arnold lived and entertained for more than three years. The north room on the first floor, where the visitor now sips his tea and leisurely munches his sweet cakes, was probably, from its appearance, the morning-room of Arnold and the gay party he constantly gathered about him. In the fine wide hall, where the guests were wont to be received with stately courtesy, is now a row of small tables on one side and a confectionary counter on the other. The portion in front, to which queued gallants and powdered dames were wont to retreat in the cool of the evening, is now covered with small signs, calling attention to the ham sandwiches, ham and eggs and other delicacies that may be procured by the hungry.

When Arnold was attainted of treason in 1780 this property was confiscated by the government and was subsequently owned, among others, by the Hon. Edward Shippen, chief justice of Pennsylvania; Gen. Jonathan Williams and Baron von Steuben, inspector-general of the army under Gen. Washington. It was acquired by the city of Philadelphia in 1868.

Where She Got It.

"I tell you I need nothing," she said, conclusively, preparing to shut the door.

"But," pleaded the peddler, despairingly, "surely I can sell you some little thing or other—hairpins?"

But the woman laughingly shook her short, curly locks, showing that she had no use for such articles.

"Some new ribbons," urged the man. "A dainty powder-puff; a button hook?"

"I tell you, nothing," she repeated, becoming angry.

"Ha!" exclaimed the peddler, suddenly catching sight of her bloomers. "The very thing. Let me sell you a pair of suspenders."

"Don't need them," was the reply.

"Don't need them?" echoed the vendor. "How do you keep your bloomers up without suspenders? By will power, I suppose," he added, sneeringly.

"Sort of," she asserted, tersely. "Call it hypnotism."

"Hypnotism, eh?" said the man, packing up his wares. "Keep your bloomers up with hypnotism! Where do you get it?"

"I get it—"

Here the woman glanced complacently over the bewitching bulginess of her curvilinear figure.

"—from the hip!"

And the door banged slammy.—
New York World.

Dumas Was Kind-Hearted.

Personally M. Dumas was one of the most polished and fascinating of men as he was also one of the most kind-hearted. He was a great discoverer of dramatic stars and always testified the warmest and most disinterested friendship for his proteges. The Parisian stage owed to his keen appreciation of talent; the lamented Desclée, the gifted and ill-fated Tallandiera and the unhappy Feyghine, whose tragic fate Paris has scarcely yet forgotten. The brilliant comedienne, Mme. Celine Chautmont, was discovered by him in a little suburban theater, and owed to him her first engagement at the Gymnase.

Wife Sale in England.

In 1859 hundreds of people assembled in the town of Rudley, England, to attend a wife sale. The first bid was three half-pence, and ultimately rose to sixpence. The husband, in his ignorance, thought that, after the ceremony had been repeated three times, she actually had no claim upon him.

Bridges of China.

That wonderful people, the Chinese are said to have constructed bridges from very early times, but those known to us date from comparatively late periods, and many of them are timber structures of the cantilever type.

CURE CONSUMPTION.

WONDERFUL PROGRESS OF MEDICAL SCIENCE.

T. A. Slocum, M. C., Offers to Send Free Two Bottles of His Remedy to Cure Consumption, and all Lung Troubles.



NOTHING could be fairer or more philanthropic than the offer of T. A. Slocum, Manufacturing Chemist, of 183 Pearl street, New York City.

Perfectly confident that he has an absolute remedy for the Cure of Consumption and all Pulmonary Affections (and to increase its usefulness, and make its great merits known), will send two bottles free to any reader who is suffering from Throat, Chest, and Lung Troubles or Consumption.

Already this scientific treatment, by its timely use, has permanently cured thousands of cases.

Knowing his remedy as he does, and being so proof-positive of its beneficial results, he considers it his religious duty, a duty which he owes to humanity, to donate his infallible specific remedy.

Offered freely, is enough to commend it—and more so is the perfect confidence of the great chemist making the offer.

There will be no mistake in sending—the mistake will be in overlooking the generous invitation, the only expense to the sufferer being slight express charges on delivery of the remedy.

Mail your express and postoffice address to T. A. Slocum, M. C., 183 Pearl street, New York, and mention reading this article in this paper.

Tilden's Remains.

Samuel J. Tilden's remains have been moved into the handsome mausoleum built by his executors in the cemetery at New Lebanon, N. Y.

A Very Desirable Calendar.

Calendars of all kinds and sizes herald the coming year. Many are to be had for the asking—many without asking—but to them as to other things the rule might be applied that what costs nothing is worth about what it costs. The calendar we always welcome has just reached us. We refer to the one published by N. W. Ayer & Son, Newspaper Advertising Agents, Philadelphia. This issue seems if possible even better than its predecessors. Handsome enough for the library, and yet carefully adapted for every-day use. It is naturally a great favorite. The firm's well-known motto, "Keeping Everlastingly At It Brings Success," appears this year in a new and very attractive form. The daily presence of this inspiring motto is worth far more than the price of any calendar. The date figures are so large and clear that they can easily be seen across the room. The reading matter on the flaps will also possess interest to the progressive. Those who have used this calendar in other years will not be surprised to learn that the demand for it is constantly increasing. Once introduced it becomes a welcome friend. Its price (25 cents), includes delivery, in perfect condition, postage paid, to any address.

A woman with a bad husband has some recompense; the sympathy of others.

The Catholic Opinion.

Father Weimer, Rector of St. Joseph's Church, Galveston, Writes About Dr. Veno.

Under date Dec. 23, 1895, Father Weimer says: I have heard Dr. Veno lecture in this city, and judging not only from a sanitary but also from a moral standpoint, I can conscientiously recommend him.



Father J. M. J. Heade, Rector of St. Mary's Cathedral, Galveston, writes Dec. 24, 1895: I cheerfully recommend Dr. Veno. I found him honest and fair dealing in whatever transactions he had with me. I moreover found him liberal in his charity to the poor, both in treatment and supplying needy families with food. I have heard nothing but good reports of the cases he undertook to cure.

The above is not only the opinion of the priests of the Catholic church, but of ministers of all denominations concerning Veno and his world-famed remedies. The extraordinary cures performed by these famous medicines have called forth the admiration and unsolicited testimony of the best people of this country. The Veno Drug Co. guarantees to return the money if they fail to cure. They are sold by druggists as follows:

VENO'S CURATIVE SYRUP is the best and only scientific cure. It permanently cures malaria (chills and fever), and thoroughly cures stomach, constipation and liver trouble. It strengthens the nervous system, invigorates the stomach and purifies the blood, leaving no ill effects. This medicine has for its body the famous, undrugged water, the great germ destroyer and blood purifier, and when used with

VENO'S ELECTRIC FLUID will cure the worst and most desperate cases of rheumatism, paralysis, sciatica, neuralgia, and all other pains. They are sold at 50 cents each, 12 for \$5.00. Ask your druggist to get Veno's Curative Syrup and Veno's Electric Fluid for you, or write to the Veno Drug Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

Only Twenty Hours.

Greenwich reports show that for fourteen years there has been an average of only twenty hours' sunshine in London in December.

The devil is dignified or familiar just as his interests may require.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Hall's Family Pills, 50c.

A dude's clothes are generally faultless, but not so with his character.

High, Low Jack.

Fine ice means very cold weather, then comes a high old time in skating rinks, and skating ponds, on slides and rides, and we go home tired and overheated. It's the same old story of cooling off; off with wraps and on with all sorts of aches and pains, rheumatic, neuralgia, sciatic, lumbago, including frost-bites, backache, even toothache. They who dance must pay the piper. We cut up Jack and are brought low by our own folly. What of it, the dance will go on, all the same. It is generally known that St. Jacobs Oil will cure all such aches and pains, separately or collectively, and the cry is on with the dance.

Georgia is mad. A writer in a New York paper says: "I would not advise a man to go to Georgia and become a farmer. Most of the land in the state is so poor that a bird won't fly over it."

A FARM GIVEN AWAY

Consisting of one sheet of FARM BUILDINGS and one sheet of 78 Subjects, DOMESTIC ANIMALS, etc. These are to please the children. The Farm House and Animals can be cut out and made to stand, thus making a complete Miniature Farm Yard.

3 Ways to Get This Farm:

Send 6 Coupons; or 1 Coupon and 6 Cents; or 10 Cents without any Coupon, to

BLACKWELL'S DURHAM TOBACCO CO., DURHAM, N. C., and the Farm will be sent you POSTPAID. You will find one Coupon inside each 2 ounce bag, and two Coupons inside each 4 ounce bag of

Blackwell's Genuine Durham Tobacco.

Buy a bag of this Celebrated Smoking Tobacco, and read the coupon, which gives a list of other premiums and how to get them.

2 CENT STAMPS ACCEPTED.

Be Sure

'Tis pure Cocoa; and not made by the so-called "Dutch Process."

Walter Baker & Co.'s Breakfast Cocoa is absolutely pure—no chemicals.

WALTER BAKER & CO., Ltd., Dorchester, Mass.

Buggies And Hacks,

ORIGINAL COST.

We still have a few of those Hacks and Buggies which we bought so low from the stock of J. L. Carlisle.

1 special Mountain Hack, 1-1-4 axle, top, pole and brake \$120
 Former price of same \$175.

1 Two seat (Jump Seat) Ranch or Farm Buggy, rubber top and pole \$90.

Just the thing for a family, as it can be converted from a one seat family road buggy to a two seated family buggy. Former price of same \$125.

1 Ranch Road Buggy, full rubber top side curtains, apron, pole brake etc., a splendid ranchman's buggy only \$125.
 Former price of same \$165.

1 Ranch Road Buggy, full rubber top, side curtains, apron, pole, brake etc., same style as above but lighter, only \$95.
 Former price of same, 125.

We also have a cartload, just received, of Milburn single and double Buggies, Hacks, Milk and light spring Road Wagons at very reasonable prices. We give a full guarantee on these lines of goods.

One 100-piece Royal Porcelain Dinner set, handsomely decorated and gold stenciled, regular retail price \$10.00, now by set \$12.75.

One 50-piece dinner set, same as above regular price \$7.25, by set 6.00.

One 40 piece dinner set, same as above, regular price \$5.75 by set 5.00.

One 90-piece combination dinner and Tea set, Carlsbad China, delicately decorated and gold stenciled, very handsome only 25.00

One 25-piece dinner set, pure Carlsbad China, of a very handsome and fastidious decoration and catches pattern nothing better in the store \$12.75

One 36-piece delicate plain China dinner set, regular \$8.75 only 6.00

We still have only about 40 or 50 of those 4 piece sets left, at 40 cents per set.

Pure white Ironstone cups and saucers, handled and full size, warranted, at only 40c per set.

Plates of same grade same price.

Full size pitchers and bowls of same grade for only 75 cents.

Handled Water Glasses, 50 dozen at 35 cents per dozen. Will close them out.

CHRIS AND GEO. HAGELSTEIN
 San Angelo, Texas.

LOCAL CHIPS.

The town is lively.

Arkansaw Smith is the red-hot cash man of San Angelo.

Come out to Sunday school Sunday evening at 3 o'clock.

Patronize those who advertise in the RUSTLER.

Frank Robinson was in town two or three days the first of the week.

Come Now

To Robert Lee, a fine picture of your baby or whole family Guaranteed.

BORN:—To Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Boykin Jan. 19th a fine boy: both mother and child doing well.

The only cash house in Angelo is Arkansaw Smith's

The people of Coke are happy and prosperous.

I Pay the Highest cash Prices for Hides, Furs and Pecans and sell you goods as cheap or cheaper than the cheapest. One price to all.

I. O. WOODEN,
 Ballinger, Texas.

Preparations for a larger crop than ever are being made in Coke.

Cash talks at Arkansaw Smiths San Angelo.

Rev. G. C. Berryman, Baptist, will preach at the court house in Robert Lee on the second Sunday in February at 11 a. m. and at night. All are invited to attend.

Can get more Groceries for less money than any place in San Angelo at Arkansaw Smiths'.

F. E. Perry and family left Monday for Fredonia, Mason Co., on a visit to Mrs Perry's parents. While gone back will look out a location for a saloon.

I will buy or repair your second hand Wagons, Buggies and Hacks. Always a stock of same on hand for sale at my shop 3 blocks North of Ice Factory. Come see me.

H. Y. KETTLER,
 San Angelo, Texas.

W. M. Billingslea has bought the Cobb store on Kickapoo. Success to you Mr. Billingslea in your new enterprise.

Talk is cheap, but when you want Boots and Shoes call on N. P. Jones the Champion Shoe Agent of the west. I am here to stay and not to be undersold. Call and see me and be convinced that the half has never been told.

Ballinger, Texas.

Mr. A. J. Payne of Sanco, was in town Monday and paid us for the RUSTLER for 1896.

Citizens of Coke county have bought more lumber during the last three months than during the last three years previous to that time—what has struck us?

Capt. R. A. Barnett was seen on the streets Thursday. Mr. Barnett says he needs another hand on his farm.

J. W. Bowington, the Stock Association man, was here this week talking the boys up.

January 1st, 1896.

I have closed my books and from now on will sell strictly for cash. I have found out that with the capital I have, I can not keep an assortment of goods and sell on a credit. All that are indebted to me, please come forward and settle.

Respectfully,
 R. B. Higuins.

On last Tuesday evening, "Dr. Cunningham," with grip in hand stepped into town from some unknown quarter and proceeded to tank up on liquor and talk Dentistry. After staying a day or two and drinking a big lot of whiskey and beating his hotel bills, he disappeared like a beautiful dream.

Dr. J. F. Riggs invites the Coke county people to go to see him when in need of Dental work. He gives you the advantage of twenty two years experience. Of fice at his residence, corner Oaks and College Streets, San Angelo, Texas.

Several loads of lumber is on the ground for the mill and gin and no doubt work on the same will soon commence.

It is rumored that March Bros. of San Angelo, will open a branch house here. The RUSTLER predicts for that popular firm great success in case they open up here.

J. H. Barronius circulated a subscription this week for fencing the grave yard and we will soon have a substantial fence around the same.

When you go to Ballinger—After fine Christmas presents see Oscar Pearson the Jeweler. He sells nothing but fine goods and if they dont wear all right you can take them back and get new goods.

Post Office Jeweler.

ASA CORDILL, Ballinger, Tex
 If your Watch, Clock or Jewelry needs repairing, send or bring it to me. My work is first class and is guaranteed in every respect. Give me a trial order.

Sabbath School.

Pursuant to a call, the people of Robert Lee assembled at the court house Jan. the 19th 1896 for the purpose of organizing a Sabbath School. The house was called to order by B. F. Montgomery after which Brother Bates was chosen chairman of the meeting. Permanent organization began by electing F. E. Thomas secretary, and G. W. Webb was unanimously elected superintendent with B. F. Montgomery ass't snpt. F. E. Thomas was also appointed treasurer.

The school then instructed the secretary to order literature of David C. Cook.

A senior class was organized, consisting of Misses Edna Reed Lucy Mobley, Florence Winters, Eva Vestal, Sallie Perry, Mrs. D. T. Averitt, Mrs. J. R. Patterson, G. W. Perryman, Frank E. Thomas. Mrs. D. T. Averitt chosen teacher of said class.

After singing a hymn they adjourned until Jan. 26th at 3 p. m.

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.

WHY NOT

Have the Picture of your Ranch and all, while the Photo man is here.

CHEAP GROCERIES!
 CHEAP GRAIN
 —AND—
 FREE WAGON YARD!

By doing business on a strict cash basis this year I will be able to sell groceries and grain at a very small profit. I have greatly improved my wagon yard and now have good water and good roomy stalls in the same, which my patrons are invited to use free of charge.

Respectfully,
 John Barron.

Uncle Johnie Rodgers, of Bronte was seen on our streets Wednesday and reported that he had sold his interest in Pettit gin and mill to Mr. Walton, the gentleman who is putting up the gin and mill here.

If you are going to run for office get yourself before the people before they settle on the other fellow. It will only cost you \$5.00 cash in advance to run your announcement from now until the election and it will cost you the same to come in three or four months too late.

DIED:—On last Sunday, about 1 o'clock, Mr. J. E. Gouldman, one of the best citizens in the county, who lived about twelve miles South West of town, died of pneumonia after having been sick only two or three days and was buried in the cemetery here on Monday evening at 3 o'clock. Rev. E. T. Bates conducted the funeral services.

The RUSTLER joins our entire citizenship in sympathizing with the bereaved wife and children.

Mr. A. S. Lubanks, of Bronte, come in Thursday and showed that he appreciated the Rustler several dollars worth.

A. C. Gardner and N. L. Stewart started to the Abilene country Thursday to buy cattle. Before starting they offered H. E. Johnston \$9 for his last spring calves.

Rev. E. T. Bates is now comfortably located at the Davis hotel.

Sheriff Murray and J. G. McCulloch went to San Angelo Wednesday and returned Thursday.

The new comet can be seen now in the heavens, a little after 5 o'clock in the morning. It attained its maximum brightness, as seen from the earth, on the 17th inst. With an ordinary glass it can be plainly seen and appears to have one long streaming tail curved upwards and several shorter ones. It is well worth getting up early to see, particularly if you have an early train to catch.—San Angelo Standard.

W. E. Harrison, the leading merchant of Robert Lee, was in the city Tuesday.—San Angelo Standard.

DON'T BE FOOLED
 into buying spurious imitations of

B.T. BABBITT'S POTASH

Sold under similar names and labels.

THE BEST AND PUREST
 put up in
WHITE TIN CANS

containing one pound full weight
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 If You Like Bargains, Don't Fail To see us.
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Cheap Sales evry Day!
 AT
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 The variety Being too Numerous to Mention Prices.
 We use no Leaders, No Baits, No Street Drummers.
 And do a Strictly Honest Business. Come see our Stock.
 San Angelo, Texas.

MARCH BROS.,
 PAY MORE FOR
Cotton : Hides : Pecans
 AND SELL ALL KIND OF
GROCERIES & DRY-GOODS

Cheaper than any house in San Angelo.
 Free Wagon Yard.
 600 to 608 Beauregard Ave., Opposite Court House.
 San Angelo, Texas.

The Second-Hand Furniture Store
 Keeps on hand at all times a full stock New and Second-Hand Furniture, a full line of Cooking and Heating Stoves, Bed Springs, Mattresses, Bed Room Suits, Marble and Wood tops.

Mrs. E. C. Fitzgerald,
 Opposite L. Schwartz & Co's.,
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Headquarters
For groceries.
 A full stock of Flour, Meal, Bacon, Molasses, Sugar Coffee and a full line of

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCEIES
 always in stock, to sell at closest figures.
 Handle Country Produce. All goods guaranteed full weight and first class. Will treat you right. Come see me

B. F. MONTGOMERY.

Polk's Every Stable.

I have **OLK LIVERY STABLE** and every **Buggy, C** **Wagon and Harness** is new and **the very best TEAMS.** In connection with **the only Wagon Yard.** My **price is most respectfully solicited.**

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High-Grade Pianos.

CHICAGO COTTAGE ORGANS, GENUINE SINGER SEWING MACHINES.

WOMEN SHOULD KNOW

That the Disorders commonly called "Female Diseases" are the foundation of nearly all the troubles from which they suffer.

Whites, Chlorosis, Falling of the Womb, Painful and Irregular Menstruation are caused by derangements of the organs of menstruation. Headache, Backache, Dizziness, Eruptions of the skin and Fainting Spells are also symptoms of the same diseases. Being only symptoms, their temporary relief does not cure the disease.

WINE OF CARDUI
 CURES FEMALE DISEASES

by acting directly upon the delicate organs affected. It can be taken in the privacy of home. Thousands of ladies use it. Druggists sell and commend it. One Dollar buys a large bottle.

PIERCE CITY, Lawrence County, Mo. I have been afflicted with Irregular and Painful Menstruation and very severe Cramping Spells following each monthly period. After the best doctors I could find had failed to benefit me, I tried the Wine of Cardui treatment. I commenced mending at once, and before I had used a full bottle I was better than I had been for twelve months. **NETTY WATSON.**



DAVIS HOTEL.

First class house, Good nice, clean beds a specialty.

FARE \$1. PER DAY.

Patronage of the PUBLIC Solicited.

G. W. WEBB,
 Proprietor

Having closed out my saloon, all who are indebted to me will please come in and settle up at once.

Respectfully, **F. E. Perry, S.**



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 AND SAVE MONEY
 IT IS ABSOLUTELY The Best SEWING MACHINE MADE
 WE OR OUR DEALERS can sell you machines cheaper than you can get elsewhere. The NEW HOME is our best, but we make cheaper kinds, such as the CLEMA, IDEAL, and other High Arm Full Nickel Plated Sewing Machines for \$15.00 and up. Call on our agent or write us. We want your trade, and if prices, terms and square dealing will win, we will have it. We challenge the world to produce a BETTER \$30.00 Sewing Machine for \$50.00, or a better \$20. Sewing Machine for \$30.00 than you can buy from us, or our Agents.
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January Clearing Sale.

With the coming of '96 we come to wish you a Happy and a Prosperous

NEW YEAR.

We also beg to announce our January clearing Sale, and want you to take advantage of the Special offerings during this Sale, as every article offered is a real Bargain. It is our custom not to carry over any goods from one season to the other and in order to accomplish this, we place our Intire Stock of Winter Goods on Sale at

Greatly Reduced Prices.

Space will not permit to enumerate the differant articles, but all we ask of you is to come in, and see for yourself.

Respectfully,

Winkler & Company,

Ballinger - - - Texas.

CENTRAL HOTEL.

Mr. Q. Loe, at the old Nickel Store in San Angelo is now fully prepared to meet the demands of the eating and sleeping public. Meals or beds 25 cents. Good rates by the week or month. Call there, try him once and you will go again.

The City Hotel

Is the place to stop. Everything is home like; nice, clean and comfortable. Good grub, pleasant rooms, and beds that you can sleep in. Only Hotel in Sweetwater. Fare \$1.00 per day. **A. J. Roy, Proprietor.**

Wagon Yard Chang-ed Hands.

We desire to notify the public that we now own and operate the Wagon Yard formally owned by W. E. Eskridge on Hutching Ave and will take the utmost pains to see that all customers are given every accommodation. Good camp houses and other conveniences; also feed kept for sale. The Coke county people are cordially invited to give us a trial, and you are our customers.

CURRIE BROS.

Ballinger, Texas.

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Best for \$1.00 a day.

RESPECTFULLY,

G. W. Wadell.

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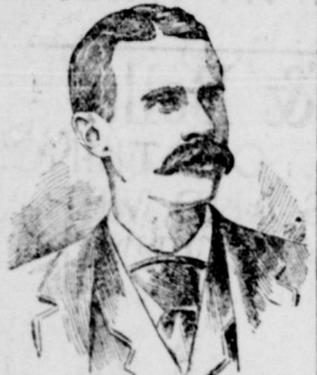
BOSTON'S NEW MAYOR.

JOSHUA QUINCY CHOSEN CHIEF EXECUTIVE.

Had Suffered Bitter Defeat in 1894 at the Hands of the Unsuccessful Candidate in 1895—Sketch of His Busy Life.



HE mayor is the third of his name and family to be thus honored by the people of Boston. His grandfather, Josiah Quincy, was elected to the mayoral chair in 1823 and filled it with great credit to himself and advantage to the people, and in 1845 his father, Josiah Quincy, was chosen to the office, and re-elected for three consecutive terms. The present mayor was born in Quincy in 1859, inheriting little besides good health and an honored name. He graduated from Harvard college in 1880, and immediately began teaching in the Adams academy of his native town, of which Dr. William Everett was at the time the head. A year later he went to Europe, and spent some time in travel, after which he took a law course at Harvard and was admitted to practice in 1884. His first active participation in politics was as a member of the committee of one hundred, which led the independent movement for Cleveland against Blaine in 1884. In 1885 he was elected to the lower house of the Massachusetts legislature as a democrat and served for three years, declining the fourth nomination in order to make an unsuccessful fight for congress against Elijah A. Morse in a strong republican district. In 1889 he was again sent to the legislature and was re-elected in 1890. That year he became secretary of the democratic state committee, the next year chairman of the executive committee, and in 1892 he served as chairman of the full state committee, conducting a canvass of exceptional strength. In 1892 he was a delegate to the democratic national convention, and was chosen by his colleagues to represent the state on the national committee. He was subsequently made a member of the executive committee of that body and chairman of the committee on campaign literature. After the inauguration of Cleveland in 1893 Mr. Quincy was tendered the position of assistant secretary of state, which he at first declined, but when it was shown to him that his acceptance would gratify the president and serve the party he yielded so far as to enter the office temporarily for the purpose of re-organizing the consular service on the line of ideas entertained in common by President Cleveland and himself. The object having been achieved at the end of six months he resigned and turned his attention to business and professional interests. He is largely interested in two important suburban electric railways, to the management of which he gives personal attention. He is unmarried. He was the democratic candidate for mayor a year ago, and was then defeated by Mr. Curtis, the unsuccessful candidate this year.



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Nine Lives Lasted Thirteen Days.

No cat in Maine probably had more need of her nine lives than did one in a Monmouth store last week and week before. The large oat-bin in the rear of the feed store, holding an even carload, had just been filled, when the cat, chasing a mouse, went down head first between the partitions of the bin, eight feet, to the floor beneath. There she remained on her head for thirteen days, or, until, the oats having been removed, she was discovered. Tabby is now alive and well, and just as eager for mice as ever.

Russia in Front.

The latest reliable statistics are said to show that Russia has now in Europe 35,000 miles of navigable rivers and canals—that is to say, 1,000 miles more than the rest of Europe—and that her river flotilla using these waterways is quite double that of Germany and Austria combined, and enabled her to carry during the last six months 30,000,000 tons more goods by water than by rail.

Dug the Church Out.

The Rev. John Wharton of Stanmore, Westmorland, is vicar of one of the smallest and most elevated churches of England. The Church of St. Stephen nestles in the mountains 353 feet above sea level. In summer the church is often well-filled by tourists, but in winter, when great drifts lie in the valleys, the vicar is gratified when he has a congregation of three or four. One Sunday morning, after a severe snow storm, the vicar, feeling assured that the church would be buried in snow, rose before dawn, and started out for the church with a spade on his shoulder. His expectations were fully realized. The church was hidden under an immense drift. He set to work, and, after three hours' steady labor, managed to find the door of the edifice. Mr. Wharton not only tidies up the church, but rings his own service bell, plays his own harmonium, and, when occasion requires it, lights the church fires.

Congressman Payne of New York.

Sereno E. Payne, who served in the forty-eighth, forty-ninth, fifty-first,



SERENO E. PAYNE.

fifty-second and fifty-third congresses and was defeated for the nomination for the fiftieth congress by Newton W. Nutting, of Oswego, was born at Hamilton, N. Y., June 26, 1843, graduated from the University at Rochester in 1864, was admitted to the bar in 1866, and has since, except when occupied in official duties, practiced law at Auburn, of which city he was city clerk from 1868 to 1871, supervisor during 1871 and 1872, and president of the board of education from 1879 to 1882. In 1883 he was elected district attorney of Cayuga county and re-elected in 1876.

Great Britain's Commander in Ashantee.

Sir Francis Scott, commander of the Ashantee expedition, has a thorough knowledge of the country as well as undoubted ability to perform the important duties which will devolve on him. While the government has absolute faith in his judgment, it was nevertheless determined to give him a larger force than was first contemplated, and it is possible that at least two regiments of British infantry will be dispatched with the West India regiment, which will bear the brunt of the work. This regiment is probably the best of the colonial forces taking part in the expedition. The men comprising it were recruited in the West Indies and Jamaica and are armed with Lee-Mitford magazine rifles. They are a fearless lot of men, inured to hardship, as evidenced by the services rendered by them in the recent Sofra expedition. Sir Francis is greatly encouraged by the reputation which these sturdy warriors have acquired, for the House Field Force, of which he is inspector-general, did not figure very creditably when fighting the Sofras, being entirely too fond of maneuvering under cover. The war officer is giving much attention to



SIR FRANCIS SCOTT.

the details of the expedition, thus manifesting the deep concern which is felt in its success.

In New Zealand.

The Zealanders have a singular burial custom and one that is essentially the same as that of the Parsees of the orient. Unlike the latter, they bury their dead in the earth, but leave them there only long enough for the flesh to decay. When nothing is left but the bones, these are carefully cleaned and laid away in natural caves or artificial tombs.

In Olden Times.

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

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Of the many good things to be found in American homes, we do not believe that any are held in higher esteem, or have done better service than Parker's Ginger Tonic. It has grown to be a household necessity and is serviceable in almost every case where there is weakness and infirmity. There are forms of female debility that make life a burden. The same is true of persistent coughs and colds, and distressing stomach and nervous ills. They have held high revel in many homes until banished by Parker's Ginger Tonic and we are proud of the record that has made so many hearts grateful.

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The western farmer who becomes disgusted with corn and wheat raising, because of the low markets for his products, can turn his attention, as in Russia, to sunflower raising. One acre of sunflowers will yield quite a large number of cords of good fuel, besides the seed, which has an important commercial value for cattle feed. Instead of allowing Oscar Wilde, the apostle of the sunflower, to go to seed in an English prison, to prove that he has slandered some queer English society, it would be a good idea to banish him to Russia, where he could go into the sunflower business and be of some service to the state.

Never promise to do anything which you do not approve.

The more one uses Parker's Ginger Tonic the more its good qualities are revealed in dispelling colds, indigestion, pain and every ailment of weakness.

When a man is asleep, he is happiest.

Walking would often be a pleasure were it not for the corns. These pests are easily removed with Hinderoy's. See at druggists.

Hanging up stockings is out of fashion—till next Christmas.

shake it off

The general belief among doctors is that consumption itself is very rarely inherited. But the belief is becoming stronger that the tendency to consumption is very generally transmitted from parent to child. If there has been consumption in the family, each member should take special care to prepare the system against it. Live out doors; keep the body well nourished; and treat the first indication of failing health.

Scott's Emulsion.

of Cod-liver Oil, with Hypophosphites, is a fat-producing food and nerve-tonic. Its use is followed by improved nutrition, richer blood, stronger nerves and a more healthy action of all the organs. It strengthens the power of the body to resist disease. If you have inherited a tendency to weak lungs, shake it off.

JUST AS GOOD IS NOT SCOTT'S EMULSION.

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Over one-third of the territory of Africa, the Sahara district, does not contain a single river. The greatest river in the world is the gulf stream. It is from 100 to 200 miles wide, and over 5000 miles long, extending from the strait between Florida and Cuba to the northern coasts of Norway.

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