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### THINK MOVE BUT A BLUFF

GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOT ANSWERED CASTRO

### IS TOO LATE TO ARBITRATE

Germany is Considering Venezuela's Request With Britain, but Nothing is Likely to Develop—Allied Warships Approach Off Margarita Island

### LANSDOWNE EXPLAINS

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lord Lansdowne, foreign secretary, said today in the house of lords that the scheme of the Venezuelan gun boats did not produce the desired effect. Further co-operative measures had been employed and a blockade of the ports would follow. It is not intended to land a British force, still less to occupy Venezuelan territory, he said.

### WARSHIPS OFF MARGARITA

CARACAS, Dec. 15.—The German government has not yet replied to President Castro's offer for arbitration, being still in correspondence with the British government on the subject. The opinion in the cabinet appears to be that Castro's proposals are merely a move designed to split Germany and Great Britain will now stand as a test of American public feeling, the prevailing idea here being that it is too late to arbitrate.

### WARSHIPS OFF MARGARITA

CARACAS, Dec. 15.—The governor of Margarita island reports that the British and German warships are off that island. Minister Bowen yesterday publicly refused to have a monster patriotic parade pass before the United States legation.

### KNOCKS AT MONROE DOCTRINE

Italy Has Its Own Idea About the Venezuelan Squabble  
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Italian participation in the Anglo-German action against Venezuela produces an effect here, not anti-American, but one of self-satisfaction and pride at taking a part in what is considered the first break in the Monroe doctrine, says the Tribune Rome correspondent. Parliament and the public press, without distinction of party, which is very strange in Italy, approve the action of the minister of affairs.

### ITALY GAVE NO ULTIMATUM

Wants Simply to Get in Line for Damage Payment  
CARACAS, Dec. 15.—The Italian Minister Rivas only handed to the Venezuelan government certain demands which were not in the form of an ultimatum, and which did not specify any limit of time for an answer. His note simply asked for payment of sums due to Italy and in case of payment being made to other countries it asked for the same treatment.

The government answered to lay in the negative to the note of Minister Rivas, saying that tribunals exist in Venezuela to judge any claims arising from the revolutions.

The Associated Press correspondent is informed that the Italian minister has called to Rome for further instructions.

The correspondent called today at the Italian legation and saw Minister Rivas, his wife and two daughters with regard to the report that they had embarked on the Giovanna Bausa. They laughed and said: "We have never left the city of Caracas, much less embarked on the Italian cruiser at La Guaira." There is no settlement among the people here against Italians because as yet no Italian naval demonstration has taken place.

### ITALY TO JOIN THE BLOCKADE

Venezuela Seems to Have No Particular Friend in Needy Time  
LONDON, Dec. 15.—News has been received in London that all the employees of the La Guaira, Caracas and the Puerto Cabello-Valencia railroads are safe.

Telegrams received here from Berlin confirm the statement that it has been arranged for Italy to join the blockade, and say that the German government will ask the consent of the Bundesrath to a proposal to make the Venezuelan blockade more stringent.

### England and Arbitration

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Replying to a question in the house of commons today, Under Secretary Cranborne said no attempt had been made by Great Britain to refer the dispute with Venezuela to arbitration.

### WHOLESALE SLAUGHTER

SOFIA, Dec. 15.—Advices from the frontier say that twenty-four Macedonian workmen returning to their own country were killed by Turkish frontier guards near Debitzta.

### DELEGATES TO DALLAS

HILLSBORO, Tex., Dec. 15.—County Judge L. C. Hill has appointed the following delegates to the boll weevil conference which is to be held in Dallas tomorrow: R. C. Frazier, G. L. White and J. M. Coffin.

### REMOVE RAIL; WRECK TRAIN

MISCREANTS GET IN WORK ON AN ALABAMA RAILROAD

### DEED A DASTARDLY ONE

Deed is Done Near a Trestle on the Alabama Great Southern—Two Messengers Missing Are Supposed to Be Under the Wreck

(By Associated Press.)  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 15.—The south-bound limited express on the Alabama Great Southern railroad from Birmingham was wrecked near Moundville at 10 o'clock this morning.

A rail had been removed from the track near a trestle. The fall details have not been received, but it is known that two express messengers are missing and they are supposed to be dead under the wreck. No passengers are reported killed.

### Details of the Disaster

The heavy locomotive left the track and knocked the trestle into the creek, followed by the mail, baggage and express cars and two coaches, the whole being piled up in the creek. Express Messenger Colson is missing. Mail Clerks Kelley and Biggs are severely hurt, as also is Fireman Burr, colored. It is said that none of the injured is fatally hurt. Two sleepers did not leave the track.

### CHICAGO HAS FIRE LOSS

Tent and Wall Paper Houses Lose Property to \$75,000 Value

(By Associated Press.)  
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 15.—Fire early today destroyed the six-story building at 225 and Canal street occupied by Murray & Co., makers of tents and awnings. The warehouse of the Alfred Poets Company, which adjoined the Murray building, caught fire also and considerable loss was sustained. It is estimated that the loss to Murray & Co. will aggregate \$50,000 and that of the Poets Company about \$25,000. The total loss probably will reach \$75,000.

### HOG GIVES MAN A CLOSE CALL

A Porker Comes Near Getting Best of J. H. Veatch

CLEBURNE, Tex., Dec. 15.—J. H. Veatch, who lives some ten miles north of Cleburne, was seriously injured by a large hog. Mr. Veatch attempted to drive the vicious animal into a pen. This it resisted and ran at the old gentleman, throwing him to the ground and badly cutting him about the body with his tusks before he was shot. It is estimated that the loss to Veatch is \$25.00. He was shot seven times with a Colt's six-shooter. Mr. Veatch is expected to recover.

### RUMOR IS DENIED BY PACKERS

They Will Not Build Independent Railroad Lines

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—Local packers deny positively that there is any movement on foot for the packers to build independent railroad lines connecting all the big packing centers, and use them for their own business. "If there were such a movement under way, I certainly should have heard about it," said J. P. Cudahy last night. "There is nothing to the report whatsoever."

### WILL MAKE GOOD WEATHER

HILLSBORO, Tex., Dec. 15.—There was the whitest frost of the winter last night, accompanied by a hard freeze. Farmers welcome it as indicative of continued fair weather. Two weeks of sunshine will enable them to get all the cotton picked.

### Son of the Hungarian Liberator

Francis Kossuth, whose visit to the United States has attracted much attention, is the son of the famous Hungarian liberator. Mr. Kossuth came to this country to attend the unveiling of the monument to his father erected at Cleveland.



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- Smyrna Rugs, size 9x12 feet, new colorings and patterns, \$25.00 and \$27.50, Holiday Sale..... \$19.50

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- Velvet Rugs, size 36x72 inches, on sale, at..... \$6.00
- Moquette Rugs, size 27x60 inches, on sale, at..... \$2.25
- Smyrna Rugs, size 27x60 inches, on sale, at..... \$1.75
- Velvet Rugs, size 27x60 inches, on sale, at..... \$1.19
- Bissell's Carpet Sweepers, best grade, at..... \$2.49

STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

### DEATH OF MRS. GRANT FORETOLD IN A DREAM

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Mary Grant Cramer, a sister of Gen. U. S. Grant, who lives with her sister, Mrs. Virginia Grant Corbin, at East Orange, N. J., says, according to a dispatch to the Tribune, that the death of Mrs. Grant was foretold to her in a dream on Dec. 15.

"The dream was exceedingly vivid," said Mrs. Cramer. "I thought Mrs. Grant came to my bedside and, placing her hand on my shoulder, said impressively: 'Mary, I have come to talk with you and to say good bye, because I am not going to be with you much longer.' Mrs. Cramer told her dream at the breakfast table the next morning and to her surprise a friend of the family, Mrs. Katherine Lawrence, who was visiting them at the time, said that she, too, had had a similar dream. Mrs. Lawrence said that she dreamt that she, Mrs. Cramer and Mrs. Corbin stood in the portal of Grant's tomb on Riverside drive, New York, and that there appeared to be a large crowd of persons outside, drawn up on the two lines, waiting the arrival of a cavalcade of some kind."

### DR. LORENZ BEGINS PUBLIC OPERATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Dr. Adolf Lorenz of the University of Vienna has begun his series of public operations for congenital dislocation of the hip. Two operations were performed by the doctor at the hospital for the ruptured and crippled, the patients being little girls, in the presence of about 300 physicians and surgeons. The first operation occupied about ten minutes and the second four, and both were said to be successful. Prof. Lorenz's assistant, Dr. Frederick Miller, operated upon a third patient, also a girl, the great surgeon finding it advisable to reserve himself for his other clinical engagements.

### HERE'S A NEW USE FOR THE X-RAY MACHINE

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A Philadelphia firm according to a Press dispatch from that city, has received an order from the Japanese government for several X-ray machines, which are to be used for a novel purpose. The firm some time ago sold to a representative of the mikado an X-ray machine, which the Japanese explained, was to be used in the government's mint in Japan for the detection of dishonest employees who stole gold coins by swallowing them. The machine was used to examine suspects as they left the mint daily and, of course, it revealed the presence of any coins "in their midst." The test was so satisfactory that the mikado ordered several more machines, hoping to prevent the form of theft referred to.

### ONCE A RIVAL OF CHICAGO

The Auction Sale of New Buffalo Recalls Early Competition  
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 15.—Memories of the days when Chicago and the town of New Buffalo, across the lake in the state of Michigan, were rivals for control of the trade of Lake Michigan are recalled by an auction sale of government land advertised to take place at New Buffalo to-day. Sixty years ago the indications were that the town across the lake would outstrip Chicago, and in preparation for the expected growth the government selected a piece of ground at the junction of Galien river and Lake Michigan and declared it the New Buffalo lighthouse reservation. But trade refused to obey the dictum of the government, and in a few years New Buffalo had faded almost out of existence. The New Buffalo lighthouse was never built and now the government is anxious to dispose of the site for whatever it will bring.

### RYAN-ROOT FIGHT POSTPONED

Failure to Secure Meeting Place at Kansas City the Cause  
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 15.—The ten-round fight between Tommy Ryan and Jack Root, which was to have taken place in this city tonight, has been indefinitely postponed, owing to the failure to secure Convention hall for the bout. Ryan, who has made Kansas City his home for the past two years, was so disappointed over the opposition that developed to his plans for a fight in the big auditorium, that he sold his interests here and has left Kansas City for good. It is understood that he is now at West Baden, Ind., preparing for his prospective bout with Root, which will probably be pulled off sometime next month in San Francisco.

### FIRE DOES DAMAGE IN A DALLAS STORE

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 15.—The wholesale millinery establishment of L. O. Daniel & Co. was badly damaged by fire today at noon. The flames broke out in the workroom, but were extinguished after the stock was drenched with water. A partial insurance was carried on the building and stock.

### HEAVY RAINS DO DAMAGE

PRECIPITATION COVERING MANY STATES STOPS

### THE RIVERS RISE RAPIDLY

In Kentucky Lives Have Been Lost. Streams Are Out of Banks—Ohio River on a Rampage—Colder Weather South

### REPORT OF THE BANKS OF TEXAS

Abstract of the Reports Recently Made to the Comptroller  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A statement of the condition of the national banks of Texas up to the close of business on Nov. 28 has just been filed with the comptroller of the currency. It reflects a very satisfactory condition of affairs, one of the items showing that the total deposits, individual and government, amounted to \$68,865,469. Other items, including loans and discounts, \$63,624,276; overdrafts, \$13,345,419; due from other national banks, etc., \$18,657,177.

### REWARD FOR BURGLAR'S BODY

Seattle Alderman Has Way to Deal With Criminals  
SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 15.—An ordinance has been introduced in the city council providing for a \$500 reward for the delivery of the body of any highwayman or burglar at the city hall.

### West Virginia Suffers

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 15.—The floods are feared in southern West Virginia. All the tributaries of the Ohio are bankful, and the heavy rain continues. Millions of dollars' worth of timber is afloat on the Guandotte and Big Sandy rivers.

### GETTING READY FOR LIVESTOCK MEETING

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—Headquarters have been opened at the Coates house in preparation for the annual meeting of the National Live Stock Association next month. Secretary C. F. Martin is in receipt of advices which indicate that the gathering will be the largest of its kind ever held. The number of delegates will reach nearly 2,000, and this number will be increased by alternates and visiting stockmen to 10,000, who will represent every territory in the union. The attendance from Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Washington, Minnesota, Nebraska, Arizona, New Mexico and the Dakotas is expected to be unusually large. The convention will last four days, and the citizens of Kansas City have raised a fund of \$20,000 for entertainment.

Among the subjects which will be discussed by the convention are: Opposition to the removal of the tariff on wool, hides, masts and live stock; to urge congress to immediately pass the Grosvenor anti-shoddy bill; the amendment to the census act, so as to provide for a classified census of live stock; to amend the present laws governing forest reserves and the public domain. Among those invited to address the convention are President Roosevelt, Congressman C. H. Grosvenor of Ohio and Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture.

### BANK ROBBERS GET \$3,000 IN ILLINOIS

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 15.—The bank at Clarence, Ford county, was entered by robbers last night and \$3,000 taken. The robbers cut the telegraph wires to prevent an alarm being sent to neighboring towns. Citizens were awakened by the explosion and chased the thieves, but they made their escape on a hand car. No clew has been secured.

### BUTCHERS A FAMILY AND THEN SUICIDES

LAPERER Mich., Dec. 15.—John Best aged 28, a man with a disordered mind arose shortly after 1 o'clock this morning and cut Jasper Clegg's head nearly off with a razor, dangerously wounding his own mother, wounded his sister and finished by shooting himself to death. Best was committed to the insane asylum about a year ago but was discharged as cured.

### BRYAN GOING TO MEXICO

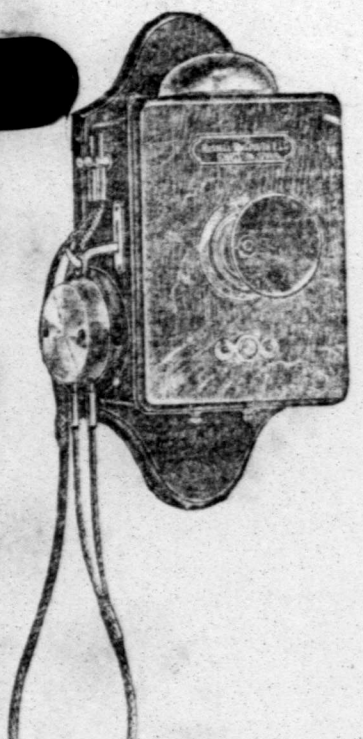
Will Study the Silver Question at Short Range  
AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 15.—Hon. William J. Bryan and family will arrive in Austin next Friday from Lincoln, Neb., and will spend a few days as the guest of E. M. House. They will go from here to Mexico where they will spend the holiday season. In view of the fact that Mexico is just now experiencing no little agitation over the silver problem owing to the high ratio of exchange, it is not improbable that Mr. Bryan desires to take advantage of this opportunity for making a further study of the silver question.

### SEATTLE FIGHT NO CONTEST

The Gibbs-Williams Event Turns Into a Fiasco  
SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 15.—The fight last night between Young Gibbs of Cleveland and Kit Williams of Denver ended in an uproar, with the ring filled with policemen and Gibbs and the referee engaged in a fist fight. It was declared no contest. For six rounds Williams had the best of the fight. He knocked Gibbs down three times in the third round. In a fierce mix-up in the seventh Gibbs landed on the jaw and Williams started to fall. The referee would not get out of the way, so Gibbs hit him. The referee responded with bare knuckles and then the police entered the ring.

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"I had been suffering severely from kidney trouble. All symptoms were on hand; my former strength and power had left me; could hardly drag myself along. Even my mental capacity was going out, and often I wished to die. It was then I saw an advertisement of yours in a New York paper, but would not have paid any attention to it, had it not promised a sworn guarantee with every bottle of your medicine, assuring that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable, and does not contain any harmful drugs. I am seventy years and four months old, and with a good conscience I can recommend Swamp-Root to all sufferers from kidney troubles. Four members of my family have been using Swamp-Root for four different kidney diseases, with the same good results."

With many thanks to you I remain,  
Very truly yours,  
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### EASTERN NACRE PLAQUES.

Many Uses to Which an Iridescent Shell is Put.

Travelers in the Philippines and Hongkong are now beginning to bring with them to this country curios which promise to become very popular. They are irregular plates of mother of pearl anywhere from one-eighth to an inch in thickness and from 3 by 2 inches up to 12 by 24. The commonest kind is plain and depends for its effect upon its wonderful iridescence, which is as marked as that of the opal. The rarer and more expensive kinds are carved sometimes in relief, but more frequently in intaglio. The home of the shell is the Philippine coast. The catching is done by Tagals, Visayans and Moros alike. They secure the bivalves sometimes by diving and sometimes with grapping irons from a small boat or raft. Nearly every shell fishery is owned by a wealthy native or chief, who employs expert divers either at a small wage or upon a commission.

When the living shells are taken from the water, they are washed carefully and then thrown into pots of boiling water. A few minutes' immersion kills the living animals within, when the shells are removed from the pot and the mollusk cut away with a sharp knife. The dead body is not wasted, the finer qualities being salted and dried and sold for food. The larger ones are used for buttons and other things.

Arrivals at the Worth: G. H. Ludde, Waco; W. S. Turner, Mount Pleasant; A. B. Wharton, Decatur; H. A. Wolfson, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. E. Stringfellow, Granbury; Charles E. Hicks, Hicks' Meadows; Frank I. Clark, Baltimore; and Joseph Brent, Wichita.

## FOUR ROBBERS FOILED IN PLANS TO ROB BANK

DESPERATE ATTEMPT OF BANDITS AT ALVORD, TEX.

### TWO MEN ARE SHOT

ONE KILLED INSTANTLY, WHILE OTHER STILL LIVES, DANGEROUSLY HURT

### THEIR PLANS REVEALED

News of the Intended Robbery Reaches Officials Before the Bandits Arrive, and They are Greeted by Well-Armed Officers Who Prevent the Completion of Their Purpose—Boy Carries Message of the Holdup

A telephone message from John T. Carter, cashier of the First National bank of Alvord, which was the scene of a daring but unsuccessful holdup yesterday afternoon, between 3 and 4 o'clock, brings the information that John McFall, one of the robbers who was shot by Constable Yearly, is still alive and is at the residence of an Alvord citizen.

Frank Martin, the robber who attempted to ride away, was killed, and the authorities have in custody Claude Golden, and a fourth man, whose name could not be learned. It was difficult to secure details, owing to poor telephone connections, but the statement that there were four robbers instead of three was verified.

The unsuccessful attempt of the robbers was one of the boldest ever made in Texas but owing to advance information which the bank officials had received the officers were ready for the bandits when they arrived, heavily armed, and were stationed within the bank when Golden and McFall entered and, covering the cashier with their revolvers, commanded him to throw up his hands. Constables Yearly and Dobbs at once covered the robbers with their revolvers and ordered them to surrender. McFall turned as if to fire and was shot through the head by Yearly.

Golden threw up his hands and was placed under arrest. Hearing the shots, Martin mounted his horse and tried to escape, but was killed by a load of buckshot fired at him by one of the officers.

Where the fourth man was captured or the circumstances of his arrest could not be learned this afternoon. It is evident the gang was well organized, but their plans were given away by someone who overheard the confidences, and the scheme was foiled. Following is the Associated Press story of the holdup:

Associated Press Story  
The Associated Press story of the robbery is as follows:—  
Alvord, Tex., Dec. 16.—Three white men made a daring attempt to hold up the cashier and rob the First National bank of Alvord about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

One was killed, another desperately wounded and the third is now under arrest.

The bank officials had been notified that an attempt would be made to rob the bank, even the day and the hour the robbers would come being given. The officers were notified and Sheriff Cirley of Decatur, Deputy Sheriff Prior of Alvord and Constable Yearly and Dobbs were on hand to receive them.

Some of the robbers were posted inside the bank and others across the street, where the approaches could be commanded. All were heavily armed.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock three men, whose names are given as being Frank Martin, John McFall and Claude Golden, rode up to the bank. McFall and Golden dismounted and entered the bank and Martin remained outside to hold the horses.

The story told by those inside the bank is as follows:  
McFall and Golden covered the cashier with pistols and demanded that the cash in the vaults be surrendered, not noticing the officers, who were standing to one side of the entrance. The officers instantly covered them with pistols and demanded that they surrender. McFall turned as if to fire on Constable Yearly and was shot through the head. Golden surrendered, throwing up his hands. Hearing the firing inside the bank Martin put spurs to his horse to escape, but was stopped by a load of buckshot from the officers stationed across the street which struck him in the left side. He was instantly killed, also receiving a pistol wound.

McFall is dangerously wounded, being shot through the head just below the ears. Golden is under guard and will be taken to Decatur at once.

It was stated here that the men were from the Chico neighborhood and were well known there.

The bank officials received warning from a man living near Chico, who, it is said, got his information from a small boy and rode across the country hastily to inform them of what was planned.

McFall is still alive, but his condition is very serious.

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### PRESIDENT'S HORSES

WHY HE MAINTAINS A BIG STRING IN WASHINGTON.

All the Family Devoted to Riding and Driving—White House Stable a Busy Place—Bleistein, Mr. Roosevelt's Favorite Mount.

The Roosevelts are fond of horses. Every member of the president's family old enough to stick in the saddle is an ardent rider. Not in many years have the hostlers and grooms in the red brick stable almost hidden by vines and shrubbery just south of the executive mansion been so busy.

President Roosevelt maintains the largest stable of any of his predecessors of recent years. His "string" includes a couple of splendid jumpers, two carriage horses, two saddle horses for ladies, a polo pony and a diminutive "calico" pony. These animals are all the personal property of the president and are separate and distinct from the horses that are furnished by the government for the official use of the president.

The president's favorite horse is Bleistein, who has a wide reputation as a jumper. He is a noble looking animal, being a pure bay, with a white star in his forehead. If President Roosevelt feels the need of some vigorous exercise, he calls for Bleistein and orders his Australian saddle to be placed on the horse's back. Then when the president gets into the country an exciting ride follows. Mr. Roosevelt invariably selects a rough course across country, including some pretty stiff jumps over ditches and fences.

Bleistein is a noted jumper, having cleared the bars at six feet. Last spring the president was photographed while taking a 5 foot 8 inch hurdle on Bleistein at the Chevy Chase hunt course.

Renown is the stable companion of Bleistein and is himself a jumper of no mean ability. He is a seal brown and a trifle larger than Bleistein. He gets over the rails at 5 feet 6 inches without much difficulty. The carriage horses are a well matched pair of bays, named Judge and General. Yagenka is Mrs. Roosevelt's favorite saddle horse.

Besides these the president still retains his old polo pony, Black Diamond. Although Black Diamond has much of the fire and spirit of former



THE PRESIDENT ON BLEISTEIN.

times, his sporting days are over. Polo is a little too strenuous a game for the president to indulge in. Then there is the little calico pony, Algonquin, the property of Archie. Every day after school he is taken for a canter. Algonquin is only thirty-four inches high.

Mrs. Roosevelt's horses occupy stalls on the north side of the stable. In the stalls on the south side are quartered ten animals that were furnished by the quartermaster of the army. They are for the use of the official staff of the White House, four of them being reserved for Secretary Cortelyou and Assistant Secretaries Loeb and Barnes.

For driving the chief executive's family have the choice of a brand new landau, a brougham, a phaeton and a surrey. The phaeton is an old fashioned affair and was made to order for Mr. Roosevelt's father.

In one corner of the harness room is a big array of saddles, one or more for each grown member of the family, with half a dozen extra ones for guests. The president alone has seven saddles, including a new one recently received from an admiring friend. The president's favorite saddle is a light affair of English type and is used when he goes out for an everyday canter. When he expects to do some jumping, he uses an Australian saddle, which is equipped with heavy knobs on each side, against which the rider braces himself when the horse rises for the jump.

Not since President Arthur's time has the White House stable been so well filled. Neither President Cleveland nor President McKinley was given to horseback riding. President Harrison kept only three horses. President Arthur had a splendid stable of thoroughbreds, and his horses were a distinctive feature of the White House establishment.

## BIG FAT STOCK SHOW AT FORT WORTH YARDS

### RULES TO GOVERN THE EXHIBIT

AMENDMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN ADOPTED WILL EXCLUDE SHORT TIME OWNERS—ONLY REGISTERED HEREFORDS ARE ELIGIBLE AND THE ASSOCIATION'S SUBSCRIPTION IS INCREASED—COLONEL EDMONSON'S OFFERING — LIST OF THE SPECIAL PRIZES

Plans for the Fort Worth fat stock show to be held March 5, 6 and 7, are rapidly maturing and from present indications it will be the largest as well as the most representative exhibition of the kind ever held in the southwest. Yesterday the committee having the arrangements in charge met at the office of Secretary Matthews of the Stock Yards company. Stuart Harrison, chairman of the committee, presided, and a number of changes were made in the rules and regulations which are certain to improve the show from the breeders' standpoint. Every inducement will be offered to get the actual raisers of blooded stock interested to a degree never before attempted.

**The Rules Amended**  
The rules which governed the exhibit last year were amended in several particulars. Article 4 will read hereafter: "Exhibitors of animals must furnish the secretary with their names, the addresses of the owners and the number and class of animals to be exhibited, on or before Feb. 25." This is a radical departure, which will improve the facilities for keeping of records and have the effect of systematizing the exhibits.

**Short Time Owners Barred**  
Under article 5 of the restrictions governing the show an amendment was substituted, to read: "Every exhibition of animals must be entered and exhibited for competition in the name of the bona fide owner at time of entry, and said owner must have had possession of and owned same animals for at least sixty days prior to date of show."

This will result in the exclusion of persons who have been in the habit of purchasing stock merely for exhibition purposes and will encourage the actual breeders.

**Some Other Changes**  
An addition was made to article 19, providing that all cattle exhibited must be shown in one ring. This provision is expected to provoke widespread discussion, but will be strictly adhered to. A new rule was added, which reads:  
"Requisitions for stalls and covered sheds will not be accepted later than Feb. 1, 1903, and space will be allotted in the order that bona fide written applications are received."

**Prices for Feed**  
The Stock Yards company today announced the following prices for feed during the show: Hay, per bale, 80 cents; straw, per bale, 25 cents; corn, per bushel, \$1; oats, per bushel, 75 cents; chops, per bushel, \$1.50; bran, per bushel, \$1.25. Rates for cotton seed meal and bulls will be announced later. Yardage is to be charged for at the rate of \$1 per head.

**Only Good Stock Wanted**  
The committee having in charge the big show has amended the regulations regarding Hereford cattle so that only those which are recorded in the American Hereford breeders' record will be eligible to entry. Heretofore the fact that application for recording had been made was sufficient to secure a place in the ring.

**Some of the Prizes**  
The American Hereford association subscribed this year \$600, instead of \$500 as heretofore, and this money will be added to the four premiums in all classes. The Chicago Stock Yards and Transit company offers the following special premiums, in addition to the regular ones provided for by this city: Fifty dollars for the best car of aged steers, \$50 for the grand champion steer, any age or any breed, and whether shown singly or in the carload lot class.

Col. R. E. Edmonson of Kansas City offers a \$50 silver plate for the best two shorthorn heifers and one bull under 12 months old, bred and raised in Texas.

**Breeders' Association Trophies**  
The Texas Shorthorn Breeders' association has announced special premiums in the following amounts: Fourth best shorthorn bull, 2 years and under 3, \$7.50; fifth best, same class, \$5. Fourth best bull calves, \$5; fifth best, same class, \$2.50. Fourth best cow, 2 years and under 3, \$7.50; fifth best, same class, \$5. Fourth best heifer, 1 year and under 2, \$5; fifth best, same class, \$2.50. Fourth best heifer calf under 1 year, \$5; fifth best, \$2.50. Fourth best bull and four females, 2 years and over \$15; fifth best, same class, \$10. Third best bull and four females, under 2 years, \$20; fourth best, same class, \$10. Fourth best four get of a bull, \$7.50; fifth best, same class, \$5. Third best two, produce of one cow, \$10; fourth best, same class, \$5. Third best pair, bull and heifer, under 12 months, \$10; fourth best, same class, \$5. Third best pair under 6 months, \$7.50; fourth best, \$5. These classes will be open only to owners in the territory covered by the Texas Shorthorn Breeders' association.

**Prizes for Shorthorns**  
For superior shorthorn cattle the following special prizes are offered: Best and second best shorthorn steer, 2 years and under 3 years, \$25 and \$15, respectively. Best and second best shorthorn steer, 1 year and under 2, \$25 and \$15, respectively. Best and second best shorthorn calf under 1 year, \$25 and \$15, respectively. These premiums will be paid on grade shorthorn steers from a registered shorthorn bull, bred and raised by exhibitors within the jurisdiction of the association.

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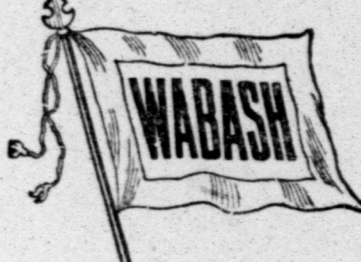


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FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING BOMBARDMENT

THE ALLIES AND THE PORTS

They Have a Legal Right to Close, Yet Secretary Hay Says That Our Ships Must Not Be Interfered With

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 16.—Minister Bowen has confirmed the press reports to the effect that the guns of the allied fleet which bombarded Puer Cabello were directed entirely at the fortifications and not at the town.

The requirement as to notice applies to unfortified or fortified towns where the fire must be directed upon the inhabitants and this was not the case at Puerto Cabello, so that while the officials here regret that the firing took place they have as yet no cause to protest.

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ARGENTINE'S ATTITUDE.

That Government Feels Autonomy of South America in Jeopardy. New York, Dec. 16.—The Herald correspondent in Caracas says he has learned on reliable authority that the government of Argentina, in a dispatch from Buenos Ayres, has instructed its consular representative to report to Buenos Ayres as early as possible what appears to be the attitude of the United States and what view that government is likely to take of its obligations under the Monroe doctrine.

Demonstration at Guayaquil. Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 15.—A patriotic demonstration took place here Sunday night. A large number of people who had attended a meeting went to the Venezuelan and to all the other South America consulates shouting: "Long live Castro," "Long live Venezuela," and "Long live the South American countries."

"I BELIEVE IN STRIKES," SAYS BISHOP POTTER

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Two notable addresses on the labor question were made in New York the other night, Bishop Potter before the Grace Church Social club, said:

"I believe in strikes, shocking as the statement may sound. I believe in the conservative value of the organization from which strikes come. The condition of the workingman was never improved until in reply to the demands of a labor organization itself, or by the interposition of persons not interested as capitalists or laborers."

"If I were a member of a labor organization, I should consider the greatest lesson of the strike that I must not press the value of the union principle to a point where it endangers the personal liberty of somebody else."

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side, they would be more likely to reach a happy conclusion."

Rev. Lyman Abbott, in an address at Columbia university on the industrial problem, referring to the recent remarks of President Elliot, of Harvard, said:

"I can not agree with my fellow citizen who calls a 'scab' a hero. He is not a hero, but he has a legal right to do what he does. All the powers of the state should be called, at any hazard and at any cost, to protect any single man in his desire to work, whether he is a union man or not, and whether there is a strike in progress or not."

"The object of the great labor organization is to say itself what shall be its hours of labor, the conditions and the wages."

"There are dangers in great combinations of wealth and there are dangers in great combinations of labor. What we want is to get rid of the abuse of power. Because there are bosses and demagogues in politics, we do not propose to abolish political organizations, but rather to rid them of bosses and demagogues."

FOR BIG UNION STATION

Measure Providing One at Nation's Capital Passes the House

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WRECK ON RIO GRANDE ENGINEER IS KILLED

SOUTHBOUND TRAIN CRASHES INTO SANTA FE NEWS IS VERY MEAGRE

NO INFORMATION COULD BE LEARNED TODAY AT THE LOCAL OFFICES

ACCIDENT AT A CROSSING

Wreck Occurs Between Dublin and Proctor—Local Officials Hurry to the Scene in a Special Train—Road is Blocked to Traffic

Southbound Fort Worth and Rio Grande (Frisco) passenger, No. 35, which left Fort Worth at 9:20 o'clock last night, crashed into a Santa Fe engine near Dublin, Texas, about 1 o'clock this morning. The engineer of the Santa Fe engine was killed instantly and the conductor of the train to which the engine belonged, though riding on the pilot of the engine, was unhurt. The Fort Worth and Rio Grande engineer, Sharp, escaped by jumping.

The names of the others injured could not be learned here today, nor could the official statement regarding the wreck be obtained, as Vice President and General Manager L. B. Comer of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande, together with R. H. Hillyard, roadmaster, hurried to the scene of the wreck by special train early this morning, and up till late this afternoon no trains had come through from Brownwood.

How Wreck Occurred So far as can be learned here, the wreck occurred between Dublin and Proctor, and the circumstances were peculiar. The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe, which crosses the Fort Worth and Rio Grande at Brownwood, has, it seems, traffic arrangements with the Fort Worth and Rio Grande for running trains over the latter line between Brownwood and Dublin to a connection with the Texas Central.

It appears that a Santa Fe freight load of stock was on the line between Brownwood and Dublin and the crew wishing to get off the Fort Worth and Rio Grande tracks, made as much haste as possible. When they had passed Proctor, which is the last station before reaching Dublin, they suddenly realized that the southbound Frisco train was due, and so took steps to ward off collision. But instead of sending a man ahead of the train on foot, to signal the approaching passenger train with his lantern, the conductor of the Santa Fe train got on the pilot of the engine and the latter being uncoupled from the train was run up towards Dublin in the hope that the conductor might be left off about a mile from the train and signal the coming passenger in time. The Santa Fe train, it is thought, underestimated the time it would take the Frisco train to run from Dublin, for they had proceeded but a short distance from the stock train when, without warning, the Frisco train crashed into their engine, killing the Santa Fe engineer instantly.

The Santa Fe conductor who was riding on the pilot, escaped by jumping, as did Engineer Sharp of the Frisco. The name of the dead engineer could not be learned here today, nor could the names of the injured, there were any. The Frisco passenger was wrecked, and traffic on the divisions has been practically tied up ever since.

THE LOCAL COURTS HAVE A QUIET DAY

A. M. Bedford Served With An Indictment at Sherman and Brought to Fort Worth

There is little activity at the courts today. In the Forty-eighth district court the damage suit of Mrs. M. E. Linthicum vs. the Fort Worth and Denver railway is still on trial.

An indictment of the Tarrant county grand jury was served last night upon A. M. Bedford, a laundryman, at Sherman, and he was brought to Fort Worth this morning. The charge against him is swindling of over \$50. Before adjournment of the court yesterday a number of cases were disposed of. Lillie Smith, colored, plead guilty to a charge of theft from person in the Forty-eighth district court, and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

In the county court Willis Massey, colored, accused of aggravated assault, entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$25 and costs.

The suits filed included W. J. Maddox vs. P. E. Garnett et al, debt and foreclosure; Luia Allen vs. Charles Allen, divorce; Josie Jackson vs. Will Jackson, divorce; Ella Bound vs. C. C. Carson, debt and attachment.

ADDITIONAL CITY BRIEFS

The teacher's institute of the colored schools will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 at the Ninth street school. A fall program will be carried out and some of the white school principals will be present.

J. W. Hutchison, traveling passenger agent of the Frisco, was in the city today from the northern part of the state.

AT THE LOCAL STOCKYARDS

Receipts by Railroads Cattle.

H. & T. C. 61 head from J. Brooks, Ennis, Texas. H. & T. C. 30 head from W. Moore, Ennis, Texas. Rock Island 24 head from Kates and Longest, Ryan L. T. Rock Island, 28 head from Birdwell & Hunt, Graham, Tex. Santa Fe, 65 head from W. L. Walker, San Angelo. Santa Fe, 62 head from L. Horn, San Angelo. Santa Fe, 26 head from J. H. Hudson, San Angelo. Texas and Pacific, three cars, from J. Lewis, Sweetwater, Texas and Pacific, 25 head from S. & C. Cooper, Tex. Cotton Belt, 115 head cattle from J. O. Hayden, Juneville. Fort Worth and Denver, 1 car from R. L. James, Vernon.

Hogs. Cotton Belt, 76 from J. O. Hayden, Juneville, M. K. & T., 83 head from R. and S. Hillaburo, Frisco, 80 head from J. E. Fall, Frisco, Rock Island, 36 hogs and 9 calves from Taylor and Hunt, Graham.

Representative Sales 19 steers, averaging 900 lbs. .... \$3.65 44 steers, averaging 900 lbs. .... \$3.60 28 canners, averaging 700 lbs. .... \$1.85 36 hogs, averaging 186 lbs. .... \$5.82 2 hogs, averaging 345 lbs. .... \$5.45

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER ISSUED

Review of Conditions at the Fort Worth Stock Yards by Commission Company Following is a review of conditions at the Fort Worth stock yards during the past week, issued from the office of the Fort Worth Live Stock Commission Company.

The cattle run this week was heavier than it has been for some time past, and we are having a heavy run of stock. The northern markets declined some last week. However, our market was quite strong on strictly good fat stuff, having sold some cows at \$2.70 and \$2.80.

Choice fat steers, \$3.50-4.00; medium-weight steers, \$3.25-3.75; light fat steers, \$2.50-3.00; choice fat cows, \$2.40-2.75; 18 cows, 800 lbs., \$2.25-2.50; sorted hogs, 200 pounds and upward, \$5.00-6.00; mixed fat hogs, heavy, \$5.50-5.80; light fat hogs, \$4.50-5.00; bulls, stags and oxen, \$2.00-2.50; canners, \$1.50-1.75.

Hogs—20, average 236 pounds, \$6; 74, 237 pounds, \$6; 86, 196 pounds, \$5.90; 72, 188 pounds, \$5.85; 77, 182 pounds, \$5.82; 155 pounds, \$5.70; 86, 155 pounds, \$5.65; 23, 149 pounds, \$5.60; 40, 205 pounds, \$5.70; 49, 184 pounds, \$5.60; 38, 123 pounds, \$5.43; 189 pounds, \$5.10; 42, 103 pounds, \$4.50; 19, 105 pounds, \$4.50; 11, 122 pounds, \$5.50; 145 E. T., 154 pounds, \$5.15.

Cattle—2 bulls, 1,050 pounds, \$2.25; 1 bull, 1,050 pounds, \$2.25; 2 bulls, 1,150 pounds, \$2.45; 2 cows, 805 pounds, \$2.35; 2 cows, 825 pounds, \$2.35; 22 cows, 825 pounds, \$2.35; 14 canners, 740 pounds, \$1.50; 20 canners, 740 pounds, \$1.50; 3 canners, 750 pounds, \$1.50; 25 steers, 625 pounds, \$2.50; 25 steers, 585 pounds, \$2.20; 12 steers, 604 pounds, \$2.36; 28 steers, 730 pounds, \$2.50; 131 steers, \$2.30; 20 cows, 770 pounds, \$2.10; 20 cows, 730 pounds, \$2.10; 2 cows, 910 pounds, \$2.10; 50 cows, 814 pounds, \$2.10; 21 cows, 825 pounds, \$2.20; 34 cows, 569 pounds, \$2.20; 2 cows, 800 pounds, \$2.05; 19 cows, 740 pounds, \$2.30; 30 cows, 734 pounds, \$2.30; 15 cows, 710 pounds, \$2.10; 15 cows, 829 pounds, \$2.20; 11 cows, 815 pounds, \$2.30; 21 cows, 860 pounds, \$2.20; 28 cows, 1,068 pounds, \$2.20; 25 cows, 612 pounds, \$2.50; 1 cow, 860 pounds, \$2.25; 13 cows, 820 pounds, \$2.35; 2 cows, 814 pounds, \$2.35; 14 cows, 815 pounds, \$2.30; 18 cows, 831 pounds, \$2.50; 29 cows, 756 pounds, \$2.30; 29 cows, 756 pounds, \$2.30; 29 cows, 763 pounds, \$2.30; 30 cows, 774 pounds, \$2.30; 30 cows, 750 pounds, \$2.30; 29 cows, 779 pounds, \$2.30; 27 cows, 754 pounds, \$2.20; 32 cows, 714 pounds, \$2.25; 28 cows, 845 pounds, \$2.25; 28 cows, 872 pounds, \$2.25; 23 cows, 795 pounds, \$2.20; 23 cows, 779 pounds, \$2.20; 21 cows, 779 pounds, \$2.20; 37 cows, 872 pounds, \$2.20; 28 cows, 797 pounds, \$2.20; 30 cows, 795 pounds, \$2.20.

Look for Shortage Later On Many of the best-posted men on the cattle situation are of the opinion, says the Chicago Drovers Journal, that the heavy marketing of cattle now means a shortage later on, and that there is bound to be some reaction in the trade as soon as the surplus of half-fat and "warmed up" cattle is exhausted. A little more confidence on the part of feeders would check the needless rush to market and save them a good many dollars.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS

The following report of the live stock markets is prepared daily for the Telegram by the Fort Worth office of the Evans-Snyder-Ruel Commission Company, from special reports received by wire.

Chicago Live Stock Market CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000 head; market dull and weak; hogs, \$3.65; cows and heifers, \$1.10; 4,500 Texas steers, \$3.50-4.40; stockers and feeders, \$2.20-4.30.

East St. Louis Live Stock Market NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, Ill., Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,500 head, including 6,500 Texans; natives market steady to lower; heaves, \$1.50-5.345; stockers and feeders, \$2.35-3.55; Texas fed steers, \$3.30-4.80; Texas and Indian Territory

CIGAR MAKERS NOW ORGANIZED

STEPS ARE TAKEN BY THEM TO FIGHT INCOMING OF THE TRUST

COMPLETED THIS MORNING Fully Fifty Representative Dealers and Manufacturers Get Together at Rooms of the Board of Trade and Complete Arrangements

At a meeting of some fifty retail cigar and tobacco dealers in the Board of Trade rooms this morning a permanent organization of the dealers was perfected and all retailers of tobacco goods will be asked to become members of the Retail Cigar Dealers' Protective Association of Fort Worth. This meeting was called by the more prominent retail cigar men to discuss whether it was advisable to take any action to oppose the trust cigar store now being organized in this city. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that for self-preservation of their business it was the best to organize to fight the introduction of trust stores and the selling of trust-made goods. A permanent organization was perfected by electing J. A. Starling, president, George Loffer, vice president and H. H. Dunn secretary. A committee of five was appointed to draft by-laws and rules governing the organization to report to the next meeting, which will be held Dec. 26.

The entire fifty present agreed to bring in one other dealer in the goods for members to consider. It was decided that a committee should be appointed to confer with all organized bodies members of the Trades council and ask for their sympathy and support. A discussion arose as to whether the Wolf Cigar Store Company, now opening up in the Texas cities, was backed by the trust, or American Tobacco Company. It was the opinion of those present that it directly represents the trust, as its methods were identical with the stores of the United Cigar Stores Company, now in operation in the east. It was also said that there is a local outlet which will open a clear and tobacco depot, representing itself to be an independent concern, but it was decided it is also a creature of the trust and should be looked upon as such.

It is the intention of this organization, with the support and help of the consumer, to make it unpopular for anyone to be seen with trust goods, but to the contrary to create a demand for honest and independent factory goods. The labor organizations of the city have already endorsed the non-use of trust-made goods. The company that is being organized is a local concern which will open a clear and tobacco depot, representing itself to be an independent concern, but it was decided it is also a creature of the trust and should be looked upon as such.

Kansas City Live Stock Market KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 16.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000 head, including 1,200 Texans and westerns; market steady to weak. Hogs—Receipts, 3,000 head; market strong; light hogs, \$6.40-8.15; mixed, \$5.90-6.10; shipping grades, \$4.65-5.25; rough, \$5.55-6.55. Sheep—Receipts, 4,000 head; market strong.

New York Cotton Open High, Low, Close Jan. .... 8.49 8.58 8.49 8.59 March ..... 8.27 8.38 8.23 8.32 May ..... 8.39 8.42 8.33 8.34 New York Spots—Market quiet; sales 500. Liverpool—Market 458, firm sales 10,000, receipts 37,000; American 29, 70.00, Galveston 16.48 1/2 vs. 15.15 to 16.638.

New Orleans Cotton. Open High, Low, Close Jan. .... 8.20 8.20 8.15 8.16 March ..... 8.30 8.31 8.26 8.26 May ..... 8.39 8.39 8.33 8.34 New Orleans Spots—Market steady; estimates 14,000 to 16,000; New Orleans 14.615 vs. 15.165 to 18.007; Houston 11.237 vs. 12.175 to 11.571.

Chicago Grain and Provisions Open High, Low, Close. Wheat—77 1/2 77 3/4 76 3/4 77 1/4 Corn—43 1/2 43 3/4 43 1/4 43 1/2

Want a Good Price Kansas and Nebraska corn growers have got their ideas pretty high as to the future price of corn and are now holding it anywhere from 30 to 35 cents per bushel with expectations of it going up to 40 to 45 cents later on. For this reason the usual number of cattle are not on feed, but there are more than a year ago.

Those Little Jugs Again They have just arrived. These pretty souvenir jugs will be given away again without the necessity of cutting out a coupon. Just call on us and get one with our compliments. Minors will be strictly refused.

Real Estate Transfers A. H. Tandy to Robert R. Bonner, lots 11 and 12, block 15, Polytechnic Heights addition, \$120. G. S. McGraw and wife to J. T. McGraw, 85 acres in Thomas Crocker survey, \$1,200. Joseph Lute et al to Mrs. Belle Bevers, lots 3 and 4, block K7, Fellds' Hillside addition, \$900. A. Estill to Maggie Estill et al, 30 acres on Little Bear creek, \$5 and other considerations. A. Estill to L. A. Foster, 20 acres in the Looney survey, \$225.

DEATH OF MR. T. M. BROWN Well Known Business Man Expires of Typhoid Fever T. M. Brown, an old resident, who had lived in this city for sixteen years, died last night of typhoid fever at his home, 201 South Main street. He was founder of the windmill company which bears his name, but withdrew from the concern several months ago and has since acted as local representative for a northern firm. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning from the house at Oakwoods cemetery.

WANTED—Good horse to drive 4 miles daily for his keep light buggy; good stable can give best references. Address: B. care Telegram. Marriage Licenses Marshal Dunn and Cora Teddlie. Walter De Grazier and Josephine Roky. R. Thorn and Pearl Smith. Jerry Columbus and Mattie Brooks. Charles Nuber and Lacey Lanplace. J. E. Nichols and Mrs. W. E. Gregory. Grover Watkins and Mai Nutt. Henry A. Evans, Jr. and Ada J. Smith. Ashley Cooper and Flora Shields.

BEST SELLING BOOK IN NEW YORK THE STORY OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE MISS RIVES TRIUMPH Hearts Courageous THE magnificent success of Miss Rives' novel, "HEARTS COURAGEOUS" must be ascribed to the fact that every reader praises and recommends it. "To Miss Rives it has remained to go behind the walls of Independence Hall and write dramatically 'Hearts Courageous,' the real story of the signing."

FORT WORTH INVENTOR INVADERS ST. LOUIS

Rotary Fender Perfected by J. H. Ricker of This City Attracts Attention—How It Works J. H. Ricker, an inventor of this city, has returned from St. Louis, where he ranged for a test of his rotary brush fender on the Rapid Transit and Suburban lines of that city, providing it is first applied to a car in this city and works successfully. Mr. Ricker is now trying to arrange with the Northern Texas Transit Company for application of the fender on one of the long runs. Alphonse Du Pont, general manager of the Rapid Transit, and Mayor Rolla Wells of St. Louis told Mr. Ricker that if such an arrangement could be made they would come down and inspect the device. There were twenty-one people killed during one month by the street cars in that city.

THE DALLAS FIRE

Further Particulars of Story Outlined on First Page The fire started in the workshop of the two-story wholesale millinery establishment of Daniels & Co., 175 Elm street, west from Austin street, and communicated to the three-story building west, occupied by the same firm. The firemen, after an apparent unwarranted delay, got into thirty-five minutes, the greatest damage to stocks, which, by the way, was complete, resulted from water and smoke.

LOW HOLIDAY RATES

to points in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, South and North Carolina and Southern Kentucky Via Louisville & Nashville Ry. Tickets on sale December 13, 17, 21, 22, 23 and 26, good returning thirty days from date of sale, at ONE FARE plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Choice of routes via New Orleans or Memphis. Through Sleeping Cars, electric lighted Dining Cars and FREE RECLINING CHAIR CARS on through trains. No better service anywhere. For full information address J. W. Morrow, T. P. A., Houston, Tex. T. H. Kingsley, T. P. A., Dallas, Texas. Max Baumgarten, D. P. A., Memphis, J. K. Ridgely, D. P. A., New Orleans.

TRAIN SCHEDULE

TEXAS AND PACIFIC PASSENGER STATION Corner Main and Front Streets. TEXAS AND PACIFIC. (East Bound). Leave 6:30 am. ... Cannon Ball ... 7:45 am. 10:15 am. ... W. Fed and Dal. local ... 10:30 am. 12:15 pm. ... Dallas local ... 12:35 pm. 3:10 pm. ... Dallas local ... 3:30 pm. 4:15 pm. ... Abilene M. & Ex. ... 6:30 pm. (West Bound). 5:20 am. ... Dallas local ... 7:45 am. 8:40 am. ... Abilene M. & Ex. ... 8:40 am. 11:30 am. ... Wills Pt. and Ft. W. ... 12:35 pm. 2:55 pm. ... Dallas and W. Fed ... 3:00 pm. 5:10 pm. ... Dallas local ... 5:30 pm. 6:20 pm. ... St. Louis Express ... 6:30 pm. 7:55 pm. ... Cannon Ball ... 9:20 pm. TRANSCONTINENTAL. (Texarkana, Sherman and Paris). Leave 6:10 pm. ... Passenger daily ... 8:35 am. MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS. (North Bound). Leave 8:10 am. ... Katy Flyer ... 8:30 am. 10:55 am. ... Passenger Daily ... 11:45 am. 12:15 pm. ... Passenger Daily ... 12:35 pm. (South Bound). 7:45 pm. ... Katy Flyer ... 8:15 pm. 7:30 pm. ... Passenger Daily ... 7:50 pm. 8:10 pm. ... Passenger Daily ... 8:30 pm. FORT WORTH AND DUNN. Leave 5:10 pm. ... Colorado Express ... 9:45 am. 9:55 am. ... W. Falls local ... 9:50 pm. 6:00 am. ... Colorado M. & Ex. ... 11:10 pm. FORT WORTH AND RIO GRANDE. (Frisco System). Leave 10:55 am. ... Mail and Express ... 3:15 pm. 6:00 am. ... Mixed Accom'dtion ... 9:30 pm. RED RIVER, TEXAS AND SOUTHERN. (Frisco System). Leave 2:55 pm. ... World's Fair Spl. ... 11:50 am. 7:35 pm. ... Mixed Accom'dtion ... 6:00 am. ROCK ISLAND. (North Bound). Leave 7:10 am. ... East Express ... 8:30 pm. 7:30 pm. ... Mo. River local ... 8:30 am. SANTA FE UNION STATION Corner Fifth and Jones Streets. GULF, COLORADO AND SANTA FE. (North Bound). Leave 7:05 am. ... Limited ... 7:52 am. 8:20 pm. ... Day Express ... 8:27 pm. (South Bound). 7:40 am. ... Day Express ... 7:50 am. 8:55 pm. ... Limited ... 9:10 pm. HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL. (Frisco System). Leave 9:20 am. ... Daily Passenger ... 9:20 am. 12:15 pm. ... Daily Accom'dtion ... 1:30 pm. 8:20 pm. ... Daily Passenger ... 6:30 pm. DISOBEDIENCE CAUSES WRECK East Texas Railroad Has a Head-End Collision. Beaumont, Tex., Dec. 16.—In a head-end collision between two freight trains on the East Texas railway both ends were wrecked. Engineer Hicks was injured. The accident was the result of disobedience of orders.

Holiday Rates to the Old States! Arkansas, Missouri and Illinois On Sale December 17, 21, 22, 23 and 26, 1902, with return limit of Thirty Days, at ONE FARE PL S \$2.00. Lowest Rate in three years. TO TEXAS AND LOUISIANA POINTS AT CONVENTION RATES. We will have Parlor Cafe Cars on our morning trains from here December 17 and 21, meals served a la carte (pay for what you order). Call at 700 Main Street or Phone 229 for rates, schedules, and full information. A pleasure to answer questions. C. E. PALMER, A. C. P. & T. A. JNO. M. ADAMS, C. P. & T. A.

During the winter many people visit California. Several desirable Routes—in fact, none better, are available via Fort Worth. For Los Angeles and points South, one makes good connections at Dalhart, Texas, with the Rock Island Route (a good way to Old Mexico, too) with first-grade Eating Cars the entire trip, and with the Santa Fe System at Trinidad, Colorado. The time made by combining "THE DENVER ROAD" with either of these, surprises Investigators. For other California and Pacific Coast points Thru Colorado Service (which no other line has) may be enjoyed, with a choice of routes beyond, via Pueblo, Colorado Springs and Denver—and the Rockies are magnificent now. Remember, that Class A service which has nourished the "Only-One-Road" and "You-Don't-Have-To-Apologize" idea is no mere Summer Flirtation—"THE DENVER ROAD" makes good twelve months in the year.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES ONE FARE FOR THE ROUND TRIP PLUS \$2.00 Via MEMPHIS and the N., C. & ST. L. RY. TO TENNESSEE, NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA, FLORIDA AND NORTH ALABAMA. Tickets sold Dec. 13, 17, 21, 23, 26, 1902—30 Days' Limit. Fine Fast Trains For information apply to your local agent or write to J. W. BOTTORFF, Traveling Passenger Agent, DALLAS, TEXAS. Choice 2-year-old roses from open ground. Plant now. DRUMM SEED. W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A., GALVESTON, TEXAS.

# CIDER

We want EVERY FAMILY in Fort Worth to have some of this cider.

We tell you, and you may consider us on the witness stand, that this is pure apple juice from Hagerman's Roswell, N.M., orchard.

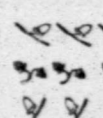
We have put the price where every family can have it on their table. We have 42 barrels, 1,344 gallons at this price

## 40c Per Gallon

# Turner & Dingee.

PHONES 59, 918. 502, 504, 506 HOUSTON ST.

### THE CITY IN BRIEF



#### THE WEATHER

The forecast until 8 p. m. Wednesday for Fort Worth and vicinity: Tonight and Wednesday, fair and somewhat warmer.

#### Nash Hardware Co.

P. H. Goodwyn of Galveston, general freight agent for the Santa Fe, is in the city today.

Roy & Leffer, practical jewelers, 602 Main street. Work called for and delivered. Phone 1536.

Every advertisement in The Telegram is pertinent testimony, not of fact, but of conviction.

Dr. T. L. Ray, Osteopath. Phone 553. Miss Clara Fakes has returned to Dallas. She was here on a visit with her cousin, Miss Lillian Fakes.

Blessing's Studio, 6th and Houston. The last pension issue for Texas was as follows: Increase, reissue, etc.—William J. Calloway, Blue Ridge, \$12.

G. E. Cromer, 503 Houston, jeweler. A musicale will be held this evening at the Broadway Presbyterian church, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society.

Dr. Abdlil. Dentist, has moved to Columbia building. He tightens loose teeth.

At the Mansion hotel yesterday afternoon Justice Rowland married R.

### GREENWALL'S OPERA HOUSE

Tonight. The young romantic actor—S. Miller Kent.

Presenting Nat C. Goodwin's great success. "The Cowboy and the Lady." Prices \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c and 25c.

Wednesday night, Dec. 17th. The picturesque New England play. "The Village Postmaster." All special scenery carried for this production. No advance in prices.

Thursday Night, Dec. 18, STUART ROBSON As Dromio of Syracuse in "The Comedy of Errors"

Prices—Lower floor \$1.50; balcony, \$1.00, 75c, 50c; gallery 25c. Seats on Sale for Above Attractions

Thorne and Miss Pearl Smith, both of Grandbury.

W. S. Matney, the tailor, Metropolitan block. The International and Great Northern railway will establish city headquarters at 809 Main street about the 1st of January.

G. W. Owens, Lumber Co. Phone 788. Tomorrow will be the second selling day for interstate holiday excursion tickets, and the railroads are anticipating a heavy business.

J. W. Adams & Co., Feed, Fuel and Produce. 400 W. Weatherford. Phone 530. F. W. Fox of the Weekly Hornet at Vernon is in town today, on the way to his old home in Jackson, Miss. He leaves tomorrow over the Houston and Texas Central.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. James, who have been sojourning in Fort Worth en route from their Sutton county ranch to San Francisco, will depart for the Pacific coast tomorrow morning.

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ARE YOU READING THE MISSISSIPPI BUBBLE NOW RUNNING IN THE TELEGRAM?

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### Fruit Cakes

Ladies, if you wish a nice fruit cake made only of pure fresh fruits and nuts, fine Upper Crust Flour and fresh Jersey butter, go over to Dillin Bros. Milk Bread Bakery, and you will get the best fruit cake you ever had on your table. We use no machinery in making bread or cakes; it's all done by hand. And remember, our 50-cent cakes are equal to most 75-cent cakes that you buy, and our 25-cent cakes are delicious and will cost you 35 cents elsewhere.

**DILLIN BROS.**  
Jennings and Daggett Ave

## RAISE FUNDS TO GET LINE

### POLYTECHNIC PEOPLE ACCEDE TO COMPANY'S PROPOSITION

### MONEY IS IN THE BANK

Three Thousand Dollars Is Now On Hand, and It Is Expected That Work Will Be Begun on Widening the Track Within the Next Two Months—About Fifty Families Are Interested in the Deal

After about six weeks of canvassing, the property owners of Polytechnic Heights have raised \$3,000, the amount asked by the officers of the Northern Texas Traction Company for widening the Polytechnic Heights line from its present beginning in Glenwood to the terminus at the hill beneath Polytechnic college.

The proposition made to the property owners of Polytechnic Heights a little over a month ago was that the street car company would be willing to widen the track and put in a regular broad gauge, on which city cars could be run, providing the property owners raised \$3,000, to be paid in five-yearly payments of \$600 each.

The proposition was at once taken up by R. H. A. Boaz, president of Polytechnic college, and by his efforts and the efforts of his associates the required sum was not only pledged, but paid from among the five or six most familiar of the suburb. The money is now in the bank and the first payment has been made. All that is now awaited is the return of the contract with President Boaz's signature, and it is expected work will be begun within the next two months. About one mile of track will have to be built, and the residents of Polytechnic Heights consider the price paid a fair one. They will get half-hourly car service, which is sufficient for their needs at present. It is expected that the extension of the Glenwood line to Polytechnic Heights will greatly improve the prospects of that suburb as a residence locality and the promoters expect to realize from their investments within the coming year.

### ROBERT E. LEE CAMP ADJOURNS FOR HOLIDAYS

Action on Several Matters Is Deferred Until January—To Aid the Poor  
Robert E. Lee camp, No. 235, U. S. C. V., met last evening at the parishhouse, but took no action on matters relating to the national policies of the organization, as was anticipated. They will be taken up on the first Monday in January, until which time adjournment was taken. Lieutenant Commander W. P. Lane presided and there was a fair attendance. Mr. Lane was authorized to appoint a committee, which should study the parent camp regarding the distribution of holiday gifts among the poor. The committee has not yet been named.

### TO PROBE FREIGHT RAISE

Interstate Commission Wants to Know Some Things

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The chief traffic officials and other representatives of prominent railroads appeared at the offices of the interstate commerce commission in this city today to answer questions regarding the increase in freight rates soon to be applied on the roads running from the Mississippi river and points beyond to the east and south. The interstate commerce commission purposes to probe the matter to the bottom and determine if the roads are justified in making the raise in rates. Among the roads that have been ordered to present testimony to the commission are the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway company, the Michigan Central, Norfolk and Western Railway company, Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway company, Southern Railway company, Erie Railroad company, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company, the Pennsylvania company, Lehigh Valley Railroad company, Wabash Railroad company, and Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad company.

### TO SEE LANHAM INAUGURATED

House Judiciary Committee Will Come All the Way to Texas  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—At a meeting of the house judiciary committee this morning it was unanimously agreed that the committee attend in a body the inauguration of Col. Lanham as governor of Texas on Jan. 20, 1903. This was a signal honor to Col. Lanham, who has for six years been a member of the committee. The judiciary committee has in its membership some of the most distinguished members of the house, and their visit in a body to Texas will enable the people of the state to entertain a splendid company of guests. It is probable that all the members except three or four will make the trip.

### Liver Out of Whack?

Feel bilious? Skin yellow? Eyes bloodshot? Breath bad? Constipation? Headache? Everything go wrong?  
It's your Liver, or Kidney, or Stomach, or Bowels that makes it.  
**Heptol Split**  
"THE SPLIT THAT'S IT"  
will put you right. It tastes good. Looks good. Is good.  
Drug Stores Soda Fountains, Bars, ALL HAVE IT.  
What is HEPTOL SPLIT, Anyway?  
It is a delicious, sparkling, aperient water. For use when things go wrong inside you. It acts directly upon the liver, stimulates the kidneys, cures constipation and headache and needs digestion. Takes the place of calomel and patent pills without loading the system with drugs. Heptol Split because it comes in bottles just big enough for one, so the only split that doesn't taste bad and leave a wry face.  
HEPTOL is the active principle of Heptol Split. It is the best medicine in the world for the liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. It purifies the blood and tones up the entire system. 35 cents the bottle at all druggists.  
MORRISON DRUG CO., New York City and Waco, Tex.  
John M. Parker, distributor of family cases at \$5 per case.

### SULKY FROST REFUSES TO OBEY FORECASTER

After Tusseling With Official Observer Yesterday Morning It Violates Agreement  
Observer Reeder will have it out with that frost yet. Just now the frost is a little to the good, but the observer has a few carom shots up his sleeves by means of which he hopes finally to have the frost hanging on the wire. Yesterday morning, after a vigorous battle the frost promised to yield and agreed that the mercury would not go below 25 degrees. Then, after it was all arranged, the frost pulled one of its funny pranks, scarcely coming near at all, and the mercury only dropped to 32. It may have been because the mercury was afraid of the observer if only went to the freezing point, but a host of people who shut off the water from their hydrants last night, got up this morning and looked foolishly at each other. Here is the official description of the weather conditions and a table of how the weather acted at different places in the country yesterday.

"The storm which moved over Texas Sunday and was central near Memphis yesterday morning moved northwest and is now over the lake region—a well-developed and severe storm. It gave heavy rains in the lower Mississippi valley and south of the Ohio valley, and snow further north, and is now noticeable for its high gales, heavy snow and sleet in eastern Iowa, Missouri, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota and Michigan and thence eastward to the north Atlantic.

"It is clear and cold south of the Missouri river, including Texas. The cold wave has crossed the lower Mississippi valley, and is on its way to the south Atlantic coast states.

"GEO. REEDER, In Charge,"  
Weather Record  
Following is the weather record for the last twenty-four hours—minimum and maximum temperature, wind in miles per hour, at 8 a. m., and rainfall in inches:

### News For Morning

Marketers

Rosy, red rashishes, fresh from steaming hot houses, yet crisp and pungent enough to tempt jaded appetites, are among the more attractive vegetable offerings on the local market.  
The grocery man has them tagged "Pungent Palate Pleasers," and they do not belie the name. For those who like something more aromatic, there are green onions, sweet and succulent, and watermelons, possessing a flavor that makes their presence known. The onions are worth 5 cents a bunch. New beets are also obtainable, but there are no new turnips or carrots. The vegetable offering as a whole is rather flabby, squashes, potatoes and the like being drab. The market men promise to do better later in the week.

Some Quotations  
Beets, per bunch..... .05  
Celery, 12 stalks..... .80  
Peppers, per dozen..... .15  
Irish Potatoes, per bushel..... \$1.00  
Turnips, per bushel..... .75  
Radishes, per bunch..... .05  
Carrots, per pound..... .05  
Cabbage, per pound..... .04  
Lettuce, per bunch..... .04  
Onions, per pound..... .04  
Green Onions, per bushel..... \$1.10  
Sweet potatoes, per bushel..... .25  
Lemons, per dozen..... .50  
Oranges, per dozen..... .25  
Bananas, per dozen..... .15  
Strawberries, per box..... .25  
Pumpkins, each..... .20  
Parsley, per bunch..... .05  
Spinach, per peck..... .20  
Mustard greens, per bunch..... .05  
Game, Poultry, Etc.

Rabbits, each..... .20  
Squirrels, each..... .20  
Quail, each..... .20  
Prairie chickens, each..... .75  
Ducks, each..... .40  
Turkeys, per pound..... 16-23  
Chickens, each..... 25c to .40  
Eggs, per dozen..... .30  
Dairy butter, per pound..... .25  
Creamery butter, per pound..... .35

### THE FIREMEN'S GRAND BALL

Reception to Be Held Thursday Night at Ellis Hall  
Members of the fire department are at work today decorating Ellis hall, at Second and Throckmorton streets, preparatory to their annual ball, which will be held Thursday evening. The ball room is being prettily draped with flags and bunting and floral embellishments will not be lacking. Arrangements for the event are in charge of Captains Hines, Bishop, Massachusetts, Kinkle, Howell, Ferguson and McCart. Over 700 tickets will be sold from present indications. Armour & Co. have shown their appreciation of the charitable cause for which the ball is to be held by the purchase of \$25 worth of tickets. Other contributors are: George C. Hutchins, Fort Worth manufacturer for the Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing company of Chicago, \$10; the Seagrave company and R. L. Corr, \$5.

SAC AND FOX INDIANS  
GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 14.—Dr. Fox, government physician at the Fox Indian agency in Oklahoma, announces that a large majority of the tribe are afflicted with tuberculosis, scrofula and other incurable diseases, and adds that the tribe practically will be annihilated within a few years. The latest reports say there are but 479 members of this once powerful tribe left.

Store Open Evenings Until Christmas

## W.C. Stripling

THE PRICE IS THE THING.

307-9-11 Houston and 208-10 Main St.

### If Our Gentlemen Friends

contemplate trip to the old states this Xmas, they will be interested to know that they can find the necessary articles of dress for such an occasion in our popular Clothing store at special prices this week.

- Men's Stylish Suits in black and Fancy Cheviots, Worsteds, Etc., worth \$20.00, on sale this week, at ..... \$15 00
- Men's Fine All Wool Suits in this season's make, worth \$12.50 to \$15.00, on sale at ..... \$10 00
- Men's Overcoats for dress and general wear, from \$5.00 to ..... \$15 00
- Nobby Neckwear for men and boys, such as you see in other stores at 75c, here at ..... 50c
- A very choice line of all silk Tecks and Four-in-Hand Ties, at ..... 25c
- Stylish Soft Hats for Men, in black, and colors, at \$3.50, \$2.50 and... \$1 75
- Men's White Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, a fine quality, that's worth 75c, on sale at only ..... 50c

All Goods advertised in Sunday morning's papers on sale the entire week

FRAUD IS PRACTICED IN SOLICITING AID  
Salvation Army Officers Find That Unauthorized Persons Have Been Seeking Donations For Christmas Dinner

Warnings have been sent out by the Salvation Army regarding persons who are soliciting aid in the name of that organization, which proposes to give a Christmas dinner to the newsboys and poor children of the city. Captain and Mrs. Wintrey are now canvassing the merchants and business men for contributions, but appear to have been superseded by unauthorized persons not in uniform. They advise friends of the army to give nothing to anyone for this cause unless the solicitors wear the regulation army headgear. Donations of provisions which need cooking should be sent to headquarters, 207 Elm street, not later than Dec. 23. Other gifts may be sent to the hall on Twelfth street, between Main and Tusk.

CONSTRUCTION SOON TO BEGIN  
Trinity and Brazos Road to Be Completed By July 1

HILLSBORO, Tex., Dec. 16.—Construction of the Trinity and Brazos Valley railroad is expected to begin here in ten days. The contracts have been let and the work is to be completed by the 1st of July. Hillsboro will be headquarters of the road.

### Letters from Women

Cured by the use of Kodol are received daily. Their troubles nearly all begin with indigestion or other stomach disorder. If the food you eat fails to give strength to your body, it is because the juices secreted by the stomach and digestive organs are inadequate to transform the nutrient properties of the food into blood. That is indigestion. The system is deprived of the amount of nourishment required to keep up the strength, and the result is that one or more of the delicate organs gradually grows weak, and then weaker, until finally it is diseased. Here a great mistake is made. That of treating the diseased organ. The best doctors in the land make this very mistake. Why should they? It is so easy to see that the trouble is not there.

### Kodol Cures

This famous remedy puts the stomach and digestive organs in a healthy condition so that rich, red blood is sent coursing through the veins and arteries of every muscle, tissue and fiber throughout every organ of the entire body, and by Nature's law of health, full strength and vigor is soon restored to each stomach disorder.  
I have taken Kodol for nearly two months after each meal and it is the only remedy that gave relief from the terrible pains I endured. After a time I would take it but once a day, and now, while I keep a bottle handy I seldom need it, as it has cured me.  
Mrs. J. W. COOLBAUGH, Milo Center, N. Y.  
Kodol Digests What You Eat.  
Bottles only \$1.00 Size holding 2 1/2 times the trial size, which sells for 50 cents.  
Prepared by E. C. DEWITT & CO., CHICAGO

# STUPENDOUS CUT IN Photographs!

## \$5.00 PHOTOS FOR \$3.00 Dozen

They are the very best. We are showing the very latest styles in Photos and Mounts. Our Photos possess that beautiful soft shading made by no other gallery in the city.

### Photo Jewelry in Exclusive Designs

PICTURE FRAMES Made to Order. Our work must be seen to be appreciated.

## JOHN SWARTZ,

705 MAIN STREET

Christmas Holiday Excursion Rates Via Rock Island System  
To all points in Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Arkansas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Illinois, Minnesota, and Wisconsin rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for round trip. Dates of sale: December 13, 17, 21, 23, 25, 29, 31 and January 1. Return limit thirty days and to all points on Rock Island system with in 200 miles of Fort Worth, one fare for round trip. Date of sale December 23, 25, 29, 31 and January 1. Return limit thirty days.  
For further information and particulars call on Y. N. TUREPIN

If you feel ill and need a pill Why not purchase the best? DeWitt's Early Risers Are little surprisers, Take one—they do the rest.  
W. H. Howell, Houston, Texas, writes—I have used Little Early Risers Pills in my family for constipation, sick headache, etc. To their use I am indebted for the health of my family.

### TIP TO TRAVELERS

COMMENCING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, THE SANTA FE WILL OPERATE ST. LOUIS LIMITED TRAINS THROUGH HOUSTON

LEAVE FT. WORTH..... 9:10 P.M.  
ARRIVE HOUSTON ..... 8:10 AM  
ARRIVE GALVESTON .: 9:55 AM

T. P. FENELON, C. P. A.,  
710 Main St., Ft. Worth.

# PAIN IN THE BACK

**A Sure Sign of Kidney Trouble. Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy will Cure You.**

Pain in the back is a never failing sign of kidney disease; another sure sign is the condition of the urine; if you have a pain in the back then look to the condition of your urine. Take a glass tumbler and fill it with urine; after it has stood 24 hours, if it has a sediment, if it is milky or cloudy, pale or discolored, stringy orropy, your kidneys and bladder are in a dangerous condition and need immediate attention, or the consequences may prove fatal.

F. C. Wilcox of 559 New Britain ave., Hartford, Conn., says:

"I had a frightful pain in my back, the result of kidney trouble. My physician seemed powerless to relieve me. I determined to try Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy; it helped me wonderfully, and in a short time cured me completely."

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the one medicine that really cures all diseases of the kidneys, liver, bladder and blood, rheumatism, dyspepsia and chronic constipation and corrects the bad effects of whiskey and beer on the system. It is wonderful how it makes that pain in the back disappear, how it relieves the desire to urinate often, especially at night, and drives away that scalding pain in passing water and in a remarkably short time makes you well and strong.

"All druggists sell Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy in the New 50 Cent Size and the regular \$1.00 size bottles."

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail. Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Roudout, N. Y.

Dr. David Kennedy's Rose Jelly radical cure Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in Head. 50c.

# CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES

## The Denver Road.

(The Short Line).

One fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip to Denver, Colorado Springs, Cuchara Junction, Pueblo and Trinidad, Colo. Tickets on sale Dec. 13, 17, 21, 22 and 23, with final limit of thirty days from date of sale.

Very low round trip rates to points in Texas. Selling dates Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 1902 and Jan. 1, 1903, with final limit of Jan. 3, 1903.

For information call on or write,

**R. W. TIPTON,**  
City Ticket Agent.

**ONE DOLLAR**  
will get you one dozen fine photographs this week. John Swartz, 705 Main street.



One Fare Plus \$2.00 for the Round Trip To Points In

Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, the Carolinas, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, North and South Dakota and Colorado.

Tickets on sale Dec. 13, 17, 21, 22, 23, and 26, limited 30 days for return. Through cars from Fort Worth to Memphis, Kansas City and St. Louis where direct connection will be made for points beyond.

Remember: these rates will apply to St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago, Omaha and St. Paul.

Call and see us or write city office, corner Eighth and Main streets.

W. A. TULEY, G. P. & T. Aat.

A. R. DEEM, C. P. & T. A.

Phone No. 2.

# Christmas Excursion VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Tickets on sale DECEMBER 13, 17, 21, 22, 23 and 26; limited to 30 days

for return, to all points in Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, North and South Carolina and Southern Kentucky.

Rate one fare plus \$2.00. For further information relative to your trip, write to

M. H. BONE, W. P. A., Houston, Tex.

TO CHICAGO AND EAST  
The M. K. & T. and Burlington Route run through standard sleeping cars between principal Texas cities and Chicago, via Hannibal. The most convenient through car service and the most direct route.

Consult M. K. & T. agents through Texas, or the following:  
**W. W. WAKELEY,**  
Gen's Pass & Agent

# BOLL WEEVIL FIGHT ON AT WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Evidences that the importance of the boll weevil situation in Texas is fully realized here are multiplying.

Chief Clerk Geddis of the department says that he had unofficial information tending to show that the loss to cotton owners as a result of the ravages of the insect would amount to at least 400,000 bales. Other information received here indicates that the loss will prove to be even heavier.

In the house Representative Burleson has introduced a bill appropriating \$20,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the establishment of an agrostological station in southern or central Texas and of an experimental farm at which to carry on experiments looking to the most profitable crops which can be grown in lieu of cotton in those sections of the state where the damage by the weevil has been the heaviest. The proposed work is to be done under the direction of the secretary of agriculture, and he is directed to bear in mind while making the experiments referred to the advantage and advisability of diversification. The agrostological station is for the purpose of supervising the growth of grasses on land which formerly produced cotton, but which, on account of the ravages of the weevil, the owners wish to convert into pastures.

Mr. Burleson has conferred with Chairman Wadsworth and various members of the agricultural committee and has been assured by them that the bill introduced will receive proper consideration, and also that if necessary the agricultural appropriation bill to be passed this session will be arranged to include an appropriation for the continuation of the boll weevil experiments now being made in Texas under the \$20,000 appropriation made last session.

Representative Slayden has undertaken to secure from the railroads of the state information as to the amount of damage done by the weevil in the respective territories. He has just received the statement from San Antonio to the effect that the loss along the Aransas Pass amounts approximately to 200,000 bales. He has been promised similar information from the International and Great Northern, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, Southern Pacific and allied lines and the Santa Fe.

**Wants Reward Offered**  
In discussing the matter, Mr. Slayden called attention to the bill now before congress appropriating \$1,000,000 for the stamping out of the foot and mouth disease.

"I fail to see why," said he, "if the government can take such measures to protect New England cattle interests it should not resort to similar measures to take care of the cotton interests of the south, which are infinitely more valuable. While I do not expect the government to pay for cotton that might have been grown had it not been for the havoc wrought by the weevil, as the supporters of the foot and mouth bill expect pay for the diseased cattle, I do want to see such a tempting reward offered for the discovery of a practical and effective way of fighting the cotton pest as will engage the services of the best talent and result in the discovery of a real remedy." The data I have received so far indicate that the loss, if not checked, may lead to a reverse of the trade balances of the world. Furthermore, at this particular time the English are intelligently and actively undertaking the development of cotton in South Africa and the British West Indies. If the United States once loses its position at the head of the cotton producing countries it will find it difficult, if not impossible, to regain that situation.

# UNCLE SAM HAS NEED FOR SEAMSTRESSES

It seems that Uncle Sam must suffer in common with all masculine humanity, inasmuch as he is now in search of a good seamstress, the best, in fact, that the country affords. Complete details are lacking in the bulletin, but the supposition is that the old gentleman needs a few buttons sewed on and other repairs made upon his clothing. At any rate, he has issued a proclamation inviting all expert needle woman who are eligible to compete in the civil service examination to be held January 6. Fort Worth contains hundreds and even thousands of ladies who are past mistresses in the art of needlework and they are all invited to qualify for the position. The age limit is twenty years. From the eligibles to be chosen it is expected that appointments will be made to the Indian Schools in Colorado, Oregon and Montana at salaries of \$400 and \$500 per annum.

Seamstresses are not the only public servants that the government requires. On January 20 there will be an examination for an electrical engineer who is to enter the signal service at San Francisco at \$300 per annum; for custodian of the marine biological station in Beaufort, N. C., at \$729 per year and for positions as in-

terpreters qualified to speak German, Bohemian, Polish, Russian, Croatian, Hungarian, Rumanian, Bulgarian and the Slavonic languages in the department of immigration at Baltimore at \$900 per year; for magazine attendant at Lake Denmark, N. J., at \$2.00 per day. A week later there will be an examination for steward and storekeeper at the federal penitentiary in Atlanta, Ga., at \$900 per year, and for medical clerks in the pension office at \$900 to \$1,000 per year, for which position only graduates of recognized medical schools are eligible.

Besides the positions mentioned there is a vacancy for assistant chemist in the supervising architect's office treasury department, at \$1,200 per year for which an examination will be held on the sixth of next month; for scientific assistant in the United States Commission of fish and fisheries at \$720 per annum; inspector of boilers in the steamboat inspection service at \$1,200 yearly and inspector of hulls in the same department at a similar salary.

Any who may desire to compete for these places should apply to the United States Civil Service Commission, at Washington, or to the secretary of the local board of examinations.

# ARGUMENT IN THE BEEF TRUST CASE

Judge Grosscup Listens to Points in the Injunction Suit Against Big Packers

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—The famous "beef trust" case came up for argument today before Judge Grosscup in the United States circuit court. The point at issue is the granting of the injunction applied for by the government to enjoin the packers from carrying on business in restraint of trade. The defendants in the case are Swift & Co., the Cudahy Packing company, the Hammond Packing company, Armour & Co., Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, Nelson Morris & Co., and the officers and agents of these concerns. They are charged with having violated the anti-trust and interstate commerce laws, and an injunction is asked for the purpose of checking such alleged violations.

**Kodol Dyspepsia Cure**  
Digests all classes of food, tones and strengthens the stomach and digestive organs. Cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Stomach Troubles and makes rich red blood, health and strength. Kodol rebuilds wornout tissues, purifies, strengthens and sweetens the stomach. Governor G. W. Atkinson, of West Virginia, says: I have used a number of bottles of Kodol and have found it to be a very effective and, indeed, a powerful remedy for stomach ailments. I recommend it to my friends.

**The Pride of Heroes**  
Many soldiers in the last war wrote to say that for scratches, bruises, cuts, wounds, corns, sore feet and stiff joints, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for Burns, Scalds, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25c at W. J. Fisher's, 502 Main street and 413 Houston street.

**Coughs, Colds and Constipation**  
Few people realize when taking cough medicines other than Foley's Honey and Tar, that they contain opiates which are constipating besides being unsafe, particularly for children. Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates, is safe and sure and will not constipate. Sold by Reeves' Pharmacy, Ward Pharmacy and Arlington Drug Co.

A kidney or bladder trouble can always be cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure in time. Sold by Reeves' Pharmacy, Ward Pharmacy and Arlington Drug Co.

# ONE REASON WHY MEAT IS SO HIGH

There Has Been a Heavy Falling Off in Receipts of Cattle, Hogs and Sheep

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Official reports made to the bureau of statistics show a general falling off of domestic trade shipments during the last ten months, as compared with the corresponding period of last year. Livestock receipts, at Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Omaha and St. Joseph, amounted to 26,395,982 head of cattle, hogs and sheep, as compared with 27,724,601 head in 1901. During the same period, 471,446 cars of stock arrived at the points mentioned, as compared with 514,406 cars in 1901.

The high prices brought down the stock of cut meats at the five markets from 153,565,959 pounds, last year, to 96,937,442 pounds, this year.

# COUGHS AND COLDS IN CHILDREN

**Recommendation of a Well Known Chicago Physician**  
I use and prescribe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for almost all obstinate, constricted coughs, with direct results. I prescribe it to children of all ages. Am glad to recommend it to all kinds of coughs and bronchial affections. It is non-narcotic and safe in the hands of the most unprofessional. A universal panacea for all mankind.—Mrs. Mary R. Melendy, M. D., Ph. D., Chicago, Ill. This remedy is for sale by N. E. Grammer, Druggist.



**THE HEROIC FULL-BACK**  
"Where do you play?"  
"Full-back."  
"Gracious! I wouldn't play unless I was right up in front!"

# A BATTLE ROYAL NOW GOING ON

BETWEEN THE READY-TO-EAT BREAKFAST CEREALS

Hundreds of Factories Turning Them Out. Battle Creek, Mich., Recognized Home of Cooked Cereal, Has Thirty Factories in Operation

There is a battle royal going on at this time between the manufacturers of prepared cereal foods.

Up in St. Louis everybody has been talking about the "Reserved for Something Good to Eat" announcement which recently appeared in the city newspapers and which was posted simultaneously on the billboards and painted on the bulletin boards and walls all over town. The extraordinary volume of this advertising recently appeared in the city newspapers and which was posted simultaneously on the billboards and painted on the bulletin boards and walls all over town.

The manufacturer of one of these big concerns grew reminiscent when the subject of prepared cereal foods came up. He did not require the memory of the oldest inhabitant to recall the time when oatmeal was eaten primarily on account of its medicinal qualities. Then it was sold exclusively through drug stores and in doctors' prescriptions. Physicians recommended oatmeal to patients whose systems required rebuilding and its beneficial properties soon became so generally known as to win for it a place on the grocer's shelf.

About ten years ago the American Cereal Company saw the unlimited opportunity for oatmeal in package form, if generally advertised and the goods identified by the benign "Quaker" was the result. This company was the pioneer in the breakfast food propaganda, and its extensive advertising by all known methods placed oatmeal on every American table, and developed for it a morning-noon-and-night, all-the-year-round demand. The next evolution was in the direction of cooked foods, a bright mind in the town of Battle Creek, Mich., conceived the idea of a ready-to-eat article. It quickly leaped into favor after aggressive publicity had acquainted people with its nature. Within a surprisingly short period this one enterprise had been followed by hundreds of others, representing millions of capital. Battle Creek, the recognized home of cooked breakfast foods, has no less than thirty factories turning out this line of goods.

In need and seeking relief from colds and coughs and bronchial affections. It is non-narcotic and safe in the hands of the most unprofessional. A universal panacea for all mankind.—Mrs. Mary R. Melendy, M. D., Ph. D., Chicago, Ill. This remedy is for sale by N. E. Grammer, Druggist.

The forecast of sudden changes in the weather serves notice that a hoarse voice and a heavy cough may invade the sanctity of health in your own home. Cautious people have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure always at hand. E. H. Wise, Madison, Ga., writes: "I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my present good health, and probably my life." It cures Coughs, Colds, LaGrrippe, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and all Throat and Lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the phlegm, draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes the mucous membranes and strengthens the lungs.

# Why Syrup of Figs is the best family laxative

It is pure.  
It is gentle.  
It is pleasant.  
It is efficacious.  
It is not expensive.  
It is good for children.  
It is excellent for ladies.  
It is convenient for business men.  
It is perfectly safe under all circumstances.  
It is used by millions of families the world over.  
It stands highest, as a laxative, with physicians.  
If you use it you have the best laxative the world produces.

# Because

Its component parts are all wholesome. It acts gently without unpleasant after-effects. It is wholly free from objectionable substances.

It contains the laxative principles of plants. It contains the carminative principles of plants. It contains wholesome aromatic liquids which are agreeable and refreshing to the taste.

All are pure.  
All are delicately blended.  
All are skillfully and scientifically compounded.

Its value is due to our method of manufacture and to the originality and simplicity of the combination.

To get its beneficial effects—buy the genuine.

Manufactured by

## CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co.

San Francisco, Cal.  
Louisville, Ky. New York, N. Y.  
FOR SALE BY ALL LEADING DRUGGISTS.

# RED TAG SALE

**We have marked a large number of nice pieces of Furniture throughout our stock with RED TAGS. On all such pieces we will allow 20 per cent discount. It will pay you to investigate this, as this sale includes some nice, elegant pieces. We are also giving 20 per cent discount on Rugs, Lace Curtains, Portieres, and Mattings. Come and let us show you what we are offering.**

## FAKES & COMPANY,

1619-21-23 MAIN STREET.

**SOME NEW TEXAS INDUSTRIES**  
A Number Announced From Different Cities of the State During Past Week  
Following is the list of new industries announced from Texas towns during the past week by the Tradesman of Chattanooga, Tenn.:

San Antonio—Irrigation company; canning factory; \$5,000 laundry.  
Stamford—\$25,000 ice and refrigerating company.  
Beumont—\$200,000 oil refinery; \$250,000 machinery works.  
Timpson—\$125,000 cotton compress.  
Schulenburg—Waterworks.  
Naconoches—\$10,000 lumber company.  
Houston—\$500,000 development company.  
Palestine—Electric light and gas plants.  
Corpus Christi—Crate factory.

This is the largest list both in number of industries and in value of capital invested shown for any state in the south during the same period.

**POOR SHOWING FOR IOWA**  
Value of all Crops This Year is \$60,000,000 Less Than in 1901  
DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 16.—The annual report of the Iowa weather and crop bureau on the total amount and value of Iowa crops the first day of the current month makes a showing of depression on account of the inseasonable year, which is surprising. The total value of the Iowa crops is estimated at \$215,722,335 on market valuations, as ascertained Dec. 1, for all products. But the total of two years ago was \$229,000,000, and a year ago, despite the great drought, \$274,000,000. The corn crop in bushels is estimated a little above the ten year average, the yield per acre being 34 bushels and the total on 3,700,000 acres 296,950,230 bushels. The local selling price of the merchantable corn is 25 cents and the feeding value of the soft corn 22 cents. Wheat quality is generally poor. Winter wheat aggregated \$25,945 bushels, an average of 18 bushels to the acre, and spring wheat was 12,680,800 bushels, or 13 bushels to the acre. The crop is valued at \$7,062,840, against \$10,976,000 last year.

**SHOT BROTHER'S SLAYER**  
SEXTON, Tex., Dec. 16.—After waiting six years, Jack Wiggins, a merchant, avenged the death of a younger brother. Young Wiggins was killed by Lige Britton, who was convicted and sent to the penitentiary for five years. The finding did not satisfy the brother. Having served the sentence, Britton returned home and Thursday he was shot to death by Wiggins.



# CASCARETS

CANDY CATHARTIC

THEY WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

## ANNUAL SALE

### 10,000,000 BOXES

### Greatest in the World

A MILLION AMERICAN NURSING MOTHERS keep themselves and their babies in splendid health with CASCARETS Candy Cathartic. The wonderful things CASCARETS do for mamas and their babies have become known through kind words of those who have tried them, and so the sale is now nearly A MILLION BOXES A MONTH. Mama takes a CASCARET, baby gets the benefit. The sweet, palatable tablet, eaten by the nursing mother, gets the effect diluted and as part of its natural food—no violence—no danger—perfectly natural results. No more sour curds in baby's stomach, no more wind colic, cramps, convulsions, worms, restless nights. All druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c. Never sold in bulk. Genuine tablet stamped OCC. Sample and booklet free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

# NEW THINGS STRANGE & CURIOUS.

## CALF LIVES WITH TWO HEADS.



Mr. A. H. Brown, a farmer of New Liberty, Ky., had a cow of which he was very proud, owing to the large quantity of milk she gave and the high grade of stock she represented. Recently the cow gave birth to a perfectly formed calf, with the exception that it had two heads.

There was nothing unattractive or repulsive about the little animal, and the heads were as perfect in shape as the body, each having its set of eyes, while, strange to say, a white spot on one forehead was reproduced in exact shape and color on the other forehead. Unfortunately the mother died when the calf was born, and it also perished from lack of nourishment.

Experienced cattle-raisers say they have never seen two heads so wonderfully joined without any malformation.

## LIGHTNING POSED FOR PHOTOGRAPH.

Photographs of lightning are unique showing the lightning striking in the center of the plate. Several futile attempts were made to get a good photograph of lightning; all wasted because the lightning would never strike just

in the direction in which the camera was pointed. Sometimes it would strike in the corner of the plate or on the very edge. This plate was exposed only about 15 seconds, when the flash came.



## INSURED AGAINST TWINS.

One pair of twins is not much of a burden to any family, however needy it may be, but a second pair often proves somewhat of an embarrassment, especially if it comes within a year or two after the first.

A political economist in England recently became impressed with this fact and decided to find a remedy. Consequently he organized a company, the object of which is to insure parents against twins. Any young married couple may purchase a policy from this company, and in that case may rest assured that it will never find it difficult to provide for any twins or triplets that may be born to it.

## VERY INGENIOUS AUTOMATON.



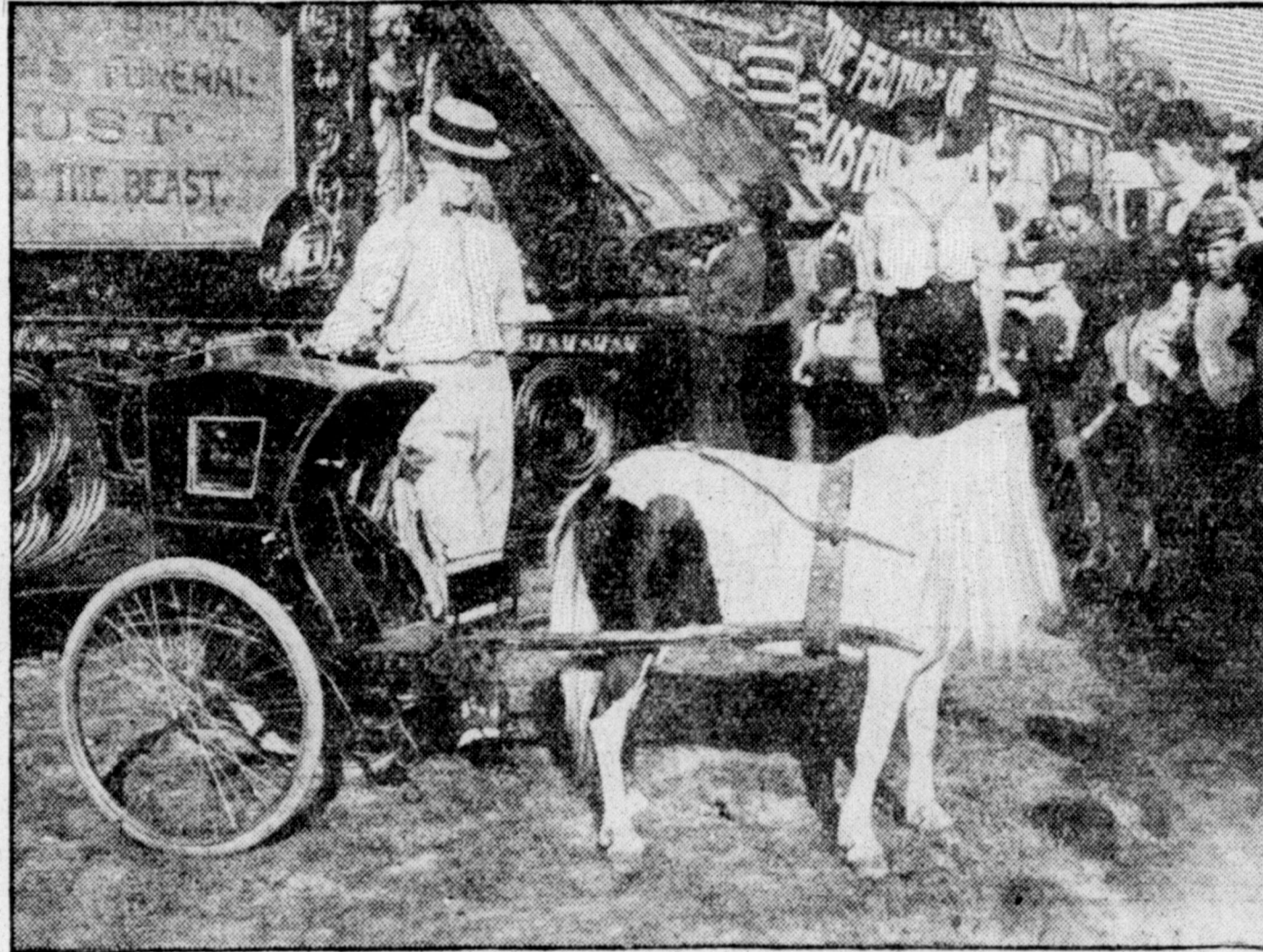
One of the most remarkable automatons we see in this country is the work of a fruit vender at Louisville, Ky., who made a lifelike presentation of a street boy and a dog, which are operated by clockwork deftly concealed inside of the bodies.

Although the figures are composed principally of paper-mache, with a few pieces of wood for framework, the proportions, flesh tints and other features are so lifelike that many persons who have seen the two have been deceived. When the "boy" is "wound up" he goes through 30 different motions in which he pretends to feed his pet animal.

## SMALLEST HANSOM CAB ON EARTH.

So small is this hansom cab that it runs upon a set of ordinary bicycle wheels. Though perfectly constructed in every detail, the little vehicle is a trifle less than three feet in height. Only the very smallest of ponies can fit between its slender shafts.

The hansom is doubtless the smallest carriage of its kind in the world. It is not, as might be imagined, a plaything for children, but was built especially for a curious little ape which travels with a circus in the West.



## Red Bananas Rare.

Not many years ago red bananas were as plentiful in the market as the yellow ones now are, but lately they have begun gradually to disappear altogether, so that few fruit stores keep them at all. This has been somewhat of a mystery to the public, as it is hard to understand why the red banana should no longer hold its own on the fruit stands.

A fruiterer of New York has this explanation to make of the matter: "The reason the red bananas are so scarce," he said, "is because the planters in the West Indies have become tired of raising them. They require great care in cultivation, and the growers have come to the conclusion that it does not pay. There used to be a general idea that the red banana was more wholesome and sweeter to the taste than the yellow one, but this is only a whim of the imagination."

"The yellow one is the better of the two, and as the red banana is so hard to raise I don't blame the planters for giving up its cultivation. Of course, the few on the market are very expensive, as much as five and seven's apiece. This, however, is not because they are better than the yellow ones, but because they are so hard to get. At present Puerto Rico alone supplies us with the red variety, and I should not wonder if they got scarce all the time. I think we can very well do without them, and they are no longer much in demand."

## Vessel A Monastery.

One of the most curious vessels in the world recently anchored near Taganrog. It is a great sailing ship, known as "Pokrov Trossvaya," is a monastery, and it is the property of the Pontic monastery on Mount Athos.

The vessel itself is a monastery, since the captain and crew are monks from Mount Athos and wear the garb of their order. On the vessel, which is painted black and bears a large cross, is a church, in which the captain, known as Father Gerassim, officiates.

## Japanese Crests

Chinese and Japanese crests and coats of arms are very common, but they are quite different from those which are familiar to Europeans and Americans. Symbols are used to a great extent, and so are figures of animals and the signs of the zodiac. Each family has stamps, on which its distinctive symbols are cut or engraved, and



They are used not only to sign legal documents, but also to put the mark of proprietorship on costly ornaments and on household utensils. The eight crests shown here belong to the aristocratic Chojo family, and are valued by them quite as highly as any European nobleman values his ancestral coat of arms.

Canada has 100,000 Indians, the United States 270,000.

## Salisbury's Long Joke.

Many years ago Lord Salisbury, late prime minister of England, was a journalist and occupied a room in a newspaper office in company with Mr. Charles Williams, who later became a war correspondent.

The two were warm friends, and as a token of their friendship they treated each other to a pint of pale ale every day. Salisbury paying the bill on the odd days of the month and Mr. Williams on the even days. In time, however, Salisbury went into politics and became minister and prime minister, and Mr. Williams was obliged to drink his ale in solitude.

Some weeks ago Lord Salisbury was entering the House of Commons and suddenly saw his old friend for the first time in many years. Going up to him, he shook his head vigorously and then whispered: "Tell me, old fellow, whose turn is it to pay for the pint today, yours or mine?"

Yet Salisbury's political opponents claim that recently his memory has been failing him!

## Dummies In War.

That "all is fair in love and war" is an old maxim and one in which certain fighting men in Colombia firmly believe. During the recent revolution in that country the rebels, finding that they had not enough sentinels, devised a simple plan for convincing their opponents that they had all the sentinels they needed.

Procuring several blocks of stone, they placed them in such positions that they resembled human beings and then they equipped the figures, one with a rifle, another with a military cap, another with a cloak, until they looked at a distance exactly like soldiers.

This ruse, it is said, succeeded admirably. The government troops were convinced that the rebels were amply supplied with sentinels and were only surprised that, no matter how often they fired at them, even at close range, the number never seemed to decrease.

## QUAINT GERMAN NECKLACE.



In certain districts of Germany the peasant girls love to adorn themselves with unique necklaces. Beautiful ornaments they are, being fashioned of silver and red pearls. The silver is usually in the form of a broad band, and between the links are

placed rows of pearls. Some of the necklaces are quite costly, the silver being beautifully engraved and the pearls unusually large, but whether costly or cheap they are highly prized by the girls, who never fail to wear them on Sundays and holidays.

Their mothers and grandmothers wore similar necklaces and, indeed, many of those worn today belonged to the women of a past generation and have been handed down as heirlooms.

## A PICTURE "GALLERY" ON WHEELS.

In no country are there so many picturesque vehicles as in Sicily. Any day one may see carriages very gayly decorated. This is especially true of festival days. A Sicilian thinks that when a man dons his best clothes on a holiday he should also deck his horse and carriage in honor of the

occasion. At all times, however, the vehicles in Sicily differ from those in other countries. In every district there is a man who makes a living by portraying upon carriages, in brilliant colors, scenes either from Sicilian history or from legends. One of these paint-

ers makes a specialty of scenes from the Crusades and another excels in portraying the ancient heroes and heroines of his country. The animal harnessed to such a carriage, whether an ass, a mule or a horse, is also decorated.



## ANALYZING RARE AIR.



Some very interesting analyses of the air at the top of Mont Blanc were recently made by French scientists, and the manner in which the work was done is shown in the accompanying picture.

In their report they say: "The air at the top of the mountain contains a very small number of germs. After making 40 analyses we were unable to discover a single microbe. On the other hand, two analyses which we made in two rooms of the observatory, which is built on the summit of the

mountain, gave us respectively 540 and 290 germs. From this it is evident that numerous microbes are introduced by those who are frequently guests of the observatory." Further tests showed "that the number of germs increases as one descends the mountain. A careful analysis was also made of the glaciers and the water in this region, and as a result many new facts in regard to microbes have been obtained."

## EMMA EAMES STORY'S CHATEAU.



Mme. Emma Eames, the noted opera singer and the wife of Mr. Julius Story, the eminent painter, is Yankee born and bred, but her home today is not in the rock-bound New England State, but in sunny Italy. A prima donna's voice cannot be subjected to the vagaries of the east wind, but must be measured in a congenial climate.

She was born in Baltimore, Md., not so many years ago, and her early life doubtless included such delicacies as baked beans and squashes. There came a time, however, when she foresaw these homely dainties and turned to sweetbreads, quail, on toast and the like. That was when she became a prima donna. Then, she went to live in

Paris and married Mr. Story, who also came of good old New England stock. In the pursuit of her profession Mme. Eames-Story not only gained distinction, but wealth, and one day took it into her head to have a castle in Italy—not one of those ramshackle old affairs which were good enough for the knights of old, and were sadly deficient in planning, but a picturesque, roomy and modern castle. This she personally planned and also personally supervised its construction. It was completed a couple of years ago, near the woods of Vallombrosa, Italy, and a good idea of it and also of Mme. Eames' taste in castles can be seen in the picture above.

## Colonel's Odd Revenge.

Lascariagardi, a railroad station in Austria, was the scene of an extraordinary quarrel the other day. Colonel Papessene, while walking on the platform, entered into conversation with the station master, and soon an altercation arose between them, which came to a climax when the station master struck the Colonel a violent blow in the face.

At this intolerable insult the Colonel became infuriated, and, turning to his aide-de-camp, he ordered him to summon his regiment, which was in garrison at a short distance. When the soldiers arrived he hurried them to arrest the station-master, put chains on him and threw him into a coal hole.

When they heard this order several railroad employes rushed to the assistance of their chief, but resistance was vain, and in a few minutes the station-master was in the coal hole, his wrists and ankles manacled, and the other employes were so tightly secured with ropes that they could not move hand or foot.

Meanwhile the turmoil had attracted the police, but the Colonel was ready for them, and as soon as they arrived at the station he drove them off and then placed his men on all sides of the building, with instructions to let no one approach. Next he cut the telegraph wires and signals and thus brought to a standstill all the trains on the line, which is one of the most important in the country.

## New Style Of Bath.

In Finland a novel form of vapor bath has recently become popular. A person who proposes to enjoy it lies down at full length in a hammock, which is suspended over a large bathtub filled with ice-cold water. An attendant then throws into this water some hot bricks, whereupon a vapor arises and envelops the person lying in the hammock.

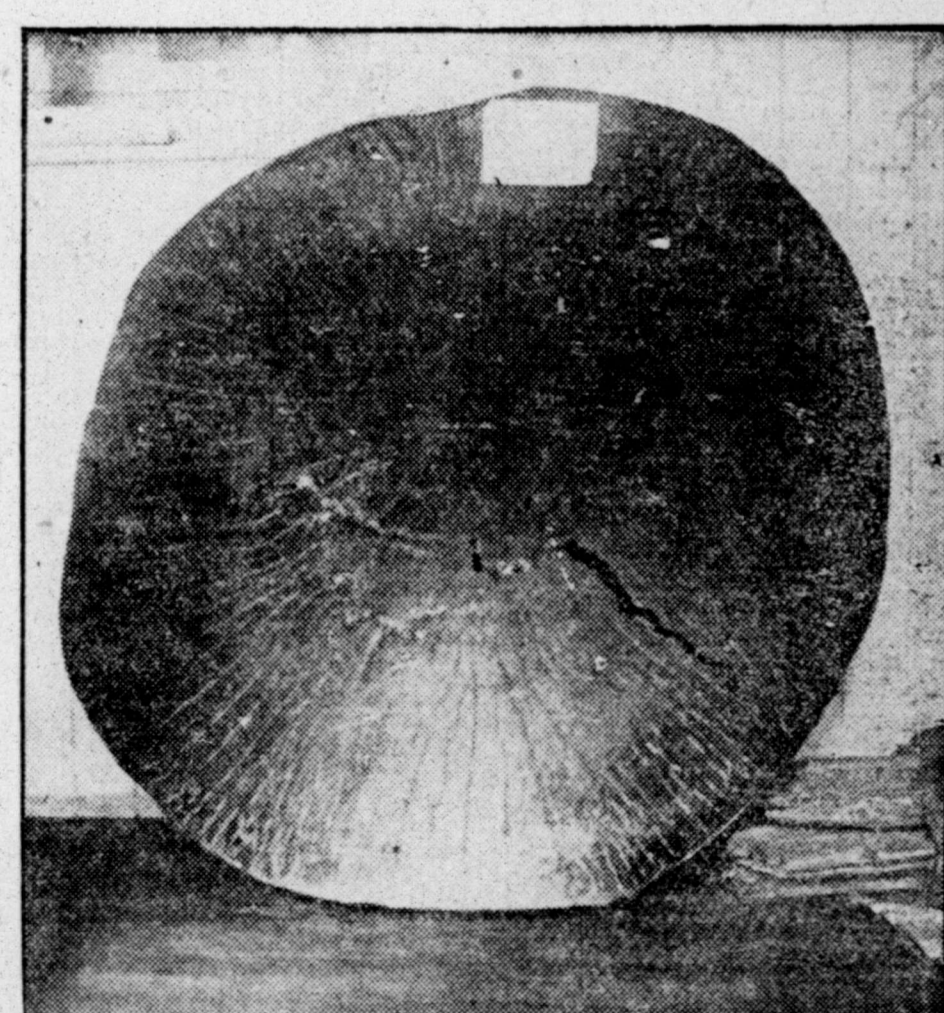
For some minutes the attendant allows him to remain exposed to the vapor, and then, after removing the bricks, he gives the hammock a jerk and the gentleman in it comes plump down into cold water.

Those who have tried this method of bathing say that the sensation is quite novel and that the sudden plunge into the cold water really invigorates one.

## Handkerchief Trick.

If you place a handkerchief in the middle of a flame, you naturally suppose that it will burn, and yet it may be done and the lines not receive the slightest injury from the fire surrounding it. The simple reason is because the handkerchief has been carefully prepared for the fiery ordeal. First it is steeped in water, next the water is squeezed out of it and finally it is soaked with alcohol. In squeezing out the water care is taken not to exert too great a pressure, the object being to remove the water, but to keep the handkerchief moist.

## TREE FOUR HUNDRED YEARS OLD.



Highly interesting is a section of a great and famous tree that is preserved in the rooms of the Niagara Falls Historical Society. The card on it bears the statement: "I grew on Goat Island, and for 400 years stood sentinel over its Indian graves. I was a sturdy sapling when Columbus landed at San Salvador. I was 150 years old be-

fore a white man gazed upon Niagara. I saw and knew this first white man, but cannot recall his name. "I was 200 years old when La Salle and Hennepin saw the falls. I was blown down on the night of January 3, 1820, being the oldest and largest tree within sound of the great cataract's roar."

# PRIMARIES ARE HELD TOMORROW

CHOICE OF TWO CITY OFFICIALS WILL BE MADE

## ONLY FOUR CANDIDATES

Interest in the Election is Nevertheless Deep and a Close Vote Will be Polled in All of the Wards—Polling Places Announced and Arrangements Are Made

- For Marshal
  - William M. Rea,
  - T. J. Maben.
- For Assessor and Collector
  - G. H. Day,
  - W. J. Gilvin.

The choice of two city officials will be made tomorrow between 9 a. m. and 7 p. m. The officials are city marshal and city assessor and collector. The candidates for the office of city marshal are William M. Rea, the present incumbent, and T. J. Maben. The candidates for the office of city assessor and collector are G. H. Day, present incumbent, and W. J. Gilvin.

The choice of the two men from the four will be made by the democratic primaries held in the city tomorrow, and, though but a minor election, much interest as to the result exists throughout the city and the contest in the different wards is sure to be exciting, even if the results be not close.

Night is being conducted against any particular candidate of the four, and so far as has been evident, the contest between any two is not bitter, but there is enough interest in the result to make tomorrow's election an important one.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The democratic city executive committee met last evening in the city hall in final session before tomorrow's primaries and decided several important matters, chief of which was the decision to change the hours of voting from the time between 8 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. till the time between 9 a. m. and 7 p. m. Among other matters acted upon was a resolution allowing each candidate one challenger at each polling place, providing the challengers shall not enter the polling place except to challenge a vote and that they shall not be allowed to do any campaigning for their candidate.

Another resolution offered was one by S. T. Bibb, providing that each candidate be allowed four days after election in order to file complaints if he be dissatisfied with the manner of the election.

## VOTING PLACES

Following are the voting places, presiding officers, clerks and judges so far as they have been returned, and the number of booths which will be erected at each voting place:

First ward—H. W. Fisher, presiding officer; clerks and judges, George Logan, G. S. Miller, Ross Mann, W. H. Ganser, Frank Carter; polling place, Second and Bask streets, LaCedra house; seven booths.

Second ward—H. M. Harding, presiding officer; clerks and judges, John Kaiser, J. J. Melton, Capt. W. H. G. Lunsby, B. L. Waggonman, H. C. Holloway; polling place, 302 Main street; six booths.

Third ward—Richard Kelley, presiding officer; clerks and judges, W. B. Hixley, Cal Bates, W. R. Arker, Prof. Woodson, Mr. Croely, Tom Murray; polling place, 1606 Jones street; eight booths.

Fourth ward—S. T. Bibb, presiding officer; clerks and judges, W. T. Maddox, E. B. Randle, K. M. Jennings, Mr. Burtis, A. P. Luckett, George W. Hollingsworth, R. N. Graham; polling place, city hall; six booths.

Fifth ward—Joe Poythress, presiding officer; polling place, Locomotive Firemen's hall; five booths.

Sixth ward—W. E. Mayfield, presiding officer; clerks and judges, Clay Sandige, M. E. McNeely, J. D. McNeely, B. H. Ship, C. A. Butts, J. H. Melton; polling place, Jennings and Dazgett avenues; six booths.

Seventh ward—H. L. Calhoun, presiding officer; clerks and judges, R. E. Bratton, Mr. Leigh, F. Y. Spencer; polling place, 1011 South Main street; four booths.

Eighth ward—O. W. Head, presiding officer; clerks and judges, Hugh Barr, R. H. Buck, B. D. Kennedy, W. S. Head, R. H. Irvin, A. J. Baskin; polling place, Skidmore's store, Magnolia and Hemphill; two booths.

Ninth ward—C. T. Prewett, presiding officer; clerks and judges, Dr. George Jackson, Q. T. Moreland, J. C. Scott, T. Rowland, Whit Orgain; polling place, basement of courthouse; six booths.

## BALLOTS AND VOTING

Plain ballots will be used. The ballots will be handed by the voter to the presiding officer or one of his deputy representatives. Immediately at the close of the polls the presiding officer and judges are to proceed to the city hall, where the result of the election will be announced.

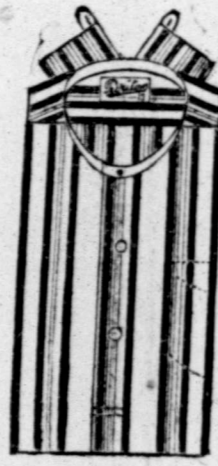
## POIS A DEADLY ATTACK

"My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., "but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache, 25c at W. J. Fisher's, 502 Main street and 114 Houston street.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. Witt & Co. of Chicago, discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For Blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns,

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| Suspenders .....     | 25     | Leggins .....  | 50c to \$1 50 |



## COLORED LAD HOLDS HIS OWN IN COURT

Albert Aikens, a colored lad, apparently about 17 years old, held his own in corporation court this morning against two complaining officers and the city prosecutor, securing for himself a continuance until Thursday.

"No sah, Ah wasn't raisin' no sand," he answered Judge Stewart when asked about the disturbance on charge of raising which, he was arrested. The prosecuting officer testified that Aikens had been disturbing some little children near McLean's drug store and that he had been appealed to in order to get the colored boy away.

"It was jes' like this," testified young Aikens in opposition to this. "A lady gin me a dime to take the children to the drug store to get a

subscription an' I was a-waitin' at a hotel for them when this officer arrested me."

Testimony was introduced to show that young Aikens had raised a disturbance at Twelfth and Main streets Saturday evening, by attempting to cause a fight and by swearing at a white boy.

"Yo' didn't hear me swearin'," was the argument Aikens handed back to the complaining officer, and when the latter said that parties in the neighborhood heard him using profane language, Aikens replied, "But yo' can't prove I swore."

So Albert was given until the day after election to secure witnesses to prove his case and likewise the prosecution was given the same permission.

## FIRST LETTERS LEAVE TONIGHT

### CHILDREN HAVE ALREADY BEGUN WRITING SANTA CLAUS

### SOME OF THE REQUESTS

Modest Gifts of Some Little Folks Who Do Not Have Anything to Play With, While Others Want More Variety in Their Gifts—Santa Claus Is Getting Anxious

Santa Claus is getting anxious about his paper. At 2 o'clock this afternoon he sent a telegram to The Telegram office, saying: "I am sending this telegram to see why I don't get my telegram"; which was a very funny message for anybody to send, for if he had a telegram to send why did he send it to see why he didn't have any? But Santa Claus is always doing funny things, and he just sent the message to let Fort Worth boys and girls know he is getting anxious.

The first letters received at The Telegram office are given this evening, and the boys and girls can see from them just what kind of letters they ought to write, for more polite and pretty letters were never written to anybody.

Wants a Steam Engine  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a steam engine and a donkey and a boy doll. I am 6.

SIDNEY WELTMAN.

Santa Will Bring Her a Hat  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a story book and a doll and a hat, and a set of dishes and a wardrobe. I am 6 years old.

HAZEL WELTMAN.

Considers Brothers and Sisters  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I will write to you a little letter and tell you what I would like for Christmas. Please bring me a gun, shots, candy and fruit, and don't forget my sisters and brothers. I remain as ever your little friend, at 1416 Throckmorton street.

WILLIAM WARD.

Wants the Poor Remembered  
Dear Santa Claus:  
The Telegram gave you your address, so I thought I would write to you and tell you what I want most. If you please, I would like to have a pair of overshoes, pocketbook and, of course, I want candy, oranges and apples. There is more I would like to have, but I had rather the little poor children would get something nice than for me to get so many things.

KATIE HARRISON,  
1329 Evans avenue.

Little Selma's Wants  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a little trunk, a little doll buggy and some candy and oranges and apples.

SELMA HARRISON,  
1329 Evans avenue.

Nothing to Play With  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 8 years old, and you wanted to get a letter from the children of Fort Worth, so says our Evening Telegram, I thought I would ask you to bring me a little wagon. I have nothing to play with. I hope you will have a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

JIM BROWN,  
611 East Fourth street.

A Little Wagon  
Dear Mr. Santa Claus:  
As papa was reading in the Evening Telegram tonight I saw that you wanted to get a letter from the little boys and girls in the city. I am only 9 years old. I would be pleased with a little wagon. Hoping you a merry Christmas, yours truly,

SAMIE BROWN,  
611 East Fourth street.

A Timely Topic  
At this season of coughs and colds it is well to know that Foley's Honey and Tar is the greatest throat and lung remedy. It cures quickly and prevents serious results from a cold. Sold by Reeves' Pharmacy, Ward Pharmacy and Arlington Drug Co.

Dear Mr. Santa Claus:  
As papa was reading tonight out of the Telegram about getting a letter from the children of Fort Worth, I am 11 years old. I am a little girl. Please bring me a nice doll.

CLARA BROWN,  
11 East Fourth street.

A Worthy Namesake  
Dear Mr. Santa Claus:  
How long does it take The Telegram to reach Kriskringle Land? I hope not many days, for Christmas is nearly here and I want a dear dolly from your own busy workshop. One with blue eyes that will "open and shut," and golden hair that I can curl. I am

## TABERNACLE WOMEN OPEN THEIR BAZAAR

The Aid Society ladies of the Christian Tabernacle opened a bazaar yesterday in spacious quarters at 25 Houston street, which will continue until Christmas eve. There is a fine display of useful and fancy articles suitable for holiday gifts and a generous patronage is anticipated. Mrs. Kate Stine, president of the society, has general supervision of the affair and is being ably assisted by Mesdames E. A. Metzler, E. K. Rea, J. H. Kenson, S. M. Gaines and W. D. Woodward and Miss Olive Peak, also by the Young Ladies' Aid Society, of which Miss Alice Vincent is president and Miss Lucinda Daniels secretary.

No entertainments have been arranged for as yet.

## UNIVERSITY ISSUES

### IRRIGATION BULLETIN

Something of the History of Great Texas Industry as Told in the Publication

The University of Texas has just issued a bulletin entitled "Rice Irrigation in Texas." Its author, T. U. Taylor, Professor of Civil Engineering at the University, in his capacity as United States Hydrographer for Texas, has made a careful investigation of the rice growing industry in this state. The statistics given in his report will be exceedingly valuable to all persons who contemplate entering this field, and of great interest to those who are watching the progress and development of the state.

### BOOKS.

Some Texas Poetry  
There is a breath of the free air of Texas all through the book of "Ranch Verses," which has just appeared from the Abbey Press.

In 1893, the volume of verses written by "Larry" Chittenden of Anson, Texas, first appeared, and since then as it has steadily found favor, it has been necessary to repeat the edition. The newest one is the tenth.

The verses contained in the book are familiar to many Texans who have known and heard of "Larry" Chittenden for years. They cover the country from the rugged rocks of Maine to the wide and sandy stretches of Galveston bay, and throughout them all is a spirit of sweet freedom that gives them a charm all their own.

The new edition comes out in time for the holiday trade, its tasteful binding in blue and gold, with clear type and appropriate illustrations, make it a not unsuitable book for the gift-making time.

Big Slaughter  
One dozen \$5 photographs for \$3. Short time only. Guaranteed first-class.

JOHN SWARTZ,  
705 Main street.

To the Public.  
Allow me to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I had a very severe cough and cold and feared I would get pneumonia, but after taking the second dose of this medicine I felt better, three bottles of it cured my cold and the pains in my chest disappeared entirely. I am most respectfully yours for health, Ralph S. Meyers, 64 Thirty seventh St., Wheeling, W. Va. For sale by N. E. Grammer, druggist.

ARE YOU READING THE MISSISSIPPI NOW RUNNING IN THE TELEGRAM?  
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Shade trees. Plant now. DRUMM SEED CO., 507 Houston St.

HAVE YOUR SUIT CLEANED at Gaston Bros., 906 Houston street.

Just a few more of Chinese Lilies left. DRUMM SEED CO., 503 Houston.

## COTTON MILLS IN MERGER

Mexican Firms Catch Prevalent Fever of United States

(Telegram Special Service.)  
CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 16.—At a meeting held today at Monterrey arrangements were practically completed for the merger of all the cotton mills in northern Mexico, with the exception of two. More than \$2,000,000 of capital is represented by the firms that have joined the amalgamated company.

## REMEMBER THE BIG Removal Cost Sale

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STORE OPEN UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK.

## \$\$ Saved \$\$

IS MONEY MADE—Be sensible and buy useful gifts for Xmas. Here are a few hints. Look over this list. Jewelry is always appreciated. Some of the rarest bargains in the city found in my store.

CUT GLASS Everything in this line genuine—fine as is made. Almost your own price.

DIAMONDS This line is especially complete and unique. None finer shown. See them.

FANCY CLOCKS Surprises await you in this line. Best of time keepers. Ornamental, useful gifts.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS These certainly are pleasing gifts and you can find them here to suit. Many other things could be mentioned but—  
We invite you to come in and see.

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During this, the last month of a most satisfactory fall for us, we inaugurate what we properly term "A General Discount Sale." We bought heavily in all departments, always for cash. Some of our stock was bought in a regular way and a great portion of it from manufacturers' clearing and other forced sales far under their real values.

### Five Stores and Sufficient Capital!

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**FOR CITY MARSHAL**  
 T. J. ("Uncle Tom") Mahen announces his candidacy for the office of City Marshal, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries to be held December 17.  
 William M. Ross announces his candidacy for the office of City Marshal of the City of Fort Worth, his candidacy being subject to the action of the Democratic primaries to be held December 17.  
**CITY ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR**  
 W. J. Gilvin announces his candidacy for the office of city assessor and collector, subject to the action of the city Democratic primaries to be held December 17.  
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**Boost for Fort Worth. Don't knock. And Houston street is not yet paved.**  
 If boll weevils could read, no further action regarding them would be necessary.  
 Hanna keeps right on denying that he is a presidential candidate. And the advertising keeps on being gratuitous, too.  
 Comes now the time for professional jealousy among the different charitable organizations, as to which will do the most for the suffering poor, this Christmas.  
 New York is to have a theater for the "Smart Set." That is to say for those who do not want to rub up against the common people. It wouldn't hurt some of those people to get some of the rust rubbed off.  
 When the Lincoln assassination conspiracy expose is concluded by the leading papers of the state, it would be doubtless interesting to many of their readers were they to take up the one in connection with the demise of Julius Caesar.  
 Venezuela has been putting herself in the way of receiving a practical lesson in the limitations of the Monroe doctrine. The sooner the mistaken notion that this doctrine is a contrivance to enable South American republics to repudiate their debts and ignore their debtors is exploded, the better all around.  
 Secretary of Agriculture Wilson asks congress for an emergency appropriation of \$1,000,000. Secretary Wilson wants to go after the foot and mouth diseases without the help of the army and navy; but it will be a war to the finish just the same. Texas is greatly interested in the secretary's proposition. It is to be hoped that the money will be forthcoming.  
 The tide of immigration was close to high water mark in the last fiscal year. The report of the treasury department shows that during that period 648,743 aliens entered this country as steerage passengers and 83,055 came as cabin passengers. Only once before has the total of immigration reached such figures. In 1882 there were 788,992 immigrants, in 1881 there were 660,431 and in 1892 the total reached 623,084. Immigration is still rapidly increasing. Of the total 730,798 who arrived in the last fiscal year more than 162,000 were unable to read and write, while 3,600 more could read but not write. It must be admitted that these statistics of illiteracy emphasize the argument for more adequate means of weeding out undesirable immigrants.  
 It is satisfactory to note that the bank wrecking and trust fund embezzlement fraternity are receiving scant consideration from President Roosevelt. His sympathies cannot be worked upon in this direction so easily as were those of his amiable and had-hearted predecessor. He has re-

fused pardons to several embezzlers and unfaithful bank officials. One of his late refusals was the case of a bank president convicted of embezzling funds and bribing a couple of aldermen. "Denied. This seems to be an absolutely clear case of guilt, with no excuse whatever for pardon," was deserving indorsement on the application. The man who betrays a public trust has no right to a pardon when justly found guilty. He is the worst of all criminals. To give to men of that stripe consideration in the way of presidential clemency is but to encourage crime of that sort. Let a man of that kind serve out his sentence.  
 It will be to Texans a rather surprising discovery on the part of the New York Municipal Journal and Engineer that San Antonio ranks eighth among water-bated cities in the amount of water-watered, we say—consumed per capita.  
 Porto Rico furnishes another impressive demonstration of the efficiency of wholesale vaccination in the suppression of smallpox. Under the Spanish regime this disease was more or less prevalent, and at the time it ceased an epidemic developed involving 3,000 cases. Our government thereupon resorted to systematic compulsory vaccination of the Porto Ricans, and at the end of four months the disease had practically disappeared. In the two years and a half from that time to last July, according to Major Ames, the director of vaccination in that island, there were but two cases of the disease a year as against a former average of 621. Is it any wonder that he asks: "Can any honest, intelligent person doubt in the face of these indisputable, easily verified facts what it was that in four short months drove smallpox from its wide and long-time reign in the island, and has since kept it out?"

**Causes of the Panic of 1893**  
 Springfield Republican.  
 The secretary of the treasury appears to accept the democratic rather than the republican view of the causes of the panic of 1893. It has been the republican contention that the election of Cleveland in 1892, carrying with it a promise of reducing the protective tariff, brought on the panic, and actual tariff reduction, effected in 1894, intensified and prolonged the resulting depression; the re-enactment of a high tariff in 1897 restored confidence and industrial prosperity. The Cleveland democrats insisted that doubt as to the maintenance of the gold standard, caused by the republican silver legislation of 1890, precipitated the panic, and this appears to be Secretary Shaw's opinion. He says in his annual report: "In 1893 a very serious financial panic arose, which threatened every commercial and industrial institution in the land. Without going unduly into the history of this panic, it is quite universally recognized that the possibility of government notes being redeemed in coin worth less than 23.8 grains of gold was the prime factor which led to the hoarding of gold."  
 Nothing is said about tariff reduction or threat of tariff reduction as a factor in bringing on the great disturbance. The "prime factor" was doubt as to the gold stability of the currency and this doubt grew largely out of the heavy government issues of depreciated silver under the Sherman purchase act.  
 Mr. Shaw is courting trial for party heresy.

**STORIES OF TOM REED**  
 Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, went into the house with the reputation of being a "silver-tongued orator," and did his best to maintain it. Mr. Reed was never an orator in the accepted sense, and had little sympathy with oratorical flourish and grace. Breckinridge never spoke for a moment without adopting a solemn and funereal tone of voice. Once while Breckinridge was holding forth in his usual style, Reed, passing through the cloak room, waved his hand towards the speaker and said to a member from Texas: "Were you acquainted with the deceased?"  
 Reed knew nothing of the arts of the politician. Once the people of Brunswick, one of the important towns in his district, wrote him asking him to use his influence to get them some old coffee can balls and other material to use on a monument. The letter reached Reed when he was extremely busy and nervous. He sat down at once and wrote his answer, "Gentlemen, he said, 'I am not in the old junk business this year.'"  
 "One evening a newspaper correspondent sent his card in to Mr. Reed, who was seated in a dark corner of a Washington restaurant.  
 Reed came out and the correspondent said: "Fardon me, Mr. Reed, I mistook you for Mr. Cleveland."  
 "For heaven's sake," answered Reed, "never let Cleveland know that. Let's too vain of his beauty now."  
 "During Harrison's administration," said Reed, "I had only two enemies in the state of Maine. One of them the president appointed collector of Portland and the other he pardoned from the penitentiary."  
 In declining an offer of \$1,000 for an article on the policy of expansion from a prominent magazine Reed wrote: "I feel too deeply on the subject to take money for expressing any opinions about it."

**Just a Poor Relation**  
 This justly popular play, which did more to make Sol Smith Russell famous than anything else he ever did in the way of a play, will be the attraction at Greenwall's opera-house Friday matinee and night, Dec. 19, and will be presented by Horace Lewis and a strong supporting company, which is managed by Mr. Russell's former manager, Fred G. Berger. The comedy, "A Poor Relation," is a thoroughly natural play. Horace Lewis was selected and rehearsed in the part by Mr. Berger himself and is said to be simply marvelous in his interpretation of Noah Valvo.  
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of one member of congress Mr. Reed said: "He never opens his mouth without subtracting from the sum of human knowledge."

**AMUSEMENTS**

Rarely has it been the pleasure of Fort Worth theatergoers to witness as meritorious a performance as the interpretation of "Sis Hopkins" presented at Greenwall's Opera House last night by Miss Rose Melville and a first class support. The character itself is one of the most unique, yet among the most natural that have been created and Miss Melville, in the title role, was a living personification of the author's ideal. Her facial expressions were a study in themselves while the peculiar mannerisms of "Sis" were never for a moment forgotten. The play admirably illustrated the evolution of a Pecos county girl from a veritable "tomboy" into a polished young lady, who still retains all the homely virtues of her early training. The transition is accomplished by easy stages and does not appear overdrawn.  
 Much of the comedy element apart from that contributed by "Sis" was furnished by Obadiah Odium, an embryonic undertaker who rejoices when all his neighbors are depressed. This role was admirably sustained by William J. Mason. Miss Mary Athelving as "Elsie Van Ness" did her work well. "Pa" and "Ma" Hopkins were essayed respectively by Louise Cronin and George H. Maxwell who acted their parts in a highly creditable way. Edward Hume as "Bart Varnum" a rollicking college boy, scored a decided hit. There was not a dull moment from the beginning of the performance to the end.

**"The Cowboy and the Lady"**  
 S. Miller Kent, who is starring in Clyde Fike's "The Cowboy and the Lady," which comes to Greenwall's opera-house tonight, is an Indian. His home is at Kentland and his father was president of the Chicago and Indianapolis railroad. His cousin, E. S. Isham, is the law partner of Robert L. Lincoln. After Mr. Kent was graduated from Purdue university he took up the study of law with Judge Stolsen, but forsook the law for the stage. For several years he was in N. C. Goodwin's company. His manager, George S. McFadden, says: "The Indiana boy has ambition and that western enthusiasm that knows no such word as fail. He may not be so well groomed, he may amble in his gait and his manners may not be so courtly as those of the up-to-date eastern boy, but he gets there just the same."  
**"The Village Postmaster"**  
 Oddly enough, cottage bonnets and the quaint frocks of 1850 never had been put on the stage of New York till the production of "The Village Postmaster." There had been all sorts of costume plays, but if this period had been touched on, it had not been properly costumed. Manager Rosenquest shook his head and was afraid the women were going to look like frights, but Alice E. lives insisted on correct dressing and strange to say, the stage manager agreed with her. Miss lives had trouble enough digging up old Godeys' and Harper's magazines and making sketches of the gowns. But when the night of the dress rehearsal came, the manager was taken completely by surprise at the charming picture made up by the women. Possibly the dressing had something to do with it, but at any rate, the play "caught on" with both critics and audiences. It has played 227 nights in New York city, and 125 nights in Chicago, to say nothing of its runs in other large cities, and will be presented at Greenwall's opera house Wednesday night, Dec. 17, with all the special scenery, properties and big cast.

**Stuart Robson**  
 Stuart Robson, who is touring the country this year in a richly staged revival of "The Comedy of Errors," is intensely fond of good jokes. During the present tour Mr. Robson has had no end of opportunities to gratify himself in this way through the striking personal resemblance between himself and Clifford Leigh, who plays the part of Dromio of Ephesus to Mr. Robson's part of Dromio of Syracuse, in the delightful Shakespearean comedy.  
 Hotel clerks, waiters, hotel barbers, train conductors and even the close personal friends of the two men have difficulty in telling them apart. Even the members of the company supporting Mr. Robson make some of the most ludicrous mistakes when the two men are in their stage costumes and makeup, calling them by the wrong names persistently. There is scarcely a city the company has visited that the star has not had a chance for some fun with someone and he has not lost an opportunity. Mr. Robson and his company will be seen in "The Comedy of Errors" at Greenwall's opera house, Thursday night, Dec. 18.

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**RELATES TO LIVE STOCK**

Designed to Suppress and Exterminate Contagious Diseases—An Appropriation of \$1,000,000 is Likely Which to Carry on the Proposed Work

There was introduced in the national house of representatives on Tuesday a bill to enable the secretary of agriculture to effectually suppress and exterminate pleuro-pneumonia, foot and mouth disease and other dangerous communicable diseases and taking it out of the power of state sanitary boards to enforce reinspection of live stock for interstate points at every state line. The bill is a rider on the emergency bill annexed to the tax committee on agriculture. Secretary Martin of the association at Kansas City has been notified that a favorable report has been made and the bill will without doubt become a law. It carries with it an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the suppression of contagious diseases.

The occasion for this legislation was a decision handed down by the supreme court of the United States Dec. 1 upholding the state sanitary boards in their reinspection regulations, but admitting the injustice of that practice and indicating remedial legislation. Acting on this suggestion the bill was drafted by the attorneys of the Live Stock Association in Denver and Washington.  
 It provides in effect that the powers of the secretary of the interior by the act establishing the bureau of animal industry be vested in the secretary of agriculture, who is authorized to establish such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary concerning the transportation of live stock from any place in the United States into and through any state or territory, including the Indian Territory and the District of Columbia, and into foreign countries, such rules to have the force of law. Under this bill, whenever any inspector of the bureau of animal industry shall issue a certificate showing that he has inspected any cattle or other live stock about to be shipped or driven from one locality to another and has found them free from Texas or splenic fever, pleuro-pneumonia, foot and mouth disease or other infectious or communicable disease, they may be shipped, driven or transported to or through any state or territory or left therein or exported from the United States without further inspection or fees.

Several days ago Secretary of Agriculture Wilson was invited to attend the convention of the National Live Stock Association to be held in Kansas City Jan. 12, and with that invitation was sent a copy of the resolutions adopted by the association relative to German exclusion of American meats, reciprocal arrangements with Canada for landing state cattle, government encouragement for horse breeders, and other subjects of interest to stockmen. His reply demonstrates that the government is in sympathy with the objects of the association.

He cited the fact that live stock and live stock products brought to this country during the last fiscal year were more than \$250,000,000, and said further:  
 "With regard to calling upon Germany to remove the stigma placed upon our live stock, I have been at work, operating through our department of state and our minister to Germany, to have this done ever since I have been here, and as regards Germany's knowledge of the real state of affairs, there has been a German agricultural attaché at the embassy here for the last five years, who is thoroughly informed and has thoroughly informed his government along these lines. Should the Canadians succeed in securing the privilege of sending their cattle to every other country to obtain a like privilege for the United States."  
 "T. C. Patterson's (of Pennsylvania) proposition for the improvement of the breed of horses has been submitted to congress and so far as we can see a practical way to help horse breeders along these lines we will certainly favor it. We certainly should have some definite understanding regarding breeding of the particular horses that are needed at home and abroad."  
 "Congress is now discussing the establishment of a permanent census bureau, and I heartily favor it, because we believe it will give a foundation for the work of this department along stock lines that we have not previously had. As regards bovine tuberculosis, we are using all the power the law gives us to protect the herds of the United States, and will continue to do so."  
 "With regard to seed breeding, we have now co-operative work going on in several states, where we pay money to help along this work. The breeding of plants is something that is being pushed by this department. Excellent work is being done at several of the state experiment stations in cooperation with this department."

When John Law himself at length entered the room, he stepped forward at first confidently, eagerly, though with surprise upon his face. Then, with a sudden hesitation, he looked sharply at the figure which he saw awaiting him in the dingy room. His breath came sharp, and ended in a sigh. For a half moment his face flushed, his brow showed question and annoyance. Yet rapidly, after his fashion, he mastered himself.  
 "Welcome," said he calmly, to his brother, "kindly ask the coachman to wait for this lady."  
 He stood for a moment gazing after the form of his brother as it disappeared in the outer shadows. For this half-moment he took swift counsel of himself. It was a face calm and uncommittal that he turned toward the girl who sat now in the darkest corner of the room, her head cast down, her foot beating a signal of perturbation upon the floor. From the corner of her eye Mary Conynge saw him a tall and manly man, superbly clad, faultless in physique and refinement from top to toe. He stood as though ready to step into his carriage for some voyage to rout or ball. Youth, vigor, self-reliance, confidence, this was the whole message of the splendid figure. The blood of Mary Conynge, this survival, this half-savage woman, unregulated, unsubdued, leaped high within her bosom, fled to her face, gave color to her cheek and brightness to her eye. Her breath shortened after feyerish fashion. Deep was calling unto deep, ancient unto ancient, primitive unto primitive. Without the gate of London prison there was one abject prisoner. Within its gates there were two prisoners, and one of them was slave for life!  
 "Madam," said John Law, in deep and vibrant tone, "you will pardon me if I say that it gives me surprise to see you here."  
 "Yes, I have come," said the girl, not logically.  
 "You bring, perhaps, some message?"  
 "I—brought a message."  
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**TRANSFERS IN REAL ESTATE**  
**Movement in Property Made Since Last Report**  
 The following transfers of real estate were filed for record at the county clerk's office since last publication:  
 Sam Rosen to Phillip Mitchell, lot 12, block 19, Rosen Heights, \$670.  
 Katie B. Patterson to Alice G. Jackson, 115x200 feet block 26, Jennings West addition, \$2,700.  
 W. B. Booth to W. T. Hammond, lots 11 and 12, block 49, North Fort Worth, \$400.  
 Hyde Jennings to W. H. Grove, part block 13, Jennings' South addition, \$400.  
 D. A. Whitlow et ux to Mrs. Ada B. Harner, southeast one-quarter block 2, Tucker's addition, \$2,000.  
 T. J. Warren to J. P. Goodger, 95 acres section 33, M. E. P. and P. R. R. Co. survey, \$600.  
 Eva W. Vankirk to B. E. Anderson, block 1, Moodie-Evans sub-block 20, William Welch survey, \$450.  
 James Matthews et ux to N. M. Accup, 160 acres of land patented to heirs of F. M. Kruger, \$3,200.  
 J. W. Ditto et al to J. T. Crim, lots 42, 43, 44, 45 and 46, block 6, Ditto-Collins addition, Arlington, \$250.  
 R. M. Jones et ux to Wilson & Crim, parts of John Hewitt survey, \$6,125.  
 D. M. Wilson et ux to J. T. Crim, parts of John Hewitt survey, \$2,875.  
 J. T. Crim et ux to J. C. Young, lots 42, 43, 44, 45 and 46, Ditto-Collins addition, Arlington, \$250.  
 Thomas E. Terrell and wife to J. C. Harkrider, lots 18 and 19, and the east half of lot 17, block 4, Grandview addition, \$750.  
 J. I. Rogers to A. J. Rogers Sr., undivided half interest in 56 acres, William Besson survey; \$10 and other considerations.  
 Hugh M. Chapman to C. Holmberg, lots 11 and 12, block 11, Rosen Heights addition; \$300.  
 K. M. Van Zandt to J. C. Scott, lot in D. Portwood addition; \$50.  
 Mrs. Gertrude Harrison and husband to George T. Reynolds, lot 12, block B-7, Dargett's addition, with improvements; \$8,000.  
 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.  
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**THE Mississippi Bubble**

A NOVEL BY EMERSON HOUGH.

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**Synopsis.**  
 John Law, an adventurer and financier of Louis XVI's reign, and his brother are attacked by English robbers and are succored on the road by Lady Catherine Knollys, a famous beauty, and Mary Conynge. Law and Lady Catherine are mutually infatuated, while Mary Conynge admires Law without response. Law takes a prominent part in English finances and again encounters Lady Kitty, to whom he discloses his love.

**CHAPTER XIV**  
**Prisoners**

The turnkey at the inner door was slothful, sleepy and ill disposed when he heard that certain callers would be admitted to the prisoner John Law. "This late," said he, "and besides, 'tis contrary to the rules. Must not a prison have rules? Tell me that!"  
 "We have come to arrange for certain matters regarding Mr. Law's defense," said Mary Conynge, as she threw back her cloak and bent upon the turnkey the full glance of her dark eye. "Surely you would not deny us."  
 The turnkey looked at Will Law with a hesitation in his attitude. "Why, this gentlemen I know," he began.  
 "Yes; let us in," cried Will Law, with sudden energy. "Tis time that we took steps to set my brother free."  
 "True, so say they all, young master," replied the turnkey, grinning. "Tis easy to get ye in, but passing hard to get ye out again. Yet, since the young man ye wish to see is a very decent gentleman, and knoweth well the needs of a poor working body like myself, we will take the matter under advisement, as the court saith, forsooth."  
 They passed through the heavy gates down a narrow and heavy-arched passage, and finally into a naked room. It was here, in such somber surroundings, that Mary Conynge saw again the man whose image had been graven on her heart ever since that morn at Sadler's Wells. How her heart coveted him, how her blood leaped for him—these things the Mary Conynge of the world can tell, they who own the primal heart of womankind.

When John Law himself at length entered the room, he stepped forward at first confidently, eagerly, though with surprise upon his face. Then, with a sudden hesitation, he looked sharply at the figure which he saw awaiting him in the dingy room. His breath came sharp, and ended in a sigh. For a half moment his face flushed, his brow showed question and annoyance. Yet rapidly, after his fashion, he mastered himself.  
 "Welcome," said he calmly, to his brother, "kindly ask the coachman to wait for this lady."  
 He stood for a moment gazing after the form of his brother as it disappeared in the outer shadows. For this half-moment he took swift counsel of himself. It was a face calm and uncommittal that he turned toward the girl who sat now in the darkest corner of the room, her head cast down, her foot beating a signal of perturbation upon the floor. From the corner of her eye Mary Conynge saw him a tall and manly man, superbly clad, faultless in physique and refinement from top to toe. He stood as though ready to step into his carriage for some voyage to rout or ball. Youth, vigor, self-reliance, confidence, this was the whole message of the splendid figure. The blood of Mary Conynge, this survival, this half-savage woman, unregulated, unsubdued, leaped high within her bosom, fled to her face, gave color to her cheek and brightness to her eye. Her breath shortened after feyerish fashion. Deep was calling unto deep, ancient unto ancient, primitive unto primitive. Without the gate of London prison there was one abject prisoner. Within its gates there were two prisoners, and one of them was slave for life!

"Madam," said John Law, in deep and vibrant tone, "you will pardon me if I say that it gives me surprise to see you here."  
 "Yes, I have come," said the girl, not logically.  
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# NEW THINGS STRANGE & CURIOUS.

## THE OLDEST AMERICAN INN.

West Brookfield, Mass., claims the distinction of having the oldest hotel in the United States. It is a typical colonial tavern, which for nearly a century and a half has never closed its doors to the stranger.

It was built in 1760 by Capt. David Hitchcock, who was its boniface for 31 years, and during his time he entertained many distinguished guests. Gen. George Washington stopped there October 22, 1789, on his way to Boston, and entered in his diary, "We were fed on the best the town afforded." A short time afterward Martha Washington spent the night there.

In 1799 President John Adams drove into town with his coach and four, and Landlord Hitchcock gave him the "best room in the house." Jerome Bonaparte, who was appointed King of Westphalia in 1807, spent the night there with his American bride, Miss Elizabeth Patterson. In 1804, and tradition shows the place where his coach ran into a fence and demolished it.

General Lafayette on his visit to America in 1824 stopped there, and many other notable personages have partaken of its hospitality.

For 104 years the hotel had only three different landlords, an average proprietorship of nearly 35 years apiece.

The Wayside Inn, made immortal by Longfellow, antedates the West Brookfield house, but it never had a continuous career as a hotel.



## ENGINE DRIVERS AS OCULISTS.

Most people know of the more apparent dangers to which railway engine drivers are exposed, but few know that the form of accident to which they are, beyond all others, most subject is injury to the eyes.

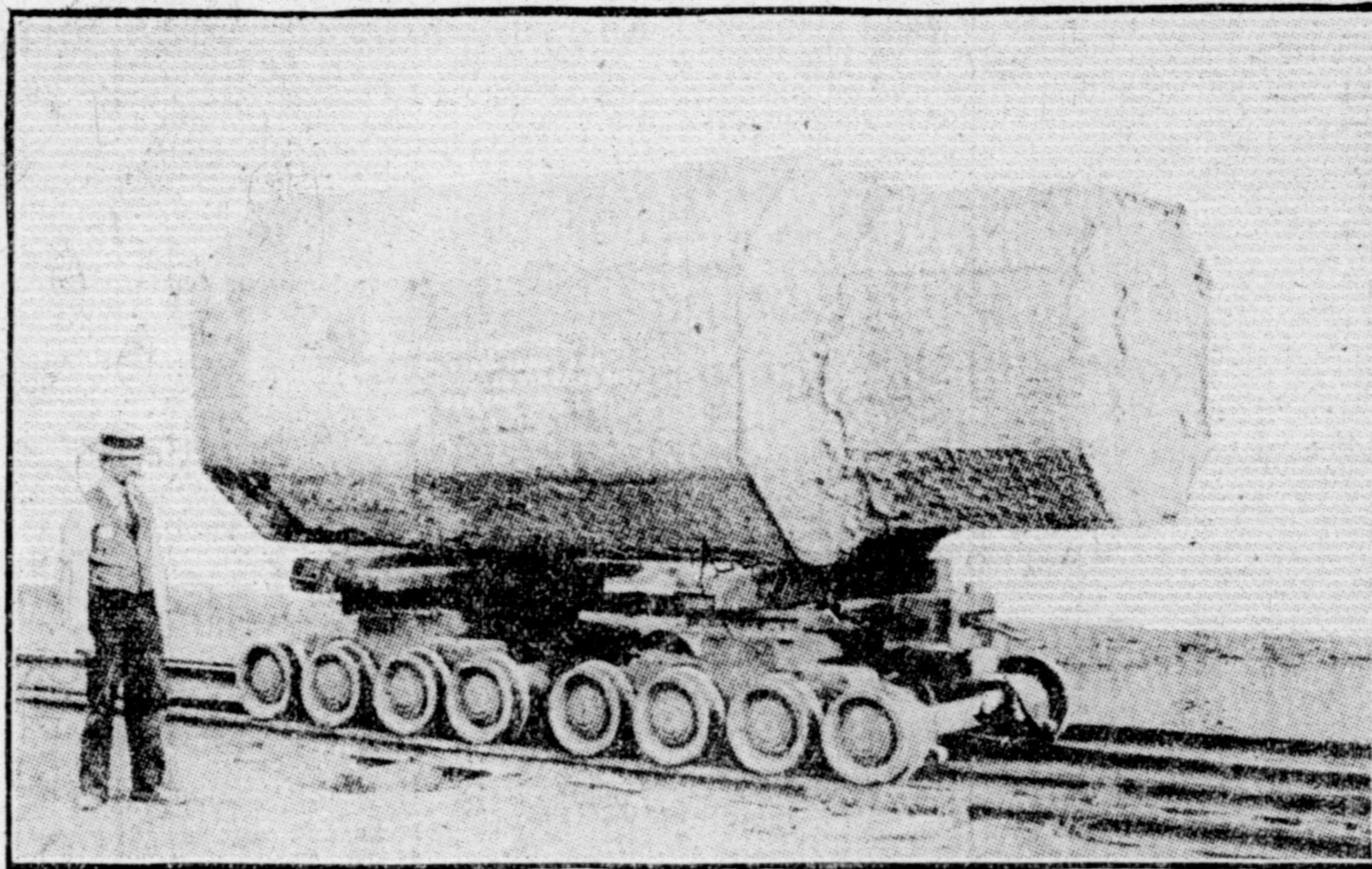
Such articles of cedar and metal are constantly coming into the eyes of the drivers and stokers, and sometimes when the pain is agonizing and difficult relief is to be understood, the danger and inconvenience are not small.

But there has been only one method of giving each driver a relief, and that, however unappreciated by the average reader, is declared by the most eminent surgeons to be the one practical, feasible plan, and one that shows how devoted these so-called workers can be to each other.

And the method in question is this: In reality the stoker, say, gets some particles of metal into his eye the driver will find, yet delicately, open the eyelids wide and then lick on the unclean fragment—that is, capable of producing terrible consequences—with his tongue. The public knowledge of this heroic remedy, but on every day in the world it is being applied daily.

Surgeons, with all their beautiful instruments, realize that the way in question is, what the doctor substance is of metal, and one that cannot be seen, the only plan.

## LARGEST INGOT FOR GREAT GUN.



Greatest of its kind is the gigantic steel ingot, weighing 20 210 tons, from which was made the breech end of the great 40-inch gun which has just been bored and rifled at the Watervliet Arsenal. The ingot was cast for the government at Bethlehem Iron Works, and is the largest piece of solid steel ever cast in the world.

The length of the ingot was 16 feet 7 inches; diameter 9 feet 2 inches. While still in a molten condition in the mold the steel used in manufacturing the breech end of guns is subjected to hydraulic pressure until the ingot has cooled, thus insuring the solidity of the metal. The upper head of the powerful compressor weighs 125 tons, and the lower one, including the cylinder through which the hydraulic pressure is applied, 135 tons. The finished gun is to weigh 125 tons, and will be 49 feet long. It will fire a projectile weighing 2,350 pounds, at a velocity of 2,000 feet per second. The powder charge will be 1,000 pounds.

## SHIP MADE 'OVERLAND' VOYAGE.

During a very heavy storm the United States sloop lightship Columbia River, No. 25, was driven ashore and cast high up on the sands. The proper place for the vessel to display her warning light to approaching vessels was a point about eight miles off the mouth of the great Columbia River, on the Oregon and Washington coast.

The ship was very severely anchored, being held in position by a massive chain and several other anchors. But so fierce was the gale that the chain was snapped asunder. The vessel went aground near the mouth of the river, going far up on the treacherous sands at extreme high tide.

Persistent efforts were made to pull the large vessel back into the water. However, all such attempts proved unsuccessful. Finally, it was determined to "navigate" the lightship across the neck of the peninsula—a distance of nearly two miles—and get her into deep water.

This overland voyage was finally accomplished, though at much time and expense to the government. By the combined use of steam, horses and powerful tackle the vessel was successfully "navigated" across the land and relaunched in deep water. Necessary repairs were made and the lightship taken back to her proper position and anchored more securely than before.

The land passage of the lightship was regarded as a remarkable achievement. Notwithstanding her very rough experience of the storm and the "voyage," the damages to the vessel were comparatively small.

## AMERICAN FORT ON BRITISH SOIL.

Curious, indeed, is an American fort which was built on British soil. How many can guess what fort it is and where located? The name is Fort Montgomery, and the location is on an island near the foot of Lake Champlain, about half a mile northeast of Rouse's Point, N. Y.

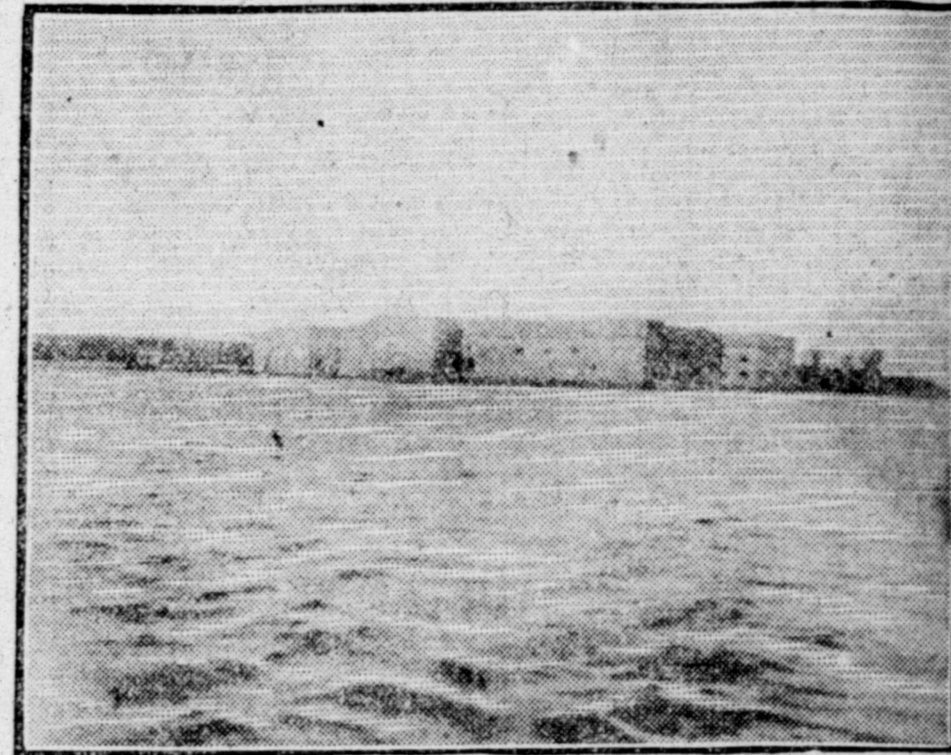
A short time ago, when traveling in that part of the country, I saw this fort and asked the name of it. "Why, that is Fort Blunder," said my informant. "Did you never hear of it?" I confessed ignorance, and he explained matters.

It seems that after the War of 1812 the government of the United States became convinced that the entrance to Lake Champlain should be guarded by a fort strong enough to engage any British fleet which might attempt to force an entrance to the lake. And so Fort Montgomery was constructed, at a cost of nearly \$500,000. It was an immense fortification for those days, and was arranged for three tiers of guns.

Just about the time it was completed the joint surveyors fixing the line between the United States and Canada came along, and, after doing a good bit of figuring, announced that Fort Montgomery was on Canadian soil. The northern boundary of New York state was the forty-fifth parallel, and this fort was several hundred yards over the line. Work on the fort came to an immediate standstill, and the matter was made the subject of a special treaty.

It was decided that in view of the fact that the United States had not intentionally encroached on Canadian soil the forty-fifth parallel should be bent a little out of its course at this point so as to include the fort. "That is why the fort is called 'Fort Blunder,'" said my informant.

It was never armed and has never been occupied by more than one or two men. At present a sergeant of marines is stationed there, and his sole duty is to raise and lower the flag at sunrise and sunset.



## Seal Is Reversible.

Mystic and unique is the seal, right in line with the mysterious character of the organization that bears the monogram of the Society of American Magicians, of New York. It is usually printed in red and white, and is remarkable for the initials "S. A. M." worked together in such a way that they are readable upside down or downside up.

Another curious feature of the seal is a pair of serpents in a circle, with their tails in each other's mouths—the Egyptian sign of eternity.

The watchwords of the organization, which is made up of all the magicians in the country, and holds its meetings on the first Saturday evening of each month at No. 493 Sixth avenue, are "Magic—Unity—Truth."

The first letters of the three words are an acrostic spelling "MUM," which is the spirit of the association, the purpose of the club being to prevent the exposure of their secret methods and the betraying of the mechanical means of the magician to arrive at his surprising ends.



## His Decoration.

Vanity of the French race occasionally meets with an amusing check. It is related by a Paris journal that a public man had been awarded, for some indirect service, the African order, Labaki-Tapo, by the King of a certain country in the Sudan with which the French had come much in contact. The Frenchman was greatly delighted, and immediately went to a member of the Ministry to obtain the necessary permission for him to wear the decoration of this foreign order.

"Do you know what the decoration consists of?" asked the Minister.

"Certainly," the gentleman answered. "It is a beautiful ring of gold, from which is suspended a calumet enameled in red. I demand the authorization to wear it."

"Certainly you can wear it, but it must be worn, in order to be lawful, exactly as the members of the order in Africa wear it."

"And how is that?"

"In the nose."

The newly appointed cavalier of the Labaki-Tapo ran out at the door, and is declared by the journal which tells the story to be "running yet."

## Puerto Rico Butter.

This is the way butter is sold on the streets of San Juan, Puerto Rico. It costs a cent a pound, and the boy carries a plate of it on his



head, crying, "Butter of the country." It is not much like what we know as country butter, however, being quite rancid, as a rule. Women make it by shaking milk about in an earthen jar.

## Thread In Surgery.

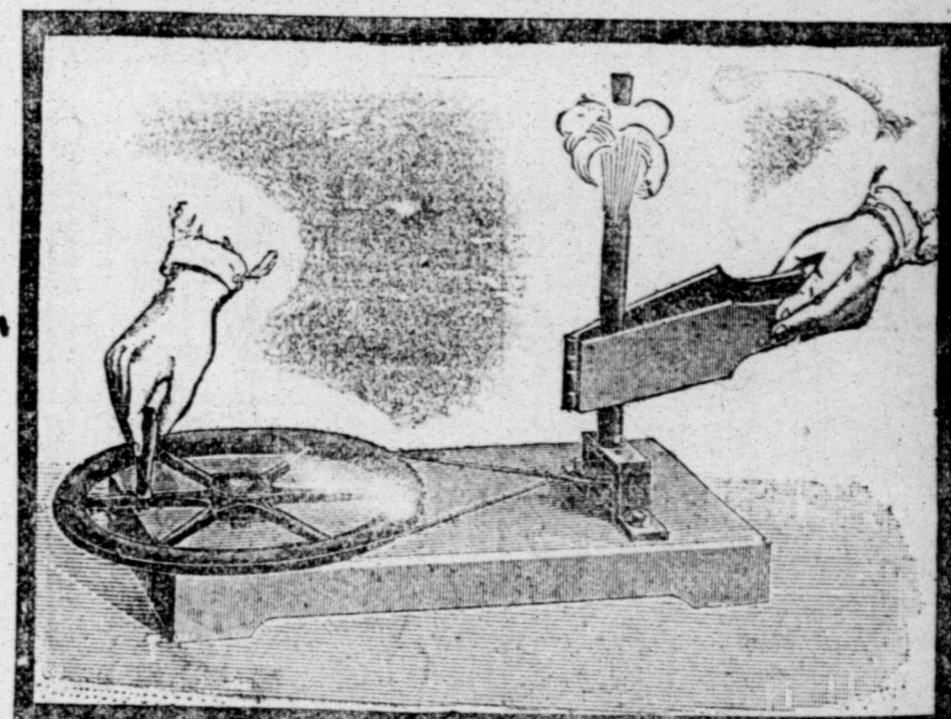
Modern surgery employs dozens of different kinds of thread for sewing up cuts and wounds. Among them are kangaroo tendons, horsehair, silk and very fine silver wire. Many of these threads are intended to hold for a certain number of days, and then naturally break away.

The short, tough tendons taken from the kangaroo, which are used for sewing severe wounds, will hold for about four weeks before they break away. Silk thread will hold for much longer, sometimes six months, while the fine silver wire is practically indestructible.

With the entire outfit a surgeon is able to select a thread that will last as long as the wound takes to heal, and will then disappear completely. To accommodate this assortment of threads special varieties of needles are required.

Besides the needle craned in different segments of a circle, surgeons use needles shaped like spears, javelins and bayonet points. Some are as long as bodkins, with a point like a miniature knife blade. Others have the sharpened end triangular.

## TO COOK WITHOUT FIRE.

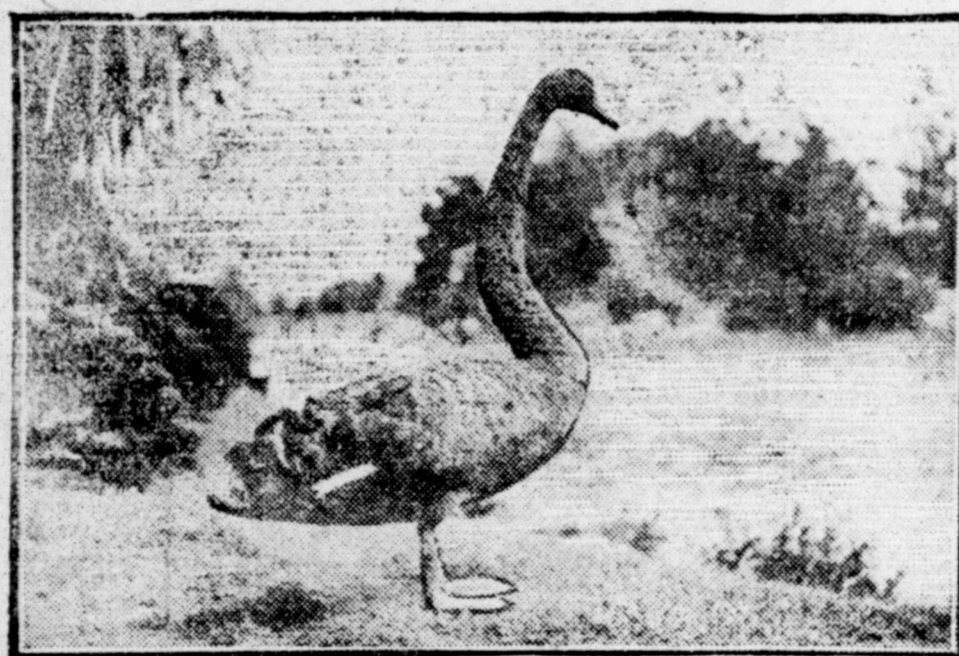


It is possible to cook without fire, as a simple experiment clearly proves. To an ordinary rotary machine, which is operated by a hand wheel, is attached a metal cylinder which is filled with water and which is closed with a plug or cork at the top.

Whenever the wheel is moved a smaller wheel, to which the cylinder is fastened and which is connected with the hand wheel by a leather strap, is also turned.

Now, if the rapid rotation of the cylinder is checked by piecing a broad wooden clamp beside the funnel, and in such a manner that the sides of the clamp will rub against the cylinder when the latter is turned, the cylinder will also grow warm and will eventually boil. As soon as it arrives at this state the steam in the cylinder will drive the plug out with great force.

## SAN FRANCISCO'S PET BLACK SWAN.



Most extraordinary is the bird, with its phenomenally long neck, that is San Francisco's pet black swan. Uncle Tom, its home is Stow Lake, an artificial sheet of water in the Golden Gate Park, the city's delightful recreation ground for world-weary folk.

Uncle Tom and the mandarin ducks and the like itself comprise the sole benefaction which San Francisco ever received from the

late Collis P. Huntington. Nearly every child on the Pacific Coast is on terms of easy intimacy with Uncle Tom, and Uncle, everything considered, is the best tempered swan, white, black or parti-colored, now in captivity—if the freedom of a large sheet of water and the exclusive suzerainty of a small island may be termed captivity.

Black swans are found only in Australia, and are rare even there.

## Turtles Ruin Vines.

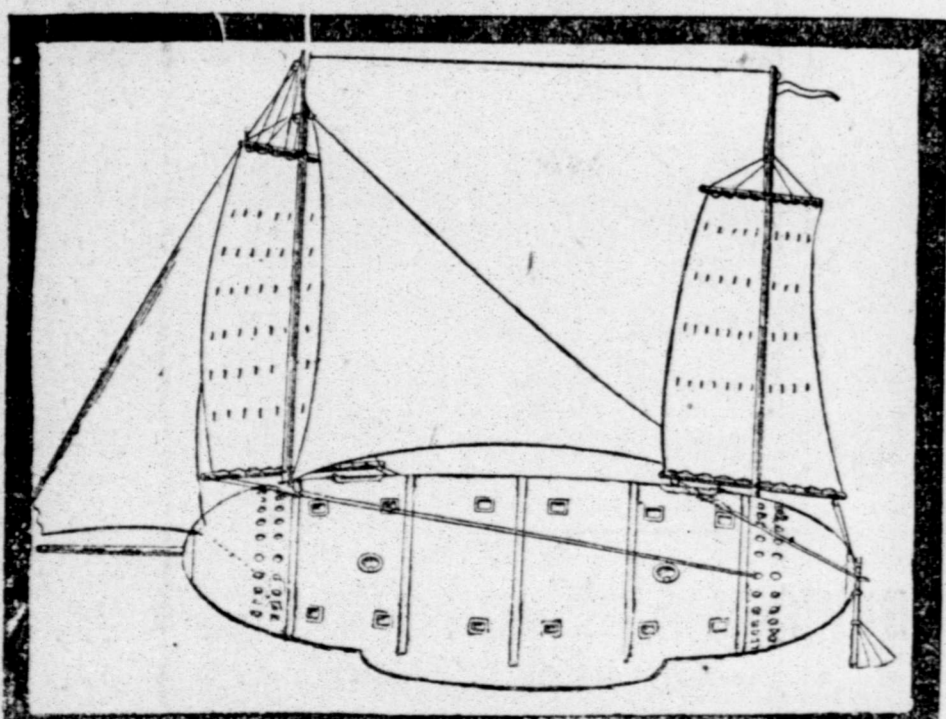
"One of our colonists," says an Algiers paper, "recently noticed that his vines had been gnawed around the roots, and, resolving to ascertain the cause, he went at night into the vineyard and soon heard a noise which was so strange that for a moment he thought it was of supernatural origin.

"Having lighted a lamp, however, he discovered that it was made by an army of turtles, which was slowly making its way from the river to the vineyard. The mystery was now solved, for the turtles no sooner entered the vineyard than they began to ravage the vines. Summoning some laborers, the owner finally succeeded in getting rid of the turtles, but in order to guard against further assaults, he was obliged to erect a wall around the vineyard."

## Long Distance Pianist.

In the newspapers of India a musician named Banca recently announced that on the following Sunday, at 7 o'clock in the morning, he would begin to play the piano and would continue to play for 40 hours, or until 11 o'clock on Monday evening. During this period he said that he would play 250 pieces of music from memory, and that he would rest for only 20 minutes—10 minutes at the close of the fourteenth hour and another 10 minutes at the close of the twenty-ninth hour. He added that during his long performance he would take no nourishment, except a little water and some medicine of his own concoction, and that a committee of physicians would be present in order to see him accomplish his singular feat.

## A NOVEL LIFEBOAT.



Once more an ingenious lifeboat has been invented. It consists of an outer rotatable shell, an inner hanging carriage and a centerboard, which is longitudinally attached to the shell in such a manner that it can be opened or closed.

At each end of the shell are a pair of transverse bulkheads, forming an inner compartment between them, and, furthermore, there is a mechanism, by means of which the carriage can be locked to the shell in any desired position with relation to the centerboard when the latter is open.

In a few other respects this boat differs from those now in use, and it is said by those who have examined it to possess some notable advantages over them.

## KEEPING COOL IN NAPLES.

It was unusually warm in Naples a few weeks ago, and in order to keep cool hundreds flocked down to the beautiful bay every morning and not only enjoyed a bath, but also took their meals, majoly composed of fruit and light wine, as they floated or stood in the water.

The scene is familiar to all Neapolitans. Indeed, on any warm day parties of friends may still be seen enjoying themselves in this novel and sensible fashion.

One per cent. of the population of India profess the Christian religion.

