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Anticipated

A short time ago a good bunch of eastern homeseekers were brought in and some deals in dirt were closed with some of them. Our land agents are getting busy now and are out after more.

Dr. R. M. Harkey of Harkey-Rickson Realty Co. left this week for Kentucky where he will interest parties and bring them in on the next excursion. Mr. Davis of the firm of Pawkett, Davis & Co. is also in Indiana on the same mission.

In fact all our progressive land men are preparing to make an aggressive campaign for homeseekers for this winter and spring. We have the land and water, and wise men will take advantage of the very dry season and financial oppression to get hold of some of this rich soil at a moderate price. With ordinary seasons for a couple of years the land now on the market will more than double in value.

NOTICE

After December 1st wood and coal will be strictly cash on delivery.

E. W. CLAYTON,
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Swanson, a successful land agent of near Texarkana, has closed land-out Hermosa way and will be out in law or court days. Reeves county men are busy such men to help their rich soil.

of Fort Worth is in Pecos.

School Opens Monday.

The Record is requested by the school trustees to state that Pecos Public School will open Monday morning, Jan. 2, after a two weeks' vacation.

Van Horn Lodge No. 1028 A. F. and A. M., will be formally installed Saturday night at Van Horn. Those having charge of the installation are: Thos. Lee, jr., E. W. Pew, L. F. Gillett and John Mason, all of El Paso.

Judge and Mrs. Leavell Entertain

A Two-Course Luncheon With Punch
Served in Honor of
Teachers

Judge and Mrs. Jno. Y. Leavell, on last Friday evening entertained the teachers attending the Institute in a two-course luncheon with punch, which was well attended and appreciated by those in attendance.

Their spacious rooms were thrown open to their guests, and those who have heretofore had the pleasure of being entertained at Mrs. Leavell's home know that they were made to feel at home.

Mrs. Leavell was assisted by Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Moore, and punch was served by Miss Mildred Obitz.

The Bachelor Girls tendered the bride, Mrs. Winnie Wilson-Kennedy, a miscellaneous show-party Tuesday afternoon. She was one of the organizers of the Bachelor Girls Club.

R. A. Graham of Granite, Oklahoma, is looking over Reeves county this week and like other good business men is pleased with the outlook and will invest here.

Toyah Oil and Pipe Line Co.

Has Big Rig in the Field and Commence Operations this Week.

The Toyah Oil and Pipe Line Company has established permanent quarters and commenced drilling this week near the center of section 17, block 71, which is about nine miles northwest of Toyah, says Frank Kistler of that town. This section was purchased from the state by Mr. Kistler and is public school land. It is the intention of this company to drill to a depth of 4000 feet if necessary, but they expect to strike paying quantities of oil at a much shallower depth.

The "Independent Company," boring on the hill south of Toyah has put on an extra force and is now running a night and day shift and are going down very satisfactorily.

To Feed a Girl on Candy

Is one of the really great ways to win her good graces. Just a few cents will do the work. Now is your chance, boys; call around and arm yourself, for I have the required ammunition.

E. COUGH.

G. W. Morris, a former resident of this place but now of Abilene, is visiting friends here and incidentally listing land for sale.

Woody Browning and wife are home, the former from a visit to relatives at Lampasas and the latter from visiting her parents at Valentine.

James Miller, a four-sectioner who has "served his time" and who has recently been clerking at Burford's store, Toyah, is visiting homefolk at Stamford.

A STRICT CENSOR.

Vienna once possessed the strictest dramatic censor ever known, in the person of Franz Hoegelin, who held that post in the Austrian capital at the beginning of the last century. Hoegelin published a manual for the guidance of censors. "A pair of lovers should never be allowed to appear on the stage alone. They must always be accompanied by a third person of mature years." Marriages out of one's class were also strictly forbidden by Hoegelin on the stage, and he quotes an instance of a play which he refused to pass because the author made the hero, Count Vlademar, marry a gardener's daughter. "Such misalliances have unfortunately been known to occur in real life, but that is no reason why they should be allowed on the stage," he said.—London Chronicle.

MANGANESE ORE IN AUSTRIA.

Very extensive deposits of high grade manganese ore have been discovered near Huttenberg in Carinthia. The quality is said to be equal to that of the finest Swedish manganese, while the ore lies near the surface and can be very easily worked. Viewed industrially Carinthia is one of the poorest provinces of Austria, so that the new find is expected to have an important bearing upon the manufacturing development of the country.—Innsbruck Letter to the Pall Mall Gazette.

UNNATURAL.

"Queer, isn't it, that lawyer is such a lover of dogs?"
"What is there queer about it?"
"It is more natural-like for a lawyer to become attached to something more in the fee-line species."

A KNOCK.

Goodley—They're in reduced circumstances, of course, but their family is a very old one and proud, even if they have lots of debts. They date back to the earliest colonial times—
Cutting—The debts, you mean? I don't doubt that.

TO INSURE A LONG LIFE

Quit Eating and Drinking, Smoking
and Breathe Sterilized
Air.

Drink water and get typhoid fever. Drink milk and get tuberculosis. Drink whisky and get jimjama. Drink soup and get fat. Eat meat and encourage cancer, apoplexy and appendicitis. Eat oysters and absorb typhoid and gastric poison germs. Eat vegetables and give the system Asiatic, thin-blooded weakness. Eat dessert and die with paresis or something else. Smoke cigarettes and die too soon. Drink coffee and fall into insomnia and nervous prostration. Drink tea and get weak heart. Drink wine and so drink gout. Blame it all, if you want to keep well quit eating and drinking, smoking and loving, and before breathing or touching anything see that the air and everything is perfectly sterilized. Some scientific cranks or madmen think every man should so live, while another set of cranks think all modern science is nonsense. There is a scientific moderation in living that almost surely insures long life, no matter what the different kinds of cranks say.—New York Press.

ABSENT TREATMENT.

"It seems to me," said young De Borem, "that I have tried every way imaginable to gain your affections, but without any success."

"They say," rejoined the fair maid in the parlor scene, "that 'absence makes the heart grow fonder.' You might try it."

TO BE EXPECTED.

"I'm afraid your son is going to be one of the world's dreamers."

"I'd be surprised if he wasn't," replied Mrs. McGudley. "The way he eats mince pie at night is something terrifyin'."

NOT A LOVE STORY.

"Dear Heart!" murmured she. "Only two cents a pound increase," protested the butcher.

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HELPING SOME.

Redd—Do you think all these automobiles running through a town up it?
Greene—Oh, my, yes! Why, we're building two new hospitals in our town.—Yonkers Statesman.

PROMPT ACTION.

Marie—When you spoke to papa did you tell him you had \$500 in the bank?
Tom—I did.
Marie—And what did he say?
Tom—He borrowed it.

Pecos' Younger Set Have Good Time

Hospitable Home of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Woods Thrown Open to Young People

Wednesday evening the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Woods, at the corner of Hickory and Third streets, was thrown open in honor of their daughter, Miss Mary Henry, and the younger set entertained.

Miss Sadie Collings and Mr. L. Neel were chosen queen and king of the revel, and each guest, like the loyal subjects they were, came forward with a compliment for their highnesses, and the some of the boquets were indeed tropical, yet who shall say they were not deserved?

Progressive forty-two claimed the king, queen and all the court for two hours, the prize being awarded to Ves Smith, the booby to Macey Haygood. However, Macey says that being launched on the social wave, now, he will do better next time.

At eleven o'clock delicious refreshments of fruit salad, cake and chocolate bon bons were served.

One noticed the pearly mistletoe gleaming here and there, but the Pecos young ladies were wary and no contratemps occurred.

The guests present were: Misses Eva Stancliffe, Sadie Collings, Lalla Williams, Mina Vawter, Gladys Phillips, Mary Wilhite, Connie McCarver, Mary Johnson, Dollie Reeves, Perle Woodley, Grace Cole, Hallie Harrison, Edna Wadley, and Mary Arbuthnot of Colorado City; Messrs. Walter Browning, Clarence Anderson, Jim Martin, O. Camp, Sid Rowden, T. Harrison, Riley, J. Williams, Sidney Reinerson, Macey Haygood, Ves Smith; Jesse Woods of Balmorhea, A. J. Bumgarner of Dixieland and Bryant Mudgit of Carlsbad.

AS VIEWED BY THE CHILD

Would Go to Church Every Day if He Could Get a Shot at an Indian.

The late William James of Harvard, in his lectures on the psychology of childhood, had a Thanksgiving story that illustrates well the queer currents a child's thought.

A father, one Thanksgiving morning—so the story runs—showed his little son a history of New England. "Here is a picture of the Puritans going to church," he said. "What good and pious men! Notice their sugar-loaf hats. They walk in single file through the deep snow, and each man carries a gun."

"What do they carry guns to church for," the boy asked, with sudden interest.

"For fear of the Indians," was the reply. "The Indians were apt to lie in wait for them at every turning. Ah, what pious men they were, to be sure! Think of them the next time you want to shirk your religious duties. Through snow and sleet, through bitter cold, through the perilous ambuscades of the savage Indians, they wended their way to church, Sunday after Sunday, with pious, thankful hearts. Yet you—"

"Oh, rubbish!" said the boy. "I'd go to church every day in the week if I could get a shot at an Indian on the way."

CONSOLATION.

Mrs. Oldun—Did I understand you to say that your husband is a writer?

Mrs. Newed—Yes; he writes fiction.

Mrs. Oldun—Oh, well, don't let that worry you. Most married men do.

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Mexican Killed.

As the result of a shooting affray at Toyah Monday morning, one Mexican is dead and another is now in the custody of the officers.

It is Here.

The famous Gunther Candies have arrived; call around and see them.—E. Couch.

Judge J. W. Parker went to Balmorhea this morning in order to attend justice court at that place tomorrow and incidentally shoot some quail.

IMAGINATION will work on some things, but it takes QUALITY to make candy go. Gunther's has it, and E. Couch has Gunther's. Give him a call.

After a short visit with her husband, Judge Geo. N. Gentry, Mrs. Gentry returned to Midland where she is teaching in the public schools.

Harry MacTier, attorney of Toyah, was attending to business in Pecos this week.

Misses Inez Harkey and Leota Beauchamp are visiting friends at Brogado this week.

J. W. Crenshaw is back from his trip to eastern Texas and is now at home at Saragosa.

H. Sharkey, a citizen of Loving county, was in Pecos Tuesday.

John Hanson and his better 2-3 were in town from Balmorhea this week.

We have a few second hand cars for sale cheap for cash.—Brown & Martin. tf

Cards are out announcing an "At Home" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Cole tonight.

Geo. T. Boyd of Hermosa was in the city last week attending to business.

Judge J. F. McKenzie left Monday for Dallas on business.

Albert Rowden of Denver is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Rowden.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilson are entertaining their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown of Carlsbad.

Dr. M. C. Williams left Wednesday with his family for San Antonio, where they will probably reside.

Mrs. R. S. Johnson and Miss Mary visited the family of C. W. Giffin at Toyahvale a day or two this week.

W. D. Cowan and son Marvin visited the VH ranch Monday.

DOES AN ACTOR NEED BRAINS?

When at the Comedy theater I once received an application from a young man who desired to see me on a matter of urgent importance. I wrote him, asking to be informed as to the nature of his business. He replied that it was personal and private, but of extreme urgency, and asked for an interview. I gave him an appointment, and he called to see me, when I learned that his object was to place his services at my disposal. His doctor, he informed me, had ordered him to take a complete rest, or, in any case, to employ himself in some way that required absolutely no brain work! So he had decided to go upon the stage!—Strand Magazine.

SATISFACTORY PROOF.

Registration Officer (to suspect)—Where did you live before you came here?

Suspect—In Baltim'r'.
Registration Officer (to the others)—He's telling the truth. That's self-evident.

Cupid's Capers

Wolverton-Grant

Married—At Balmorhea on Christmas day, Rev. W. B. Bloys officiating, Miss Ruth Grant to Dr. J. H. Wolverton. They are both prominent people of Balmorhea and it is reported that it was a swell church affair. The Record wishes the happy couple a long and prosperous wedded life.

Kennedy-Wilson

Married—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilson in Pecos, on Saturday 7 p. m., Rev. A. E. Miller of the Presbyterian church officiating. Miss Winnie Wilson to Mr. James P. Kennedy. Miss Wilson was popular and attractive, quite a violinist, and will be greatly missed in Pecos' society circles. Mr. Kennedy is one of the owners of the Kennedy ranch and a business man of ability. The happy couple will live on the ranch and many friends wish they may have a long and thornless path to travel together.

Gregg-Buchanan

Married—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Buchanan in Pecos, Monday, Rev. J. B. Cole officiating, Miss Clara Buchanan to Mr. J. J. Gregg. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan and a girl of fine character and attainments, while the groom is a young business man of Comanche, Texas, at which place they will make their home. May their lives be long, useful and happy to the end.

Chandler-Berkey

Mrs. Gertrude Berkey and Mr. Will Chandler were quietly married last Saturday at Barstow. Both are well known to our readers, having been raised from infancy in this section. Mr. Chandler is engaged as a fireman running into El Paso to which place they left yesterday morning to make their home.—Toyah Advocate, Dec. 23.

Brown & Martin are now in J. W. Moore's auto building near the courthouse and have all kinds of auto supplies on hand and are prepared to do all kinds of auto work. tf

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With this issue the Record is just one and one-half months old. The patronage given it during its short existence is very encouraging to the proprietors, who appreciate the loyal and liberal support of its friends. Pecos and Reeves county have grown and prospered the past year beyond the hopes of the most sanguine, although the year about to close has been the hardest in the history of this section. We start in the new year with brighter hopes and renewed vigor and with all pulling together will make more rapid strides toward advancement, both in the county and our prosperous little cities, than has ever been known in a substantial, legitimate growth. The Record will begin the new year with bright hopes for its own future and will endeavor to increase and build up with the town and county and give the people of Reeves county a paper worthy of their support and patronage. The Record wishes one and all a happy and prosperous new year.

Each year is witnessing the passing of big ranches in west and southwest Texas into small fruit and truck farms, and the latest deal to be consummated wherein the range gives way to the vitalizing influence of the plow is one in which the Rowan ranch of 30,000 acres in Brazoria county will be turned into an orange and fig orchard.

The land agent is a most useful citizen. He seldom makes a transaction that does not build up his section of the country. When he locates a new farmer, he provides a permanent customer for the local merchants and adds to the population and wealth of the community generally. He is an empire builder and cannot prosper without making the community prosperous.

Land Commissioner Robinson's report shows that there are at present 3,955,788 acres of school land unsold and which will come on the market July 1, 1911. As much of this land is mountainous and totally unfit for agricultural purposes, the plan to have it converted into ranches and grazing lands without condition of settlement, as suggested by Mr. Robinson, is commendable.

School Land Question.

In his biennial report to the governor which has just been made public, Land Commissioner Robinson urges the next legislature to provide for the sale of all unsold school land without requiring the purchaser to reside thereon. It is pointed out that a large per cent of this land is wholly unsuited to agricultural purposes and that plenty of time should be given the purchaser to convert it into grazing land before being required to take up residence upon it. It is safe to say also that three-fourths of those in this section of country who have heretofore purchased school land are unable to comply with the law and should be given time to convert their holdings into something other than a waste before

being required to settle upon it. The majority of these four-sectioners would get out and earn something with which to improve their holdings and finally make permanent homes upon them and make more for the school fund, more for their county and more for themselves were they allowed to do so. As it is they are too poor to live on their claims much less improve them, and instead of making permanent homes on this land at the end of the "three years' sentence" they leave in disgust, going where the surroundings are more pleasant. Mind you, most of them still hold the land and the work of actual development is only delayed three years more.

The people of this whole western country would never cease to praise those in power should they mature the actual residence clause on all land sold and eliminate it on all land to be sold. We have the land and the water and only a few have the wherewith to do the developing act.

The idea of four sections of Reeves county dirt for a home for one family! It is absurd in the extreme. Mature the residence clause, let the land-holder sell off his surplus for money to develop the other and you will see Reeves county dotted from north to south and east to west with as prosperous, happy and contented tillers of the soil as inhabit the face of the globe. It is coming anyway, and ere another decade little will the citizens of this, one of the best counties in the biggest and best state in the Union, care whether it ever rains or not, for then we will have the county covered with flowing wells, pumping plants and alfalfa meadows and all the other good things that go with it.

What a Great Man Says

The late Hon. David Davis once said: "Each year every local paper gives from \$100 to \$5,000 in free lines for the benefit of the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The local editor, in proportion to his means, does more for his town than any other ten men, and in fairness man with man, he ought to be supported, not because you happen to like him or admire his writings; but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be brilliant or crowded with great thoughts, but financially it is more of a benefit to a community than a preacher or a teacher. Understand us now, we do not say morally or intellectually, but financially, and yet on the moral question you will find the majority of local papers do the most work for the least money of any men on earth. Subscribe for your local paper, not as a charity but as an investment."

New Booster Secretary.

McKinney, Tex., Dec. 22.—B. F. Johnson, formerly editor of the Pecos Times of Pecos, Texas, recently associated with the Realty Guide of Houston, has been elected secretary of the McKinney Commercial Club for the ensuing year and has begun his duties.

Let the Record figure with you on that next bill of stationery. The work will be the best that first-class printers and up-to-date equipment can produce and we will not skin you either.

Prof. and Mrs. J. S. Long are attending the State Teachers' Association at Abilene this week.

Christmas Candies!

There is nothing that makes a more appropriate and acceptable gift than a nice neat package of candy. I am headquarters for the famous Gunther's Candy. This is the first time that this famous line has been placed on exhibition here and you must see it to fully appreciate it, for it has no superior in the world for quality and neatness of package. See it and you will buy it.

Majestic Parlor

E. COUCH Prop.

Work Proceeding Rapidly

New Railroad Building Pecosward is Getting Busy

The following dispatch regarding the operations of the Texico-Farwell and Southern Railway, which has 25 miles of grade already completed between Texico and Knowles, N. Mex., and which company is seriously considering entering Pecos, making this city its southern terminus, is interesting:

W. G. Woerner, chief promoter of the railroad which is to run from Tucumcari to Knowles, N. Mex., was in Roswell today and is much pleased with the situation in regard to the new plains railroad. Twenty miles have been graded from Texico and an additional outfit will soon be in the field, raising the daily work to ten miles. This seems like a large amount of grading for one day, but it must be remembered that the greater part of the survey is over perfectly flat prairie with neither a cut nor a culvert in it, and the engineering is a very simple matter.

The progress of the work has a stimulating effect upon the metropolis of Mills County, N. M., through which the line will pass, and the real estate values are going up in leaps and bounds as the people become more and more convinced that the new road is a "go" and realize what its construction will mean to the rich country along the Texas-New Mexico border, which is now being held back from its proper development by lack of railroad connections.

Tucumcari is fully awakened to the importance of the new line and it is expected that the gap from that place to Texico being shorter, will be finished before the long stretch to Knowles.

While it is not known as a fact, many observers believe that the activity in regard to the new railroad was the cause of the visit to Texico and Pecos valley points of the mysterious party of railway magnates a few weeks ago, which was carried on with great secrecy, the visitors even registering under assumed names at the hotels.

STRANGE ROMANCE IN ITALY

Young Fisherman at Bari Is Discovered by His Now Wealthy Parents Who Abandoned Him at Birth.

There is material for a thrilling romance in the remarkable story which comes from Bari, in Italy, concerning a fisherman who, though twenty years of age, has just found his father and mother. Twenty years ago, a young wife from Strasburg gave birth to a boy in an hotel at Bari. The child was so weak that it was not expected to live. The mother herself was ill, and her husband had her conveyed to Germany. The parents did not want to be bothered with the ailing child, so they confided it to an orphanage. The couple proceeded to Strasburg, where they prospered in business, making a large fortune. It now occurred to them to inquire after the fate of their child whom they feared must have died. To their great surprise they learned through the German consul that their son was not dead, but was earning his living as a fisherman. His mother arrived in Bari, and found in the young fisherman a strong resemblance to her husband. The young man, who does not understand a word of German, was at once rigged out in new clothes, and proceeded with his mother to Germany.

HEEDLESS OF TIME'S FLIGHT

Elderly Colored People of the South Rarely Know How Old They Are.

As every southerner knows, elderly colored people rarely know how old they are, and almost invariably assume an age much greater than belongs to them. At an Atlanta family there is employed an old chap named Joshua Bolton who has been with that family and the previous generation for more years than they can remember. In view, therefore, of his advanced age, it was with surprise that his employer received one day an application for a few days off in order that the old fellow might, as he put it, "go up to de ole state of Virginia" to see his aunt.

"Your aunt must be pretty old," was the employer's comment.

"Yassir," said Joshua, "she's pretty ole now. I reckon she's 'bout a hundred and ten years ole."

"One hundred and ten! But what on earth is she doing up in Virginia?"

"I don't jest know," explained Joshua, "but I understand she's up dere living wif her grandmother."—Harper's Weekly.

A Christmas Present

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HERRING AND THE LASSES

Arrival of Scotch Lasses is One of Features of the Herring Season.

There are two seasons for catching herring on the west coast of Europe. One begins late in May or early in June at the Orkney islands and follows the shoals of herring down the east coast of Scotland and England until it reaches Yarmouth, where it ends late in September or early in October.

The fishermen go out in trawlers and land their catch at the numerous ports along this coast. The fish are sold in "crans," containing 1,000 herring each. In a good season the trawler owners and the fishermen and fisherwomen make good profits, but in a poor season the reverse happens.

One feature of the herring season at the different ports on the east coast is the arrival of the "Scotch lasses," who follow the fishing fleets down and "gut" and "pickle" the fish on the piers as they are brought in by the trawlers. In a good season these "lasses" will earn from \$8 to \$10, but in a poor season, like the present one, they will receive little more than their board, which is guaranteed them on engagement.

BLIND GIRL'S POULTRY YARD.

Recently the writer had the pleasure of meeting a young Scotch girl who though almost blind is active and accomplished to a very remarkable degree. One of her principal interests is her poultry yard, and there her almost unaided efforts have met with truly wonderful success.

Her yearly balance sheet shows substantial and increasing profits, while the care of her birds proves a source of much interest and provides a good deal of healthy outdoor exercise. She keeps careful and accurate accounts, a Braille slate being used for memoranda. She uses a type writer for correspondence. Feathered Life.

SMOKING AMONG STUDENTS.

The degree of mentality attained by the non-smoking student is greater than that of the smoker, while the physique the balance is in favor of the smoker. A compilation made of the members of one college class shows that during the period of undergraduate life, which is essentially 3½ years, the first group grows in weight 10.4 per cent, more than the second, and 11 per cent, more than the third; in girth of chest the first group grows 26.7 per cent, more than the second and 22 per cent, more than the third; in capacity of lungs the first group gains 77 per cent, more than the second and 49.5 per cent, more than the third. As a rule, the non-smoker is mentally superior to both the occasional and the habitual smoker. As a rule the non-smoker is equal, and probably slightly superior physically, to all members of the smoking classes except the athletes. It may well be queried as to whether the smoking athlete does not make his gain at too high a mental cost to make it pay.

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A series of Seven Sermons in answer to the above question. Being delivered at the Church of Christ by the Minister, Homer L. Magee

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TWO STRANGERS IN THE SAME HOUSE.

Text: Luke 16:19-31

We think of a house as a structure reared by man's hands. The size of it depends on the need for which it was constructed, and so it may be large or small. But has not God made the earth, the "house" of man? We think it strange if men live in a house of our building, and are not acquainted the one with the other. Should we not be educated to think it strange if men in God's great "house" are strangers. God created one people, not many. We should, therefore, recognize our kinship, and seek to know one another's needs and to supply these needs according to our ability.

In this evening's text, we find two strangers in the same "house." Lazarus and the rich man had a common origin, and the fact that they had never met was no excuse for their estrangement, since they were brothers. Yet, as great a gulf was fixed between them in the flesh, as the gulf that separated them beyond the grave. One was wealth personified, the other, poverty. Lazarus was dead to the "good things" that money could procure, and the rich knew nothing and cared less for the poverty and suffering to which Lazarus was bound.

These two strangers are found in our own beloved country. Almost every daily paper gives a picture of them both. In one column can be found the doings of America's multi-millionaires' and in another a pathetic description of America's poor. The same sheet that tells us of the banquet, costing thousands of dollars, given for the wearers of "purple and fine linen," tells us of poverty stricken mothers and starving babies. Today, in life's great drama, the scene that Jesus gave us of the rich and the poor is being re-enacted constantly. The telegraph and the press bring the poor to the very gate of the rich. We condemn the rich man who allowed a poor beggar, unable to care for himself, to lie at his gate and die unattended. But his sin is not lessened if the needy one is removed a few feet, or even miles, when there is knowledge of the need.

In 1907 the estimated wealth of the United States was \$116,000,000,000. For years past our productions have been far beyond the consumption. During the present year, we have witnessed a panic (the effects of which have not as yet disappeared) when our granaries are full and there is plenty and to spare. And why such a condition? Because a few have secured the greater part of the country's wealth, and are lording it over the many.

It is amazing when we think of the amount of wealth men have been able to accumulate in a single generation, as, for example, John D. Rockefeller. No sane man can believe for a moment that such wealth has been secured according to christian principle. Yet, when these American lords give a few thousand or a million dollars to some educational or benevolent institution, we laud them to the sky, as spirits worthy to be called great! Can the giving of money secured in an unrighteous manner atone for wrong unrepented of?

Whether we want to believe or not, the gulf is widening in America between Wealth and Poverty. In spite of the gifts of the rich they are becoming richer. In fact the gift is sometimes made the occasion by which more money can be put into the rich man's treasury. These conditions cannot continue and this country retain her glory.

But, we do not have to go to the palace of the immensely rich to find the spirit that disregards the need of the world's poor. We are in a mad rush for dollars to use for self, regardless of the other man's need. Let us be careful lest we be caught and carried with the tide. "Whoso hath this world's goods and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how doth the love of God abide in him?" It does not, it can not. The wealth of God's universe He has given to man, and whatever portion of it any man may possess must be used for the good of humanity and not for self.

Think not for a moment that the giving of a few paltry dollars exhausts our obligation to mankind. As long as we have the means, and there are unfortunates in need, so long are we bound to minister unto them.

He is dead whose hand is not open wide,
To help the need of a human brother;
He doubles the length of his lifelong ride,
Who gives his fortunate place to another,
And a thousand million lives are his,
Who carries the world in his sympathies.
To give, is to live; to deny, is to die."

Next Sunday night, "The Devil's Trio." Come and bring a friend.

LOW INFANT DEATH RATE.

Lady Stout, wife of Sir Robert Stout, chief justice of New Zealand, says that the infant death rate is lower in her country than in any other place in the world except Victoria. According to her statistics 214 babies die before they are one year out of every 1,000 born in Hungary; in Germany, 190; in France, 149; in England and Wales, 174; in Scotland, 125; in New Zealand, 77; in Victoria, 70. Lady Stout also says that before the granting of equal franchise to the women of New Zealand and Victoria the birth rate was very low. For the first few years after the decline continued, then the birth rate took an upward turn, which has continued ever since until now it is higher than that of England and Wales. These are, in Lady Stout's opinion, two strong arguments in favor of equal franchise.

GREATEST TRUTHS INFINITE

Immortality of the Soul and God Great Truths That Cannot Be Proven.

The great things cannot be proved. God cannot be proved, nor can the immortality of the soul. Argument is finite, and the great truths are infinite. What one believes of the infinite things one must feel. This is the privilege of the soul, whose existence is the corollary of this feeling. The great truths of God, of immortality and of the soul are the objectives of the intuition, or the longing, of the aspiration, which are above logic, reason and science, and the more they are cultivated and strengthened the closer one gets to the great facts of God and immortality. These thoughts come to us in noting the observation of Mr. Edison, who doubts if we have souls. If he could prove the soul's existence in his laboratory, we would have doubts, too. The hope, the yearning of the heart, the love of virtue and the sacrifice are things that do not get into Mr. Edison's crucible, and yet they belong to the formula of truth. We don't argue with a skeptic one minute. He cannot convince us, nor we him. We love him and go our way.

MILLIONAIRES OF GERMANY

Growth of Large Private Fortunes in the Fatherland is Comparatively Recent But Rapid.

A German income tax statistician gives interesting particulars of the comparatively recent growth of large private fortunes in the fatherland. Heading the list in Frau Bertha Krupp von Bohlen-Halbach, who was before her marriage Germany's wealthiest heiress. She has to pay on \$46,750,000. Five years ago she was still richer and contributed to the imperial exchequer on the basis of a fortune of \$53,500,000. Next comes Prince Henckel von Donnersmarck, the kaiser's friend and owner of various industrial undertakings who has increased his fortune during the last 15 years from \$12,400,000 to \$44,250,000. The third is the duke of Ujest, of the Hohenlohe family, a bachelor, who has improved himself in the last decade from \$13,500,000 to \$37,750,000. The fourth in order of riches is Baron Goldschmidt-Rothschild of Frankfurt, who owns \$26,750,000. The greatest capitalist of Berlin is Ernest von Mendelssohn-Bartholdy of the banking firm of that name, who possesses \$10,750,000. He, however, comes only seventeenth on the general list. The 16 richest people in Germany do not reside in the capital. The modern town of Kassel has a magnate Karl Henschel, whose wealth amounts to \$11,500,000.

GREAT JUMP AT LOWESBY HALL.

Lowesby hall, Sir Frederick and Lady Fowke's place in Leicestershire, was the scene of a great jump of the famous Lord Waterford, the third marquis, who took his horse over the dining room table without touching anything on it. Lord Waterford was celebrated for many other achievements of a different kind, but all his escapades were due to the wild Irish blood of the Beresfords, for after he married the lovely Miss Louisa Stuart, one of the two beautiful daughters of Lord Stuart de Rosethay, he became a most devoted husband and led an irreproachable life. One of his escapades was most amusing. While living in Dublin with his uncle, the archbishop of Armagh, he had a row one night with his carman over the fare. Going inside he put on his uncle's gown and trencher, then went out and asked the jarvey what he meant "by trying to cheat his nephew." A sound thrashing followed, and the man related afterward that he had been thrashed by the primate.—Court Journal.

JUDGE FOUND TRUE BILL

Thought Dissenting Opinions Would Insure More Care in Preparation of Case.

One of the New England judges prepared an opinion in a certain case, and then sent it around to the other judges. In due time it came back with a vigorous dissenting note from one of the judges who had examined the opinion. The judge who prepared the opinion then wrote the dissenting judge as follows:

"I am glad you have made a dissent to the opinion in — vs. — for it insures more care at least in the preparation of the case.

"My feelings, however, are similar to those of the little fellow who, having in his morning devotion expressed the wish that the Lord might be able to make his brother Charley a good boy, in his evening prayer said: 'I still hope, Lord, that you can make Charley a good boy; but to be frank with you, it don't seem to me the real Charley has changed a d-d bit since morning.'"

A FRIEND.

"Are you a friend of hers?"
"Yes, indeed. Whenever there's a man she's particularly anxious to win I'm the one she invites him to meet."

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Pecosites Attend Masonic Grand Lodge.

On the 4th instant, T. Y. Moorhead and this writer boarded the T. & P. train for Waco, the place of meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons. At almost every station representatives of lodges came aboard for like destination. Upon arrival at Fort Worth, we were met by our generous, noble-hearted companion, Dr. Jim Camp, who accompanied us to our destination. Upon our arrival in Waco, we were soon domiciled in boarding quarters. On arrival at the Temple, we were greeted by numerous old friends and formed many new acquaintances. The Grand Lodge was opened promptly at 9 a. m., on the 6th instant. The regular routine business was transacted and everything seemed to be in perfect harmony, but the climax was reached when Dallas lodge entered and presented the Masonic Trowel to the Grand Lodge. The presentation speech was delivered by the Worshipful Master of Dallas lodge, which was responded to with a few well chosen remarks by the Grand Master. The trowel is of the ordinary size and of pure silver. It was made in the City of Jerusalem, and started on its voyage around the world three years ago, and is expected to be returned to Jerusalem within ten years from the time it was started. The trowel is symbolic of brotherly love and affection; used to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, which unites all Masons into one association of friends and brethren, whereoever dispersed over the globe, into one band of brethren, amongst whom no contentions or quarrels should ever exist, except that noble contention, or rather emulation, as to who can best work and best agree.

There were 90 applicants before the committee on work, out of which number 60 were granted certificates, Pecos lodge having two members in that number—J. A. Leeman and T. Y. Moorhead. The Grand Lodge reports show that there are in Texas 1,030 districts and 50,000 members.

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Merchants and business men at Toyah contributed about \$50 toward filling the stockings of the children of that town and it is said the Christmas tree was loaded and not a child went away empty handed.

GILL AND HIS TROUSERS

Old Story of Man Who Trusts His Only Pair of Trousers to Hotel Employee.

It was the old, old story of the man who trusts the only pair of trousers he has with him to a hotel employe.

"Kern" Gill and Charles Fath, contractors, went over to Toledo not long ago in connection with a big contract they had landed in that town.

When Gill prepared to retire he noticed that the creases were partly erased from his trousers. As he desired to present as natty an appearance in a strange town as possible, he placed them outside the door and telephoned down to the clerk for the bell boy to call for them and have them pressed.

Next morning—as it is to be expected in a chronicle of this sort—when Gill got up half an hour late for an appointment and desired most keenly to catapult himself into his trousers with all reasonable speed he found of course that the nether garments had been delayed in transmission. The night clerk had gone home and nobody about the hotel knew anything about a pair of trousers. Neither did any of the cleaning and pressing establishments in the neighborhood. Everybody that Gill asked about the missing garments looked at him and shook their heads stupidly, as if they didn't think he ever had a pair of trousers.

About noon the pair were found in the elevator, under the elevator man's seat, where the bell boy had placed them while he answered another call—after which said bell boy forgot them as completely as if they had been dream trousers. During the intervening hours Gill was obliged to sit in his hotel room dressed only—dressed without his trousers, and swear in a rough, uncouth manner. And Fath stood around and laughed till he gained four pounds and a quarter.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THE CUSTOM OF HELIGOLAND.

The recent death of Pastor Schroeder recalls the fact that what Gretna Green was to this country in the good old days Heligoland was to the continent of Europe. It must have been somewhat an inconvenient place to reach when time was of importance, but until the German marriage laws of 1900 came into operation the pastor held a lucrative position. The custom of Heligoland had simplicity to recommend it. All the pastor required was a declaration signed by a magistrate to the effect that the parties were not bigamists. Presenting this affidavit, the pastor at once joined the applicants in holy matrimony. The new German law destroyed the best part of the pastor's stipend.

HIS THOUGHTS.

"Do you adore me?" she whispered.
"Yes," he answered. "You are my idol thought."

BELINDA WAS ABSENTMINDED

A Little Happening Causes Her to Liken Herself to a Storied Grandfather.

"You know the old, old story," said Belinda, "about grandfather and his spectacles, how one day when he wanted them he couldn't find them, and how they looked and looked for them, on the floor and under the table, and all around everywhere, and how they finally found them on grandfather's forehead, where he had pushed them back from his nose?"

"Well, this morning when I came to put on my slippers I got one on and then I couldn't find the other, and I looked and looked—and looked and looked—just everywhere for that other slipper, and where do you think I finally found it? Why, it was on my other foot, where I had put it and forgotten it.

"Really, I think I must be as queer as grandfather."

NO MISTAKE.

Senator Newlands, in an address at Reno, said of a millionaire who had failed:

"The poor fellow weathered the terrible panic to go under in a mere financial flurry. He reminds me of Smithson.

"Smithson in the early summer went abroad. He visited London, Paris, Vienna and the other centers, and, though he went slumming night after night, he was not once robbed of a penny.

"But he had no sooner returned to New York than his pocket was picked on Broadway. In telling me about his loss, he said:

"'Abroad, I never lost a cent. Here, the first night I'm back, \$200 goes. This is the land of the free and no mistake, the land of the free—and easy.'"

CREDENTIALS FOR NEW WORDS.

Time was when the editors of dictionaries were exclusive, when a word claiming admission must present unimpeachable credentials, but that time is no more. From an aristocratic literary club, the dictionary has been changed into a census, which presents growing numbers as if they were of necessity increasing riches over which we should rejoice. The chief aim of modern dictionary makers is to surpass all their predecessors in quantity. No word is too obscure, none of too doubtful origin, none too uncertain a risk so far as its "expectation of life" is concerned to fail of inclusion. In their enthusiasm for numbers the publishers of these increasingly ponderous tomes have even been known to "pad" the returns by counting variants in spelling as separate words.

WEAPONS.



"A woman's most dangerous weapons are her eyes."

"Well, I don't know about that. Did you ever encounter a pin in a woman's belt?"

PLAYING AN EASY PART.

Miss Lucy—I have given you six pence, what more do you want?

Tramp—I'm afraid that policeman is going to arrest me.

Miss Lucy—How can I prevent that?

Tramp—Just take my arm, and be talking to me lovingly, and he will think I'm your husband and let me pass.

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"It's so big," said Burleson on one occasion, "that some of its people don't bother about the rest of the country. One day Colonel Edgar, editor and owner of the Lincoln Star, Nebraska, was traveling in the state, and he came to a little railroad station. At that time all newspaper editors had telegraph franks. The colonel wrote out a telegram and carried it into the telegraph office.

"The operator, who was tall and slender and fierce looking, said, 'Charges are 80 cents.'

"'But it's franked,' explained Edgar, pointing to the stamp.

"'No good here,' objected the operator.

"'But it's good anywhere in the Union,' argued Edgar. 'The book of franks says so.'

"'Can't help it,' was the obtuse response.

"'Isn't Texas in the Union?' asked Edgar, thoroughly indignant.

"'Oh,' replied the Texan, 'theoretically, sub; merely theoretically.'"

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Peace-Loving Philadelphia Mag-
istrate.

Magistrate Joe Call believes in
settling trivial cases amicably, and
a dozen times a day he is called upon
to act as umpire, mediator or arbi-
ter, as the case may be.

As the sequel to a neighbors' row
recently, an irate woman proceeded
to the magistrate's office, demanding
a warrant for the arrest of her next-
door neighbor and the husband. The
prosecutor, after paying the \$2.50
which a warrant costs, chuckled with
satisfaction as the constable went to
arrest the pair designated as defend-
ants.

When the hearing was held Magis-
trate Call tried hard to smooth
things down, but, in spite of his
friendly offices, the two women
glared at each other and punctuated
every minute with some tart remark.
In the course of events the magis-
trate sought to have the case settled
amicably, but the woman prosecutor
was insistent that she get "satisfac-
tion."

Sufficient evidence was produced
to sustain the allegation and Magis-
trate Call held the pair in \$300 bail
each to keep the peace. Inasmuch
as they were without friends who
could give that security, he allowed
them to sign their own bonds and
depart in peace.

This provoked the woman prose-
cutor, and after watching the de-
parting neighbors go she turned to
Magistrate Call and said:

"And that's what I get for my
\$2.50? You're not a magistrate.
You ought to be a minister."—
Philadelphia Times.

THE GREAT REALISTS.

While studying the great painters,
I had begun to notice that there was
a certain quality common to all of
them, a certain power, they all pos-
sessed when working at highest pres-
sure; the power of seeing things as
they are—the vital and essential
truth of things. I don't mean to
say that all of them possessed this
faculty to the same degree. Far
from it. The truth of things to
Titian is overlaid with romance; he
is memorable mainly for his magic
color and beauty, while Holbein is
just as memorable for his grasp of
reality. But compare Titian with
Giorgione or Tintoretto and you will
see that his apprehension of the
reality of things is much greater
than theirs. It is that which dis-
tinguishes him from the other great
colorists of Venice—Frank Harris,
in Forum.

DIALECT OF THE AVIATOR

About Time for the Sporting Writer
to Get Busy With New
Sport.

We have been awaiting the time
when the sporting writers would take
up aviating and dignify it with a
dialect that is all its own.

For instance, how is this for a
mild example?

"The premier sky pilot to negoti-
ate the upshoot was Le Blanc, the
pretty boy from gay Patee. Froggie
made a good getaway and split the
ozone smartly on the first grade, hit-
ting up the pace to a mile per on the
side swirl over the bunch of briny
water along the east shore.

"With his chugger tuned up to D
sharp the parlyvo put rings around
the high tower and did the swift
swallow swoop along the ragged edge
of a chunky cloudlet. Then he mo-
seyed earthward, and, jolting old
gravitation in the short ribs, gently
settled down two hops and a skiplet
from the happy little hangar where
his birdie makes its nest."

How's this for a starter?

EXPENSIVE.

"Yes," said the portly passenger
with the noisy tie, proudly, "this
watch cost me a hundred and fifty
dollars."

"Weren't the police able to get
your money back?" asked the meek
little man in the seat just across the
aisle.

JEWELRY INDUSTRY GROWS.

The phenomenal growth of the
jewelry industry, as well as that of
diamond-cutting and setting, is
shown in recent figures of the year's
importations in these lines. In round
figures, during 1910 there were im-
ported into this country diamonds
and other precious stones to the
value of \$48,000,000. Under this
general group diamonds formed a
very large proportion of the total, a
part of them coming in in the nat-
ural form, to be cut and set in the
United States; another part cut, but
not set, the proportion set before be-
ing sent to the United States being
extremely small and included under
the general head "jewelry." The
value of uncut diamonds entering
the country in 1910 was \$10,250,-
000; of diamonds cut, but not set,
\$29,500,000; of other precious
stones, cut but not set, \$7,750,000,
and of jewelry and other manufac-
tures of gold and silver \$3,250,000.
Taking the entire group of diamonds
and other precious stones the total
for 1910 is \$47,750,000, against
\$42,800,000 in 1907 and \$14,500,-
000 in 1900.

THE SWEDISH WAY OUT.

A woman who feels the hopeles-
ness of her own position writes that
if only the law which obtains in
Sweden could be introduced into
England and America it would be a
simple and adequate solution of this
tremendous problem.

In Sweden, if an ill-matched cou-
ple have been separated for three
years, and still have no desire to
come together again, they are free.

Three years is not a long time!
Indeed, some people may not think
it long enough for such a couple to
discover what they really do desire,
but to meet this the period might
be extended; make it five, or even
ten years before the separation
merged into a divorce, and the man
or woman who is seriously unhappy
and unable to spare the money now
necessary to buy divorce will pa-
tiently, nay, cheerfully, wait the
time allotted if confident that the
goal is in sight.—Pall Mall Gazette.

LOYAL



Mr. Scads—If I were to lose my
fortune would you still wish to mar-
ry my daughter?

Count Nomur—Assuredly! A
man of your ability could easily
make another fortune.

WRONG DIRECTION.

Gausler—McFelter always had
such a dread of losing his life in a
hotel fire that he invented a portable
fire escape, which he always carried
with him when he made a trip. But
I guess he lived long enough to wish
that he had turned his attention to
the devising of another kind of life
preserver.

Weigler—Why?

Gausler—He was drowned at sea.

UPLIFT IN PLUNKVILLE.

"How about this barefoot set
you've booked for the op'ry house?
Some of the leading citizens are a
little worried about it."

"We have suppressed all the ob-
jectionable features."

"That's just it. We was afeerd
you would."

HER SPECIALTY.

"That certainly is a pretty little
maid you had at your house. She
had such taking ways."

"Very taking. She took all our
spare cash and our silver."

SHE HAD TO HAVE JEWELRY

Young English Girl Was So Fascinated
by It That She Robbed Her
Mistress.

An extraordinary story of a young
girl's fascination for jewelry and
her consequent temptation to thieve
was heard at Falkirk, when a thir-
teen-year-old girl named Nellie Wad-
dell, pleaded guilty to the theft of a
gold watch and five gold rings from
a house at Ladysmill, in which she
was employed. The articles were
valued at \$230, and the rings con-
tained valuable gems. Accused was
a servant in the house, and when the
family were out she appropriated the
articles and hid them at the back of
a wall. Accused's agent said there
was a large sum of money in the
house, but that had been left un-
touched. Like many of her sex, she
had a strong fascination for jewelry,
and this had led to a sudden tempta-
tion which she could not resist. The
judge said the crime was a terrible
one for such a young girl, and he
put her on probation for a year.

ALL IN THE LABEL.

George C. Boldt said at a luncheon
in New York:

"Americans can no longer be said
to judge a wine by its label. I doubt
if that charge was ever true, and
certainly it hasn't one iota of truth
in it today.

"But a lot of foreigners, failing
here, try in their disappointed rage
to impute to the American business
man a wine ignorance equal to that
of the German innkeeper"

"To a German innkeeper, you
know, a guest once said:

"Look here, I ordered Pontet
Canet, and you've brought me a bot-
tle labeled Medoc."

"'Ach,' said the innkeeper, dis-
gustedly. 'Vat a stoopid donkey dot
Fritz is. I distinctly told him to
put a Pontet Canet label on.'"

LOWELL'S AUTOGRAPH.

Bliss Carman told at a dinner a
story about James Russell Lowell
and a bad boy. "A Boston woman,"
said Mr. Carman, "asked Lowell to
write in her autograph album and
the poet complying, wrote the line,
'What is so rare as a day in June?'
Calling at this woman's house a few
days later, Lowell idly turned the
pages of the album until he came to
his own autograph. Beneath it was
written in a childish scrawl, 'A
Chinaman with whiskers.'"

HIS OPPORTUNITY.

"I am going to propose to the
most beautiful girl in town to-
night."

"Why not do it right now? We
are all alone."

HIS INVENTION



Mrs. Innocent—Your husband
seems to be quite versatile. Has he
ever invented anything?"

Mrs. Slick—Oh! yes. One of the
finest lines of midnight excuses you
ever listened to.

HE WAS AN IMMUNE.

"That umpire," remarked the
stranger in the grand stand, "doesn't
seem to be popular with the crowd."

"Oh, he doesn't mind a little
thing like that," rejoined the na-
tive. "He was formerly a govern-
ment weather forecaster."

THE CITY PHARMACY

WISHES to tender to its friends and patrons its most hearty thanks and appreciation for their liberal and generous support during the past year and wish them a Merry Christmas, with the hope that our future business may be as pleasant and profitable to both parties as it has been in the past, and that we may merit a continuation of your liberal patronage.

We are, with compliments of the season,

CITY PHARMACY

Church Announcements

BAPTIST CHURCH.

9 a. m., Sunbeams meet; Miss Sadie Collins, president.

10 a. m., Sunday School: A. G. Taggart, superintendent.

11 a. m., Preaching by the pastor. Subject: A Forward Look, an Onward Move, a Pure Ideal.

7 p. m., Subject: A saying of Jesus on the Cross.

This is the first Sunday in the new year 1911. Let us go to church and worship Him who controls the seasons and designs the wellbeing of all his creatures.

Strangers and visitors in Pecos are kindly invited to worship with us.

Your brother,
J. B. COLE.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Lord's Day services: Bible School, 9:45 a. m. Preaching and communion, 11 a. m. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Senior C. E., 6:45 p. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

HOMER L. MAGEE,
Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Jan. 1, 1911.—Sunday school at 10 a. m. M. L. Swinehart, supt.

Preaching and communion service at 11 a. m.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. J. Young, president.

Preaching service at 7:30 p. m. The installation and ordination of officers who were recently elected will take place at the morning service, and it is urgent that all members be present

and assume their obligation in receiving these new officers, and also to be present at the communion service.

Bible Study class Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Prayer meeting at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

Everybody invited. All services at the Episcopal church.

A. E. MILLER,
Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

10 a. m., Sunday School, Rev. C. S. McCarver, Supt.

11 a. m., Preaching.

3 p. m., Juvenile Missionary Society.

4:15 p. m., Epworth League.

7:15 p. m., Preaching.

3 p. m., Tuesday at the church, Missionary Society.

7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Prayer meeting.

7:15 p. m. Friday, Teachers' Training Class.

8 p. m. Saturday, Choir.

Rev. E. R. Moose, pastor at Las Cruces and former missionary to Korea, will lecture at the Methodist church on Korea, on Friday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p. m.

You are cordially welcomed to all these services.

HUBERT M. SMITH,
Pastor.

Notice

I am back at the Pecos Drug Company's store ever ready to do your jewelry repairing. My motto is quick service and efficient work.

W. J. W. Richardson.

W. H. Kelly, an architect from Pecos, was here a few days this week, arranging to submit plans and specifications for the new Methodist church to the building committee.—Fort Stockton Pioneer.

Baptist Church Nearing Completion.

The Memorial and Gift windows of the Baptist church have been put in place and are a pleasing array of art. Special designs have been arranged so as to be most instructive and entertaining. The pews and other furniture for the building is being installed, and Mr. Westerman is pushing to complete the entire building in a few days. When completed the house will be turned over to be inspected by the architect and received by the building committee for the congregation. Bro. Cole says due notice will be given the people of the opening services and all the church-going public invited to join in the day of prayer, praise and preaching.

C. E. Cannon of Odessa came in Wednesday with his effects to reside among us. He is a prominent and successful attorney, and will be associated with W. A. Hudson.

I am again doing my own repair work and refer the few people in this country who I have not done work for to the many who I have.

W. J. W. Richardson.

E. T. Read, a big stockholder in the W. T. Read Mercantile Company, is visiting at the parental home in Coffeyville, Kans., where he will remain for a week or so. He is the eldest son of W. T. Read, the head of the firm for forty years.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Jenkins, after a short visit with Rev. and Mrs. Magee, left for their home in Kansas Monday.

Judge Daugherty of Toyah was visiting in Pecos Monday.

Methodist Spelling Bee.

The Methodist people will have an old-fashioned spelling bee at their church this evening, using Webster's old blueback speller. A brief musical program will be rendered before the spelling is pulled off. The gentlemen on one side will try to down the ladies on the other, and all are cordially invited to attend.

Misses Minnie Meek, Mildred McCarver, Curtis Breedlove and Willie Hudson, Floyd Copeland and Jep Miles visited Misses Bernice and Lois Carlisle at the ranch this week.

H. S. Barstow, formerly city sales-agent for the Goode Real Estate Co., now of Barstow, was in the city the first of the week. He is now writing accident insurance.

J. A. Brown was in Pecos this week after a tour of singing in revival meetings in the eastern portion of the state. He left yesterday for his preemption in this county.

Jesse, Frank, Byron and Bishop Patterson, who have been attending school at Snyder came in Saturday to spend the holidays at home.

If your watch fails to give you the correct time, leave it with Richardson and he will adjust its time keeping qualities.

Mrs. Barney Riggs of Fort Stockton came in the first of the week for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Ada Chalk.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Douglass and little son are visiting relatives at Greenville. S. G. will return this week.

WHY MALINDA WAS PLEASED

Glad None of Her Color Was Shown in Hall of Sculpture in Museum.

Booker T. Washington, head of the Tuskegee institute, after a visit to the Metropolitan museum in New York, told this story:

"A Kentucky lady," he said, "visited the museum with her maid, an old-fashioned mammy.

Malinda had never seen an art gallery before, and the nudes startled her in a way that would have endeared her to the heart of Mr. Comstock. But when she entered the hall of sculpture then she was more than startled.

"Land!" she said. "Land sakes! And with dubious shakes of the head she passed before the white beauty of the Venus de Medici, the Apollo Belvidere, the Venus de Milo and the other gracious shapes of snowy marbles.

"Land sakes!"

"Don't you like it, Malinda?" said her mistress.

"Yas'm," said Malinda. "Ah like it well enough, but Ah's powerful glad dar ain't none o' my color here."

RELICS AT WINDSOR CASTLE.

In the "gold pantry" at Windsor castle is the gold tiger's head taken from Tipu Sahib's throne in 1784. It is life size and the teeth and eyes are of rock crystal. Another relic captured at the same time is the jeweled bird called the "peacock" shaped like a pigeon, with a peacock tail. The feathers blaze with precious stones and a great emerald hangs from its breast. According to an old Indian legend, whoever owns this bird will rule India.

CAUGHT THE PEDAGOGUE.

"I understand the rich professor is going to marry the homeliest girl in the summer school. How did she attract him?"

"By distinctly sounding the first 'e' in aeroplane."