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The British steamer *Penon* Sulima, Nov. 23, for Dublin ashore on the sands between Devon and Briton ferry. No fatalities have occurred.

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A terrible accident took place at Taunton. The breakwater at Harbor yielded to the force of the gale and became a tremendous sea. The full play against the shipping of the harbor. Several vessels were driven ashore between a pier and a wharf where they lay grinding each other overboard and their hulls were greatly battered. The damage reached many hundreds of thousands.

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always find J. J. or Frankie Baze
ready to show goods and make
the closest prices ever made west
of Abilene.

We have also added one more
machinist to our force in the
shop which is running in full
time with J. D. Doak as foreman,
which insures prompt attention
and good work in that depart-
ment.

Last but not least; we have
just received a car load of the
celebrated Dandy windmills and
6000 feet of pipe and all neces-
sary fittings for general water sup-
ply and when you want anything
in that line, call around and let
your humble servant figure with
you. Wishing you, one and all,
a happy and prosperous New
Year. Phone No. 2 and be
waited on. Goods delivered any
where in town. Will send to any
of the stables for horses buggies
hacks etc. Wishing you, one
and all, a happy New Year, I am,
yours for business,
W. T. BAZE.

Having within the past year
changed from the grocery to the
dry goods business, and having
enjoyed a more liberal patronage
than we anticipated since the
change, we are indeed grateful to
our friends for their remem-
brances to us and assure them that
we will in future make it to their
interest to trade with us. Wish-
every one as prosperous a New
Year as the old has been, and
more so if possible, we are,
Yours very truly,
W. T. MANRY.

With the beginning of the New
Century and New Year we begin
business as usual, with the larg-
est and most complete stock of
dry goods and groceries in town.
We are indeed thankful for the
very liberal patronage accorded
us the past year and solicit a con-
tinuance of the same. Our store
quarters for anything you
need and we will be
pleased to

urchase or no
nd all a happy
ous New Year, we are,
yours for trade,

NELSON & NATION.

With the very best and kindest
of feelings we wish to greet one
and all of our customers a happy
Near Year. If during the past
year we have in any way mis-
treated any customer in any way
we will gladly make amends if
you will only call. Now thank-
ing you for doubling our sales in
the past year and soliciting a
continuance of your trade this
year we sign,

Your Friends,
DONSON & WASSON.

Dark News.

Miss Isabelle McDow of the
Favorite community visited Miss-
es Etta and Sallie Griggs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson
and daughter Miss Edna of near
Light visited the family of Mr.
Will Scrivner last Thursday and
Friday.

C. E. Reeder after a few days
visit to Weatherford returned
home Thursday.

There was a social gathering
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A.
E. Griggs Wednesday evening.
A pleasant time is reported,
cakes and candy were served.

Quite an enjoyable evening
was spent by the young people
of this community at the home of
Jep Brown last Friday night.

After a weeks holiday the
Bookout School opened Monday.
On a account of cold weather only
four pupils were present.

Mr. Marvin Thompson of Sny-
der visited home folks last week.

Messrs. W. I. and J. A. Scriv-
ner left Monday for Lubbock in
spite of disagreeable weather.

JOHNIE.

Attention Cotton Growers-

After Monday, Dec. 31 Stray-
horn Bros., will only gin on Mon-
days, Thursdays and Saturdays,
owing to most of the cotton being
already in.

Otis Quinn & Bro., have haul-
ed the largest number of bales of
cotton to the gin here this season,
having had 40 bales ginned. A.
M. Goode has had the best aver-
age per acre, making 20 bales off
of 20 acres. Later Strayhorn
Bros., will furnish us a list of a
few of the most successful cotton
growers.

Found in a Stump.

Considerable excitement has
been created recently in southern
Illinois over a discovery made by
Marshal Penrod who lives on a
farm close to the village of Don-
gola, in Union county, says a
Carbondale (Ill.) dispatch to the
Chicago Inter Ocean. Penrod in
digging a black oak stump out of
a potato field close to his resi-
dence found a stone which was
about a foot long and eight inches
in diameter. The peculiar
shape of the stone, which resem-
bled a pocketbook, attracted his
attention and upon a close exami-
nation he found carved on its face
in English the following words:

This stone contains the original manu-
script of the book of Mormon.
JOSEPH SMITH.

The ravages of time had ap-
parently made little headway on
the stone, and upon close exami-
nation he found the stone was
hollow. A hole had been drilled
entirely through it, and at both
ends red cedar plugs had been
driven. Upon removing one of
the plugs several sheets of paper
containing writing in hieroglyph-
ics that could not be deciphered
were found. The characters are
peculiar, following no known line
of ancient writing.

At the bottom of the last page
was found, written in English:
"The finder of this manuscript
will deliver the same to the
members of the Mormon church.
The stone still remains with
Penrod, and already communica-
tion has been made with the
Lake church, giving the incident
of the find."
Mormon
one to

Flour!

There's no woman who wants to make
good bread, that don't want good flour.
They all want to make good bread—Guess
they all do. Did you ever see a woman in
your life that didn't claim to make the best
bread in the country? Well, we keep good
flour. The very best flour which we sell at
\$2.25 per hundred, but that's outside of our
story. There was a lady in our store the
other day buying goods. She was a good
woman; she trades at a good place; she was
a saving woman, because she trades where
she can save money. She wanted some flour
and she wanted the best she could get, be-
cause she makes good bread, (they all do).
She asked us for

Hamilton-Brown Flour

Of course we didn't have it. Hamilton-
Brown don't make flour, they make Shoes,
and they make good shoes. We sell their
Shoes. This woman knew they were the
best Shoes she could get and she knew that if
they did make flour it would be the best she
could get. We thank this woman sincerely
for her left handed compliment to the shoes
we sell. Won't you come over and try our
Shoes and Flour?

Your Money Back if You Want It.

Christmas

Every family in the United States will
certainly think of some one thing that's come
to them within the last 365 days to be thank-
ful for, except, of course,

MR. TURK GOBBLER AND FAMILY,

But he's really thankful more days in the
year than we are. He's thankful 363 days in
the year because they are not our Thanks-
giving and Christmas Days. We could hardly
expect him to be thankful, gay and cheerful
on his family's funeral days.

But while his days are "few" they are not
"full of trouble". He never voted for a de-
feated candidate and had some fellow with a
big healthy laugh come around and hit him
between the shoulders and say, "I told you
so". He don't wander into the wrong store
after a pair of Hamilton-Brown Shoes—allow
the merchant to sell him a pair "just as good
as" and then find out shortly after that there's
no shoe "just as good as". He don't have
those troubles.

Our Customers Don't Have Any Shoe Troubles.

Do you? We can't protect you from the
"I told you so" evil—but we can wipe out
your shoe troubles. We sell Hamilton-
Brown's shoes. Don't get a pair "just as
good as," but come here and get the best.

GET A PAIR THAT WILL WEAR,
That means a Hamilton-Brown.

Peace Maker and Seal of Texas

\$2.25 PER CWT.

NELSON & NATION

OTES.

incannon is to relatives in

& Byrd when you and oysters, serv-

any style. Miss Pearl Clark returned Sunday to Midland after spending the holidays here.

Wellborn will soon have in more new goods. Just come and get prices. J17.

Miss Ines Freeman has returned from Colorado where she spent Christmas with home folks.

Mrs. E. W. Pool returned Monday from a week's visit with friends in Big Springs.

If you want cheap harness goods, go to Wellborn. We are receiving a big stock. 4t

Dr. J. E. Dodson and family returned Sunday from a visit to Johnson county.

Go to Wellborns for seven feet, twist link trace chains, hames, harness goods, wagon covers and horse covers, coll pads. d28

We are quite proud of our correspondent from Dark and hope to receive every week an equally interesting letter.

Assist the band boys in purchasing new uniforms by attending their entertainments Friday and Saturday night.

School re-opened Monday but owing to the prevalence of la grippe was not as well attended as it will be later on.

Oscar Kelley, foreman of the O. S. ranch, came down Monday, accompanied by his wife and child. They report cold traveling.

The coldest blizzard of the season struck here Sunday night, the thermometer ranging only a few degrees above zero until Tuesday night.

Eld. J. M. Austin will preach at the Christian church next Sunday morning and night and will lecture on phrenology on Monday night.

In the deal between Oz Smith and T. J. Faught the other day Thomas J. Faught sold his four sections of land to Mr. Smith. This was included in the sale mentioned in another column.

If you wish THE COMING WEST a happy New Year, call around and pay your subscription one year in advance and see how happy we will look.

Walter Roy, who works on the O S ranch and was here spending Christmas, has been quite sick at the home of W. J. Wilks with pneumonia, but is now convalescing.

It would be much easier for us to report those who have not been sick the past week, as they are largely in the minority, but we are glad to note that none of the sickness has proved fatal.

Last Monday one of the largest deals made in this county was consummated, T. J. Faught selling to Oz Smith one-half interest in his ranch property, stock of all kinds included. The aggregate amount of the sale is \$15,000.00.

A large number of our people were disappointed on account of the plays mentioned last week not being given Friday and Saturday nights, but the prevalence of la grippe prevented.

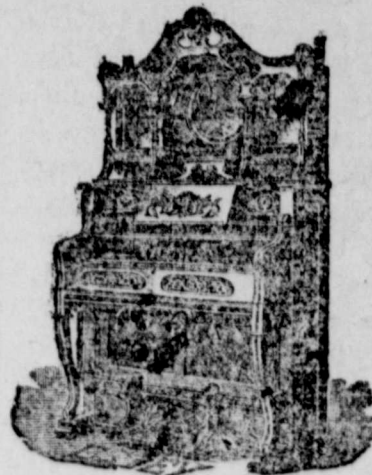
Bill Jones' hack seems to be doing a good business between here and Colorado and we have heard several remark that there was some consolation in at least being able to make the trip in less than six or seven hours, the hack making it in about four hours.

"Our boys of 76" will be presented at the Kidd building tomorrow, Friday, night and "Among the Breakers" on Saturday night. Tickets will be on sale at Nichols' book store and a good time is promised those who attend.

WILSON & GRANTHAM North side square—P. O. SNYDER, TEXAS.

Staple - and - Fancy - Groceries.

Freshest and Purest Groceries always on hand. Free Delivery. Highest price paid for country produce



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One of the most enjoyable events of the holidays was the masquerade Party on last Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Grayum. About sixty invitations were issued and a goodly number of our young people responded. All were in jolly good humor and seemed determined in having as good time as possible as the old year died and the new one dawned.

Mr. Otis Copeland a stockman of Mitchell county, and a partner of Mr. Carlisle Jr. of Colorado Tex. is in Snyder spending the holidays with his Uncle and Aunt Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cotten. He is also visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones of this place, Mr. Copeland being an old school mate of Mrs. Jones. While here, Mr. Copeland was driven over the city and was very much pleased with it, and talked of investing in city property. He returned to his ranch Wednesday morning after spending a very much appreciated visit.

On last Sunday evening at six o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, in the Center-view community. Rev. A. B. Roberts officiated at the marriage of W. L. Rhodes and Miss Katie Chapman. A number of friends were present and after the ceremony an excellent supper was served. We hasten to join their many friends in offering the usual congratulations.

Sheriff L. C. Darby did not take his friends entirely by surprise when on last Sunday he was married to Miss Mattie Thomas. Rev. W. W. Werner performed the ceremony and both the bride and groom have a large circle of friends who join us in wishing them a life of usefulness and of many years. The happy couple will reside in the neat cottage recently erected by Mr. Darby in the east part of this city.

But for the valuable assistance of Mrs. W. E. Jones this week we would have been badly behind, Mr. L. D. Grantham having been unable to work until yesterday on account of grip and Ben Hill, our regular compositor, being confined to his room threatened with pneumonia.

We wish all our readers a Happy New Century.

Telephone Subscribers.

The local telephone exchange was put into regular service Tuesday morning with 37 regular subscribers on the list, besides the long distance lines being connected. There are several more phones to be placed as soon as they arrive and for the convenience of those now using them we publish a list of those connected, with their numbers. As soon as all the phones are in we will publish the full list on good card board and furnish one to every subscriber. The card will also be a business directory of the town.

Business Phones.

- 2—Paze, W. T. 3—Coming West office. 35—Court House. 19—Dodson & Wasson. 26—Dunbar Hotel. 29—Nickas, S. R. 1—Grayum & Co. 5—Girard C. T. & Co. 30—Hallen & Byrd. 18—Kidd, George 23—Light Office. 27—Lockwood, Thos. 20—Nelson & Nation. 18—Pruitt Bros. 21—Reddell & Garland. 32—Wilson & Grantham. 33—Wilkerson Livery Stable.

RESIDENCE PHONES.

- 24—Baker, T. F. 6—Bettes, Dr. S. D. 22—Grantham, A. J. 34—Grayum, F. J. 39—Grantham, L. D. 4—Harris, Dr. Sed A. 13—Harvey, W. H. 14—Jones, W. E. 11—Leslie, Dr. A. C. 36—Martin, P. P. 31—Nelson, W. W. 7—Pool, E. W. 15—Person, Dr. A. G. 16—Reddell, Joe A. 10—Smith, Lon 12—Smith, Jack 9—Strayhorn, Joe 8—Scarborough, A. J. 25—Scarborough, Dr. A. O. 23—Wilmeth, A. C.

The Texas & Pacific teachers association met in Sweetwater the 28th and 29th ult. and Prof. B. W. Hudgins, principal of our school here, was on the program, his topic being "The Art of Questioning," but owing to sickness he could not attend.

Prof. H. C. Alexander will begin a class in penmanship at the school building on next Monday night. The public are invited to be present the first night.

W. T. Many and wife are the proud parents of a baby boy who arrived last night to gladden their lives and home.

F. M. BURNS.

BURNS & DRY GOODS, GROCERIES

We carry the largest and best selected stock in each of these occupying two large buildings. We buy our goods in the lots, spot cash in large quantities, and this enables us to offer the trade. This season our stock is more complete than usual, and in every line.

Ranch Trade a Specialty.

TRY HALLEN & BYRD'S City Restaurant.

EAST SIDE OF SQUARE, SNYDER, TEXAS.

Chili Con Carne, En Chiladas, Tamalas, Short Orders, Fish and Oysters.

Everything first-class and prepared by an Epicurean.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19, 1900. WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Snyder," in the Town of Snyder, in the County of Snyder, and State of Texas, has complied with all the provisions of the statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of banking;

NOW THEREFORE I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The First National Bank of Snyder," in the Town of Snyder, in the County of Snyder, and state of Texas, is authorized to commence the business of banking as provided in Section Fifty-one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and seal of office this nineteenth day of Sept., 1900. [L. S.] T. P. KANE, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency. No. 5580.

We Need Money.

All parties due us either by note or account are requested to call and settle at once. E. T. PRUITT.

B. L. Cooper of Colorado makes a specialty of fine watch repairing. Work guaranteed and prices reasonable.

Bring your hides and furs to Thomas Lockwood, north side of square, who pays the highest price for them.

Doss Bros., of Colorado, whole sale druggists, will give you the very lowest prices on anything in their line and solicit your patronage.

When you want up-to-date barber work, go to Matthew Looney west side of the square.

While settling with others please do not forget your best friend, DODSON & WASSON.

Rooted honeysuckles can be had from Mrs. L. J. Nichols.

The Snyder Bank, established 1890. General banking business.

Dr. A. G. Person's office is at Dodson & Wasson's.

WANTED—active man of good character to deliver and collect in Texas for old established manufacturing wholesale house. \$900 a year salary. Honestly more than experience required. Our reference, any bank in any city. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manufacturer Third Floor 334 Dearborn St. Chicago.

NOTICE.

Hereafter the City Meat Market will be closed at 9 o'clock on Sunday mornings. Oliver Johnson, Prop.

Notice.

I will thresh at my place Jan. 7 to 11 inclusive and will not run any more until next harvest. All parties wanting grain threshed will please take notice. G. H. Barnhart.

DUNBAR -

(Formerly The Scarborough)

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Mrs. Dunbar, Prop.



E. T. PRUITT Cash Grocer AND Dealer in Lumber.

A. J. ROE

COLORADO, TEXAS.

The best place in west Texas to buy anything in the LUMBER LINE,

And don't You Forget it.

Burton-Lingo Co.,

DEALERS IN

Lumber, Sash, Doors, Lime, Cement.

Wire and Posts.

Low Prices, Fair Treatment.

Colorado, Texas.

RIPAN'S TABLETS

Doctors find

A Good

Prescription

For mankind

WANTED—A case of bad health that RIPAN'S will cure. They banish pain, bring life, give relief. Send five cents for the package and prevent its return. RIPAN'S can be had at any drug store. Enclose one hundred testimonials will be mailed free. Address for five cents, Inward to the Ripan Chemical Co., No. 25 Spruce Street, New York.

... Killed.
... Dec. 27.—The ac-
... fearful slaughter of Mexi-
... at the hands of the Yaqui
... in Sonora, Mexico, reached

... attack was made a week ago,
... en Col. Francisco Peinado, com-
... anding a division under Gen. Tor-
... ros, was going across the country
... with a small body of men. At a
... point near La Misa the Indians sud-
... denly fired on the soldiers from am-
... bush. Col. Peinado fell, seriously
... wounded, and five of his officers and
... about thirty men were killed on the
... spot.

This news was brought here by C.
... V. Light, chief clerk to General
... Manager Naumlee of the Sonora rail-
... road at Guaymas. He says that the
... reports of such affairs are kept from
... the press in Mexico, and this fight
... was not sent out on account of the
... press censorship.

La Misa is fifty miles from Gen.
... Torros' headquarters and in a rough
... section of the mountain ranges, and
... it is not known how many of the en-
... listed men or the Indians were killed,
... for no detailed report was made ex-
... cept about the officers.

Col. Peinado, who was wounded,
... is one of the most noted officers of
... the Mexican army. He has been in
... the field against the Yaquis since
... the war began and has often dis-
... tinguished himself for bravery.

Bryan's Message.

Leavenworth, Kan., Dec. 27.—
... W. J. Bryan wired to the Standard
... this:

"Please present greetings to my
... political friends of Leavenworth and
... of Kansas. The principles of Dem-
... ocracy still live and the principles
... for which the fusion force fought
... will yet be vindicated. We can en-
... ter the twentieth century with the
... confident belief that the people will
... soon return to the teachings of the
... fathers and to the traditions of the
... republic."

Expert Testifies.

Tyler, Tex., Dec. 27.—E. P.
... Moxie, the government expert, was
... on the stand again Monday. He went
... into the account of the Tyler Car
... and Lumber company with the bank,
... and testified from the books that the
... total indebtedness of the lumber
... company with the bank at the time
... of the failure of the bank was
... \$56,000.

This indebtedness is composed of
... an overdraft of \$15,000 and notes
... amounting to \$41,000.

Shanghai Pierce Dead.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 27.—A tele-
... phone message received yesterday
... morning from Pierce Junction an-
... nounces the death of A. H. Pierce,
... better known as "Shanghai" Pierce,
... of Wharton county. Pierce was one
... of the best known and wealthiest
... cattlemen in the state. He owned a
... large ranch at Pierce Junction, on
... the New York and Mexican railway,
... where he resided. The message did
... not give any particulars.

While drunk, J. L. McDonough,
... a soldier, shot three men at Wash-
... ington.

At Several Cities.

At Louisville.—Christmas was like
... Fourth of July owing to the great
... noise of fireworks.

At St. Louis.—Everybody seemed
... to celebrate here.

At Roanoke, Va.—The Elks fed
... 500 poor in Assembly hall.

At St. Petersburg.—The people's
... palace was open all day.

At Kansas City.—Five thousand
... poor were fed by Salvation Army.

Ex President Cleveland writes the
... Atlanta Journal that he did not vote
... for McKinley in the November elec-
... tion. This was done in order to set-
... tle a controversy between two At-
... lanta newspapers.

Dowager Lady Churchill was dis-
... covered dead in her room.

Episcopal Bishop Hale died at
... Cairo, Ill.

Luxuriated in a Fog.

New York, Dec. 27.—A dispatch
... to the World from London says:

London luxuriated in a foggy,
... damp and miserable Christmas. Nev-
... ertheless, not for many years has
... Christmas business of all kinds been
... so brisk or expenditures so lavish
... among the well-to-do classes, despite
... the war and the heavy taxation, indi-
... cating that the wave of industrial
... prosperity is still mounting.

AMOUNT OF MONEY

United States Will Demand of the Chinese Empire

ABOUT TWO HUNDRED MILLION

Dollars, This, It is Asserted, Being Not Too
... Large an Amount With Which to Re-
... imburse Americans.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Two hun-
... dred million dollars is the mammoth
... sum the administration wants the
... powers to demand of China as in-
... demnity, yet the figures are likely to
... be many times that amount. The
... United States army has a deficiency
... of \$11,000,000 for transportation
... and army supplies and most of that
... is charged against China.

A determined effort will be made
... by the president and Secretary Hay
... to make the powers agree to the arbi-
... tration of the question by a court to
... be appointed in conformity with the
... provision of The Hague treaty.

Article 6 of the agreement signed
... by the foreign ministers in Peking re-
... quires the payment by China of an
... equitable indemnity of a very sweep-
... ing character. The indemnity to be
... paid to the government is in the
... nature of restitution of the expenses
... incurred in dispatching and maintain-
... ing troops in China, and it is feared
... may be made to include sums to be
... paid to the heirs of those killed in ac-
... tion or to those who received wounds
... during the engagements incident to
... the capture of Peking.

The total losses of the allied forces
... defending the legation were sixty-
... seven killed and 120 wounded, and
... many Chinese in the employ of mis-
... sionaries and the legations lost their
... lives. An idea of the indemnity to
... be demanded for the expenses of the
... several military expeditions may be
... obtained from this table, showing
... the strength of the allies:

Russia 48,500 men, brought from
... Siberia; Japan 22,573, transported
... from Japan; Germany 15,800 men
... and forty-four guns, all but a few
... hundred of whom were stationed be-
... fore the outbreak occurred at Kio
... Chou, being brought from Germany;
... Great Britain 8476 men, brought
... from Hong Kong and India; United
... States 5618 men, dispatched from
... the Philippines and the United
... States; France 5378 men, sent to the
... north from Cochin, China; Italy 1000
... men, transported from Italy, and
... Austria 194 men, landed from her
... warships.

Intruders Killed.

Lockhart, Tex., Dec. 25.—Butler
... Hudspeth, colored, was shot and in-
... stantly killed at the cotton yard at
... at this place. He was caught taking
... cotton from the yard, and when or-
... dered to stop offered some resistance.
... Bine Ellison, one of the public
... weighers at the yard, immediately re-
... ported to the officers, and after the
... coroner's inquest was placed under a
... \$300 bond, which was signed by many.

Proved an Alibi.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 25.—The mys-
... terious "dark" man in the Cudahy
... kidnaping case was arrested Sunday
... from the description given by Miss
... Maud Munshaw, who lives near the
... house in which Eddie Cudahy was
... held for ransom. He is Ed Johnson,
... a laborer in the Cudahy packing
... plant. Headmitted having gone out
... to the Grove street house for the
... purpose of renting the building, but
... proved an alibi.

Ceased to Breathe.

R. Paso, Tex., Dec. 25.—John R.
... Mobly, formerly superintendent of
... public grounds and buildings at Aus-
... tin, and now state quarantine officer,
... is critically ill at his home here. He
... has had an attack of grip for
... some time, and one of the glands in
... his throat began swelling and within
... an hour he was to all appearances
... dead. A doctor was summoned, and
... when he arrived he had ceased
... breathing.

Great Damage.

Macon, Miss., Dec. 25.—News
... was received here that a tornado
... passed through the eastern edge of
... Noxubee county and the western part
... of Pickens and Sumpter counties,
... Alabama, Saturday night about 9
... o'clock, doing great damage to prop-
... erty. No loss of life has as yet
... been reported.

Cotton picking is nearly over.

Most Miraculous.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 25.—The dime
... novel seldom tells a more thrilling
... story than one occurring Saturday
... afternoon at Kill Switch, six miles
... north of Stringtown, Choctaw Nation,
... when southbound Katy flyer No. 5
... ran over a burning trestle, passing
... over just in time to escape a disas-
... trous wreck.

The story of the miraculous escape
... from disaster is told by Conductor O.
... S. Darlington, who had charge of
... the train. "We were coming south,
... making perhaps fifty miles an hour,"
... said Mr. Darlington. "When we
... passed Chickie Chockle the train was
... making schedule time on compara-
... tively level track. Just north of
... Chilib Switch we struck the downgrade
... on what is known as Chili hill. Here
... there is a slight grade down hill to
... the trestle over a little creek. En-
... gineer H. C. Royce was at the thro-
... tle, and fifty miles was about the
... running record of the train. A forest
... fire had been raging in that section
... and the air was thick with smoke
... but the fire did not appear to be
... about the track. Down Chili hill
... the track curves slightly to the left,
... and the engineers seat being on the
... right of the engine, prevented
... seeing the burning trestle over the
... creek just ahead. The fireman was
... putting in coal and the discovery was
... not made that the bridge was on fire
... before he knew it. Engineer Royce
... was almost on the burning bridge.
... There was no chance to stop, and the
... chance to save the train was to put
... it over the bridge if possible, and
... the train sped over like lightning. As
... soon as the last sleeper sped over
... the trestle the emergency brakes
... were applied and in an incredibly
... short time the train was stopped,
... perhaps 300 yards from the trestle.
... As quick as possible the train back-
... ed to the burning trestle and a very
... short time was consumed in getting
... back. By the time we arrived at the
... trestle within several feet of it, the
... entire trestle was virtually burned
... up within eight minutes after the flyer
... passed over it."

Buying Horses and Mules.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 25.—Capt.
... Flegate of the British army is pur-
... chasing 50,000 cavalry horses and
... mules for the British army in South
... Africa. He came here more than a
... year ago to buy horses and mules
... for the British army, but he was or-
... dered home a short time ago be-
... cause it was thought that the Boer
... war was over. But the unexpected
... renewal of hostilities has made the
... purchase of more horses and mules
... necessary.

Well Planned.

London, Dec. 25.—Lord Kitch-
... ner's dispatches, breathing a con-
... fidence hardly justified by their con-
... tents, are almost the inevitable news
... from the seat of hostilities in South
... Africa, but telegrams from Cape
... Town depict the situation in roseate
... hues. Without believing the asser-
... tion of the Transvaal agency in
... Brussels, the 6000 Boers have in-
... vaded Cape Colony, it is quite evi-
... dent that the invasion was a serious
... and well-planned affair.

Queer Quail.

Ablene, Tex., Dec. 25.—As a
... passenger train backed up to the de-
... pot here a quail was discovered on
... the headlight of the engine, and a
... small hole in the glass marked its
... entrance. The engineer said that
... they ran into a covey of the birds
... the night before, and that one flew
... against the headlight. The train
... pulled out with the quail still in the
... headlight.

Got Nothing.

Decatur, Tex., Dec. 25.—Safe-
... blowers dynamited the vault of the
... Bank of Alvord Saturday morning.
... First reports were that the robbers
... had got all the money in the vault,
... but later President Thompson of the
... bank told a reporter over the phone
... that no money was taken, and that
... only a few valuables belonging to
... customers of the bank were missing.
... These will probably be found.

Accidental Killing.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 25.—
... Graham Shaw, a well-known drug
... salesman representing a Cincinnati
... house, was accidentally shot and
... killed at Japan, the county seat of
... Walker county, with a pistol in the
... hands of Guy O'Rear, a prominent
... young man. Shaw formerly lived at
... Jasper. During rush of business he
... was helping in the drug store of J.
... S. Freeman, when O'Rear's pistol
... was accidentally fired.

The Old Man Accounted For.

Bishop Thompson of Mississippi
... said the other day: "I suppose
... there is a larger percentage of old
... men in Mississippi than in any oth-
... er state—at least, it seems so to me,
... and I have been in a good many.
... By old I mean from 80 to 90. They
... are not decrepit old men who hug
... the fireside, but are quite lively old
... fellows. One of them whom I knew,
... a man of 89, recently got a little too
... lively. He went out after dark
... without a lantern, fell into a ditch,
... and was broken up just as if he
... were china. I forget how many
... bones were broken." "How do you
... account, bishop, for this large pro-
... portion of old men in Mississippi?"
... asked some one. "Well," said the
... bishop, "there is no chance to be-
... come rich in Mississippi. Every-
... body knows it and does not worry
... himself into an early grave trying
... to."

Rafts of Roses for Rockefeller.

A short distance from Hunt's
... Corners, in Broome county, N. Y.,
... as the Rockefeller homestead and
... the school house where the million-
... aire received his primary education.
... Near by are several rose bushes. A
... short time ago one of the residents
... gathered a bouquet and sent it to
... Rockefeller as a reminder of his boy-
... hood days. A \$10 bill was returned
... as an acknowledgement of the gift,
... and this has given an impetus to a
... new industry. That rosebush has
... been slipped, transplanted and
... forced until several hundred care-
... fully tended roses are the result.
... These will be done up in bouquets
... by their various owners and shipped
... to the millionaire at \$10 per bunch
...—that is, the donors will watch the
... mails for \$10 bills. Rockefeller's
... courtesy promises to result in a de-
... luge of roses from his boyhood home.

Generous Beecher.

The estate of the late Rev. Thos.
... K. Beecher, of Elmira, does not ex-
... ceed \$3,700. He was known as one
... of the most charitable men of his
... day. He gave away nearly his en-
... tire salary, \$3,500 a year, and many
... incidents of his kind deeds are re-
... lated by those who knew him best.
... On one occasion a few members of
... his congregation, becoming almost
... ashamed of his dress, gave him an
... overcoat. Mr. Beecher gave it to
... a poor man. A second overcoat was
... then given to the minister, and he
... presented it to another poor man.
... When Mr. Beecher's friends gave
... him a third overcoat they made him
... promise that he would always keep
... it. This he promised, and kept his
... word.

Talented American Girl.

Miss Kuehne Beveridge, who has
... arrived in London from Cap Town
... with two commissions for import-
... ant works in sculpture, is not only a
... talented artist but a very beautiful
... girl in the bargain. Miss Beveridge
... was born in the executive mansion
... at Springfield, Ill., while her grand-
... father, John L. Beveridge, was gov-
... ernor of the State. As a child she
... was educated abroad, chiefly at Dree-
... den, where she studied in three lan-
... guages. Of Miss Beveridge Ger-
... trude Atherton recently said that
... in the fair Illinoisian "we have one
... of the most extraordinary endowed
... girls that America has yet pro-
... duced."

To Exterminate the Prairie Dog.

The prairie dog will soon follow
... the buffalo out of existence. The
... agricultural department has found
... that the dogs kill the grass and ruin
... good grazing. The department's
... chemists have put up a compound
... which the little beasts will like, but
... which will kill them no less surely.

In Honor of Liscum.

The Vermont legislature has
... passed a bill authorizing the gov-
... ernor to have painted a portrait of
... Brigadier General Emerson H. Lis-
... cum, who was born in Vermont.
... The portrait will be hung in the
... state house.

Youngest Rear Admiral.

Francis T. Bowles will, upon his
... approaching appointment, be the
... youngest rear admiral in our navy.
... He is 42 years old.

Always a

The morning after
... most recent operation
... hospital, New York,
... was quite certain he
... earth but a few hours
... expressed this view to the
... with such despairing vehemence
... that she feared, if he were not
... speedily rid of the idea, he might
... work himself into a fever which
... would delay his recovery a day or
... two. Therefore, she humored him
... by calling the surgeon. "It's all
... over this time," groaned Reed hap-
... tily. "Nonsense," said that worthy,
... and he winked at the nurse. "No
... such luck! You're good to murder
... any quantity of defenseless
... stage jokes yet." And, to gratify
... the actor, he began feeling him over.
... "Did you ever hear of anybody near
... death with both legs and feet as
... warm as yours?" "Yes," answered
... Reed, bracing up enough to get a
... twinkle in his eye. "Lots of 'em."
... "Who were they?" "Joan of Arc
... and the Salem witches."

Japs Becoming Beer Drinkers.

The Japanese are closely wedded
... to their native sake, a light wine,
... made of rice principally, but in
... which there is 14 per cent of alcoh-
... ol, enough to make the drinkers
... drunk, and they drink great quan-
... tities of it. "As the consumption
... of beer increases in Japan, the con-
... sumption of sake decreases, but our
... people are a very temperate race,
... and are not much given to intox-
... icants of any kind," said a promi-
... nent manufacturer from Japan the
... other day. "The drinkers of beer
... are largely increasing every year,
... and it would not surprise me to see
... the consumption much larger in the
... next few years, for where the Jap-
... anese once become beer drinkers they
... remain beer drinkers. All of our
... beer, as is the case with all beer
... brewed in Japan, is bottled, and
... good profits are made from it. We
... have no saloons as saloons are known
... in this country, and we sell to the
... jobber and to the consumer."

Penny Concert for the Children.

One of the churches in Chester,
... Pa., has introduced what is a novel-
... ty there—a penny concert. These
... concerts are held in the church on
... each Friday evening, being chiefly
... designed for children. The church
... has always been crowded on these
... occasions, both little and big people
... attending in great numbers. They
... are charged 1 cent admission to an
... entertainment that is worth many
... times more, and which is whole-
... some and instructive. The smaller
... children are always given the outer
... seats in front, the larger ones
... the side seats. It is so distinctively
... an affair for children that the big
... people who attend have to content
... themselves with the back seats if
... there are any left.

The Republic of Acre.

During the past fifteen months a
... new republic, known by the name of
... Acre, has sprung up in the forest
... country lying partly in Brazil and
... partly in Bolivia. It has been es-
... tablished by a rich Brazilian banker
... and rubber dealer named Aries, who
... has set himself up as president over
... a community of about 20,000 people,
... all of whom are in his employ. De-
... monstrations have been made again
... the little country by both Brazil and

May Kill by Suffocation.

The Japanese government is said
... to be considering the advisability of
... inflicting capital punishment by
... means of suffocation. It is pro-
... posed to place the subject in an air
... tight chamber and then exhaust the
... air from the box by means of
... pump.

Mark's Daughter a Singer.

Mark Twain's daughter has be-
... come, in a limited degree, a profes-
... sional singer. Her name is Miss
... Clara Clemens. She has studied in
... London and Berlin and her mes-
... soprano is said to be rich and strik-
... ing.

Edison's Motto.

Thomas A. Edison's motto
... work is "Never waste the clock."
... He frequently works sixteen hour
... at a stretch and never notes the pas-
... sage of time.