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Change of Ownership.

R. R. Lively, of Snyder, this morning closed a deal for the plant and business of the Colorado Clipper, and succeeds Mr. Ed. F. Edgely as its editor and proprietor.

Mr. Lively is an experienced newspaper man, having been engaged in journalistic work here before. An able and vigorous writer, witty and keen in his treatment of men and measures, he is capable of making the Clipper a paper that will reflect credit upon the town, and one that will be prized and appreciated by the people.

And Mr. Lively is a gentleman. There is nothing of the blackguard or ingrate in his composition. He will give the people of Colorado a clean local paper—a paper whose mission it will be to give the public more than value received for every dollar they spend with it.

The Stockman welcomes Mr. Lively to Colorado, and bespeaks for him the kind consideration of our people in his effort to give them a first-class local paper. That he will succeed is a foregone conclusion, for Dick Lively is built on the right kind of lines and deserves to succeed. Mr. Lively assumed charge of the Clipper this morning.—Monday's Colorado Stockman.

El Paso Mid-Winter Carnival.

Those interested are not exaggerating in the least when they assert that the Mid-Winter Carnival at El Paso will be one of the grandest, jollifications ever held in the Southwest.

In addition to numerous attractions which have originated in the minds of the promoters and deduced from suggestions of friends, the enthusiastic management has given a heedful ear and observant eye to the successes of Mardi Gras of New Orleans, the Kaliph's pageant at Dallas, La Fiesta de Los Angeles, and various other Carnivals, with the hope that no features productive of mirth, instruction, or interest will be omitted.

The Sons of Montezuma parade will be gorgeous, glittering and grand eclipsing all former efforts in the history of historical pageants.

The volcanic eruptions of Mt. Franklin will afford a thrilling novelty in spectacular illumination.

The Bull Fights, introducing native Spanish Toreadors, will continue each day during the Carnival.

Bands of Indians give their native dances daily.

Cattle Roping, rough riding, prize roping contests between cowboys of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico and the vaqueros of old Mexico, and various other "Wild West" features.

Reproduction of Mexican life. International tournament between golf and tennis clubs of Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Mexico.

Street Fair and Midway entertainments.

Splendid Mexican Music.

In fact, nothing has been neglected. Across the Rio Grande from El Paso is the City of Juarez with its Mexican costumes and customs still unchanged, and the city in itself is productive of unflagging interest.

A few days could not be spent to better advantage than in El Paso during this Carnival. It opens Jan. 17th, 1901, and continues three days. The hotel accommodations will be of the best and prices reasonable. The Texas & Pacific Ry., will sell round

trip tickets at unusually low rates. This is a trip for every one. See any ticket agent, or write for particulars to H. P. Hughes, Traveling Passenger Agent, Ft. Worth, Texas, or E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas.

Dark News.

Mrs. J. A. Scrivner, who has been visiting in Mills county, returned home last Friday accompanied by her brother, Mr. Charlie Welch.

Mr. Anon Riley and sister Miss Minnie visited friends in this community Sunday.

Miss Jettie Brown is visiting Mrs. Knox who lives in Garza county.

Misses Blanche and Beulah Ward of Snyder visited friends in this community Saturday and Sunday.

There was singing at Mrs. Will Scrivners last Sunday evening. A large crowd was present, a pleasant evening reported.

The school at Bokout is progressing nicely, at present there are twenty-four pupils enrolled.

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Telephone Subscribers.

Business Phones.

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

RESIDENCE PHONES.

- 24—Baker, T. F.
- 6—Bettes, Dr. S. D.
- 43—Darby, L. C.
- 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 only absolutely safe place to put money for safe keeping is to put it in postal money orders. You can buy these at any post-office made payable to yourself and if they are lost, stolen or destroyed the government will refund your money anyway. The charge is small and the security absolutely perfect. The government is now keeping millions of dollars for the people in this way. No defalcation, fire or other catastrophe can get your money away from you when it is in this form. All you have to do is to go to your local postoffice and buy a money order payable to yourself and your money is safe.—Appeal to Reason.

An examination of the records at the clerk's office reveals the fact that there were recorded the past year 314 real estate transfers. This however is not all that were made as many are to be recorded yet, but shows something of how the real estate business has been in this county.

Teachers Institute.

Judge W. H. Harvey has called a meeting of the teachers of Scurry county to be held here on Jan. 25 and 26 for the purpose of organizing a Teachers' Institute. Each teacher will be expected to prepare something of interest for the occasion and at that meeting a program for the next will be arranged and the organization perfected. This move is one that should have the hearty co-operation of every teacher in the county, and every patron also, as there is nothing that will tend more to creating an interest in school work than such organizations.

Our race For Money.

"If it is not true that we Americans regard money-making as the work for which life was given to us, why, when we have millions—and more?" writes "An American Mother," in the January Ladies' Home Journal. "It is not so with the older races. The London tradesman at middle age shuts his shop, buys an acre in the suburbs and lives on a small income or spends the rest of his life in losing it in poultry or fancy gardening. The German or Frenchman seldom works when past sixty. He gives his last years to some study or hobby—music, a microscope, or it may be dominoes. You meet him and his wife, jolly, shrewd, intelligent, jogging all over Europe, Baedeker in hand. They tell you they 'have a curiosity to see this fine world before they go out of it.'"

A Washington special says the House has started in with a red-hot fight on the Reapportionment bill. It is not a political fight, however, as the bill reported by the Census committee is not considered a party measure, and members of the delegations from the States that will each lose one member of the House if it goes through are opposing it without regard to politics, and they are claiming strength enough to supplant it with a substitute bill that will increase the representation of a few states and decrease that of none.

In the February number of The Delineator a very careful and fully illustrated description of midwinter dress materials is given. This is in addition to the usual number of fashions shown for women, girls and little folks. Special attention is also given to confirmation wear, and in the dressmaking article, to the matter of fitting sleeves. The Delineator is a thoroughly practical all around magazine for women, and has reached a circulation of over half a million a month.

If a man had a \$50 bull pup he would look after it carefully and not let it run all over the town at night. But if he has a boy it is different. He is turned loose at a tender age to go to the bad and people wonder where all the great army of bums, deadbeats and loafers come from. They are gorminated from pure seed gathered from home, sown broadcast on the streets and alleys. The boy ought to be given an equal showing with the bull pup.—Ex.

The First National Bank Merkel has organized with following officers: J. T. president, G. F. West, and Geo. The new institute books in a Reporter.

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Rolls Oil Portraits.
 "Painting a face," said a noted painter the other day, while conversing on some of the difficulties of his art. "There is one thing which I have found absolutely insurmountable. That is deafness. A sitter may be restless, self-conscious, unable to assume a natural expression, expressionless—there may be a hundred and one difficulties, but all of them except deafness you can get around in some way. You can surprise your subject into animation, make him smile, catch him in all sorts of ways unawares, and by putting this and that together at last get a characteristic likeness. Deafness alone is fatal. You tell one of your best anecdotes, one which you have used brilliantly time and again, and your subject looks blank and says, 'Beg pardon?' You go over to shout the pleasantry into his ear, and by the time you get back to your place again you've forgotten what fleeting look you were trying to watch or else your subject's face has returned to its passiveness. Deafness alone is the one thing which destroys the mutual sympathy of sitter and painter, and the immediate transference of expressions to the canvas, without which a really good portrait is impossible.

The "Home Makers."
 A secret society called the Home Makers has a large membership among the foreigners in the mining districts of Pennsylvania. The purpose of the organization is to provide and maintain pleasant homes for its members and those dependent upon them, and as gossip, careless wives and mothers are held by them to be the cause of a majority of the unhappy, ill kept homes and neglected children, the society believes its members have a right to use every possible means to see that their homes are not neglected. A member who corrects his wife by beating her must do so only after all other means to induce her to do her duty have failed. The society pays for the defense of its members when arrested for wife beating, and in case of conviction pays the fine.

Two Seats for One Man.
 A fat patron of the drama in New York found all of the chairs uncomfortably small. Accordingly he agreed with the manager of his favorite theater to engage two seats for the Saturday matinee regularly. This proposition was accepted, and the money has been regularly paid ever since. One large chair was provided near the stage in place of two seats of the regular size. As the lessee, as he might be called, is usually to be found in his seat at every matinee, the arrangement has proved profitable.

Very Much One Way.
 Parsons Helton, an old-time Baptist preacher of Tennessee, had eighteen sons, sixteen of whom were in the Union army and two in the Confederate. When the old minister had reached his 88th year some one who did not know about his sons' views asked him where his sympathy lay during the war. "My sympathies were with the Union by fourteen majorities," said the old man.

A Penny Puller.
 A Washington street urchin has a novel game for getting pennies. He offers to guess in which hand you place a penny, he to forfeit a penny if he fails to guess correctly. He shuts his eyes while the penny is being placed. Then he rubs each of his middle fingers on the pavement and examines them closely. If the right finger is the blacker the penny is in the right hand, and vice versa. He rarely loses.

Maker Myer's Historic Home.
 James J. Myer, of the legislature, still lives in the house occupied while a legislator. These are a few of the old worth houses in the city. The building is a fine specimen of the old style. The president of the legislature was in the house.

Dimes and Pennies in Water.
 Children are only youthful men, philosophizes Victor Smith. A few years ago intimates who called unawares on Senator Depew found him on the floor frolicking with "Buster." Other distinguished men have found relaxation in playing with their children. The other night the treasurer of a great illuminating company spent the evening with friends in West 57th street. There were a score of guests besides him, and all, laying aside their dignity of years, transformed themselves into children of 10, 12, 14. The night was given up to games, and our treasurer, a man of 55, excelled in parlor tricks. He was quite as good as a monkey show. The real and imaginary children laughed and grew fat over his performances. An amusing and astonishing trick was to fill a pint glass as full of water as possible and then carefully introduce pennies and dimes without causing an overflow. Into one fifty dimes were put, and into another thirty-five pennies without spilling a drop. The whisky and water trick was surprising. Two ordinary bar glasses were used, one filled to the brim with water, the other with whisky, and the object was to exchange the contents without the use of a third vessel and without mixing the liquids. After everybody had given it up, our treasurer laid a thin piece of cardboard on top of the glass containing water and suddenly inverted it with perfect register on top of the glass of whisky. He then cautiously worked the cardboard from between the glasses until there was a slight opening near the rim, and immediately the whisky began rising into the upper vessel, while the water kept falling into the lower. The flow kept up until there was a complete exchange.

Antiquities for Harvard.
 Harvard university is to receive for its Sematic collection ninety-two of the valuable papyri recently unearthed by the Egyptian Fund Society, and which have been for some time in the hands of Cambridge and Oxford professors, who are making a study of them. Among the scrolls are some of Homer's writings, some poems by Sappho, some of the Emperor Hadrian's letters and a portion of St. John's Gospel, which latter, although not supposed to be the original writing, is the oldest copy yet found.

Wide Variance in Pupils' Ages.
 There are 1100 Chinese pupils in Queens college, Hong Kong, varying in age from 9 up to 23, and many of them have family cares in the shape of a wife and children at home. Each year sees a decrease in the proportion of married school boys, and the average age becomes less every year. In its early history boys of all ages were to be found in the school, and it was quite possible to find father and son run a dead heat for the first prize.

Gray Frocks Makes Them Cross.
 Matrons of infant asylums say that a young infant will be cross all day if dressed in a gray frock, but contented and happy if dressed in a bright red frock. Children from 2 to 4 are much less affected by the color of their dress. It is commonly observed in kindergartens that the younger children prefer the red playthings, while the older children prefer the blue.

Still Giving Away Money.
 In spite of Miss Helen Gould's circular sent out to discourage undeserving appeals for charity she continues to dispense aid to a constantly growing number of persons, and during the past few months has given, to individuals alone, considerably over \$5000.

Books at Fancy Prices.
 Rare books are selling at fancy prices. An auction in New York last week resulted in the purchase of a special edition of George Eliot, uncut, for \$300, and a complete first edition of Charles Lever for \$619.75. A Story of Nell Gwynne, in two volumes, brought \$130.

Saved a Leg and Made a Discovery.
 "When the late Dr. Lewis A. Sayre, the eminent New York surgeon, was a young medical student at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York one of the operating physicians was about to cut off an Irishman's leg, but before beginning the operation gave a long talk to the students on amputation. The Irishman lay on the operating table in full possession of his faculties, and as he listened to the discourse he grew whiter and whiter. Finally he jumped from the operating table crying, 'Get me me breeches, be gob; I'll die with me leg on!' And with that he was out of the room. Dr. Sayre found him several days later with his knee badly swollen. The young doctor promptly cut open the knee, but saved the leg. One day he had no lint to bind the wound, so he used the tow stuffing sticking out of an old horsehair sofa. When he called again he found the wound so much improved that he reasoned that tow, dipped in Peruvian balsam, would not only disinfect a wound, but would keep it free from pus. This, according to the Army and Navy Journal, was the foundation of one of the most satisfactory successes he ever had in surgery. It was the means of introducing into the army the use of tarred hemp, or oakum, as a dressing for wounds."

One Clemenceau Case.
 George Benjamin Clemenceau, now a "struggle-for-lifer," in Paris, earning a scant living with his pen, was ten years ago one of the foremost figures in French politics. Clemenceau was thrown up to the surface of affairs by the revolution of 1870, and from that time until 1891 he was as conspicuous as any character in Paris. Arising with the storm of the revolution, he sank in the excitement of the Panama affairs.

The Old Blind Postmaster.
 For more than thirty years Hiram Baxter has been postmaster at Le Sueus, Minn., and has given entire satisfaction to the community, although during nearly all that time he has been blind. When mail is distributed into the 120 boxes Mrs. Baxter calls off the names and her husband's wonderful memory can be depended upon to recollect every letter or newspaper. Baxter also conducts a small store and an inn.

World Prohibit Football by Law.
 The Winnebago county board has adopted a memorial to the Wisconsin legislature asking that body to prohibit the playing of the game of football in the state of Wisconsin on the ground that "it is dangerous to the health and to the life of the persons playing it, as it is now played." The memorial was introduced by Supervisor Nash, of Menasha, whose leg was broken in a game of football.

For Plowshares and Pruning Hooks.
 A dispatch to a London newspaper from Rome says that the pope has ordered that about 150,000 old swords, halberds, spears and battle axes in the vatican armory be melted and the iron sold. A furnace for the purpose has been erected in the vatican gardens. The weapons are useless except as curios, and cost a great deal to keep them polished.

Richest Congressman.
 Congressman Connell, of the Eleventh Pennsylvania district, is the richest man in the lower house of the national legislature. He draws an income of \$50 a day from one investment alone. Mr. Connell was born in Nova Scotia, and is one of the largest coal operators in the United States. Fifty years ago he was working as driving boy in a coal mine at 75 cents a day.

Honors for Sir Julian.
 Columbia and Harvard universities do their best to honor Sir Julian Pauncefort, the British ambassador, by conferring at this commencement season the degree of LL. D. upon him.

Japan Wants Our Cotton.
 K. Hiyama, a representative of the Japanese government was in El Paso beginning a tour of the United States and Mexico. Mr. Hiyama is a highly educated gentleman and speaks English, Spanish, German and Chinese fluently. He is the head of a new department established by the Japanese government which might be termed a commercial, or international trade bureau. He landed at San Diego, Cal., several days ago and will visit every part of the United States and Mexico before he returns to the orient. "Japan is fast coming to the front with other manufacturing countries," said Mr. Hiyama, "and especially in the matter of cotton manufacturing. 'We are now operating sixty large cotton mills in Japan and are supply nearly as much cotton goods as the country can consume. We are not satisfied with that, however, and are reaching into China and other oriental countries. Until a few years ago most of the raw cotton used in the Japan mills came from India, but we have found the American article cheaper and for many things better than the Indian and Egyptian cotton. I will visit Galveston, New Orleans and Atlanta especially on this one thing, and thoroughly investigate the shipping situation. We have been buying most of our cotton machinery in England heretofore, but I think will buy mostly from the United States in the future. This country can make better and cheaper machinery than England can and it will pay Japan to buy machinery where she gets the raw cotton."

"Trade between the United States and Japan and China is rapidly increasing," continued Mr. Hiyama, "and will increase more rapidly in the future. Heretofore our people knew very little of the resources of the United States, and the people here knew or cared less about us. A closer relation has been established lately, however, and great results to both countries will come."

"It is this matter that I am instructed to look after most. I shall endeavor to tell the people here something of our business and the field we offer for trade and assist in building up the trade between the two countries all I can."

"The recent war in China and the opening of the Philippines will work wonders for the United States. The trade of all the Philippines and of a good majority of China justly belongs to this country and there is no reason why it should not get it. Outside of machinery there is practically no American manufactured goods used in the orient when compared with other countries, and when the people there learn that they can get cotton clothing and other necessities of life cheap enough in this country, they will begin to use a great deal of them. Of course, they must have something for their own raw products, but they can get it when the commercial relations of the two countries are brought closer together."

"The war in the Philippines can not last much longer and when it closes a difference can be plainly seen in the value that country is to the United States. They have raw material that they have no use for and need the manufactured goods of this country. Japan does not expect much from the Philippines, but now has a good trade with China and expects to have a much better business in the future. Our best trade with China now is manufactured cotton goods, and that is bound to increase. The cheap labor in Japan makes it possible for that country to lead in the production of cotton goods, and even the United States can not hope to compete except in the matter of quality. We make good goods now and are putting in better facilities all the time, and in the near future can put up any quality of goods made in the United States."

After his trip over Mexico Mr. Hiyama will return through El Paso and then visit every part of the United States.

The Week of Prayer.
 The Dallas Pastors' association met in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. building. There was a consideration of the matter of holding a week of prayer at the beginning of



POURS WITHOUT SPILLING.
 The improvement in measuring vessels illustrated below is intended for use on vessels which as at present constructed cannot be filled to the brim with a thin liquid without spilling a portion of the contents when the attempt is made to pour them into the receiving vessel. As both customer and salesman want accurate measurement and the latter dislikes to have the measure dripping on the floor, the invention may prove of practical value to the storekeeper. The invention is cheap, adding but little to the cost of the plain measure, and consists of a metallic lip attached to the upper edge of the vessel. The peculiarity of the device is that it tips downward instead of up, and only a slight tilt is necessary to start the liquid running into the receiver. As the lip extends out from the measure the liquid will

CYCLES OF EVOLUTION.
 The National Academy of Sciences, which has been in session at Brown university for two days, has adjourned. The most interesting subject of the day from a popular point of view was Prof. Alpheus Hyatt's discussion of cycles of evolution, says a Providence dispatch to the New York Post. He showed that after certain forms have been elaborately developed there is a return to simpler forms. His first paper was entitled "Progressive Evolution of Characters in the Young Stages of Cephalopods." He showed that in an examination of fossil remains of cephalopods we do not find a steady progress through the successive geological eras, but in each era from the Potsdam deposits down to the present there appears a series of forms which show the general trend of development. It is true that the simple first form in each period is much more complex than the corresponding form in the period just passed, and also that the final forms are in each case more highly specialized, but these last forms are not in direct relation with the series just before or just following. After a time, however, that is, in the triassic era, just succeeding the carboniferous, the final form in the series begins to show signs of degeneration. This is continued until we find forms suggesting very strongly forms belonging to the earliest era, and the first stages of development.



LIP FOR MEASURING VESSELS.
 not run down the outside either at the beginning or end of the pouring, and, the lip being perfectly plain, it is an easy matter to wipe it dry.

As the characteristics of the lower forms, retained through heredity, have accumulated, they have at length become so numerous as to crowd one another, and we find the most essential ones disappearing, until at length the form stands stripped of what it had taken millions of years to produce. This period is called a cycle, and it may seem remarkable to find that in the development of an individual of the more complex forms we find represented all the stages in the cycle of the race.

At this point Prof. Hyatt presented his second paper, "Descriptive Method of Presenting the Phenomena of the Cycle of Evolution Among Cephalopods." With the faith of science in the certainty of nature's laws, he developed a mathematical theory of relation between individuals of different stages of development and in the different eras. Of course, gaps occur in the series of forms as arranged according to the theory, but these are found to be consistent relations between the stages represented upon either side of the gap. According to Prof. Hyatt, then, we may anticipate the time when biology shall be called an exact science, through the application of mathematical formula.

HOLDS MILK STOOL FIRMLY.
 It is a somewhat difficult task to hold a milk pail between the knees while filling it with the lactical fluid, and it is not always a wise plan to set the pail on the floor beneath the animal's udder, both for sanitary reasons and because of the danger of an accidental upset. An Iowa inventor has recently patented the combined



A COMBINATION PAIL-HOLDER.
 stool and pail holder illustrated below, with the idea of providing a secure place for the pail and yet permitting it to be instantly removed when desired. The front edge of the stool is cut out in a semicircle, and at one side are secured metallic straps which fasten with a latch and form with the stool a circular well into which the pail is lowered. The milkman may now seat himself on the stool and draw the latter forward until the pail is catching the streams of milk. This invention should prove useful when the pail is nearly full, if at no other time, as the weight is then much increased and tilting the pail must also be avoided.

From Star to Nebula.
 Some of the astronomical photographs made at the Harvard observatory reveal the fact that in April, 1899, a new star appeared in the constellation Aquila. At first its spectrum resembled the spectra of other new stars but in October a photograph showed that the character of the light had changed, and now its spectrum was that of a gaseous nebula. Last summer a telescopic observation of this curious object was made by Professor Wendell at Cambridge, and he confirmed the evidence of the photograph showing that it had become a nebula. Such occurrences are rare, and one explanation of them is that they are the result of collisions in space, the heat developed being sufficient to turn solid matter into gas and vapor.

Why Steel Rails Break.
 In 1895 a steel rail on the Great Northern railway in England broke into 17 pieces, causing a serious accident. A committee of the board of trade, appointed to investigate the cause of the breakage, has only recently made its report, after four years of work on the subject. The committee ascertained that the particular rail which broke on the occasion described possessed certain abnormal features the precise origin of which remains undetermined, but the investigation led to several discoveries of scientific and practical importance. Among these is the surprising effect of cracks in the upper surfaces of rails. It was found by experiment that a rail nicked with the chisel to a depth of a 64th of an inch broke under a weight of 300 pounds falling from a height of 20 feet, while the same rail not nicked resisted the fall of a ton weight from a height of 20 feet.

High-Flying Clouds.
 The science of clouds has attracted many devotees within the past years, and photograph has greatly assisted in advancing it. Clouds stars, become far more interesting to the non-scientific observer of them when he knows the names attached to them. While the grandest and imposing form of cloud is the cumulus and pinnacled cumulus which frequently accompanies thunderstorms, most beautiful is the feathery cirrus clouds sometimes extending to enormous elevations. While their mean height is about 29,000 feet, the height of Mount Everest, they have been measured at an elevation of 40,000 feet, or more than nine miles. They move with great velocity, about ninety miles an hour on the average, and in winter sometimes more than 200 miles an hour.

A Telescope and a Microscopic Man.
 Dr. A. A. Common, the English astronomer, in illustrating recently what the telescope and the microscope have done in extending the powers of vision, employed the following figures: Imagine the size of an eye, and therefore of a man capable of seeing in a natural way what the ordinary eye sees with the aid of a large telescope, and also the size of a man who could plainly see with his natural eye what we see with a powerful microscope. The first man would be a giant several miles tall, and the second a midge, a very small fraction of an inch in height.

Living Light.
 A Frenchman, Raphael Dubois, reports to the Academy of Sciences the results of experiments with phosphorescent animalcules in producing an illumination useful to man. By cultivating, in suitable media, a large number of micro-organisms capable of emitting light, Monsieur Dubois succeeded in illuminating a room with a degree of intensity about equal to that of moonlight. No radiation of heat appears to attend the production of this physiological light.

Birth of the Yellowstone River.
 Recent studies of the geology of Yellowstone Park have led to the opinion that the waters of Yellowstone lake, now the head of the Yellowstone river, once flowed off southward into the Snake River. At that time a comparatively small stream followed the course of the magnificent Yellowstone canyon, which had not then been excavated to its present great depth. The head of this stream gradually gnawed its way back until it cut the divide enclosing the basin of the lake, and by thus diverting the waters of the lake formed the Yellowstone river.

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Use Pe-ru-na for Coughs, Colds, Grippe and Catarrh—A Congressman's Letter.



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With so many children to take care of and to protect from climate and disease, these wise and prudent Sisters have found Peruna a never-failing safeguard.

Columbus, O., July 10, 1909.

The Peruna Medicine Co., City:

Gentlemen—A number of years ago our attention was called to Dr. Hartman's Peruna, and since then we have used it with wonderful results for grip, coughs, colds, and catarrhal diseases of the head and stomach.

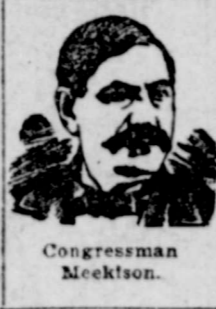
"For grip and winter catarrh especially it has been of great service to the inmates of this institution."—Sisters of the Good Shepherd.

The following letter is from Congressman Meekison, of Napoleon, Ohio:

The Peruna Medicine Co., City:

Gentlemen—I have used several bottles of Peruna and feel greatly benefited thereby from my catarrh of the head, and feel encouraged to believe that its continued use will fully eradicate a disease of thirty years' standing. — David Meekison.

Dr. Hartman, one of the best known physicians and surgeons in the United States, was the first man to formulate Peruna. It was through his genius and perseverance that it was introduced to the medical profession of this country. Send to the Peruna Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book written by Dr. Hartman.



Congressman Meekison.

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CONSUMPTION

Shipbuilding in Maine.
The shipbuilding industry in Maine has been very active during the last year, and it is estimated that the new tonnage turned out at the shipyards of the Pine Tree state will amount to about 55,000 tons for the year, 10,000 tons in excess of the output for 1899. Thirty-three schooners, most of which are very large in size, have been launched this year, and the outlook for next season is very encouraging. There has been some talk of building a seven-masted schooner, 350 feet long, at Camden, Me., and the contract will be awarded soon.

Great Beefsteak Dinner.
Commissioner Lantry, one of the New York Tammany leaders, has given notice to all the other leaders that his annual beefsteak dinner will be served on the evening of Feb. 14, and that they must not arrange for any other festivities on that day. The Lantry beefsteak dinner has grown to be the biggest thing of the kind in New York city. Last year it was served in the Grand Central palace, and so many thousands of men were fed that the counters lost track of them. This year the feast will be greater than ever before.

Scene Off Coast of Bangor.
The other day a man was showing to Joseph H. Manley a series of water color sketches purporting to be scenes in Maine. Mr. Manley surveyed them with considerable interest until a beach scene was on the tapis.

"Where was that painted?" Maine's national committee man asked.

"On the coast of Maine," was the reply.

"But what part of the coast?" insisted Mr. Manley.

The man, evidently stumped, thought deeply, and then his face lit up.

"Why, off Bangor," he exclaimed.

One of Private Allen's.
Congressman Allen of Mississippi is not one of those who holds back a good story for relationship's sake. He tells the following anecdote:

In the campaign a Democratic orator met a Mississippi farmer who was driving a goat which was drawing a barrel of water. "What's that goat worth?" asked the orator. "Two dollars," said the owner. "Under free silver that goat would bring \$4," rejoined the orator. "Yes," drawled the farmer, "and I reckon that if I had this barrel of water in Shoel it would bring \$1000 easy."

If a man hasn't a wife there are a lot of things he never finds out until they happen.

The trouble about doing a favor is that the people you favor never let go until forced.

Some girls who light the parlor fire for their lover have the kitchen fire to do likewise after they wed him.

A man may compliment his wife in public, but woe to him if he speaks disparagingly.

Some women seem to wed in order to get rid of their husbands.

The Twentieth Century.
We now stand at the threshold of the twentieth century, and the nineteenth is a thing of the past. It will, however, be known as the century of invention and discovery, and among some of the greatest of these, we can truthfully mention Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the celebrated remedy for all ailments arising from a weak or disordered stomach, such as dyspepsia, indigestion, flatulency, constipation and biliousness.

The bed should never be moved oftener than once a week.

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Is the most important period in a woman's existence. Owing to modern methods of living, not one woman in a thousand approaches this perfectly natural change without experiencing a train of very annoying and sometimes painful symptoms.

Those dreadful hot flashes, sending the blood surging to the heart until it seems ready to burst, and the faint feeling that follows, sometimes with chills, as if the heart were going to stop for good, are symptoms of a dangerous, nervous trouble. Those hot flashes are just so many calls from nature for help. The nerves are cry-



Mrs. Jennie Noble
ing out for assistance. The cry should be heeded in time. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was prepared to meet the needs of woman's system at this trying period of her life.

It builds up the weakened nervous system, and enables a woman to pass that grand change triumphantly.

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Begins in the growing. Anywhere between the plantation and the coffee pot the flavor may be changed, the quality spoiled by carelessness, inexperience, or unscrupulous methods. From the time Arbuckles' Coffee leaves the hands of the grower until it reaches the user in a sealed packet, it is handled with the same watchful care, the same thought for cleanliness, that you would give any article of food that goes on your table. That's the reason it costs the grocer a cent a pound more than its cheap imitations. The extra cent you pay for

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Be sure you get Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee. Other package coffees are but imitations of Arbuckles'.

In each pound package of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee there is a list of articles. With each package in which the list is found the purchaser has bought a definite part of some article to be selected by him or her from the list, subject only to the condition that the signature on the package is to be cut out and returned to our Notion Dept. You should see this list. Address all communications to

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Dream of a Jailor's Wife.
Mrs. C. W. Simmons, wife of the jailor of the Sedwick county (Kan.) jail, was warned in a dream that an attempt would be made by the prisoners to force the grating. She awakened her husband and insisted that he should go and ascertain if all was well. Simmons investigated and found Charles McCoy, alias Ross, under sentence for horse stealing, engaged in sawing the iron bars between himself and liberty. Nine other prisoners were with him, and a wholesale delivery was contemplated. The prisoners were overpowered.

The Pleasures of Old Age.
No sane man would like to live his life over again. It is astonishing how the ordinary affairs of life seem to adapt themselves to your added years. One's pleasures are quieter, but as enjoyable. To live in the lives of your children, to watch their progress, the development of their minds, is a source of pleasure. Then one has music, reading, gardening, etc. May I also add that I took the advice of an old friend some years ago, who said the two things most likely to give pleasure in declining life were to learn whist and to play the violoncello?—Spectator.

The Hoarding Habit.
The hoarding habit is a most unaccountable one.

A woman whose husband is a successful business man with a large income never parts with the discarded articles of her wardrobe until lack of storage room compels. In those storage rooms you will find gowns of the style of ten years ago—utterly worthless for wear now and of little value.

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Isn't it singular how many "lodges" meet when a ballot show is in town?

Some girls do all their house work in the parlor.

FEMALE WEAKNESS CURED.
I was troubled with severe female weakness for over six months. I was treated by six very prominent physicians without any marked benefit. My last doctor was a skilled specialist, and he told me the only hope lay in an operation. I heard of Smith's Sure Kidney Cure, and after using it for one month I find myself cured, and even the doctor who last treated me now pronounces me well.

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STOCK MEN ALL GOING.
The fourth annual convention of the National Live Stock Association at Salt Lake promises to be the largest and most interesting gathering of stockmen ever held in this country. Salt Lake City is going to cover itself with glory in the manner in which the visitors will be entertained. The convention will be held in the Assembly hall of the Mormon church and a grand concert will be tendered the delegates and visitors in the Tabernacle on the first evening. The programme of the entertainment committee contemplates events for each evening of the convention and after the convention adjourns, there are excursions to the mines and elsewhere. Colorado is going to send a large delegation and the Denver & Rio Grande railroad will run a special train, leaving Denver Sunday, January 13, which will reach Salt Lake City the next day in time for the committee meetings. The fare for the round trip will be \$18 from Denver, Colorado Springs or Pueblo and one fare from other points in the state. Those contemplating going should engage sleeping car accommodations at once. Write to S. K. Hooper, general passenger agent, Denver, or see any Rio Grande ticket agent. It will be a delightful midwinter trip, and no stockman who is interested in the industry can afford not to attend the meeting.

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C. H. Crabtree, Des Moines, Iowa, will on request explain all about the Glaxo Infant Food-Making company; extremely interesting; write me.

Cows and birds will come home, so will lies.

A HIGH MARK.
The New York Almanac for 1901, issued by Chas. H. Fletcher of New York City, has set a high mark for similar publications during the new century, and shows remarkable enterprise on the part of the publisher when we consider that it is intended solely for free distribution.

The artistic colorings of the cover, the accuracy of its calendars and its fund of information all go to make it well worthy of personal and preservation. It has innumerable hints for mothers as to the care of children. A unique page is the "Baby's Record" page, which is in blank, to be filled in with baby's name, date of birth, cut first tooth, etc.

The whole is a very creditable piece of work and may be procured at any drug store or direct on request, free.

No one should attempt more than they can accomplish.

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