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CHAPTER XIII.

arrived out of breath at a typical little mill town consisting of the usual unpainted bouses, the saloons, mill, office and general store. To the latter he addressed tamself for information. The proprietor, still sleepy, was mop-

ping out the place. "Does that boat stop here?" shouted

Thorpe across the suds "Sometimes," replied the man som-

"Not always?"

"Only when there's freight for her." "Doesn't she stop for passengers?"

"How does she know when there's freight?"

"Oh, they signal ber from the mill." But Thorpe was gone At the mill Thorpe dove for the engine from He knew that elsewhere the clang of machinery and the hurry of business would leave scant attention for him; and besides, from the engine room the signals would be given. He found, as is often the case in north country sawmills, a Scotchman, in

charge. "Does the boat stop here this morning?" he inquired

"Weel," replied the engineer, with fearful deliberation. "I canna say But I hae received un orders to that effect." "Can't you whistle her in for me?"

osked Thorpe. "I canna." answered the engineer. promptly enough this time.

"Wby not? "Ye're no what a body might call

"No other way out of it?"

Thorpe was seized with an idea. over there? I want to ship that to

The Scotchman's eyes twinkled ap-

preciatively. "I'm dootin' ye hae th' freight bill from the office," he objected simply. "See here," replied Thorpe, "I've got to get that boat. It's worth \$20 to me. and I'll square it with the captain.

There's your twenty." The Scotchman deliberated, looking aslant at the ground and thoughtfully oiling a cylinder with a greasy rag.

"It 'Il no be a matter of life and death?" he asked hopefully. "She aye stops for life and death."

" replied Thorpe reluctantly. with an explosion: "Yes, by ist If I don't make that

man chuckled and pocket-

that's in order." he reparty to any such noo for a fresh e item of inand one

patiently for morning At the last thought Thorpe decided to send a second message from the next station. He did so. It read:

He paid day rates on it to insure im-

Another buyer of timber on same train

mediate delivery. Suppose the boy should be away, from home! Everything depended on Wallace Carpenter, and Thorpe could not but confess the chance slender. One other thought made the night seem long.

Thorpe had but \$30 left.

Morning came at last, and the train drew in and stopped Thorpe, being in the smoking car, dropped off first and stationed himself near the exit where he could look over the passengers without being seen. They filed past. To two only he could accord the role of master lumbermen, and in these two Thorpe recognized Daly and Morrison themselves. They passed within ten feet of him, talking enruestly together. At the curb they bailed a cab and drove away. Thorpe with satisfaction heard them call the name of a

It was still two hours before the land office would be open.

Thorpe repaired at once to a boarding house off Fort street, where he had "outfitted" three months before. There. he reclaimed his value, shaved, clothed himself in linen and cheviot once more and sauntered slowly to the land office to await its opening.

At 9 o'clock neither of the partners had appeared. Thorpe entered the office and approached the desk.

"Is there a telegram here for Harry Thorpe?" he inquired.

The cherk to whom he addressed him self merely motioned with his head toward a young fellow behind the railing Mackinaw City by freight on this in a corner. The latter shifted comfortably and replied "No."

At the same instant steps were heard In the corridor, the door opened, and



r. Morrison appeared on the sill. en Thorpe showed the stuff of which

> is the desk for buying governds? he asked hurriedly. eplied the clerk. Come descriptions I wish to

replied the clerk. "What

the figures, which be

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Morrison's eye suddenly became un-

"I am somewhat busy this morning." he objected, with a shade of command

"If, this gentleman" - suggested the clerk delicately "I am sorry," put in Thorpe, with

brevity. "My time, too, is valuable." Morrison looked at him sharply. "My deal is a big one," he snapped. "I can probably arrange with this gen-

tleman to let him have his farm." "I claim precedence," replied Thorpe

"Well," said Morrison, swift as light, Til tell you, Smithers, Til teave my list of descriptions and a check with you Give me a receipt and mark my lands off after you've finished with this gentleman."

Now, government and state lands are the property of the man who pays for them. Although the clerk's receipt might not give Morrison a valid claim, nevertheless it would afford basis for a lawsuit. Thorpe saw the trap and

"Hold on," he interrupted. "I claim precedence. You can give no receipt for any land in these townships until after my business is transacted. 1 have reason to believe that this gentleman and myself are both after the same descriptions?" "What!" shouted Morrison, assuming

surprise. "You will have to wait your turn,

Mr. Morrison," said the clerk, virtuous before so many witnesses. The business man was in a white

rage of excitement. "Linsist on my application being filed

at once!" he cried, waving his check "I have the money right here to pay for every acre of it, and if I know the law the first man to pay takes the

He slapped the check down on the rall and hit it a number of times with the flat of his hand. Thorpe turned and faced him with a steely look in his taining level eyes.

"Mr. Morrison," he said, "you are right. The first man who pays and, but I have won the first You will kindly st p ish my business with

the fighting man led him farther into the struggle

Thorpe's descriptions were contained

in the battered little notebook he had carried with him in the woods. For each piece of land first there came the township described by latitude and east and west range. After this generic description fellowed another figure representing the section of that particular district. So 49-17 W-8 menut section 8 of the township on Thousands of acres of fine Grazing and range, 49 north, 17 west. If Thorpe wished to purchase the whole section that description would suffice. On the other hand, if he wished to buy only tion and improvements. one forty be described its position in the quarter section. Thus SW-NW 17 8 meant the southwest forty of the northwest quarter of section 8 in

the township already described. The clerk marked across each square of his map as Thorpe read them the date and the purchaser's name-

In his notebook Thorpe had of course entered the briefest description possible. Now, indicating to the clerk, he conceived the idea of specifying each subdivision. This gained some time: Instead of saying simple. Northwest corner of section 8," he made of it four separate descriptions, as follows: Northwest quarter of northwest quarter; portheast of northwest quarter; south west of northwest quarter, and south-

east of northwest quarter. He was not so foolish as to read the descriptions in succession, but so scattered them that the clerk, putting down the figures mechanically, had no idea of the amount of unnecessary work be was doing. The minute hands of the clock dragged around. Thorpe droned down the long column. The clerk scratched industriously, repeating in a half voice each description as it was Thorpe quick as a hawk. transcribed.

became necessary to type duplicate wirea Duncan, my banker, here last lists of the descriptions. While the night and received a reply from him. Thorpe listened for the messenger boy Haven't you seen him?" on the stairs

A faint slam was beard outside the rickety old building. Hasty steps sounded along the corridor. The land here near at hand?" looker merely stopped the drumming . of his fingers on the broad arm of the chair. The door flew open, and Wal- you. You have precisely until that boy lace Carpenter walked quickly to him. Thorpe's face lighted up as he rose to greet his partner. The boy had not

forgotten their compact after all. "Then it's all right?" queried the dater breathlessly. ure!" answered Thorpe heartily.

em in good shape." same time he was drawing the nd the vigilant watchfulness

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mean?" asked Carpen-

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"Haven't you that money?" returned

For heaven's sake, isn? it here?" At length the task was finished. It cried Wallace in consternation. "I somnolant youth finished his task He answered that he'd see to it deeds of the descriptions."

> "No," repeated Thorpe in his turn. What can we do?"

"Can you get your check certified "Well, go do it. And get a move on

there finishes ticking that machine-not a second longer."

"Can't you get them to wait a few minutes?

"Wallace," said Thorpe, "do you see that white whiskered old tynx in the the boy stubbornly, as though trying corner? That's Morrison, the man who to excuse himself, "and I didn't just wants to get our land. If I fall to catch the name anyway. When F saw plank down the cash the very instant it it on those lists I had to copy I thought is demanded be gets his chance. And he'll take it. Now go. Don't burry un ust in time." he said in an til you get beyond the door, then fly." Thorpe sat down again in his broad armed chair and resumed his drum it for you while I was sweeping out," That's all they'll take ming. The nearest bank was six blocks explained the boy. "Said he had toaway. He counted over in his mind the catch a train. It's yours, all right, steps of Carpenter's progress-now to the door, now in the next block, now so

far beyond. He had just escorted him to the door of the bank when the clerk's voice broke in on him. "Now," Smithers was saying, "l'il

give you a receipt for the amount and later will send to your address the title Curpenter had yet to find the proper

official to identify himself, to certify the check and return. It was hopeless. Thorpe dropped his hands in surrender. Then he saw the boy lay the two typed lists before his principal, and dimly be perceived that the youth, shamefacedly, was holding something

bulky toward himself. "Wh-what is it?" he stammered, drawing his hand back as though from redbot fron.

"You asked me for a telegram," said

of this bere." "Where did you get it?" asked Thorpe breathlessly. "A fellow came here early and left

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ent out of the county.

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"The Blazed. Trail"

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You're just in time."

"Oh, yes," replied Thorpe. He took the envelope and walked uncertainly to the tall window. He looked out at the chimneys: After a moment be tore open the envelope.

"I hope there's no bad news, sir?" said the clerk, startled at the paleness of the face Thorpe turned to the desk. "No." replied the land looker "Give me a receipt. There's a certified check

CHAPTER XIV.

EXT day the articles of partnership were drawn, and Carpenter gave his note for the necessary expenses. Then, in answer to a penciled card which Mr. Morrison bad evidently left at Thorpe's botel in person, both young men called at the lumberman's place of business They were ushered immediately into-

Mr. Morrison was a smart little man. with an ingratiating manner and a fishy eye He greeted Thorpe with marked geniality.

"My opponent of yesterday," be cried though you did me out of some land I had made every preparation to pur for expansion would come later chase, I can't but admire your grit and resourcefulness How did sou get here

walked across the upper peninsula and caught a boat," replied Thorpe

"Indeed, indeed" replied Mr. Morrison, placing the tips of his fingers together Extraordinary! Well. Mr. Thorpe, you overreached us nicely, and lessness We must have that pine even though we pay stumpage on it. Now. what would you consider a fair price

"It is not for sale," answered Thorpe and run the price up as high as you enn. But my time is somewhat occpied just at present, so I would to very glad to hear your top price. will come to an agreement atterward."

"You do not understand me, Mr. Morrison. I told you the pine is not for sale, and I mean it."

"But sure! What did you buy it evidences of a growing excitement

"We intend to manufacture it." Mr. Morrison's fishy eyes nearly popped out of his head. He controlled himself with an effort.

"Mr. Thorpe," said he, "let us try to be reasonable. Our case stands this way: We have gone to a great deal of expense on the Ossawinamakee in ex- son, pectation of undertaking very extensive operations there. To that end we Thorpe. have cleared the stream, built three dams and have laid the foundations of Jackson. a harbor and boom. This has been very expensive Now your purchase includes most of what we had meant to log. You have, roughly speaking, about 300,000,000 in your holding, in addition to which there are several millions scattered near it which would pay nobody but yourself to get in. Our boldings are farther up stream and comprise only about the equal of yours." "Three bundred millions are not to

be sneezed at." replied Thorpe. "Certainly not." agreed Morrison suavely, gaining confidence in the sound of his own voice. "Not in this country. But you must remember that a man goes into the northern peninsula only because be can get something better there than here. When the firm of Morrison & Daly establishes itself now It must be for the last time We want enough timber to do us for the rest of the time we are in business."

"In that case you will have to bunt up another locality" replied Thorpe

Morrison's eyes flashed, but be retained his appearance of geniality and

appealed to Wallace Carpenter. Then you will retain the advantage of our dams and improvements?" said be. "Is that fair?"

the interest to on West Evelyn Dublished y, every Friday.

he. "Is that fair!

"No. not on the face of it," admitted Thorpe. "But you did your work in a navigable stream for private purposes without the consent of the board of control. Your presence on the river Papediscontinued at expiration is illegal. You should have taken out a charter as an improvement company Then as long as you attended to business and kept the concern in repair. we'd have paid you a toll per thousand ever, the works would revert to the state. I won't hinder your doing that yet, although I might. Take out your charter and fix your rate of toll."

"In other words, you force us to stay there and run a little two by four improvement company for your benefit or else lose the value of our improve-

"Suit yourself," answered Thorpe carelessly. "You can always log your present holdings."

"Very well," cried Morrison, so suddealy in a passion that Wallace started back. "It's war! And let me tell you this, young man-you're a new concern. and we're an old one. We'll crush you fike that!" He crisped an envelope vindictively and threw it in the waste-

"Crush ahead," replied Thorpe, with great good humor. "Goodby, Mr. Morrison." And the two went out.

Wallace was sputtering and frembling with nervous excitement. His was one of those temperaments which required action to relieve the stress of a stormy interview. He wanted to do something at once. "Hadn't we better see a lawyer?" be asked "Oughtn't we to look out that they don't take some of our pine? Oughtn't we"-

"You just leave all that to me," replied Thorpe. "The first thing we want to do is to rustle some money."

"And you can leave that to me." echoed Wallace. "I know a little of such things, and I have business connections who know more. You just get the camp running."

"I'll start for Bay City tonight," submitted Thorpe. "There ought to be a good lot of lumber jacks lying around. idle at this time of year, and it's a good place to outfit from, because we can probably get freight rates direct by boat. We'll be a little late in starting. but we'll get in some logs this winter

CHAPTER XV.

"turmoil had died. The "jam" had boiled into town. "taken it apart" and left the inhabitants to piece it together again as they could. The "rear" had not yet arrived. As a consequence Thorpe found the city comparatively quiet.

Although his ideas were not as yet formulated, he hoped to be able to pick who had come down with the advance. or "jam," of the spring's drive. They should have finished their orgies by now and, empty of pocket, should be found banging about the boarding houses and the quieter saloons. Thorpe intended to offer good wages for good men He would not need more than twenty at first, for during the apjocularly. "Sir down, Mr. Thorpe. Al. proaching winter he intended to log on a very small scale indeed. The time

With this object in view he set out from his hotel about half past 7 on the day of his arrival to cruise about in the lumber jack district. The hotel clerk had obligingly given him the names of a number of the quieter saloons where the beas "hung out" between bursts of prosperity. In the first of these Thorpe was helped materially in his vague and uncertain I suppose we must pay for our care- quest by encountering an old acquaintance. Jackson Hines.

The old man peered at Thorpe. "Don't you know me?" inquired

"We'll waire all that Of course it are you, Harry? Where have you been submitted finally as the only probable is to your interest to make difficulties keepin' yourself? You look about as fat as a stall fed knittin' needle." "I've been land looking in the upper peninsula." explained Thorpe, "on the Ossawinamakee, up in the Marquette fer and myself."

> "Sho." commented Jackson in wonder. Way up there where the moon

"It's a fine country," went on Thorpe for, then?" ried Mr. Morrison, with so every one could hear, "with a great cutting of white pine. It runs as high as twelve hundred thousand to the forty sometimes"

"Trees clean an' free of limbs?" asked Jackson. "They're as good as the stuff over on

'seventeen. You remember that." "Clean as a baby's leg." agreed Jack-

"Dry as

On a sudden inspiration Thorpe re-

solved to ask the old man's advice as to crew and horses. It might not be good" for much, but it would do no Jackson listened attentively to the

other's brief recital. "Why don't you see Tim Shearer? He ain't doin' nothin' since the jam came down," was his comment.

"Isn't be with the M. & D. people asked Thorpe. "Nope Quit.

"How's that?"

"'Count of Morrison. He's been filin' his teeth for M. & D. right along Somethin' behind it all, I reckon."

"Where'll I find him?" asked Thorpe Jackson gave the name of a small boarding house. Shortly after Thorpe left him to amuse the others with his unique conversation and hunted up

Shearer's stopping place. . The tionraling house proved to be of

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the typical lumber jack class-a narrow stoop, a hallway and stair in the center and an office and bar on either side. Shearer and a half dozen other. chairs on two legs and their "cork"boots on the rounds of the chairs. smoking placidly in the tepid evening air. He approached and attempted an identifying serutiny The men, with the taciturnity of their class in the presence of a stranger, said nothing "Well, bub," finally drawled a voice

OW, in August, however, the first "from the corner, "blowed that stake you made out of Radway yet?" "That you. Shearer?", inquired Thorpe, advancing. "You're the man say so, and I'll be tickled to death to

I'm looking for " "You've found me," replied the old

rose silently and led the way up the straight, uncarpeted stairs, along a nar row, uncarpeted hall, to a square, unearpeted bedroom The walls and ceil ings of this apartment were of unpainted planed pine. It contained a cheap bureau, one chair and a bed and washstand to match the bureau. Shear er lit the lamp and sat on the bed. "What is it?" he asked.

"I have a little pine up in the nor bern peninsula within walking distance of Marquette," said Thorpe, "and I want to get a crew of about twenty men. It occurred to me that you might be willing to belp me."

The river man frowned steadily at his Interlocutor from under his bushy

"How much pine you got?" he asked finally.

"About 300,000,000," replied Thorpe quietly. The old man's blue eyes fixed them-

selves with unwavering steadiness on Thorpe's face. "You're jobbing some of it, eb?" he

conclusion. "Do you think you know enough about it? Who does it belong "It belongs to a man named Carpen-

The river man pondered this slowly

shot out another question. "How'd you get it?" nothing except the name of the firm up river. When he had finished Shear

er evinced no astonishment nor ap-"You done well," he commented final. ly. Then, after another interval "Have you found out who was the

men stealin' the pine?" "Yes." replied Thorpe quietly, "It was Morrison & Daly."

The old man flickered not an evelid. He slowly filled his pipe and lit it. "I'll get you a crew of men" said be. "if you'll take me as foreman." "But it's a little job at first," protest-

ed Thorpe. "I only want a camp of twenty. It wouldn't be worth your "That's my lookout. I'll take the job," replied the logger grimly. "You drew his arms closes:

fortune in having gained so-important a recruit. With a practical man as foreman, his mind would be relieved of a great deal of worry over onfal for details He saw at once

would himself be able to per OWAN, the duties of scaler, keep in the needs of the camp and D SALE STABLE keen and said:

"Look here. Shearer PIGS A SPECIALTY, job we may as well other at the start. The my camp, and I'm going

don't know much about logging, and I shall want you to take charge of all that, but I shall want to know just why you do each thing, and if my judgment advises otherwise, my judgment goes. If I want to discharge a man, he walks without any question. I know about what I shall expect of each man. and I intend to get it out of him. And in questions of policy mine is the say so every trip. Now, I know you're a good man-one of the best there isand I presume I shall find your judgment the best, but I don't want any mistakes to start with. If you want to be my foreman on those terms just

bave you." For the first time the lumbering man's face lost, during a single instant, its Thorpe was requested elaborately to mask of immobility. His steel blue "shake hands" with the owners of six eyes flashed; his mouth twitched with names. Then he had a chance to inti some strong emotion. For the first tive pause of preparation.

"That's the way to talk!" he cried. "Go with you? Well, I should rise to remark! You're the boss, and I always said it. I'll get you a gang of bully boys that will roll logs till there's skating in Tophet."

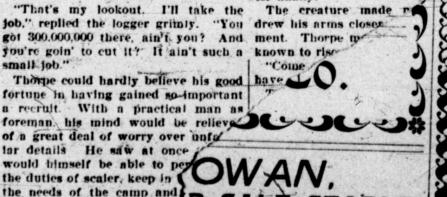
Thorpe left, after making an appointment at his own botel for the following day, more than pleased with his luck None the less, he anticipated his next step with shaky confidence. He would now be called upon to buy four or five teams of horses and enough feed to last them the entire winter, and he would have to arrange for provisions in abundance and variety for his men; be would have to figure on blankets, harness, cook camp utensils, stoves, blacksmith's tools, iron, axes, chains, cant books, van goods, pails, lamps, oil, matches, all sorts of hardware-in short, all the thousand and one things, from needles to court plaster, of which a self sufficing community might come in need. And be would have to figure out his requirements for the entire winter. After navigation closed he could import noth-

Deep in these thoughts he wandered himself in the toughest quarter of Bay

the sound of cachinnations pointed to for an appreciable interval and then the colors of mirth. A cheap plane rattled and thumped through an open window. Men's and women's voices Thorpe told him simply, omitting mingled in rising and falling graduations of barshness. Lights streamed irregularly across the dark.

> crouched in the doorway almost at h.s feet. The flickering rays of a distant street lamp threw into relief the high lights of a violin and a head. The face upturned to him was thin and white and wolfish under a broad white brow. Dark eyes gleamed at him with the expression of a flerce animal. Across the forehead ran a long but shallow cut from which blood dripped. The creature clasped both arms around a violin. He crouched there and stared up at Thorpe, who stared down at him "What's the matter?" asked the

ter finally. The creature made re





What's the matter Et

Then he attempted to interrogate ris find.

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LADIES' SHOES	Ladies' Jackets	Elderdown worth 40c at25c	Sweaters worth of ob, at of 10	" 4 00 " 3 00	day presents and we believe that
Ladles' Shoes worth \$3 50 at \$2 49	Jackets worth \$8 25 at \$5 50		" 1 25 "	" 8 50 " 2 75	we can supply your wants for
"	" 6 00 at 4 13	White Flannel worth 30c at 194c		2 20	many useful article for people
" " 175 at 38	5 75 at 3 85	Blue Flannel worth 30c at	MEN S OVERSONIS	. " 250 " 165	of all ages. Try us and see.
" " 1 50 at 1 10	Misses' Jackets	Black Flannel worth 40c at 17%c		Men's & Boys' Hats	
MISSES' SHOES		Calico at 4%e and 5e	" 14 00 " 9 95		Of course we have not quoted
	Jackets worth \$6 00 at \$4 05		" 12 00 " 8 30	Stetson Hat worth \$6 00 at \$4 90	prices on everything you want
Misses' Shoes worth \$2 00 at \$1 54	500 at 300 at 275	Greton worth 12½c now - 9½c			but the reduction has been made
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New Year to all our

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Jap Bailey, of Leonard, Texas, try for a visit.

The Methodist, Baptist and Crawford. Presbyterian churches all had programs were rendered.

The Methodist brethren anticipate having a series of revival Ballard at once. services some time in January.

rs McManigal of Witchita is a brother of Mrs. Bratton. She was en route to ranch this week.

has been drawn for al weeks. ill have to be

son-in-law of S. V. Gentry, ac- shipped from Amarillo Wednesday the marriage of her friend, Miss companied by his wife, arrived to this place and taken to Tulia for Belle Dye, at Plainview this week. place 15 miles south of town about tween the hours of 7 and 8 Sunday and are with Mr. Gen- interment. It was in charge of Charles Dinwiddie and Skinner

Rev. J. D. Ballard has rented home from Hot Springs. Christmas trees and the hearts and moved into the Dr. Odell of all the younger generation residence where he will await were made glad. The usual the completion of the pastor's says he did fairly well. He left home. Mr. Gentry will move Rich Redfearn who had still three into the house vacated by Mr.

W. K. Breeding and family, Revs. Sherman and Hardy, of of Portales, N. M., spent the rendon, will hold the meet- holidays here with J. D. Bratton and family. Mr. Breeding

spent Saturday in town | Charlie De Long and wife est of Judge and Mrs. moved to their Castro county

Miss Delia Wilkinson left this Long houses. Court convenes 2nd week for Lubbock where she in next month. No will visit her parents for sever-

visit her aged mother.

The body of Ray Price was Miss Minnie Dohohoo attended

Ray Price, of Tulia, an old citi-

J. B. Thomas returned Saturday from his horse-trading trip. He

Dick Ware and family and Carl Donohoo and family spent this week with J. N. Donohoo and tam-

sections, has arrived with his family and moved into one of the Geo.

papers are doing, had purposed get full particulars. to "take Christmas" this week. Mrs Jim Cox of Fanchon, sister Back East it is a well establish- last Saturday night, Mrs. B. W. little of M. P Slover, passed through ed rule so to do, and even on Reynolds. The body was shipped Christmas en route to Belch. the Plains 'tis followed to some for burial to Cassville, Mo. Her ciling heroically town would not admit of it, so Reynolds and he and his wife were ck-yards here we are again, short in some here a short time ago, leaving this

> committee composed of ster, W. R. Brandon usby, chosen by the to build or buy a has decided to om structure, lotermined upon at lows: own and Lee onstruction of

A Correction.

Straved-From S. F. Wiggins' a month ago, 3 2-year-old Jersey o'clock, our home was broken zen of the Plains died at Amarillo heifers, branded E P connected on Monday night. He was on his way left hip. Will pay \$2.50 for information leading to their recovery. E. C. Penick.

The only casuality of any consequence during the holidays vestigation, we found out that that has so far reached The what had happened unto us had head to dispose of, at Van Alstyne. News, is that of the head end or turned out to the furtherance of head-on, or something similar, collision between L. M. Faulkner and a pet goat. Wednes day morning was the time-Mr. Rather, we pray that they, with Faulkner was milking; a pet W. T. Moreland of Tom Green fice was having "Christmas" county, who some three months with the goat; the goat sought ago purchased the three O'Harrow Faulkner head foremost, running under the cow to get at him-tableau!-Faulkner, goat, cow, fice and milk all mixed. The News, like many country But see the Star performer and

Died-At Raton, New Mexico, cts it maybe, but rounding point for New Mexico. Deceased that of New Mexico to bring about I gal. jug Ketchup

STOCK SHIPMENTS.

From this point to Kansas City and other markets, as fol-

TUESDAY, Dec. 20th Price & Murray 4 cars MONDAY, Dec. 26:

A House Broken Into.

On last Thursday night be into; myself and family were severely pounded; a rush was then made for the kitchen and dining room, things were left in heaps. When the invaders got through, we could not tell what damage was done, but after careful inour material happiness. We understand that the invaders are still at large, but we have no desire for their apprehension. all interested in the kindly affair, may live long to perpetuate such depredations, and pray that we may be able to render double unto them. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stephens

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Best Grade Cal. Can Goods. Cal. Swiss White Cherries, \$2 00 Cal. Swiss Black Cherries 200 Cal. Swiss Muscat Grape 1 50 Cal. Lemon-Gling Peach Best Corn 1 00 Best Tomatoes...... 1 00 Pine Apple...... 1 20 out for this good year of 1904, had consumption but had gotten Ribbon cane Syrup .50 per gal. Kitchen Queen High Grade 1 lbcan Baking Powder 16} 30 lbs Cracked Rice \$1 00 24 lbs Full head Rice 1 00 All Can Goods will go at cost until January 25th. This sale will continue until

January 25th both in dry goods and groceries and no goods will be charged for a longer period of time. Please remember this.

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Wash Goods	harant	Shoe Department
Tolle De Norde Ginghams worth 12%c at	10c	Men's White House Shoe worth \$3.50 at
A. F. C. Ginghams worth 12% at Dress Ginghams worth 19c at	8½c	Hen's Usona Stree worth \$8.00 at
Dress Ginghams worth 19c at	7%e	Men's Norwood Shoe worth \$1.50 at
Kensington Percale, 36-in, worth 15c at	10%c	Men's Heavy Shoes worth \$1.50 at
Forest Percale, 31-in, worth 10c, at	7½c	Men's Buck Shoe worth \$2.25 at 175
Cotton Checks worth 6%c at	50	Men's King Boots worth \$3.75 at 3 00
Good Outing worth 10c at	8½e	Men's Alamo Tan Boots worth \$8.00 at 6 20
Best Spun Glass Lining, worth 20c at	14%c	Ladies' Dress Shoe worth \$3 50 at 2.75
Flannellettes worth 12½c at	8%c	Ladies' Dress Shoe worth \$2.25 at 1-65-
Black and Blue Mercerized Sateen worth 35c at	22e	Ladies' Dress Shoe worth \$1.50 at 10
Fancy Mercerized Sateen worth 16% at	11¼e	Ladies' Heavy weight Shoe worth \$1.75 at 1 35
Damask.		Ladies' Heavy weight Shoe worth \$1.50 at
White Lines Damask 64 in, worth 50c, at	37%c	Child's Medium weight Shoe worth \$1.50 at 1 10
White Linen Damask 70-in, worth 60c at	42e	Child's Medium Weight Shoe worth \$1.35 at 1 00
		Boy's Medium weight Shoe worth \$2.25 at 1.65
White Linen Damask 72-in, worth \$1.75 at	\$1 38	Boy's School Shoe worth \$1.50 at 1/10
Wool Dress Goods		. Men's Overcoats and Covert Coats
All Wool Flannells for Waists worth 50c, at	/41e	
All Wool Tricot Flannells for Waists, worth 35c, at.	220	Men's Covert Coats worth \$1.00 at \$1 25
Imported Broadcloth, worth \$1.25, for	85c	" " \$1.35 at 1 00
Men's Shirts		Men's Overcoats worth 65.00 at
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Underwear Department	440	Men's Suits
		Men's Suits worth \$12.50 at
Men's Heavy Fleeced-lined Underwear worth 50c, per garment		
Men's Heavy Fleeced-lined Underwear worth 60c, per garment.	43c	
Wright's Health Underwear, worth \$1.25, per garment		A TO THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY O
Ribbed Underwear, medium weight worth \$1.00, per garment		1
Ladies' Fleece lined Vests worth 56c, at Ladies' Fleece-lined Vests worth 35c, at	22e	0 10 0 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
T ALL THE PURCH Soller month the set	1 90.	Boy's Suits (long pants) worth \$6.50 at 4.50
Ladies Fleeced Union Suits, worth 30c, at	50.	Boy's Knee Suits worth \$1.50 at
Boy's Heavy Fleece Shirts (with drawers to match) per garment.	900	\$2.30 atr
		" " *\$3.50 at 2.75
Hosiery Department	1	" " \$4 50 at
Ladies' Black Hose, worth 40c, at	29c	Men's Gloves
Ladles' Black Hose, worth 25c, at Ladles' Black Hose, worth 15c, at	190	
Ladles' Black Hose, worth 15c, at	110	
Misses Black Hose, worth 25c, at	190	worth \$1.50 at
Misses Black Hose, worth 15c, at	110	Men's Heavy Glove worth \$1.25 at
Men's Half Hose, worth 25c, at		
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. Men's Hats		All Wool Blankets worth \$6.50 at
Stetson Hats worth \$6.00 at	\$4.9	All Wool Blankets worth \$5.00 at
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Lion Special Hats that have been selling for \$3.00 at	2 20	Cotton Blankers worth \$1.75 at
Liberty Bell Hats worth \$1.50 at	1 <u>1</u> 6	\$1.25 at
Big Bear Hats worth \$2.50 at	1 6	90c at

We haven't the space to mention all of the bargains, but everything in the house will be sold at greatly reduced prices. This is strictly a cash sale and no goods will be charged at these prices.

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	Canyon City 9:00 " "
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