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Sanco Dets.

Mr. Editor:

As the wires are down and cars are blockaded by snow drift, and business almost suspended; there is little chance to be informed of all that should be going on in a good community (like Sanco). School is progressing nicely.

Mrs. L. F. Scarborough is recovering slowly from a case of sickness.

Jim Barron was hurt seriously, by his horse falling, a few days since, we learn he is recovering from the injuries received.

I. E. Durham also got a fall from the same horse, but no injury received in falling.

The late snow reduced the number of chickens and pigs considerably.

We learn, in Nolan County, of some cattle freezing; a few wagons and teams run in to drifts of snow that had to be dug out.

Such snow drift is not common to this section, nor such weather for the time of the year. A few more like this one will insure better crop next year. Let em come.

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Baptist Sunday School and Colportage Work.

TO THE MILLS CO., PECAN VALLEY, CONCHO AND CONCHO VALLEY ASSOCIATIONS:

Brethren, I want your attention. Most of you know that I am your Sunday School and Colportage Missionary. I have some things to say to you.

I earnestly desire and seek the hearty co-operation and support of every pastor, every Church, every Sunday School, every child of God and all the people in this territory.

Brethren, hear me. THIS IS YOUR WORK. Without your co-operation, I can accomplish but little on this field.

Instead of toiling away, in this work by myself, I want one thousand men and women at work with me. There is a mighty work to be accomplished and by all going to work, we can do it.

Brother, Sister, pause and think. In view of the judgment bar of God and our Saviour's dying love, will you not be one of those workers?

Let us start the fire to burning every where. Let the pastors help the Missionaries and let them help each other. Let us hold a number of Mission rallies and Sunday School Institutes.

Let the pastors every where preach on Missions.

In some instances it might be a good idea to get a fellow pastor to preach a sermon or series of sermons on Missions for you.

Let us preach Missions, think Missions and talk Missions until we get ourselves and every body else thoroughly aroused upon the subject. Let us not stop here but let us give of our means and have every body else give to missions.

Let us all wake up to the fact that we can do ten fold, yes I might say, one hundred fold more than we are doing.

In addition to our other work we want to take part in this mighty campaign for Christian education. This will do us good and need not detract from our other work.

Let our motto all along the line be better missionaries, better pastors, better Churches, better Sunday Schools, better Associations and better and more efficient workers.

The pastors and brethren can aid me in my immediate work by organizing Sunday Schools in their own Churches and help their fellow pastor organize one in his Church. Also see that there is a Sunday School carried on in the school houses near you. Again dear brother take collections for our Sunday School work.

Let every body give to our S. S. and Colportage work as they do to State Missions.

H. Q. KENDALL, Sunday School Missionary.

Divide Doings.

Every body appreciated the change in the weather, the first of the week.

Quite a number of our people will take in San Angelo during the week, to buy in Christmas supplies.

Sheriff Murray spent a couple of days in our midst in order to give people an opportunity to pay their taxes. Total receipts of the two days, \$0.00.

Rev. S. J. Drake, formerly of Sherwood circuit, is our new Methodist preacher. He preached an excellent sermon the fourth Sunday in last month. His first appointment at Salt Creek will be next Sunday (Christmas) at eleven o'clock a. m. All are invited.

Mr. D. S. Cunningham, most of whose time has been occupied since early in the fall, drilling on his ranch for water, has finally succeeded in procuring an abundant supply.

Mr. J. W. Ashurst is fencing a large pasture for his sheep. He will put up ten miles of web wire which will cost about \$2000. By this means he hopes to prevent the coyotes and be able to dispense with his herder.

It is generally understood that our people will be afforded the rare opportunity of witnessing a case of capital on debate at the Church Christmas eve.

One of our popular bachelors, having become tired of cooking for himself, desires to be hanged on the Christmas tree. Some of the young ladies have agreed to cut him down, provided they can dispose of the corpse. If the execution proves a success, others of the like may follow.

A Merry Christmas to All.

Jones.

Every body is invited to come to Mrs. Ingram's Saturday, to see the display of Christmas presents.

How To Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is enfeebled, you have a billious look; if your stomach is disordered, you get a 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. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at E. M. Mobley's Drug Store, 50 cents per bottle.

J. J. Good and family are going to spend Christmas, with relatives in the Bronte country.

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PASTURE AND FARN.

Phil Gwin has 140 coming yearlings in San Angelo on feed, which he bought in Coke county.

I. D. Boyd of Crows Nest, Tom Green county, sold three hogs weighing 1639 pounds to Paul Briesch, a butcher, at 3 cents.

Col. D. P. Day recently moved 1000 head of stock cattle from his Ballinger ranch to his new ranch in Crockett county.

During the past thirty days one firm alone purchased in the Territory nearly 10,000 head of Territory cattle to be fed on pasture near Chickasha, I. T.

Ablene is now coming to the front as a feeding point. The pens of the oil mill there, recently completed are rapidly filling up with feeding cattle.

The recent snow and blizzard drove many cotton pickers back to the cities and towns and very much cotton will be left to be plowed under the ground next spring.

M. Z. Smissen of Fort Worth has bought from G. W. Whitehead & Sons, 400 three and four-year-old steers. The steers are to be delivered in January and will be placed on feed at Gainesville.

Up to Nov. 1, 489,567 head of live food cattle were imported into Great Britain against 525,167 in the corresponding period in 1897. This decrease in the receipts of live stock was about made up by increased imports of dressed beef.

Borden & Borden shipped 550 head of cattle to Cuba on the Miami from Galveston. Some of the cattle are from Texas and some are from Mexico. The latter came through from the border in bond.

A. J. Parker of Elmo exhibited a rock one inch long and one and one-half inches wide that had been taken from an abscess on the jaw of a horse. The owner says the rock was in the animal's jaw at least three years, as he has owned him that long.

Mr. Frank Cooley planted peanuts this year and from about one acre he reports having made more money than from several acres of cotton and with much less work. He found ready sale for the nuts. Mr. Cooley lives near Boerne.

J. D. Jackson of Alpine has sold to J. P. French and W. T. Pratt of Temple 400 feeding steers, coming 3s and 4s, at \$2.75 per hundred, weighed up at McGregor, where the buyers will put them on full hull and meal feed.

Col. Parker Earle has set out twenty acres near Eddy, N. M., of as fine asparagus plants as have ever been seen in the Pecos valley. The plants were shipped to the colonel from southern Illinois, and he expects a great yield.

Denver papers say that interest in the range cattle exhibition to be held in that city in January increases as the time approaches and that a number of entries have already been made. It looks as though there would be a large attendance.

Considerable wheat was sown in the Kemp community in the Chi-kasaw nation after the rains came, and it has had enough warm weather to bring it out and give it a start to grow, and with favorable weather it ought to do well.

Shipping hickory nuts from Texas is a new business. A Tyler firm shipped a carload a few days ago and arrangements have been made to ship two more, and to secure a market next season for all the hickory nuts produced in Texas.

The success attained at Barstow in growing to perfection and marketing at good price a high grade of table grape, equal in every respect to California grapes, has led to quite a sentiment in favor of grape growing, which will doubtless be quite a leading industry.

The sixth annual meeting of the Territorial Agricultural, Horticultural and Irrigation society will be held at Kingfisher, Ok., Jan. 3, and continuing in session three days. Interesting papers from prominent men of Oklahoma and elsewhere have been announced.

Farmers around Velasco are very enthusiastic over the prospects they have of getting rid of their vegetables this season for a cash consideration without the risks of shipment themselves. Nearly every farmer will plant largely.

SAVANNAH SINCERELY SALUTES

The Chief Magistrate of the Nation and His Party and Renders Their Visit a Delightful One.

President at Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 19.—The reception of President McKinley and the members of his cabinet by the people of Savannah Saturday more than equaled in hospitality and completeness of arrangement any previous experiences which have marked the presidential trip in the south. The enthusiasm of the citizens and the 15,000 persons who it is estimated came to the city from the surrounding country to greet the president, was fully equal to the demonstrations which have distinguished the trip in other cities.

At the banquet Saturday night in the DeSoto hotel, where the presidential party stopped, President McKinley, amid frequent applause, addressed over 200 persons.

The president's party arrived early in the day. In twenty-seven carriages, drawn by white horses, the party was driven through the streets, black with cheering thousands, to the city parade grounds, where a stand had been erected. Ten thousand troops were drawn up opposite where the president and the members of the cabinet stood. On the outskirts of the parade grounds, held back by sentries, about 10,000 sight-seers pressed forward to get a glimpse of the visitors. Mrs. McKinley remained in a carriage, near the reviewing stand. In the shadow of a towering monument to the Confederate dead lay the left wing of the long line of troops. Maj. Gen. Keifer in command, gave the signal for the march past to commence. A sheet of steel flashed out against the background of trees as the bayonets of the men rose to their shoulders, and the line began to form.

After passing the president, beside whom stood Maj. Gens. Wheeler, Shafter and Lawton, each colonel came on the stand and witnessed the march past of his own regiment. The sight was grand.

Brig. Gen. Wheaton, commanding the first division of the seventh army corps, followed Gen. Keifer. Behind him came the following infantry regiments: Second South Carolina, ninth Illinois, fourth Illinois, third Georgia, third Nebraska, first Texas, forty-ninth Iowa and sixth Missouri.

Then with their coats on, the red flaps turned back, came the second artillery, regulars, the first Maine battery of heavy artillery and light batteries F of the second, C and F of the third, D of the fourth and D of the fifth regular artillery. Every regiment was headed by its band. The men marched in splendid alignment, and looked in excellent condition. The president stood bareheaded, acknowledging salutes, while the crowd cheered as the commands marched by.

In a little over an hour the troops had completed the review and the presidential party drove off to the river front. The streets were lined with people, who cheered incessantly.

At 2 o'clock the president boarded the steam pilot boat J. H. Estill and proceeded down the Savannah river for about ten miles. Salutes were fired from the wharves, every ship was gaily strung with bunting and their crews yelled lustily as the Estill sped by. Whistles screeched, flags dipped, and until the outskirts of the city was reached the river bank was dotted with groups, who enthusiastically sent cheer after cheer over the water for President McKinley. The object of all this enthusiasm stood on the starboard side of the pilot boat, waving his hat and handkerchief to those on the shore and on other vessels.

Went to Church.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 19.—President McKinley spent Sunday forenoon quietly and attended services at the Wesley Monumental church, Rev. Dr. John A. Thompson conducting the services. In the afternoon they reviewed the different regiments, visiting the first Texas just at retreat, driving up the regimental headquarters street, turning into company C, Emmett rifles, street to the rear of the regiment, returning through company M, Fannin guards street and out upon their journey.

Gen. Lee on arriving at Havana said it was his duty to preserve life and property, and that he proposed to do so with equal justice to Cubans, Spaniards and in fact people of all nationalities.

SOUTHERN NEWS.

Len McMan, while fooling with a gun near Leesburg, Ala., shot his wife.

On the third trial, Henry Giles was acquitted of the murder of Joe Gatcliffe, at Richmond, Ky.

S. F. Harber, recently buried at Richmond, Ky., was the fourth husband his widow had buried.

A passenger train on the Southern railway turned over near Greensboro, Ala. Several persons were injured, but none killed.

The Illinois Central railway is seeking to secure five miles of river front at New Orleans, in consideration of building a monster levee.

A moonshiner's distillery was raided near Tompkinsville, Ky., and a mash pot containing over 600 gallons of brew destroyed.

Burglars entered Williams' store at Caulksville and Connor's store at Chinnville, Logan county, Arkansas, blew open the safes and got about \$800. The towns are ten miles apart, and the burglaries happened the same night.

Col. W. L. Schley, a cousin of Admiral Schley and a Mexican war veteran, died at Baltimore. He was the founder of the Order of the Red Men.

Mrs. Ruby Beryl Kyle, an authoress, died at Birmingham, Ala. She was a Unitarian, and requested that a Hebrew minister officiate at her funeral, which was done.

Rev. B. F. Bedinger, late superintendent of Presbyterian home missions in Alabama, has been appointed superintendent of the Palmer orphanage, at Columbus.

The body of E. L. Berry, who escaped from the Mississippi insane asylum, was found in Pearl river, near Jackson.

The late Mrs. Sarah Withers left a legacy of \$30,000 for a public library at Nicholasville, Ky., to be under the supervision of the Presbyterian church.

The secretary of war has approved the application of the New York Monument association for the location of an \$80,000 peace monument in Lookout park, on the point of Lookout mountain.

At Clarksburg, W. Va., Miss Hattie Goff, sister of Judge Nathan Goff of the United States circuit court, was married to George T. Porter, son of the late Gov. Porter of Indiana.

Henry Walker, a wealthy citizen of Norfolk, Va., was found dead in Brooklyn, with two bullet wounds in his temple and a revolver with two cartridges exploded clutched firmly in his right hand.

Jesse Edwards of Lacey Springs, Ala., was found frozen to death near his father's home. He had been hunting, and was probably lost.

Pleas Coin killed Hunt Kesterson and mortally wounded Fred Berk in Lee county, Virginia. Coin had had trouble with his victims and notified them he would kill them on sight.

A maniac with a rifle held up a train near Gadsden, Ala., and ran the passengers out of the coaches. The train finally went on, and the lunatic was put in jail at Gadsden.

Just across the Kentucky line, near Finca, Tenn., Jno. Morgan and Jas. Savage, two farmers, fought with knives. The trouble was about a fence. Morgan lived an hour and Savage died next morning.

Fire destroyed the coal tippie and haulage system at the Sumter coal mines, twenty miles below Birmingham, Ala., temporarily throwing several hundred people out of employment. The mines have an output of thirty cars per day.

Harry Fitzhugh Thornton, aged 75 years, a veteran of the Mexican war and a lineal descendant of Matthew Thornton, one of the three signers of the declaration of independence from New Hampshire, died at Lexington, Ky.

George Narreto, who died near Hammond, La., was an extensive planter. He was the father of fifteen children, four of them dead. He had forty-seven grandchildren, sixty-nine great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. His living descendants, therefore, number 132.

At Tuskegee.

Tuskegee, Ala., Dec. 17.—The special train bearing the Alabama legislature reached Tuskegee at 6:30 a. m. yesterday, and was soon followed by the regular and special trains from Montgomery and Atlanta. The procession formed at the Tuskegee depot and marched through the city on the way to the normal school.

In the carriage with the president were Gov. Johnston of Alabama, Col. Foster of Tuskegee and Booker T. Washington. In the other carriages were Mrs. McKinley and other ladies of the president's party, members of the cabinet and Gens. Wheeler, Shafter and Lawton.

The president and party first reviewed more than 600 boys and 300 girls of the normal school, and 200 children of the training school.

President McKinley showed much interest and pleasure as with uncovered head he reviewed the procession. After the procession of students came some fifty floats, representing all departments of the school work. Many of these were conspicuous by way of contrast, one representing the old way of doing things, the other the new way. These floats drew forth tremendous applause.

After this procession all present followed the president to the beautiful new chapel. Only about 3000 people gained admittance. Singing by the students of plantation melodies, the most quaint and beautiful of the black belt section, was a special feature, and was greatly enjoyed by the president and the entire audience.

Booker T. Washington introduced Gov. Johnston, who in turn introduced President McKinley. The president and Gen. Wheeler were listened to with special attention.

The president spoke of the work being done by the Tuskegee institute, and wished it success. In part he said:

"Nowhere, I think, could a more delightful location have been chosen for this unique educational experiment, which has attracted the attention and won the support even of conservative philanthropists in all sections of the country.

"To speak of Tuskegee without paying special tribute to Booker T. Washington's genius and perseverance would be impossible. The inception of this noble enterprise was his, and he deserves high credit for it. His was the enthusiasm and enterprise which made its steady progress possible, and established in the institution its present high standard of accomplishment. He has won a worthy reputation, as one of the great leaders of his race, widely known and much respected at home and abroad as an accomplished educator, a great orator and a true philanthropist."

Montgomery's Welcome.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 17.—The president and his party were given a magnificent welcome in the Confederacy's first capitol yesterday.

Mayor Clisby introduced the president with a well worded speech at the station. The whole party was then taken in carriages through the leading business and residence streets to the old Confederate capitol. The entire route was ablaze with the national colors, while the tremendous crowds lined the streets as far as the eye could reach. No such gathering has been seen here since Mr. Cleveland's visit during his first term.

Capitol hill was one mass of humanity when the lines of carriages, escorted by the local military companies reached there at 3 o'clock.

When Gov. Johnston escorted President McKinley into the hall there was a tremendous demonstration.

Gov. Johnston made a brief speech in which he took occasion to say that Alabama had nothing to take back for what she did in 1861, but that she was back in the Union to stay and that she welcomed the president of the reunited country to the historic spot around the assemblage.

The president made a speech which was loudly applauded. He spoke in complimentary terms of Alabama and eulogized Wheeler and Hobson. A reception was held at the governor's office which was attended by hundreds of people. Hobson's mother heard the president speak.

Wants Confederates Admitted.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative Rixey of Virginia yesterday introduced a bill for the admission of Confederate as well as Union soldiers to all soldiers' homes and like institutions maintained by the government. Although somewhat in line with the president's suggestion in his speech at Atlanta, this referred to government care of Confederate cemeteries, whereas, the Rixey bill refers to living ex-Confederates who are "maimed, crippled or needy."

Rocked Embassy.

The British embassy at Washington was subjected for several minutes to a vicious bombardment with brickbats by Joseph W. Pearson, a Washington printer. One of Sir Julian Pauncefote's daughters was struck on the foot and slightly hurt by the first missile thrown by Pearson. Several windows, the glass in the storm doors and the great plate glass doors of the embassy, which were magnificently cut in a design of the British coat of arms, were smashed and ruined. Sir Julian requested that Pearson be held until Secretary of State Hay was informed of the incident.

Sir Julian and his daughters were sitting in the drawing-room when there was a crash and the rattling of falling glass. Miss Pauncefote leaped to her feet with an exclamation of pain. Half a brick lay near Miss Pauncefote's foot, which had been struck and cut. In a few minutes the police were on their way to the embassy. Meanwhile Pearson took a position under the post-cochere and began to bombard the storm doors, soon smashing the glass out of them. Behind these were the main doors of the embassy, great sheets of plate glass, into which the arms of the embassy were cut. These glasses were imported, and were valued at \$300 each. Pearson deliberately stood in the port-cochere and threw his remaining missiles at these fine glasses, breaking one after the other. A policeman reached the embassy and arrested Pearson. He refused to reply to questions. He is 26 years old, and has been working for the electric street railways recently. It is thought he is insane.

For Philippines.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The first evidence that the United States regards the Philippines as a permanent possession was furnished in an order issued yesterday by Adj. Gen. Corbin to officers of troops destined for those islands, notifying them that their commands will be absent at least two or three years. This step has the approval of the president, and the order goes out under the sanction of Gen. Miles.

The troops designated by these orders are the third, fourth, twelfth, seventeenth, twentieth, and twenty-second regiments of the regular United States infantry. The location of these troops are: Thirteenth, Fort Sheridan; twelfth, Jefferson barracks; seventeenth, Columbus barracks; twentieth, Fort Leavenworth; twenty-second, Fort Crook. It is the present understanding that the twentieth will go by way of San Francisco on the arrival of the Scandia from Honolulu, and three of the regiments at least will go by way of the Suez canal.

The regulars mentioned are in a sense going as colonizers and with special transportation facilities. Officers and non-commissioned staff officers will be allowed to take their families with them on the transports, and will get half rates for meals. Sick men and married men who do not desire to enlist will be permitted to be transferred to other regiments. Mounted officers will be allowed to take their horses. The men will be required to take with them personally only the regulation amount of baggage for a transfer from one station to another.

The policy as to these six regiments will be pursued in all the other regiments which will be needed in the Philippines to fill the places of the volunteer regiments, which are gradually to be withdrawn.

Car Famine.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 17.—The car famine has become so serious that the entire grain trade of St. Louis is crippled and exporters find it almost impossible to obtain cars to carry their grain to the seaboard. It would take more than 1000 cars to fill the orders which have been received. Every railroad running into the city suffers from the shortage of equipment. There are thousands of bushels of grain in St. Louis elevators which were sold for shipment several months ago, but can not be shipped because the railroads are not able to furnish cars.

The American peace commission has started home, leaving Paris the 16th.

In the Goddard-McCoy fight at Philadelphia the latter got the decision.

Bryan and Bailey conferred at Washington.

Agoncillo has lodged a protest with the American peace commissioners on behalf of Aguinaldo.



Tommy O'Dowd's Christmas.



HE shadows of Christmas eve were falling over the city as George Thomas, a New York city mechanic, stepped down on the sidewalk in Park place on his way homeward. His earning capacity was \$18 per week, but because of the prevailing hard times his income had been reduced to \$12. This sum, with some little change, comprised his cash capital. As he buttoned his coat about his neck he reflected ruefully that this was a very small sum with which to meet his expenses and to buy Christmas presents. The wind blew briskly down Park place as he walked toward Broadway, thinking of the coming rent day, the empty coal bin, and the new dress he had promised his wife. His thoughts were saddened as he remembered that his little boy would have been nearly five years old had he lived until Christmas. There was a sense of constriction in his throat as he thought of last year's Christmas tree, bright with spangles, irradiated with light and whitened with popcorn balls. Then against the walls of memory stood out clear and distinct the figure of his little boy standing in his white nightgown in the gay dawn of Christmas day, with flushed cheeks and eyes dancing with delight, looking at the marvelous Christmas tree.

On Park row, near the corner of Chambers street, there was a toy store of most wonderful variety. As Thomas came down the street, his mind intent on his own misery, his gaze fell upon one of the most pathetic figures he had ever seen. Before the window of the toy store stood a little boy, whose nose was flattened against the pane. His body shivered with the cold, but his soul was aflame with desire, which was expressed in his hungry



"SAY, MISTER, LIF' ME UP." eyes, Thomas estimated his age at 5 years. He wore an old coat, which had evidently been made for a boy twice his age. Pins usurped the place of buttons on the garment. His feet were thrust into a pair of yellow gaiters, assiduous wear affording excellent but cruel ventilation. His trousers, held up by pieces of string, were frayed and windowed in a manner suggestive of the fact that the boy had been dandled upon poverty's knee. Thomas took in all these details as he stopped beside the boy and watched him. The in-

durated expression in the little face, the pinched nostrils, the blue circles under the eyes, and the wolfish look on the wan features faded away as the child turned to Thomas and said:

"Say, mister, lif' me up so I kin see de candy cigarettes!"

Thomas lifted the boy in his strong arms so that his range of vision included all the Tantalus delights of the bazaar.

"I wisht me mudder was goin' t' hav' a Krismus tree, but she says she can't have none dis year, 'cause she ain't got no dust. She scrubs in de Morse buildin' en gets \$4 a week. Say, dat's a lot o' money, ain't it? Hully gee! Look at de dinky little tin sojer! Ain't he a corker! Mister, is your little boy goin' to hav' a Krismus tree?"

"I'm afraid not this year sonny," Thomas replied. "My little boy is in Heaven."

"Where's dat? Across de river?" "Yes, it is across the river," replied Thomas, gravely, putting the little fellow down upon the sidewalk. "What is your name?" he continued.

"Tommy O'Dowd," replied the boy, "and I live in Middle alley."

"Well, Tommy," said Thomas, "you go with me to the telegraph office and then I'll go home with you."

And so, hand in hand, the strangely assorted pair went to the telegraph office and Thomas sent this dispatch to his wife in Harlem:

"Dear Mollie: Detained down town by important business. Will be home at 11 o'clock."

"Do you know the way home?" asked Thomas as they came out of the telegraph office on Park Row again.

"Yes," said Tommy, scornfully. "I know all de streets. Ye goes down New Chambers street till ye comes to Roosevelt, den ye goes down Roosevelt till ye gets to Cherry en den ye are in Middle alley."

They followed this itinerary, Tommy running ahead to point out the way. They entered the alley between two enormous brick tenements, through a big iron gate, and after a wearisome climb up crooked stairways arrived at the O'Dowd residence. Tommy went into the room, and as Thomas lingered on the threshold he heard a strident voice say:

"So that's you, you little scunt! Sure you had the heart o' me ar bruk I was that freckened! Ah, good evenin' to ye, sir," as Thomas stepped inside. "Come in, sir. It's little we have, but ye're welkim as if 'twice a palace, sir. Tommy, ye amodoun, you, get the gintleman a chair."

"I hope you will excuse me, Mrs. O'Dowd," said Thomas, "but I saw your little boy looking in a toy store window and thinking he might be lost I came home with him."

"Now, ain't that kind o' you, sir," exclaimed Mrs. O'Dowd. "Sure it's not many would do the same, so there."

"But ye needn't be freckened about that little blaggard. Faith, he'd find his way from Harlem to the Battery, so he would."

In such genial converse the time passed, while Tommy and his mother supped on mackerel and potatoes. And when Tommy had been tucked away for the night in his mother's bed under the mantle, on which stood a plaster cast of the Virgin, with hands outspread in benediction, Thomas had a whispered talk with Mrs. O'Dowd, interrupted at frequent intervals by such exclamations as, "Oh, dear, may your shadow never grow less!" "May your wife never attend your funeral," etc.

At 9 o'clock Thomas was walking up Roosevelt street with eager footsteps. He stopped at a grocery store and made

a purchase, then hurried up into Park Row again. The toy store man was putting up his shutters, but Thomas prevailed on him to go inside, and at 10 o'clock he was back in Middle alley again. Tears of delight filled Mrs. O'Dowd's eyes as she met him at the entrance to the alley and led him up the labyrinthine staircase. There was more mysterious whispering. Then Mrs. O'Dowd flew downstairs again to get a bundle of kindling wood. It was well that Tommy was a sound sleeper, as the fleeting forms of shadowy figures and the rustle of papers would have disturbed him.

It was 11:30 when Thomas arrived at home and greeted his anxious wife. When they retired Thomas said:

"Molly, set the alarm for 4 o'clock tomorrow, and get your wraps ready, for I intend to take you along to help play a joke on Tommy O'Dowd."

She pled him with questions, he gave her evasive replies. At 5 o'clock Thomas and his wife arrived at Middle alley.

"Is he awake?" he asked anxiously of Mrs. O'Dowd, who met them at the door.

"No; the saints be praised, he's sleepin' like the dead. Come here at the dure and watch."

The door had been thrown wide open, but Mrs. O'Dowd had hung her Sunday shawl over the opening. Behind the folds of this garment the three persons watched and waited. The blinds had been carefully closed, so that not a ray of sunlight came into the room. Three kerosene lamps were blazing with light to their utmost capacity. It was painfully still in the room, and by listening intently Thomas thought he could hear the gentle breathing of the little boy. As the minutes ticked slowly away the suspense was almost unbearable. A movement in the bed caught the ears of the listeners. Then the bed clothes were thrown aside and the little fellow sat upright, apparently paralyzed with amazement. Upon a little table between the windows stood a Christmas tree two feet tall stuck into the middle of a bundle of wood. The light was reflected from a hundred pieces of red paper tied to the scrawny boughs, a dozen red and white popcorn balls hung like apples on the limbs. Little candles twinkled through the scant foliage, while barber-pole candy, a tin soldier and a jumping jack were prominently displayed. It was an Aladdin-like scene. And before this radiant vision, like a saint before a shrine, with hands clasped in adoring admiration, stood little Tommy, while his mother was weeping tears of joy with her face hidden in the shawl.

Thomas and his wife stole quietly out and left them.

"George, stop," said Mrs. Thomas

when they reached the corner of Roosevelt and Cherry streets. Uplifting her face, which was convulsively working with tender emotion, she said:

"What did it cost to play that little joke on Tommy?"

"Just 71 cents, sweetheart," he replied.

They walked on for another block. But Mrs. Thomas was bubbling over with excitement, and she stopped her husband again and exclaimed:

"But you haven't any Christmas present yourself."

"Nonsense, Molly, haven't—"

He was interrupted by two soft arms around his neck and a kiss. Then Molly began to cry. But George quickly soothed her, and as they sat in the elevated car flying toward Harlem he said:

"Molly, I thought I was a very much abused man last night, but I've changed my mind. I think I could walk from the Battery to Harlem on soap bubbles and never burst a bubble today."

Green-Eyed Envy.

Pink-Eye Prendergast—It's a wonder yer wouldn't git yer hair cut, instid o' tyin' it in knots like sum ole woman. Coral-Toed Clements—Go on; wotter yer givin' us? Ain't dat hair good any time fer a sittin' down job in a hair restorer's winder? Ain't de hard-up football player a good snap ter work soon? Ain't it de easies' matter ter untie dat knot an' immedgiety turn inter a sufferer from de Klondike? Go on, yer duffer; yer only jealous.

Atlanta's Jubilee.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 16.—The second day of the Atlanta peace jubilee opened auspiciously. As on Wednesday, the crowds were enormous, excursion trains arriving at short intervals from all directions.

Breakfast was served to the president and the members of his party in the private dining room of the Kimball house at 9 o'clock, after which the cabinet members devoted an hour to their mail. The president spent the morning in his room. The ovation given President Cleveland at the capitol Wednesday by the members of the legislature was the greatest reception ever given an American citizen in Atlanta, and his speech having relation to the care of the Confederate dead has fired the hearts of southerners with an admiration for the chief executive.

Gen. Joe Wheeler is cheered at every step, and Gens. Lawton, Young, Oates and other army officers are heartily received at each appearance. The feature of yesterday was the civic and military parade which passed through the streets during the afternoon, starting from the corner of Garnett and Whitehall streets at noon. The procession proceeded to Exposition park over Alabama, Broad, Marietta and Peachtree streets. The parade consisted of ten divisions, under command of Grand Marshal A. J. West. Six thousand infantry, 10,000 school children, 400 carriages, containing 1600 people, 1000 members of secret organizations, 500 Confederate veterans under command of Gen. Joe Wheeler, 1600 laboring men, 100 officers and marshals, twelve bands, 100 Grand Army men, a squad of policemen, 200 mounted police, members of the Young Men's Christian association and ministers of the Evangelical association, 200 members of the Capital City club and Fulton club, the Atlanta fire department and representatives of 500 civic organizations from all parts of the south took part in the parade.

The president and other distinguished guests in carriages were at the head of the pageant. They were escorted by the third New Jersey and fifteenth Pennsylvania, which came from their winter camp at Athens for the occasion. The president was compelled to bow almost continuously to the cheers which assailed his ears from the crowded sidewalks and the windows of the buildings along the line of march. A roar of welcome denoted the position of Gen. Joe Wheeler and his band of cavalymen who followed him through the civil war, and the wizened leader was at times compelled to force his horse through throngs of would-be worshippers who blocked his path.

Arriving at Ponce de Leon avenue, the president and party reviewed the parade. Among those on the stand with the executive were: Mrs. McKinley, Maj. Gen. Shafter, Hon. George R. Peck, Hon. Lyman J. Gage, Hon. Charles Emory Smith, Hon. Charles F. Warwick, Secretary of the Navy Long, Lieut. Hobson, Hon. John Addison Porter, Gov. Allen D. Chandler, Mayor Collier, Col. William A. Hemphill and ex-Gov. W. Y. Atkinson.

After the parade had passed the reviewing stand, the president and the other guests of the city were driven to Piedmont park, where they were the guests of the Piedmont Driving club at an elaborate luncheon.

The clubroom reception ended, the president was driven to the agricultural building of the exposition, known as the auditorium. Seven thousand persons rose from their seats as the chief executive entered. The band played "The Star-Spangled Banner," amid considerable applause, but when the strains of "Dixie" filled the building the crowd went wild.

President McKinley stood up and waved his hat above his head. Mr. Hemphill, president of the jubilee committee, made a lengthy speech.

He was followed by Gov. Candler in an address of welcome. As the president stepped forward the large audience applauded heartily. The speech was punctuated by constant cheers.

A carriage containing Gens. Shafter and Lawton collided with another vehicle at Academy, Ga., and both were thrown out, but not injured.

Against Standing Army.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 16.—At its annual convention the American Federation of Labor declared by an almost unanimous vote against a standing army in the United States, which is in reality recognized as a protest against expansion of the spirit of imperialism as it was termed by the delegates.

The issue came to the hands of the convention through a resolution which grew out of suggestions in President Compton's annual report.

from the Orient.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 16.—The steamer Empress of India, which has arrived here from Hongkong and Yokohama, brings the following advices: An agreement has been concluded between the Japanese and Chinese governments for the lease of an anchorage for Japanese vessels at Foo Chow to the extent of 20,000 tsubo.

Marquis Ito is said to have recently expressed to Viscount Takashima and Marshal Nocu a very pessimistic view in regard to the future of the Chinese empire.

"There is no man in China who can rescue her from the impending collapse," said he. "The country is so big as to defy all attempts at renovating it."

Indeed, the marquis should not be surprised if he should find a sad fate over China within a rather short space of time, say three years.

The armored cruiser Kaiser, the German flagship in Chinese waters, ran on a rock and had to be beached in Samah bay.

The Danish steamer Active, Capt. Hansen, lies a total wreck 200 yards off shore near Tamsui, Formosa.

Bryan's Letter.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The war department has made public the following letter from Col. W. J. Bryan, resigning his commission as a volunteer officer:

"Camp Onward, Savannah, Ga., Dec. 10.—The adjutant general, United States army, Washington: Sir.—The dispatches from Paris announce that the terms of the treaty between the United States and Spain have been fully agreed upon, and that the commissioners will sign the same as soon as it can be engrossed. Believing that under present conditions I can be more useful to my country as a civilian than as a soldier I hereby tender my resignation to take effect immediately upon its acceptance. Respectfully, etc. W. J. BRYAN.

Colonel third regiment Nebraska volunteer infantry.

The letter bears indorsements from division and corps commanders under whom Col. Bryan served.

It Passed the House.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill making provision for the army and navy for the next six months displaced the Nicaragua canal bill in the senate, preventing even the taking of a vote on the question of postponement until after the holidays, as had been intended. The deficiency bill was passed after a spirited discussion, turning principally on the point of keeping the volunteer soldiers in the service.

The house surpassed all previous records in the expedition with which it passed the pension appropriation bill. This bill in days gone by has been one of the most fruitful themes of acrimonious partisan debate, but yesterday's, although carrying \$34,000,000 more than the act for the current year it was passed in twenty minutes without a word of criticism.

An Estimate.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—The acting secretary of the treasury has submitted to congress a copy of the communication from the secretary of the interior containing a supplemental estimate for the expenses of the commission to the five civilized tribes. The estimate is as follows: For salary of four commissioners, \$20,000; expenses of commissioners, employes, etc., \$60,000; for salary of employes, including secretary of the expenses of the commission, \$3,500; provides that so much of the appropriation as shall be necessary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, shall be immediately available.

W. O. Richards of Texas bought 72,000 acres of land and 7000 cattle from Kansas City parties.

Five divorce suits were filed at Sherman, Tex., in one day.

A rubber combination has been formed at Trenton, N. J.

After Bandits.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 16.—A large force of deputy marshals and sheriffs are in pursuit of the bandits who attempted to hold up the Arnett State bank at Earlsboro Wednesday night, but as they have escaped into the thick woods in the Seminole reservation there is little prospect of their being captured. They secured about \$300 from the Arnett store, but nothing from the bank, as the time lock was on and the safe could not be opened.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Robert Lee and Coke County are "all right".

In a communication from Mr. Eugene Cartledge, we learn that he will commence practicing law in Austin some time in January. He will make the land business a specialty and look after his clients business in Austin. He has been legal advisor of the General Land Office of Texas for four years and will be well equipped to serve his old time Coke County friends at the State Capitol.

Public Entertainment.

Last Friday night, at M. E. Church, the pupils and teachers of the Robert Lee high school entertained the public with songs, recitations and dialogues. They were assisted by the Robert Lee guitar club, composed of Prof. John Gardner, Miss Sallie Perry and Mrs. Ed. M. Mobley, who rendered some excellent and interesting selections.

Prof. O. W. Gardner and Miss Lucy Kornegay deserve and receive especial praise for the able manner in which they have instructed their pupils during the three months of subscription school. We also heard many expressions of praise for the pleasant program enjoyed on the occasion, as well as the excellent rendition of it, a part of which, was largely credited to the teachers.

The primary department of the little folks deserve especial mention for having acquitted themselves so well.

The advanced pupils all rendered their parts well and it would be difficult to determine whether one deserved more praise than all the others.

Demonstrative applause was frequent and although the "encore" has not yet reached Robert Lee, the editor wondered if people's hands ever became weary from much clapping.

After a closing benediction by Brother Bates, everybody separated for the evening to have a night of pleasant dreams.

Brother Bates preached an interesting sermon at the M. E. Church last Sunday morning, text, 2 Corinthians, 4th Chapter, and 17th Verse. Among other remarks in connection with his discourse, he said: "Notice the difference with which an unconverted person and a Christian meet trials and afflictions. In nearly every case the true Christian takes a brighter and more cheerful view of misfortune than the other". This short extract from Bro. Bates sermon speaks volumes. Read the entire chapter, in which the text is found. It will do you good.

Pertaining To People Who Once Lived in Coke. Where They Are and What They Are Doing.

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.

Wm. Childress is living in San Angelo and is a large cattle dealer.

Mrs. Calloway has moved to Georgia.

Harry Patton is near Roswell, N. M.

Jno. Russel lives near Hylton, Nolan County.

Frank L. Harris handles cattle on a large scale. His headquarters is San Angelo.

S. J. Carpenter, once in business here, is now a prosperous dry goods merchant in Bellingier.

Eugene Cartledge is holding down a good position in the General Land Office at Austin.

The Paxton family are nearly all residing near Eden, Concho County.

The celebrated Brady, who started the Rustler, never let his friends here know his whereabouts since his departure, some six or seven years ago.

Will Dancer is living near Atoka, Coleman Co., is a wood contractor and superintendent of the Sabbath school in his community.

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Marriages.

E. Menelle and Miss Ethel Mabry were married at the old Snyder ranch; near the mouth of Yellow Wolf, on Wednesday, Dec. 21st, at 10 a. m. Rev. Eugene Bates performing the ceremony. The Rustler hopes their voyage down life's stream will be an unbroken chain of happiness and prosperity, as now.

Mr. Thad Green and Miss Dora Davis were married at the home of the bride's parents at six P. M. Wednesday evening by Elder Jno. Hooten, pastor of the Christain Church. These young people are well known and esteemed by many of our people, who wish them much happiness all along their life's pathway. Mr. Green is oldest son of J. A. Green, a substantial citizen, who lives in the Valley View settlement; while Miss Dora is the daughter of Judge M. H. Davis of this place.

The Rustler is under obligations to Mrs. C. C. Merchant, sister of the bride, for some choice samples of the wedding cake, which was very fine, May the handsome groom and his beautiful bride live long and always be happy.

Mr. Milton E. Danlap and Miss Laura C. Finch were happily married at 2 P. M. last Wednesday by Rev. Eugene T. Bates. The wedding occurred at the home of the bride's parents, in the west part of town and was attended by only a few invited friends. We hear that a fine reception was given the young couple after supper which was well attended by a number of invited guests. The Rustler extends good wishes.

Edith Etchings.

Mr. Editor: We are having some very cold weather.

It has been nine days since the snow fell and there is still snow on the ground.

The Pecan School is progressing nicely, every one seems to like Miss Thomas very much.

We have preaching the first of every month. Brother Denton is pastor.

Meadow Mountain school opened last Monday; Prof. Fletcher is the teacher; I think they will have an interesting school.

Messrs. Arnett and Beason returned the other day from their prospecting trip. They think they have found them a ranch in Borden County.

Grandma Brown has been confined to her bed for several weeks but is much better now. She is the mother of Tom and Sam Brown.

I don't hear much talk of Christmas in this neighborhood. I hope we will have a nice time.

Xmas is what we make it. We can have a good time or a dull time.

I will close with A Happy Christmas to the Editor and the readers of the RUSTLER.

AUNT SALLIE.

The O. K. Wagon Yard at Bellingier is close in and solicits the Coke County patronage.

Deeds Filed For Record.

Jno. W. Harris, Et al to Z. Boozer, 738 acres of land near Ft. Chadbourne, 3 years at Lease per year \$29.50

L. P. Woods to A. A. McGinn, undivided half interest in 15 3/4 sections of leased land and 490 head of cattle \$3675.00

Wm. H. Robinson to Isaac Robinson quit claim deed to 160 acres of land 16 miles North East of Robert Lee \$100.00

To Correspondents: If possible we would like to have your communications early in the week so as to get them all in the paper, which we expect to go to press each Thursday afternoon.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL.

L. H. McDorman pleasantly called on the editor last Monday.

School books at Mrs. Ingram's

Mr. Will Campbell, of Sanco, was in last Friday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Lauders were in town, shopping, this week.

H. H. and W. C. Hayley were in town Wednesday.

Go to Mrs. Ingram's and see that wonderful doll that can say Papa and Mama.

Valley View people will celebrate Christmas with a Tree Saturday night.

Good accommodations and polite attention given to all at the O. K. Wagon Yard in Ballinger.

J. A. Monteith was in town last Wednesday, from his home near Chadbourne.

No ranch, farm or stable can afford to be without a can of Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Mr. Calloway, from Midland, was through town, last Friday.

When in Ballinger call and see Baldwin & Carter for bargains in groceries.

W. R. Walker and brother, from near Silver, this County, were in town attending to business, last Friday.

Arkansaw Smith is doing a fine business in San Angelo, and can save you money on groceries. Try him.

Prof. J. A. Thomas spent Saturday last in Robert Lee.

Mr. Larkie Hayley was seen in town some time between Saturday and Monday last.

Groceries guaranteed fresh at Baldwin and Carter's, Ballinger, Texas.

Mr. Davidson, who lives near Geo. Kuykendall, was in last Sunday and reported the latter quite sick at his home.

A large stock of ladies dress goods, at prices to suit every body, at Crayton and Robbins, Ballinger, Texas.

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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.

Mrs. W. Press Walling was shopping in town last Monday.

Dr. G. W. Martin and Mr. Will Campbell went over to San Angelo Tuesday.

Christmas Cards, at PEARCE'S DRUG STORE.

J. D. Davis and his estimable wife returned from their visit to Brown County, last Saturday.

Attend the Christmas Tree Saturday night at the Methodist Church.

When in Ballinger, stop at the O. K. wagon yard.

The Indian Creek Community will have a Christmas Tree. They are in the swim.

Baldwin & Carter, Ballinger buy for cash, and can therefore sell cheap groceries.

Young Mr. Boring, fruit tree agent, was delivering fruit trees in town, latter part of last week.

The Methodist Sunday School people will have a Christmas Tree on Saturday night, Dec. 24th. Every body is invited to attend.

Why can Arkansaw Smith sell so cheap? He pays cash and sells for cash and has fresh goods all the time.

Rev. Powers and son from Indian Creek, were in town Monday.

Prof. Ben Ross was in from his Hayrick school last Sunday.

The Coke County people are invited to patronize Frank Gibbons wagon yard when they visit San Angelo.

J. M. Gunnels was in town last Friday doing business with our merchants.

Patronize the the cash grocery store and wagon yard, run by D. L. BUCHANAN.

See the photograph advertisement on the first page. These gentlemen are well recommended and do out door and home work only.

When in Ballinger call and see the stock of furniture, at Crews and McGregor's. They have a big stock of every thing in the furniture and undertakers line.

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Notice J. E. Stewart's "ad" in this issue. He is "in it" on holiday goods.

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Menelle Gin Notice.

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NOTICE.

I will be absent from Robert Lee for a few days and have made arrangements with Dr. Latham to attend to my professional calls until my return.

J. O. TOLIVER M. D.

The editor of the Rustler while in San Angelo a few days ago, dropped in to see J. B. Miles, the buggy, wagon and harness man of that city, and found Mr. Miles very busy unpacking and marking his goods, consisting of four or five cars of buggies, wagons and harness, just received. After introducing himself to him, we made him stop long enough to show us the two makes of wagons he now has, in stock; one the New Capital, the other a less price wagon, The Luedinghaus, that took the premium over 23 other wagons at the last St. Louis Exposition. Mr. Miles told us in the conversation, that wagons had been sold too high in San Angelo, considering their make, and this was the reason he had bought these wagons so that the public can get something worth their money.

He substantiates this by offering to refund to any one, buying either a "Capital" or "Luedinghaus" wagon of him, \$10.00 within twelve months, if they can show good cause why it is not better than any other ever bought in San Angelo. After examining the wagons and noticing the extra heavy tires, Bois-d'arc rims, and the simple California brake, we can recommend, to our Coke County people, that Mr. Miles has exactly what he advertises, the best wagons in San Angelo, or West Texas.

We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. Will Richards on last Thursday night, at her home near Ft. Chadbourne. She was a long time sufferer from Consumption and had all the loving care of a large family. All who knew her loved her and full family have the sympathy of a large circle of acquaintance in this and surrounding counties.

We are grieved to be compelled to announce the death of one of our oldest friends in Coke County, Mr. I. M. Bennick. He died of heart failure at his home in this place last Tuesday at about 1 P. M. from a sudden failure of the heart to perform its functions. Mr. Bennick, though full of years, was until about a year ago, one of our most robust men, when he began to exhibit symptoms which finally culminated as above. He was known to and respected by almost every man, woman, and child in this county, where he has lived for above fifteen years. He has left a good wife children and grand children to mourn his loss, besides many warm friends who always respected his probity of character and kindness of heart.

His remains were interred in the Robert Lee cemetery with Masonic honors, the Masons having been notified the day before by special courier, and coming some of them from long distances, in this jurisdiction to perform the last sad rites. Rev. Bates made an appropriate address at the grave, where many people had gathered to see the body deposited. The public school teachers and children turned out in a body to do honor to the loved and respected dead. No one can fill the place of our departed brother.

Mr. C. D. Martin, a gentleman who lives in the Cedar Hill country, was down to the "hub" Monday last. He read the RUSTLER and keeps posted, even away up there.

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Fort Clark, Tex., Dec. 19.—Last week was very disagreeable, on account of the snow and rain, which fell for several days. On Monday night one of the heaviest snows ever seen in this section fell, covering the ground to the depth of three inches. It continued on the ground for two days, and was not all melted when another snow, an inch in depth, fell. The weather has been very cold and all the pipes about the post froze and made it very difficult to procure water for cooking purposes.

Many are the rumors which have been going the rounds. One is to the effect that an order had been received at headquarters for this regiment to be held in readiness to move to Savannah, Ga., to relieve the first Texas volunteers at that place, but upon investigation it could not be verified. The boys are all much excited over the matter, as many do not want to go anywhere, but want to be mustered out, or at least 90 per cent of them do.

Dr. Greer's Report.
Cameron, Tex., Dec. 19.—Dr. W. W. Greer, county health officer, issued the following report:

For the past several weeks we have had small-pox in Cameron. Numbers of the colored people and a few whites have had the disease. With five or six exceptions the cases have all been of a mild type. Four of the severest cases died; all these were unvaccinated negroes.

We have to-day about six persons confined to their beds; all others are well or convalescent. The people of the town have been thoroughly vaccinated, and all cases are guarded with care. We are sure we have the upper hand of the disease, and it will soon stop.

In view of the foregoing facts, we would suggest that the people who have business in Cameron allay their fears, come to town and transact their business in the usual way, without any fears of being exposed to the disease. W. W. GREER, M. D., County Health Officer, Milam County.

Cleburne Shooting.
Cleburne, Tex., Dec. 19.—Sunday afternoon a man went into the Headlight restaurant near the Santa Fe depot and had a difficulty with one of the patrons of the place. He pulled a pistol and proceeded to "shoot up" the place. There were a number of men upstairs and as the bullets pierced the upper floor and strayed among the crowd they stampeded like the crowd down in the restaurant and came down awning posts like squirrels. The shoot-out then proceeded, to snap his pistol at passersby till finally taken in charge by Marshal A. C. White. When the smoke had cleared away and the excitement died out it was found that in addition to the cracked heads of several who were in the way and the demolition of furniture, Alderman Joe Newberry was shot in the knee. The wound is an ugly one and may cripple him for life.

City Marshal White arrested a party said to be the shoot-out.

Clarendon News.
Clarendon, Tex., Dec. 19.—This section has just passed through a very cold spell. The snow has been on the ground for ten days. Most cattle have suffered very much, with some loss. If it turns cold again it will be very hard on cattle.

Clarendon is coming to the front. A number of new dwellings have been built this fall. The Catholic college, a neat two-story building, is nearing completion, and the brickwork of Clarendon college, a fine two-story, ten-room brick building, is about completed.

The public school is doing well, with full attendance. Clarendon college has about sixty pupils, who are being taught in the Methodist Church, south.

Juarez Sick.
El Paso, Tex., Dec. 19.—A jury was obtained in the case of the state of Texas vs. Joe Rogers. Rogers is under indictment for the murder of John Woods. It was necessary to summon three special venire before enough competent jurors were procured to complete the panel. The trial of the case was begun of the case was begun Friday afternoon and the jury was kept together that night. One of the jurors was taken ill with what is feared to be a contagious disease and when the matter was reported to Judge Walthall he promptly discharged the entire jury. The trial of the case will likely be continued for the term.

Dr. Yandell of El Paso advises a strict small-pox quarantine against Juarez, Mexico.

To Beautify Grounds.
Austin, Tex., Dec. 17.—Strong recommendations will be made to the coming legislature for the improvement and beautifying of the capitol grounds, and an adequate appropriation for this work will be requested. The appearance of the grounds surrounding the magnificent capitol buildings is the subject of adverse comment by every visitor to this city. Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds J. R. Mobley has done his best with the limited means at his command to put the grounds in somewhat presentable shape. The recent rains have made the driveways in the grounds almost impassable, and they now resemble muddy country roads. The matter of improving and beautifying these grounds has come before every legislature ever since the completion of the \$3,000,000 building, but the members of the law-making bodies have taken such a view of the situation that nothing has ever been accomplished in the way of a suitable appropriation. It is expected that the next legislature will take a broader and more liberal view, and that steps will be taken to place the grounds in condition somewhat in keeping with the grand building which they surround.

Plan Agreed On.
Tyler, Tex., Dec. 17.—At the meeting of the creditors of the Tyler Banking company yesterday the committee appointed to examine into the affairs of the bank and report upon some plan of settlement of its affairs submitted their report. They reported that a plan of settlement had been inaugurated, which was in substance that about \$28,000 of the creditors had agreed to take certain paper of the bank in settlement of their claims; that there was on hand enough cash and cash items to pay off the unremitted collections and preferred claims, and enough paper remaining on hand to arrange with the other creditors and depositors; that whatever small depositors remaining could be paid off with certain assets, which could easily be converted into cash. They reported that this plan was, they believed, feasible and could probably be accomplished if time were extended for that purpose.

A motion was then carried unanimously that Mr. S. H. Cox be appointed a committee of one on behalf of the creditors to co-operate with the bank officials to carry out this plan.

Liquor on Red River.
Texarkana, Tex., Dec. 17.—The grand jury of Miller county, Ark., has been holding a session in East Texarkana for the past week, and they have brought in several indictments against the captains of steamboats plying on upper Red river. The bills charge the boatmen with running saloons and selling liquor within the county limits without county license. Capt. Michael was brought into town last night under arrest, but was released on bond this morning and returned to his craft, which is tied up at Garland City. The boat captains claim that they have taken out river license with the federal government, and this covers the case. The officials of Miller county, however, argue differently.

Soldiers at Home.
Cleburne, Tex., Dec. 17.—Capt. George M. Duncan of company I, third Texas infantry, stationed at Fort Ringgold, came in yesterday, and will spend the holidays with relatives and friends. Allen Kilpatrick of the same company also arrived and will spend the holidays with his parents. Capt. Duncan has quite a number of souvenirs of his stay in Florida and on the Mexican border, and entertains his friends with many stories of soldier life.

Suicide of a Captain.
Sabine Pass, Tex., Dec. 17.—Capt. Overgaard of the Norwegian bark Dilshur, from Belfast, committed suicide in the cabin of his ship Thursday night. Early yesterday morning the steward entered the cabin and was horrified to discover Capt. Overgaard hanging by the neck from a rope tied to a cross-beam of the skylight.

Boy Shot.
Houston, Tex., Dec. 17.—While the children of the Taylor street school were playing at sham battle between American and Spaniards, little H. Woolen was accidentally shot with a little 22-caliber rifle, the ball taking effect in the lower part of the side. Dr. Wagner, who made the examination, is of the opinion that it touched the liver.

The department of education at Austin has purchased \$19,400 of Baylor county bonds.

Signal Corps.
Brenham, Tex., Dec. 16.—The first company Texas volunteer signal corps has been organized in this city with the following officers: Theodore Schirmacher, captain; Sam Rouse, first lieutenant; Lovie Rogers, second lieutenant; Olle Carlisle, secretary and treasurer. At present the company is composed of twenty-three men, but by the time that is appointed for the next meeting, the list will be increased to thirty or more. The muster roll will be made out and forwarded to the adjutant general the latter part of the week. He will supply the company with a complete equipment as soon as it can be had from the department at Washington. The equipment will consist of red banners with white squares in the center, and white banners with red centers, lanterns giving light to correspond with the colors of the banners, and heliographs. Capt. Schirmacher thinks heliography the most satisfactory method of signaling, but as this instrument can only be used in sunshine, then other methods must be resorted to in cloudy weather. The company will commence a course of systematic drilling and training immediately, the first being to familiarize themselves with the alphabet of the army code. After this alphabet has been mastered, both with the flags and lanterns, then the heliograph will be used. Every member of the company carries both a flag and a lantern, must know the alphabet, and each must be proficient in the use of the heliograph.

There is a good deal of enthusiasm among the members of the company, and a pardonable pride felt in the fact that they are pioneers in this arm of military service, this being the only volunteer organization of the kind in the state, and, so far as Capt. Schirmacher knows, in the entire south.

Thomas Convicted.
Waco, Tex., Dec. 16.—In the case of the state of Texas vs. Andrew B. Thomas, the jury returned a verdict finding the defendant guilty of murder in the second degree and assessing his punishment at a term of six years in the penitentiary. Thomas slew F. J. Penn about a year ago, using a bowie-knife. It was a sudden, fierce quarrel and fight, growing out of a little dog, the property of Penn, chasing Thomas, the latter striking the dog, which Penn resented. After a very brief fight, in which Penn used a cane, Thomas drew his knife and inflicted wounds on Penn, which caused instant death. Both men served in the Confederate army.

Lectures Ended.
Houston, Tex., Dec. 16.—The committee on work of the grand lodge of Masons of Texas that has been in session since the adjournment of the grand lodge, closed its lectures yesterday afternoon and most of those who were in attendance left for their homes in various parts of the state. Among those who have listened to the lectures there are twenty-five or thirty who want to get certificates to teach the work. To accommodate these the committee will remain here to examine them and issue certificates where they are earned.

New Engines.
Cleburne, Tex., Dec. 16.—Master Mechanic L. H. Waugh has just received six new engines to be used on this division in handling the increased business. Last month's pay roll at the Santa Fe shops was \$3500 in excess of the previous month and the trainmen's pay roll was correspondingly increased. More than 5000 tons of coal were used from the coal chutes for November. There is not an idle railroad man in the city except those who are sick or disabled.

Fatal Explosion.
Marlin, Tex., Dec. 16.—There was an explosion in a sawmill belonging to C. T. Hunter, near Gurley, seven miles northwest of here, killing John Welch, a colored man, destroying the kiln and setting the plant on fire. Welch was 23 years old, and married three months ago. There were fifteen men working in the mill at the time. Welch went to the boiler to warm his hands just at the time the explosion occurred. Welch's father states the water got too low in the boiler, causing the explosion. Loss estimated at \$1500.

The burning of a Brooklyn apartment house caused thirty families to be driven out in the cold.

The Farmers' congress wound up its business at Waco, Tex., and adjourned to meet at Boston, Mass.

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"The numerous elevators along the line, towering so far above the surrounding country that they may be seen for many miles distant, sufficiently indicate that the chief industry is the growing of wheat. At the village of Indian Head more than a million bushels of wheat were marketed last year. This was but a fraction of the amount of the same product marketed at the larger cities of Brandon and Regina. At Indian Head the representative of the Germania was told by a farmer that he was about to harvest his third crop of wheat from the farm upon one ploughing given it the fall of 1895, the crops of the current year and of last year having been sown upon the stubble of the preceding crop. This farmer expected a yield of not less than forty bushels to the acre. The farms are very large. The absence of hills and rocks contributes to making farming on a large scale an easy matter. There was an abundance of evidence that the country surrounding the cities named above is an extensive region of fertile lands, furnishing as great an opportunity for cattle-raising and dairying as for the growing of wheat."

"We were surprised to find here a rich growth of nearly every species of cultivable plant known in Wisconsin. Various species of trees were growing, showing that its soil and its climate are favorable to the growth of forests. The writer had never seen a more promising growth of wheat, oats, and garden vegetables than was observed here. The experimental farm of Wisconsin, located at Madison, produces nothing better."

"The people along the line of the railroad, however, assured us that we were still far distant from the northern limit of the wheat-growing belt, and that five hundred miles farther north wheat and other agricultural products were cultivated with success. The inhabitants do not depend solely upon the growing of wheat, but utilize vast acres in raising cattle. The growing grain and vegetables showed that a plentiful supply of rain had fallen during the current year."

"From this city (Calgary) our party was taken north 200 miles to Edmonton, a town of 5,000 people situated on the north Saskatchewan river. The country at this point is beautiful, presenting very much the appearance of many sections in central and southern Wisconsin. The people are engaged in mining for gold, and in raising wheat, potatoes and cattle; dairying is also followed. This valley seems to be favored with sufficient rainfall to produce a luxuriant growth of grain and vegetables. The soil is very fertile and timber is abundant. Fields of wheat were observed that promise a yield of forty bushels per acre. The many good farmhouses seen from the railway are evidence of the prosperity of the settlers. Edmonton is the terminus of the road and the place where the overland expeditions start from for the Yukon, it being about 800 miles from Dawson City."

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Y. M. C. A. Officer.
Commodore "Jack" Phillip, who was captain of the battleship Texas during the war with Spain, has been elected a member of the Young Men's Christian Association international committee and chairman of the sub-committee in charge of the association's work in the navy.

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STORYETTES.

A clever mot was made by a member of parliament during another member's prosy speech. The latter happening to yawn during his remarks the other commented: "This man is not without taste, but he usurps our privilege."

Sergt. Merewether once got into a carriage with Lord Campbell, who was then chancellor of Great Britain and keeper of the great seal, and tried to enter into conversation. Lord Campbell, however, was as unyielding as possible, saying at last: "Why, Merewether, you get worse and worse; you're as fat as a porpoise." "Fit company, my lord," was the reply, "for the great seal."

Senator Proctor of Vermont is a cold and dignified man, but he has a sense of humor that sometimes causes his adversaries to wince. Senator Vest of Missouri was recently delivering a speech, in the course of which he became quite impassioned. He quoted two verses of poetry, which, he incidentally remarked, had been set to music. "Sing it," said Mr. Proctor in his metallic way. The effect of the Missourian's remarks was totally spoiled.

A Baltimorean had occasion to visit his country property the other day. His colored cook wanted to know "What is de news in town, sah?" The gentleman replied that he thought there would be war, and said, jokingly: "I suppose I'll have to be looking for another cook, Bob, for you'll go in the army, of course." "You'll have to look for a new cook, boss, dat's sho', but dis nigger ain't a'goin' in no army, sah. Dis nigger'll go in de woods and go fur, too."

A certain novelist, who recently received from a lady an unstamped letter asking the loan of his book, on the plea that she could not obtain it at the bookseller's in her town, sent her a reply worded as follows: "Dear Madam—In the town where you reside there appears to be a lack of all sorts of things which are easily procurable elsewhere—not only of my recent work but also of postage stamps for letters. I have in my possession, it is true, the book you desire to obtain and also the stamps to pay its carriage, but, to my regret, I am without the necessary string to make it into a parcel. If you can supply me with a piece I am at your service."

Sir William Rowan Hamilton, professor of astronomy in the Dublin university, used to recall, with a humorous melancholy, his first meeting with his predecessor, Bishop Brinkley, when, said he, "I am afraid I offended him." Hamilton was a youth of 18 and sat next him at some public luncheon. They did not speak and the younger man felt that good manners required him to break the silence. His eye happened to rest on a large map of Van Diemen's Land hanging on the wall. "My lord," said he, turning to the bishop, "were you ever in Botany bay?" The bishop turned to him with a look of severe displeasure. "Eat your soup, sir!" thundered the old gentleman; "eat your soup!" And then it occurred to Hamilton that the bishop thought he was asking whether he had ever been "transported," for at that time Botany bay was where desperate criminals were sent.

PERSONALITIES.

Lord Charles Bessford has been a sailor since he was 13 years old.

Candles of an extra-special make are the favorite illuminant of Queen Victoria.

Emperor William of Germany has taken up lawn tennis for exercise and discarded mechanical rowing.

Jules Verne, at 70, attributes his excellent health and vitality to a meager diet of herbs and eggs. His home is at Amiens.

It has been reported that William K. Vanderbilt will emulate his father's example in presenting a warship to the government.

H. Walter Webb has retired from the vice-presidency of the New York Central railroad on account of overwork. The Webbs have been fortunate fellows. Gen. Samuel B. Webb was an associate of Lafayette and Washington and presented the bible the latter kissed upon his inauguration. Samuel's son was Gen. James Watson Webb, a man of affairs and journalist of note. President Taylor appointed him minister to Austria and Lincoln sent him as minister to Turkey and Brazil. He had three sons—H. Walter, mentioned above; Gen. Alexander S. Webb, who is now president of the College of the City of New York, and Dr. W. Seward Webb, at present at the head of the Wagner Palace Car company and several other corporations. Dr. Webb has lately offered the use of his yacht, Elfrida, to the government in case of war.

SAID BY ACTORS.

It was "la belle Smidson," who, writing to a friend, remarked: "I have just received a basket of bananas from an acquaintance and am sending my compliments in return. Some of them are over a foot long."

It was Charles Kean who, speaking of a famous murder, declared that "the assassin was evidently seeking for money, but, fortunately, the victim had just invested it all, and, therefore, he lost nothing but his life."

Many remember hearing the late Sir Augustus Harris say that every man anxious to succeed should be ready to give his last sovereign in order to save the remainder of his fortune, and once in a letter he wrote: "Business is very quiet at present; in fact, there seems to be nothing stirring but stagnation."

Was it not Mr. Cecil Raleigh who remarked at a meeting of the Playgoers' club that he pursued the shadow until the bubble burst and left its ashes in his hand? He has also said that many modern novels written with a purpose might as well have been written with a penknife for all the good they would ever do to anybody.

James Anderson, speaking of an empty house, happened to say that the audience was conspicuous by its absence. That phrase has now passed into general use, and so have such metaphors as "handy with the feet," "backward in coming forward" and "landed in hot water on the horns of a dilemma"—all of which were first uttered by actors of more or less renown.

Macready once remarked, in the course of an after-dinner address, that he congratulated himself most upon having torn the mask off the traitor's face and revealed his cloven foot; whereupon Phelps rose to second him and warmly urged that it was "high time the odious, hydra-headed faction, of which the gentleman referred to formed the tail, should be soundly rapped over the knuckles."

Of living actors and playwrights, perhaps Mr. Beerbohm Tree, Mr. Cecil Raleigh, Mr. Arthur Roberts, Mr. Penley and Mr. Toole have uttered more spontaneous mixed metaphors than most men. Patriotic Mr. Beerbohm Tree is said to have observed upon a famous occasion that "the British lion will never draw in its horns or retire into its shell, whether roaming the deserts of India, exploring the mines of Australia or scaling the mountains of Canada."

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Among the shoes ecclesiastical are those of Clement XVI, gorgeous in crimson velvet and with a foliated cross on each toe worked in gold thread. Their owner's chief claim to historical notice was his abolishing the Order of Jesuits.

One of the most beautiful sixteenth century shoes is a Venetian pattern, the white leather work of which is so finely wrought that it resembles beautiful gimpure lace. African shoes are mostly of leather, bizarre in design and in the coloring of the silks and wools used for their embellishment.

A pair of shoes made of yellow silk once belonged to the famous Marquise de Pompadour, and are the identical pair she is depicted as wearing in the pastel portrait of her which hangs in the gallery of the Louvre. They are neither particularly small nor very shapely, but are exceedingly well preserved.

A long French shoe, whose absolutely square toes would delight the heart of a hygienic bootmaker, is that which once belonged to a famous governor of the province of Languedoc, Henry de Montmorency by name. The chief ornamentation is formed by a large fleu-de-lis stamped on the instep, which emblem is repeated on the sole.

In the Cluny museum, Paris, is a collection of shoes which would make any woman covet them. Three hundred pairs represent footwear from the fifteenth century down. Several pairs of Turkish shoes are sewn with gold thread and incrustated with gems. An Indian war shoe has an upturned sole, and a protection of chain mail across the instep and round the heel and toe. Curious articles are the other Indian shoes, ornamented with beetle's wing trimming and embroidered in pure silver thread.

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Watch Recovered.
Sir Francis Grenfell, the newly appointed governor of Malta, who lost a favorite nephew in the charge of the Lancers at the battle of Omdurman, has succeeded in recovering the dead soldier's watch. It was pierced by an Arab spear, but the hands were left untouched, and give 8:30 as the exact time of the young officer's death. Sir Francis has had the watch mounted on a block of crystal, which forms an ornament on his writing table.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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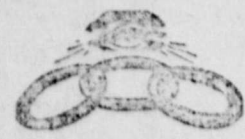
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Robert Lee Mail Directory.

Robert Lee and San Angelo, daily except Sunday. Arrives 5:30 p. m. and departs 7:30 a. m.

Robert Lee and Ballinger, daily except Sunday, arrives 7 p. m. and leaves 7 a. m.

Robert Lee via Sanco to Silver, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Arrives 7 p. m. and leaves 6 a. m.

Robert Lee and Ft. Chadbourne, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arrives 6 p. m. and leaves at 7 a. m.

Robert Lee and Tennyson, Tuesday and Saturday, arrives 7 p. m. and leaves at 6 a. m.

Robert Lee and Edith, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arrives at 4:30 p. m. and leaves at 7 a. m.

Robert Lee and Sweetwater, Monday and Friday, 8 p. m. arrives, Tuesday and Saturday, 6 a. m. leaves.

Church Directory.

Baptist—Each First Sabbath at 11 a. m., and at night. At Methodist Church.

Eld. G. C. Berryman, Pastor.

Christian—Services on Second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and at night, at School House.

Rev. Hooton, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal South—Services Third Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and night.

Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Methodist Protestant—Services on Fourth Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and at night, at Methodist Church.

A. S. Miller, Pastor.

Methodist Sabbath School at 3 p. m. each Sunday.

J. C. Turner, Supt.

Primitive Baptist—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.

Old Graham, Pastor.

Plan of Robert Lee Circuit of the M. E. Church South: FIRST SUNDAY—Bronte 11 a. m. & 7:30 p. m.

SECOND SUNDAY—Rock Springs 11 a. m.; New Hope 3 p. m. and at Olga 7:30 p. m.

THIRD SUNDAY—Robert Lee 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

FOURTH SUNDAY—Sanco 11 a. m. and at Hayrick 3:30 p. m.

Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Eld. G. C. Berryman, Baptist, preaches at cedar hill school house on Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month.

Eld. Walker W. Smith's appointments: Indian creek School house third Sunday and Saturday before in each month. Antioch Church, Rock Springs school house on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before, at 11 a. m. and at night.

Eld. A. M. Lackey's appointments: Bronte—Third Sunday and Saturday before, 11 a. m. and night. Valley View—First Sunday at 11 a. m.

Tennyson—Fourth Sunday 11 a. m. Saturday night.

Official Directory.

DISTRICT. Judge.....J. W. Thomins, Attorney.....D. D. Wallace, Sheriff.....L. B. Murray, Clerk.....J. W. Barnett.

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Bronte Happenings.

Regular Correspondent. Mr. T. E. Williams has sold a residence and lot, consideration \$300, to Jay Robbins of Ballinger who will engage in the mercantile business with his brother, who began business in Bronte about 2 months ago; we welcome them and still there is room enough for more.

Bronte has a new barber shop and will soon have a new blacksmith shop.

Mr. Jackson has had an attack of the La Grippe.

Mr. M. H. O'Daniel has a very sick child this week.

Mr. L. J. Good is feeding 450 head of yearlings.

A larger number of cattle will be fed in Coke this winter than ever before.

Mr. L. P. Phillips is drilling a well for Uncle George Harris of Bronte. At a depth of 64 ft. he struck water.

Mr. John Baker and wife made a flying trip to Kumble Co.

Mr. George Woullard sold his farm on east Kicapoo to Mr. May of Llano Co. consideration \$400.

Dr. Clark has had a bad spell of the la grippe during the cold weather.

Judge Bowman has sold his place on east Kicapoo near Bronte and is going to Austin to visit relatives and friends. From there he will go to Corsicana to accept the position of Supt. of the State Orphans Home, having been appointed by Gov. Sayers. We wish him success in his responsible and noble undertaking.

While Mr. Robert Henderson was out horse hunting the other day, a pair of Mexican or musk hogs gave him a lively chase.

We learned Mr. Henderson climbed a tree; afterward one of the pair was captured by Mr. George Yates and Mr. Claud Hutchinson, we learn the said hog will be on exhibition in Bronte during the holidays.

LUCENE.

Coke County people will get good groceries and good treatment, when they trade with Baldwin and Carter, Ballinger.

Ft. Chadbourne Notes.

Regular Correspondent.

Well, Mr. Editor, once more I feel able to give you something from the old Fort.

Since my last, I have a second attack of the la grippe, which kept me in bed for 15 days; but now I am coming out with the Sun, for this is the first day, that the King of Day has smiled on us for nearly two weeks.

Just at the beginning of the bad weather Mr. O. S. Douglas, left for San Angelo with a load of cotton, so he got caught in the blizzard and erme very near freezing.

T. C. Baldwin, Nelson Webb and Mr. Gerry went to Ballinger on Wednesday before the snow. Baldwin and Webb, each purchased a wind mill; at that time it seemed that water would be an item in our neighborhood, but since the snow and rain people seem to be easy on that line.

Our people were made sad last Friday in death of one of the best women in this country. Mrs. Will Richards, they buried her at the old Ft. Chadbourne cemetery Saturday.

Well, Mr. Editor, Christmas will be here in a few days, so I wish you and all the readers of the RUSTLER a merry Christmas.

UNCLE TOM.

Lomita Letter.

The inclemency of the weather for the last week caused the attendance at school to drop off some, however school is moving on nicely.

I think every one enjoyed the snow. I know the party of young people, consisting of Messrs. Will Ringer and Jack Ewing and Misses Willie Chambers, Minnie Ringer and Lula Cannon, who went out hunting did, judging from the game they brought in.

Mr. Hudson's family left Wednesday for their home in San Angelo, and Mr. Will Hearrad, who has bought the Hudson ranch, has taken charge there.

Understand there is to be a Christmas tree and Literary exercise at Valley View, Christmas eve.

An "Apron party" is on foot for Friday night at Mr. R. Y. Haggertens.

Prof. H. T. Carter came home from his school, Thursday evening to stay until Sunday evening.

The pipe to the heater at school gave way and was too cold to be witecut fire.

Below we send copy of a letter written to "Old Santa" by one of Lomita's little girls:

Dear Old Sweet Santa Claus— They told me if I would be a good girl that you would bring me lots of nice things for Christmas.

I have been the best girl that I know how to be since I was told that.

Now please bring sister Ruth and me the following named pretties: Two dolls, two toy bedsteads, two mirrors, two little stoves, two fans and two of all the other pretties you have.

Please bring Brother Clyde and Brother John and little sister Leah something also.

Yours Sweetly, Jackie Hudson.

Wishing the RUSTLER and all its readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am sincerely your

SISTER BETH.

Mr. and Mrs. John King were among the buyers of holiday goods

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