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MEN WHO WHIP EDITORS.

Throughout the great newspaper reading world scattered promiscuously around you will find at regular distance apart the man who makes a business of whipping the editor. He is generally a man who is suffering for a puff and don't get it. He searches the columns of his family paper hoping that each issue will announce that he is the most intelligent far-seeing illustrious cuss in the republic. He hankers after the tuff paragraph and if it does not appear at certain intervals he grows his paper and thinks that in consequence of his support the paper will be crushed out of existence. After a while he borrows a paper and finds in it that the editor has touched up some little weakness of his and then he proceeds to whip the editor.

When he puts on his hat and his brass knucks, jam his six-shooter in his pocket and takes his Winchester in his hand and starts down town his wife thinks that he means to kill the editor and jam his lifeless corpse down through the sidewalk, but something else draws his attention aside. The next morning the editor sits in his office smoking fragrant cigars contributed by the man who minds his own business and pays so much per line for his puffs, no ghastly wounds or incisions are created on the classic outlines, no broken bones, grid together as he writes, he is all there, his anatomical arrangement is the same that it was the day before and he smiles cheerily as his pen moves rapidly over the virgin page. What does he care how many men threaten to "Bek him? He knows that they will not as they could not "Bek a piece of court plaster. He has been there before.

Men who go around whipping editors "to their minds" and neglecting their families always come to some bad end while the editor goes on doing good and conscious that he is heir apparent to a mortal crown. When we were young we used to go down town filled with a horrid fear that we would get killed and thrown into an alley before night but we are now older bolder and find that we know. We find the insurance companies are still willing to take risks on us and the man who has been advertising for three years that he was going to "Bek the editor" has failed perform the smallest portion of the program.

Those fellow will die easy because if it was hard to do they would not do it.

A READER,

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Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entire on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is enfeebled, you have a bilious look; if your stomach is disordered, you dyspeptic look; if your kidneys are affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys purifies the blood and cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Sold at Ed. M. Mobley's Drug Store, 50 cents per bottle.

The Rev. Ed. B. Hicks

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Program For Teacher's Institute
At Saco, Friday and Saturday
January 3th and 14th.

1. Song.
2. Recitation; Miss Lucy Ben Kernegay.
3. Mission of the Public School; W. W. Gardner.
4. Song.
5. Texas History—Era of Discoveries and Missions; Miss Annetta Caraway.
6. Essay; Miss Emily Thomas.
7. Texas History: Era of Explorers; Miss Alvia Ingram.
8. Song.

9. Story Telling in school; H. T. Carter.
10. Professional literature; J. A. Thomas.
11. Song.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

1. How high should the course of study go in the rural schools? S. B. Williams.
2. Oral Physiology for Primary Grades; Miss Willie Chambers.
3. Methods in Algebra—Theorems; L. S. Byrd.
4. Recitation; Miss Emma Merchant.
5. Value of Mental Arithmetic; A. P. Stone.
6. Work preparatory to first book in Language; Miss Lucie Stephens.

SATURDAY 2 P. M.

1. How to keep small children busy; Mrs. Vida Hallmark.
2. Value of fault finding in the school room; B. H. Ross.
3. Injury to pupils by the unprepared teacher; Miss Wilkins.
4. Incentives to study; J. L. Ross.
5. Necessity of a County Super; B. U. Smith.
6. Practicability of same in Coke County; Judge Chapman.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Exercises by pupils Saco School.

Indian Creek Locals.

Ed. Rustler:
I will give you a few dots from our neighborhood.
The farmers are all up with their work, after reaping a good harvest of what they have sown.
Our school is progressing nicely, with Prof. Williams as teacher.
We enjoyed a good meeting Saturday, preaching 11 a. m. by Eld. Walker Smith, preaching at night by Eld. B. F. Meek and preaching 11 a. m. Sunday by Eld. Smith with a large attendance after which four recessions to the church, two by letter and two by experience of grace. A large crowd met at the water edge where Eld. Smith buried the two candidates in baptism of which we all met at the school house and listened to an interesting sermon by Eld. Smith, and Eld. B. F. Meek.

I will close by wishing the RUSTLER success.

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We the undersigned Commissioners Court of Coke County, Texas, do solemnly swear, that the requirements of Article 567, chapter 1, title 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, as amended by the acts of March 26th 1897, have been in all things fully complied with at the November term of said court, and the cash and other assets mentioned in the county Treasurers Quarterly report made by the County Treasurer of Coke County, Texas, and held by him, for the county, have been fully inspected and counted by us, and that the amount of money in his hands is
\$2834
Assets:
\$7200
S. J. Chapman, County Clerk.
E. C. Rawlings, com. Pre. No. 1.
M. H. Havens, " " " " 2.
J. C. Newton, " " " " 3.
G. W. Payne, " " " " 4.
Sworn to and subscribed for me, this 15th day of Nov, 1898.
J. W. Bennett, County Clerk,
by J. T. Hamilton, Deputy.

Coke County Rustler.

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ALL OVER THE STATE.

Terrell had a successful three-day chrysanthemum show.

Peter Williams, a paralytic, was cremated in a burning house at Big Sandy.

J. T. Hayton, a pioneer settler of Fannin county, died seven miles from Bonham.

W. Elliott, a patient in the north Texas insane asylum at Terrell, died there. He was from Ellis county.

The George Holmes Live Stock company of Kansas City, Mo., having a capital stock of \$100,000, was granted permission to do business in Texas.

John C. Meeks, a well known state commercial traveler, died at his residence in Dallas after a lingering illness.

R. W. Smith, charged with the murder of J. W. Roby, was found guilty at Orange and given the death penalty.

Gorman Posey, 13 years old, fell from a load of wood near Milford and broke his neck, dying in a few moments.

J. W. Eason, a young man from Garden Valley, Smith county, in alighting from a train at Dallas fell and broke an arm.

The Flat Woods gin, owned by E. E. Harbin, four miles south of Eastland, and seventy-five bales of cotton, burned.

Fifteen young men, ex-members of the first Texas cavalry, have gone to Cuba, where they will do police work for the government.

T. L. Marsalis, the founder of Oak Cliff, a resident of Dallas for many years, but now a citizen of Greater New York, is visiting Dallas.

The gin of Webb Jennings at Como burned. Loss \$1200, no insurance. About twenty bales of cotton and twenty tons of seed were burned.

E. P. Hitchler, a union printer, was found in a dying condition between McGregor and Crawford near the Santa Fe track. He was taken to Waco.

The residence of Mrs. P. L. Gammon at Waxahachie was burned. Insurance on house and furniture, \$1900. This house was erected by Judge Anson Rainey twenty years ago.

T. J. Shellhorn has been appointed master mechanic of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railway at Fort Worth, succeeding B. G. Plummer, resigned.

The engagement of Miss Fannie Mills, daughter of Senator Mills, to Lieut. George Richardson, of the United States marine corps, is announced.

John Avance, working in a mill at Duplex, ten miles north of Bonham, got his arm caught in the gin saws, and the member was nearly cut from his body. He was also cut about the breast and face.

Capt. W. G. Hunt, aged 81 years, died at his home near Columbus. He was a native of Tennessee, and came to Texas in 1823. Capt. Hunt engaged in many of the conflicts with Indians and Mexicans in the days of long ago.

A number of citizens engaged in an old-time fox chase in the suburbs of Goldthwaite a few days ago. Reynard led the pack a lively race for nearly three hours, and was within a mile of the town all the time.

At the Grand Avenue Congregational church, Dallas, an interesting farewell service in honor of Mrs. L. A. Carman was held a few nights ago. Mrs. Carman is a young widow, until recently engaged in a Dallas business house, but now a missionary to Honduras.

An oyster roast was given by the Waco council No. 52, United Commercial Travelers, to the grand council of Texas. It was a royal affair, at which there were sparkling, witty speeches by the traveling men, and a poem by Mrs. W. P. Gilbert, the title of which is, "Opening the Oyster."

Elder J. M. Myers of Carrollton, Dallas county, celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday on the 17th. A. W. Perry, 79 years old, who had been his Dallas county neighbor for fifty-two years, other friends and many relatives attended. The elder has lived to see ten children, fifty-six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Lee Barrow, on trial in the Federal court at Texarkana, charged with robbing the postoffice at Brick Range, Ark., was adjudged guilty. He was sentenced to four years at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and pays a fine of \$2000.

AT ALAMO CITY

Sixth Regiment Royally Welcomed in San Antonio.

Sixth Arrive.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 21.—The gallant sixth, under command of Lieut. Col. Charles W. Miner, numbering 1039 officers and men, have arrived and are now at the post. The arrival of the regiment was the signal for the gathering of thousands to greet it, and the debarkation took place amid the strains of martial music and the cheering of the multitudes. Yielding to the earnest solicitation of the citizens, Col. Miner marched his men through the city to the post. The city authorities, the fourth Texas infantry, under command of Col. John C. Edmonds, and Capt. Breet's light battery of artillery, which fought with the sixth at Santiago, headed the march. The entire distance, some four miles, was lined with people and the cheering was continuous. The flag of the regiment, which was the first to float from San Juan hill, was conspicuously displayed and constantly cheered, for it told the story of the regiment on July 1 too plainly. It was tattered and shot-riddled, while stains of blood were yet visible upon it. Last night telegraphic orders were received from Washington suspending previous orders assigning one company each to Forts Bliss, McIntosh, Ringgold and Brown, and ordering the entire command to take station here. While this may be but a temporary move, still the opinion is prevalent in army circles that either the third or fourth Texas volunteers will be mustered out or moved elsewhere, and another regiment of regulars ordered to garrison the posts along the Rio Grande.

Shaw's Mother's Testimony.

Cleburne, Tex., Nov. 21.—John B. Shaw, who will be hanged next Friday for the murder of Tom Crane, does not seem at all disturbed over the fact that each hour brings him so much closer to eternity. Saturday night Sam Shaw, who is in an adjoining cell, charged with the murder of Dallas Hampton, became alarmed at the continued grating of doors and talking outside. He expressed a belief that a mob was coming to lynch him.

"You just rest easy," remarked John B. Shaw, "if they come in here I'll let 'em hang me, if a hanging is what they want."

Shaw seems glad the end is near. He says he has been hunted and tried and cuffed till death will be a relief to him.

His mother's testimony in the insanity trial developed some facts that somewhat account for his bloodthirsty nature. She testified that a few months prior to his birth her husband had a difficulty with a neighbor, and was stabbed in the back and that she saw the bloody gash and the cruel blow that made it. She felt revengeful and brooded over it. Later on and shortly before the birth of this son, whom she was trying to save, her brother had a difficulty and was badly hurt by his antagonist. She felt revengeful over this affair. She also mentioned other similar happenings.

Gin Burns.

Plano, Tex., Nov. 21.—The Plano Gin company's gin, owned by Olney Davis and John A. Moreman, burned yesterday morning. The loss on the building and machinery is \$7500, insured for \$3000. A carload of seed and one bale of seed cotton was a total loss. About twenty-five bales of cotton in the gin yard were rolled away to a place of safety. The gin had caught fire Saturday evening from matches in the seed cotton while passing through the gin stand, and promptly extinguished. Mr. Moreman visited the gin at 10 o'clock Saturday night to be sure that there was no fire left smoldering, but could not even detect the smell of burning cotton. The gin was a large one, having eight gin stands and a capacity of ginning fifty bales of seed cotton per day. Alex Lyle's barn and feed stuff, just across the street from the gin on the west side, caught fire and was a total loss. Loss estimated at \$150. No insurance.

New York had a \$300,000 fire on the 19th.

To Enter Denison.
Denison, Tex., Nov. 19.—General Attorney Barton, representing the Conway Telephone company, of Paul's Valley, was in the city to-day, arranging for erecting the poles for his line to enter the city. The poles for the Conway line are being fitted up at the lumber yard of Eurlon, Lingo & Co., and will be placed in a few days. Mr. Barton expects his company to have their line into Denison and in operation in a short time. When completed the line will give Denison connection with Colbert, Cale, Durant, Silo, Emet, Tishomingo, Stonewall, Owl, Franks, Linn, Cumberland, Cliff, Mead and Oakland, in the Chickasaw nation. It will cover the Chickasaw nation entirely, and will be of great benefit to Denison trade. The line is to be equipped with the latest appliances for telephoning, and every station will have a private long distance booth.

Killing of Hampton.

Cleburne, Tex., Nov. 19.—Sheriff Stewart, Deputy Sheriff Tom Coulter, County Attorney F. E. Johnson and County Physician J. D. Rucker went to the scene of the killing of Dallas Hampton. Hampton's body was found two miles north of Pleasant Point, by the roadside, late Thursday evening. His head was resting on a cotton sack, and his face was torn horribly from a wound made by a shotgun. Sheriff Stewart and Deputy Sheriff Coulter arrested Sam Shaw near Mansfield, and lodged him in jail here. He refuses to be interviewed, and will say nothing with reference to the murder of Dallas Hampton.

Two Residences Burn.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 19.—Fire destroyed two cottage residences on Cleveland avenue, between Lamar and Houston streets. One was the property of Knoxville Business and Loan association, valued at \$700 and insured for \$450. It was occupied by H. Bible, who lost \$400 on his household effects, with no insurance. The other was the property of J. D. Turner of Galveston and valued at \$800, it is not known if it is insured. It was occupied by O. C. Neely, insurance. The outhouses and rear fences of the residences immediately east and facing on Harrison avenue were damaged.

Shaw Talks.

Cleburne, Tex., Nov. 19.—John B. Shaw, who was declared sane by a jury, used some very plain language when speaking of the result of the trial. He said that had he been declared insane and sent to the asylum the managers of that institution would in a few weeks declare him all right and that Sheriff Stewart would get to hang him anyhow.

His poor old mother is just crushed. She has stuck to him through all his troubles, hoping that somehow her boy could be saved, but now her last hope is gone and she can only wait till the fatal hour comes for his execution.

Provided With Homes.

Bonham, Tex., Nov. 19.—Mr. Robert Brace and Col. Fred King, agents of the Children's Aid Society of New York, arrived here on the cannon ball train, bringing with them nineteen orphan boys from New York City, ranging in age from 7 to 16 years, the object being to find good homes for each. Last evening they were brought to the district court room, where they were met by a large assembly of well-to-do farmers and citizens of the city and each little fellow found him a good home. There were not half children enough to supply the demand.

Foot Crushed.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 19.—At a late hour last night George Eason, aged 45 years, a blacksmith at Tom Bean, Grayson county, in undertaking to pass through a string of cars for the while lying across East Pecan street in the Houston and Texas Central railway yards, got his right foot caught between two drawheads and crushed so it was found necessary to amputate it to the heel. The engine attached to the cars moved off just as he placed his foot upon the drawhead.

Body Found.

The dead body of Dave Stevens was found in Watson's cornfield near Troy, Bell county, a few days ago. Advices from Troy state that Stevens was hit on the head at Troy some days ago in a row, and was seen leaving town. He did not reach home, and his fate was unknown until the finding of his body. A man has been arrested.

The Chickasaw legislature has adjourned.

Robbed on Train.
Denison, Tex., Nov. 18.—M. R. Stevens of Fresno, Cal., was a passenger through Denison, en route home from the north, via the southern route. When Mr. Stevens rose and dressed yesterday morning he discovered that his money and New York exchange for \$23,000 was missing. He at once notified the conductor and trainmen, and search was instituted, with the result that the New York exchange for \$23,000 was discovered and restored to Mr. Stevens, but about \$10 in cash which he had on his person among his effects is still missing. He charged the Wagner porter, C. L. Harris, with the theft of the money, and at Itasca Harris was arrested and taken in charge by the local officers at that place. Mr. Stevens stopped off and appeared against him at a preliminary hearing, with the result that Harris was bound over to await the action of the grand jury on the charge of theft from person, and failing to give bond was remanded to jail.

Mr. Stevens is a wealthy resident of Fresno, and had been cast with a view of making some purchases, but failed to do so and was returning home with his New York exchange in his pocket. The reported robbery and arrest of the sleeping car porter caused something of a sensation on the train, which was delayed some time while search was being made.

Caboose Turned Over.

Gainesville, Tex., Nov. 18.—An extra freight train, No. 112, which left here yesterday morning at 7:30 for Purcell was wrecked seven miles north at about 8 o'clock, when rounding a curve about 300 yards north of Red river. The caboose left the track and turned completely over, stopping with the trucks in the air. Conductor William Hatfield and brakeman Harry Crogan were in the cupola, and were crushed to death. The remains arrived here at noon, both of the men being residents of Gainesville. Their bodies and heads were terribly mangled. Hatfield had a wife and two children, and was a member of Elm lodge I. O. O. F. Crogan was unmarried, and has a brother living in West Virginia, who has been telegraphed to know what disposition he desires made of the remains.

The caboose was all that left the track. The wreck was soon cleared away.

Drowned in Klondike.

Waco, Tex., Nov. 18.—H. E. Ambold of Waco got sad news from the Klondike. His brother, Robert Ambold, writes that Charlie Ambold, their brother, was drowned recently in the Yukon river. Robert Ambold went into the Yukon country at the beginning of the gold excitement and located valuable mines. Charlie determined to join his brother and left his home at Durango, Col. After reaching the region he started in a boat on the Yukon. Getting aground he shoved off suddenly and his boat capsizing he was carried off in the cold, swift current and the body lost, although his companions tried hard to recover it from the rushing river. The Ambold boys are all noted hunters and are ever ready for daring enterprises. Charles was the youngest of the three brothers.

Shaw Declared Sane.

After being out just thirty minutes, the jury in the Shaw lunacy case at Cleburne, brought in a verdict declaring the prisoner sane. Shaw did not evince any emotion, simply remarking he was glad it was all over.

It is not known when Judge Hall will have the execution, but it has been intimated he will set it for a very early date.

This ends probably one of the most widely known cases in the history of crime in this state.

Serious Charge.

Waelder, Tex., Nov. 18.—There was an unusual stir here when Dr. J. J. McKenna of San Antonio appeared under bond to stand a preliminary trial on a charge of administering poison to T. H. Trippe of this place with intent to kill. County Attorney Walter and S. H. Hopkins of Gonzales represented the state and S. C. Patton of Hallettsville and L. C. Grothouse of San Antonio the defendant. The examining trial was waived by defendant and his bond fixed by the court at \$2500.

Railroads will give low rates to the Farmers' National congress at Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 6 to 14.

It is reported that Col. Hare will become military instructor at the Agricultural and Mechanical college.

The Cherokee Indians will be governed by the Curtis bill.

Catarrh

In the head, with its ringing noises in the ears, buzzing, snapping sounds, severe headaches and disagreeable discharges, is permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Do not dally with local applications. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and make a thorough and complete cure by eradicating from the blood the scrofulous taints that cause catarrh. Remember

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Is America's Greatest Medicine. \$1; six for \$5.
Hood's Pills cure all Liver Ills. 25 cents.

Were Not Called.

Up in Carson, Nev., there has been a lot of Uncle Sam's soldiers waiting for an opportunity to get to the front. The companies are made up of the miners and cattlemen, and among them are some very funny characters. The officers are a fine set of fellows and Maj. Morrison is a fine chap. It is a custom in army circles for the guard to be called out when the major approaches camp and salute him. One day a slangy individual from the Com-approaching. True to his military disstock was doing picket duty and looking up the road saw the commander elpime he turned and shouted for the guard in this manner:

"Call out de push, de main guy is comin'."

"Never mind the guard," said the major in a disgusted tone.

"Never mind de push," shouted the guard, "de main guy says nit."

Ourselves and Our Clothes.

"Happily," said Mrs. Stoggleby, "we do not realize the change in our personal appearance as we grow older; the change is so slight from day to day, and then, as a matter of fact, we are, to ourselves at least, ever as young as we feel.

"But it is not so about our clothes; we cannot make them ever feel young, as they grow old, to say nothing of keeping them looking so—they will get worn and threadbare. And we are likely to forget about that, and to give no thought to the impression they may make upon other people. There we make a mistake. We should keep an eye on our apparel; and as to trimness, at least, have that in keeping, not with our gray head, but with our flesh and ever younger heart."

Pillbearer, Probably.

A Frenchman went to an American and said to him: "What does a polar bear do?"

The American answered: "What does a polar bear do? I don't know. Why, he sits on the ice."

"Yes," said the American. "There is nothing else to sit on."

"Vell, vat he do, too?"

"What does he also do? Why he eats fish."

"Eats fish; sits on ze ice and eats fish? Then I not accept."

"Why, what do you mean? You don't accept. What do you mean?"

"Oh, non, non, I does not accept. I was invited to be the polar bear to a funeral."

A massage rub is equal to a walk of eight miles.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO,) ss.
LEAS COUNTY.
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. 1888.
A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

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CUBAN AND PORTO RICAN NEWS.

The Latest Events of Importance That Have Happened in the Capitals of Those Two Islands.

Havana Happenings.

Havana, Nov. 21.—Capt. Gen. Blanco has received from Paris a cable authorizing him to draw on Paris for \$2,000,000 gold to be supplied in the payment of the Spanish troops in Cuba. This amount is an addition to the proceeds of the draft for £425,000 by the Madrid government on London, which was sold here last week.

The Spanish authorities are making strenuous efforts to complete the evacuation by the end of the year. The Martinique has been selected as the place of rendezvous of the Spanish squadron by the end of the year.

Spanish auxiliary cruisers Patriota and Metcoro, purchased in Germany before the outbreak of hostilities, are expected here on Dec. 15 and will convey the Spanish transports from Cuban ports to Martinique.

The remains of Gens. Santocildes and Vera Del Dey arrived yesterday on the South Coast railway and were escorted to the captain general's summer residence, where they were deposited pending interment. Gens. Solano, Marolo and Tejada, with a number of other high officers, acted as guard of honor.

The remodeled police force was formally constituted yesterday and armed with rifles and machetes. It will begin active duty immediately.

Yesterday afternoon thirty-two delegates from the Cuban assembly arrived from Batano, among them Mendez, Capote, Nunez and other prominent Cubans.

A matinee concert was given yesterday by the Havana Yacht club at Playa de Marianao in aid of the Cubans.

Mayor Resigns.

San Juan de Porto Rico, Nov. 21.—Senor Dels Valle, mayor of San Juan, has tendered his resignation "because of the persistent and unreasonable opposition of members of the city council to my efforts in behalf of the city."

It is said that Senor Munoz president of the council of secretaries under the old regime, influenced the councilmen, a majority of whom are liberals, to antagonize the mayor who is an independent in politics and quite free from partisanship. He was in splendid repute as a mayor and regrets are expressed at his resignation. The appointment of Senor Manuel Roman as his successor is considered satisfactory. Roman is a professional politician and belongs to the same party as Munoz.

Monsignor Valez, the Spanish bishop of Porto Rico, has resigned the diocese, saying that it is impossible for him to serve any other country than Spain. The local clergy were paid by the United States for last September, but no more money is forthcoming, and it is generally believed that the bishop resigned for this reason.

New Factories.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 21.—The most important industrial announcements of last week, as reported by the Manufacturers' Record, were as follows:

A \$100,000 cotton yarn mill at Mobile, Ala.; a \$750,000 pipe foundry at Birmingham, Ala.; a \$25,000 electric power plant at Gadsden, Ala.; a \$50,000 by-product chemical works at Birmingham, Ala.; a \$100,000 lighting and heating company at Pine Bluff, Ark.; a \$100,000 stove mill at Texarkana, Ark.; a company to develop 800,000 acres of land in northern Louisiana; \$60,000 water works and electric plant, and \$30,000 sewerage system at Monroe, La.; a \$200,000 bottle-cap factory at Baltimore, Md.; a \$100,000 liquor company at Baltimore, Md.; a \$5000 gold mining company at Pilot Mountain, N. C.; a 5000-spindle cotton factory at Clover, S. C.; a 30,000 snuff factory at Clarksville, Tenn.; a \$25,000 candy factory at Chattanooga, Tenn.; 40 coke ovens at Solly, Tenn.; \$25,000 water works at McKinney, Tex.; \$10,000 electric company at Waco, Tex.

The Northwest Texas conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, is in session at Brownwood, Bishop Galloway presiding.

One hundred and forty bales of cotton burned at Scullyville, Ark.

SOUTHERN NEWS.

The First M. E. church, South, of Pine Bluff, Ark., has been organized fifty years.

The capture of a black snake near Eureka Springs, with a white door knob in its side is the latest snake story from Arkansas.

Deputy United States Marshal Sizemore, while looking for a "blind tiger," near Kenton, Miss., was assassinated by unknown parties.

C. C. Buckner's general store, located at DeQueen, Ark., fifty miles from Texarkana, was destroyed by fire. Loss \$5000; insurance \$3000.

While attempting at Decatur, Ala., to start a fire with kerosene oil, Mrs. Clyde Palmer, a bride of a week, ignited her clothing and was fatally burned.

Will Brown killed Moran Foster at Holly Springs, Miss. They had a fist fight, after which the trouble was thought to be settled, but Brown struck Foster a fatal blow. Both were cadets at St. Thomas hall.

Lola Editha, but known as Mrs. Diss de Bar, and who claims to be the daughter of King Ludwig of Bavaria, was married for the fourth time, the ceremony being performed at New Orleans, and the groom James D. Jackson, a wealthy lumber man of Fon du Lac, Wis.

A petition is to be presented to congress by citizens of Tennessee asking for an appropriation of \$2,000,000 to improve the Tennessee river from Chattanooga to its mouth. Freight valued at \$15,000,000 is annually carried on this river, and by improving the stream it is thought this can be doubled.

Liberated From Jail.

Terre Haute, Ind., Nov. 21.—Morton Hudson of this city has arrived from Mexico, where he has been in prison for over half a year. Last February Hudson and a friend named Powell went on a prospecting tour near Toluca, Mex. They were returning from the town of Veregeria, where they had been to purchase supplies for their camp, when they were set upon by Mexican highwaymen. One of the Mexicans clapped a pistol to Powell's head, but the American grappled his assailant, and the two fell from their horses. The second Mexican, who was armed with a naked machete, was in the act of plunging it into Powell's neck when Hudson brought him to the ground with a well directed shot. The first Mexican was rapidly overpowering Powell, when the latter called for help. Hudson went to his assistance, when the highwayman aimed a pistol at the advancing man. Hudson was too quick, however, and shot the man through the breast. The two Americans then concealed themselves in the mountains until they finally decided to surrender to the Mexican authorities. Hudson was thrown into jail at Teneancingo, but finally got a letter to this city and the authorities at Washington secured his trial and release. Ex-Secretary of the Navy Fairbanks and Congressmen Faris were instrumental in securing proper treatment for Hudson. Hudson is thin and pale from his confinement, but is otherwise in good health.

Off Reservation.

A special from Price, Utah, says: Nearly all the bucks of the White river Utes and part of the Uintah tribe are off the reservation and probably a great many of them are in Colorado. Henry Harris, a half-breed who was sent out by the acting agent, has reported to Maj. Hsley.

A large detachment of cavalry has been sent after them. The Indians say if the government won't pay for the land it bought from them they will hunt on it as often as they can get there there to hunt.

E. H. R. Green's yacht, the Mabel, was christened and launched at Aransas Pass, Tex. Miss Mabel Harlow, of Chicago, after whom it was named, christened it.

Terrible Calamity.

New York, Nov. 19.—In the gloom of smoke, storm and fog that darkened the rails of the Pennsylvania railroad early yesterday morning between Jersey City and Harrison a belated suburban train dashed into a gang of workmen, killing eleven and injuring four. Five others had remarkable escapes. All the victims lived in Jersey City.

The accident happened two and a half miles west of Jersey City, just beyond the Hackensack river bridge. At that point there are four tracks, two devoted to passenger and two to freight traffic. At the north are the tracks of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad. Foreman Quirk took out a gang of nineteen men at 5 a. m. to repair the west bound freight track at that place. Quirk saw that the fog might mean danger, for he sent ahead two men, Lawless and Doherty, to give warning of approaching trains. Lawless was to go west and Doherty east and cover all the tracks. They were to shout warnings at the approach of trains. The passenger tracks were kept busy with incoming suburban trains and the smoke and steam from these trains helped to make the atmosphere more dense.

Suddenly about 8:30 there was a shout from Lawless, who was the advance guard of the gang. "Train on No. 3," he cried. It was an eastbound freight train that came slowly leaving behind a heavy pall of smoke. The men who were scattered along the track jumped out of the way. Almost all of them jumped to the track No. 1, the eastbound passenger track. The heavy smoke enveloped them and the men, many of them new hands on the road, shivered with fright, for they could not see and could scarcely hear the approaching trains that followed the freight.

Lawless, too, had jumped across to track No. 1, keeping all the time a sharp look-out. Suddenly there was a rumble of wheels and the shriek of a whistle. The Millstone local, delayed by fog, was coming along at the rate of forty miles an hour. Lawless was struck and thrown thirty feet away, mangled and bleeding. On went the train. Engineer Van Nostrand had scarcely noticed the man's body flying through the air when the engine struck Doherty; then it ploughed into the mass of cowering men who stood huddled together on the track.

"It was an awful sight," said the engineer later. "There was a mass of legs and arms flying through the air. I was drenched with blood. I knew that something terrible had happened and put on the air brakes as hard as possible."

When the train came to a standstill the passengers rushed out. The track was drenched in blood. The meadows and the track looked like a battlefield covered with bodies. The shrieks of the dying drowned the cries of horrified passengers. Women fainted and men turned away in horror. Of the nineteen men nine were dead and six wounded.

Someone telephoned quickly to Jersey City. Many of the bodies were writhing in mortal agony when placed on the train and borne to the city. Two of the wounded died on the way. A relief train brought back the others.

Schwazowski, whose back was broken, and who was also internally injured, died in the hospital, to which he was taken. This increases the death list to twelve.

Twenty Two Injured.

Wilton, Ia., Nov. 19.—Twenty-two men were more or less injured in two railway wrecks here yesterday during a heavy fog. In a head-end collision on the Rock Island at Moscow, brakeman John Donahue was fatally hurt, brakeman Marshall Miller had a leg broken. Three other trainmen were seriously injured. Donahue did not long survive.

Later a construction train clearing the wreck was struck by a mail train. Seventeen were injured, but none were killed.

Coobs & Rice's gin, at Moody, Tex., valued at \$7000, was burned.

Dreyfus Informed.

Paris, Nov. 19.—The governor of French Guiana has sent a dispatch to the colonial office here saying Alfred Dreyfus, the former French officer undergoing imprisonment for life on Devil's has been informed of the revision proceedings in his case.

Ex-President Cleveland, Capt. Bob Evans and Banker Benedict have gone on a two months' cruise, that will include a visit to Porto Rico.

Secretary Long's Report.

Washington, Nov. 19.—The following is said to be Secretary Long's recommendations, to be submitted by him to congress:

1. The building of three battleships of greater capacity, of greater speed, more heavily armored and of more powerful batteries than either the Kearsarge, Kentucky or Illinois, the most modern types of battleships the navy has under construction now.

2. Three armored cruisers of the first class to be built, somewhat after the type of the Brooklyn. They are to be more heavily armored, possess more powerful batteries and attain greater speed than the vessel which made such a name for herself off Santiago harbor.

3. Four protected cruisers after the type of the New York. Each of these, as in the case of the battleships and cruisers of the first class, is to have greater speed, greater capacity and more powerful batteries than the present New York.

4. An increase in the navy of from 5000 to 8000 sailors. The present force to be increased from 12,500 to at least 20,000. The margin is left to the decision of congress.

5. These recommendations are made with an especial view to the colonial possessions of the United States.

Secretary Long argues in his report that with the Philippines and Porto Rico as colonies of the United States it will be necessary to have powerful squadrons to protect them. In the future the greater part of the work of the navy will be in looking after the interests of these colonies. The present navy will be able to look after these possessions for the next year or so, and in that time great additions will be made to its fighting capacity. By the 1st of July the Kearsarge and Kentucky will be placed in commission. The cruiser Albany, now being fitted out in an English navy yard, will be ready for service early in the spring. The Alabama, being built at Cramp's navy yard, will be ready for service about the middle of summer. The Illinois will come a year later, and about the same time the battleships and cruisers recommended by Secretary Long in this report will be almost ready for commission.

From Dewey.

Washington, Nov. 19.—News of a mixed character has come to the navy department from Admiral Dewey touching the situation in the Philippines. The admiral sent two of his warships, the Charleston and the Concord, some time ago to the southward from Manila to ascertain whether there was any truth in reports that the insurgents had extended their activities in that direction. He cabled as follows:

Manila, Nov. 18.—Secretary of the navy, Washington: Charleston and Concord arrived to-day from Iloilo. Glass reports that the entire island of Panay is in possession of insurgents except Iloilo, which is defended by 800 Spanish troops. All foreign citizens beg American protection. The island of Negros has declared independence and desires American protectorate.

DEWEY.

Glass is the commander of the Charleston. So far nothing has been done by the administration toward curbing the insurgents in their depredations save verbal representations from the American commanders to Aguinaldo, in which it has been pointed out to him that it would be good policy, in view of the probability of the annexations of islands by the United States, to pursue a course that would not be obnoxious to the United States. But the situation is now realized to be critical. So far as the Spaniards are concerned, perhaps they can be left to take care of themselves, but the foreign residents at Iloilo are differently regarded. The difficulty in the situation is that with the best intentions to intervene to protect the Europeans and other foreigners and to save the city of Iloilo, the second in importance in the Philippine group, from looting, the United States forces appear to be estopped under the rules of war, from moving their positions. Such is the construction placed upon the clause in the protocol relating to a suspension of hostilities.

Trouble Not Anticipated.

The war department does not anticipate any trouble in Porto Rico growing out of disorderly conduct of troops sent there. There was some trouble with soldiers of the sixth immunes and forty-seventh New York about the time of their arrival, but it was soon quieted. The lack of discipline in the volunteer organizations is believed to have been responsible for the disturbance, but the officers are getting better control of their men.

CONSULTING A WOMAN.

Mrs. Pinkham's Advice Inspires Confidence and Hope.

Examination by a male physician is a hard trial to a delicately organized woman.

She puts it off as long as she dare, and is only driven to it by fear of cancer, polypos, or some dreadful ill.

Most frequently such a woman leaves a physician's office where she has undergone a critical examination with an impression, more or less, of discouragement.

This condition of the mind destroys the effect of advice; and she grows worse rather than better. In consulting Mrs. Pinkham no hesitation need be felt, the story is told to a woman and is wholly confidential. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass., she offers sick women her advice without charge.

Her intimate knowledge of women's troubles makes her letter of advice a wellspring of hope, and her wide experience and skill point the way to health.

"I suffered with ovarian trouble for seven years, and no doctor knew what was the matter with me. I had spells which would last for two days or more. I thought I would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I have taken seven bottles of it, and am entirely cured."—MRS. JOHN FOREMAN, 26 N. Woodberry Ave., Baltimore, Md.

The above letter from Mrs. Foreman is only one of thousands.

Smothered in Dirt.

A coroner's jury in an Iowa town recently returned a verdict that a man found dead was "smothered to death in the dust of the public highway." The man was a ranchman, who left the town for his home, some miles distant, in the hottest part of the day. A mile from town he was overcome by the heat, and possibly by his potations, and fell from his horse. The dust at this place was several inches deep and very fine. The man fell on his face and was unable to turn over.

A happy disposition is one of God's greatest blessings.

A snake exhibition tends to unstring one's nerves.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Hope is a beacon light that keeps one's spirit up.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

It is harder to mend one's ways than their clothes.

Happy Homes—Perfect health and strength for women and men. Cures barrenness, develops bust in women. Aphrodisiac for both sexes. Cures liquor and tobacco habits. Price 61c. Send for physicians' testimonials. Scientific Remedy Co., Box 3113, Boston.

A sad sight is an industrious man out of employment.

Two bottles of Piso's Cure for Consumption cured me of a bad lung trouble.—Mrs. J. Nichols, Princeton, Ind., Mar. 26, 1895.

It will not be many weeks before Santa Claus comes.

EVERY-DAY HEROISM!

Struggling through life, cursed with catarrh, is a common experience. However heroic the fight catarrh generally wins.

Under some name or other it gets the best of us. Frank E. Ingalls, Waco, Tex., and thousands of others have been permanently cured of catarrh by Dr. Hartman's successful remedy Pe-ru-na. Here is Mr. Ingalls' letter:

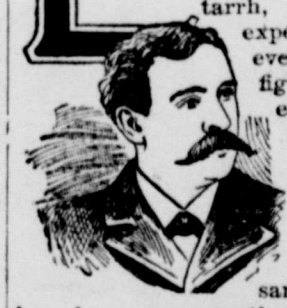
Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, O.

DEAR SIR:—"Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin have cured me of one of the worst cases of catarrh any one ever had. My case was so severe that I was compelled to discontinue my business, that of conductor on a railroad; but I am now entirely well."

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H. A. Scott, Burt, Tenn., writes: "I feel very thankful to my Maker and your great medicine that I am cured. I would not be without Pe-ru-na in the house."

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The cattle quarantine is still on.

Judging from the amount of scratching done here on election day both tickets must have had the itch.

The cattle quarantine operates much to the detriment of a great majority of the Texas cattlemen. It operates like sectional legislation on many of us.

We made a mistake last week in saying that Coke was a close second to Nolan County. We polled about a hundred more votes than Nolan.

It is now said that President McKinley will allow Spain only \$1,000,000 for the Philippines. If Spain holds much longer she will be owing the United States.

We received a communication from Brother Fair this week but arrived too late for publication in this issue.

A telephone line has just been completed from San Angelo to Sterling City. Why not let the people get together and have a line built from here to San Angelo or other near-by point. It looks like we could afford such if Sterling City can.

The hay crop this year is the greatest on record, if the government crop report for November is any account. The crop was raised, too, before the new secretary of state was installed. What a crop we ought to raise next year with a secretary who knows all about hay!

Brother Bates Returned To The Robert Lee Circuit.

The Northwest Texas Conference of the M. F. Church South, which convened at Brownwood, on the 16th, adjourned the 21st, and to the joy of many of our people has returned Brother Bates to the Robert Lee Circuit and Brother J. A. Thomas to the Decker Circuit.

It is reported that Ex-Congressman Geo. H. Nonnen, who was defeated at the recent election for the office of Congressman of this District, states positively that he will contest Congressman J. L. Slayden's seat in the next House.

He alleges that the reported opinion of the Attorney General that his name could not appear on Democratic tickets coupled with the threats of arrests which he says were published and circulated broadcast over the district a day before the election, was a menace and influenced many to vote against him. He further alleges wholesale bribery of voters and deliberate fraud in the matter of making out ballots for illegitimate voters.

Commissioners court Proceedings.

BONDS APPROVED.

B. P. Byrne, J. P. Pre. No. 6.
J. M. Fressler, Constable, No. 6.
M. H. Havens, Com. No. 2.
G. W. Payne, Com. No. 4.
M. H. Davis, Co. Judge.
Will Perry, H. and A. Inspector

SCRIP Canceled.

Jury scrip \$158.19,
Common County .60,
Contingent fund \$383.42,
Road and Bridge \$26.35.
Resignation of W. C. Merchant, County Attorney, accepted.

Transferred 150.00 from the road bridge fund, to the "contingent" fund.

Mary Peere, indigent, allowed \$10.00 per month.

QUARTERLY REPORTS APPROVED.

C. L. Hughes, Treasurer;
S. J. Chapman, Co. Judge.
H. and A. Inspector by sheriff.
W. L. Clawson, J. P. No. 1
J. W. Barnett, Co. Clerk.
L. B. Murray, Tax Collector,
L. B. Murray, Sheriff.
W. C. Merchant, Co. Attorney;
J. C. Newton, J. P. No. 5
J. B. Buttroughs, Batcher.

SIZE OF BONDS.

Judge.	\$1000.00
Ex-Officio Co. Sept.	1000.00
Dist. Clerk	5000.00
Co. Clerk	2000.00
Sheriff	5000.00
Tax collector, State	6193.52
Tax collector, county	13020.58
Treasurer, county	11000.00
Treasurer for school	4600.00
Tax Assessor, 2 bonds	4900.00
Surveyor	1000.00
H. and A. Inspector	1000.00
Each Co. Com	3000.00
Each J. P.	1000.00
Each constable	500.00

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED.

S. J. Chapman, Judge, 2 days	6.00
E. C. Rawlings, Com, 2 days	6.00
Sam Saylor " " "	6.00
J. C. Newton " " "	6.00
J. H. Campbell " " "	6.00
M. H. Davis Judge " " "	6.00
E. C. Rawlings Com. " " "	6.00
M. H. Havens " " "	6.00
G. W. Payne " " "	6.00
J. C. Newton " " "	6.00
L. B. Murray Sheriff " " "	4.00
L. B. Murray " " "	4.00

L. B. Murray, board of prisoners medicine, etc. \$15.85

S. J. Chapman, trial of cases disposed of. 9.00

S. J. Chapman, express charges on stationery. 1.55

S. J. Chapman, Supervising Schools, etc. 27.50

J. W. Barnett, keeping finance ledger. 25.00

J. W. Barnett, Certifying to and approving reports. 2.25

L. B. Murray, wood and other incidents expenses. 9.80

B. F. Montgomery, riding outfit for Grand Jury. 10.00

Reed and Wilkins, printing legal blanks. 18.00

Joe J. Fry, Riding outfit for Grand Jury. 10.00

C. L. Hughes, Revenue stamps \$2.00 allowed. 1.25

L. B. Murray, waiting on county court, three days. 6.00

DIFFERENT FUNDS.

Balance to credit of Jury fund.	\$30.20
Balance to credit of Road and Bridge fund,	210.93
Balance to credit General fund.	107.89
Balance to credit of funding Bond fund.	16.79
Balance to credit of coke county Bridge Bond fund.	122.32
Balance to credit coke county court House and Jail fund.	350.45

Balance to credit Tom Green county court House and Jail fund. 23.36

Balance to credit of Tom Green county Road and Bridge fund 17.98

Balance to credit of contingent fund. 5.13

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Ed M. Mobley's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Geo. G. Moore, C. E., exhibited Thursday, in our office, a rattlesnake hide six feet, one inch long. He killed the snake near Sweetwater. The weight of the snake was 32 pounds. Mr. Moore will preserve the hide and stuff it. He also reported that there was much talk about Sweetwater, of the Colorado Valley Rail Road being built.

The Teacher's Institute in our County is improving slowly. No mushroom growth about it.

The Sure Lagripp - Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach, and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at Ed Mobley's Drug Store. Only 50c. per bottle.

J. W. Snyder, that ever pleasant and jovial drummer of the Temple Grocery Company was in town a day or so this week taking orders from our business men.

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First Class Hacks run Daily from each place, and the patronage of the public is solicited. Fare \$1.50, round trip \$2.50. Special attention given express matter.

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R.P. Perry.

Will Perry.

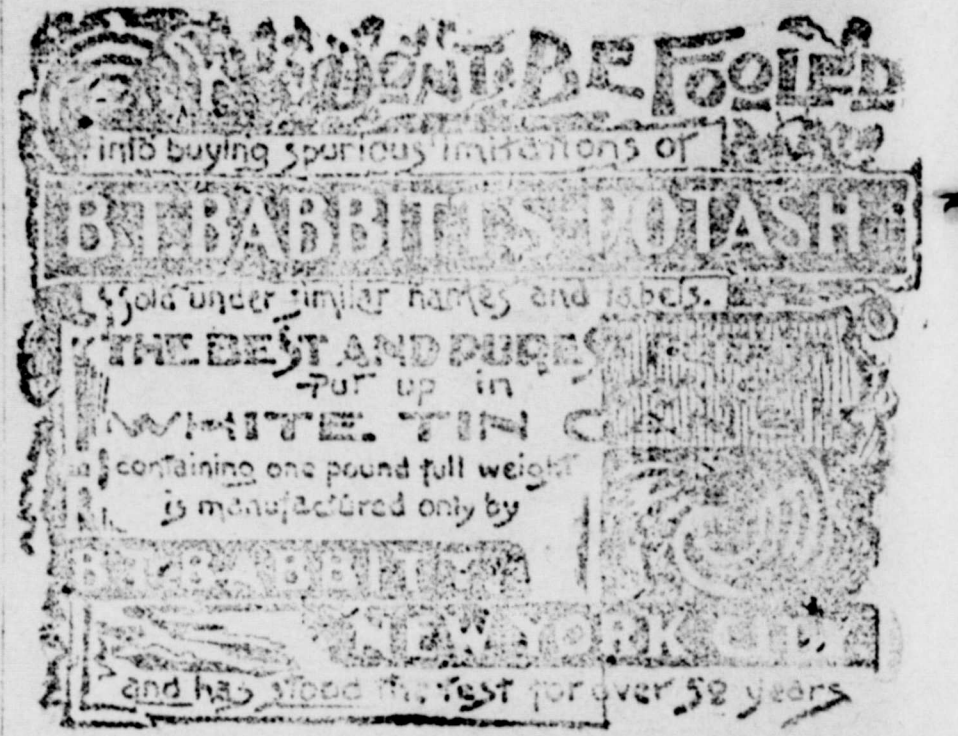
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LOCAL CHIPS.

Come to Coke.
 Robert Lee is improving.
 J. F. Bird was in Saturday.
 School books at Mrs. Ingram's.
 J. N. Buchanan is prospecting on the T. P. this week.
 Prof. F. E. Thomas visited San Angelo last week.
 J. B. McCutchen, of Bronte, was up Monday last.
 W. C. Lock, from over on Wild Cat was seen in town Saturday.
 Wm. Davis is improving his farm down the river this week.
 Bill Latham and family were in town Saturday shopping.
 Lee and "Fad" Richards were in Robert Lee, Tuesday.
 This town was named for the greatest general of the Civil war.
 Fresh Fruits at J. C. Turner's.
 It is reported that there will be a new blacksmith shop opened up here soon.
 J. L. Barron had some shelving put in his store this week, by G. W. Lee.
 What has become of our school house? Has it fell through.
 Stop at the Webb Hotel when Lee.
 Dr. Toliver returned, from Comanche and Hamilton counties, latter part of last week.
 D. L. Buchanan went to San Angelo this week after goods for his Lee business.
 About ten teachers attended the Institute here, last Friday and Saturday.
 G. W. Lee is building a chimney for Mr. Joe Webb, of near Edith, this week.
 No ranch, farm or stable can afford to be without a can of Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.
 W. C. Meachant and Co. have fitted up an office, upstairs, over the Post Office.
 J. R. Patterson now occupies the county Attorney's office, in the Court House, at the head of the stairs.
 Baldwin & Carter, Ballinger buys for cash, and can therefore sell cheap groceries.
 Larkin Hayley, of Hayrick, came in Saturday, to attend the Epworth League.
 We are sorry to note, that Mrs. G. W. Webb is on the sick list this week.
 We want a correspondent at Edith, Saneo, Silver and Naohattie.
 When in Ballinger call and see Baldwin & Carter for bargains in groceries.
 Our town has several changes in business firms this week, all of which can be seen by closely noticing our advertising columns.
 Mrs. Geo. G. Moore, the accompanist of our Civil Engineer, was shopping in Robert Lee Tuesday.
 For rope burned horses use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.
 Judge D. T. Averitt and family returned to San Angelo Tuesday, to make final arrangements for moving back home.
 S. O. Simmons, from near Saneo, was among the visitors last Saturday.
 If you want a free sample of Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment, read the ad in this issue.
 At the Teachers Institute, Friday night, the Territorial Expansion question was settled, as nearly as the Peace Commission have, so far.

Joe Webb, a middle of the road populist, from Pecan, was in town Saturday. He says that this is an off year for the Populist in Coke, and that they will carry the county next time.
 J. R. Patterson retires and the firm of Perryman & Patterson is no more. John is one of Coke's best men and will qualify as County Attorney, to which office he was elected, without an effort on his part. He will also do a general and business. We wish him success.
 At Union church House on the divide fifteen miles west of Robert Lee, Baptist services at 11 a. m. third Sunday in each month by Ed Joan Reed.
 Baldwin & Carter, Ballinger, Texas, is the place to buy your groceries. Everything first class, new and fresh. They ask no odds in competition, prices or quality.
 Col. W. V. Erwin, once owner of this paper, is now running the Enterprise at Big Springs. His paper is one of the best weeklies on the Texas & Pacific.
 Miss Rebecca Toliver, daughter of Dr. Toliver, was reported lost in the Valley View neighborhood, last Saturday morning. Before noon about a hundred men were in search, and she was happily found about twelve o'clock, much to the relief of her relatives and friends.
Gin Notice.
 After November the 1st the Robert Lee gin will commence ginning cotton each week on Thursdays and continue till all cotton in yard is ginned.
 H. W. WALTON
 A number of our people enjoyed a delightful get-together Saturday night, after the Epworth League adjourned. This was a welcome departure from the usual routine of Robert Lee life. The serenaders were:
 Prof. J. S. Gardner, and Miss Sallie Perry; Prof. O. W. Gardner, and Miss Alvin Ingram; Prof. J. A. Thomas and Miss Lucy Korngov; Prof. J. L. Ross, and Miss Lucy Hobbey.
 Wonder why the turkeys were looking so tempting Wednesday? Guess they were contemplating the many blessings, for when we mortals will give "Thanks" on tomorrow.
 Jno. Hazy and family, of evil repute, left Coke Coffin a few days ago. No one regretted their departure from a social standpoint, though a few of their many creditors may, from a purely financial point of view.
 L. W. Field, who resides six miles east of town, was in Tuesday and informed us that he now has one of the finest wells of water, in the County, on his place.
 B. A. Birdwell and wife (nee) Mrs. Ada Trimble, of Bluff Creek Coleman county, are visiting friends and relatives here this week and also prospecting. Mr. Birdwell is one of Colman county's most prosperous stockmen.
HOGS
 For sale or trade for cotton seed or corn 75 head range hogs, part of them Registered Berkshires in good shape in lots to suit. Apply to DOK ranch or W. H. Collins, Sterling City, Texas.
 Mrs. G. W. Webb was confined to her bed several days this week with a severe attack of St. Louis neuralgia but is improving under treatment of Dr. J. O. Toliver.
 The editor of this sheet made a trip to San Angelo and Ballinger this week soliciting business for the paper, and left the devils to get out the paper, and you will have to look over it this week as you cannot expect much from them.

Attention! Ex-Confederates.
 "The Campaign of Walker's Texas Division" in a book of 314 pages, bound in silk cloth, price \$1.50 and can be obtained of H. D. Pearce, Ballinger, Texas. Only a few copies of this interesting book can now be obtained. A copy of it can be seen at the RUSTLER office.
 To kill sand fleas on your dog or your chickens use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.
 William Winens, an old and respected Mexican war veteran spent Tuesday in town talking to his many friends and attending to business. These old veterans are fast passing away and their remaining pathway should be lighted with the sunshine of a nation's gratitude, as well that of their nearest neighbor.
 If you have any land to sell list it with W. C. Merchant & Co.
 J. J. Vestal has just completed a well at the back of his shop and got plenty of good water at the depth of about 18 feet.
 Madames J. L. Barron and J. D. Davis returned from Sweetwater Tuesday, where they had been to attend the bed side of Mrs. W. W. McElroy, who was very ill.
 Robert L. Hayley, from Indian Creek settlement, was in Saturday.
 The Rustler office has turned out several lots of Job work in the last few days, some of the work was for Dr. Martin, some for G. W. Lee and some for Merchant and Co.
 D. L. Buchanan has purchased the Deats Wagon Yard and stock of Groceries. He took charge last Monday. The Rustler wishes Dan success in this venture.
 W. C. Barron, one of our best "fixed" cattleman, went over to Angelo Tuesday, on business.
 J. E. Stewart we go over to Angelo Sunday, to visit his son Willie, who is under treatment over there. He says Will is improving rapidly.
 Jno. Burroughs has bored a new well in the Valley View neighborhood. He struck water at 40 feet and at a depth of 70 feet, found it to be practically inexhaustible.
 "The Achievements of the Century", is a new and constructive book, which E. M. Bennick is taking orders for. He has sold a number of copies in Robert Lee.
 Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Moore were up from Robert Lee the first of the week.—Sweetwater Reporter.
 Prof. Asa Ross, of Coke County, is in the city to day. He will teach the North Branch Canyon school.—Sweetwater Reporter.
 Mrs. O. L. Hughes returned from Bronte, the first of the week, where she has been visiting friends, for the past week.
 Not a vacant house in town.
 The lucky candidates are out this week casting their bonds.
 Will Dunbar and family, who have been away for some time, have returned.
 "We had some winter time weather, first of the week.
 How about that Christmas Tree? Well yes, let's have one, as it would not do for us to fall at this stage of the game.
 The following officers were elected, at the Epworth League, Saturday night, for the ensuing term of office:
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 Miss Ada Fry, 2nd "
 Miss Laura Finch, 3rd "
 Miss Alvia Ingram, Secy.
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AUNT COMFORT.

"Driver, is this Hemlock Hollow? I say, driver, where are you taking me to?"

And Miss Comfort Dikeman, with her head thrust out of the stage-coach window, eyed the lonely ravine with a glance of distrust.

She was a little, brown-faced old lady, in a bombazine dress, just the color of her false front, a quilted silk hood, edged with fur, a scarlet woolen scarf and an umbrella, which might have come out of the ark itself, so antique and ponderously fashioned was it. And her spectacles glistened in the twilight of the early winter evening like miniature moons.

"Yes'm," the driver gruffly answered from his elevated situation; "this 'ere's the Hollow."

"It's a dreadfully lonely spot," said Miss Comfort.

"Well, I never heard it called very lively," said Joseph Jones. "Come up, Whitefoot—wha' ye 'bout?"

"Are there any bears or hyenas in these woods?" hesitated Miss Dikeman.

"Bless your heart, ma'am, no! Hain't been these twenty year! Here's the road that leads up to Squire Ponsonby's, if that's where you're goin'."

And he drew rein opposite a grass-grown road, which wound its way into the woods.

"I s'pose they'll be down here, some on 'em, to meet you," said he, as he helped Miss Comfort Dikeman to terra firma. "I'd wait a spell, ef I wasn't behind with the Peckville mails, but—"

"Oh, it isn't necessary at all!" said Miss Dikeman, looking rather forlornly, and taking up her carpet bag and bundle. "I can soon walk there."

"It is a little lonesome," she thought, "but it will be so nice to surprise Marian and the girls."

And she turned and began to trudge up the hill, with new resolution.

"It's a long way," said Miss Comfort, dolefully, to herself, but just then a friendly red star glowed through the network of boughs—the light from the crimson-curtained windows of the old Ponsonby mansion! And Miss Comfort Dikeman took courage and plodded bravely on.

"Oh, mamma, I'm sure I heard some one step on the piazza floor. And do hear Rover barking! Mamma, do you think it's a burglar?"

"Don't be a goose, child," said Mrs. Ponsonby, but Effie could see her mother's startled glance toward the window.

"Mamma, you're never going to open the door," as a little knock came to the panels without. "Remember we are all alone in the house. We may be robbed or murdered! Oh, dear, dear, why did



"RUFFIAN, UNHAND ME!"

papa go away and leave us all alone? Why didn't he at least wait until the boys were home from college?" and Effie Ponsonby clung hysterically to her mother's arm.

"Are they never coming to let me in?" Miss Comfort Dikeman thought, with chattering teeth and nose dyed in cerulean blue. "I've a great mind to peep in at the windows and see what they're all about."

"Ring the dinner bell, mamma," cried Effie. "Patrick will be sure to hear. Papa said if anything happened we were to ring the dinner bell out of the back window. Oh, run, mamma—quick, please."

"Tea's ready," said Miss Comfort, already, in her imagination, sniffing the Chinese fragrance. "There goes the bell."

But when Mrs. Ponsonby came back, herself nervous and alarmed, she found Effie in a state of wild terror.

"Mamma, mamma, it was a ghost!" she shrieked, "with a bloody mark upon its throat, and great livid eyes! I saw it myself at that very window!"

"Effie, I'm astonished at you," said Mrs. Ponsonby, trying to speak collectedly. "A ghost, indeed! Hush, central yourself, Effie, I insist. Patrick will be here presently and then—"

"Hush, mamma!" and Effie held up her plump fingers. "Oh, thank Providence—here he comes now."

And Miss Comfort Dikeman, patiently waiting with carpet bag and umbrella for some one to come and let her in, was nearly terrified out of her senses by heavy steps rushing across

the veranda, and a rough hand on her bombazine cloak.

"It's yourself, is it?" panted Patrick, "frightenin' the ladies out o' their sivil senses, when the masher ain't at home. But I'll teach yez."

"Ruffian, unhand me!" tragically cried out Miss Comfort, in her dismay; but Patrick only pulled the harder.

"An' it's here yez are, as tight as a trivet," chuckled Pat, as he drew a grating bolt outside; "an' here yez'll stay till tomorrow mornin'."

"Villains!" cried Miss Comfort, recovering her voice at last, "how dare you! Come back, I say—come back. I am your mistress' aunt."

"You're Queen Victoria's aunt, and grandmother to the pope, for all I know," jeered the irreverent Pat, and away he went, with his satellites, leaving our elderly heroine alone in the chill and darkness of her prison house.

And poor Miss Comfort began to cry as heartily as if she were sixteen instead of sixty. Yes, there had been a surprise, truly; but it wasn't altogether an agreeable one, nor was it on the right side.

"I'll never leave a cent of my money to Marion Ponsonby nor any of her tribe," said Aunt Comfort, viciously, as the sharp rheumatic twinges shot through her ancient bones. "There's no need for people to make such fools of themselves."

And then it occurred to her what a very cap-and-bells sort of a position she had put herself into and she wept more piteously than ever.

"I'm so glad you chanced to come home tonight, dear," said Mrs. Ponsonby, "because it's very cold, and I was feeling a little uneasy about that poor old vagrant woman that Patrick has locked up in the corn crib. She might freeze to death!"

"Not very likely," said the squire. "But if you say so, I'll take the lantern and go and see."

And then it happened that Aunt Comfort was awakened from a sort of feverish slumber by the red gleam of a lantern across her face and Squire Ponsonby's good natured voice.

"I say, old lady," quoth he, "look sharp, for—"

But Mrs. Ponsonby rushed forward, with clasped hands.

"Why, it's Aunt Comfort Dikeman!" she shrieked; "my dear, dear Aunt Comfort!"

And then ensued explanations, apologies, reproaches, tears—and Aunt Comfort, resolved though she was to disinherit Marian, relented at last.

"Well, I don't know that you were very much to blame," she admitted; "but it was very disagreeable."

"Disagreeable!" echoed Mrs. Ponsonby. "Oh, dear, dear aunt, I don't know how you ever lived through it. But there's one thing—we'll discharge that stupid idiot, Patrick, tomorrow!"

And so it was poor Pat, upon whose luckless head the surprise came at last—sharp, sudden and disagreeable.

"For I only did as they told me, after all," said Pat.

Religious Orders in the Philippines.

Archbishop Dozal, at Manila, has given the world the first clear exposition of the status of the religious orders in the Philippine Islands. He declared that under the new state of things these orders must go, and hoped that the islands would neither remain Spanish nor become absolutely independent. The prompt intervention of a strong western power alone would save the islands from relapsing into barbarism. For the condition of affairs prior to the American occupation he laid the chief blame on the Dominicans, Augustinians and Franciscan Recoletans, the richest of the orders, and next on the Benedictines and Capuchins. In his opinion, the Jesuits were comparatively blameless. These orders were not only jealous of each other, but quarrelsome among themselves, and in the persons of their provincials engaged in unworthy acts that increased the disfavor in which they were held generally. Since the coming of the Americans the Spanish priests on the islands has been reduced fully one-half, and scarcely 500 remained.

Another Long-Felt Want.

"It's no use talkin'," said Mr. Corn-tassel as he knocked the ashes out of his pipe. "This government ain't run right." "What's the matter?" asked the neighbor. "There ain't enough people to do the work. They're tryin' to put too much on to the war department. When it was decided to have a war the war department applied for men an' got 'em; it went ahead an' licked the Spaniards an' wound the business up in a few months. War was easy. But if they want to open up an office that won't have anything but busy days an' all kinds of trouble, let 'em make arrangements for a peace department."—Cleveland Leader.

A Bright Outlook.

Lady—Where is your son today, Mrs. Murphy? I hope he isn't ill. Mrs. Murphy—Sure, Mike's to be married to-morrow, ma'am, an' he's gone to bed today whole Ol washes his trousers for him.—Ally Sloper.

Evacuation News.

Havana, Nov. 18.—As cabled, the date for the Spanish evacuation has been definitely settled at Jan. 1. All the Spanish troops then remaining in the island will be quartered under the protection of the United States in camps, especially designated, pending embarkation for Spain.

The stenographic report of Wednesday's joint session of the evacuation commissioners was signed by the Spanish, the Americans having previously attached their signatures.

Nothing was definitely settled at the joint session regarding the question of movable property and it now is understood the subject will be referred to the respective governments for consideration. The Spanish troops will carry their small arms, colors, field papers and the entire equipment of an army in the field.

The landing place at Mariano was yesterday turned over officially to Gen. Humphreys, who is the ranking chief quartermaster of the United States troops on the island. A depot for quartermaster stores will be erected there. Yesterday morning the pier and wharf was inspected by Gen. Greene, Gen. Humphreys and Col. Hecker, who expressed themselves as satisfied with the work.

In the course of the next fortnight work will be commenced under Col. Hecker's direction upon a railroad from Casa Bana, on the east side of Havana bay to Guanabacoa, thus facilitating the transportation of commissary supplies.

Next Saturday, the 26th, Col. Hecker and Capt. Crawford will go to Matanzas, pushing on later to Cardenas, Sagua la Grande and Cienfuegos. Col. Hecker goes in his capacity of chief of transportation to make arrangements with the various railroads.

Gen. Greene will personally lay out the camps on each side of the Vena waterworks, beginning work immediately upon the arrival of the first cargo of timber, which will be unloaded at Playa de Mariano. The building of a railroad from Havana bay to Guanabacoa indicates that the Marino landing place is to be only a temporary makeshift.

Manuel Sanguilly of the special commission from the Cuban assembly at Santa Cruz del Sur, who left for the United States, was followed by his colleague, who went by the Seguranc.

Gen. Calixto Garcia, at Capt. Gen. Blanco's suggestion, was taken by a tug from Playa de Mariano to the Ward liner. This was to prevent any demonstration as might have ensued had the Cuban special commissioners passed through Havana. Many went on board the Seguranc to say farewell and to wish the commissioners success at Washington. No Cuban flags, however, were displayed in the harbor and there was no disorder of any kind.

Gen. Garcia said that he and his associates on the commission were very sanguine as to the outcome of their expected interview with President McKinley.

To Confer With Dreyfus.

It is announced that M. Labori, counsel for Col. Picquart, who is now confined in the military prison of Cherche Midi, has received authorization to confer with his client. In legal circles at Paris the belief is expressed that the court of cassation will shortly order the return of Dreyfus to France from his prison on Devil's Island, off the coast of French Guiana, on the ground that it is impossible to carry on the examination of the prisoner by cable, in view of the cost of such a proceeding, as well as in view of the necessary delay.

Schooner Wrecked.

New York, Nov. 18.—A message from Arthur Sewell & Co. of Bath Me., was received by their agent here, saying that the four-masted schooner Tilofa, Capt. Fletcher, from Guantanamo, for Port Tampa, in ballast, had been totally wrecked on Cozume Island, off the east coast of Yucatan, and that Capt. Fletcher and several of the men had arrived at Progreso, two of the men having been drowned.

Miss Bayard Dead.

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 17.—Miss Annie Frances Bayard, whose death is reported at Algiers, is the second daughter of the late Thomas F. Bayard of this city. Miss Bayard, who was known as "Miss Fanny," had been absent from home for years, and has been living with her sister, Countess Lewinshaupt, in Paris. She went to Algiers for her health, accompanied by Philip Bayard, the youngest son of the late ambassador.

Took Spanish Guns.

Santiago de Cuba, Nov. 18.—Col. Ray, the American commander at Guantanamo, reports from that place that he heard that the United States government ship Glacier had landed a number of men at Port Cayo del Terro and taken possession of the finest pieces of bronze cannon there. It is added the men of the Glacier had accidentally blown up the arsenal. Immediately after hearing these reports Col. Ray went to Calmenra in order to investigate the matter. There he saw Capt. Norman and the officers of the ship, who positively denied knowing anything regarding the cannon. Col. Ray, however, said he had obtained his information from reliable sources, the British consul being his informant, whereupon Capt. Norman admitted taking the guns, and said he took them for the secretary of the navy. The captain refused to furnish any further information on the subject, and consequently it is not known whether he acted under orders of the secretary of the navy, or is merely making the secretary of the navy a private present. Three similar guns have been asked for by the navy department as ornaments for Annapolis, and the war office has granted the permission necessary. Capt. Chester of the Cincinnati will ship them north at the first opportunity.

Manila Matters.

Manila, Nov. 18.—In a fire at Ermita, Wednesday evening, during which the American soldiers worked splendidly, and saved the adjoining houses, three persons were burned to death.

The Spanish mail boat which recently arrived at Iloilo has been detained by the Spanish government, who intends to use her if hostilities are resumed.

The Rev. Mr. McKinnon, an American chaplain, contradicts the statements made by Aguinaldo regarding the insurgents' treatment of their prisoners. The chaplain and others have seen the insurgents ill treating prisoners, including women.

To Consider Estimates.

Chairman Cannon of the appropriations committee of the house has called a meeting of the sub-committee on deficiencies to meet Saturday, Nov. 26, at Washington, to consider the estimates for the maintenance of the extraordinary expenses of the army and navy during the period from Jan. 1, 1899, to July 1, 1899. It will be necessary to frame and enact an urgent deficiency bill to provide for these expenditures before the holiday recess, as the balance of the \$226,000,000 and the original \$50,000,000 appropriated to carry on the war are not available after Dec. 31.

Whatever remains of these appropriations must be covered back into the treasury on that date.

Will Suffer Little Loss.

A telegram was received at Washington by the comptroller of the currency from the receiver of the First National bank of Emporia, Kan., saying so far the investigation has developed irregularities in the reserve agent's accounts amounting to \$50,000, \$15,000 in cash amounts, and that the bank invested in doubtful enterprises controlled by President Cross approximately \$150,000. It is thought by officials in the comptroller's office that although the capital and surplus of the bank will be entirely wiped out, the bank depositors will suffer little if any loss.

Shortly Go.

Washington, Nov. 18.—The movement of United States troops to Havana will begin within ten days. The exact date of their arrival will be determined by the representatives of Maj. Gen. Greene, who commands a division of the seventh corps, and is now in Havana on business connected with garrisoning that province, and of Gen. Charles F. Humphrey and Col. Hecker of the quartermaster's division.

An attempt will be made to raise the Colon, the Maine and the Mercedes. A board has been appointed to investigate the sinking of the Maria Teresa.

Rushing Wheat.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 18.—The weather throughout the wheat belt is fine and farmers are rushing their wheat to railroad stations. The railroads have not succeeded in breaking the car famine, but sent 150 empty cars into the wheat belt yesterday. There is a big rush to Galveston for the Liverpool market. Very little old corn is going out. There is one crib of last year's corn in Jewell county one mile long.

Senator Bate of Tennessee was in Fort Worth, Tex., a few days ago.

Confectionery Fire.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 17.—Last night about 10 o'clock an alarm of fire was turned in from from box 41, corner of Main and Prairie avenues, for the two-story brick store of Booth Bros., confectioners, on that corner. The fire started on the second floor in the material room, which contained flavors, acids, extracts, sugars, etc. A. Young going up stairs discovered the flames, and in forty seconds after the alarm sounded the chemical engine was playing in the room and finally extinguished the flames without the use of water. The damage to the building will amount to \$300 or \$400 with full insurance. It is the property of J. J. Sweeney. Damage to stock is estimated from \$2000 to \$3000. Insurance on stock \$4000.

Kept a Secret.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 17.—While Miss Leona Hinkle of this city was visiting relatives in Monett, Mo., last summer, she met and was married to Arthur S. Greenwood of Tahlequah, I. T., the marriage ceremony being performed in Oswego, Kan. She returned to this city, the groom remaining at Monett, and they kept the marriage a secret, no one knowing of it except the young lady's mother until Monday, when the groom came here to claim his bride. They will reside at Tahlequah after Jan. 1.

Stray Bullet's Work.

Raymond Long, while hewing some timber near Roanoke, was felled to the ground by a severe and sharp pain striking him in the leg between the knee and ankle. After a few hours of suffering he hobbled to the house, it was found that a ball from a 22-target rifle had pierced his leg. It must have been a stray bullet from some hunter's gun, for he never saw any person or even heard the report of a gun.

Burial at Huntsville.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 17.—The body of J. A. Thomason was transferred through here for burial at Huntsville. It was brought down on a special train from Cleveland, in Liberty county, and taken to Huntsville. Mr. Thomason was shot and killed while in his field by some unknown person. He was a son of Dr. Thomason, and a brother-in-law of Hon. Thomas Ball, who, accompanied by a brother of the deceased, escorted the remains home. He had been living near Cleveland on his farm for some time.

Will Be Filed.

Waco, Tex., Nov. 17.—The will of Mrs. P. A. Nicholson was filed for probate. Mrs. Nicholson leaves her separate estate to her husband for his lifetime and directs that at his death it shall be turned over to the Methodist church for the use of the Texas Methodist Orphanage, which is located in this city. Mrs. Nicholson, during her lifetime, was a devout Methodist and very charitable. Her separate property consists mainly of real estate in Waco, worth about \$5000.

No Longer Exist.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 17.—With reference to the governor's proclamation concerning the reinstatement of the volunteer guard, which was practically annihilated by the war flurry, Capt. Worthy Boyd of the Sealy rifles said that he was done with the matter. There is no prospect of reorganizing this crack company, which has figured so conspicuously in the prize drills during the past decade.

Brakeman Shot.

Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 17.—A shooting affair occurred in the Southern Pacific yards yesterday afternoon, in which Will Blunt, a brakeman on the Sabine and East Texas railroad, received a wound in the left thigh. A. W. Scarborough, foreman of switch engine No. 605, is charged with doing the shooting.

Hall Case Verdict.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 17.—The jury in the case of H. L. Hall vs. unknown heirs of Joseph Reast found a verdict in some of the issues submitted by the court and disagreed as to others. They were discharged by the court yesterday. About 800 acres of land in Grayson county is involved in this suit.

In the Knights of Labor convention at Chicago the judiciary was denounced by the executive committee as "hirelings of labor oppressors," with a few honorable exceptions.

John B. Shaw is being tried for larceny at Cleburne, Tex.

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MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.

Cayman Kidel of troop C, United States cavalry, died at Huntsville, Ia.

Col. Casimer Andel of the fourth Illinois regiment has resigned. The regiment is at Savannah, Ga.

The site for the government hospital at Savannah, Ga., has been approved by Assistant Surgeon General Forward.

Troop A, I. N. G., of Chicago, under command of Capt. Lino, doing guard duty at the shaft of the Chicago-Virgin Coal company, left for their homes.

From letters received in Denver it is learned that Brig. Gen. Irving Hale of that city, now on duty at Manila, is ailing, and that he will be compelled to return home at once.

The Spanish transport Le Gaspi went ashore at Punta Boca Cavallanes, near Cienfuegos, province of Santa Clara, Cuba, and was totally wrecked. All her crew were saved.

Private Ed. McCarty and Corporal John Nixon of the third engineers, had a fight at Lexington, Ky. Nixon was badly beaten over the head with a bottle.

Owing to the ill-health of the New York volunteers now encamped at Honolulu that regiment will be sent home as soon as the method of its transportation can be decided upon.

Nearly \$3,500,000 will be spent in repairs to the navy from Jan. 1. The work is to be done by day labor.

Capt. Semmes W. Parish has been made captain of company A, fourth Texas volunteer infantry.

Col. H. J. Bliss of the subsistence department of the army, who has been to Cuba to locate camp sites, has returned. He brought back with him a report of the work done, and this report he took to Washington.

The lands embraced in the old Camp Grant abandoned military reservation at Phoenix, Ariz., will be offered at public sale on the reservation on January 18 next to the highest bidder at not less than the appraised value, the purchase money to be paid at the time of the sale.

Capt. Peyton Randolph, 25 years old, a descendant of John Randolph, died at Lexington, Ky., of typhoid fever. He was a graduate of the Virginia military institute, was made volunteer captain of immunes last spring, and assigned to company K, seventh immunes.

Capt. McCalla says it is useless to attempt to save the Maria Teresa. The captain who went to where she is with the Potomac and Vulcan, says he regrets, owing to the interest taken in her, to so decide, but he thinks it his duty.

Work upon the new torpedo-boat destroyer Bailey, which Charles L. Seabury & Co. of Morris Heights, are building for the government, is being rapidly pushed, so that the boat may be launched early in January.

The report of Charles P. Eagon, commissary of subsistence of the army, has been submitted to the secretary of war. It shows an expenditure of \$6,008,715, with a balance of \$20,222,689 to the credit of the bureau.

Twenty-four men were discharged from the machine shop of the Brooklyn navy yard. The foreman, Michael Nolan, said that the only reason for the discharge of the men was that there was no work for them to do.

Some figures regarding the receipts and expenditures of the island of Cuba have been sent to Washington by officers of the Cuban military commission. It is claimed that taxation can be very materially reduced on the island. A careful investigation was made.

Gen. Primo de Rivero, Marquez de Estrella, former captain general of the Philippines, and later captain general of Madrid, and who has been accused of wholesale robbery of the Philippine treasury, and of gross irregularities by the Caja de Reclutas (recruiting department), has prepared a lengthy report to the cortes to vindicate himself of the charges which have been entered against him.

T. Sidney Cooper, the Royal Academician, who began to exhibit in 1833, is still painting at the age of 95.

Mrs. David Jayne Hill, wife of the recently appointed assistant secretary of state, is said to be one of the best horsewomen in Washington.

Holman Hunt, the English painter, now 70 years old, has just received the tardy honor of an election to honorary membership in the Royal Society of British Artists.

Miss Ada Rehan has, in recognition of her services to histrionic art generally, and to the Memorial Theater, Stratford-on-Avon, in particular, been elected a life governor of the Shakespeare Memorial institution.

Calvin Fairbank, the abolitionist, who died in New York state a few days since, in a speech delivered in 1858 used the expression to "fight horse-bridle deep in blood." So the phrase did not originate with Governor Waite of Colorado.

The Rev. Dr. R. A. Price, editor of the Midland Methodist in Tennessee, has resigned from his conference because of its action in "vindicating" the agents of the church who paid over \$100,000 to a lobbyist to put through congress the Southern Methodist war claim.

Every year as the time of primroses comes around the duchess of York gives a fresh proof of her sympathy with suffering little ones by sending to the Hospital for Sick Children a large box of the fragrant yellow blossoms. The flowers are tied up in bunches, so that each child may have its share.

James R. Keene, whose fortune made in tobacco has so stirred the financial world, is said to be the most methodical man in New York. He has his whole day laid out to the minute long beforehand and can remember at once the opening and closing, highest and lowest quotation of even the most obscure stock for any day of a week previous.

Even nature itself nowadays is superseded by science with more or less success. Our simple forebears believed that grapes alone made wine, and that sugar was only produced from the cane. We know better; and, therefore, it is less surprising to us than it might formerly have been to learn that the silk worm may one day find its occupation gone. The silk worm, it seems, just dodderyly mixes mulberry leaf with a gummy substance, and then spins its thread. This takes the insect some time to accomplish; but a French inventor claims to have discovered that, by reducing mulberry leaves to pulp by machinery and adding a gummy substance, silk may be made in half the time, and of more brilliant luster than that produced by the silk worm. Will some inventor next turn his attention to the making of mutton without sheep?

It is the shadow on the dial that proves the sun is shining. So with our lives, affliction may show the presence of a Guiding Hand.

"What made Grumpy so mad when the phenologist said he had a great love for little children?" "Because the lump the professor was feeling was caused by a base ball with which a small boy accidentally struck Grumpy. He's been laying for the kid ever since."—Detroit Free Press.

ODDS AND ENDS OF FASHION.

Roman sash ribbons are employed very prettily for vests and also for sashes on tea gowns.

Neckties of tulle, chiffon and cream white net are a very fashionable addition to both dressy and plain cloth gowns. They are cut wide and long enough to pass twice around the neck and tie in a bow, with ends to the waist and are trimmed with a frill of lace, insertions and tucks between. It is a very becoming fashion, too, except for women with short necks.

Bonnets are not worn by women much under 60. Large hats, toques and the boat-shaped variety are the favorite styles, with here and there a poke for the few who can wear it. Feathers are put on to slant back from the face and fall a little over the hair. Miroir velvet has the preference for millinery and glace silk and satin are both used. Anything glossy is in style.

Collar bands are still a very distinctive point in the costume and many very somber gowns have a dash of bright color at the neck, which adds wonderfully to the effect. Folds of white satin with three folds of blue or red satin at the upper edge make an effective collar, as do folds of white satin with gold braid between. Little shaped pieces stand up at the side of the back with a frill of lace or chiffon. Bows at the back of the neck are not in evidence on any of the new gowns.

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Care of Wicks.

In these days of piano lamps and great ornamental lights of all kinds which stand around the parlors, the matter of lamp wick is not a small one; many of the wicks for the large banquet lamps cost 15 to 20 cents each, and are so difficult to fit into the lamp that the hand of a professional is required.

A very clever home-maker has this suggestion to offer with regard to renewing a wick:

"When a wick is needed," says she, "do not destroy the old one, but fasten it to the new wick, which can then be made to do longer service. Without removing the wick, sew the old one to the new with close, firm stitches, and turn up as required. The two wicks will be found to have formed themselves into one."

Bachelor's Reflections.

Love with women is like poker with a man—he does the most of his winning while he is learning.

Women know more about love than they do about loving; men know more about loving than they do about love.

Married men are rare whose pride is so strong that they can't bear to think they might have been refused when they proposed.

Every woman you meet has either a missionary scheme that she is interested in or else a kitten that she wants you to take care of.

There is no surer way for a man to make a girl think she has got to have another man than for him to make her think he thinks he has got to have her.

The pumpkin pie is the ordinary debutante of this month. The mince pie will follow after it in December.

We think we are "picked at" more than we deserve.

The same old grind seems to get harder each year.

Few lovers let ordinary difficulties discourage them.

Cold hands and a warm heart often go together.

Happy Mother.

The other day a distracted mother brought her daughter to see a physician. The girl was suffering from "general lowness." The doctor prescribed for her a glass of claret three times a day with her meals. The mother was somewhat deaf, but apparently heard all he said, and bore off her daughter. In ten days' time they were back again, and the girl was rosy cheeked, smiling and the picture of health. The doctor congratulated himself upon the keen insight he had displayed in his diagnosis of the case. "I am glad to see that your daughter is so much better," he said. "Yes," exclaimed the grateful mother; thanks to you, doctor. She has had just what you ordered. She has eaten carrots three times a day since we were here, and sometimes oftener—and once or twice uncooked—and now look at her!"

Each Gave Up.

"Why is it?" he asked, in this scornful, masculine way, "that a woman will wear a poker chip with a few feathers in it and call it a hat?"

"Why is it," she replied, "that a man will wear a section of pipe, painted black and polished, its length being from one and a half to two times its diameter, and think he has added to his appearance as a man?"

After mature reflection each gave up the other's question.

Just as Blunt.

Flint—I am a plain, blunt man, Miss Brisk, and I have no time for soft sentimentalities. Will you be my wife? Miss Brisk—I am not half so plain as you are, Mr. Flint, but just as blunt—No!

Stroke of Economy.

It was George Elliot who, in describing her mother, said that her capacity for economy amounted to positive genius. She would save where other women spent; and without using up time or strength.

Some trust their hearts quicker than their pocket-books.

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