

# THE ROBERT LEE OBSERVER.

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## A Regular Land Slide!

The most sensational sale ever inaugurated in Bronte, not a few articles for "leaders" but every article a "Bargain." This Gigantic Sale commences next

### Wednesday Morning, December 1st at 9 a. m.,

#### AND LASTS TEN DAYS.

Remember this is the opportunity of your life to get dependable merchandise at and below manufacturers cost. We need the money and you need the goods. Now is the time to make the exchange. Our store will be closed all day Tuesday, Nov. 30th, to arrange our stock and cut the price of goods in two.

Bring the Lady and all the children, load your wagon to the brim and be happy all year. As we said in the outset we could make you a long list of bargain prices, but as the sale covers the entire stock, we will say—If its Dry Goods you want. Come to see us and we will deliver the goods.

### GROCERIES

To show you that we appreciate past favors in a substantial way we will have a car each of the very best flour and a car of salt, which we will sell to our customers and friends at actual cost to be delivered in the house. This only holds good while these cars last, so come early and load.

## SCOTT-MAYS COMPANY.

Sale Commences Wednesday December 1st, Lasts 10 Days.

#### From Fort Chadbourne.

Everything is progressing nicely in Fort Chadbourne, and surrounding country.

We had a nice little rain Sunday, the 28th.

Cotton picking is about a thing of the past. Some of the farmers are more than half done breaking land.

The present price of cotton is hurrying the farmers up, they want to raise some more cotton before the price goes down.

The railroad grading crew will soon finish grading the switches.

The cotton platform will soon be completed.

The railroad company sent a rock mason out here Saturday to start a corner of the depot so Mr. Stilwell could inspect the rock when he comes through Monday. They said they would build a rock depot if the rock suited, so it would be a credit to the town.

The Fort Chadbourne cotton

gin had ginned 795 bales of cotton up to Saturday night. The public weigher had weighed 886 bales.

Pat McMullen visited the eastern markets last week buying goods for his firm.

Marvin Stephens was buying cattle last week.

Clift & Co., are figuring pretty heavy on building a good business house.

There is a good opening here for a lumber yard, furniture store and a good first class hardware concern.

The Methodist people are calculating on erecting a nice church building.

The Orient agent received a telegram Monday morning stating that there was a wash-out on the Brazos river Sunday night and ordered the bridge gang to come at once.

It is still raining in old Ft. Chadbourne.

F. W. Dent and H. Jacobs

sold their cotton Saturday.

Fred McDonald is having 50 acres of land grubbed out on his farm near town.

J. W. and Alfred Meeks of Sanco, were over last week selling cotton.

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#### Gone to Colorado City.

Messrs A. J. Russell, W. P. Walling, W. F. Day and C. W. McCutchen members of the Railroad committee left Thursday for Colorado City, to meet with the Business Club of that place Friday in regard to building the Colorado and Concho railroad.

The general manager E. G. Hammock will make the citizens of Colorado a definite proposition as to the amount of bonus wanted and from information gained in advance it is certain that the citizens there will accept his proposition. After this meeting the securing of bonus, right-of-way and townsites along the line will commence. The bonus wanted both from Colorado and Robert Lee will be comparatively small and if every one who the road will benefit will be moderately liberal it can be raised without any trouble.

Rev. L. A. Clark and family have arrived in the city from Bangs, Brown county. Rev. Clark is the new Methodist Minister.

#### School Notes.

School is progressing as usual, and much excellent work is being accomplished.

The following number of pupils have been enrolled during the past week: Mr. Bodenheimer, one; Mr. Naylor, three; Mr. Brown, two; Miss Reed, one; Miss Boykin, four; Mrs. Craddock, five.

The Philosophian and Lone Star Societies will meet in joint session Friday, Dec. 3rd and render the following program:

Song—Society.

Reading—Clydene Stickney.

Select reading—Ruby Bell.

Dialogue.

Song selected by Miss Sims.

Select Reading—Jessie Byrd.

Reading—Canaro Harmon.

Select reading—Winnie Clark.

Reading—Eula Stone.

Debate, affirmative Richard Collier, John Tunnell; negative Wayne Hickey, John McCutchen.

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Music—Sibbie and Eric Graves.

Herald—Daisy McDorman.

The Owl.

A Pupil.

#### Don't be Hopeless

about yourself when you're crippled with rheumatism or stiff joints—of course you've tried lots of things and they failed. Try Ballard's Snow Liniment—it will drive away all aches, pains and stiffness and leave you as well as you ever were. Sold by J. F. Sturman.

S. B. Kemp left Saturday for Austin, to carry the charter of the Colorado and Concho railroad which is to run from Colorado City on the T & P to Tenyson on the Orient.

The peculiar properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have been thoroughly tested during epidemics of influenza, and when it was taken in time we have not heard of a single case of pneumonia. Sold by all dealers.

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List your good farm land with us. We are in position to get you a buyer. We are next to those who want good farm land in the Colorado valley. Write us, better still come to see us while in San Angelo.

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I want to do your blacksmithing, I repair anything that is used on the farm or ranch. Scientific horse shoeing given especial attention. Come to see me when you want anything in my line.

W. E. BROWN, The Blacksmith.

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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

METCHNIKOFF'S MIRACLE.

Two years ago Prof. Metchnikoff, the director of the Pasteur Institute in Paris, promulgated his famous theory that a diet of sour milk would check the ravages of old age...

Using the census of 1900 as a basis of calculation, it is estimated that the census of 1910 will show that the school population of the United States numbers probably 14,000,000 persons.

A severer penalty than a fine should be awarded by the law to the class of miscreants who make a point of infesting the streets to insult respectable working girls.

It is not unlikely that commerce soon will bring to market the mixture of tea and flowers which was one of China's state secrets when the dowager empress held the reins of power.

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BETZVILLE TALES

Aunt Rhinocolura Betz and Fido

By Ellis Parker Butler Author of "Pigs is Pigs" Etc. ILLUSTRATED BY PETER NEWELL

Aunt Rhinocolura Betz is known from one end of this county to the other as the social leader of Betzville, and this is not because she is distinguished by having the only automatic cork leg in the village...

One reason Aunt Rhinocolura was so fond of her dog Fido was because he was such a happy dog, and every morning he would come to her bedside and wag his tail...

About a month ago a change came over Fido. Aunt Rhinocolura awoke one morning and Fido was not at her bedside. She thought this strange...



His Tail Did Not Wag—Fido Wagged.

Fido, but when she found him he did not seem like the same dog. He sprang at her with an angry growl, and bit her on the leg, and might have injured her severely...

Aunt Rhinocolura saw that if this kept on she would cease to be a social leader, the society ladies and gents of Betzville having, as a rule, tender calves...

As soon as Fido had bitten Uncle Ashdod on the leg, Uncle Ashdod saw that Fido was not the dog he had been, and made careful inquiries...

When Aunt Rhinocolura heard this she wept for six minutes, and her state might have settled into one of permanent melancholy...

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the second speed differential of her cork leg the time she broke it, and she guessed he could rig up a wag if he was put at it.

When Arlo rightly understood what was wanted he went to work with pleasure, and in less than a week he built an artificial tail-wagger that was a pleasure to see.

As soon as the wagger was attached Arlo took the crank and wound the spring, and Fido immediately began to wag. His tail did not wag, Fido wagged. You see, the spring was so strong...

Probably a dog is as happy when the tail is wagging the dog as when the dog is wagging the tail...

It was easy to see the tail, for that remained quite immobile, but Fido wagged at the rate of about 5,000 wags a minute...

In about half an hour Aunt Rhinocolura suggested that it might be a good thing to stop the wagger a minute or so, to let Fido get a breath...

Fido wagged on for three days more, and when the wagger ran down it was found that the constant wagging had stretched his neck to three and a half feet...

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French toast is an inexpensive dish you could have for lunch. Soak stale bread in milk, dip in beaten egg and try in hot bacon fat...

A WAITING GAME.

An old gentleman, rather portly, and clad in a somewhat youthful suit of light gray flannel, sat on a bench in the park enjoying the spring day.

"But it is not natural," the old gentleman insisted, "for a boy to be so quiet. Why don't you run about?"

Heard at the Minstrel Show. Tambo—Can yo' all tell me de difference 'twixt egg an' a cabbage, Mistah Bones?

Visitor (at insane asylum)—And who is the poor unfortunate in the padded cell?

Attendant—Oh, he's the chap who started at the beginning of the season to keep the scores and percentages of the various baseball associations.

Miss Peachley—Do you believe in coeducation, Mr. Huggins? Mr. Huggins—Indeed I do. I shall never forgive myself for neglecting to take a postgraduate course at Vassar.

COOK EGG PLANT ON GRIDDLE

New Method of Preparation That Will Commend Itself to Any One.

Not every one knows that egg plants can be eaten the year round. Almost before the northern grown varieties are over the southern markets are offering theirs for sale.

Put the fruit, whether canned or fresh, through the fruit press, as this separates the juice and seeds without straining. In using canned or preserved fruits be careful as to the proportion of sugar...

DELICACY WORTH THE COST

Fruit Bavarian Cream an Ideal Confection for Guests or Family in Winter Days.

Cover half a box of gelatine with a half cupful of cold water, let it soak for half an hour, then dissolve over hot water. Add the gelatine to two cupfuls of fruit juice...

Spinach Dumplings.

Clean and wash one peck of spinach. Cook in boiling water slightly salted, chop fine, then cook a four-pound kidney roast of veal, kidney included...

Leopard Cake.

White Part—White of five eggs, one-half teacup of butter, three cupfuls of granulated sugar, two cupfuls of white flour, one cupful of sweet milk...

French Toast.

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Potato Bread.

Take six good-sized potatoes, boil and mash fine. Add three pints of boiling water. Stir flour in till it makes a stiff batter.

When Whipping Eggs.

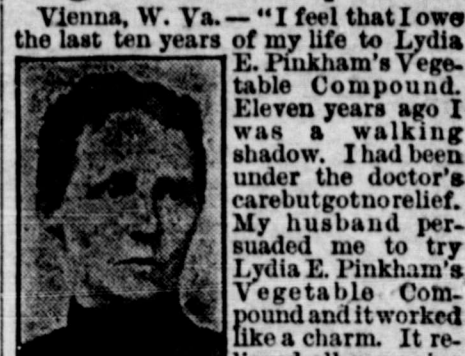
When beating eggs separately beat the white first then "steal" a little bit of it to start the yolks. The result is the yolks will not stick to the beater...

To Flavor Salads.

In making mayonnaise, I find that using vinegar which has been poured over pickles, beets, or cucumbers, instead of fresh vinegar, adds a pleasant flavor to salads.

OWES HER LIFE TO

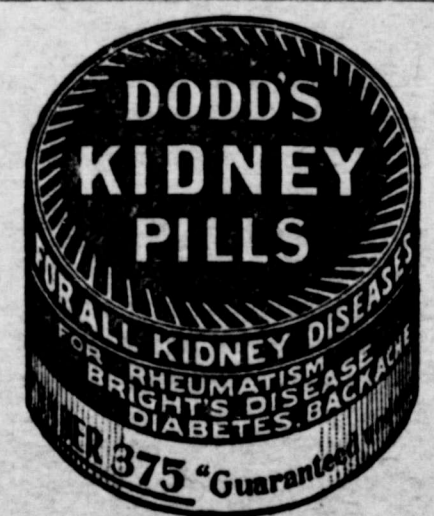
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound



Vienna, W. Va.—"I feel that I owe the last ten years of my life to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Eleven years ago I was a walking shadow..."

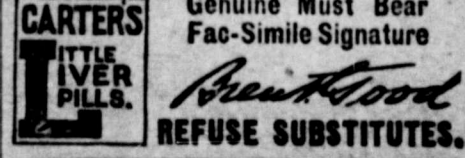
An Entirely Selfish Theorist. "Do you believe in the theory of reincarnation?" asked the serious girl.

Good Reason for Marrying. A young couple developed such incompatibility of temper that six years after marriage they carried their difficulties to the divorce court.



SICK HEADACHE

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heavy Eating...



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PISO'S CURE THE BEST MEDICINE FOR COUGHS & COLDS. The relief is as quick as it is certain. Pleasant to take and guaranteed absolutely free from opiates.

**SERIAL STORY**

**INTO THE PRIMITIVE**

By **ROBERT AMES BENNET**

Illustrations by **RAY WALTERS**

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**SYNOPSIS.**

The story opens with the shipwreck of the steamer on which Miss Genevieve Leslie, an American heiress, Lord Winthrop, an Englishman, and Tom Blake, a brusque American, were passengers. The three were tossed upon an uninhabited island and were the only ones not drowned. Blake recovered from a drunken stupor, Blake, shunned on the boat, because of his roughness, became a hero as preserver of the helpless pair. The Englishman was suing for the hand of Miss Leslie. Blake started to swim back to the ship to recover what was left. Blake returned safely. Winthrop wasted his last match on a cigarette, for which he was scolded by Blake. Their first meal was a dead fish. The trio started a ten mile hike for higher land. Thirst attacked them. Blake was compelled to carry Miss Leslie on account of weariness. He taunted Winthrop. They entered the jungle. That night was passed roosting high in a tree. The next morning they descended to the open again. All three constructed hats to shield themselves from the sun. They then feasted on coconuts, the only procurable food. Miss Leslie showed a liking for Blake, but detested his roughness. Led by Blake they established a home in some cliffs. Blake found a fresh water spring. Miss Leslie faced an unpleasant situation. They planned their campaign. Blake recovered his surveyor's magnifying glass, thus insuring fire. He started a jungle fire, killing a large leopard and smothering several cubs. In the leopard's cavern they built a small home. They gained the cliffs by burning the bottom of a tree until it fell against the heights. The trio secured eggs from the cliffs.

**CHAPTER XI.—Continued.**

Miss Leslie sighed. "Why did you speak of them? I am still hungry enough to eat more eggs—a dozen—that is, if we had a little salt and butter."

"And a silver cup and napkins!" added Blake. "About the salt, though, we'll have to get some before long, and some kind of vegetable food. It won't do to keep up this whole meat menu."

"If only those little bamboo sprouts were as good as they look—like a kind of asparagus!" murmured Miss Leslie.

"I've heard that the Chinese eat them," said Winthrop.

"They eat rats, too," commented Blake.

"We might at least try them," persisted Miss Leslie.

"How? Raw?"

"I have heard papa tell of roasting corn when he was a boy."

"That's so; and roasting-ears are better than boiled. Win, I guess we'll have a sample of bamboo asparagus a la Les-lee!"

Winthrop took the penknife and fetched a handful of young sprouts from the bamboo thicket. They were heated over the coals on a grill of green branches and devoured half raw.

"Say," mumbled Blake, as he ruminated on the last shoot, "we're getting on some for this small hole of a coast house, and chicken ranch and vegetables in our front yard. We've got old Bobbie Crusoe beat, hands down, on the start-off, and he with his shipful of stuff for handieap!"

"Then you believe that the situation looks more hopeful, Mr. Blake?"

"Well, we've at least got an extension on our note for a week or two. But I'm not going to coddle you with a lot of lies, Miss Jenny. There's the fever coming, sure as fate. I may stave it off a while; you and Win, ten to one, will be down in a few days—and not a smell of quinine in our commissary. Then there'll be dysentery and snakes and wild beasts—No; we're not out of the woods yet, not by a considerable."

throp, "I must say, you're not very encouraging."

"By Jove, Blake," muttered Win. "Didn't say I was trying to be."

"But, Mr. Blake, I am sure papa will offer a large reward when the steamer is reported as lost. There will be ships searching for us—"

"We're not in the British channel, and I'll bet what few boats do coast along there don't nose about much among these coral reefs."

"I fancy it would do no harm to sweet a signal," said Winthrop.

"Only, thing that would make a show is Miss Leslie's skirt," replied Blake.

"There is the big leopard skin," persisted Winthrop. To his surprise the

engineer took the suggestion under serious consideration.

"Well, I don't know," he said. "If we had a water background, now. But against the rocks and trees—no; what we want is white. I'll tell you—when Miss Jenny sets to and makes herself a dress of that skin, I'll fly her skirt to the zephyrs."

"Mr. Blake! I really think that is cruel of you!"

"Oh, come now; that's not fair! I wouldn't have said a word, but you said you wanted to help."

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Blake. I—I did not quite understand you. I really do want to help—to do my share—"

"Now you're talking! You see, it's not only a question of the signal, but of clothes. We've got to figure anyway on needing new ones before long. Look at my pants and vest, and Win's too. Inside a month we'll all be in hide-or-in-hiding. That's a joke, Win, me by; see?"

"But in the meantime—" began Miss Leslie.

"In the meantime we're like to miss a chance or two of being picked up, just because we've failed to stick out a signal that'd catch the eye twice as far off as any other color than scarlet. Do you suppose I worked my way up from axman to engineer, and did not learn anything about flags?"

"But it is all really too absurd! I do not know the first thing about sewing, and I have neither thread nor needle."

"It's up to you, though, if you want to help. My sisters sewed mighty soon after they learned to toddle. 'Bout time you learned—There, now; I did not mean to hurt your feelings. You've made a fair stagger at cooking, and I bet you win out on the dressmaking. For needle you can use one of these long, slim thorns—poke a hole, and then slip the thread through, like a shoemaker."

"Ah, yes; but the thread?" put in Winthrop.

"The coconut fiber would hardly do," said Miss Leslie, forgetting to dry her eyes.

"No. We could get fairly good fibers out of the palm leaves; but catgut will be a whole lot better. I'll slit up a lot for you, fine enough to sew with. And now, let's get down to tacks. No offense—but did either of



He at Once Began Experiments in the Art of Pottery.

you ever learn to do anything useful in all your blessed little lives?"

"Why, Mr. Blake, of course I—"

"Of course what?" demanded Blake, as Miss Leslie hesitated. "We know all about your cooking and sewing. What else?"

"I—I see what you meant. I fear that nothing of what I learned would be of service now."

"Boarding-school rot, eh? And you, Winthrop?"

"If you would kindly name over what you have in mind."

"Um!" grunted Blake. "Well, it's first of all a question of a practical—practical, mind you,—knowledge of metallurgy, ceramics, and how to stick an arrow through a beef roast."

"I—ah—I believe I intimated that I have some knowledge of archery. But I doubt—"

"Cut it out! You'll have enough else to do. Get busy over those bows and arrows, and don't quit till you've got them in shape. Leave my bow good and stiff. I can pull like a mule can kick. Well, Miss Jenny; what is it?"

"Is not—has not ceramics something to do with burning china?"

"Sure!—china, pottery, and all that. Know anything about it?"

"Why, I have a friend who amuses herself by painting china, and I know it has to be burned."

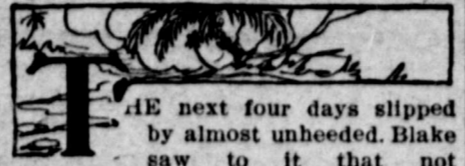
"And that's all!" grunted Blake.

"Well, let me tell you. When I was a little kid I used to work in a pottery. All I can remember is that they'd take clay, shape it into a pot, dry it, and bake the thing in a kiln. We've got to work the same game somehow. This kind of eating will mean dysentery in short order. So there's going to be a bean-pot for our

stews, or Tom Blake'll know the reason why. Nurse up that ankle of yours, Win. We'll trek it to-morrow—coconuts, and maybe something else. There's clay on the far bank of the river, and across from it, I saw a streak that looked like brown hematite."

**CHAPTER XII.**

**Survival of the Fittest.**



THE next four days slipped by almost unheeded. Blake saw to it that not only himself but his companions had work to occupy every-hour of daylight. When not engaged in cooking and fuel gathering, Miss Leslie was learning by painful experience the rudiments of dressmaking.

At the start she had all but ruined the beautiful skin of the mother leopard before Blake chanced to see her and took over the task of cutting it into shape for a skirt. But when it came to making a waist of the cub fur, he said that she would have to puzzle out the pattern from her other one. Between cooking three meals a day over an open fire, gathering several armfuls of wood, and making a dress with penknife, thorn, and catgut, the girl had little time to think of other matters than her work.

Winthrop had been gazzeted as hunter in ordinary. His task was to keep Miss Leslie supplied with fresh eggs and each day to kill as many of the boobies and cormorants as he could skin and split for drying. Blake had changed his mind about taking him when he went for coconuts. Instead, he had gone alone on several trips, bringing three or four loads of nuts, then a little salt from the seashore, dry but very welcome, and last of all a great lump of clay, wrapped in palm fronds.

With this clay he at once began experiments in the art of pottery. Having mixed and beaten a small quantity, he molded it into little cups and bowls, and tried burning them over night in the watch-fire. A few came out without crack or flaw. Vastly elated by this success, he fashioned larger vessels from his clay, and within the week could brag of two pots suitable for cooking stews, and four large nondescript pieces which he called plates. What was more, all had a fairly good sand glaze, for he had been quick to observe a glaze on the bottoms of the first pots, and had reasoned out that it was due to the sand which had adhered while they stood drying in the sun.

He next turned his attention to metallurgy. The first move was to search the river bank for the brown bog iron ore which he believed he had seen from the farther side. After a dangerous and exhausting day's work in the mire and jungle, he came back with nothing more to show for his pains than an armful of creepers. Late in the afternoon, he had located the haematite, only to find it lying in a streak so thin that he could not hope to collect enough for practical purposes.

"Lucky we've got something to fall back on," he added, after telling of his failure. "Pass over those keys of yours, Win. Good! Now untangle those creepers. To-night we'll take turns knotting them up into some sort of a rope-ladder. I'm getting mighty weary of hoofing it all around the point every time I trot to the river. After this I'll go down the cliff at that end of the gully."

Winthrop, who had become very irritable and depressed during the last two days, turned on his heel, with the look of a fretful child.

To cover this un diplomatic rudeness, Miss Leslie spoke somewhat hurriedly. "But why should you return again to the river, Mr. Blake? I'm sure you are risking the fever; and there must be savage beasts in the jungle."

"That's my business," growled Blake. He paused a moment, and added, rather less ungraciously: "Well, if you care, it's this way—I'm going to keep on looking for ore. Give me a little iron ore, and we'll mighty soon have a lot of steel knives and arrow-heads that'll amount to something. How're we going to bag anything worth while with bamboo tips on our arrows? Those bear tusks are a fizzle."

"So you will continue to risk your life for us? I think that is very brave and generous, Mr. Blake!"

"How's that?" demanded Blake, not a little puzzled.

"Dr. Walter C. Smith, the popular Scotch poet-preacher, on one occasion tried to explain to an old lady the meaning of the scriptural expression, 'Take up thy bed and walk,' by saying that the bed was simply a mat or rug easily taken up and carried away. 'No, no,' replied the lady. 'I canna believe that. The bed was a regular four-poster. There would be no miracle in walking away w' a bit o' mat or rug on your back.'"

**Rice Crop is Large.**

Korea's average annual rice crop is placed at 2,560,000,000 pounds.

"Thank you, Mr. Blake. I quite ap-

preciate the compliment. But now, I must put on supper."

Blake followed her graceful movements with an intentness which, in turn, drew Winthrop's attention to himself. The Englishman smiled in a disagreeable manner, and resumed his work on the bows, with the look of one mentally preoccupied. After supper he found occasion to spend some little time among the bamboos.

When at sunset Miss Leslie withdrew into the baobab, Winthrop somewhat officiously insisted upon helping her set up her screen in the entrance. As he did so, he took the opportunity to hand her a bamboo knife, and to draw her attention to several double-pointed bamboo stakes which he had hidden under the litter.

"What is it?" she asked, troubled by his furtive glance back at Blake.

"Merely precaution, you know," he whispered. "The ground in there is quite soft. It will be no trouble, I fancy, to put up the stakes, with their points inclined toward the entrance."

"But why—"

"Not so loud, Miss Genevieve! It struck me that if any one should seek to enter in the night, he would find these stakes deucedly unpleasant. Be careful how you handle them. As you see, the sharper points, which are to be set uppermost, run off into a razor edge. Put them up now, before it grows too dark. You know how ninetails are set—that shape. Good-night! You see, with these to guard the entrance, you need not be afraid to go to sleep at once."

"Thank you," she whispered, and began to thrust the stakes into the ground as he had directed.

He had not been mistaken. The vague doubts and fears which she already entertained would have kept her awake throughout the night, but thanks to the sense of security afforded by the sword-bayonets of her silent little sentries, the girl was soon able to calm herself, and was fast asleep long before Blake awakened Winthrop.

Immediately after breakfast, Blake—who had spent his watch in grinding the edges from a stone and experimenting with split and bent twigs—put Winthrop's keys in the fire, and began an attempt to shape them into a knife-blade. To heat the steel to the required temperature, he used a bamboo blowpipe, with his lungs for bellows.

Winthrop turned away with an indifferent bearing; but Miss Leslie found herself compelled to stop and admire his dexterous use of his rude tools.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

**SPENT MUCH FOR EMBROIDERY.**

**Napoleon I. Had Costly Coronation Robe and Throne.**

An old Parisian firm which deals in embroideries and supplied artistic needlework to the court of Louis XVI. is still in possession of the accounts of former centuries, and an inspection of these books reveals some interesting facts. Napoleon I. was economical as compared with the Empress Josephine, but his bills were considerable. The embroidery on his coronation robe cost 10,500 francs, and an embroidered coat cost 3,500. This coat became too small for him after he had worn it a year, and he ordered pieces of cloth to be inserted at the seams and covered with embroidery.

The bill for the first Napoleon's throne amounted to 53,970 francs. The outer drapery of purple velvet trimmed with gold lace cost 10,200 francs. The red velvet panels were strewn with embroidered golden bees at five francs apiece. The inner drapery of blue satin, with gold lace, was 9,600 francs, and the gold embroidered stripes for the inner trimming cost 8,500 francs. The embroidery on the blue velvet cushion cost 3,020 francs, and the foot cushion 1,200. In addition there were 1,050 bees embroidered on the panels of the canopy at a cost of 5,250 francs.

**Always Light in the Sky.**

"The sky," says the Scientific American, "is never dark. This, however, is not due to the sun, but to the stars. The Milky Way is above the horizon in summer in our latitude, and it gives a great deal of light by night, enough to make the night sky of that time brighter than when it is not a part of our night sky, as is the case in winter. Then, too, the stars which cannot be seen by the unaided eye give us much light. The stars which are not visible to the eye give more light than those which are visible."

**Would Not Have It Lessened.**

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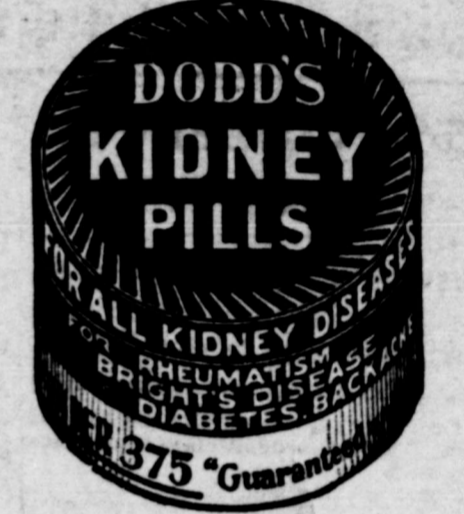
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#### HE REALIZED IT.

"Very few of us realize the terrible things that may result from a word hastily spoken," said the benevolent woman.

"Well, I realize it," answered the young man who sat by her on the train. "I'm a baseball umpire."

#### Teachers Institute Program.

The following is the program of the Coke county Teacher's Institute to be held at Robert Lee, December 20th to 24th, 09: Opening Exercises, Scripture Reading and Prayer—Rev. L. A. Clark.

Welcome Address—Rev. W. K. Simpson.

Response—Mrs. M. A. Evans. Organization, election of officers and appointment of committees.

#### AFTERNOON

Recitation Methods—J. M. Skinner.

Discussion — Miss Winifred Yates, Walter Hoch.

Qualities in a teacher necessary to success—J. L. Naylor. Discussion, John Stroud, Miss Effie Hoch.

Grube methods in primary arithmetic — Mrs. Craddock. Discussion, Misses Butler, Anglin and Mann.

Percentage and its applications—Mrs. Dowell. Discussion J. H. Tunnell, N. C. Brown, E. E. Meadows.

#### TUESDAY

History methods—H. C. Carter. Discussion, J. A. Waldrop, Miss Pearl Posey.

Mistakes in teaching—W. H. Bodenheimer. General Discussion.

Reading—J. L. Farrar. Discussion, Misses Lena Simpson and Pearl Burroughs.

Spelling oral and written—J. H. Tunnell. Discussion, J. L. Taylor, Misses Woullard and Waldrop.

#### NOON

Should a teacher strictly fol-

low a daily program — E. E. Meadows. Discussion, S. S. Lattimore, Miss Devine.

Agriculture, to what extent should it be taught—J. L. Farrar. Discussion, J. L. Naylor, J. J. McKinney.

Primary Language — Miss Brewer. General discussion.

#### WEDNESDAY

What constitutes preparation for teaching—Miss Eula Lockhart. General discussion.

School Law—H. C. Daniel, J. A. Waldrop.

Value of supplementry reading—Mrs. McCurry. Discussion, Paul Brown, Misses Newton and McCabe.

#### NOON

Duties of teachers to the community—Miss Ewing, James Stroud.

Teachers duties in protecting School property—Miss Carrie Benningfield.

How to prevent Tardiness—J. H. Tunnell. Discussion, Mrs. Dowell, John Stroud.

Sources of school money—H. C. Daniel.

#### THURSDAY

Geography 3rd and 4th grades —Miss Mary Hutchinson. Discussion, Misses Anglin, Devine, Mann, Boykin.

Mistakes in teaching—W. H. Bodenheimer. General Discussion.

Moral Training—J. J. McKinney.

Nature study in the primary grades— Mrs. M. A. Evans. General discussion.

Discipline—J. M. Skinner.

How to make Grammer attractive—N. C. Brown, H. C. Carter.

#### FRIDAY

When should a pupil learn the Alphabet—Miss Fennell. General discussion.

To what extent should schools have public exercises — Miss Annie Lockhart.

The bad boy and how to manage him—J. J. McKinney. Discussion Misses Reed, Yates. Address—Hon. D. I. Durham.

#### NOON

When should a pupil be expelled—J. A. Waldrop.

Does the County Institute pay —S. S. Lattimore. General discussion.

Summer Normal Plans. Committee Reports.

Each teacher is required to be prepared to discuss the subject assigned, and no excuse will be accepted unless a valid one can be rendered.

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### SANTA FE'S MIDDLE WEST TEXAS EXTENSION

Charter Amended so Extension can  
be Made North and South from  
San Angelo—Concho, San Saba  
and Llano Valley is Name

Austin Tex., Nov. 29.—The  
Santa Fe's extension in the Mid-  
west was made in the Mid-  
west, Concho, San Saba  
and Llano Valley Railway Com-  
pany, according to a charter  
amendment filed here today.  
An amendment to the articles of  
incorporation of that railroad  
company were approved covers  
the new and mileage proposed  
covers the new Santa Fe plans  
in the Middle West radiating  
from San Angelo, and not only  
that but the papers came from  
the general offices of the Santa  
Fe at Galveston.

The amendment increases the  
capital stock from \$200,000 to  
\$255,000 and provides for ad-  
ditional mileage. The original  
charter of the Concho, San Saba  
and Llano Valley Company called  
for a line from Miles south-  
east through Paint Rock to  
Brady, Llano, etc. Today's  
amendment specifies the project  
south of Miles, which is in op-  
eration for a short distance, and  
also for a line north from San  
Angelo and south from that  
point. The northern line is to  
intersect the Texico-Coleman  
cut-off in Lubbock county south  
of the town of Lubbock, while  
the southern projection is con-  
templated but for a short dis-  
tance. There is no provision  
for building from Miles, east of  
San Angelo, to the latter place,  
because the Santa Fe is already

in operation between these  
points.

The northern line is describ-  
ed as originating at San Angelo  
and building northwest through  
Tom Green, Coke, Sterling,  
Glasscock and Martin counties  
to a point about fifteen miles  
westerly from the northwest  
corner of Martin county, and  
thence northerly through Daw-  
son, touching Lamesa, the coun-  
ty seat through Lynn county to  
a connection with the Pecos and  
Northern Railroad about five  
miles from the northeast corner  
of Lubbock county, a total dis-  
tance of 218 miles. Tahoka,  
county seat of Lynn county, is  
sure to be touched.

This will give the Santa Fe a  
belt through the middle west  
which will be most valuable and  
open a new country. The belt  
begins at Coleman Junction on  
the San Angelo branch, and  
running through San Angelo  
over the new line to the Pecos  
and Northern Texas near Lub-  
bock and thence down that to  
Coleman. The amendment pro-  
vides for a branch from San An-  
gelo in a southerly direction to  
a point near the boundary line  
of Tom Green and Schleicher  
Counties, a distance of twenty-  
six miles. This apparently  
means that the branch will fol-  
low the rich valley of the Con-  
cho River out of San Angelo  
and ultimately may go further  
south or turn east. The Santa  
Fe is under contract to build  
from Lometa through San Saba  
to Brady. This line may con-  
nect with the Paint Rock exten-  
sion or the one down the Concho.  
From the general junction of  
the southern branches a line to  
San Antonio is said to be most  
probable.

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anywhere in the Uni-  
ted States.

### Frisco to San Angelo

Railroad surveyors, in the em-  
ploy of the Frisco, are now in  
the vicinity of the Kickapoo be-  
tween Eden and San Angelo.  
These men are headed this way  
and at the present rate they are  
traveling it is expected they will  
reach San Angelo before another  
two weeks have passed.

The people at Brady seem to  
be very much worried about the  
plans of the Frisco, as are the  
people at Menardville. The  
contract for 17 miles of grading  
has been let out of Brady, but  
this runs west, while Menard-  
ville is southwest. Last Satur-  
day, a week ago, a meeting was  
held at Eden and a bonus and  
right of way through Concho  
county was subscribed by the  
Edenites.

It begins to look now as if the  
Frisco was not going to go direct  
to Menardville just at the pres-  
ent time, but instead, is going to  
continue its western course on  
to Eden and thence to San An-  
gelo. At any rate, the railroad  
movements are being watched  
in all West Texas with a great  
deal of interest since the new  
corps of surveyors are in the  
field and since no one seems to  
know just what is doing.—San  
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Song, "I Love to Tell the  
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Lesson, Acts, 20: 35—Leader.  
Central Thoughts—Jodie Bell.  
Connecting Link — Thelma  
Reed.

Prayer.  
Song.  
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Song.

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### Choked to Death

is commonly said of babies who have  
died of the croup. How unnecessary  
this is. No child ever had the croup  
without having a cold or cough at  
the start. If you will stop the first  
symptom of the cough with Ballard's  
Horehound Syrup there is no danger  
whatever of croup. Sold by J. F.  
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### Keep Out.

All parties caught hunting  
with gun or dogs, hauling wood,  
driving stock or otherwise tres-  
passing in my pasture north of  
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full extent of the law.

J. F. Byrd.

Don't forget to use a little  
Prickly Ash Bitters whenever  
the stomach or bowels are dis-  
ordered. It quickly corrects  
such troubles and makes you  
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on the Texas and Pacific, to  
Robert Lee, Coke county, and  
thence to Tennyson, on the  
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F. Dupree, J. C. Cunningham,  
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low price of \$50,000 and right-of-way. The city offered \$15,000 because it could raise no more. In the mass meeting held to make up the money some said "I will not give because our natural advantages are such that it will come any how." Another said "I will not give because it will build up little towns and cut off our trade." Another said "We had better let well enough alone," etc, until the nonprogressive and the sleepy headed prevailed over the progressives and the new railroad crossed the other one near enough to cut off half of the trade of this city. Soon another railroad ran nearby on another side and cut off one-fourth more of its trade. This road, knowing that the city was non-progressive did not offer to come to it. Soon afterwards another

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road ran through the county and cut off another part of its trade. Another railroad offered for a small bonus to build a railroad through an open country so this city could get the trade and business of its terminus. While they were debating about this proposition in their slow way, a nearby town on their only railroad made a large offer to this railroad company and got the road, which ran within twelve miles of this city and this reduced their trade limits to less than one-half of a county.

I believe that today this city would have a population of 50,000 had it put up the first \$50,000. This is why the fine little city with its hundreds of advantages is dead today. — Exchange.

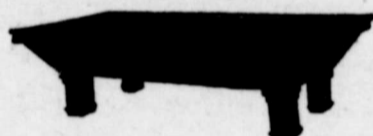
### Biggest Rain This Year.

The biggest rain this year fell throughout Coke county Sunday and Monday, which was a great blessing to the small grain and put out plenty of water. It fell slow and all went into the ground, many of our farmers are busy breaking their land for next years crop.

The Colorado river was on a big boom the first of the week, it was higher than it has been for four years it is said. The water injured the railroad bridge on the Orient near Bronte which has gratly retarded shipping facilities but it is thought the injury will be repaired in a few days and the service will be as formerly.

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"I am not in a position to state what other lines will be built in west Texas; our plans are not laid out in such a definite state that they may be made public as yet. Will San Angelo get any of the new railroads that are built by the Santa Fe? Now you are getting too inquisitive. I cannot say; that altogether depends upon circumstances.

"In regard to the 'Sunflower' route, Mr. Tenison will still remain president of the road. Mr. Tenison, as you know, was the virtual purchaser of the road.

"I am not absolutely sure as to the time when ties will be laid on the road between San

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THE ONE PRICE CASH HOUSE.

Angelo and Sterling City. In fact, I do not know just how much work has been done by the graders. I understand from certain sources, however, that they are coming along at a good clip, in which case the tie and steel laying will likely begin inside of the next three months. —San Angelo Standard.

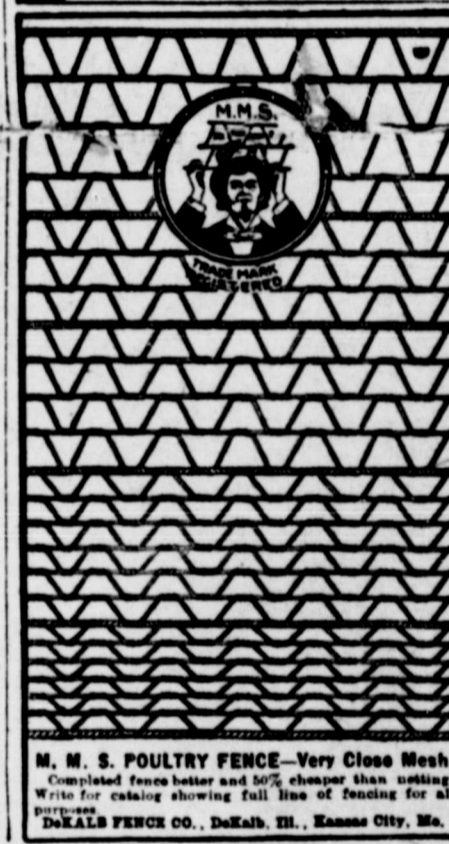
It is true that interests friendly to the Santa Fe own a controlling interest in the Concho, San Saba, and Llano railroad and roads in West Texas, of which several are to build in the near future, by the Santa Fe, will be under the charter of that road.

In this connection, it might be said that if the Santa Fe decides to build south from San Angelo, it will, therefore, use the charter of the "Sunflower"—F. G. Pettibone, vice president and General Manager of the G. C. & S. F.—San Angelo Standard.

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"What was it?" cried the audience, unable to keep quiet in their enthusiasm.

"Why, I had my faithful Eskimo bring me the picture of my rival. After gazing at it for a few seconds my blood boiled and I felt hotter than a radiator. Nor was this all. By placing the picture in front of me on the sled I found it made me hot enough to dispense with my birdskin shirt."

### An Expert.

"You wish a position as chef?" interrogated the hotel man. "I had much experience."

"I should say so, boss," responded the applicant in the fur coat and long whiskers. "I used to be chef on an arctic expedition."

"Indeed! And what is your specialty?"

"Why, I know how to prepare boots in 20 different ways."

### Just a Hint.

"Yes, mum," said the tall tramp as he tipped his faded straw hat, "dat is such a nice lady in de brown bungalow. She gave me an after-dinner smoke."

"But why should you stop to tell me about it?" asked the woman with the lawn mower.

"Why, mum, I thought maybe you'd give me de dinner so I could enjoy de smoke."

### A Cruel Condition.

Elsie—Why is Clara always so short of money? Didn't her father leave her a lot?

Madge—Yes; but you see she's not to get it till she's 30, and she'll never own up to that.

### WOULD THE PUBLIC DOUBT IT.



First Johnny—Aw, so you have returned from your month's holiday. Where did you go?

Second Johnny—Aw, I just ran up to the north pole.

First Johnny—I had intended going there, but it's such a fag to take your own grub.

### Pastoral.

He met the girl upon the bridge, And kissed her on the spot. The brook, it murmured down below; The girl, she murmured not.

### Erratic Going.

"It is easy enough to hitch your wagon to a star," declared the theatrical manager.

"Say on."

"How to keep from being bounced out of the wagon is the question."

### A Question of Taste.

"You are sure this was moonshine whisky?" said the investigator.

"Yes," answered the man from Tennessee.

"Did you taste it?"

"Taste it? No. I swallowed a little. You don't taste it any more than you'd taste a hornet if you accidentally bit one. You just know it's there."

### Preferred the Baby.

"A Michigan bear carried off a baby from a blackberry patch when it might have had all the blackberries it could have eaten."

"That was distinctly complimentary to the baby."

### So What's the Use?

"Drift Armstrong says that women are never content to go like nature intended them to."

"The police wouldn't let them if they were."

### Blue Blood.

"You look as if you had dined on an aristocrat," said the first mosquito.

"Not me," replied mosquito No. 2. "I've been eating huckleberry."

### VISIONS OF THANKSGIVING.

Now doth the turkey see in dreams The visions of a day That makes his heart go pit-a-pat And turns his feathers gray.

The smell of celery gives him pain, And though his eyes are wet With tears of coming sorrow, he Tries bravely to forget.

A little cranberry is to him The crimson badge of fate That he must wear when he is called Into his future state.

An oyster makes him shut his eyes To miss the sight of it, And when he sees the ax, Great Scott! He almost has a fit.

He thinks about the people who Will sound his requiem, And wonders how it's going to feel To be inside of them.

Ah, gulleless dreamer, you are up Against Thanksgiving day; You've got to starve yourself to death Or die the other way. —William J. Lampton, in New York Sun.

### A BIT NEAR-SIGHTED.



Old Bates—Well, I've bin a-sittin' ere for 'ours, an' divil a bite! Too many steamboats on this river for fishing.

### Soon Explained.

Growlers still in darkness groping, Wondered how he got along. Every day was a day for hoping, Every day was a day of song!

### Didn't Want the Job.

The young man was evidently in search of a wife.

"Can you bake biscuits without burning them?" he asked.

"No," replied the fair one, frankly. "I can't even bake them without burning myself. But you may find what you require in that line at the intelligence office, just around the corner."

### By Inference.

Bridge Teacher—Now, if your partner is dealer and has a dreadful hand, what will she make it?

Mrs. Baker—No trumps.

Bridge Teacher—Why, you don't know anything about bridge.

Mrs. Baker—Possibly not, but I know all about my partner.—Harper's Bazar.

### Source of Information.

Browning—I hear you are engaged to that young widow who is visiting relatives here. Is it true?

Greening—Yes.

Browning—How did you discover that she was the one woman in the world for an old bachelor like you?

Greening—Why, she—er—told me so.

### Lucky Woman.

"She married a man of wax."

"Why, I thought her husband was very firm and unyielding."

"So he is, but he is a chewing gum manufacturer."

### Getting Even.

"Bet your life I'm going to get even with pa for licking me," said the small boy.

"How are you going to do it?" queried his big sister.

"The first time a circus comes to town I'm going to play off sick, and he won't have any excuse for going," explained the youthful diplomat.

### Wise Precaution.

Henchman—In placing your name before the convention, Judge Windrow is going to laud your name to the skies.

Candidate—That being the case, I'd better invest in a parachute.

### Characteristic Welcome.

"Were those cannibal savages glad to see the last missionary you sent them?"

"Oh, yes, indeed! They fairly ate him up."

### Too Many Breakdowns.

"Did you enjoy automobile week?"

"No."

"What was the trouble?"

"A weak automobile."

# LIPTON ANGERS KING

## Women Cause Trouble Between Ruler and Baronet.

Sir Thomas Refuses to Take Edward's Friend, Mrs. Keppel, Aboard Yacht on Which Marie Corelli Was His Guest.

London.—Sir Thomas Lipton, who went to New York last month to ask for a modification of the rules governing contests for the America's cup in order that he might challenge for the fourth time, did not carry the high hopes and favor of King Edward which aided him in former years. This in no wise affects the feelings of the British public, which greatly admires Sir Thomas as a sportsman undismayed by three defeats. On the contrary, his popularity has increased since he announced his intention to try again for the much-coveted cup.

It was the discriminating gallantry of Sir Thomas Lipton on an occasion when he was placed in an unenviable position—a story that has never before been told outside of the innermost court circles—which cost him the intimate friendship and support of the king in his yachting ventures.

Two noted women—Marie Corelli, the novelist, and the Hon. Mrs. George Keppel, famous beauty, wit and friend of King Edward and Queen Alexandra—placed Sir Thomas Lipton in the position of a modern Paris, and, as host of Miss Corelli, Sir Thomas Lipton made a decision in her favor.

Mrs. Keppel learned of this and complained to the king, and from that moment Sir Thomas Lipton ceased to interest his majesty. There has been no open rupture—no hint in clubs nor at court that Sir Thomas is persona non grata to the king—but whether in his present venture, without the support of the king, the Royal Ulster Yacht club, under whose colors he formerly challenged, will aid him, remains to be disclosed.

Sir Thomas is a great personal friend and admirer of Marie Corelli, and when he heard that she was almost broken down from overwork, he invited her to take a trip on his yacht for rest and recuperation. Miss Corelli accepted and when the yacht had lazily cruised about for a week and her health had been partly restored, Sir Thomas received a tele-



Sir Thomas Lipton.

graphic message from King Edward, commanding him as a friend and subject to run the Erin over to Southampton and pick up Mrs. George Keppel for a cruise as she was almost broken down by her many social duties. The king announced that he would join the yacht later for a short cruise as the guest of Sir Thomas.

Immediately on receipt of the message Sir Thomas announced to Miss Corelli that there was to be another guest taken on board the yacht. Miss Corelli inquired who the guest was to be and Sir Thomas explained that Mrs. Keppel was to join the company at Southampton and that later King Edward would come aboard.

With a firmness characteristic of her, Miss Corelli promptly told Sir Thomas that she would end her visit aboard the yacht as soon as the vessel touched at Southampton. This announcement shocked Sir Thomas, and as her host he demanded that Miss Corelli give a reason for the abrupt termination of a cruise that had been arranged especially for her benefit.

Miss Corelli gave some trivial excuse that did not satisfy Sir Thomas and finally told him flatly that she had no desire to meet Mrs. Keppel. She asked him to put her ashore and allow the incident to be closed, for she in no way blamed him for arranging to take other guests aboard.

He told Miss Corelli that she should finish the cruise, remaining on board until entirely restored to health, and that he would offer some excuse for not proceeding to Southampton to take Mrs. Keppel aboard. This he did and it explains why the friendship of the king for the Irish baronet has been severed.

### CERTAIN DEATH.



Hilda—Would you lay down your life for me?

Harold—Gladly, dearest. Hilda—Then go and tell father of our engagement.

### CUT THIS OUT.

Recipe That Breaks a Cold in a Day and Cures Any Curable Cough.

"Mix half ounce of Concentrated pine compound with two ounces of glycerine and half a pint of good whiskey; shake well each time and use in doses of a teaspoonful to a tablespoonful every four hours."

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The Concentrated pine is a special pine product and comes only in half ounce bottles, each enclosed in an airtight case, but be sure it is labeled "Concentrated."

### Philosophy.

Billy—Ma, does it do you any good to spank me?

Mother—No, my son; it hurts me to do it.

Billy—Then don't you think it's rather foolish to be hurting the two of us and not benefiting any one?

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### GOES FOR CHARTER FOR ROAD

Sam B. Kemp Tells of the Bright Future in Store for Robert Lee.

Sam B. Kemp of Robert Lee, who gave John W. Brady a run for his money in getting the office of county attorney of Travis county in 1906, left Saturday afternoon for Austin to secure a charter for the Colorado-Concho railroad that is to be built from Robert Lee to Colorado City, a distance of about fifty miles.

"Mr. Bross, chief engineer of the road," Mr. Kemp said, "has finished a preliminary survey between Colorado City and Robert Lee. Now things are about in shape to start building on the road.

As to how Robert Lee is progressing, well you can say it is on a boom. We are building a little city up there that is worthy of all the mention you can give it. Cotton this year has been a little short with us, but it is due to the fact that much cotton that we have been getting heretofore is now going to other towns along the Orient. When we get our road into operation Robert Lee will be one of the biggest cotton centers in West Texas, as we have the territory that will produce a great amount of cotton.—San Angelo Press-News.

### It's a Crime

to neglect your health. The worst neglect that you can be guilty of is to allow constipation, biliousness or any liver or bowel trouble to continue. It is poisoning your entire system and lead to a serious chronic disease. Take Ballard's Herbine and get absolutely well. The sure cure for any and all troubles of the stomach, liver and bowels. Sold by J. F. Sturman.

### Robert Lee Road Survey.

A special from Colorado City says: A party of railroad men completed a survey from Robert Lee to this place Saturday. They propose making three surveys from Robert Lee to points on the Texas and Pacific. After these have been passed on by the promoters in the East they will be ready to talk to citizens about a bonus and the right-of-way. It is said Colorado City will give a handsome bonus to a north and south railroad.—San Angelo Standard.

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### Deeds for Right-of-Way.

The Concho, San Saba & Llano Valley Ry. Co. is the name of the corporation for which all deeds for the right-of-way for the railroad up the North Concho River valley to Sterling City are being made to. The cat is out of the bag. The Santa Fe has bought the Sunflower Route, which fact there can no longer be any doubt.

The contracts for the right-of-way are being gotten in just as fast as possible. The deeds for the right-of-way are also being collected and sent to Santa Fe headquarters. If the Santa Fe, which President Ripley says bought the North Concho proposition, has sold out the Sterling City line to a little road like the Sunflower Route, strange things are happening. No one sincerely believe it has. But on the other hand many do believe that the Sunflower Route was sold out to parties who represent the Santa Fe and is a part of the Santa Fe system.

That's the whole story. A prominent citizen divulged the information this morning, unwittingly and unintentionally. It can't be denied that the Miles-Paint Rock road and the proposed new road up the North Concho are members of the same

### Alone in Saw Mill at Midnight

unmindful of dampness, draft, storms or cold. W. J. Atkins worked as night watchman at Banner Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. At last he had to give up work. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle" he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever." Severe colds, stubborn cough, inflamed throats and sore lungs, hemorrhages, croup and whooping cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free, guaranteed by city Drug Store.

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### No Use for Numbers.

The school census taker stopped at a little hut in the mountains of Kentucky, and addressing the mother of an unusually large flock of children, said: "Madam I am taking the school census. How many children have you between the ages of six and—"

"Lemme see," she broke in; "there's Katy an' Mary an' Annie an' Lucy an' Carrie an' Rob Jake an' Will an' Harry an' Jim an'—" She paused for a breath the caller made haste to say:

"Now, madam, if you could just give me the number—"

"Number?" she snapped; "Number?" We ain't commenced numberin' yit, thank ye. We ain't run out o' names."—Success Magazine.

family of which the Santa Fe is the real parent. There is a reason in railroad circles why this was desired to be kept a secret, but what the real reason is, no one seems to know at this time.—San Angelo Standard.

### Great Crop of Cotton in Coke

"Probably one of the best, all around successes made in raising cotton in Central West Texas is the happy lot of one of my renters on my big place out in Coke county, said J. B. McCutchen, a big ranchman of that section, who was in the city Thursday. "He made 71 bales of cotton on 170 acres of land, which is going some for the state of Texas this year.

"Now that is not simply a prospect, because the cotton has already been gathered, ginned and sold, and the farmer has the money in the bank right now. His cotton was of a good grade and brought him on an average 13 1-2 cents.

"Coke county, in my opinion, will lead the state in the production of agricultural necessities this year, and the record of my renter is very nearly equaled by several of our immediate neighbors."—San Angelo Standard.

—Fresh seedless raisins just received at W. H. Bell & Co.

**Trespass Notice.**  
Notice is hereby given that I own and control every acre of land in Grape creek pastures situated in Coke and Tom Green counties, and that all trespassers for hunting, fishing, hauling wood, gathering pecans, working stock or any other trespass will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law,  
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### LOCAL NEWS.

—All kinds of feed stuffs a R. Hickey & Son.

Cliff Creighton, of Sanco was here Thursday.

T D Evans bought lot 8 in block 21 for \$40.

J D Davis is re-stripping his residence this week.

L Earp, of Maryneal was in the city Saturday.

Bob McFarland is now clerking for J. L. Barron.

Geo Brown paid home folks a visit at Edith Sunday.

—Cook stoves and Heaters at the Lane Hardware Co.

T Johnson and John Fry visited Bronte Wednesday.

H M Stevens of Hayrick was here Saturday on business.

Plain and fancy job printing done at the Observer office.

Born to Mr and Mrs J C Cobb November 22nd a daughter.

—25 lbs cracked grain rice \$1 at Price & Altman, Bronte.

E Menelle was in from his ranch Tuesday on business.

—Carload of best grade chops just received at W. H. Bell & Co.

J Q McCabe was in from his ranch Wednesday on business.

—Gents and ladies' clothes cleaned and pressed. C. Wyche.

Geo Dunnica visited San Angelo Saturday, returning, Monday.

Wm. Scarborough of Sanco was here Wednesday on business.

Marion Prichard of the Divide, was in the city Saturday on business.

A J Danner is up from a severe attack of neuralgia in his eyes.

Miss Lee Roe is now holding a position at the Big Racket Store.

Arthur Sturman returned Saturday from a trip to Gilmer Texas.

—Close prices on grain and groceries at Price & Altman, Bronte.

Born to Mr and Mrs Green Preslar, of Sanco on November 23, a son.

—If its good fresh groceries you want R. Hickey & Son can supply you.

W W Watson and wife of Valley view were in the city Thursday trading.

John Stroud who is teaching the Valley View school was home Sunday.

—New line of fresh pure fruit jellies, jams and preserves at W. H. Bell & Co.

J L Morrow went out to E Menelles' ranch Wednesday to erect a large barn.

—Tomatoes by the case 3 lb can, per case \$2.35. Price & Altman, Bronte.

Granvill Moore of San Angelo was here several days the past week on business.

FOR SALE— Good pair of work horses. Will sell cheap. Geo Dunnica.

Born to Mr and Mrs W. H. Elledge, of Sanco Thursday November 25, twin boys.

—Fine line of fresh California can goods at low price just received. W. H. Bell & Co.

Capt R L Barnett and Ben Reeves of the Hayrick section was in the city Thursday.

—Would you have your barber work done scientifically? Then patronize Buchanan & Hall.

Aubrey and Burney Ashley of San Angelo was here Saturday and Sunday on business.

B F Hall sold to Judge D I Durham Lot 3 in block 22 and lot 9 in block 14. Consideration \$500.

Paul Brown who is teaching near Blackwell, was visiting his parents here Saturday and Sunday.

Mesdames J D Davis and Walter Dickson will leave Sunday for Brownwood to visit relatives a few days.

—South Texas Lumber Co., at Bronte, sell all kinds of building material.

Hugh Jones of the Wyley ranch near Ballinger, is here visiting his parents Mr and Mrs M C Jones.

Arch Blackwell returned Saturday from a trip to Jayton where he visited his daughter Mrs Lang.

Ernest Newton, Roy Green and Johnnie Williams left Thursday for the Cedar Hill country on a deer hunt.

Dr W M Copeland left Friday morning with two patients for the Temple Sanitarium who go there for operations.

—5 gallons coal oil 50 cents at Price & Altman, Bronte.

F M Andrews one of Ediths progressive farmers was in Tuesday with cotton and remembered the Observer.

FOR SALE—Four young mules, two young horses, and five head of cattle. W. W. Watson, Robert Lee Texas.

The Philisophian society of the High school gave an entertainment at Sanco, Saturday night which was well attended.

### THE ALARMING INCREASE OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

"He died of Bright's Disease." Hardly a week passes that this statement is not made in reference to some prominent citizen.

The increasing prevalence of this disease makes the present time seem most opportune for discussion in the hope that some who are unconsciously afflicted with this dreaded disease may receive timely warning.

A prominent citizen residing in a nearby town informs us that he suffered for nearly a year from Bright's Disease, but that he recently affected a complete cure.

"What seemed to be the first indications of the trouble," was asked.

"They seemed hardly worth noticing. My digestion bothered me at times, my stomach seemed out of order, and I had occasional backaches, but I thought it was due to too much work."

"Did you take anything?" "I did not. Later, my strength failed me, I had severe pains in the back and noticed some irregularities of the urine. I couldn't sleep well at night. I then used some simple remedies, but without benefit."

"Did you realize that your trouble was Bright's Disease?"

"I never thought of such a thing. Finally, my condition became serious. My back ached all the time, I had shooting pains in my joints and a weak tired feeling at the knees, a little work played me out completely. I then began doctoring for kidney trouble but did not improve very much."

"Did you have any trouble with your heart?"

"Yes. I had spells of heart throbbing and a nervous faint feeling. I thought I had heart disease and treated awhile for that. Nothing seemed to help me. I had to give up trying to work."

"How did you affect a cure?"

"A friend of mine persuaded me to try Prickly Ash Bitters. I bought a bottle of my druggist. After taking it a week I began to feel some better, my urine became more natural and there was a gradual lessening of my misery. I kept on taking Prickly Ash Bitters for several weeks and I could feel my strength returning—slowly at first—but increasing daily. I am now entirely cured of my trouble and able to do a full day's work without the least fatigue. I consider Prickly Ash Bitters the grandest kidney medicine in the world."

Thousands of people attest in like manner to the wonderful benefit derived from Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a time tried and successful remedy for Bright's Disease or any disorder of the kidneys.

Prickly Ash Bitters is in every sense a system tonic and regulator. It possesses important properties for curing ailments of the stomach, liver and bowels in addition to its great power in the kidneys. It is a valuable article to keep at home, where a dose or two can be taken whenever needed. When used for any disorder in the kidneys, stomach, liver or bowels it is the right medicine in the right place.

Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label. Sold by druggists Price \$1.00.

SOLD BY J. F. STURMAN.

Dr and Mrs S C Parsons of San Angelo were in the city Saturday and Sunday the guest of Judge and Mrs D. I. Durham.

—When you need heavy groceries remember you can find what you want here and it is fresh. W. H. Bell & Co.

L H McDorman the gin man remembered the Observer this week by setting his figures a head for him self and a relative.

Plain and fancy job work neatly done at the Observer office.

# The Western National Bank,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

J. Willis Johnson, Pres.; Louis L. Farr, Vice-Pres.; R. H. Harris, Vice-President.

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Also the largest and cheapest line of Wall Paper in the West. Have your pictures framed at the Angelo Paint Co.

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#### Strictly Cash to Everybody.

Work at my shop will be strictly cash to everyone. No credit accounts will be opened for 30 days yet. Tom Cross.

The Western overland tented shows will exhibit at Robert Lee Saturday December 4th. The show consists of vaudeville, music, slight of hand, good dancing and the latest songs. Popular prices.

—I have just received a big shipment of all kinds of nuts such as almonds, butter nuts and walnuts. W. H. Bell & Co.

Ora Thurman has accepted a position with the central telephone office at Bronte. Ora was formerly one of the operators at the central office here and gave entire satisfaction.

—We receive fresh groceries every week. Our prices are as low as they can be bought. Let us furnish you. R. Hickey & Son.

It is reported that the little child of Mr. Robbins living near Fort Chadbourne, fell in a tank, last Tuesday and was nearly drowned, but with quick work it was resuscitated.

—Fresh candy. We have just received a big shipment of all kinds of candies.

W. H. Bell & Co.

Clarence Jones returned Saturday from Howard, Irion, and Glasscock counties where he has been for some weeks on cattle business.

The team of W A Robbins, at Hayrick ran away Tuesday and threw two of his daughters from the vehicle bruising them up considerable but not seriously.

—South Texas Lumber Co., at Bronte, will save you money on all kinds of building material.

B. F. Hall, of Hagermond, N. M., sent his son Hendrix, a box of fine apples the past week of his on raising.

#### Brazos River Bridge Damaged.

The Orient passenger which left San Angelo at 6:30 a. m. Monday returned at 1:30 a. m. Tuesday. The bridge over the Brazos river, which was washed out by the recent rains, has not yet been repaired, and only the one train is running on the line south of that point. This left San Angelo again at 6:50 a. m. today.

Passengers are transferred at the Brazos crossing.—Standard.

If you are suffering from biliousness, constipation, indigestion, chronic headache, invest one cent in a postal card, send to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, with your name and address plainly on the back, and they will forward you a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Sold by all dealers.

#### Misses Posey Entertain.

Misses Annie and Bennie Posey entertained a number of their friends last Friday night with a delightful social at their home three miles north of town. The evening was most pleasantly spent in this hospitable home and all who attended was highly delighted with the social.

A sprained ankle will usually disable the injured person for three or four weeks. This is due to lack of proper treatment. When Chamberlain's Liniment is applied a cure may be effected in three or four days. This liniment is one of the best and most remarkable preparations in use. Sold by all dealers.

Clerk J S Gardner received a communication from the secretary of the Development Congress at San Angelo notifying him that he had been appointed as a member of the advisory committee. No better selection could have been made.

#### We Want What is Due us.

This is now the last month in the year and we have been very lenient with you. We need every cent due us and must have it. If you can't pay us don't ask us for any more credit. This will be some relief. This means everyone due for over thirty days. W. H. Bell & Co.

This is the last notice to you.

Mrs W L Hayley and children of Bronte are here on a visit to Mrs Hayleys sister, Mrs W B Hamilton and other relatives.

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