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PREDICT WAR WITH JAPAN

European Press Is Busy With Rumors

CLASH INEVITABLE

Kaiser Says United States Will Be the Victor After a Long Struggle

Special to The Telegram.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Again the European press is busy discussing the possibility of a conflict between the United States and Japan. It seems to be the settled belief of the military and naval experts both of the continent and Great Britain that the clash is sure to come, but there is a wide divergence of opinion as to the time that is likely to elapse before actual hostilities are precipitated.

Many students of world affairs are of the belief that the next five years will see the war fleets of the two nations facing each other in the Pacific, stripped for action, while others put the day off as far as twenty years.

Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany is said to have told his confidantes that he considered the conflict as inevitable. It is known that he is watching the drift of affairs in the Pacific ocean with keen interest and that he believes that the United States will be the victor after a hard struggle that must extend over a considerable space of time.

Will Control Pacfic

In St. Petersburg the interest is still greater. The Russians are confident that the United States is destined to control the Pacific ocean and they are equally strong in the belief that Japan will never allow this until she has been whipped into submission. It is because of this belief in the future conflict between Japan and the United States that the Russian government has suddenly stiffened its backbone in the negotiations that are now going on between St. Petersburg and Tokio over the question of colonization rights on the Amur river.

A high naval officer of Great Britain said today:

"So long as the United States clings to the Philippines she will be a menace to Japan's supremacy in the Pacific. Manila is recognized by experts of the art of war as the key to the Orient. Lying within striking distance of Hong Kong, Singapore, Yokohoma and Canton, she will always command the highways of Oriental commerce. As a commercial outpost, Manila has no superior in the world when its geographical condition is considered, at a comparatively small cost it could be so fortified as to defy all the navies in the world.

"In the event of war Japan might temporarily wrest it from the United States, but that would have but a trifling effect upon the final outcome of the conflict.

"The United States, with her tremendous resources in men and money, would surely crush Japan in the long run, and when the terms of peace were dictated from Washington, as they would be, the Philippines would pass back to the United States' control. Of course, every effort will be made by the officials of both nations to avoid a conflict, but there must be a point of impact somewhere sooner or later.

"You may set it down as a fixed fact that the United States, from that time on, is going to control the destinies of the Pacific."

TWO KILLED IN A RAILWAY WRECK

Passenger Train Crashed Into Freight

Special to The Telegram.

DONALDSONVILLE, La., Dec. 15.—A disastrous wreck which caused the death of two men and the serious injury of two others occurred here this morning at 7 o'clock, when the early morning Texas & Pacific eastbound Cannon Ball crashed headon into a westbound freight train.

The freight train had orders to proceed to Whitecastle before switching and expected to reach that point by 7:30 o'clock. When it reached a point about two miles above here, between Gary and McCall stations, it met the belated Cannon Ball coming at full speed. The whistles of the freight train shrieked to stop the fast coming train, but to no avail, and the locomotives violently plowed into each other.

Both engines and the express car of the passenger train were completely demolished. The tender of one of the trains was thrown into one of the section houses near the track, crashing thru the walls, and the occupants narrowly escaped with their lives.

The dead are:
J. D. ALLEN, white mail clerk, New Orleans.
JOHN RAFAEL, negro, of Donaldsonville.
The negro was killed while stealing a ride on the rods of one of the freight cars.

The injured are:
Express Messenger T. C. Woodworth, Marshall, Texas, who was seriously if not fatally hurt.
T. F. Teams, the colored assistant mail clerk.
Both the engineers and firemen of the two trains escaped unhurt.
None of the passengers on the trains were hurt, tho a number of them were considerably shaken up. Agent W. B. Sharp, when seen this afternoon, stated that so far the responsibility of the wreck had not been placed. The body of J. Allen, the mail clerk, was taken on the afternoon train to New Orleans for burial. The injured were taken to the hospital in New Orleans.

Fifteen or twenty lions suddenly visited the town of Chorumo, in British Central Africa, the other evening at dusk and killed and ate eleven persons. The other inhabitants fled in their homes and the lions prowled thru deserted streets.

RACE WON BY FOLGER

Score at End of Race Is 2,292 Miles, 2 Laps

NOT A FAVORITE

Small Crowd Saw the Finish of Six Day Bicycle Race in New York

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Sprinting as if his life depended upon the power of his legs, Joe Folger, who, with Eddie Root, forms the "Little Old New York" team, tonight won the six-day race in Madison Square Garden, with Hardy Downing of California second and Rult of German third. The tremendous cheering which accompanied the end of the most exciting six-day contest was missing. It was an unpopular victory but in the final terrific spurt Folger won on his merits.

Score 2,292 Miles, Two Laps

It was the third successive time the team of Root and Folger had captured the highest honors in the annual event. Last year it was believed that Root again would jump in and stand the awful strain of the last half hour. But to prove that there is no weak end to the combination the team decided to let Folger show what he could do. Folger whirled to victory by only a few inches and when he sped over the mark thousands hissed the man who is regarded as having been an unfair opponent to Bobby Walthour of Atlanta, Ga., and Johnny Bedell of Long Island, who have been idolized by the throngs which packed the garden during the week.

So great was the displeasure of the multitude and so freely expressed that the winner circled only half of the saucer in the parade which always follows the finish of the race.

The thousands in the garden refused toforget the fact that Folger had been the man who, at critical moments, when Walthour or Bedell or some other dangerous opponent was wrestling a lap, that he "fell" and thus deprived the contestant of the advantage within his grasp. They refused to believe that the consistent tumbles of this man, so timely for his and Root's interests, were all accidental, and tonight they shrieked their belief from rafters to the track.

As Folger strode off, the names of Walthour and Bedell thundered in his ear from 10,000 throats, and his face became drawn, his muscles almost ragged.

Eight teams finished—Folger, partner of Root; Downing, mate of Hoopert; McDonald, Coffee's colleague; Downey, tied up with Moran; Metling, Logan's ally; Clark, harnessed with Pye (Australian), and E. Georgett of the Georgett brothers.

Cheers for Walthour

Just before the "race" was called off so that the eight leading teams might fight the final battle of a mile, Walthour brought the mass of men and women to their feet. It was one of the most magnificent scenes ever witnessed in such a battle. The man, who, in his inmost heart, knew he had no chance, left after the deal he had been given, shook hands with his trainers and a few friends and strolled back to the track where Johnnie Bedell was burning up the wood in a sprint.

The pick-up the popular rider made of Bedell was wonderfully smooth. Judges had no chance to say there was anything amiss as they said there was with one made several days ago by Bob. Every man on the track excepting MacFarland and Moran were caught off their guard by Walthour, who seemed to skim like a thrown ball around the track. He worked every muscle in his body. His face was contorted with the agony of the effort but the grand, deafening, friendly voices that rolled thru the garden cheered him on. Everyone was his friend. When Bobby caught MacFarland and Moran 150 feet ahead of the bunch, the cheering became deafening and then Bedell shot out on the track and relieved his comrade, whose sprinting powers had waned under the frightful strain. Bedell picked Walthour up in clean cut shape. There was a yelling of orders among the crowds by the track side, scurrying of half dressed riders followed and soon every man in the race was either on edge to relieve his partner or trying to catch the trio of sprinters who were whirling dizzily ahead. After the finish the men paraded. Walthour was missing from the bunch.

Ten thousand spectators jumped to their feet and yelled for him. No previous six day race exceeded in clamor and enthusiasm the reception he received as he rode out to their view. Downing then ran up to the judges and claimed he had won, so close had the finish been. When assured that a few inches had separated him from victory he shook hands with Folger and retired.

Audience Was Small

The night audience was the smallest that ever saw the finish of a long grind. Yawning patches of chairs showed in the reserved section and the floor space of the infield was not overtaxed. In the galleries, the firemen saw to it that the aisles were kept clear.

The crowd was boisterous, but not unruly. A big cow bell in the hands of a gallery enthusiast made a terrific din until silenced by an attache. A few cloth advertising signs on the galleries were torn from their moorings and dropped on those in the lower tiers. That and frequent showers of torn newspapers was the extent of the rowdyism, except the deafening noise every time a rider appeared about to make a sprint that never came.

The fate of the race hung in the balance early in the evening. Health Commissioner Darlington and a dozen sanitary inspectors, backed by ten of the police health squad under Sergeant Gray, took a hand in the game. Police Inspector Billy McLaughlin and thirty policemen were ready for the word to "clear the buildings." It was a toss-up whether to take the riders' word for their buoyant spirits and good condition or the evidence of their eyes in the examination of each man. While the men were forced to leave the track for examination, the management hurried to find attractions to keep the crowd quiet. Any old thing served the purpose, a motor examination, "against time" match races between any one they could find in a hurry to fill in a long wait.

After twenty minutes D. D. Bensel reported to his superior that all was well and the race proceeded. McFarland was much in evidence during the last few hours at taking the burden of weary peddling off Root's shoulders,

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TUNNEL TO COST FOUR MILLION

Work Was Completed on Saturday

Special to The Telegram.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 15.—The tunnel of the Southern Railway Company thru Lookout Mountain was completed this morning. The work has taken thirteen months for completion and the tunnel is three thousand six hundred feet long and encountered a huge cave near the center which was bridged. The work was begun at both ends and the calculations were so exact that the two holes met with a divergency of only an inch and a half. The work, when completed, will cost $4,000,000.

CREMATED HIMSELF

Soaked Body in Whisky and Then Ignited It

Special to The Telegram.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 15.—Lewis B. Frey, a saloon keeper of Benwood, one mile south of here, saturated his clothing with whisky and then ignited it. He was in a room of the Dolan saloon at Benwood and the first the other people in the house know of what he had done was when they smelled smoke. The door of his room was battered down and his charred remains were found on the floor.

ROBBED SMALL BOY

Highwayman Threatened Death if He Told

Special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15.—While returning from the city, Fritz Schreiner, a 14-year-old boy, was set upon by two footpads. One held him while the other rifled his pockets. Only $1.50 was secured. The highwaymen threatened to kill Schreiner if he told of the incident.

TO ALL OUR READERS

GIBBONS DEFENDS LEOPOLD'S REGIME

Agitation Because of Religious Jealousy

Special to The Telegram.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Cardinal Gibbons tonight made reply to an attack made against him by Dr. H. Grattan Guiness of London, in this city last night, in a meeting of the Congo Reform Association.

"I have observed in the papers that an emissary of the Congo Reform Association has made a personal attack on me for my attitude in defending King Leopold's administration against these unjust attacks, and I feel very grateful to the reverend gentlemen, who was good enough on that occasion to get up and defend me.

"I note, however, that even my defenders accused me on the ground of my ignorance of the question. My position on the matter has always been very clear. I have naturally means of keeping in close touch with the situation thru our missionaries, who are on the spot.

"There has been a great amount of exaggeration in these stories of maladministration. The king is a wise, as well as humane ruler, and we hear thru missionaries and missionary sources, that whenever cases of cruelty have occurred, as such things will occur under every human government, the king has been prompt to redress such abuses and to punish the offenders.

"His recent decrees granting the natives additional lands and ameliorating the condition of the native laborer, are an added evidence of his desire to do right and do everything possible for the good of the native subjects. I understand that these new laws are now being put in operation as rapidly as possible thruout the Congo state.

Religious Jealousy

"I fear this agitation against King Leopold's administration is animated partly by religious jealousy and partly by commercial rivalry. It is to be hoped that the individuals who are carrying it on will not be successful in their efforts to induce the great powers of the earth to interfere in the affairs of the small nation.

"The Belgian nation is small, but they are a brave people, and as indicated by the action of their parliament yesterday, they stand solidly by their king in supporting his African regime.

"With the attitude of the American government, I don't concern myself. As I said before, I have means of information thru the missionaries in the field and I have no doubt the American government will be fully informed of the situation by its consul general out there. I may add in defending the Belgian administration of the Congo that I have no personal nor selfish motive to subserve but am actuated solely by a sense of justice and fair play. My zeal is quickened by the very consideration that the assault is made upon a weaker power. I would willingly make the same defense in behalf of Holland, Sweden, Denmark or any of the weaker powers if it were demanded."

MEXICAN'S TRIAL TO BEGIN MONDAY

Cases Will Be Vigorously Defended

Special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15.—Monday morning the nine Mexicans in jail here, charged with murder, robbery and kidnaping in connection with the Jiminez raid Sept. 26, wil be given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Neill. This hearing will be to determine the matter of their extradition.

The cases of the Mexicans will be vigorously defended, District Attorney Thurmann of Del Rio being their leading counsel. This will be particularly the case with Pedro Gonzales, Memtrio Castro and C. V. Marquez, the three Mexican newspapermen of Del Rio under arrest.

The other six Mexicans are Juan Jose Arredono, Pedro Arreola, Marcio Arrsola, Trinidad Garcia, Felix Martinez and Blas Montalvo.

Arredondo is charged as being the real leader of the Jiminez outbreak and the Mexican government is more determined on securing his extradition than any of the others. In case he is released by the United States commissioners, the immigration authorities here have a warrant to arrest him for deportation on a charge of not being of suitable moral character to remain in the United States.

The Mexicans will be prosecuted by County Judge Griner of Del Rio and United States Attorney Boynton of Waco. The cases are being pushed by United States Consul Enrique Ornelas of this city and it is understood that much of the evidence will be furnished by detectives who were in the employ of Colonel W. C. Greene of Cananea.

BRYAN ADVISES CONVENTION

Letter From Nebraskan Read at Guthrie

Special to The Telegram.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 15.—William Jennings Bryan in a letter to the constitutional convention, read today, makes many suggestions about the organic law for Oklahoma. The convention voted thanks for the suggestions. Bryan recommended that a majority or two-thirds of a jury decide verdicts instead of unanimous vote. He also advised that the reading of reports of crimes should not disqualify a juror, as the reading juror is better than one who does not read. He advised for initiative and referendum laws and franchises and laws of direct primaries, a corporation and railroad commission, contempt trial by juries, party representation on all election boards, that campaign expenses be borne by communities instead of parties, chartering of corporations in state, that no director be director in a competing corporation and that no corporation have monopoly large enough to fix prices, and inheritance tax.

Another important recommendation is for a board of arbitration for labor troubles composed of three members, two others representing parties in dispute to be added in each case.

L. T. Russell, editor of the Ardmore Democrat, resigned as secretary to President Murray, as the result of differences over the printing. On the motion of Haskell, holiday adjournment will be from Dec. 21 to Jan. 2. A revised report of the finance committee showed that printing would cost $40,000 and the convention and election deficit would be $126,000, which congress will be asked to make good. President E. A. Calvin of the Farmers' Union writes from Texas that he will address the convention in January. T. C. Harrill of Wagoner, democrat, withdrew his contest against Harris, republican, in the interest of the party, but still alleges fraud by Harris.

INDICTED FOR MURDER

Taylor and McClanahar Fought a Pistol Duel

Special to The Telegram.

TULSA, I. T., Dec. 15.—Tom Taylor was indicted by the federal grand jury of assault to kill. Three years ago Taylor and John McClanahan fought a pistol duel. McClanahan recently died, it is said, from wounds received in the duel.

CLASH WITH THE PRIESTS

Doors of the Seminary Are Forced Open

BISHOP IS EJECTED

Cardinal Richard Notified That He Must Leave Official Residence

Special to The Telegram.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Violence at two important points marked the war between church and state today. The government found it necessary to call out troops and in one instance they battered in the doors of a seminary to expel the inmates. This has added greatly to the excitement and tonight there is a feeling of nervousness in all circles. People are beginning to realize at last that the ministry is fully determined to enforce the law and even the church officials have been reluctantly forced to admit that they have on their hands a much harder fight than they planned for. It is evident that they have been taken by surprise and are plainly worried over the outlook.

The first serious clash occurred today in Arras, where the bishop was summarily ejected from his residence last night.

He refused to leave till he was forced to do so and then a great crowd gathered. They hooted the police and hurled stones and eggs at them. The police charged the mob and after a hand-to-hand fight several of the gendarmes were hurt, but none of them seriously. Many persons in the crowd sustained severe bruises and a large number were locked up.

Forced the Door

Then it was found necessary to force the doors of the great seminary. In the meantime the monks had barricaded the doors with the trunks of trees and mattresses. Men were stationed at every entrance and when the gendarmes arrived they met with a hot resistance. Bringing up heavy timbers, they battered down the doors and finally forced their way in. Even then the monks and their assistants kept up the fight till they were literally overpowered. Several were roughly handled and two were taken to the hospital. Quiet was restored only after the streets had been cleared and the inhabitants told to remain within doors.

There was another riot in Barbentanne. The police in that place were ordered to take possession of the church property and when they undertook to do so a large crowd overpowered them and threw them into jail. It was several hours before they were released by the troops. Early in the day the government saw that there was going to be trouble and they ordered two squadrons of dragoons to town.

The riot was in progress when they arrived and they were ordered at once to clear the streets, which they did in double quick order. There were many fights and several persons were hurt but order was restored before night and the auspices notified the government that no further trouble was anticipated. Great excitement was aroused in Paris when the report spread about the city that authorities had decided to expel Cardinal Richard, the archbishop of Paris, from his official residence.

The cardinal has been ill for several days and for that reason he has not been disturbed. Today, however, an emissary of the ministry served formal notice on him that he would have to go. At the time he was surrounded by a number of priests and minor church officials.

His reply to the notice was that he would leave only in the face of actual force and the emissary departed, saying that he would report the matter to his superior for his decision. It was then noised about that the cardinal was to be expelled. Immediately priests from all parts of the city flocked to the cardinal's residence. At the same time about 500 of the most prominent Catholics of Paris wended their way in the same direction. Among them was Count Boni de Castellane and many members of the old nobility. They declared that they would resist any attempt of the police to expel the archbishop, but as the police failed to appear, they finally dispersed. A tremendous crowd had gathered in the street and for a time it looked as if there was going to be serious trouble.

A large number of divinity students were mingled with the crowd, as well as several members of the chamber of deputies. For more than two hours the crowd lingered about the residence of the cardinal. Tonight there is absolute quiet. The council of ministry has drawn up a project dealing with the crisis. It includes a proviso for the continuation of public worship and consists of six articles. The proposed bill gives the state immediate ownership of churches, vicarages and seminaries. Worship may be organized under a new law, combining the laws of 1881 and 1901.

From all accounts of Rome's side of the question, it is believed that the vatican has fallen back on the modern method of calling on public opinion to fight the battle for it. By arousing foreign governments to express their opinion on the action of the French government, the pope hopes, in case the opinions are favorable to his cause, to bring sufficient pressure to bear to effect a restitution in some way or other.

The warm sympathy expressed by Catholics in the United States has tended to strengthen the pope greatly. It is believed that the attitude of the Episcopals in the United States has done much to encourage him to make a stronger stand against the aggressiveness of the French state.

Special to The Telegram.

ROME, Dec. 15.—The troubles of the church in France and the keen anxiety felt over the outcome, have told on the health of the pope, which has never been strong since he became pontiff. His holiness, who has remained up late night after night, receiving and answering dispatches, is now obliged to remain in bed and secure much needed rest. His indisposition, which is reported as not serious, is thought slight, but it is thought that it is best for him to remain in bed until his strength be recovered. At the vatican it is said that no alarm is felt over his condition.

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$35.00 Fur for $22.50—A rich brown fox with double stripe effect around collar, which is extra wide, long pendants in front, ending in three tails on each. Total length of Fur from tip to tip, over seven feet; lined with figured satin. Sells regularly at $35.00; sample price.....**$22.50**

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$1.25 BLACK SILK TAFFETA, 98c—A good high grade Black Taffeta Silk; a full yard wide, good weight, good wearing Silk; special value for .....**98¢**

$1.25 PEAU DE SOIE SILK, 98c—A fine extra finished Silk of rich black; placed on special sale at .....**98¢**

SPECIAL—Tomorrow we offer a good 27-inch Peau de Soie; a good $1.25 value, for.....**85¢**

44-INCH STORM SERGE—Genuine Priestley black—saving you a third off the usual price; we offer you at .....**50¢**

$1.25 PRUNELLAS, Mohair, Crispines and all-wool Corenes, Polpins and Tacona; tomorrow at special price .....**98¢**

TOMORROW we offer you $1.25 wool goods—picked from our large assortment; $1.25 Crepe Grenade, Pouderettes and Clay Worsteds in new and popular colors, and guaranteed dyes; for, the yard .....**98¢**

PRIESTLY'S BLACK HENRIETTA — High grade silk warp, a quality which is too well known to require praise from us. Priced for $1.50 values for **$1.39**

$2.00 values for.....**$1.69**

High grade Chiffon Broadcloths, suitable for fine coats or suit making, in fancy new color dyes and delicate tones for evening wear.

$2.25 values for **$1.89**

$3.00 value, sponged and shrunk.....**$2.39**

Christmas Linens

No present is more appreciated by the fond mother or newly married couple than fine Linens. This store carries an assortment which no matter how much you wish to spend you can find something here to meet your wants.

We Offer Three Specials in High-grade Linen Table Sets.

A fine German Linen Table Cloth, with Napkins to match, full bleached, in a beautiful scroll design, sold at $7.50; special price **$6.25**

A $6.50 TABLE SET FOR $5.00—A pure all-linen high-finish full bleached and hemstitched Cloth, with Napkins to match, in a beautiful rose pattern, a beautiful gift, for, the set.....**$5.00**

50c Writing Paper 25c

Fancy boxes of fine Britton Hall Linen Paper, put up in a large box for gift purposes. These papers are of the finest English Bond, paper suitable for the finest correspondence; special price .....**25¢**

Garters in Boxes

Handsome gifts made with beautiful bows and beautiful buckles, put up in glass-covered and lithographed fancy boxes, in all colors; priced at 25c up to **$1.00**

50c Silk Hdkfs. 25c

200 Sample Handkerchiefs, not many for a store like this. They'll be quickly sold; have white center with fancy border, in colors; medium size for gentlemen; nice for gifts; Monday's price .....**25¢**

Silk Umbrellas

With solid sterling and gold plated and rolled handles with pearl insets. Best of paragon steel frame and rod; our assortment of handles gives you wide choice at an economical price for good quality; $2.98 to **$8.50**

Silk Petticoat Sale

Tomorrow we offer you an excellent opportunity to secure you a fine high-grade Taffeta Silk Petticoat. The values we offer are extraordinary, as we are closing out the entire line and take advantage of Christmas shopping to close them out quickly. Note the price; the best in workmanship and Silks finished in fancy eyelet or flowered and embroidered designs, in colors for street and evening wear, in delicate tones and finest tints only; colors the dyers' most expert craftsmen produce; creams, blues, helios, delicate grays, purple, soft greens and blacks. We offer you—

$3.50 Petticoats for **$6.98**
$15.00 Petticoats for **$11.98**
$17.50 Petticoats for **$12.50**

Half of your trouble in planning for the most appreciated gifts of all will be quickly settled if a word is dropped in an inquiring way to the young ladies behind our Art Department counter. Here are many little inexpensive things which make very acceptable gifts and cost but little.

FANCY BAGS MAKE GOOD GIFTS

Everyone, no matter who, likes these catch-alls, which are so handy.

Slipper Bags, made of fancy creton, made to fasten to door of closet or room, acceptable to man or woman; priced from 25c to **$1.25**

Laundry Bags, made of pretty flowered materials, some with cord, others to be tacked to door; even if one has one, another is always appreciated; prices 50c to..**$1.19**

Handkerchief Bags, handy, daintily made from pretty flowered materials, decorated, ornamental and useful, 29c, 50c, 89c to **$1.25**

Traveling Toilet Cases, to slip your soap or wash rag into when damp, rubber lined with snap button fastener; in fancy colored Japanese designs, 25c to **$1.69**

When You Don't Know What to Give

Turn to our Art Department. There you'll find the little things which one always has use for; be it bachelor, maid, mother, father or brother—bags, little things to catch odds and ends in one's room.

A glance at the magnificent display of Art Goods will convince you that we carry one of the finest assortments in the South. Make our suggestive window show a study; perhaps it will help you.

HANDSOME BULGARIAN ART PIECES (hand work), for centerpieces, dresser scarfs and a score of other suggestions for ornamental use are here in large assortment; priced from 59c to **$3.75**

Japanese show their untiring patience by a beautiful display of fine hand-drawn work here; the assortment is wide, in small piece or large. You'll find the choosing of pieces to your liking at little price to ones valued as works of art.

PILLOW TOPS—Souvenir Pillow Tops, a feature, with full directions for making, with sample on exhibition to show you how .....**50¢**

Embroidered Glove Cases, French hand-embroidered effects, also Handkerchief Cases, each .....**50¢**

Pin Cushions, satin covered in fancy bright colors trimmed with dainty lace and ribbons, 50c to **$2.98**

Sample Comb Sale

We purchased the sample Combs of one of the greatest comb makers of the country and now offer them to you at a third off of their regular price. No need to tell you that these are the best, as you well know samples are like apples, the maker always shows his best; and these being from a maker who leads in styles which others are eager to copy, you can draw but one conclusion, you are getting the best. We offer you Back or Side Combs at these prices:

$9.00 Combs, gilt or jeweled, for **$6.00**
$7.50 Combs, gold and jeweled.....**$5.00**
$5.00 Combs, beautiful patterns,....**$3.50**
$3.00 values we offer for **$2.00**
$1.50 values are offered at **$1.00**
And $1.00 Combs at .....**50¢**

Handkerchiefs, Thousands ON SALE

Men's fine Lawn Initial Handkerchiefs, six in a box; we do not break boxes; the box sells for .....**50¢**

Men's pure Linen Handkerchiefs, six in box; a high-grade linen in handsome lithographed box ..**$1.50**

25c Handkerchiefs of fine hemstitched lawn, all samples, each one on a card, embroidered inside of hem; special while they last .....**15¢**

One Place Which Sells Candy at Half Price

We have hunted the market over for the best candy that can be sold. We have found a flowing center high-grade Chocolate, sells everywhere at 50c; Christmas week we offer at by the pound for ....**25¢**

Ladies' and Men's Christmas Shoes

Ladies' Extra High Grade

J. & T. Cousin—a leader over all for style and shapeliness; comes in all leathers, $4.00 and **$5.00**

$3.00 and $3.50 Ladies' Shoes that we offer come in the new college boot, short top, large eyelet, at $3 and $3.50

Ladies' Felt Slippers for Xmas presents, in fancy colors; reds, wines, brown; priced from $1.00 to..**$2.00**

Men's Work Shoes

Heywood—known the world over as the best last maker; known as the easiest shoe for tender feet; price $3.50 and **$4.00**

Made by John Myer (union label), the best wearing shoe made; $2.50 and **$3.00**

Men's Slippers for Christmas—in soft leather, both fancy and plain, all colors and all styles; priced at $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and **$2.00**

Union Suits

Children's Union Suits, which you pay elsewhere 25c for and get no better we offer you at .....**19¢**

Ladies' fleece lined Union Suits, extra well made and finished in ecru or white we offer you in large assortment at prices ranging from 19c to **$1.00**

Ladies' Union Suits, knee length; your choice of heavy or medium length; a very flexible garment; only..**50¢**

Misses' Union Suits, regularly sold at 25c the suit we offer you at a special price; they are hand finished; for..**19¢**

Are You Going Home ?

We have Trunks and Bags

Are you going home for the holidays or perhaps planning a trip? Good looking baggage is a necessity. We have good assortments at lesser price than you pay in a trunk store.

Suit Cases in fiber, looks like leather, steel frame, at $1.25 to **$2.00**

Leather covered over good steel frame, good brass lock, $2.25 to **$3.00**

Solid Leather Cases, $5.00 to **$10.00**

Trunks from $1.50 to **$30.00**

ERS!

Misses Coats

Values at $6.50 to $8.50 in fancy mixtures, new patterns. All this season's newest styles; very dressy, well tailored. We offer as a special your choice of 25 or 30 Coats, to close out the lot, choice..$4.98

nb Sale

Combs of one of of the country at a third off of eed to tell you you well know maker always being from a which others are but one con- best. We offer these prices:

for $6.00
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.....$2.00
.....$1.00
.....50¢

days or perhaps ge is a necessity. price than you

her, steel frame, ...$2.00
ame, good brass $3.00
.....$10.00
.....$30.00

Weak Women

To weak and ailing women, there is at least one way to help. But with that way, two treatments, must be combined. One is local, one is constitutional, but both are important, both essential.

Dr. Shoop's Night Cure is the Local.

Dr. Shoop's Restorative, the Constitutional.

The former—Dr. Shoop's Night Cure—is a topical mucous membrane suppository remedy, while Dr. Shoop's Restorative is wholly an internal treatment. The Restorative reaches throughout the entire system, seeking the repair of all nerve, all tissue, and all blood ailments.

The "Night Cure", as its name implies, does its work while you sleep. It soothes sore and inflamed mucous surfaces, heals local weaknesses and discharges, while the Restorative, eases nervous excitement, gives renewed vigor and ambition, builds up wasted tissues, bringing about renewed strength, vigor, and energy. Take Dr. Shoop's Restorative—Tablets or Liquid—as a general tonic to the system. For positive local help, use as well

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MANY WANT PARDONS

Pardon Board Has Been Busy for Several Days

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The annual rush on the executive department for Christmas pardons may be said to be already in full blast. As all applications or petitions for pardons must first pass thru the hands of the board of pardon advisers, these officials have had their hands full during the last several days. The governor has also been kept extremely busy listening to the arguments of the petitioners who have some unfortunate friend of client languishing in the penitentiary, waiting for a pardon.

It has been the custom in Texas from time immemorial for the chief executive to grant a limited number of pardons during the holidays, but those granted in the past by Governor Lanham have been somewhat less than that of his predecessors.

CONFER WITH CAMPBELL

Plans for Waco Good Roads Meeting in January

Special to The Telegram.

PALESTINE, Texas, Dec. 15.—Colonel W. H. Moore, president of the National Good Roads Association, was in the city yesterday, having arrived Thursday evening from Austin. He came here to see Governor Thomas M. Campbell on the good roads question, the latter being vice president of the state association. He was also in conference with railroad officials and officers of the Board of Trade. A meeting of the State Good Roads Association will be held in Waco to be a very important occasion. The Board of Trade of this city will appoint a delegation to go to the meeting.

Colonel Moore left on the afternoon train yesterday for Guthrie, O. T., where he will address the constitutional convention next Tuesday.

NEW TEXAS RAILWAY

Construction Will Begin Jan. 1, 1907, on New Road

Special to The Telegram.

TAYLOR, Texas, Dec. 15.—M. R. Hall, who is one of the chief promoters of the proposed Taylor, Brenham and Houston railway, says that he and his associates would have the right of way to Brenham completed by Jan. 1, 1907, and that actual construction would then begin. It is probable that before the year 1907 has passed Taylor and Houston will be joined by a new railway line.

Start Now

Ray—I'm going to Paris next year.

Kay—Truly?

Ray—Yes, unless I'm engaged before then.

May—If I were you, I'd begin studying French right away.

Cure Constipation Without Drugs

IN THE PRIVACY OF YOUR OWN HOME. FREE COUPON BELOW.

PROF. T. H. MIDGLEY, Constipation Specialist, Inventor of the Drugless Constipation Cure.

Without the use of pills, purgatives or drugs of any kind, I can and do cure the worst cases of chronic constipation—cure them to stay cured, and restore the patient to a state of health and happiness such as they had never known before. I can cure constipation no matter how bad it is. I can show you how to cure yourself right in your own home without the use of drugs. Constipation is cured for all time when cured my way. Fill out free coupon and mail today.

FREE COUPON.

Fill in your name and address on dotted lines below and mail to Prof. T. H. Midgley, 475 Midgley Block, Kalamazoo, Mich., and by return mail he will tell you free how to cure constipation without medicine.

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SENTER ASKS FOR ADVICE

Issues an Address to His Constituents

DISCUSSES BAILEY

Says Election of Senator Would Menace Success of Democratic Party

Special to The Telegram.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 15.—The following address to the constituents of his district has been issued by State Senator-elect E. G. Senter:

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 15, 1906.

To the Democratic Voters of the Sixth Senatorial District:

The disclosures relating to Mr. Bailey which have been made public since the primary election, creat a condition without a precedent. Under similar circumstances, any conscientious judge would grant a new trial in a case pending before him. There are abundant evidences of a strong public demand for a rehearing in the senatorial matter, and believing that this issue is one which should be settled by the Democratic voters of the state rather than by the members of the Thirtieth legislature, I beg to submit to you the question whether, under the changed conditions, you will now instruct me to vote for or against Mr. Bailey for United States senator. I do not undertake to say how you will should be expressed, but beg to suggest that it can be ascertained without serious inconvenience, thru mass meetings or local primaries. Inasmuch as the time for action s short, I take the liberty of suggestng further that whatever steps you may choose to ake should not be deferred later than Saturday, Dec. 29.

The claim that Mr. Bailey has a vested right to the senatorship by reason of the action of the Democratic primaries and state convention must be considered as any other claim of title. If it is proposed to stand upon technicalities the an swer is that the people's forum only acts as a court of equity. If an equity is asserted the claim must come with sufficient proof of lean hands, and that is the very question at issue.

It would be a cowardly evasion of my plain duty if I did not advise you of my own convictions touching this matter.

Loyal to Bailey

Up to the time of the publication of the evidence in the possession of the attorney general, and the subsequent admissions of Mr. Bailey, I was committed to the view that loyalty to democratic precedents required that every doubt should be resolved in his favor, and in my own mind I have labored long and earnestly to convince myself that I could, without doing violence to my own convictions, make reasonable and satisfactory explanation of the transactions which have lately come under review. The result is, after mature deliberation, that I now come to make public confession of my own mental pettifoggery. All the years of my life have been given to the advocacy of another kind of gospel. From infancy I was taught that Robert Lee's sublime self-abnegation and self-chosen poverty set a historical standard for Southern leadership which no man had dared or would ever dare to trample in the dust. Fortune-getting I believe to be incompatible with a zealous and faithful administration of a public trust. The fact that Mr. Bailey has risen within the brief space of six years, from admitted poverty to affluence, while his time belonged wholly to the public, is a circumstance that in the case of any official should call for afull and candid explanation. Has this been vouchsafed by Mr. Bailey? Let the record speak for itself.

The public was assured that it had been put in possession of the whole truth when this subject was under investigation six years ago. Did Mr. Bailey deal candidly with the public at that time?

In his late speech-making tour thru Texas to explain his connection with the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, Mr. Bailey assumed to tell, with emphasis, the full history of his connection with that company. Did he then deal candidly with the public?

Has the public yet been taken into the full confidence of Mr. Bailey, and have all of the transactions of the same general class as those under review been disclosed? Has the account between him and Pierce and his associates been closed and is Mr. Bailey ready to make an exhibit of the whole to the public eye? These questions are pertinent in view of the slow and tedious processes by which all that the public now knows about this matter have been revealed.

The truth is that all that he has disclosed about the matter has been in belated explanation of some fact which found its way to the public over his violent protest.

Facts Are Admitted

A legislative investigation has been called for, but nothing it could unfold would affect the moral force of these admitted facts:

1. That Mr. Bailey undertook to act as the interceding friend of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company upon no greater evidence of its innocence than a letter of introduction delivered to him by Pierce and written by David R. Francis, whose identity with law defying and trust-promoting interests was at the time notorious.

2. That concurrently with the friendly service which he rendered to the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, Mr. Bailey began to borrow large sums of money from Pierce, that these loans were increased and that they have apparently been discharged by fees charged to Pierce and his associates for subsequent services.

3. That the group of financiers surrounding Pierce have, since the re-entrance of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company into Texas, paid enormous fees to Mr. Bailey which, in the cases disclosed to the public, have been wholly out of proportion to the services rendered, measured by the customs of this state.

4. That Mr. Bailey's reputation as a lawyer was as well established prior to 1900 as thereafter, but that the group of financiers whose clientage brought him wealth did not, as far as the public is advised, seek his counsel or services until after the Waters-Pierce Oil Company re-entered Texas.

It is contended that these controlling facts show nothing more than indiscretion. If that be true, the reply is that there are some kinds of indiscretion which are offenses against the public weal, and this is one of them. It is also true that the case here presented exhausts the possibilities of proofs, whatever might be the circumstances.

The special interests which seek to coax or to lure a public servant into their camp do not commit the folly of making vulgar propositions. The most that can ever be charged or proved against them is that they place Aladdin's lamp in the hands of the official upon whom they have designs and bid him gratify his lust for wealth.

Unworthy of Confidence

If Mr. Bailey was insensible to the meaning of the extraordinary favors showered upon him by Pierce and his associates, can he be safely trusted with the vast responsibilities which rest upon a representative of Texas in the nation's highest parliament? If he divined their purposes, and took those benefits with the concealed design to render no reciprocal services, is he longer worthy either of their confidence or of ours?

We cannot shut our eyes to the significance of the fact that the publication of documents in the hands of the attorney general brought the reluctant admission from the general counsel of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and also from one of the attorneys for the state in the prosecution against it that a large sum of money was paid by the company to that attorney for subsequent services.

It is clear from the evidence which has been published that both Pierce and the Standard Oil Company understood that these transactions with Mr. Bailey were based upon his services in behalf of the readmission of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company. The transfer of Mr. Bailey's obligations by Pierce to the Standard Oil Company and the entries made upon the records of that company declaratory of these transactions are proofs indisputable of the underlying motives by which they were both actuated. These records were made long ago and were not intended for the eye of the public. They are against the interests of both Pierce and Standard Oil, and it must be assumed that they speak the truth as far as these parties are concerned. It is urged that Mr. Bailey is not responsible for the transfer of his notes by Pierce to Standard Oil. Very true. But he is chargeable with notice of Pierce's understanding of the nature of the transactions between himself and Pierce. It is difficult to believe that a man of Pierce's experience could have been misled touching a matter of this sort. He was many times a millionaire and did not need to discount Mr. Bailey's notes in order to raise funds. He is not charged by anyone with being such a penurious trickster as one who would have been who unloaded these obligations upon Standard Oil upon false pretense for the purpose of casting a loss upon it which might otherwise have fallen upon himself.

Influence Is Gone

Texas is entitled to a weight and influence in congress unimpaired by personal embarrassment on the part of either of its representatives. It must be apparent to every candid mind that Mr. Bailey's influence as a senator is gone. His re-election would furnish the enemies of democracy with lamentable proof of our own laxity of view with respect to our own shortcomings, but it could not rehabilitate him as a national leader. The best evidence that our national standards are still unsullied is given by the fact that no man can long fill a conspicuous place in the confidence and affections of the people of this country unless he wholly eschews the hunger and thirst for wealth.

Another potent reason why I believe Mr. Bailey's course should not be indorsed is that such action would be, in effect, a general license to public officials, the evil results of which would not be slow to manifest themselves in the public service. If Mr. Bailey can do these things and escape censure, why should others hesitate to follow his example? Can it be doubted that such a precedent would sow dragon's teeth in every county in this state?

Shall we permit a lower standard of conduct to a United States senator than would be tolerated in a minor official?

If a district judge should quickly pass from poverty to wealth as the result of favors from a syndicate of financiers who had profited by his action on the bench, could words express the public indignation which would be felt upon the disclosure of the transactions?

In its broadest phases—as it may affect official conduct and public sentiment in this state, and as it may shape the ideals of the young men who are coming on and must soon take up the control of the public affairs—this is a moral issue. Its disposition is of supreme importance, not only to Texas, but to the republic, because it is the first case since the beginning of the government that such transactions as have been traced to Mr. Bailey, on the part of a United States senator, have been presented as they are presented here for approval or condemnation by a sovereign state. If upon such an issue Texas shall not be found upon the side of sound and wholesome public morals, well may the thinking American tremble for the future of this country.

Evasion of Issue

It is a palpable evasion of the issue to declaim against those who have been instrumental in making these transactions public. The skillful lawyer always expends his indignation upon the witness who has brought his client to the bar, but the intelligent juror understands that the quality of the agent's act must be measured by a standard that is not varied by the mechanism thru which the law travels to its facts. A faithful public servant has no occasion to quarrel with those who turn the calcium upon his inner life, and their reasons are wholly irrelevant to the question whether his acts should be approved or disapproved.

There is a graver question here involved than Mr. Bailey's future. His conduct has placed in jeopardy the future of the democracy of the nation. He has, at the national capital as well as in Texas, defiantly announced that he intends to continue in the course for which he is now arraigned. His re-election is sought as a vindication of his conduct. This puts him without giving full and emphatic approval to all that he has done, and in view of his attitude with respect to the matter, who can doubt that he would so construe a re-election? To give him a clear acquittance is to make a jest of every sentence touching unlawful trusts and public morals that will be written in democratic platforms in the next national campaign. It would make Texas and Bailey the fruitful theme of every republican orator who shall take the stump against Bryan in 1908, from Maine to California, and we delude ourselves if we imagine the effect will not be serious to the party. Will such an example tend to invite the confidence of thoughtful voters in doubtful states? Can the democracy of the nation point to the senate unabashed with Mr. Bailey there? This question, it should be remembered, will not be answered by personal friends and partisans, but by the millions of silent voters of the land who hold no briefs for any leader, but who in the quiet of their homes, mindful of no influence save God and country, take counsel with their own consciences.

Beyond all questions of party stands out plain and luminous the fact that we cannot approve Mr. Bailey's conduct without approving wrong for which no penance has been done and no apology has been made. The personal affection which now seeks with all its arts and power to shield him is almost as magnificent as a mother's unquenchable love. He must be dead indeed to the richness of human friendship who can witness without a throb of sympathy the enfolding kindness which it now throws around Mr. Bailey—a touching witness to the greatness which he has so recklessly sacrificed. But while this spectacle challenges our admiration, in the lence of the night, when God reigns and conscience speaks, there stands out luminously this admonition written across the face of the heavens: "For unto whomsoever much is given, of him much shall be required." Respectfully,

E. G. SENTER.

Eruptions

The only way to get rid of pimples and other eruptions is to cleanse the blood, improve the digestion, stimulate the kidneys, liver and skin. The medicine to take is

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Which has cured thousands.

CLUB NEED NOT PAY

Litigation of Two Years Over Ball Player

Special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15.—After two years' litigation, the county court has decided that the San Antonio Baseball Association is not legally obliged to pay the Mobile Baseball Association for the release of Pitcher Jarvis, purchased two seasons ago. Jarvis came here, pitched one game and was released. The Mobile club sued for $127.

KILLED BY OFFICER

Negro Meets Death in Georgia While Resisting Arrest

Special to The Telegram.

GIBSON, Ga., Dec. 15.—Early this morning Charley Harris, colored, was killed while resisting arrest by Marshall Wilkins at Mitchell, Ga. Harris drew his pistol and tried to shoot, but Wilkins was too quick for him, putting a bullet squarely between his eyes. He died instantly. Wilkins was exonerated.

BUYS A NEW BANK

Fort Worth Concern Purchases Sherman Bank

Special to The Telegram.

SHERMAN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The Continental Bank & Trust Company of Fort Worth today purchased the entire assets of the Grayson County National bank of this city, which bank will go into voluntary liquidation at once. The Continental bank will open for business Monday, Dec. 17, 1906, in the banking rooms formerly occupied by the Grayson County National bank. Both of these banks are favorably known to the people of North Texas.

The Test

Washington is practically the only national capital that has no slums at all, but Berlin runs it close in this respect.

New Cure For Rupture

New Scientific Appliance, Always a Perfect Fit—Adjustable to Any Size Person—Easy, Comfortable, Never Slips—No Obnoxious Springs or Pads—Costs Less Than Many Common Trusses — Made for Men, Women or Children

I Send It On Approval—You Wear It. If You Are Not Satisfied, I Refund Your Money.

I have invented a rupture appliance that I can safely say by thirty years' experience in the rupture business, is the only one that will absolutely hold the rupture and never slip and yet is cool, comfortable, conforms to every movement of the body without chafing or hurting and costs less than many ordinary trusses. I have put the price

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so low that any person, rich or poor, can buy, and I absolutely guarantee it. I make it to your order—send it to you—your wear it, and if it doesn't satisfy you send it back to me and I will refund your money. That is the fairest proposition ever made by a rupture specialist. The banks or any responsible citizen in Marshall will tell you that is the way I do business—always absolutely on the square.

Here is what Mr. Jas. Britton, a prominent manufacturer of Bethlehem, Pa., writes:

"C. E. Brooks, Esq. Dear Sir:—I have been ruptured six years and have always had trouble with it till I got your appliance. It is very easy to wear, fits neat and snug, and is not in the way at any time, day or night. In fact at times I did not know I had it on. It just adapted itself to the shape of the body and clung to the spot, no matter what position I was in. It would be a veritable God-send to the unfortunate who suffer from rupture, if all could procure the Brooks Rupture Appliance and wear it. They certainly would never regret it. My rupture is all healed up and nothing ever did it but your appliance.

"JAS. BRITTON."

If you have tried most everything else, come to me. Where others fail is where I have my greatest success. Write me today and I will send you my book on Rupture and Its Cure, showing my appliance and giving you prices and names of people who have tried it and been cured. It is instant relief when all others fail. Remember I use no salves, no harness, no lies. Just a straight business deal at a reasonable price.

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His Christmas

And What Will it Be

Is the puzzling question we ask ourselves when it comes to giving presents to father, brother or friend. Let us hint that which is always most appreciated is the one which is most useful.

This store is full of the practical sort, such as Ties, Suspenders, Fancy Vests, Handkerchiefs, Warm Undergarments, Suits of Clothing or Overcoats—things which every man, no matter how well he is supplied, always welcomes an additional one to his wardrobe.

We offer you these suggestions:

Fancy boxed Suspenders in beautiful lithographed boxes, which anyone will appreciate as a gift, priced at 50c to $1.00; Cuff Buttons in heavy plated effects in gold and brilliant jeweled settings, as well as those in different colored metals, at 25c to $1.00

Men's Fancy Hose. Any man will be glad to receive a box or a single pair of the beautiful lines of fancy hose that we show, or if you wish hose of the more practical sort, we have a large assortment to offer you, where prices range from 5c to.....50¢

A box of Initial Handkerchiefs, 6 in a box, is a very acceptable gift. Made of fine cambric with his initial woven in one corner of the box, for .....50¢

Initial Handkerchiefs, half a dozen in a box, and the boxes are very pretty. The handkerchiefs are of high grade linen, making these one of the most acceptable gifts; by the box.....$1.50

50c Silk Handkerchiefs 25c

A lot of Sample Handkerchiefs which we bought at half price—there are no two alike—most of them have white center with a border about an inch wide, in Grecian or handsome floral designs; we place these on sale at half of their usual value .....25¢

A Suit Will Not Be Amiss

Whether it's for everyday or for better use, this store saves $2.00 to $5.00 on prices you find elsewhere, and gives you

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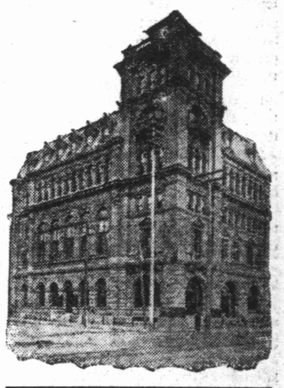

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CHARITY GRAFT NO EXCUSE FOR NOT GIVING

This is the season, if ever, when people's charitable instincts are easily touched, and for that reason it is the harvest time for charity grafters.

In a dozen cities war is being made upon these meanest of swindlers, who not only feather their own nests by lying and cheating, but do so at the expense of the widow and orphan, the sick and helpless, the shivering and starving.

A method of reducing this species of graft urged by legitimate charity workers, is that nothing be given any supposed agent of such enterprises unless he is O. Kd. by some central organization about whose honesty of purpose and method there can be no question.

Surely it is a pity and a shame that what charitable impulse there is in us should ever be diverted to evil. There is none to waste.

Even at this soul-quickening season we are apt complacently to point to the charity grafting as excuse for not giving at all.

When men are cheated in business it never occurs to them that this is reason for their going out of business.

But if they are cheated in charity their first thought is to go out of charity.

Which goes to show how much stronger in most men is the instinct to get than is the instinct to give.

The charity grafter—if he, or she, only knew it—is working one of the hardest games, for the smallest returns, ever worked in the world. And the meanest.

It is people's own fault if they are plucked by grafters. If we gave a tenth part the thought to giving that we do to getting we would not often be deceived.

There is so much nonsensical praise of the charities of the rich, the ostentatious sops which millionaires bestow as solace to their own consciences, that it is well to remember that charity can be worked as a fraud at both ends.

The very rich cannot give real charity to the deserving because they do not know how. They do not know who are deserving and they will not give their own time to find out. They hire secretaries and almoners; but no second-hand charity giving goes to the right spot or in the right spirit.

There is hardly a man near whose home may not be found many cases of deserving poverty and undeserved suffering.

These he can know about by personal inquiry, and these he can help with the certainty that his charity will be in every way beneficent.

This is the giving which is more blessed than receiving, for it awakens sympathies that refresh the spirit and put sweeter and higher purposes in life.

So long as poverty and suffering and despair are all about us, no man can point to charity grafting as an honest excuse for not giving at all.

No; it is only the more reason why he should personally see that his money goes aright and that his interest and sympathy go with it to sweeten it.

OUR LAY SERMON

He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him.—Prov. 28:22.

When a fellow gets swindled on a skin game he is trying to work on someone else it is a very difficult matter to work up a feeling of sympathy for him. In spite of yourself—in spite of the good feelings you would summon to the surface on such an occasion you cannot help from feeling that he got just exactly what he had coming. Consequently, it was with a smile that the majority of people read the story of the Missouri man, who, a few days ago, was robbed of $2,100 in an attempt to fleece a brace of fleecers. This Missourian, who did not wait to be shown, discovered the following simple little advertisement in a morning paper:

"Wanted—Business man with $4,000 to invest; can make $30,000 in short time."

It was the old, old story, of course. One confidence man had decided as business was a little bit dull he would enliven the occasion by robbing his partners, and wanted the help of an outsider to assist in getting thru with the job. It was a dishonest scheme—rotten from top to bottom, but this Missouri man thought he saw an opportunity to get rich very quick, and he bit at the tempting bait. He took the chances and the result was that he lost his hard earned money. Good honest coin of the realm is not any more easily acquired in Missouri than it is in Texas, and when the victim lost his wad it represented his savings of years. There were callous spots on his hands that these good dollars had cost him, and a hump on his back that was placed there thru the same agency.

He forgot all the long years of toil and self-denial that had been practiced by his family and himself to get together that coin of the realm, and lost sight of the fact, too, that its loss would mean beginning again at the bottom of the ladder with every chance against him—that it would mean poverty and continued self-denial thru all the coming years. He only saw the prospect to win, and he risked and lost it all.

And there is a lesson here for all who are afflicted with the get rich mania. It should teach us that it is better to get along thru the intricate mazes of life a plain and unpretentious plodder with a little money in the bank and surrounded by a reasonable amount of the luxuries of life, rather than to become a plunger and risk even the meat and bread that is in the family's mouth in an effort to become a John D. Rockefeller or a J. Pierpont Morgan on such short notice.

Did you ever notice how a fish flounders when it gets out of its proper element? Well, that is just the manner in which you act when you give way to this desire for immediate worldly wealth and risk your all in its acquirement.

The get rich quick mania has a decided hold on the entire American people. Most of us are anxious to discover some near and short cut to great wealth, but it does not pay to make haste with too much speed. It is right and proper to demand due return for our labor and our products, but it is a miserably poor policy to try to beat someone else out of the proper and legitimate fruits of the long years of their toil.

Sometimes men do acquire great wealth suddenly and legitimately, but it is the exception and not the rule. A prospector may discover a gold mine of fabulous richness, or a real estate owner may enjoy a big rise in the value of his property, but in neither case does the increase gained come out of some other man's pocket.

And it is extremely doubtful in either case if the good is gotten out of the rapidly acquired wealth that would have resulted if it had been acquired more slowly.

This, however, is legitimate. It is not the get rich quick game that is played on Wall street and in other financial centers, in the wheat pit, in the bucket shop or by the dishonest man in any of the walks of life. Shun those games and resolve to give value received for every dollar that comes your way, and nine times out of ten you will not experience a desire to indulge in any game of chance. Money that is honestly and hardly earned comes in such a manner as to forbid such indulgence, and it is not a very hard matter after all for a man to be honest.

"He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him."

That is a point that each and every member of the great human family can continually bear in mind to great personal advantage.

GOING AFTER THE FARMERS

The state of Texas has been in a bad way financially now for several years, on account of the failure of two legislatures in succession to levy sufficient taxes to furnish the revenue required to keep state finances on a cash basis. Members of the state legislature are now expressing themselves on important matters of future legislation, and the majority of them are declaring that revenue and taxation are the most important matters that will come up for consideration during the regular session, which convenes in the city of Austin the second Tuesday in January.

It is pretty generally believed that the tax rate will have to be raised next year in order that the deficiency in the state treasury may be overcome and the state again set down on a cash basis, but such a proposition is certain to meet with stubborn resistance among the agricultural interests, who are already declaring they are paying more than their just proportion of all state and county taxes. The experimental legislation passed by the last session in an effort to raise additional revenue has not panned out as was expected, from the fact that the interests concerned have made a strong legal fight against these measures. Ultimately it is quite likely that considerable revenue will be derived from these sources, but that does not help existing conditions.

A ruling has just been made in the comptroller's department at Austin that is going to stir up a storm of angry protest from the agricultural communities of the state, and will inspire a further determination to combat any raise in the tax rate. The comptroller has rendered a ruling that will annually yield many additional thousands of dollars to the state in the way of revenue if it is carried out, and that ruling is to the effect that the improvements on property must be assesed for taxation in addition to the valuation placed on the land.

The issue was directly raised by the new tax assessor of Travis county asking for instructions as to the manner of making the proper assessment on farm lands. Heretofore it has been the rule of assessors in this state to assess farm lands at so much per acre without regard to the value and character of the improvements located thereon, while in towns and cities not only is the real estate taxed, but the improvements are made to come up with their proper and just proportion. Under this arrangement the owner of town property has been compelled to pay taxes on his improvements, while it is alleged the farmer has in the majority of instances managed to escape. The farmer who owns 100 acres of land, on which there are no improvements, would render his land for taxation at a valuation of $15 per acre. Another farmer on an adjoining tract with $10,000 worth of improvements simply values his land at $15 per acre in accordance with the valuation of his neighbor, and in this way the $10,000 worth of improvements escape taxation. In his letter to the Travis county tax assessor the state comptroller says:

"I have to advise that in valuing lands for taxation purposes, the value of all buildings, structures and improvements or other fixtures of whatsoever kind thereon, should be included. In other words, the value of the improvements should be added in arriving at the value of the land."

This is an issue that has been raised in Texas before, and has never failed to call forth vehement protests from the farmers. A few years ago a new assessor in a certain West Texas county announced that when he went into office he proposed to see that all the improvements on farms in his county would be taxed, and from one of the most popular men in his county he at once became the most unpopular. The farmers declared that the proposed action was a tax on thrift and industry and they raised a hue and cry over the proposition, and it was summarily relegated to the rear. In the next election the assessor was retired from business and the old method of doing business was restored.

The people as a whole rarely take kindly to any proposition that involves an increase in taxation, and it is certain there is going to be a whole lot of trouble over this new idea if it is generally adopted. Men will not stop to figure on the fact that they ought to pay taxes on an honest rendition of all they own. They believe others temporize in matters of this kind and each individual believes he is privileged to do the same thing.

Texas taxable values show an increase of more than $82,000,000 for the past year, and there ought to be no trouble in raising all the revenue required by the state.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S BAD SPELL

The admirers of President Roosevelt are again called upon to witness an executive fluke of the most pronounced type in the matter of simplified spelling, which has caused so much discussion during the brief period it has held public attention. The President seems to have entered the lists as the foremost champion of simplified orthography without giving due consideration to the consequences. Naturally of an impulsive temperament, he was in some manner led to give his indorsement to a procedure that caused the shadows of Noah Webster and other famous lexicographers to turn over in their narrow confines and dismally groan with the pain of fearful mutilation, but when Congress came to Washington town the bad spell of the President came to a very abrupt termination.

One of the first things to engross the congressional mind apparently was the bad spell labored under by the nation's chief executive, and immediately machinery was set in motion for his complete restoration. Members of both branches were horrified to discover that public documents brought to their attention were sadly afflicted with the same bad spell that the President was laboring under, and they straightway set about to relieve the situation. One of the first things done was to pass a resolution that the old methods should prevail and spelling should be done according to Webster and other standard authorities. This action necessarily brought about something of a breach with the executive, and a skirmish line was immediately thrown out to reconnoiter the attitude of the Big Stick.

The investigation that resulted disclosed the fact that the Big Stick was disposed to give its time and attention to more weighty and serious matters than simplified spelling, and if congress desired that the thing should be done according to Webster, the chief executive was not disposed to push the Carnegie innovation. The result was an amicable agreement that the old method shall continue to prevail, and once again the country is safe and another split in the G. O. P. has been happily averted.

But the President is too much given to taking back water. The people have witnessed so many Presidential flukes that they are beginning to suspect a decided lack of steadfastness of purpose.

The anti-Bailey meeting in Dallas Thursday night was a very warm proposition and there were speeches that fairly sizzled with brimstone. But talk is cheap and the barking dog seldom bites. If opponents of Senator Bailey really desire to accomplish his defeat it is time they were getting down to actual work. While the opposition is windjamming the Bailey forces are organizing, and unless there is to be a powerful and effective organization the anti-Bailey forces had just as well quit the drive.

That the state legislature will investigate the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and Senator Bailey's connection therewith seems to be a foregone conclusion, and pending such action there is no necessity for partisans on either side of the Bailey question to indulge in the throwing of bricks. Keep your temper and remember that every other citizen of Texas is entitled to every privilege you claim for yourself.

The newspaper war that is being waged by the Dallas News on one side and the Houston Post and Fort Worth Record on the other is one of the incidents connected with the Bailey fight that is adding a little variety to fireworks. And so far the Dallas paper has come up manfully with its end of the single-tree.

The Telegram would be pleased to see the people of Texas express themselves fully and fairly in the matter of the election of a United States senator. This is a time when all passion and prejudice should be wholly laid aside and a choice made in an intelligent manner.

There are some men who object to the suggestion of electing Roger Q. Mills to the United States senate on the ground that he is too old. And Roger Q. Mills is a veritable spring chicken in comparison with some of the fossils doing business in that honorable body.

Cullen F. Thomas appears to have acquired a manner of expressing himself in the same school that was patronized by Senator Joseph Weldon Bailey.

HOW CONGRESSMAN MUCKRAKE SAVED THE COUNTRY

RECEIVES HIS FIRST SETBACK.

DRIFT OF POLITICS

CULBERSON AND THE PRESIDENCY

The people of Alabama will be interested to learn that a number of the Texas papers are discussing the propriety of putting forward Senator Culberson of Texas as a candidate for the Democratic nomination to the presidency in 1908. Senator Culberson was born at Dadeville, Tallapoosa county, this state, and as a native of Alabama his public career has been watched here with interest and pride. If there were nothing else to say of the senator, it would be true that few, if any of the many distinguished men born here, who have won their spurs elsewhere, hold a higher place in the regard of our people.

There is, however, much besides to be said of the senator. His father, who lived for a number of years in this state, endeared the name of Culberson to the whole country by his humor, his sagacity, his wisdom and his statesmanship. The son is winning a higher place still. He is the most popular man in Texas. His progress there in politics, thru the attorney generalship, the governorship, to the senate, has served to solidify his following in Texas. He has left no enemies by the way. On the contrary, he has grown stronger with his people and more popular with every new opportunity he has had to exhibit the qualities in him. He has grown at Washington, too, and in the country at large. He is recognized as one of the soundest lawyers in the senate, one of the best debaters, among the first in influence in that body. He is a credit to his state and an honor to the south.

We are not now passing for ourselves upon the propriety of the south having a candidate to offer the national convention in 1908. That is a debatable question and if debated it will in our judgment be well worth debating. Just now we are alone concerned in sending to our contemporaries in Texas a cheering word as to their senior senator. Wherever he is and wherever he may be called, we feel the assurance he will cast luster, if Texas-reflected only, on his mother state, Alabama.

The advent of Mr. Roosevelt as President has set a new pace for presidential aspirants. Calm and conservative partisans, who wait for bridges before they cross them, will never become Presidents. The people demand an aggressive chief executive like Roosevelt or like Bryan. They want men who are leaders, not followers. The McKinley type of President is gone forever. No man again can preach free silver coinage in congress and be elected President on a gold-single-standard platform. Mr. Culberson is a conservative statesman of acute discretion and Mr. Bailey is a brilliant and honest representative with a bad temper. Neither will be President of the United States.—Montgomery Advertiser.

WASHINGTON POLITICAL GOSSIP

A great deal of interesting gossip is coming out of Washington just now. In fact, the national capital is always like an old maid's tea party at the opening of a new session of congress. The fiery Foraker opened war on the President early, with his negro resolution, it looks as if Foraker intended to put Mr. Roosevelt on the defensive from now until the Republican national nominating convention decides who is to be the presidential candidate in 1908. It is not Foraker alone who is seeking to cripple Roosevelt's influence in politics, but the senatorial "old guard," of which Spooner of Wisconsin, and Aldrich of Rhode Island, are the leaders, and it includes Elkins of West Virginia, Platt of New York, Dick of Ohio, Kean of New Jersey, and others who were friendly to the railroads in the great battle last spring. There is no doubt that Platt will hold tight to his seat. He is so afraid some one will steal his United States Express Company and leave him poor that he makes an effort to keep alive to protect his own interests against those of the people. It is to benefit himself, and not his constituents, that Platt stays in the senate. His condition is really pitiable.

QUAKER REFLECTIONS

It takes a lot of cheek to sell shaving soap.

Even a cook book may contain stirring passages.

Any woman can keep house if her husband puts it in her name.

The bellboy will tell you that many are called, but a few are dozin'.

An operation is always necessary when the doctor needs the money.

Some fellows are so dull that they can't even get next in a barber shop.

If a girl thought a fellow wouldn't proopse again, she wouldn't refuse him so airily.

Considering how many umbrellas are borrowed, one is apt to wonder who in the world buys them.—Philadelphia Record.

VERSES THAT RING

THE CHRISTMAS STARS

With whisper and rustle and start and hush,
The dry leaves murmur on tree and bush.
On somber pines with boughs bent low,
Forsaken nests are piled with snow.
The chickadees, alert for seeds,
Chatter and cling to the swaying weeds,
The snow drifts deep in the country ways,
And short and cold are the cheerless days.
Yet, fair on the brow of the frozen night,
The Christmas Stars shine, large and bright.

—Sara Andrew Shaw

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

It came upon the midmght clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending o'er the earth
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on
By prophet-bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world give back the son
Which now the angels sing.

E. H. Sears.

A BOY'S PHILOSOPHY

I like to see a feller what really is a feller,
And what I like to see is gurls that's GURLS,
I ain't got no use for a sissy what'll beller,
And I like a feller's sister what has curls.

And when I get a sweetheart, for I spose a feller's got to
When he gets to be a magot or a trust,
I'll buy 'er everything she wants. You bet I'll buy a lot, too,
I'll go an' feed her candy till she'll bust.

Cause I hate a stingy feller like I hate a yaller cat,
Or a feller what won't pungle w'en he can,
An' if his face is dirty, you can bet your boots an' hat,
W'en he gets to be a man he'll BE a MAN.

I do things sometimes what ain't right an' sister says
"I'll tell!"
An' mother says, "He's pos-i-tive-ly bad!"
But dad jest takes me out alone an' licks me till I yell.
You bet they ain't nobody like my dad.

So, with Christmas time a-comin', an' the very air a-hummin',
An' your parents kind-a dodgin' in an' out,
Jest you take a tip from me; be as good as ye kin be
An' you'll find the presents wot you've dreamed about.

THE TEXAS PRESS

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

It is claimed by those who favor the ship subsidy bill, now pending in the house, that the moment it is passed orders will be placed with American shipbuilders for seventy-five new American steamships of 400,000 gross register, to cost $40,000,000, on the Atlantic coast line.—Fort Worth Telegram.

That ship subsidy bill is the only hope of an American marine. When it will command the votes of a majority of congress is uncertain, but as sure as this country is to continue to be a commercial one so sure that shipping bill is going to become law and the subsidy pass. It may be sooner or later, but it is bound to come. There is nothing else commercially possible.—San Antonio Light.

TOO MUCH PUBLICITY

Senator Thomas C. Platt has evidently made up his mind to retire from the United States senate, but he is not disposed to give out anything like a bill of particulars.—Fort Worth Telegram.

The old man has had about all the publicity he wants for some time.—Denison Herald.

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A large line of Fancy Hose, Hermsdorf and onyx dye, 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00

HATS

We are authorized agents for the Youman Derby, price $5.00

HANDKERCHIEFS

Embroidered Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, six in a box, for $1.40
Silk Handkerchiefs, fancy border 50c
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Reefers

AND DRESS

All the latest weaves and colors, made just the right way; $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.50 and $5.00

SHIRTS

Here's where you can get a Shirt to fit correctly. Plaited bosoms, $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50

Stiff bosoms, $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50

STETSON HATS

Just received this week all the latest novelties and Stetson young men shapes ..... $4.00 and $5.00
Stetson Derby—the new flat set shape $4.00

UMBRELLAS

All the late fancy handles, and silk of the very best quality. Prices, $2.50, $3.50, $4.00 and $5.00

WAISTCOATS

All late styles Fancy Vests, made by the best tailors of New York City. Prices, $2.50, $3.50, $4.00, $5.00 and up to $10.00

We have as complete a line of Men's Furnishings as can be found in any large eastern city; the best modes and priced right. If you are not already a customer of this store, then join many of your friends that trade here now.

Several extra salespeople to wait upon you during the holiday rush. Parcels wrapped quickly.

ALEXANDER

SIXTH AND MAIN SEE WINDOWS

RACE WON BY FOLGER

(Continued from page 1)

that the hardy little German might be saved for the last gruelling spurt.

Folger bore the brunt of the race Moran spent many weary hours saving for the Little Old New York team. Matt Downey. The other pairs split the work evenly, grinding away in desperation without any real hope of more than a minor place at the finish. The Georget brothers, said to be the least fit of any, always trailed in last position, relieving one another. Between 5 and 6 o'clock Walthour and Bedell, changing pace with Brent and Samuelson, took the bunch at an even twenty miles clip. For sixty minutes during which all of the twenty riders still in the race made frequent changes, the spurt continued without advantage to any. Little Coffey of the Boston kid team, both of whom are still in their teens, spilled on the hoo-doo turn shortly before 7 o'clock, but fell softly without taking anyone with him. Walthour in the front, jumped away just as the red flag went up. The Downey youth was his only competitor and the two discovered their mistake within one circle of the saucer.

The judges were roundly hissed, but for once, at least, they were in the right.

Twenty minutes later Pyes' swig of "dope" died and he took a solitary tumble, which woke him with a start, but did no damage.

Breton and Samuelson sprang into favor and divided applause with Walthour and Bedell in their folorn hope efforts. Root and Folger never made an appearance without bringing prolonged hisses. At a quarter past 9 o'clock, Walthour made his last desperate effort to regain his lost lap. The pace had been fast for half an hour and the spur twas unexpected, catching everyone but McFarland and Moran off their guards. But "Bobby's" sprinting powers had gone a glimmering with the awful straining he was unable to shake off. McFarland and Moran also made up a little. There was a scurrying of half dressed riders from their bunks. Mettling and McDonald, with eyelids half closed, were present on the track in the scramble and came near causing a bad spill. Instead of keeping the pole, Mettling veered up the bank and Bedell and McFarland and Moran passed between them thru a space barely wide enough to admit their handle bars. That ended the spurt but Walthour and Breton made the last hour a better one for the tired legs behind them. When the final changges in the riders were made three minutes before the finish it found a grateful squad of men, thankful for the long uninterrupted sleep, nature's purest balm for the dreadful fatigue.

NEGROES WILL MEET

Protest Against the Passage of a Jim Crow Law

Special to The Telegram.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., Dec. 15.—Parson H. L. Storms, the head of the AfroAmerican Independent Suffrage League, which will hold its convention in Muskogee Dec. 27, denies that he is planning any revolt against the republican party.

The chief purpose of the meeting of the league will be to protest against the passage of a Jim Crow law by the constitutional convention. So far none of the distinguished negroes whom Parson Storms invited to address the convention have signified their intention of being present.

The American Farmer Identified

The American farmer who plants in faith, cultivates in hope and reaps in grace is the uncrowned king of the world.—Representative Burgess in the House.

CAPTURE A CAR OF SMUGGLED CHINKS

Fit of Coughing Led to Discovery

special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15.—The immigration authorities here have received telegraphic information of the capture of a box car load of Chinamen at Las Cruces, N. M., who had been smuggled across the border from Mexico. The Chinamen numbered twenty-eight and were well supplied with bedding, food and water. After being placed in the car it had been sealed properly and there was nothing to indicate that it did not contain what it was billed to contain. A bad coughing spell by one of the Chinamen attracted the attention of the agent at Las Cruces and he investigated. The incident was reported to the immigration authorities and the arrests followed. The authorities suspect that some employes of the Mexican railroads are mixed up in the smuggling of the Chinamen.

Short Measure

Diggs—It never occurred to me that Muggins was a midget until last night.

Biggs—And how did it happen to occur to you then?

Diggs—I overheard a woman say that he was every inch a gentleman.—Chicago Daily News.

Even Break

The Barber—Beg pardon, sir, but this is a bad quarter.

The Victim—Oh, well, don't you care. It isn't any worse than the hair cut you gave me.—Chicago Daily News.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Following its annual custom, The Telegram this year will gladly undertake the work of forwarding letters from little folks of Fort Worth and north Texas to Santa Claus at his home address, just a little beyond where Peary got to on his last trip into the Arctic regions and a little this side of the North Pole. Mails for Santa Claus will close promptly at noon, Dec. 22. All letters must bear the correct address of the writer for the reason that Santa Claus will be extremely busy the night of Dec. 24 and will have no time to run down incorrect addresses or hunt up little folks who forget to send him their street number.

Anything Else You Want

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 10.—Dear Santa Claus: Please send me a dear dolly and some nuts and oranges and candy, and you can bring anything else you want to, and please don't forget mamma and pape. Good-bye, Santa Claus. Your friend,
VERDIA STEWART.
1503 East Third.

For Her Pet Calf

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 15.—Dear Santa: I am a little girl. I live at 900 Fournier street. I have a little pet calf. Will you please bring me a little rope and a block of hay, and pleasea bring me a 'possom for my Christmas dinner. I will try and be a good little girl; and Santa, don't forget my little sweetheart, Pete, bring him a gun and some cays. Your loving little friend,
PLEAS HOWARD.

Phonograph and Tool Box

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 13.—Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a phonograph and a tool box and a fire department, and don't forget something to eat.
NORMAN EARL.
South Main and Daggett Streets.

A Doll and Dishes

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 13, '06.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a good little girl, just 4 years old. I live over Sawyer's grocery store. If you know where it is. I want a doll and dishes, and a book. My little baby sister is too little to write, but I want you to bring her a rubber doll and a rattle.
BEATRICE EARL.

On White Settlement Road

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 14, '06.
Dear Santa: I am a good little boy and I have a little brother, his name is Paul, and we want you to bring us a rocking horse and a little stove and a horn, and an elephant and some oranges and some nuts, apples and a little saw. So goodbye. You will find my house on the White Settlement road. MARSHALL RAY EVANS.

Wants a Magic Lantern

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 14.—Dear Old Santa Claus: I am a little boy 6 years old. I help my mamma lots. Please bring me a drum, magic lantern, little horse, clown, train and track. Please do not forget my little baby brother. He is 4 months old. By-bye, Santay.
DERVERY LEE TAYLOR.
1001 East Terrell avenue.

From a 4-Year-Old

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 14.—Mr. Santa Claus. Dear Santy: I am a little girl 4 years old. I want you to please bring me a large doll, piano, cradle, large trunk, rocking chair and dresser. By-bye, dear old Santy.
DAISY IRENE TAYLOR.
1001 East Terrell avenue.

Wants a Little Lamp

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old and want you to bring me a sewing box and a little lamp and bottle of perfume and a fur and kid gloves, a horn and a box of candy and a box of handkerchiefs and a story book. That's all. Don't forget my baby brother. MARION DACY.
1404 Peach street.

A Real Wagon and Engine That Runs

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 6 years old and want you to bring me a red wagon and a horn and a set of blocks and wheelbarrow and a story book, "Foxy Grandpa" and a little engine that runs itself. That's all. MASTER JAMES DACY.
1404 Peach street.

Behind the Stove

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 11.—Dear Santa Claus: I will write what I want for Christmas. I want an express wagon, football, loop-the-loop, story book, candy and nuts, and don't forget my brother and grandpa. My stocking will be hanging behind the stove. Your friend,
WALTER SEAMAN.

A Blonde Doll

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 4, 1906.—Dear Santa: I will write you a letter asking for a few presents this Christmas. As I know you have so many other children to visit I won't be selfish. I want a nice doll with light hair and blue eyes, a bed, a buggy and a set of dishes, a nice little table. That will be all for this time. By-by; come soon. Respectfully,
ALTA FARMER.
109 Humboldt street.

Wants an Irish Mail

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 11, 1906.—Dear Santa Claus: Will you bring me an Irish Mail and a train, and a grocery wagon, and a loop-the-loop, and a story book of A. B. C.s and candy of different kind and fruits. I am a little boy, 4 years old. My name is
EDWARD BLAKELEY.
904 Fournier street.

For Self and Brother

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 12, 1906.—Dear Santa: We are two little boys. I am 8 years old and brother is 6 years old. My name is Guy and brother's name is Dewey. We live in Riverside and when you come to town please don't forget to come over here. Please bring me a cap pistol, some big firecrackers, some Roman candles and a little train, and Dewey wants a little fire wagon, some Roman candles, some firecrackers and a horn, not a paper horn, and bring both of us some apples, oranges, bananas and some pecans and other nuts and we would like to have a French harp. Goodby, Santa.
GUY and DEWEY NESBITT.

Remember Sister, Too

Dear Old Santa Claus: I am a little boy, 8 years old. I go to school every day. I want you to bring me a rocking chair and a nice story book and some roman candies. I have a little sister named Margaret. She is 'most 4 years old. She wants a doll head for her doll and a little doll to play with, and a rocker, and don't forget to bring us some candy and nuts, please.
EDWIN SLEDGE.
Riverside, R. F. D No. 1.

Wants Cuff Buttons

Dear Santa: I will write and tell you what I want. I want some cuff buttons and a horn and a ball and some fireworks. RAY KELLEY.
300 Heaton ave.

Football and Skates for Him

Dear Santa: Please bring me a bicycle, and some skates, some new shoes, a blue sweater and a football. I am 9 years old.
FITZ HUE LEE ODOM.
107 Hogg street.

Wants Lots of Toys

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 6 years old, and I want you to bring me lots of things. I would like a chest of tools, a patrol wagon, a fire engine, fire crackers, an overcoat like a man's, a suit of clothes, but I would rather have plenty of toys. Bring my sister Marion a doll, a set of dishes, a little tub, washtub and wringer; a fire engine and lots of good things to eat.

Now, Santa, don't make a mistake and take our things to Bobbie or Jessie, for they have a papa to bring them what they want.

Now, Santa, don't forget your little friend, WALTON M'CASLEN.
533 Peter Smith street.

P. S.: Don't forget our little Cousin Flossie—you had better bring her some toys, too, or she will take ours.

A Doll for Annie

Fort Worth, Dec. 14, 1906.
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a big doll and a tricycle, and a white sweater, some leggins and a new dress and some new shoes, a ring and piano, as my papa got hurt two months ago and has not been able to work for so long.
ANNIE MAUD ODOM.
107 Hogg street.

Oranges and Candy

Fort Worth, Dec. 12, 1906.
Dear Santa Claus: I will tell you what I want. I would like to have a big doll, and a dresser and a washstand, and a little set of combs and a book, and I would like to have two lead pencils and one slate pencil, and I would like to have a pair of doll shoes and a set of dishes, and I would like to have a few oranges and some candy. That is all. ETHEL ROBISON.
806 Wombly street.

A Set of Doll Combs

Fort Worth, Dec. 12, 1906.
Dear Santa Claus: I will write and tell you what I want. I would like to have a set of doll combs and a little set of furniture. And, dear Santa Claus, I would like to have a Christmas tree and have it filled with red, white and blue candles. That is all.
LENORA ROBISON.

Big Doll With Hair

Fort Worth, Dec 14, 1906.
Dear Santa Claus: This makes the fifth year you have received a letter from me. Will you please bring me a big doll with natural hair, and a baby doll with long clothes on. Santa Claus, I have got a dresser, but it looks too much like a sideboard, so please bring me a little white dresser with a long glass on it. I want a blackboard and some chalk, please; also a set of pretty dishes and a doll buggy with a parasol on it. Also a little doll bed with springs on it. Dear Santa, if you don't know what a good little girl I am, you just write a note to my papa and he will tell you how good I am. With lots of love. Good bye.
HELEN JANE M'CULLOUGH.
1929 Grainger street.

An Outfit for Dolly

Fort Worth, Dec. 15, 1906.
Dear Santa Claus: I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a little doll, a doll bed, doll buggy, a set of dishes, some candies, nuts and fruits.
Your Friend,
MARY BOWDRE.
1116 E. Hattie street.

Thanks in Advance

Fort Worth, Dec. 15, 1906.
Dear Santa Claus: I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a velocipede, a violin, a big ball, a gun, a book and some nuts, candies, fruits and fireworks. Tnanking you for your kindness, I remain
Your friend,
EARL MOSELEY.
209 Josephine street.

FEW TRAVELERS HERE

Plenty of Room at the Hotels Saturday Night

Bad weather and the approach of Christmas are responsible for the lightest register at the Fort Worth hotels Saturday night that has occurred for a long time. Saturday night business is usually slack here just before Christmas, but the rainy weather of Friday and aSturday lowered the number considerably.

At Caristmas time the commercial travelers, many of whom usually spend Sunday in Fort Worth are working their way back home in order to spend the holiday season with their families and as most of these come from the large cities in the northern part of the country, they have left Texas for a couple of weeks.

Nearly all the hotels in the city had plenty of room for late comers Saturday night, which happens very seldom in Fort Worth. The delay of the interurban cars on account of the wire being down in Dallas also had something to do with the small number of guests.

DEATHS

Joseph Hedges

Joseph Hedges of Grapevine, 62 years of age, died at Washington Heights Saturday morning of meningitis, while visiting relatives, after an illness lasting only since Tuesday of this week. The remains will be prepared for shipment and sent to Grapevine for interment by G. L. Gause. Mr. Hedges is survived by his widow and several children.

H. C. Griffin

H. C. Griffin, 57 years of age, who was for twenty years a conductor on the Texas and Pacific, died Saturday morning at 4 o'clock at his residence, 1216 Lee street, after an illness of several months of Bright's disease. Mr. Griffin was a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, division No. 57, and was one of the best known railroad men in this part of the state.

The funeral will be held at the residence Sunday morning at 9 o'clock and the remains will be shipped to Lawrence, Kaufman county, over the Texas and Pacific leaving at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

Knew His Place

"What did you think of your daughter's graduation essay?"

"I didn't permit myself to think about it," answered Mr. Cumrox. "I simply did my duty and admired it."—Washington Star.

A GREATER SILK SALE

Value Giving Extraordinary

The greatest sale of Silks we have ever had or Fort Worth has ever known, comes off Monday, Dec. 17—one day only.

SILKS SILKS 1,943 YARDS SILKS SILKS

Don't overlook the day and date of sale—Monday, Dec. 17, one day only. If you miss this, you miss the treat of your life. Just think of the assortment—1,943 yards of beautiful Silks of most every style and kind; 27-inch beautiful Crepe de Chine in most every conceivable shade or color; a line of 19-inch Fancy Taffetas and Crepe de Chines—none ever half so beautiful, and above all 27-inch fancy and solid color Taffetas that will tempt or possibly make "SANTA CLAUS" enter into two-thirds the homes of Fort Worth before the time for his annual call. We do pride ourselves on the silk proposition—breaking all records for value-giving. We take much pleasure in announcing for our Monday's sale of Silks the most varied assortment of the prettiest, original designed patterns of Silks ever seen in any sale throughout the country. Everyone knows what it means when we say Monday is our Silk day. This will be the last sale of Silks possibly this year. We have sold a little more than 8,000 yards of Silks since beginning our sales in September. Every sale speaks for itself in value-giving; at every sale greater values and prettier patterns. The collection to be sold Monday, Dec. 17 by far exceeds any values given heretofore.

About 1,400 yards 27-inch Silk Crepe de Chine in black, tan, cream, white, gray, red, nile green, baby blue, navy blue, brown and pink—19-inch Crepe de Chines in most every leading color; 19-inch Fancy Taffetas—a line of colors too numerous to be mentioned here. Just come and see them Monday; they will more than interest you. All these Silks are actually worth from 50c to 75c; just for the greatest and best of sales; all Monday; one day only; we make the price, yard..... 25c

25c

About 500 yards 27-inch Plain and Fancy Taffetas, some of the prettiest patterns ever shown. Your special attention is called directly to the many beautiful colors and quality of goods. There is not one pattern in the lot that is actually worth less than $1.00 the yard. Just for a holiday extra special, for Monday—one day only, we make the price, yard 49c

49c

THE STORE THAT MAKES THE PRICE.

The Knight Dry Goods Co.

311-313 HOUSTON STREET.

SHOT HIGHWAYMAN THRU THE HEART

Had Held Up Several Boys in Mansfield

Special to The Telegram.

MANSFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 15.—Bertho Hollingshead, 25 years of age, held up the lower part of this city late last night and was shot thru the heart and killed by a policeman. He had broken into the Bredenstein hardware store and stolen eight revolvers. He held up John and William Lomax at the corner of Sixth and Franklin streets. John held up his hands and was robbed but the other ran. Hollingshead then held up a boy named Zimmerman and afterward held up Harry Wentz, a brewery wagon driver, shooting him in the head.

The police then met Hollingshead and immediately fired on him. Three or four shots were exchanged. The highwayman was found afterward dead, having been shot thru the heart.

MARY ANN LANDED HIM

The vicissitudes of matrimony are many. This is the story of how one girl entered into the kingdom of the wed. Mary Ann had made all preparations for the wedding, but being of a careful turn of mind she concluded not to give up her position as housekeeper for a wealthy family until the nuptial knot was actually tied.

Events proved that she was wise. John Henry concluded that he liked Mary Ann's sister, Henrietta, better than he did Mary Ann, and to prevent mistakes he incontinently married Henrietta.

Deserted, Mary Ann took the matter philosophically, merely remarking that "men couldn't be depended upon, anyway."

Three weeks later Mary Ann again informed her mistress that she was going to be married. This time she had secured a farmer. "We'll be married next Wednesday," said Mary Ann, "if it isn't a pleasant day. If it's pleasant he'll have to tend to the hay, and then he'll come the next rainy day." Wednesday came and a fairer day had never been seen. Mary Ann took it very calmly.

Thursday was wet, but Friday it poured. Mary Ann waited all day, but the unreliable swain did not come. Saturday the experience was repeated.

"We might as well eat the wedding cake," said Mary Ann to the domestics, and, nothing loath, with much jesting they all went to it. Lo! on Sunday afternoon the lost lover arrived. He causually stated that he had found a lot of things around the barn that needed to be attended to on the two rainy days and he concluded that the bride would keep.

Mary Ann went in to inform her mistress of the arrival. "Now that he is here," said Mary Ann, "I think I'd better make sure of him an' marry him right off. He's a good, likely looking man, and he's got a good farm, and he isn't so over-anxious to get married. It's not likely he will ever come back if I don't land him now."

There was no time for more wedding cake and that was dispensed with, and Mary Ann was hitched to her farmer man in less than half an hour, after which Mary Ann heaved a great sigh of pleasant relief.

Her Mannish Ways

"Madge was an awful tom-boy when she was a girl."

"Maybe that's why she's such a 'good fellow' now."—Detroit Free Press.

HARTJE APPEALS IN DIVORCE CASE

Will Pay $100,000 for Author of Letters

Special to The Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—Augustus Hartje today took an appeal from the decision of Judge Frazier in the divorce case of himself against his wife, Mrs. Mary Scott Hartje. The appeal is to the April term of the superior court and the case will be argued here during that term of court.

Reports to the effect that detectives expect to arrest the writer of the famous matinee letters on charges of fergery and conspiracy brought the following statement from J. S. Scott, Ferguson, Mr. Hartje's counsel, today:

"There is nothing we are more anxious for than to find the author of the matinee letters. If they are forgeries and we will pay $100,000 for the arrest and vindication of the forger. Mr. Hartje is ready to pay that sum of money for the arrest of the forger of the letters if he can be produced and I will make this offer valid by having him make it in writing."

She Changed Her Mind

Polly was sure she did not like clergymen.

As she recalled it, she never had liked clergymen, she remembered, since she was a small child. They looked at one disapprovingly. And uncle's will was stupid, for he had inconsiderately left all his money to her and the Rev. Cyril Wayne, jointly, provided they married.

"And I will not!" declared Polly, shaking her curls vigorously.

She had quite made up her mind, even before she talked to the handsome stranger at Mrs. Metts' lawn party. They had been introduced, but, as people so often do, Mrs. Metts had pronounced his name so mouthily that she had no idea what it was. Still, he had asked to be allowed to call, and she had assented.

The door bell rang. Polly knew her heart was beating faster as she went to meet him.

Then they talked. Somehow, he had an ingratiating way with him (probably Irish, she reflected), and before she knew it, she was telling him how stupid her uncle had been and how she loathed clergymen.

"All clergymen?" he smiled.

"Every one of 'em," declared Polly, rebelliously. "If you were a clergyman, now," she went on, "you'd be telling me how wicked I was."

"But I'm not," he said.

"Of course not," said Polly.

"Suppose I were a clergyman?" he suggested.

"For goodness' sake, don't!" cried Polly. "That would be awful!"

"Would you think any less of me?" he whispered, taking her hand. (Polly afterward said she tried to get it away from him, but one has doubts.)

"No," she admitted, dubiously, "I guess——"

"For, you see," he said, "I am Cyril Wayne, and——"

"You!" cried Polly.

Which shows, with what happened afterward, that a woman will clings to her ancient privilege of changing her mind.

One Great Advantage

"Of what benefit to society will the discovery of the north pole be?"

"Well," answered the scientist, "for one thing, it may put a stop to the loss of life and property among the explorers who want to be the first there."

What Sulphur Does

For the Human Body in Health and Disease

COSTS NOTHING TO TRY

The mention of sulphur will recall to many of us the early days when our mothers and grandmothers gave us our daily dose of sulphur and molasses every spring and fall.

It was the universal spring and fall "blood purifier," tonic and cure-all, and, mind you, this old-fashioned remedy was not without merit.

The idea was good, but the remedy was crude and unpalatable, and a large quantity had to be taken to get any effect.

Nowadays we get all the beneficial effects of sulphur in a palatable, concentrated form, so that a single grain is far more effective than a tablespoonful of the crude sulphur.

In recent years research and experiment have proven that the best sulphur for medicinal use is that obtained from Calcium (Calcium Sulphide) and sold in drug stores under the name of Stuart's Calcium Wafers. They are small chocolate coated pellets and contain the active medicinal principle of sulphur in a highly concentrated, effective form.

Few people are aware of the value of this form of sulphur in restoring and maintaining bodily vigor and health; sulphur acts directly on the liver and excretory organs and purifies and enriches the blood by the prompt elimination of waste material.

Our grandmothers knew this when they dosed us with sulphur and molasses every spring and fall, but the crudity and impurity of ordinary flowers of sulphur were often worse than the disease, and cannot compare with the modern concentrated preparations of sulphur, of which Stuart's Calcium Wafers is undoubtedly the best and most widely used.

They are the natural antidote for liver and kidney troubles and cure constipation and purify the blood in a way that often surprises patient and physician alike.

Dr. R. M. Wilkins, while experimenting with sulphur remedies, soon found that the sulphur from Calcium was superior to any other form. He says: "For liver, kidney and blood troubles, especially when resulting from constipation or malaria, I have been surprised at the results obtained from Stuart's Calcium Wafers. In patients suffering from boils and pimples and even deep-seated carbuncles, I have repeatedly seen them dry up and disappear in four or five days, leaving the skin clear and smooth. Although Stuart's Calcium Wafers is a proprietary article and sold by druggists and for that reason tabooed by many physicians, yet I know of nothing so safe and reliable for constipation, liver and kidney troubles and especially in all forms of skin diseases as this remedy.

At any rate people who are tired of pills, cathartics and so-called blood "purifiers" will find in Stuart's Calcium Wafers a far safer, more palatable and effective preparation.

Send your name and address today for a free trial package and see for yourself.

F. A. Stuart Co., 57 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

Taking No Chances

Some folks is like de whippoorwill
Dat keeps a-goin', 'cause
Dey's 'fraid if ever dey keep still
Dar won't be no applause.
—Washington Star.

CHURCH BUILDING TO BE DEDICATED

Ceremonies at First Methodist Church

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the cornerstone of the First Methodist church (South) will be laid. The site of the building is at the corner of Seventh and Taylor streets, and tho but little more than foundations are laid and all or the greater part of the basement work done, already the promise is made that it will be one of the finest church edifices in the state.

The work of the new building was initiated under the pastorate of Rev. Alonzo Monk, and last July when the first dirt was thrown, which was the beginning of the actual construction work, there were special ceremonies and services in which many of the ministers of the city and several of the city officials participated.

The oldest member of the congregation, W. H. Letchworth, had the privilege of breaking ground and of casting the first shovel full of dirt.

Nearly all of the hundreds of people there took part in the ceremony. The work done to this time gives an idea of the ground plan and the walls, as far as they are reared, show something of the beauty of the material used in the construction. The new pastor, Rev. Hubert D. Knickerbocker, is much pleased with the promise in the building and says that the plans are about as near perfect as they can be, and, when completed, will give an ideal building.

The program for the ceremonies of the Sunday afternoon exercise follow:

Innovation—Rev. J. F. Boeye.
Hymn, "How Firm a Foundation."
"The Church as a Subject of Civic Pride"—Mayor W. D. Harris.
"Greetings From All Who Love Christ"—Rev. P. E. Burroughs.
"The Church as an Investment"—Rev. William Caldwell.
"Digging a Well"—Rev. Hubert D. Knickerbocker.

Depositing articles in cornerstone, with appropriate statements of history, etc., by the presiding elder, president of board of stewards, superintendent of Sunday school, etc.

Laying of stone.
Doxology.
Benediction—Dr. Junius B. French.

In case of inclement weather the speaking and other exercises of the ceremony will be held in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, at Lamar and Seventh.

LOT SOLD FOR $17,500

Purchaser Will Erect a Modern Building

Ren O. Smith, cashier of the Farmers and Mechanics' National Bank, sold a vacant lot in Main street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth, Saturday morning to H. B. Hird for $17,500. The lot is located on the west side of the street, in the middle of the block, and is occupied by several tenants at the present time and was sold thru A. W. Caswell.

It is understood that the new owner will erect a modern building upon the site. The lot is 25x95 feet in size.

Talbert & McNaughton, fire insurance, phone 1534; at new quarters, room 216 (second floor), Fort Worth National Bank Building.

SMALL FIRE LOSS SATURDAY NIGHT

Damage by Smoke and Water Saturday Night

Fire was discovered in the Continental Bank & Trust Company building, on the corner of Seventh and Houston streets, owned by the Fidelity Trust Company, at 10:30 o'clock Saturday night.

The fire originated on the fourth floor of the building in room 412, occupied by the Security Mutual Life Insurance Company. The starting point was apparently in a lounge in the corner of the room, which was totally consumed. The fire spread from there into the walls of the building and smoldered for some time. Theory as to origin assigned either to a cigaret or cigar left there or to matches set on fire by mice.

Damage by water and fire, mostly by water, however, is estimated to be between $2,500 and $3,500. The damage was chiefly due to the fact that the fire was burning in between the walls or under the floor of the room in which it started, and consequently the firemen had to flood the building.

The janitor of the Elks club rooms was sent to the fire by a number of the members, who were there, and he came running back, stating that the door of the room above was red hot. By this time the fire department arrived and chemicals were immediately carried to the fourth floor and a large hole was chopped in the top of the Elks club rooms to locate the fire, and thru this the water poured in a steady stream. Mops were kept busy and a great deal of damage thus averted.

In the rooms of the Continental bank on the first floor, the only damage done was in the rear of the bank rooms, where the water dripped down the walls and spoiled some of the plaster of the ceiling and walls. Otherwise the bank escaped unharmed.

Other offices on the first floor of the building escaped injury, altho nearly all of the offices on the second, third and fourth floors were damaged by smoke or water. Music in the studio of Rowland D. Williams, which is next door to the room in which the fire started, was also considerably damaged.

The fire was declared out by the department at 11:50 o'clock, after burning a little over an hour.

It was just two years ago Saturday that the big fire in the Texas & Pacific station took place, which began about 2:30 o'clock, the building being damaged to the extent of about $25,000, and one man, working in the dispatcher's office, killed.

Learn to keep your troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows.

THAT'S IT!!!

Cough yourself into a fit of spasms and then wonder why you don't get well. If you will only try a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup your cough will be a thing of the past. It is a positive cure for Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis and all Pulmonary diseases. One bottle will convince you—at your drugist, 25c, 50c, $1. Sold by Covey & Martin.

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Go to Kress' for your **Christmas Candies**
We have the best in town.

Xmas Cards and Calendars We now have our full line of Xmas Cards and Calendars on display and would advise buying at once. Calendars, each, 10c and.....15¢
Xmas cards, 5c, 10c and.....15¢
Xmas Postcards, 2 and 3 for 5c, and each, only.....5¢

Large Rubber Balls This is a splendid item for the children to play with indoors. They are so light that it is impossible to break them or do any damage otherwise, each..25¢

Pig Banks These are of clay and are well colored. Every child wants one, only.....10¢

Toy Games Every child in the world likes Toy Games, and we have on display the following: Checkers, dominoes, authors, old maid, bingo, India, banner crayon, and several others, each.....10¢

Toy Books Every small child should be given a Picture Book, as they are very instructive and entertaining. We have them at 10c, 15c and.....25¢

Child's Three-piece Silver Set This is a real silver plated set, knife, fork and spoon, and carries our 2-year guarantee. Each set in a very attractive box, per set.....30¢

Lemonade and Water Sets This makes a very beautiful and useful present.
One pitcher.....25¢
6 glasses.....60¢
1 tray.....10¢
Set complete.....95¢
Value.....$1.35

Imported Wine Sets Without a doubt this is the greatest value we have in our store. Thin blown glass, handsomely decorated and useful in every home. Come early and secure one.
1 glass decanter.....25¢
1 glass tray.....15¢
6 glasses.....60¢
Set complete.....$1.00
Value.....$1.25

Glass Vases Everybody appreciates one of these Vases, from 12 to 21 inches tall, each, only 15c and.....25¢

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The Problem Solved

No woman need worry about her Christmas shopping who comes to KRESS'. It's a pleasure at KRESS'—for more reasons than one.

KRESS' Christmas stocks are at their fullness now. The assortment of useful, beautiful merchandise is almost endless. The quality is exceptionally good—typical KRESS quality. And the prices range from two to four times less than you can buy the same goods for anywhere else in town. It's simply a difference of PRICE—that's all.

Here are some examples of real Kress values:

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"Kress'" always mean big value and big assortment in Chinaware—it seems to have taken a new, bigger meaning with these new arrivals. It is that most desirable thin ware, made in exclusive Kress' designs and decorations. New shapes and styles in bric-a-brac, bisque ware, cups and saucers, plates, fruit dishes, milk pitchers, etc.

A very full and complete assortment. Better values than Kress ever offered before at.....10¢

Blown Glassware, 10c each

A giant assortment, every piece an illustration of Kress' wonderful values.

Whisky glasses, pear shape; claret and champagne glasses, bell shape; cocktail glasses, stem flare and bowl top; cordial glasses; sherbet glasses, cup, bell and pear shape; tumblers.

Table Silver Handles in beautiful "French gray" or mat finish with new and exquisite designs of grapes and leaves. No doubt the handsomest line ever sold at anywhere near the price. Every knife, fork, spoon, etc., carries with it our two-year guarantee. Kress' price, each piece.....10¢

Music A real 50c value, books containing ten pieces of popular songs, per book.....10¢

CANDIES A little money supplies many when spent at Kress'. Ten cents buys as much good candy here as would cost you 25c to 35c elsewhere. Kress' sell more than one million pounds a year, hence we can sell fresh, pure candy at one-third the price possible in the case of the small dealer, for the bigger the purchase lot the lower the cost and the selling price.....10¢ lb.

Christmas-Tree Ornaments You can fit out your Xmas tree most elegantly at Kress' at very little cost.

Every variety of decorations in tinsel, glass, decorated papers, etc., at only.....5¢

Xmas Tree Candles, boxes of 24, 36 and 48, assorted colors, a box.10¢

Candle Holders — Peerless with clamp, assorted colors, also gilt ball to hang on tree, 6 for.....5¢

A Stereoscope Tour

A trip around the world without getting out of your easy chair!

Let Kress' provide you with a well-made Stereoscope, full size and equipped with good magnifying lens, for only 15 cents.

Views to be used in the stereoscopes include a large variety of scenes from all parts of the world. Some of the views are colored, and the prices of all are two views for 5 cents when buying stereoscope.

You can't afford to miss a trip like this, and you CAN afford to take the whole family with you this time.

"WATCH KRESS' WINDOWS"

Fancy Supporters Nothing is more useful than a good pair of Supporters. Kress' price, pair.....25¢

Fancy Handkerchiefs We are certainly headquarters for the Handkerchief business of Fort Worth. We have them, 10c and 20c value at, each, 5c and.....10¢

Handkerchief Boxes Imported lacquered fancy decorated box, with lock and key; worth $1.00, special price.....25¢

High-grade Perfumery Our line of Xmas Perfumery has just arrived, and it is worth double what we ask.
Per bottle.....10¢
Per bottle.....15¢

Xmas Box Writing Paper Nothing is more universally used than Writing Paper, and a box of good Paper is always appreciated; value per box, 25c; our price.....10¢

Imported Fancy Jap Baskets This line is richly worth 3 times what we ask. Our price, each.....25¢

Brass-bound Medallions This line of imported pictures is a great value, and is very special at, each.....25¢

Hair Brushes A Hair Brush makes a very useful present, and is an every day necessity. We have them at 10c, 15c and.....25¢

Shaving Sets Any man would be glad to receive one of these sets.
A fancy decorated mug.....25¢
1 cake Williams' Shaving Soap..5¢
1 good brush.....10¢
Set complete.....40¢

Nut Cracks and Picks A good heavy Nut Cracker and six Picks for.....20¢

Remember that KRESS' Xmas Candy is unequaled.

To Our Friends; Past, Present and Future

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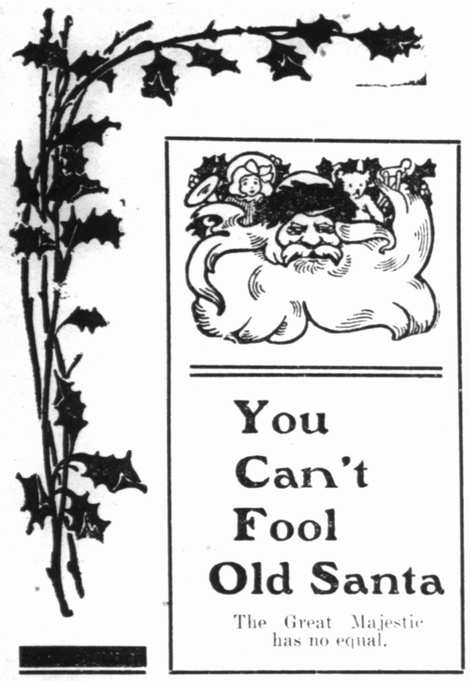

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We have them in all sizes, ranging in price from $55.00 up to $150.00.

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WINE AND GAY LIFE HAVE SAID SKIDOO

Young Lightweight Champions Travel Same Road

Down for the count and out for good! Six one-time lightweight top-notchers—Young Corbett, Kid Lavigne, Jimmy Britt, Frankie Neil, Eddie Hanlon and poor Terry McGovern.

And they are all young. Lavigne is the only one over 30, and he has been down for years. Two of them are just past their teens. The rose strewn path and the flowing bowl did it in most cases. Added to this, the youngsters start in too early. They get terrific beatings before nature has made them rugged enough to withstand such treatment. They can stand it for a while, but the breakdown comes sooner or later. Then their careers are ended. They are old men just when they should be in their prime.

Take Terry McGovern. He donned the gloves at 18. At 21 he was the champion and had lost the title at 22. Within two years he was as near a physical wreck as is possible for a man to become and recover. Drink did it. He was sent to the hills to a retreat and came back looking fairly good. He was in the limelight again recently on the strength of the showing he made against Jimmy Britt and against Young Corbett in that six-round go at Philadelphia. But Terry could not stay good. Now he is in an asylum, guarded by three keepers. Instead of a padded ring it is a padded cell for Terry.

Then there is Young Corbett, whom Terry was matched to fight at Baltimore in January. He was fighting at 17. At 21 he was the best in the land, and looked good for years. But he was whipped by Jimmy Britt and has hit the toboggan hard ever since. He is only 26 now, but he is not even a second-rater any more, when it come to a lightweight possibility. Gay life was his ruin.

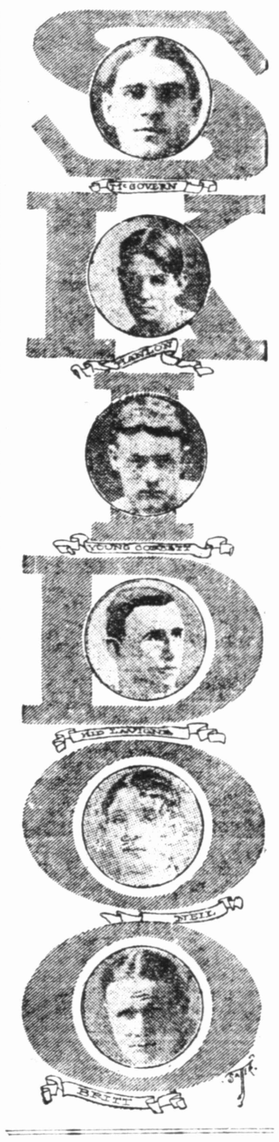
Yes, and Jimmy Britt. In the professional ring at 23, he had the championship belt safely stowed in his locker at 25. Only a year and a half later he took the count from Battling Nelson and has never had a look in since.

Eddie Hanlon was the youngest of them all when he started. He was only 15 at the time of his first victory. He battled his way up to the top until he met Young Corbett at 18. He got an awful drubbing in that fight and has been going backward ever since. He is only 21 now, but he can't stand a good hard punch. In fact, he is easy money for class two men.

"Kid" Lavigne—the same kid who is trying to break into the easy money graft right now. He is one with a checkered career, too. Lavigne is now 36, but he has passed thru the same mill. He was fighting at 19 and was good for years. Dissipation has wrecked him at last and he was whipped four times in his 29th year. Since then he has gone the usual pace until the last few months, when he says he has straightened up.

Frankie Neil, once king of the bantams, as game a little scrapper as ever landed a right to the jaw. But he started too soon. He was fighting at 17. He was whipped by Eddie Hanlon at 19, but was a good kid yet when he met and was defeated by Joe Bowker for the championship of the world. Since then Abe Attell and Harry Baker have both showed him up. He must be content hereafter to fight with the others in the once-were-but-are-no-more class.

And these six are only samples.



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COLD WAVE NORTHWEST

Mercury Twelve Degrees Below Zero at Miles City, Montana

Special to The Telegram.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 15.—The entire northwest today was enveloped in cold, with a temperature of four degrees above zero here. The coldest point in the United States was Miles City, Montana, where the mercury went to 12 degrees below zero.

DRANK ACID

Young Woman Suicided in Georgia

Special to The Telegram.

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 15.—Mrs. T. A. Daniels, whose home was near Hoschton, committed suicide this morning by drinking carbolic acid. She was of a prominent family and a young married woman. No cause is known for the act.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Pioneer Citizen Run Down by Work Train

Special to The Telegram.

MADISON, Ga., Dec. 15.—While crossing the tracks of the Georgia railroad last night C. B. Atkinson, a pioneer citizen, was run down by a work train and killed.

SUSPECT THE MEDICINE

Investigation of Death of Mrs. Minnie Starkey

Special to The Telegram.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 15.—About two weeks ago Mrs. Minnie Starkey, who lives on a farm near Wolfe City, died suddenly after having chills. It is stated that a short time before this she had taken some medicine which she had been using to relieve her chills.

Her husband and friends desired that an investigation be made to see if her death was from natural causes. The stomach and other parts of the digestive organs were brought to Dallas by City Marshal Sharpe of Wolfe City and given to City Chemist Chisholm for analysis.

The city chemist is now at work on the analysis and announces that it will not be completed before the middle of the week. Mrs. Minnie Starkey was the wife of J. P. Starkey, an attendant of the farm of City Marshall Sharpe. She was 26 years of age and leaves two children.

TIFF OF THE DUKE AND THE DUCHESS

Vanderbilt Family Want a Reconciliation

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The sailing of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt Jr. for Europe on the North German Lloyd steamship Wilhelm is taken as indicating that the Vanderbilt family will make a determined effort to bring about the reconciliation of the duke and duchess of Marlborough. The latter is Mr. Vanderbilt's sister Consuelo.

While the Vanderbilts are going abroad ostensibly for a cruise in the Orient, the real purpose of the trip abroad is said to be their desire to induce the duchess to such an agreement as will make it appear to the outside world at least, that the duke and herself have become reconciled. It is said to be the earnest desire of William K. Vanderbilt Sr. to see his daughter and the duke reunited, altho the elder Vanderbilt stoutly champions the cause of his daughter, but it is said marital troubles in Sunderland have been making him a better friend of the duke of Marlborough than ever.

No secret is made of the fact that the duchess will join her brother and his party when they arrive in Southampton. So much feeling has been aroused by the troubles of the Marlboroughs among their friends that they have been divided into two camps. Curiously enough, a majority of the women making up the American colony in London sympathize openly with the duke.

Among women favoring the course of the duke are the dowager duchess of Marlborough, step-mother of the duke, and Lady Arthur Page.

Mrs. Jacob Astor, on the other hand, has expressed her sympathy for the duchess by sending a big bunch of roses from her thru Mrs. Oliver P. Belmont, mother of the duchess.

Mrs. Belmont is also trying her best to bring about a reconciliation, tho she approves of everything the duchess has done.

IMPRISONED OFFFICERS

Were Sent to Take Over Property of the Church

Special to The Telegram.

TARASCON, France, Dec. 15.—Two squadrons of hussars have been dispatched from here to Barbentine, where the inhabitants have imprisoned the officials sent to take over the church property under the church and state separation.

THIERRY WILL COMMAND

French Squadron to Attend Opening of Exposition

Special to The Telegram.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Thierry is to command the French squadron which will take part in the naval display at the opening of the Jamestown Exposition.

"Heads I Win—
Tails You Lose"

Is the unfair game coffee plays with many persons. Give it up and get a "square deal" by using well-made

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"THERE'S A REASON."

KNITTING MILL IN BANKRUPTCY

Machinery Loaded on Cars Was Seized

Special to The Telegram.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Creditors petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States district court before Judge Holt in New York Wednesday against the Hudson Valley mills, manufacturers of children's underwear, 50 Hasbrouck avenue, this city, by these creditors: C. B. Barker & Co., $62; Tefft, Weller & Co., $73, and Wilt Vener Company, Richmond, Va., $450.

It is alleged that the corporation is insolvent; that it has removed property to Fort Worth, Texas; that several suits are pending against it; that atachments have been filed, and that it is indebted to employes for wages. The company intended to move its plant to Texas and a quantity of machinery which was loaded in the cars has been seized by Sheriff Webster under an attachment issued in the action brought by out-of-town parties to recover $16,000.

There are two actions pending in the city court in which attachments have been issued and the machinery attached in the mills at Hasbrouck avenue. One has been brought by Timothy Quillinan for $460 for wages and another by C. E. Powell for $480 for boxes.

Wednesday a chatel mortgage was filed in the county clerk's office, given by the Hudson Valley mills to the State National Bank of Fort Worth, Texas. It was given for $8,000 and covers the plant and machinery here, 5,000 acres of land near Longford, Ga., and thirty-eight acres in Tarrant county, near Fort Worth. The mortgage states that the plant and machinery are soon to be removed to Fort Worth.

The Kingston National Bank has a prior mortgage for $4,500 on the property. The Hudson Valley mills seemed to be prosperous, but it is claimed they were unable to fill orders because of the inability to get help.

Judge Holt issued an injunction restraining all persons from interferring with the property of the mills until further order of the court. This leaves the property in the possession of the sheriff and the city marshal until the trustee in bankruptcy is elected.

OBJECT OF REVENGE

Believes Negroes Are Responsible for Attacks

Special to The Telegram.

ARDMORE, I. T., Dec. 15.—L. C. Lesure, real estate dealer, while entering his home last night was fired upon twice by a man crouched in a room. Both shots missed and Lesure grappled with the would-be assassin, and fired upon him without effect. Some days ago Lesure received a threatening letter. He is a Republican and refused to serve on a committee with negroes and believes that his life is sought on this account.

INCREASE IN WAGES

About Three Thousand Employes Are Affected

Special to The Telegram.

MOOSUP, Conn., Dec. 15.—A statement was made today by several mill owners in this section that a ten per cent increase in wages would be granted, affecting nearly three thousand employes in the various cotton mills.

"77"

Dr. Humphreys' Seventy-Seven breaks up Grip and

COLDS

Now that the season for Coughs and Colds is with us, the prudent man is on the lookout for a preventive that will guard him against the "eager and nipping air" that may prepare the way for a winter's illness. He don't have far to look, for every druggist keeps "Seventy-seven," its use prevents and breaks up Colds without fail.

"77" is for Grip, Colds, Influenza, Catarrh, Hoarseness, Sore Throat and the prevention of Pneumonia.

At Druggists, 25 cents or mailed.

Humphreys' Homeo. Medicine Co., cor. William and John streets, New York.

MANY BIRDS KILLED

Hunters in Mexico Are Ordered Arrested

Special to The Telegram.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 15.—Hunters who supply the millinery establishments in the United States with bird wings and feathers have become so numerous in Mexico and are slaughtering the wild birds of the country so rapidly that several governors of Mexican states have had to issue orders against any more hunting of all kinds. Birds were being killed by the hundreds and stripped of what was saleable to milliners and then left to decay in the woods. In some places in Mexico herons have been practically exterminated. Governor Pimental of Oaxaca, where the hunters have been particularly aggressive, has ordered all men, both native or foreign, caught killing birds to be arrested. He has also prohibited the shipment of either bird wings or feathers out of the state. Other governors are following his example.

SIX MEN WERE BLOWN TO ATOMS

Premature Explosion of Charge of Dynamite

Special to The Telegram.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 15.—In an explosion of dynamite just across the North Carolina line twenty miles from Newport, Tenn., this afternoon, six men employed in the building of an extension of the Tennessee and North Carolina railroad were blown to atoms. A seventh man was seriously injured and may not recover.

The victims were all white men and had families living in the immediate vicinity of the tragedy.

The dead:
TIPP HALL.
HAMILTON SUTHERLAND.
ALFRED SUTTON.
WILLIAM SUTTON.
WILL BROWN.
HARRISON PRICE.

The workmen were preparing to make a blast with the large quantity of dynamite when the fuse was ignited before the men were notified and the blast prematurely exploded. Six of the men were literally torn into fragments and human flesh was scattered in all directions.

NEW ORLEANS RACES

Dick Watkins Had $40,000 on Rose at Twenty to One

Special to The Telegram.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—Rain affected everything at the races today, including the attendance. Twenty-nine bookmakers were doing business, and if they had only been game to take the money they would have reaped a harvest. The play was light on the first race, which was of the "shake-in-a-handbag" order.

But Dick Watkins, the well known trainer, was one of the lucky ones, having $40,000 on Rose Marion at 20 to 1. Troxler, on Spider Web, went up to the stand to make a protest in this race, but was dismissed quickly. The defeats of Athelte, in the Burley and O'Neil entry, and Wild Irishman, in their respective races, cost the big players and the public a lot of money.

Before the races began Bob Tucker sold Athelte to Burley and O'Neil and that horse carried the pink and black colors. In the third race, Athelte showed up prominently for a while, but died away. The winner, Goldie, belonging to Ed Corrigan, was thrown in the handicap at 90 pounds, and led all the way. Yazd broke down badly in his ride and Goldie will be a sore horse tomorrow, as old Stone gave him a terrible kick at the starting post.

RAIN AT HILLSBORO

Heaviest Rain for December With a Falling Temperature

Special to The Telegram.

HILLSBORO, Texas, Dec. 15.—After a day of unusual humidity and accompanying a brisk northwest wind, a rain came up late yesterday afternoon and continued thruout all of last night, the downpour being the heaviest on record for December. The gauge registered more than two inches. A light rain has prevailed during the morning and the temperature continues to fall.

COUNT LAMSDORF ILL

Was Former Minister of Foreign Affairs for Russia

Special to The Telegram.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—Count Lamsdorf, former minister for foreign affairs, is seriously ill of heart disease, accompanied by other weaknesses.

Japanese Workmen Tagged

Every workmen in Japan wears on his cap an inscription stating his business and his employer's name.

SHOULD VOTE FOR BAILEY OR RESIGN

Senator Was in San Antonio Saturday

Special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 15.—Senator J. W. Bailey left tonight for his home in Gainesville. During his stay here he was the guest of Colonel Joe Gunter, and received a number of callers, including Mayor Callaghan, who presented him with a large bouquet of roses, stating that he presented them "on behalf of the people of San Antonio, to show their confidence in and respect for the junior senator from Texas."

With the visit of Bailey discussion of the actions which have brought him into the lime light, was renewed and his reception could not be deemed enthusiastic, considering the fact that his coming had been heralded in the press. Out of a voting population of 15,000, less than 50 people did him honor. In conversation in the office of Colonel Gunter, Bailey said:

"Every member of the legislature has the right and power and the only honorable way of settling the matter of voting for or against me. If he is not prepared to vote for me he should resign his office and go before the people for re-election on that issue. Otherwise he violates a sacred trust reposed in him by the Democratic party and strikes a blow to disrupt the party organization. No executive committee should call new primaries or take action in the matter. To do so is to invite a breach of the party discipline."

Still in Touch With Pierce

During the conversation Bailey voluntarily said he had communicated with H. Clay Pierce concerning the present charges. He said: "I have a telegram from Mr. Pierce in which he says the vouchers in the hands of Davidson are forgeries. I have not used this because I do not wish to be put in the attitude of having to produce evidence to the people of Texas to substantiate my word. I believe that my statement that I have done no wrong is sufficient for the good people of Texas. When they have to have documentary evidence to prove the truthfulness of my statement I will leave the public service." In the telegram from Pierce he says he has examined the vouchers of which Davidson has copies and that they are patent forgeries. He says in one of them "my name has been scratched out and his written over it." He says that one other is also a forgery. "This is the reason I have never been able to get a peep at them."

Bailey had nothing to say for the press.

MONTANA LAUNCHED

Navy Not Officially Represented at the Launching

Special to The Telegram.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 15.—The United States armored cruiser Montana was successfully launched at Newport News shipyards today in the presence of a large number of people. The vessel was christened by Miss Minnie Conrad, daughter of W. G. Conrad of Montana.

Governor Toole of that state was represented by Martin Maginnis, former territorial delegate in congress. Senator Carter and Representative Dixon were also present. The navy was not officially represented.

After the launching the sponsor's party was entertained at breakfast. The Montana is about 58 per cent completed and is a sister ship to the North Carolina. Her contract calls for a speed of 22 knots.

Fire in State House

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—Fire broke out this morning in one of the north windows of the state house. The blaze was caused by painters burning off the old paint at a window. It smouldered in the side of the window casing, but it was extinguished after a portion of the window casing had been burned.

MRS. CORA B. MILLER MAKES A FORTUNE

Says She Will Now Give Away $10,000 Worth of Medicine to Women

Until a few years ago Mrs. Cora B. Miller lived in a manner similar to that of thousands of other very poor women of the average small town and village. She now resides in her own palatial brown-stone residence, and is considered one of the most successful business women in the United States.

Several years ago Mrs. Miller learned of a mild and simple preparation that would readily cure female diseases and piles. After curing herself and many of her friends she was besieged by so many women needing the treatment that she decided to furnish it to those who might call for it. She started with only a few dollars' capital, and the remedy, possessing true and wonderful merit, producing marvelous cures when doctors and other remedies failed, the demand grew so rapidly she was several times compelled to seek larger quarters. She now occupies one of the city's largest office buildings, which she owns, and almost one hundred clerks and stenographers are required to assist in this great business.

Million Women Use It

More than a million women have used Mrs. Miller's Specific, and no matter where you live, she can refer you to ladies in your own locality who can and will tell any sufferer that this marvelous remedy really cures women's diseases. Despite the fact that Mrs. Miller's business is very extensive, she is always willing to give aid and advice to every suffering woman who writes to her. She is a generous, good woman and has decided to give away to women who have never used her medicine $10,000.00 worth absolutely FREE.

Every woman suffering with leucorrhoea or whitish discharges, ulcerations, displacements or falling of the womb, profuse, scanty or painful periods, uterine or ovarian tumors or growths, also pains in the head, back and bowels, bearing-down feelings, nervousness, creeping feelings up the spine, melancholy, desire to cry, hot flashes, weariness, or piles from any cause, should sit right down and send her name and address to Mrs. Cora B. Miller, Box 3293, Kokomo, Ind., and receive by mail (free of charge in plain wrapper) a 50-cent box of her marvelous Specific; also her valuable book.

Remember, this offer will not last long, for thousands and thousands of women who are suffering will take advantage of this generous means of getting cured. So if you are ailing, do not suffer another day, but send your name and address to Mrs. Miller for the book and medicine before the $10,000.00 worth is all gone.

WHY TAKE BUSINESS HOME?

Are Your Nerves Constantly Strained with Groundless Worries?

The cause of this tense condition is in your stomach. Your food does not digest properly. Nine-tenths of all dyspepsia and indigestion is of the nervous type and the only certain cure is to right the cause. Tonics, brain foods, bitters, etc., are mere temporary stimulants. Your stomach and small intestines have become deranged by improper selections of foods, imperfect mastication and irregularity both as to time and amount of eating.

CAN'T THROW OFF HIS CARES.

The mucous coating of the stomach and intestines has lost its power of secreting the gastric juice (an important factor in digestion) the muscles of the middle coating are correspondingly lifeless in grinding up the food, and as a result, the food lies in your stomach fermenting, poisoning the blood, irritating the nerves and breaking down the system.

Something must be done to arouse the digestive organs to action. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets alone have been found capable of digesting the food for the unhealthy stomach. They contain diastase, pepsin and other digestive agents which the stomach itself possesses when in health. These agents digest the food for the stomach and give the stomach a chance to rest and regain its normal powers.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are not a patent medicine, the formula for their preparation having been made public and known to 40,000 physicians in the United States and Great Britain. By government tests, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been shown not only to contain no harmful ingredients, but to possess digestives of higher purity than found in any other preparation.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are recommended by physicians everywhere and can be bought of any druggist or direct from the manufacturers at 50 cents per box.

If preferred, a free trial package will be sent you immediately upon receipt of name and address. F. A. Stuart Co., 73 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

Enjoy Yourself during the HOLIDAYS

Why not assist your general health by participating in the wholesome, healthful exercise, the ideal winter pastime.

SKATING

The big rink, comprising 13,775 square feet of actual skating surface, is in splendid condition now, and affords ample room for all.

Cox's Celebrated Band

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The Fort Worth Skating Rink

BILLY LAIRD, Manager.

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Everybody happy; everybody willing to do a little something extra for the inner man—why, then, not allow yourself the luxury of a

CAN OF ALAMO?

The only real Mocha and Java in the state of Texas. Your groceryman will be delighted to serve you.

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No Opium

In Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

This remedy is a favorite with the mothers of small children, as it contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given to a baby as confidently as to an adult.

It is pleasant to take, too, which is of much importance when medicine is to be given to small children.

As a cure for bad colds, croup, and whooping cough, it is unequalled and may be depended upon with the utmost confidence.

Price 25c.; large size 50c.

Choice of Pessimism

The famous novelist was being lionized at a picnic. "But how," said a young girl, "do you ever get yourself in the mood to write such a bitterly pessimistic book?" "I use," the novelist answered, "a fountain pen." It was then for the first time that she noticed the large black stain on his left breast, around the pocket.

Talbert & McNaughton, fire insurance, phone 1884; at new quarters, room 216 (second floor), Fort Worth National Bank Building.

THINGS TO EAT

Are at the top in the matter of everyday needs. You want them good—and you want to pay as little for them as you can. We meet both requirements.

FINE CRANBERRIES

FIRM, RED AND TART

Vegetables in season—nice and fresh.
"Acme" Butter—the most wholesome and purest.
Our Coffee—superb! We'd like to have you try it.
Dill Pickles—nice, big, crisp, juicy fellows. Try some.
Sweet Potatoes—right size.
All kinds of good eating Apples.
Fruits.

TURKEYS GALORE!

We will have a large supply for our Xmas trade. Thanksgiving we sold 192 turkeys, with not a single complaint.

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WAS ENGAGED TO SENATOR BROWN

Mrs. Adams Gives Out an Interview

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Anna G. Adams gave to a reporter today the first authoritative interview on her return from Washington in connection with the shooting of former Senator Arthur C. Brown, of Utah, by Mrs. Anna Bradley. When asked if she was acquainted with Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. Adams answered: "I can say that while I never saw Mrs. Bradley in my life, I have a great deal of sympathy for her."

"Will you go to the assistance of Mrs. Bradley?" was the next question.

"I don't mean to answer that question. I will say, as I have said before, that if I had been able to see her before the unfortunate affair I am sure it would never have happened."

Regarding her reported engagement to Brown, Mrs. Adams said:

"I was engaged to Senator Brown, but I was engaged with the understanding that our engagement should not be considered an engagement until he had made some sort of a settlement with Mrs. Bradley.

"I loved Senator Brown devotedly, notwithstanding his relations with Mrs. Bradley, but I insisted that he should make a settlement on Mrs. Bradley before the engagement should become known."

Railway Mail Notes

Clifton E. Williams, Monett and Fort Worth railway postoffice, has been promoted to class No. 2.

The following have been appointed substitute railway postal clerks: Jesse A. Megarity, Corsicana; Tom W. Stewart, Whitney; Wylie R. McDonald, Collinsville; Robert F. Cannon, Greenville; Alfred F. Smith, Brownfield; Charles H. Anderson, Leigh; Louis E. Hirsch, Ringold; Oscar F. Gregory, Ben Franklin.

Coughs of Children

Especially night coughs. Nature needs a little help to quiet the irritation, control the inflammation, check the progress of the disease. Our advice is—give the children Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ask your doctor if this is his advice also. He knows best. Do as he says.

We publish the formulas of all our preparations. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

YOU CAN SEE IT GROWING

Little Johnnie Putman's Arm Is Rapidly Increasing in Size and Strength.

"Do you know, Mr. Reporter, I can actually see it grow!" These were the words used by Mrs. Putman of 1402 Calhoun street. She was speaking of the wonderful progress that is being made in the case of her little son, Johnny, who has a paralyzed arm, which is being cured by the Hot Springs Doctors. Johnny has been under treatment but a few days and the little shrunken, shriveled arm has increased in size and Johnny has also regained the use of it. Mrs. Putman says that she can actually see the growth of the arm from day to day since the Hot Springs remedies are sending rich warm life blood coursing through it again.

The many astonishing cures that have been made by the Hot Springs Doctors in Fort Worth are among the leading topics of conversation everywhere, and the fact that the cures are all proving to be permanent is an additional cause of gratification.

Yesterday M. B. Mims of 305 Edwards street, letter carrier No. 7, walked up to the Hot Springs Institute at 900 Houston street without his crutches. Only a week ago Mr. Mims was a cripple in bed most of the time and hobbling about the room on crutches. One short week of Hot Springs treatment and he now walks the streets without even a cane. These are not fancies—they are solid facts, as investigation has proven to the reporter.

J. L. Berry of North Fort Worth testified that he had been cured of kidney trouble and his wife of dyspepsia by the Hot Springs Doctors.

Little 6-year-old Anna May Crossen of Riverside, who was paralyzed in both limbs, can now walk, for the first time in months.

Mrs. E. L. Johnson of 1114 Kennedy street was cured of six years' deafness, caused by taking quinine.

C. J. Wares of 504 Hemphill street had been deaf twenty-five years and Hot Springs Remedies relieved him at once.

With the above and hundreds of other cures being made right here in Fort Worth—people being cured who had suffered for years, people whom we know were sick and are now well—is it any wonder that the offices of the Hot Springs Doctors at 900 Houston street are crowded every day with people from far and near, who are anxiously waiting their turn for a consultation with the marvelous specialist, Marvel Kinsey, "the man with the X-ray eye," examines each patient personally and refuses all that are incurable.

The Hot Springs Doctors announced yesterday that in order to accommodate those who had called when the waiting rooms were filled and so were turned away, and in order to treat all alike, the grand free offer of free examination and treatment at cost would be extended to all who come before Jan. 1.

The Great Anselme announces new features and a double bill at the free show at Fifth and Taylor streets all next week.

MOTHER-IN-LAW CAUSES TROUBLE

Judge Delivers Opinion on the Subject

Special to The Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—"No woman should be compelled to live with her mother-in-law, even if she did agree to do so before marriage, and she has a perfect right to break that agreement. If I were a woman I would leave a man who tried to compel me to live with his mother."

Judge J. A. Evans was righteously indignant and expressed his opinion in regard to the mothers-in-law in no gentle terms. The occasion was the hearing of a desertion and non-support case brought against George H. Smith by his wife. The wife testified that she had been compelled from the time they were married to live with Smith's mother. She said that in addition to his mother there was also a married brother in the house with his wife and that while she was not abused and her husband gave her some money every week, that yet it was extremely disagreeable. Smith said his wife refused to do any work in the house. Then Judge Evans delivered himself of the quotation above. He closed the case by ordering Smith to pay his wife $10 a week.

ONE LEASE WILL DO

New Ruling on Oil and Mineral Leases in Indian Territory

Special to The Telegram.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Dec. 15.—The department of the interior has made a new ruling, which is in effect that oil or mineral leases on full-bloods' allotments in the Indian Territory where the homestead and surplus allotment join only require one lease. Heretofore leases had to be made separate and it was a double tax to the oil men to get the leases approved.

TEXANS IN THE CITY

At the Metropolitan

Benford—C. D. McCall.
Montague—Chas. Spinner.
Dublin—A. L. Cole.
Gainesville—S. P. Stanforth.
Temple—Robt. McKinley.
Galveston—S. M. Henderson.
Chillicothe—W. E. Sanders and wife.
Bowie—L. A. Raines.
Denton—William W. Keith.
Amarillo—W. D. Patton.
Wichita Falls—A. H. Corrigan.
Greenville—A. L. Gregory.
Waxahachie—E. C. Campbell.

At the Worth

Dallas—R. B. Browder.
Nacogdoches—June E. Harris.
El Paso—Miss Ramboldt.
Denton—J. W. Rogers, J. W. Owens.
Waco—G. Meroyn Moore.
Panhandle—J. Sid O'Keefe.
Waxahachie—James A. Weaver.
Wills Point—E. B. McKain.
Itasca—Geo. Derden.

At the Delaware

Dallas—R. D. McCormick, J. E. Johnson.
San Antonio—Thos. Nash.
Wichita Falls—Jas. Brown.
Chico—Annie Low Smith.
Big Springs—R. C. Sanderson.
Decatur—G. D. Donald

PROSPERITY OF TEXAS SHOULD MAKE ALL HAPPY

"Open the Doors of Opportunity to Talent and Virtue, and They Will Do Themselves Justice."—Emerson.

BY F. P. HOPKINS.

At this yuletide all Texans should be inspired with thanksgiving and happiness. And, today so many people of the sovereign state of Texas look back with pride upon the road of prosperity, following which, they have accumulated wealth and achieved merited success.

Ralph Waldo Emerson wisely said: "Wealth brings with it its own checks and balances. Open the doors of opportunity to talent and virtue, and they will do themselves justice, and prosperity will be in good hands. In a free and just commonwealth property rushes from the idle and imbecile to the industrials, brave and persevering."

The unprecedented prosperity and progress of Texas can hardly be realized until statistics are cited, but figures at best, are tiresome. In every enterprise, in every channel of endeavor the prosperity and wonderful success of Texas agriculture has been reflected.

Just now no financial statistics so command the attention of Texans as those of cotton. Laying aside the views of what cotton prices will or should be, a study of Texas' part of the cotton drama most assuredly imbues confidence in the hearts of the leaders in almost every Texas enterprise.

Whatever the yield or whatever may be the prices for the balance of the Texas crop, the surprising revenue from the production of cotton in Texas means a magnificent surplus over the cost of production. When one considers the small cost of producing cotton in Texas; the big increase in this season's crop in Texas, which the decrease in the other portions of the belt; and the fact that the world will require all of the season's growth of good grades of the staple; it is easy to understand the immense revenue resulting to Texas producers of the chief staple of the southland.

Cotton is only one of the industries extensively pursued in Texas at so small a cost and such an excellent net revenue and profit.

All of this brings home to us the fact that Texas lands have not yet reached the level of their actual intrinsic value, and that big advances must necessarily take place next year and during the years immediately following. The plain and simple economic analysis is that Texas lands are lower in proportion to their actual producing powers than any others in the whole United States.

Eastern capitalists are satisfied with 5 per cent income. Texas can conservatively guarantee two or three times that percentage on investments.

And North Fort Worth is the home of them all.

North Fort Worth joins Fort Worth on the north. They are destined to be the largest center of population in the southwest. This vast area embraces 100,000 square miles of the fertile land comparatively undeveloped, or one-third of Texas. This territory is being converted into farms. The large ranches are being divided into smaller tracts and sold to farmers who are beginning development. Almost every variety of soil and climate is afforded and unlimited opportunities are presented in this vast domain. This grand extent is the feeder for the nucleus that makes North Fort Worth, with two giant packing houses of Armour & Company and Swift & Company, and the canning factory of Libby, McNeil & Libby, stock yards and railroads, the great live stock market of the southwest.

From a crossroads village a few years ago, North Fort Worth now claims for itself and adjacent suburbs a population of 10,000 souls, and besides its many businesses incident to a thriving town in the way of retail stores, groceries, markets, clothing stores, restaurants, hotels and kindred ventures, it boasts the successful management of two national banks, two ice and one cold storage plants, three elevators, one marble and monument works, one overall factory, one creamery and ice cream factory, one steam laundry, one electric light plant, a horse and mule market (the largest south of St. Louis), eight churches, a paid fire department, two electric trunk lines of street railway, an artesian system of water supply unsurpassed, representing $100,000 investment, and a residence section that is the pride of Tarrant county, as a brief description of Grand avenue will indicate. This thorofare is ten feet higher than the second story of the court house. It is the highest point in North Fort Worth. The Trinity valley flanks this to the west, forming Belmont Terrace Addition, affording a magnificent prospect and view for miles, and unsurpassed residence sites by anything in this county. The street is paved. Cement walks grace its sides, and altogether an ideal spot finds lodgment for the most modern and up to date homes.

Aside from several trunk lines which connect with every railroad in Texas, making this the state's greatest railroad center, here are afforded, as nowhere else, unlimited sites and favors for factories, warehouses, elevators, cotton mills and innumerable opportunities for the manufacturer and wholesaler. The local pride of the town centers in the new $35,000 high and grammar school building, which equals anything in Texas from an architectural standpoint, and furnishes educational facilities the best in the land. Our public school has enrolled 733 pupils, independent of which there is a kindergarten with forty pupils.

The truth of all these assertions is borne out by investigation which we invite, and we assure you the heartiest co-operation in satisfying your research for investment or home. North Fort Worth needs more factories, more residences for rental purposes, more retail stores, more business buildings. Anything that can succeed elsewhere can succeed here, and many things unsuccessful elsewhere are bound to succeed here. Opportunities are almost boundless. Let your inquiries be answered by the Commercial Club of North Fort Worth.

MISSING DOCKETS REPORTED FOUND

Contain Record of Thaw-Fitch Case

Special to The Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—Without divulging the method of their return, Mrs. Samuel Creelman, widow of Justice of the Peace Creelman of Wilkinsburg, announced today that the five dockets missing from her husband's criminal records, which were reported some time ago as having been stolen, were found.

Among these was said to be one containing the records of the Thaw-Fitch case in which Harry Kendall Thaw, the slayer of Architect White of New York, is alleged to have been charged with enticing a minor.

Justice Walker, who has now charge of Justice Creelman's court, received a letter today from the United States Detective Agency, New York. Its contents are supposed to refer to the missing pages from the docket containing a record of the Thaw case. This docket is thought to be still missing.

INCREASE IN NURSERIES

Commissioner Clay Gives Out Encouraging Statement

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—State Insurance Commissioner Clay today gave out a statement showing the nurseries in Texas. It shows a total number inspected to be 246, which is an increase of three over the previous year. There are 2,470 acres in nurseries, against 2,281 for last year, and the estimated value of the nursery stock for this year is $488,585, against $425,000 for last year. The total number of trees inspected was 18,069,730 for this year, against 18,770,745 for last year. Commissioner Clay says this is becoming one of the most important industries in Texas.

PAYS ITS TAXES

No Resistance to Law by the Wells-Fargo Company

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15—The Wells-Fargo Express Company this afternoon paid into the treasury department the sum of $17,726.79 taxes due on its gross earnings under the Kennedy bill, from April 17, 1905, the date the act went into effect, to Dec. 31, 1905. The gross earnings of the company in Texas for that period amounted to $707,071.60. Company paid the tax without protesting and as the higher courts have held that the penalties are constitutional, consequently the company did not have to pay any penalties. This would indicate that the company does not intend to further resist this new tax revenue act.

TWELVE CASES SET

Suits Involve Construction of Recent Land Law

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—From the attorney general's department it is learned that there are twelve mandamus cases directed against the land commissioner, set for submission next Wednesday in the supreme court, all of them involving the construction of the land law passed by the last legislature. It is hoped that the court will decide these cases before the legislature convenes.

CANNOT COLLECT $30,000 IN TAXES

Court Rules That the Law Is Void

Special to The Telegram.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15.—The decision of Judge Vendleton of the superior court in enjoining Comptroller Wright from collecting $30,000 occupation tax from the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, has been affirmed by a decision handed down by the Georgia supreme court. This decision prevents the state of Georgia from collecting occupation taxes from other corporations making the same contentions as the Bell company and will deprive the state of $150,000 per year.

The court rules the law is void because it lacks uniformity and declares if a statute is invalid in part and the objectionable part is so connected with the general law that it cannot be stricken out, the whole statute being void.

WILL CANVASS RETURNS

Secretary of State Will Issue Statutory Certificates

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The governor, attorney general and secretary of state will meet Monday to canvass the returns of the general election. It will take about a week to complete the task, and after it is accomplished the secretary of state will issue statutory certificates to all the newly elected officials.

Xmas Specials FOR MONDAY

UP AT TANNER'S STORE.

18 pounds Granulated Sugar	$1.00
19 pounds Y. C. Sugar	$1.00
Heinz's Apple Butter, per pound	12½c
Heinz's Mince Meat, per pound	12½c
Heinz's Dill Pickles, per gallon	50c
Heinz's Mixed Pickles, quart	35c
Kraut, per pound	4c
Heinz's Olives, per quart	35c
Sugar Preserves, per pound	20c
All Nuts, per pound	20c
Pecans, per pound	30c
Nice Oranges, per dozen	30c
Peck Apples	35c
Upper Crust Flour, 50 pounds	$1.25
Bewley's Best, 50 pounds	$1.25
Queen Pantry Flour, 50 pounds	$1.60
3 pounds Head Rice	25c
California Hams, per pound	11c
Nice White Lard, per pound	11c
Compound, per pound	9½c
10 pounds Jelly	45c
Citron, per pound	35c
Orange Peeling, per pound	30c
Lemon Peeling, per pound	30c
Shelled Almonds, per pound	45c
Nice New Crop of Cider, per gal.	50c
Lemons, per dozen	25c
Nice Mixed Candy, per pound	10c
Nice Hams, per pound	14c
Dates, per pound	10c
Bananas, per dozen	15c
Cranberries, 2 quarts	25c
Live Turkeys, per pound	11c
3 cans of Corn	25c
3 cans of Tomatoes	25c
3 pound can of Tomatoes	10c
New Crop of Honey, per pound	12½c
Mocha and Java Coffee, per lb.	25c
Gallon New Orleans Molasses, new crop	60c
Dried Apples, per pound	10c
Dried Prunes, per pound	10c
Dried Figs, per pound	10c
Nice Live Chickens, each	35c
Nice Live Hens, each	35c

W. H. Tanner

Second and Houston Sts.
Both Phones 512.

TERRIFIC STORM THRUOUT ITALY

Rome Is Completely Isolated From World

Special to The Telegram.

ROME, Dec. 15.—Terrific storms, snow, wind and rain, caused serious damage to all Italian telegraph lines thruout this morning. Rome is entirely isolated.

FORESTRY RESERVE

Would Utilize Southeastern Section of the Nation

Special to The Telegram.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The forestry bureau has taken steps to create a forestry reserve in the Choctaw nation. It is proposed to utilize the southeastern section of the nation, which is almost entirely mountainous, for the purpose. The government, of course, must necessarily buy the land in question from Indians before forest reserves can be established.

Gus Rosenwinkel of McAlester, who represents railroad and other interests, is in the city and is trying to forestall any action on the part of the administration looking toward withdrawal of lands south of McAlester and east of Howe for forestry purposes.

Too Busy for Enjoyment

Some people are so busy putting something by for a rainy day that they don't enjoy the sunshine when they have it.

For Over 60 Years

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup

has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLIONS of Mothers for their CHILDREN while TEETHING, with perfect success. It SOOTHES the CHILD, SOFTENS the GUMS, ALLAYS all pain, CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIARRHŒA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind. 25 Cents a Bottle.

An Old and Well-tried Remedy

CHRISTMAS CANDIES

In every conceivable form for presents and general use. Get a box or two and you will get those of the most delightful flavor. Our confections are all absolutely pure and healthful and can be eaten by children with impunity.

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Go to the..... "Cozy Corner"
For
Christmas Whiskies and Wines
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pounds Granulated Sugar....$1.00
pounds Y. C. Sugar $1.00
nz's Apple Butter, per pound..12½c
nz's Mince Meat, per pound ..12½c
nz's Dill Pickles, per gallon.. 50c
nz's Mixed Pickles, quart ... 35c
ut, per pound 4c
nz's Olives, per quart 35c
ar Preserves, per pound 20c
Nuts, per pound 20c
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ASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The for- bureau has taken steps to create estry reserve in the Choctaw na- It is proposed to utilize the eastern section of the nation, is almost entirely mountainous, he purpose. The government, of e, must necessarily buy the land estion from Indians before forest ves can be established. Rosenwinkel of McAlester, who ents railroad and other interests, the city and is trying to fore- any action on the part of the istration looking toward with- l of lands south of McAlester ast of Howe for forestry pur-

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NEW CHARTER IS COMPLETE

Work of Citizens' Committee Has Concluded

MAKES CHANGES

Provides for Commission Form of Government and Other Details Not in Charter

The general, or citizens' committee, as it is sometimes called, charged with making up a new charter for the city of Fort Worth, has completed its work, and a summary of the more radical changes from the present charter includes the following:

The establishment of a commission form of government for the city, the body of commissioners to be five in number, one of whom is designated the mayor or chairman of the board.

They are to be elected at large by the qualified voters of the city and may be divided into classes Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, without there being any particular assignment of work being meant by that classification.

The commissioners are to get $3,000 a year, except the chief commissioner or mayor, who is to have a salary of $3,600 a year.

There is no limit to the powers of the commissioners that may be conferred by act of the legislature, and some of those are the right to hold property for the city, to acquire property, to provide for the public utilities, such as water, street lighting, etc.; the power to acquire all of the public utilities in the city; to regulate street railways in every conceivable particular; to borrow money; to issue bonds for specified purpose, and to do generally all that a municipal corporation can do, and more too, if the general grant of power holds.

The mayor must be a property holder, as well as a resident of the city for at least three years prior to the election.

The qualified voters of the city have the right to express their wishes on the new charter after it is adopted by the legislature, and if they do not approve the charter falls.

The following summary gives some of the more important parts of the charter as finally amended, without going into more than the general features of the very long new charter as it is finally agreed on by the committee:

Referendum Clause

One of the much discussed features was the referendum, which provides for the submission of any general ordinance or franchise to the voters of the city for approval or rejection, provided the demand for such submission is made by voters of the city to the number equal to 20 per cent of the vote cast at the last general election, and such demand will suspend the operations of the ordinance or franchise until the result of the election is determined.

The charter provides for the continued liability of the city for all indebtedness existing at the time of the adoption of the new charter, that is there is nothing that savors of repudiation of any kind of debt will be considered.

Provision is made for the ratification of the new charter by a vote of the people, thirty days' notice of the election being given.

The governing body is to be a mayor, who is sometimes styled chairman, and four commissioners. The departments are to be administered by about the same number and styled officials as at present.

The mayor is required to make a $5,000 bond, payable to the county judge, and there is an "anti-salary grab" feature, which prevents the one whose salary may be advanced benefitting by that increase during his term of office.

One clause which excited considerable inquiry was the one that provides for the institution of proceedings to remove an incompetent or wrong-doing commissioner from office. The initiative may be taken by five citizens of Fort Worth, unless, in specified instances, other officials act. The commissioners have the power to remove other officials from office when the good of the service requires it. Vacancies in the commissionerships are to be filled by election by the people, unless less than six months intervene between such vacancy and the time for the general election.

Division of Work

The division of the work is thus made:

One commissioner to have the general supervision of the police and fire matters with powers to employ men and to discharge them; another to have charge of streets and public property; another to have charge of finance and revenue. The mayor may assign the duties of each commissioner and change them at pleasure or when the good of the service seems to require it, provided the commissioner is assigned to other duties.

A financial statement of the expenditures and receipts of the city must be made four times a year, condition of bonded debt and all.

One provision which excited inquiry is that which provides for the grant of an emergency fund of $1,000 to the mayor to be used at his discretion, tho an accounting is to be made.

No intoxicating liquor sale license is to be issued to a saloon located on the same block as a public school nor within 400 feet of the said school grounds.

Many of the sections are the same as in the present charter, as for instance the one relating to the corporation court.

The charter is made a general law for the reason that such a provision is required to prevent the charter being construed as a local law.

The provision providing for the closing of saloons at nights and on Sundays is identical with the terms of an interview had with Mr. Baskin and published in The Telegram about two months ago. It provides saloons shall be closed from midnight to 5 a. m., and from Midnight Saturday to 5 a. m. Monday. Forfeiture for violations is fixed.

The restrictions on the sale of the real property or the public utilities now owned by the city, or the acquisition of similar properties by the city reads thus:

"The board of commissioners shall not have the power to buy, sell or lease any public utility or real estate unless it first declares its purpose so to do and provides so to do by ordinance setting forth the price, terms and conditions of sale, purchase or lease by ordinance, and such ordinance shall be subject to the provisions of the referendum herein provided for."

Elective Officers

The elective officers of the corporation, under the commission charter, are to be the city attorney, city recorder and the tax assessor and collector.

An effort to make the city secretary elective failed. The city plumber and the city electrician are made charter officers, so they will not be under the control of the water works secretary.

The maximum salary of the recorder, or corporation judge, was fixed at $900 per year, the commission to decide how much of that amount he shall be paid.

An effort to increase the proposed salaries of the mayor and the commissioners to $5,000 and $4,000 respectively failed.

The mayor is given a vote on all questions and not merely a vote in case of a tie.

Provision is made for keeping a record of all claims filed and the disposition of the same.

The provision which is intended to prevent any grafting is so extended that it prohibits the acceptance of any "complimentary payments or gifts" before or after one's term of service, as well as during his term of service.

Impeachment of any officials, or official, if every found necessary, may be done by the majority of the commission, that is by three affirmative votes.

The adoption of the "recall" feature, which provides that if the qualified voters of the city are dissatisfied with the actions of one of the elective officers of the city they may be petitioned for an election, passed on the demand of 20 per cent of the qualified voters of the city. The accused officer is to be named as a candidate, as a matter of right, unless he specifically declines to let his name be so used, and if he gets a majority of the votes it is a vindication. If any other person gets a majority vote he is to be declared elected in the place of the official thus "recalled."

The amount of tax to be levied specifically for the benefit of the Carnegie library is 2c on the $100 of valuation, the commissioners to say what proportion of that possible amount should be levied in any one year.

There was some opposition to the general idea of a poll tax and that was finally compromised by the adoption of the provision that the total amount collected, on account of polls, should go to the city public school funds.

After the general provision, much as they are in the present charter, relating to the duty of the tax assessor to levy taxes, to examine persons as to property qualifications under oath, etc., the commissioners are made the board of equalizers and they are required to complete their work in sixty days.

The minimum bond of the collector is fixed at $25,000, which may be changed or increased at the demand of the commissioners. Provision is made for the conduct of the affairs of the office if the new bond is demanded for that would work a suspension of the collector from office until the new bond was approved.

The salary of the collector and assessor is fixed at $2,500 a year, with certain fees for the collection of personal taxes, which latter shall not exceed $1,000.

A provision is incorporated which it is hoped will have the effect of making taxes a preferred and collectable lien on any assigned, transferred in bulk, stock of goods, bankrupt stock, etc.

Provision is made for the transfer of any surplus city funds left over after all claims against the special funds are satisfied, from any special fund to the general fund. Under existing laws the only use that can be made of a special fund now is the purpose for which the levy is made, no matter if there are no pending or possible claims against the fund.

Provision is made for the levy of franchise taxes on all corporations at any time after 1908.

Any one convicted of any kind of misappropriation of the funds of the city is forever debarred from holding a city office.

A reserve of $25,000 for extraordinary demands is provided for, and the unexpected balance, if any, may be used to make up the next year's reserve.

No department is authorized to exceed in its expenditures the estimated revenue for its department.

May Borrow Money

Permission to borrow money for current expenses is given, the uncollected taxes being pledged as collateral, the limit being $10,000.

The maximum tax rate is fixed at $1.75 on the $100 of valuation.

The discount allowed for prompt payments may be as much as 3 per cent if the payments are made in October and 2 per cent if made in November, and the penalty of 5 per cent interest begins to run on all taxes unpaid by Feb. 1. An effort, will be made to provide for the collection of license or taxes on those who are not named as liable to such taxes in the state law, if that is found practical, of which there is great doubt expressed.

No mortgage can be levied or placed on any of the public utilities without the fullest publicity and by a direct vote of the people.

One of the most important provisions approved was that which permits the issuance of city bonds to the amount of $150,000 a year, beginning in 1908 and continuing to and including 1911, of which sum $50,000 a year may be used in providing new schools and $100,000 for the permanent pavement of streets. The provision makes the issuance of the total amount permissive and not imperative. The bonds are to be 5 per cent bonds, and must not be sold for less than par.

There is but little change from the present regulations with reference to the police and fire departments. The chiefs of those departments are to be appointees of the commission and the men under them are to be the nominees of the chiefs, with the confirmation right reserved to the commission. An assistant in either department may be appointed if the commission deems it necessary.

Salaries of Chiefs

The salary of the chief of police is fixed at $2,000. The fire chief is to receive the same pay as now $1,500 per year. The pay of the subordinates is under the control of the commissioners and the right to employ and discharge the men is reserved by the commission in the fullest sense of the word. The police commissioner can remove the men, but only a majority vote of the commission can remove the chiefs. The chiefs have the power to temporarily suspend the men for cause in either department.

The schools are placed under the almost absolute control of the board of seven trustees and the first Saturday in May next an election is to be held for the election of the seven trustees at large, that election to be ordered by the city council if it is still in existence, or by the commission, if the latter body has assumed the direction of city affairs.

The school trustees are to be vested with power to fix the amount of the tax rate for schools, provided the total of 50 cents on the $100 of valuation is not exceeded. The total city tax rate is fixed at $1.75 on the hundred dollars, and it is stated explicitly that the total named shall be inclusive of the one-half of 1 per cent which may be levied by the school board. The present rate for schools is one-fourth of 1 per cent, or 25 cents on the $100 of valuation.

The school trustees are to be debarred from incurring any debts in excess of the estimated revenues from the school tax or in excess for school buildings and grounds of the amount which may accrue to its uses from the sale of bonds elsewhere authorized. The commission can appoint its own president, vice president and secretary and these officers and the trustees are to serve without pay, except that the secretary may be paid a sum not exceeding $25 per month. The treasurer of the school fund is to be the same as the general city treasurer.

No one connected with the school board in any capacity, as teachers or in any other way, can be interested in any kind of school books or supplies, and the establishment of the fact there is an interest of the kind vacates, per se, the position held.

After the election of the school trustees, as provided for, they are to draw for the terms, and those who draw Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 are to serve for one year each and the others are to serve for two years each, and then alternately, in May of each year, the four or three trustees are to be elected. The trustees have control of the elections, appoint presiding officers, etc., tho the elections must be under the general state election laws as to methods.

Radical Provisions

The parts of the charter relating to streets contain some radical provisions.

The board of commissioners has absolute control over the streets and sidewalks and the ground under them, and the air above them, and under those general powers may impose charges for the use of the streets under ground, surface or over-ground, which takes in the right to charge for the use of the streets by subways or for storage purposes in excavations under the streets and sidewalks; the right to charge a franchise tax or license for the use of the streets by street or steam cars, by electric lighting and power companies, telegraph and telephone companies, and so on thru a list which aims at and as far as can be seen takes in every possible use of the streets that an ingenious mind could think of.

Where there is a demand for the joint use of a track laid on a city street, the commission shall have power to force that joint use of the tracks and provision is made for proper compensation of the company which laid and owns the tracks.

All of those companies using the tracks are required to sprinkle that part of the streets over which they run.

Own Public Utilities

There is a general provision looking to the acquisition of all public utilities by the city. Commercial lighting by the city is specifically provided for. The system of universal transfers is also provided for.

The commission is to have the power to require any railway using the streets to pave the entire width of the street from curb to curb and to make crossings, surface or overhead, to the satisfaction of the commissioners. And, generally and finally, if there is any possible reserved right or power which may go to more thoroly establish the control of the city over the streets that power is expressly retained by the commissioners.

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Xmas Silks and Dress Goods

The variety, styles and qualities are what you would expect to find in an up-to-date store. A handsome Wool Dress Pattern or fine Black Silk Pattern would make a generous Xmas gift, and think of the saving when you buy here at original cost.

POSITIVELY RETIRING FROM BUSINESS

JUST SEVEN MORE DAYS OF THIS GREAT CLOSINGOUT SALE

Useful Xmas Presents

Selling at cost to manufacture

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- Fancy Belts
- Umbrellas
- Bed Spreads
- Lace Curtains
- Hand Bags
- Fine Purses
- Toilet Soap
- Fancy Combs
- Silk Gloves
- Stamped Linen
- Fancy Collars
- Wool Mitts
- Box Stationery

THINK of the opportunity offered you here right in the fullness of the season to supply your wants in Dry Goods, Notions, Ladies Ready-to-Wear, Ladies and Mens Furnishings, Clothing, Millinery, Shoes, Trunks and Valises at actual cost of production. Just at the time, too, when such merchandise is most wanted. Such a money saving opportunity at this season of the year was never before and may never again be offered the people of this city. Notwithstanding the surging mass of humanity that thronged this store every day last week from early till late in their eagerness to share in the *Great Money-Saving Distribution of Seasonable Merchandise, our $75,000 Stock* stands practically unbroken in assortment. In sacrificing this enormous stock just before the holidays, when all merchants get full prices for merchandise, we admit the loss of thousands of dollars in profits, which is being reaped by the public. But our firm determination to leave Fort Worth impels us to throw this stock on the market at the most opportune time to make a complete close out.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING THIS WEEK

Monday, the mighty rush of Christmas shopping comes, and we are fully equipped with a large and efficient force of salespeople to handle it. Our every department is brimful of substantial and appropriate Christmas gifts for all classes. *And you buy them with all*

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The burden of Christmas shopping is changed to a pleasure, when one feels that they are getting more than their money's worth; and that's what this sale affords. It's an opportunity to remember your friends and relations in a substantial way, and at the same time save enough in the deal to treat yourself handsomely.

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- Fine Shirts
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- Linen Collars
- Umbrellas
- Cuff Buttons
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Men's fine Manhattan $2.00 Shirts for..... **$1.15**
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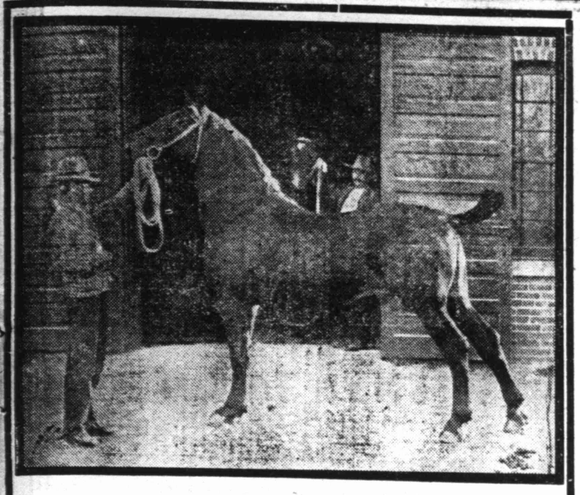

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Mrs. David Jones, D. A. Oliver, J. K. Clayton, Lee Kirkpatrick, Murchison and L. A. McCoy were among those who took most active parts in the discussion.

Many subjects touching methods of teaching, and interesting patrons in the public schools, discipline, arousing sympathy for wild beats, etc., were discussed.

Mrs. M. L. Terrell read an interesting paper on the influence of music in the public schools, which was discussed by Professor William Coleman, who gave a bit of history touching the discussion of the claim that negro melodies were the only distinctive American music as stated by Mrs. Terrell in her paper.

He showed that it had been claimed by some writers of music that the future tones would be based upon those made by the colored people in their plantation melodies for the reason, as Mrs. Terrell stated, it was from the heart.

Mrs. Tesrell sang some of the old melodies, which touched the hearts of the teachers. She encouraged them to teach these songs to their pupils for the interest and race pride they would arouse.

The institute closed until February at a date to be named by Superintendent Ramsey.

ALL OPEN SESSIONS

Any Who Wish May Attend Committee Meetings

The city council charter committee will begin its sessions Monday or Tuesday of next week and the chairman of the committee, Alderman Lehane, desires the explicit statement to be made that there will be none but open sessions of the committee in the consideration of the matters to go into the charter and that all of the people of the city who may wish to do so can attend the meetings.

What Adam ate, not what he drank,
Was he from Eden's garden driven,
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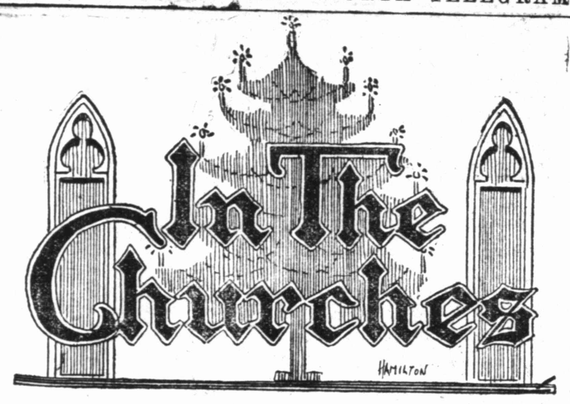

Baptist

North Fort Worth Baptist Church, corner Fifteenth street and Boulevard—Rev. E. Neander Bell, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m., by Dr. Malcolm McGregor, who is assisting the pastor in a revival. Morning subject, "The Sin and Doom of Meroz." Evening subject, "A Message to Young Men." At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon a mass meeting will be held for young people. The subject will be "The Shepherd and the Lamb."

Broadway Baptist Church, corner Broadway and St. Louis avenue—Rev. P. E. Burroughs, pastor. Preaching by pastor at both hours. Mrs. H. W. Lowe will sing at morning hour. Special music by choir at evening hour. The ordinance of baptism will be administered at close of evening service.

First Baptist Church, corner Third and Taylor streets—Rev. Charles W. Daniel, pastor. Public worship at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Preaching at both hours by Rev. L. W. Doolan of Waco. Rev. C. W. Daniel will be in Ennis to preach the dedication sermon of the Tabernacle Baptist church.

Christian

Tabernacle Christian Church, corner Fifth and Throckmorton streets—Rev. A. E. Dubber, pastor. Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Subject, "The Blessedness of Giving." Services Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Subject, "Sanctification."

First Christian Church, corner Sixth and Throckmorton streets—Rev. J. J. Morgan, pastor. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

Bellevue Christian Church, corner Laurel and Alston streets—Rev. C. P. Craig, pastor. Services morning and evening. Subjects, "I Go A-Fishing" and "Bible Study."

East Leuda Street Christian church—Regular services Sunday morning and night. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Song service every Thursday night. Arrangements for a Christmas tree will be made at the morning session of the Sunday school.

Bellevue Christian church, corner Laurel and Alston streets, C. P. Craig, pastor—Services morning and evening, subject, "I Go a Fishing" and "Bible Study."

Christian Scientist

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 502 Lamar street, corner Fourth—Services will be held at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Subject, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force."

Church of Christ

Central Church of Christ—Services in the court house basement begin at 10 a. m. with Bible study. Fay E. Wallace of Denton will preach at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

Church of Christ, corner Rosedale street and Alston avenue—Bible school at 10 a. m. Bible reading at 11 a. m. Exhortation and communion at 12 m. Bible study at 7:30 p. m.

Church of Christ, Brooklyn Heights—Bible school at 3 p. m. Topic meeting at 4 p. m. Exhortation and communion at 5 p. m.

Episcopal

The Church of the Holy Innocents, corner Josephine street and Virginia avenue, Union Depot addition—Rev. Charles A. Eaton, priest in charge. The third Sunday in Advent. Prayer, pre-communion service and sermon at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Priesthood; Its Duties; Its Responsibilities." Prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "The Great Pilot." At the evening service Mrs. Kirk Holland will sing an offertory solo. Take College car to Virginia avenue to reach this church from the city.

Trinity Church, corner Hemphill street and Pennsylvania avenue—Robert Hammond Cotton, rector. Services at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Take Hemphill street car to reach this church from city.

Methodist

Mulkey Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, South, corner St. Louis avenue and Ireland street—Rev. Geo. S. Slover, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Message of the Burning Bush." Preaching at 7 p. m. Subject, "Visions of the Invisible."

Weatherford St. Methodist Church, Rev. C. W. Heron, pastor. A special service will be held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning for the board of stewards. The quartet from Polytechnic College will render special music. Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh will preach at 7:30 p. m.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, corner Fourth and Jones streets. The pastor, Rev. Herbert D. Knickerbocker, will preach at both services Sunday. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Golden Keynote of Heaven's Song." The subject at night will be "Adam, the Boy." Special music at both services.

Glenwood Methodist Church—Rev. F. E. Slingleton, B. B., pastor. Regular services Sunday morning and evening. Subject at 11 a. m., "A Glad Service and How to Offer It." Subject at 7 p. m., "The Story of the Prodigal Girl as Told by Hosea."

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church—Sunday the new conference year just opening will be observed by two special sermons by the pastor, Rev. J. F. Boeye. At 11 a. m. the sermon has for its theme, "Christmas Gifts for King Jesus." At this service a special prayer of consecration will be offered for the officials of the new year, including all district helpers, trustees, stewards, Epworth League and Sunday school and other officers of the various societies. It is specially urged that all these be present for this service. At 7:30 p. m. the pastor will preach on "A Man Helped Who Asked No Aid." Special music will mark the day.

Missouri Avenue Methodist church, Rev. O. P. Kiker, pastor. Preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. At the evening services the Polytechnic college glee club will sing.

Rev. Edgar M. Wisdona, the new pastor of the Rosen Heights M. E. church, Pearl avenue, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Presbyterian

Broadway Presbyterian Church, corner St. Louis avenue and Broadway—Rev. J. B. French, D. D., pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor.

Cannon Avenue Presbyterian Church, corner Cannon avenue and Hemphill street—Rev. R. E. Chandler will occupy his pulpit Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Special music at both services.

Taylor Street Presbyterian Church, corner Fifth and Taylor streets—Rev. J. W. Caldwell, pastor. There will be all the regular services in this church Sunday. The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and also at 7:30 p. m. There will be special music at both services by Rowland D. Williams and large choir. A cordial welcome for all.

First Presbyterian church, Fourth and Calhoun streets. Divine service at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor, Rev. Wm. Caldwell, preaches at both services. The morning subject will be "Thomas, the Doubter." Communion service follows. The evening subject will be "Waiting." The Sunday Club meets at 4 p. m.

A. M. E. Church

Allen Chapel, A. M. E. Church, corner First and Elm streets—Rev. D. S. Moten, B. D., Ph. D., pastor. Sunday prayer band at 6 a. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Theme, "The Gospel of Peace." General class meeting at 8 p. m. Allen Christian Endeavor at 4 p. m. C. E. topic, "What Truth Has Chiefly Appealed to You From One Year's Sunday School Lesson." Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Theme, "The Abundant Life." Week-day services as usual, including Christmas exercises preparation.

German Lutheran

German Lutheran church, Railroad avenue and Hemphill street. Services Sunday 10:30 a. m.

Spiritual

Regular spiritual services will be conducted Sunday at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. W. A. Hudson in Odd Fellows' hall, corner of First and Throckmorton streets.

First Congregational

First Congregational church, corner Pennsylvania and College avenues. Sunday school at 9:30. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject: Morning, "What New Doctrine is This"; evening, "Unto the Uttermost." Christian Endeavor meet at 6:45. Prayer meeting and Bible study Wednesday evening at 7:30.

College Avenue Presbyterian church—Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Rev. M. B. Lambdin, pastor.

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PROGRAM FOR STATE TEACHERS

Convention Will Be Held Here Beginning Dec. 27

The twenty-eighth annual session Texas State Teachers' Association will convene at Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 27, 28, 29, 1906.

The officers and committees are as follows: President, V. M. Fulton, Cleburne; first vice president, Miss Adine Dezavala, San Antonio; second vice president, M. M. Dupree, Troupe; third vice president, R. F. Davis, Nacogdoches; recording secretary, J. Barton, Sherman; treasurer, W. D. Butler, Denton; chairmen of sections, college, S. P. Brooks, Waco; high school, Peyton Irvin Jr., Houston; primary, Miss Mary E. Johnson, Austin.

Executive committee, S. M. N. Marrs, Terrell, chairman; G. H. Carpenter, Brownwood; J. E. Blair, San Marcos; J. W. Cantwell, Corsicana; J. M. Carlisle, Arlington.

Committee on educational progress within the state, W. S. Sutton, chairman, Austin; S. C. Wilson, Huntsville; S. M. N. Marrs, Terrell; W. A. Palmer, San Marcos; S. L. Hornbeak, Waxahachie.

Committee on educational progress without the state, P. W. Horn, chairman, Houston; H. C. Pritchett, Huntsville; D. F. Eagleton, Sherman; J. L. Long, Dallas; J. W. Smith, Caldwell.

Committee on course of study for Texas high school, J. C. Lattimore, chairman, Waco; J. W. Cantwell, Corsicana; R. G. Hall, Cleburne; H. H. Ransom, Galveston; C. J. Lucken, San Antonio; Joseph Morgan, Dallas; S. P. Brooks, Waco; S. H. Moore, Georgetown; John W. Hopkin, Galveston.

The general sessions of the associations will be held at the city hall.

The program for Thursday, Dec. 27, 1:30 p. m., is as follows:

Invocation.
Music by high school orchestra.
Address of welcome, Judge W. D. Harris, Fort Worth.
Response, Superintendent H. F. Triplett, Beaumont.
Enrollment of members.
Announcement of committees.
Report of committee on progress within the state, Dr. W. S. Sulton, Austin.
Transfer of pupils from one district to another, County Superintendent Carl Hartman, Austin.
Discussion, J. S. McKee, Fort Worth.
Suggested topics for general discussion: The next step in the campaign for county supervision. Higher education in Texas. The status of public education in the cities and towns of Texas.

Reception by ladies' federated clubs at Worth hotel from 4 to 6 Thursday, Dec. 27, to which all the teachers are invited.

Thursday, Dec. 27, 7:30 p. m., at city hall:

Music by high school orchestra.
Progressive school legislations and the school man's relation to it, Hon. R. B. Cousins, Austin.
The kindergarten and primary school in their relation to the child and to each other, Miss Jessie Davis, Fort Worth.
Defects in the American home, Mrs. P. V. Pennybacker, Austin.

Thursday, Dec. 27, 9 to 10 p. m., at city hall, a musical by musical societies of city.

Friday, Dec. 28, 9 a. m.:

Uniform course of study for Texas high school (report), Superintendent John C. Lattimore, Waco.

The county as a unit of organization for school administration, Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs, Terrell.

Discussion, W. M. Williams, Taylor. Mrs. Lillie Shaver, San Marcos.

The value of literature in ethical training, Superintendent L. S. Minter, Bryan.

Teaching agriculture in the schools, Hon J. T. Connell, Dallas.

Suggested topics for general discussion: The duty of the citizen of Texas in the improvement of our revival schools.

The obligation of Texas to the feeble minded children. The juvenile court bill.

Friday, Dec. 28, 12 to 2, school exhibit of Fort Worth schools and luncheon at high school, attended by local teachers.

Program of college sections at Polytechnic, Friday, Dec. 28, p. m.

What can universities and colleges do to win higher sympathy of the common people? President A. E. Turner, Trinity University, Waxahachie.

How far may universities and colleges encroach upon the fields of technical schools? President Clinton Lockhart, Texas Christian University, Waco.

Is higher education in Texas keeping pace with modern progress? President David F. Houston, University of Texas, Austin.

High school section—At high school, Friday, Dec. 28, 2 p. m.:

High school athletics, Thomas Fletcher, Temple.
Some newer ideals in teaching Latin, T. D. Brooks, Hillsboro.
Mathematics in high schools, H. A. Echols, Sherman.
High school uniformity, J. C. Lattimore, Waco.
The evolution of high school courses of study, J. L. Henderson, Austin.

Primary sections—At high school Friday, Dec. 28:

Correlations of primary work, Miss Sue Buchanan, Fort Worth.
Primary work and childish instincts, Dr. A. C. Ellis, Austin.
Personality and a primary teacher, Miss Lula L. Hines, San Marcos.
Reception and entertainment at Polytechnic College, 4 to 6 p. m., Friday, Dec. 28, given by the faculty of the college.

Friday, Dec. 28, 7:30 p. m., at city hall:

Music by high school orchestra.
The south and her literary product, Dr. D. F. Eagleton, Sherman.
History and patriotism, Miss Katie Daffon, Houston.
Music by high school orchestra.
Address, leadership, Hon. J. B. Aswell, Baton Rouge, La.

Friday, Dec. 28, 9 to 12 p. m., reception at Elks' hall, attended by school board and local teachers.

Saturday, Dec. 29, 9 a. m., at city hall:

Tuo vandimus, some theories and their applications, J. E. Binkley, Georgetown.
Support of the public schools, Hon. Z. F. Fulmore, Austin.
Discussion: J. W. Carlisle, Arlington.
Reports of committees.
Selection of place of meeting.
Election of officers.

Saturday, Dec. 29, 12 o'clock noon, trip to packing houses, attended by county teachers.

MANY CHECKS DRAWN

Bank Depositors Spend Money For Presents

Saturday was one of the heaviest days in line of check business that has ever been done by the banks in the city. The volume of business done was exceedingly heavy, but chiefly in the matter of small checks, almost every depositor in the city needing money for Christmas presents.

A large amount of the check business done on Saturday will not, however, be apparent for some time, as in many cases the purchases were paid for by check and these will not be deposited with the bank until Monday.

The teller at one of the banks made the statement at the close of hours on Saturday that about every depositor in the bank had been in to see him. The same teller paid out $4,000 in silver dollars thru the window on Saturday.

HEADQUARTERS OF MANY MAIL CLERKS

How to Get a Place in the Service

Fort Worth probably has more railway mail clerks living within her bounds than any other city in the south, with the possible exception of Atlanta, which is also headquarters of a division. The number of mail clerks, while already large, is getting larger and larger every week and many others who are not in the service, are wishing to join it.

The question has been asked many times by these latter as to how they can become mail clerks and what is necessary before they can enter the service.

To become a clerk in the railway mail service, one must first write direct to the civil service commission in Washington, D. C., requesting the examination blanks for the office sought, and these papers should be returned to the officers from whom they emanated. A specimen set of questions will be furnished by the commissioner upon request, and the examinations are held twice a year in every state and territory at fixed places, and all examinations relate as nearly as possible to the duties to be performed. One of the tests of a railway mail clerk is an exercise in reading manuscript addresses.

When a vacancy occurs in the service the next man is promoted and so on, leaving the bottom place on the list vacant. This is where the new man is assigned. The selection for the appointment is made by the civil service commission in Washington, taking the name from among those highest on the list of eligibles. The top man is taken if the position to which the man is to be assigned is near his home. Often, however, when a large number of clerks have just been appointed from one section the new appointment will fall to a man in another section. There are many other things which are taken into consideration by the civil service in the matter of appointments.

RAISED A BIG TURNIP

J. W. Coppage of Glenwood Holds Local Record

To J. W. Coppage of 900 Lily street, Glenwood, belong honors thus far this year in the turnip raising line. Mr. Coppage brought the turnip to The Telegram office Thursday to prove its claim. It was raised from seed sown Sept. 20 and when pulled weighed a fraction over five pounds and measured twenty-two inches in circumference.

Mr. Coppage has a patch of turnips similar in size to the one he pulled and from the rate they are growing they threaten to exceed the boundaries of his garden and invade the surrounding neighborhood.

Charcoal Kills Bad Breath

Disagreeable Odor Arising From Indigestion or From Any Habit or Indulgence, Can Be Instantly Stopped

Sample Package Mailed Free

Other people notice your bad breath where you would not notice it at all. It is nauseating to other people to stand before them and while you are talking, give them a whiff or two of your bad breath. It usually comes from food fermenting on your stomach. Sometimes you have it in the morning—that awful sour, bilious, bad breath. You can stop that at once by swallowing one or two Stuart Charcoal Lozenges, the most powerful gas and odor absorbers ever prepared.

Sometimes your meals will reveal themselves in your breath to those who talk with you. "You've had onions," or "You've been eating cabbage," and all of a sudden you belch in the face of your friend. Charcoal is a wonderful absorber of odors, as every one knows. That is why Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges are so quick to stop all gases and odors of odorous foods, or gas from indigestion.

Don't use breath perfumes. They never conceal the odor, and never absorb the gas that causes the odor. Besides, the very fact of using them reveals the reason for their use. Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges in the first place stop for good all sour brash and belching of gas, and make your breath pure, fresh and sweet, just after you've eaten. Then no one will turn his face away from you when you breathe or talk; your breath will be pure and fresh, and besides your food will taste so much better to you at your next meal. Just try it.

Charcoal does other wonderful things, too. It carries away from your stomach and intestines, all the impurities there massed together and which causes the bad breath. Charcoal is a purifier as well as an absorber.

Charcoal is now by far the best, most easy and mild laxative known. A whole boxful will do no harm; in fact, the more you take the better. Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges are made of pure willow charcoal and mixed with just a faint flavor of honey to make them palatable for you, but not too sweet. You just chew them like candy. They are absolutely harmless.

Get a new, pure, sweet breath, freshen your stomach for your next meal, and keep the intestines in good working order. These two things are the secret of good health and long life. You can get all the charcoal necessary to do these wonderful but simple things by getting Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges. We want you to test these little wonder workers yourself before you buy them. So send us your full name and address for a free sample of Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges. Then after you have tried the sample, and been convinced, go to your druggist and get a 25c box of them. You'll feel better all over, more comfortable, and "cleaner" inside.

Send us your name and address today and we will at once send you by mail a sample package, free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 60 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

DOUBLE CAPACITY

Present Plant of Ice Company Operated One Year

After running one year, with a forty-ton ice plant, the Ballard Ice Company, which is located on Lake and Daggett avenue, has started work installing a plant to double the capacity before the ice season again opens. At the same time the company is installing a fifty-car cold storage plant on the second and third stories of the building.

The present plant has been in operation only a year. At the time the building was built it was made large enough to install the forty-ton addition and the cold storage plant whenever necessary, altho it was not considered that the business would demand this increase within such a short time. The improvements in the plant will be ready about April 1. The cost of installing them is not announced, but it is known that they are being put in at considerable expense.

HELD FOR HORSE THEFT

Negro Was Arrested on Suspicions, Which Were Correct

Jonas Jones, colored, was arrested by the city police on suspicion and but a little later it was learned, by a phone inquiry from Midlothian, that a team had been stolen from that place. Saturday the owner, Mr. Robinson, came here, identified the team and recovered his property. The darkey said he had sold the team, but had not been paid any money yet. He was sent to the county on a horse theft charge.

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CHANGE IN TIME ON FRISCO LINE

Dallas to Kansas City Trains Taken Off

New time cards of the Rock Island and the Frisco railroads go into effect today. Trains Nos. 35 and 36 of the Rock Island, which have hitherto been running from Dallas to Kansas City and vice versa will be taken off and instead trains Nos. 17 and 18 will run between Chickasha and Fort Worth as locals. This taking off of the Kansas City trains and the stopping of the other train here, while not diminishing the number of trains of Fort Worth, will cut off one train a day each way between Fort Worth and Dallas and will leave three trains on that line.

Changes in the Rock Island schedule are as follows: No. 17 will leave Chickasha at 4 a. m. and will arrive in Fort Worth at 11:30 a. m. Returning No. 18 will leave Fort Worth at 6:40 p. m. and will arrive at Chickasha at 2:10 a. m.

Changes on the Frisco will be as follows: The Meteor from St. Louis will arrive here at 3:25 p. m., instead of 4:45, in order to connect with the train over the Fort Worth and Rio Grande to Brady, which leaves at 3:45 p. m. The Meteor out of Fort Worth will leave at 10 a. m. instead of 9:25 a. m., altho the thirty-five minutes lost will be made up before arriving at St. Louis, giving service that much shorter. Twenty minutes of the time will be made up before Denison is reached.

Other changes on the Fort Worth and Rio Grande are as follows: The noon train from Brady will arrive at 12:40 p. m. instead of 11:55 a. m., as at present, while No. 12 will arrive at 7 a. m., instead of 6:20 a. m.

Several changes in time will become effective on the Frisco today. The Meteor, northbound, will leave Fort Worth for St. Louis at 9:25 a. m. instead of 10:00 as now.

The southbound Meteor will arrive at 3:25 p. m. instead of 4:50 p. m., as now.

There is also a change in the time of arrival and departure of the Brownwood trains. No. 9 will leave for Brownwood at 3:45 p. m. instead of 3 o'clock p. m., as now. No. 10 will arrive from Brownwood at 12:40 p. m. instead of 11:55 a. m., as now.

Train No. 11 will leave for Brownwood at the same time as now, 1:55 a. m. Train No. 12 will arrive from Brownwood at 7 a. m. instead of 6:20 a. m., as now.

SERVICE DISCONTINUED

Rock Island Cuts Off Trains Because of Rains

The Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company has issued this circular:

"On account of conditions resulting from prolonged and excessive rains we have arranged to temporarily discontinue operation of trains Nos. 35 and 26 between Dallas and Chickasha, effective Sunday, December 16.

"On same date we will inaugurate local service instead between Fort Worth and Chickasha."

The train will leave Chickasha at 4 a. m. and arrive at Fort Worth at 11:30 a. m. Returning the train will leave Fort Worth at 6:40 p. m. and arrive at Chickasha at 2:10 a. m.

There will be no changes in the schedules of the other trains.

Trains Nos. 3 and 4 on the Amarillo division are discontinued, temporarily, and, beginning with today, train No. 3 will arrive at Amarillo at 3:55 p. m. and train No. 2 will leave Amarillo at 12:25 p. m.

POLYTECHNIC

A basketball game between Polytechnic College and Decatur College which was scheduled for Saturday afternoon at Polytechnic, was postponed on account of the muddy condition of the ground, the Decatur team being reached over the phone before they had started.

Recital of the students of the fine arts department of Polytechnic College, arranged for Friday night, was postponed until Jan. 5 on account of the inclement weather.

The election held in Polytechnic precinct Saturday to determine whether bonds for school purposes should be issued and a special tax for schools levied resulted in both propositions carrying without opposition. Forty votes were cast, all being in the affirmative.

BUILDING PERMITS

To E. R. Jennings, to build a one-story five-room frame dwelling on lot No. 11, block 31, old town, to cost $1,200.

AN EXCELLENT ENTERPRISE

In this day of unprecedented prosperity and enterprise and keen competition, it does one good to note the success of a man who, by right doing and square dealing, clean cut business methods, and industry and perseverance, has earned success and won the confidence of his entire trade.

Bowden Tims, the well known Fort Worth lumberman, has recently established a large lumber yard and offices at North Fort Worth, 1040 Main street.

Mr. Tims has also added a new department to his growing business, viz.: building homes on easy payments. It is a good conservative plan that will aid materially in the upbuilding and actual home owning of Fort Worth and North Fort Worth, where so much building is in immediate prospect.

The importance of this enterprise can not be emphasized too strongly. The success of it is more than assured, because Mr. Tims has undertaken it.

A complete stock of building material, a fair and square dealer of conservatism and judgment, sufficient capital and unbounded industry—that tells the importance of it, in a nutshell.

We Have a

Nice line of very beautiful Lamps, nice Toilet Sets, Art Squares, Rugs, Rocking Chairs, Furniture, etc. Any of the above, and will appreciate a visit to our store. The High Trading Co., 1406 Main Street. Old phone 4805.

We are now ready for business on the North side. Bowden Tims Lumber Co., Tenth and Main streets. Both phones 1194.

Waples-Painter Co., Central ave. want your lumber business. Phones 1407.

Phone 1367, William Cameron & Co., North Ft. Worth, for prices on lumber.

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MISSING JEWELS FOUND IN SEWER

Negroes Charged With Stealing Gems Are Arrested

During the absence of the family of Otho S. Houston from home Wednesday, a negro who had worked about the place stole jewelry, chiefly diamonds, valued at about $1,500, and about $100 in money.

The articles were not missed until Friday, and then a notification was sent to police headquarters.

Suspecting a missing yard man by the name of Albertus Green, aged 17, colored, a detective located him and had him arrested at Temple last night. He was brought in Saturday morning and at 10:20 o'clock he was locked up in the calaboose with a burglary charge against him.

About a thousand dollars worth of the stolen jewelry was recovered from Green when he was arrested at Temple and from Jess Edwards, colored, aged 23, practically all of the balance was recovered, there being a diamond ring valued at $100 still missing. The charge against Edwards is receiving stolen property. Edwards also had over $50 in money when he was arrested.

It was a matter of information to the police that some of the jewelry had been thrown down a sewer at the Santa Fe union station, and from that it was recovered, City Marshal Maddox stated to a Telegram reporter on Saturday. That leaves the value of the missing jewels about as stated, $100.

BIDS SUBMITTED FOR MACHINERY

Council to Decide on Waterworks Expenditures

Several weeks ago the water works department was authorized to bid for the additional machinery necessary to perfect the water supply of the city, even if there was the expected increase in the demand for water by the patrons of the city water works.

It was then estimated that the cost of the improvements in the service would be about $50,000 and twenty thousand or so of that sum would go for the pipe.

The bids for the piping has already been submitted and acted upon.

Saturday the bids for the compressor machinery were opened and the contract awarded for the machinery necessary to make the service complete, subject of course, to the approval of the city council, tho that will naturally follow the favorable report which the committee on the water works can make after the consideration given to the bids in the several sessions held Saturday. The work of the committee began about 2 o'clock and, with a recess of about two hours for supper, continued until 10:30 p. m.

Then the bid of the Laidlaw, Dunn, Gordon Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, was decided to be the best and the report of the committee will favor the acceptance of that bid.

The bid of that company was made by Ramsey Skinner of St. Louis, the western representative of the company, who has Texas included in his territory. The amount of the bid is $30,021 complete.

There were but two bids for the machinery complete, but there were others for the machinery alone, that is for the machinery not erected.

There are now installed and in use at the upper water supply of the city two compressors of this same company, one a 1,200 cubic feet unit with a 30-inch stroke and the other a 1,800 cubic feet unit with a 36-inch stroke, the stroke being in general term the measure of the efficiency of the machinery. The new compressor is to be a 3,000 cubic feet unit with a 48-inch stroke, an additional power which will vastly increase the efficiency of the machinery for the purpose designed.

The bids will be submitted to the council Monday with the favorable report for the Laidlaw, Dunn, Gordon Company compressors.

McCLURE'S "TRUTHFUL" HISTORY

Concord, N. H., Patriot Caustic In Criticism

The Daily Patriot of Concord, N. H., of Mrs. Eddy's town, in an editorial of Dec. 5, says:

"The editorial announcement in the current number of McClure's Magazine proclaims that years have been spent by its representatives in securing data for this wonderful tale of Mrs. Eddy and Christian Science, and it promises that practically absolute accuracy will characterize every utterance.

Yet, McClure's has no picture of Mrs. Eddy and the photograph which it uses and prints on its pages is an entirely different woman. Three years to secure material facts and then to print the picture of a woman who died two years ago in California is a surprising achievement in reliability and accuracy."

NORTH FT WORTH ROSEN HEIGHTS.

In attempting to turn a buggy Saturday, a small son of S. D. Shannon was painfully injured. The buggy was upset and the boy fell under it. His injuries required the services of a physician.

Harry Schlinker, mail carrier in North Fort Worth, received a telegram Saturday announcing the death of his father at the old home in Kentucky.

The Odd Fellows held a regular meeting Saturday night. There were candidates for the first and second degrees. There was a good attendance and several visitors present.

Work on three new brick buildings on Exchange avenue will begin in a few days.

Mrs. Miller of Gainesville was in North Fort Worth the past week negotiating for a lot on which to build a new hotel.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Rosen Heights has been called to meet at the school house Tuesday night. The meeting is called by the Citizens' League, and matters of importance to Rosen Heights are to be brought up for consideration.

W. M. Brownlee, of Denton, spent Saturday in Rosen Heights.

Will A. Powell, of Waco, was a business visitor in Rosen Heights Saturday.

Work on the new Baptist church is progressing favorably under the circumstances and weather conditions.

There are a number of new cottages just being completed. There are no vacant houses in Rosen Heights, and there is a strong demand for rent houses.

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PLAN BREAD LINE FOR THE HUNGRY

Mission Workers Will Feed the Needy

To The Telegram.

The Fifteenth Street Rescue Mission will establish a bread line at its hall, beginning Tuesday night at 10 o'clock.

It will be for those who have had no supper and are not able to buy any. All such can get a hot cup of coffee and sandwich by coming to the Rescue Mission hall at 207 East Fifteenth street, from 10 p. m. to 12, without money and without price.

This is something new for Fort Worth in the way of mission work, but with our fourteen years' experience in dealing with hungry men we have found that the way to a hungry man's heart is thru his stomach; or, in other words, our mission is to help the helpless and unfortunate ones.

This plan has been in successful operation in the cities in the north and east for several years. In the Bowery mission this is its fourth year and more than 144,000 poor hungry men and women have been fed who didn't have any money to buy with.

Any contribution from the kind people of Fort Worth or Texas will be very thankfully received. Send your donations for this and for all other purposes for the Rescue Mission to either of the following named gentlemen: Floyd McChesney, president; W. C. W. McKee, vice president; J. J. Dillin, secretary; J. W. Spencer, treasurer; J. C. Scott, J. M. Robbins, manager, or W. R. Potter, superintendent.

Strict account will be kept of all moneys received by us and what has been done with it. We would be very glad for the good people of Fort Worth to call and investigate our work, as we feel sure if you will that you will give our work your hearty support.

Also we are very much in need of cash or clothing. Write to 207 East Fifteenth street or call old phone 1561. J. M. Robbins, and we will call for them. Yours for the poor and needy,

W. R. POTTER, Superintendent.

RUSSIA GAINS MORE COURAGE

Emperor William Much Interested in Quarrel

Special to The Telegram.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Relations between the United States and Japan are of an extraordinary interest both in government and diplomatic circles here. Emperor William has discussed the question with several persons recently and is thoroly informed regarding President Roosevelt's personal views on the subject.

It is believed that the Russians more resolute attitude against Japan's request for trade and colonization rights on the Amur river and in Siberia and for fishery privilege on adjacent Russian coasts is partly due to the discussion of the California school question between the United States and Japan.

Closed Incident, Says Davidson

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—Attorney General Davidson had nothing to say this morning referring to Senator Bailey's speech at Belton yesterday, in which Bailey complained that the attorney general had not allowed him to see copies of vouchers and other documents. The incident is closed as far as the attorney general is concerned.

The CITY in BRIEF

Crouch Hardware Co., 1007 Main St.

Cut Flowers at Drumm's. Phone 101.

Mrs. S. V. Miles, phone 3799.

Boaz's Book Store, 402 Main street.

A. H. Kirby, a prominent attorney of Abilene, was in the city Saturday.

J. W. Adams & Co., feed, produce, fuel. Phone 539.

Lump Coal delivered from car, $4.50 ton. Cal Bates, old phone 815.

Wigs and Masks for rent. Bijou Hair Store, 610 Houston.

Have your Xmas photo made at Leffler's Studio, corner Fifth and Houston.

There will be a meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church in the church parlors Friday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 p. m.

Electrical Workers No. 156 will have a smoker and open meeting Dec. 20. An invitation has been extended to all electrical business men in the city to be present.

Dr. Link has removed his office to Fourth and Main streets, over Pitman's, the grocer, opposite the Delaware hotel, third floor rooms 1, 2 and 3. Phones unchanged. Elevator service.

Colonel R. L. Ellison, who is at the Protestant sanitarium, suffering from a fall from his buggy sustained on his ranch near Childress, is reported about the same today. He is badly bruised about his shoulders and head but no bones were broken.

Sanguinet & Staats have just finished plans for a three-story brick building, to be erected at Chickasha, I. T., by Mrs. L. E. Hardwick, at a cost of $15,000. Contract for the building was let Friday to a Chickasha contractor.

H. C. Johnson, who has been assistant yard foreman of the Santa Fe in this city, has been promoted to become workhouse foreman at Dallas, and will commence work there Monday. He will remove with his family to that city.

The Guild of St. Michael's Episcopal church met at the home of Mrs. Jno. R. Frazier Wednesday afternoon. It was decided to hold Christmas services under the auspices of the Sunday school. The entertainment will be held at the school auditorium Thursday night, Dec. 27. The entertainment will consist of sacred music, Christmas carols, readings. It is also likely that arrangements will be made for a Christmas tree at the same services.

THE WEATHER

Special to The Telegram.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Forecast for Sunday and Monday:

Kentucky—Fair Sunday, colder in eastern portion. Monday, fair and warmer.

Tennessee—Rain Sunday, colder in eastern portion. Monday, fair, warmer in western portion.

West Texas—Fair and warmer Sunday and Monday.

Louisiana and eastern Texas—Rain Sunday, colder in southern portion Monday, fair fresh northerly winds.

Alabama and Mississippi—Rain and much colder Sunday. Monday, fair, fresh northeasterly winds.

TROLLEY WIRE DOWN

Cars on the Interurban Delayed Saturday Night

Four hundred feet of trolley wire down on account of a pole falling near the interlocker of the Santa Fe crossing in Dallas, delayed the interurban cars for several hours Saturday night. The car leaving Dallas at 9 o'clock arrived in Fort Worth at 12:30 a. m., after having been switched around on the Oak Cliff line. Other cars were later than this car. Repairs in the line were completed about 1 o'clock.

Since Our Large Exhibit

On the floor at the Dallas Fair ground we have been able to show some of finest designs in Rockaway Stanhopes and Surreys ever exhibited in this city. Call and look at them.

FIFE & MILLER

W. J. Tackaberry, Mgr. 312-314 Houston St.

TEACHERS FAVOR TWO PROMOTIONS

Semi-Annual System Discussed at Institute

The committee on arrangements for the entertainment of the State Teachers' Association, which is to meet in Fort Worth the latter part of this month, consisting of a selected teacher and a lady patron of each of the schools of the city, was to have met at the high school Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, but the meeting was postponed by the inclement weather.

Superintendent W. D. Williams says he has advices which convince him there will be from seven to eight hundred or more teachers here and as the hotels will be overcrowded at that time he is solicitous that all who can will make provision for boarding or lodging the visitors shall place themselves in communication with him so he can make a record of the names, addresses and the numbers who can be accommodated. It seems to him, just now, that the greatest difficulty will be to provide homes for the large number of teachers expected.

TO ATTEND HEARING

Interstate Commerce Commission Will Meet in St. Louis

At the instance of many shippers, who feel themselves aggrieved, there was a demand made on the interstate commerce commission for relief, and that the railways and shippers both might have a chance to present their varying views, a hearing before the commission will be held in St. Louis Tuesday, Dec. 18, and several of the Texas livestock agents or general freight agents will go from Texas to be present.

Special complaint is made about a lack of facilities for cattle shipments and to present the complaint of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, Attorney Sam H. Cowan of Fort Worth will attend. W. E. Green, the vice president and general manager of the Cotton Belt in Texas, will be present and it is possible that J. C. McCabe of the Rock Island and W. C. Preston of the Frisco will also go. W. V. Galbreath, general livestock agent of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, with headquarters at Fort Worth, will attend the meeting.

The hearing is to determine the responsibility for the car shortage, which has caused such unprecedented derangement of business in the country.

ASKS FOR A REPORT

Senator Culberson Writes to Ranger Captain McDonald

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—United States Senator Culberson has requested Captain W. J. McDonald of the rangers to prepare a detailed report of negro troops shooting up Brownsville last August. Captain McDonald reached here today to prepare the report. Captain McDonald represented the state immediately after the outbreak and has made an exhaustive investigation of the affair. A report on the affair was made by Captain McDonald to President Roosevelt some time ago.

STOLEN HORSE FOUND

Property Belonging to Harry Wynne is Recovered

About ten days or so ago Harry Wynne lost his horse and buggy. Friday he saw the horse hitched to some other person's buggy and made complaint at the police headquarters.

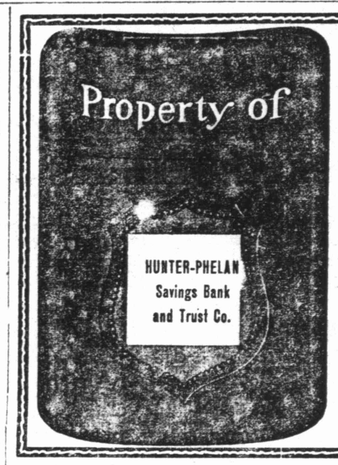
Detective Talbot went to the place and found that Bob Davis had traded for or bought the horse from Charley Eastman. Eastman was arrested and promptly made bond, waiving a preliminary. His story is that he was met by a man whom he does not know by name, but would know again if he saw him, and from him he bought the outfit. He told the vendor he did not want the buggy at all, but that he would trade for the horse and the stranger threw in the rest of the stuff. The buggy and harness were recovered at Eastman's place at Diamond Hill, he telling where it was. The police are disposed to think there is no theft case in the whole transaction.

PLANS ARE APPROVED

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The railroad commission this afternoon issued an order approving the plans and specifications of the International & Great Northern Railway for the construction and maintenance of stock pens and loading chutes at San Antonio. This is in accordance with the order issued by the commission on Dec. 4, 1906, as a result of a hearing on the proposition. Pens are to be completed by Jan. 15, 1907.

Talbert & McNaughton, fire insurance, phone 1534; at new quarters, room 216 (second floor), Fort Worth National Bank Building.



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Give your child a **Savings Bank** and start an account for a Christmas present.

3 per cent Interest on Savings Accounts

Hunter-Phelan Savings Bank & Trust Company

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GO TO A TOY HOUSE

TO BUY YOUR TOYS

AS THE CHRISTMAS TIME APPROACHES, YOUR SELECTION FOR PRESENTS BECOMES MORE DIFFICULT. THE CHILDREN EXPECT SOMETHING, BUT YOU ARE UNDECIDED JUST WHAT TO BUY THEM. TAKE OUR ADVICE AND BUY EARLY, WHILE THE VARIETY IS UNEXCELLED. COME TO THE LARGEST TOY STORE IN THE CITY AND YOU WILL SEE SOMETHING IN A FEW MINUTES THAT YOU KNOW THEY WILL LIKE. WE QUOTE A FEW PRICES HERE, JUST TO SHOW YOU THEY ARE THE LOWEST—

TOYS, TOYS

Mechanical Bugs.....10¢
Red Doll Buggies, 25c to $3.50
Wagons—all sizes.
Mechanical Bears.
Trains and Tracks.
Shoo-Fly Horses .....75¢
Red Rocking Chairs....25¢
Loop the Loop .....25¢
All kinds of Dolls—cheap.
Stuffed Elephants.
Wood Stables.
Red Chairs, 15c to .....25¢
Red Carts, iron tires...15¢

CHINA PRESENTS

Our stock of China is the most complete in the city. Plain, fancy, Japanese, hand-painted—in fact, anything in this line. Also a beautiful assortment of Cut Glass. You will have to see the goods to appreciate them.

Salad Bowls, each, 25c to $3.00
Japanese Cups and Saucers, each, 5c to $1.00
And many other beautiful pieces. Come and see them.

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WAR SCARE GROWS IN ST. PETERSBURG

Russians Think Japan Wants Another War

CLAIM DEMANDS UNJUST

Diplomat Advises Government to Open Trans-Baikal District to International Commerce

Special to The Telegram.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—The war scare is growing. St. Petersburg thinks Japan's defiant attitude indicates that the mikado wants war. It is said that when a Japanese and a Russian in Vladivostok quarreled the Japanese consul demanded that the commanding officer, General Pflug, make a public apology or the city would be bombarded. General Pflug obeyed.

It is further declared that the Japanese demands in Manchuria are equally unjust and humiliating, practically amounting to Russia's abdication of sovereignty in the trans-Baikal and Amur districts. The Chinese Eastern railroad is even carrying Japanese wares at reduced rates.

Count Witte told the czar that the treaty did not include anything warranting the present Japanese pretentions, yet he advised the negotiations. Count Witte's colleague says that Baron Komura read the text of the treaty and admitted its exactness.

An influential diplomat advises the government to open the trans-Baikal district to international commerce, after having previously obtained an internal guarantee against further encroachments. The czar is alarmed and wants Count Witte to accept the ambassadorship to Tokio. Unusual attention is being shown the Emir of Bokhara in order to insure his loyalty and thus permit the transfer of a part of the Turkestan army to Manchuria.

While the kaiser is helping Russia to get a new loan and is encouraging Germans to buy Russian consols, Banker Mendelssohn has organized a Franco-German syndicate for the same purpose. France alone would be unable to enforce payment in case of bankruptcy, but with the aid of Germany it can compel Russia to pay. Hence the success of the new loan is assured. The press does not expect any help from America but hopes for sympathetic neutrality, pointing out that if America and Europe refuse Japan credit and ammunition, war will be impossible.

FACE A DEFICIT

Constitutional Convention Spends Too Much Money

Special to The Telegram.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Dec. 15.—There is an estimated deficiency of $150,000 in the constitutional convention. Charles M. Wilson, disbursing agent of the convention, said last night that the comptroller of the currency had notified him no contract no debts beyond the $100,000 appropriated in the enabling act for the constitution and for the elections incident thereto and he has already refused to pay printing bills contracted without his knowledge. "When the money runs out," he said, "I will quit paying."

NOT A COW COUNTRY

Stock Law Goes Into Effect in Bexar County

Special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15.—Friday marked the passing of Bexar county from a cow to an agricultural county. The stock law recently voted upon favorably goes into effect and all cattle must be kept penned. Heretofore they have run at large in the roads and upon such land as was not fenced. In the last two weeks there has been great activity in building pasture fences.

HIS MIND BLANK FOR THREE YEARS

Former El Paso Policeman Recovers Identity

Special to The Telegram.

EL PASO, Dec. 15.—It is a strange, almost weird story that of Isaac Archer, former policeman and politician of El Paso. Eight years ago he left El Paso to fight for his country. Not a word was heard from him from the day he left until yesterday, when there was printed a St. Louis dispatch stating that he had just recovered his mind after a blank of three years. During his absence his wife, believing him faithless, procured a divorce and is married to another. The dispatch stated that Archer declared that his wife and three children were living here. He had but two children and with his wife they were here when he left, but they are now living in Douglas, and she is married again. Two years ago, his wife, deciding that he had abandoned her, sued for divorce in Judge Harper's court and was granted a separation. She is married to Jose Holguin.

Mrs. Antonia Villegas, of 506 South St. Vrain street, is a sister of the former Mrs. Archer. Mrs. Villega's son relates the story of the whole affair.

He says that Archer was a former El Paso policeman and that he went to the war in 1898, enlisting in Captain Juan Hart's company. He had a wife and two children here and they had never heard a word from him from that day to this until the dispatch appeared.

They heard a time or two that Archer had enlisted later in the regular army and had deserted, been captured and sentenced to prison, but nobody seemed to know where. There was nothing definite about any of the stories, however, and when Holguin paid court to Mrs. Archer, she concluded that her husband had either proven false or was dead, so she sued and obtained a divorce and married Holguin.

English Inn 600 Years Old

The George inn at North St. Philip, the oldest village alehouse in England, is to be pulled down. The license dates from 1307. Each story of the picturesque old structure overhangs that beneath.

Throbbed Some

"The heart of a man who has lived to be 70 has beaten 260,000,000 times." "Then I lived to be 70 the evening I proposed to Miss Peachie."—Houston Post.

IF SANTA GOES TO CHICAGO

WHISKEY CROWDS OUT PASSENGERS

Agent at Arthur City Swamped With Liquor Supply

Special to The Telegram.

PARIS, Texas, Dec. 15.—A resident of Arthur City, who was in Paris yesterday, said that the station agent at his home town had notified the whisky firms by wire that no more whisky packages expressed there will be received until there is more room for them. It is said that there is $6,000 worth of whisky in the depot waiting to be taken out. The depot is crowded so that there are only two seats left for passengers to sit down in while waiting to take the train. A small portion of the depot is taken up with coffins, which have been allowed to remain there for several days on account of some kind of mistake between the shipper and the party to whom they were consigned. There may be a connecting link between coffins and whisky, especially the brand of whisky that is usually shipped on C. O. D. orders, but they cause such uncanny reflections and the coffins look so unpleasant, that the passengers prefer to stand up on the outside while waiting for a train.

FIRST CARGO OF CORN

Shipment of 232,000 Bushels Goes to Denmark

Special to The Telegram.

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—The first full cargo of corn of the season of 1906-07 was cleared today from the port of Galveston. Export consists of 232,000 bushels of Texas corn, valued at $105,800. The shipment was made on the British steamer Corn Exchange and goes to Aalborg, Denmark. The corn crop was successful in Texas and the middle western states this year, and tremendous shipments will go thru Galveston within the next few months.

SHORTAGE MAKES SHIPPERS SUFFER

No Cars to Move Cattle From Western Texas

Special to The Telegram.

FORT STOCKTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—The effect of a long period of mist and snow has been decidedly bad upon the people of this section in its pecuniary effects. They are already in trouble, owing to the car famine on the Texas & Pacific road. That road practically carried to market all the beef cattle of Pecos county, and when the shortage of service on it caused shippers to have to hold their cattle two weeks or more at the railroad before securing transportation then the situation began to be serious. Possibly $60,000 worth of fat cattle were ready in the county for shipment and a shortage of that much revenue this fall would surely be felt. Still there was hope that a mild fall would keep the cattle in shipping condition until January, and that the car or engine famine on the Texas & Pacific Railway might be relieved in time to ship out this stock in good marketable condition. But there came the two weeks of cold, snowy, misty, sleety weather, and the fattest cattle began to lose flesh beyond hope of recovery so late in the season. And on top of all the car and engine famine seems to become greater. At the railroad, with cattle awaiting shipment, are Livingston Brothers, Shipton Parks and E. W. McKenzie, who have been awaiting shipment more than ten days. Besides these there were many other parties in this neighborhood who had gathered cattle ready for shipment, who have now turned them loose in despair of shipping. About 4,000 head have thus missed shipment and the loss in annual income to this section is no light item.

Quartet of Old Friends

Only three former colleagues were left to greet William Pinckney Whyte when he was sworn in as United States senator from Maryland. These were Allison of Iowa, Morgan of Alabama and Teller of Colorado. They gladly welcomed the distinguished successor of Mr. Gorman and the quartet spent most of the afternoon chatting over old times.

GIRL HELD UP IN CROWDED STREET

It Happened in Chicago, of Course

Special to The Telegram.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 15.—Miss May Gales, assistant cashier of the Sag Morse Confectionary Company, carrying $5,000 in a handbag from a bank to her office, was dragged into an alley at Lake and Halsted streets, in broad daylight, this afternoon, and attacked by five masked bandits. The woman made a desperate resistance and attracted the attention of two detectives.

Two men were captured after a sensational chase, in which many shots were fired, but one of the supposed bandits was dragged from a street car. With a hat pin, Miss Gales fought her assailants until Detectives Muelbrandon and Larkin heard her screams.

By the time the detectives arrived the woman had been dragged far into the alley.

As the policemen, their revolvers drawn, rushed into the alley, the robbers released the girl, whom they were choking into unconsciousness, and ran.

Detective Muelbrandon followed one man into Lake street and then west to Halsted, firing five shots on the crowded thorofare. The fugitive finally leaped on a speeding street car, which the officer overtook, and then dragged the man to the ground, handcuffing him after a struggle. This man gave the name of Hardy Farnum. Detective Larkin followed another man to Lake street, fired four shots and captured him at the end of the block. He gave the name of Harry Baker.

WOMAN PLEADS FOR GRANDSONS

Would Go to Prison in Their Stead

Special to The Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—Pleading to Deputy Warden Marshall to be allowed to remain in the Allegheny county jail in place of her two grandsons, Samuel Rhodes, 18, and James Rhodes, 16 years of age, committed to jail on a charge of larceny Nov. 18, Mrs. Ann Rhodes, a little woman bowed with the weight of 70 years, made a piteous figure at the jail.

"Can't I stay in this awful place and let the boys go free?" she pleaded. "I am old and it is not much matter to me."

The two boys were arrested and committed to jail by Alderman Kirby Nov. 18 on a charge of larceny preferred by Detective Baumgardner, who alleged that the boys broke open a box car and stole beer. The belief of the grandmother of the boys in their innocence seems sincere and she has a horror of jail and imprisonment.

HOUSEFLY MADE WOMAN PRISONER

Got Into Closet With Spring Lock on the Outside

Special to The Telegram.

PARIS, Texas, Dec. 15.—Mrs. J. [illegible] Hester of West Paris involuntarily made herself a prisoner at her home last Friday and had to call for outside help before she could regain her liberty. A big horsefly got inside the house and was buzzing around in a disagreeable manner. Mrs. Hester undertook to kill or drive it out, and while chasing it round the house it got inside the closet. Mrs. Hester went into the closet after it, and the door, which fastened by a spring catch on the outside, closed on her. She was alone in the house, and shouted for help. The door being tightly closed, muffled the sound and prevented her voice from being heard any distance. A neighbor, Mrs. Lawrence, finally heard her shouts for help, and went to her assistance.

$500,000 HEIRESS HAS DISAPPEARED

Relatives Say Fiance Hypnotized Her

Special to The Telegram.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Relatives of Miss Ida May Miller, heiress to $500,000, the whereabouts of whom only Dr. Rolando Kuhn knows, today dragged her mother from the sanitarium, where she has been and forced her to confront the physician, who was once physician to "Queen Liliuokalan of Hawaii," and who claims to be the young woman's fiance.

Mrs. Miller, trembling with weakness, went up the steps of No. 1219 South Fifteenth street, where Dr. Rolando lived. She was supported by George W. Duke and his wife and also by relatives of the missing heiress. Dr. Kuhn came to the door and quickly tried to close it as he saw who was there.

"I want my daughter," said Mrs. Miller. "Tell me where she is."

"I'll do nothing of the sort," said Kuhn. He violently pushed her away and slammed the door.

There was a locking of bolts and no further knocking or ringing could bring the doctor to the front. Mrs. Miller and relatives immediately applied to the court for a search warrant. While they were doing this Dr. Kuhn barred and barricaded the house.

"If anybody gets in here, it will be by tearing down the house," he said.

It has been discovered that Miss Miller and Dr. Kuhn spent several weeks in Camden, and that while there the girl made a will in his favor, leaving him everything. The relatives assert that the physician hypnotized the girl. They believe her to be either a prisoner in the house or buried there. Dr. Kuhn asserts that she is alive and well and will appear when she becomes his wife.

THREW A BOMB AT RUSSIAN ADMIRAL

Would-be Assassins Are Placed Under Arrest

Special to The Telegram.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—Another attempt on the life of Admiral Dubassoff, governor general of Moscow, was made this afternoon, but he escaped with slight injury. Dubessoff was driving at 1 p. m. in Segiyewskaya street on his way to the Tuerids palace, when two men hurled a bomb at the carriage. It exploded with great force, but only slightly wounded the admiral. The would-be assassins were arrested.

Doubassoff had a remarkable escape. The terrorists made a very determined attack upon him. One man approached the admiral and fired several shots at him with a revolver, but missed. The terrorists then threw a bomb at Doubassoff which exploded and wounded the admiral in the leg.

A bystander seized the admiral's assailant, whereupon a second terrorist appeared and went thru exactly the same performance. The second bomb thrown, however, did not explode and Doubassoff, altho injured, closed with the terrorist and held him until he was taken into custody.

BONANZA MINE

New Mine in the Santa Clara Claim of Santo Domingo

Special to The Telegram.

GNADALAJARA, Mexico, Dec. 15.—Another great bonanza mine has been discovered here. It is one of the richest yet found in the republic and demonstrates that the era of fabulous strikes is not yet over. The new mine was uncovered in the Santa Clara claim of the Santo Domingo group of mines in the Hostetipaquillo district of this state and is the property of the San Domingo Mining Company of St. Louis. The ore runs 20,250 grams of silver, forty grams of gold and twenty per cent lead, and is valued at approximately $1,010 per ton. The mine will be developed to its fullest extent and the latest and most economical machinery put in.

Don't forget that LINER AD for The Sunday Telegram

$130,000 PROFIT ON A LAND DEAL

Bought Land at $2.25 and Sold It for $4.00

A profit of nearly $130,000 was made by William Hunt of Roanoke, Va., in one year by the sale of the Cots land of 84,645 acres in Bailey county. This property was purchased just a year ago by Mr. Hunt, when on a pleasure trip to Texas, for $2.25 an acre. Since that time he has never been back to Texas, and now the land has been sold for $4 an acre.

The property was purchased thru the Winters-Daniel company of this city for a total of $343,379 by W. H. Garrett and others of Portales, N. M. The land lies on the border of Texas and New Mexico, about twenty miles southeast of Texico and consists of smooth plains land suitable fo either grazing or farming. It is located at an altitude of 2,800 feet and is just south of the Big Syndicate pasture.

At the time of the purchase of the land, which Mr. Hunt did thru the Winters-Daniel company also, he paid $65,000 down and during the year made two payments, one of which he did not have to make, the total amount paid being $90,000. By the sale of the property he made a net profit of $131,958. At the time he made the purchase he was assured that the land would bring him a profit of $100,000, but it was not expected that he would make this within a year.

GOLD IN BANK

(From the Live Stock Reporter.)

It is rare that this paper steps aside to call attention in its reading columns to an advertisement in any of its columns, nor will it permit an irresponsible advertiser to use its columns if it is known that such is a fact. In this instance our object is to call attention to the diamond ad of the J. E. Mitchell Company in this issue. Not that there is anything extraordinary in the ad, but the fact that for the last twenty-six years this firm has been before the people of Texas, selling them diamonds and jewelry every day in the year except Sunday, at the actual value of the gems. They indulge in no excuse for selling, except that it is their business. They never sell to move, nor move to sell, nor has their record ever shown an excuse for selling a diamond or piece of jewelry under force or a misfortune. They're in the business regularly all the time—buy and sell that way. A diamond or any other article of jewelry bought there is sold at a reasonable price, is guaranteed and the guarantee is not for a few days, or a few weeks, but for its natural time. This notive to prospective jewelry and diamond buyers is written in their interest, but is not a paid advertisement.

The stockmen over Texas are, as a rule, the heaviest buyers of diamonds, and this year, as usual, there is an effort being made to "catch the diamond money" with the usual hard-luck story of "my misfortune is your good luck." It is pleasant in this connection to note that in twenty-six years of good times and bad times, the J. E. Mitchell Jewelry Company has been before the public offering and selling diamonds and jewelry at their actual market value, with no hard-luck or closing-sale dodge—just a straight proposition to sell any diamond or piece of jewelry for its actual value, and if not as represented your money refunded next day, next week, or next year. It is a common fact that this firm in authority on diamonds. If a purchaser is in dougt as to the weight or value of a diamond, regardless of where bought, he takes it to Mitchell and has it weighed and valued, and his weight and value are standard, either with the miner or the retail buyer or seller. If you buy a diamond from Mitchell, it's as represented in weight and value.

Do not infer from this free notice that Mitchell is the only reliable diamond and jewelry merchant in Fort Worth. There are others, and you will see their advertisements in this paper. This story is written to stockmen, who have traded in Fort Wroth for the last twenty years, and is entirely for their interest. When you buy from Mitchell, the merit and worth is as stable as gold in the bank.

NEW MEDICINE CO.

Imperial Remedy Company of Houston Has Been Enlarged

Special to The Telegram.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—The stockholders of the Imperial Medicine Company of Houston, which was recently incorporated with a capital stock of $20,000, met here this week for the purpose of electing a board of directors and officers.

Messrs. G. F. Stenzel, G. T. Morse, R. L. Jenkins, L. S. Webster and B. F. Louis were elected director. G. F. Stenzel was made president and general manager; R. L. Jenkins, vice president; G. T. Morse, secretary and treasurer; B. F. Louis, attorney.

This company is quite well known to the people of Texas as the manufacturers of the well-advertised Imperial Remedy. They have developed an immense business, not only in Texas, but thruout the United States, their goods being sold in over twenty states and territories.

Imperial Remedy, which is considered one of the greatest cures for skin diseases now on the market, is made from the prescription of a physician, now dead, who some years ago had an immense practice in this state. The remedy the company places on the market is used by many physicians on this account, not being considered what is generally termed a patent medicine. It cures every form of eczema, tetter, and, in fact, has been found a splendid remedy for any and every character of skin disease.

Starbeams

John Bright was once asked how it was that Pitt made one of the finest speeches after drinking two bottles of port. John Bright was as usual equal to the occasion. He pointed out that verbatim reporting was unknown in those days and he suggested that the other members of the house, on whose opinion Pitt's reputation largely depended, had probably drunk three bottles.

Precocious Youngster

"Tommy," said Mr. Tucker, "I've been reading about the danger of boys growing up with deformed shoulders because of their always carrying their school books under one arm, and I don't want to raise a lop-sided boy. How do you carry your school books?"

"In my head, paw," said Tommy.—Chicago Tribune.

Not Yet Hopeless

Edith—I showed father one of your poems and he was delighted.

Egbert—Indeed!

"Yes; he said it was so bad he thought you'd probably be able to earn a living at something else."—Cassell's Journal.

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STATEMENT BY BARON MATHES

History of the French Church Trouble

Special to The Telegram.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 15.—Baron Mathes, private chamberlain to Pope Pius X, who was sent to America last November and chose Cincinnati as the field for his first activities, issued a statement in German tonight giving the church side of the religious crisis in France and an outline of the pope's position. He translated it as follows:

"In a country like America, where church and state have always existed side by side, but distinct and independent, it is impossible to understand either the cause or the real reason for the so-called cultural struggle which is raging in France.

"'Why,' it is asked, 'can the people of free church and free state not be recognized there?'

"The simplest answer to this is as follows:

"During the middle ages, or better still, from its very foundation, the church had acquired property in France by gifts, donations, purchases and other lawful methods. These properties remained in the possession of the Catholic church without question until the outbreak of the great revolution at the end of the nineteenth century, when at that time the general war of extermination against the 'ancient regime' broke out, the church lost most of her property, which was confiscated by the state and administered and disposed of in accordance with the whims and vagaries of the various temporary rulers.

"When the first Napoleon, during the directorate, attempted to re-establish law and order in France, he thought it was necessary to secure the political as well as the moral support of the holy diocese. After a written treaty between the church and France was entered into. The climax of this concordant was when the French government officially recognized the Catholic religion as the religion of the majority of the French and agreed to give to the church all the property which had been confiscated during the revolution."

Talbert & McNaughton, fire insurance, phone 1534; at new quarters, room 216 (second floor), Fort Worth National Bank Building.

BOY KILLED WHILE PLAYING ROBBER

Mrs. Booth Won Wager With Her Husband

Special to The Telegram.

INEZ, Ky., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Julia Booth, living on Big Elk creek, six miles east of here, was lodged in jail at this place today charged with the murder of Esau Harris, their next door neighbor. Young Harris and William Booth, it is stated, were the best of friends. Thursday night Harris accepted an invitation to spend the night with Booth. While sitting around the hearthstone Mrs. Booth raised the question of cowardice and said that before she would run she would blow a man's head off. Her husband told her that she could be frightened until she would throw her gun and outrun a steam engine.

The argument progressed until Mrs. Booth wagered her cow against $25 with her husband that she would not run.

Booth, it is said, persuaded Harris to feign going home and to return about 1 o'clock in the morning and test the matter. Harris consented and on returning rapped at the door. Mrs. Booth woke her husband and he refused to get up. She then asked Harris his name and what he wanted. Harris told her it was none of her business and if she did not open the door he would break it down. Mrs. Booth, it is said, arose from the bed and, without dressing, procured a double barrel shotgun and emptied both barrels into Harris' head, killing him instantly.

German Warship Coming

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The governor was advised today by Acting Secretary of State Bacon at Washington that the German warship Bremen will visit the port of Galveston Jan. 21 to 29.

Slightly Misunderstood

William J. Carr of the state department had occasion to call at the house of a neighbor late at night. He rang the doorbell. After a long wait a head poked out of the second floor window. "Who's there?" asked a voice. "Mr. Carr," was the reply. "Well," said the voice as the window banged shut, "what do I care if you missed a car. Why don't you walk and not wake up people to tell them about it."

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CONVICTS KILL GUARD

Mutiny and Barricade Prison Farm Building

THEY DEFY ARREST

Governor Vardaman Leaves Jackson With Train Load of Soldiers

Special to The Telegram.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 15.—Convicts guilty of cutting the throat of a guard placed over them and of breaking the arm of another keeper are barricaded in a building in the Oakley prison farm in this county, defying the effort of anyone to disturb them. The mutiny occurred near the noon hour.

All was quiet in the buildings and on the farm when, apparently at a prearranged signal, the prisoners mutinied. One mob fell upon Guard J. M. Buckley, cutting his throat from ear to ear. He died instantly. Another squad fell on other guards. One man's arm was broken in the fight.

The convicts were superior in strength and after clearing the way were yet unable to make their escape effectively, seeking refuge behind stanch walls. Governor Vardaman and members of the Jackson military company have left for the scene of the mutiny. The soldiers of the governor were put on a special train and rushed to the farm, where a battle will ensue unless the mutineers yield.

It is not known that any are armed with guns, tho they have knives and tools used in cultivation. The remaining guards are unequal to the occasion and at once sent word to Jackson for assistance.

YOUNG GIRLS ARE SHOP LIFTERS

Police Recover Goods Worth One Thousand Dollars

Special to The Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Penn., Dec. 15.—Charged with having systematically robbed department stores in Pittsburg and Allegheny for some time past, Marie and Annie Katvhura, 14 and 11 years old respectively, and their parents, were arrested today. In addition to making the arrests the detectives recovered sacks, dress goods, furs, toilet articles, pocket books, razors and garments of every description, which are said to be only about half of the plunder stolen from big stores.

The value of the goods in the possession of the police is said to aggregate $1,000. The police say the two children committed the thefts at the instigation of the mother. A slip of paper containing descriptions of the goods wanted was found in the pocket book of the girls. Detectives and crooks were mingling with the crowds in one of the large stores when they observed the girls at a dress goods counter. Marie carried a large market basket, which was open at either end and this aroused the suspicions of the officers.

The detectives watched the pair for some time and finally caught Marie taking a remnant.

The girls were immediately arrested. When taken to headquarters the younger girl broke down and confessed. The arrest of the parents followed.

ROSE FROM OFFICE BOY

Rapid Rise to Vice Presidency of Mexican Road

Special to The Telegram.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 15.—From office boy to the best paid railroad official in Mexico in less than thirty years is the admirable record of W. B. Evan, the new vice president of the Tehuantepec Railroad, which will be opened for operation on Jan. 1. His salary has been fixed at $35,000 gold per year and compares favorably with that of any vice president of any railroad in the world. It is reported that J. N. Galbraith, for the past three years general manager of the Tehuantepec, has tendered his resignation, but this is not confirmed.

KING GROWS STRONGER

Bulletin Issued Concerning Condition of King Oscar

Special to The Telegram.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 15.—This morning's bulletin bore out the more favorable official news from the palace today, and showed that King Oscar's temperature was nearly normal and that the early unsatisfactory symptoms are yielding to treatment. The bulletin reads as follows: "The king had altogether several hours of sleep during the night. His temperature this morning is 99.5. There is still an insignificent secretion of mucuous in the trachae. His heart action has continued to improve somewhat, his pulse is still irregular and his strength is somewhat improved."

Foreign Stock Markets

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—There was little feature abroad in the stock market today. Berlin was firm with discounts lower and London steady with an easier money market reported. In the last center Mexican and Copper stocks were strong. Americans also advanced.

All in all, the bank statement was better than was generally expected. The increase in the surplus reserve item was $5,003,125. Banks now report a deficit of $1,899,950. This is the fifth weekly deficit this year. Loans increased by $17,002,500 and deposits contracted by $15,116,100. It is believed the changes were mainly due to shifting of loans abroad to the interior institutions. There was a cash gain of $1,224,100 against Friday's estimates of even a larger loss. To many this was the most mysterious change shown in the bank statement for some time.

Literary Circle Meets

Columbian Literary Circle of All Saints' Academy met Friday afternoon with a large attendance, including a number of visiting sisters. A literary program was carried out, ending with a tableau representing the "Babe in the Manger."

First Backset

"Bryan'll win!" says
Jimkay Jones.
"Gosh! I can feel it
In my bones!"

Chicago Tribune.

ROBBED OF $631

Special to The Telegram.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15.—Two street Arabs robbed James O. Watkins late last night of $631, in Marietta street, in the center of town. They were "newsies" and had importuned Watkins to buy a paper. He told them he did not wish a paper and they then asked him to change a dime for them. Watkins pulled a well filled wallet from his pocket. When the boys saw the money they snatched the purse and disappeared in a twinkling. They are still at large.

DEPARTMENT DENIES STORY

Say No Ship Will Be Sent to Hawaii

Special to The Telegram.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The war department denies that two regiments will be rushed to Hawaii in anticipation of trouble with the Japanese.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The Examiner publishes the following dispatch from Honolulu today:

Officers of transportation have announced that two regiments are to be rushed immediately to the island, in anticipation of trouble with the Japanese. They absolutely refuse to give out any of the details bearing on the call for troops. It is understood the mikado is extremely anxious to secure possession of the Island of Lanai, which is private property.

This island is fifty miles from Honolulu and could be used as an excellent naval base against the United States by any foreign power. It has two splendid harbors.

Last night Attorney S. D. Gear secured an injunction against Governor Carter and Land Commissioner Pratt to prevent them selling the island to a syndicate.

Eight New Members

Sovereigns of Maple Hurst Grove No. 5, Woodmen Circle, met in regular session Thursday afternoon, Dec. 13. The attendance was very good, and a very interesting meeting was held. There were eight applications for membership and two transfer cards were received. Eight candidates were regularly introduced as sovereigns of the order. The year just closing has been the most successful one in the history of the grove. There is a membership of 336 sovereigns at present.

After the regular order of business, the election of officers for the ensuing year was held. Also delegates to the state convention of the Woodmen Circle, which will convene at Dallas in March. The following officers were elected:

Worthy Guardian—Mrs. Ida Heck.
Excellent Adviser—Mrs. Isabella Hinkley.
Clerk—Mrs. Nannie Luther.
Banker—Mrs. Jennie Martin.
Magician—Mrs. Emma V. Brown.
Attendant—Mrs. Hattie Grimes.
Inside Sentinel—Mrs. Mollie E. Sealey.
Outside Sentinel—Mrs. Eror L. Hutson.
Physicians—Dr. P. L. Hooper and Dr. J. B. McLean.
Manager—Mrs. Annie K. Conner.

The following delegates were elected: Mmes. Sarah Hoyt, Jennie Martin, Emma Brown, Nannie Luther, Sarah Cottar, Mary Wilcox and Ida Heck.

Panther City Election

Panther City lodge No. 1632, Knights and Ladies of Honor, held its regular election Friday night, choosing officers for the year ending Dec. 31, 1907, as follows:

Past Protector—Charlotte Steinfeldt.
Protector—J. R. Wattam.
Vice Protector—Ida Steinfeldt.
Secretary and Financial Secretary—Henry C. Schmidt.
Treasurer—Anna Schmidt.
Chaplain—Birdie Yates.
Guide—John Timm.
Guardian—Louis E. Schmidt.
Sentinel—W. L. Slate.
Pianist—Nellie A. Walker.
Trustees—Axel Westland, Robert Regien, Thomas T. McDonald.

Railroad Earnings

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—Auditor Bond of the railroad commission will soon have all of the monthly reports of the railroads for October, whereupon he will give out the summary of the operations for the first four months of the current fiscal year, being July, August, September and October. From the reports in hand it is already apparent that there will be a decided increase in gross earnings over the same four months of the year before. Nearly all of the roads reporting have shown increases and some of the smaller lines range from 25 to 40 per cent for the period stated. One of the large roads, the Texas and Pacific, comes in with a healthy advance, the net increase in gross earnings over the preceding four months amounting to $1,139,000 in round figures. That amount includes the entire line. The increase in freight earnings amounted to $551,000.

A number of the larger roads are still out, but it is to be expected that they will keep pace with the reports already filed and a handsome increase noted.

The foregoing seems all very well, but the main item is left out, namely, how many more tons of freight did the roads have to carry? How many more engines were required? How many more crews and trains were necessary to do this to make this gain? Nothing is said about this. It has been shown that for a period of some fifteen years the rate per ton per mile on eastern trunk lines was reduced from 2 cents per ton miles to .799, or say eight-tenths of a cent. That is, the railroads have to carry at the last rate two and a half times as much freight as at the first rate.

On Texas roads in 1895 the rate per ton per mile was 1.277 cents. The tonnage that year was 2,263,334,307. The amount of revenue was $22,907,174.10.

In 1895 the rate was 1.067 cents. The tonnage, 4,374,479,986. The revenue was $46,675,701.45.

Had the rate of 1895 been maintained the revenue to the railroads would have been $55,660,109.42. Therefore, the saving to the shippers, the producers, the consumers—the people of Texas in one year was $19,184,407.97, or $3 apiece to every man, woman and child in the state (census of 1900). Yours truly, ALEX HOGG.

King of Italy's Hobby

The king of Italy's hobby is the collection of coins. In his collection are more than 50,000 specimens. Strangely enough he is not musical, much to the regret of his musical subjects, of which there are so many in that land of sunshine and song.

Merry Xmas!

OUR LAST CALL FOR THIS SEASON

If you have not yet done your shopping with us, come during the next week to make your selections from the best line of Christmas goods in the city. Helpful suggestions for Santa—

For the Boy

Soldier Ten Pins	25¢
Battle Game	50¢
Pistol and Target	25¢
Desko Gun	25¢
Brownie Ten Pins	$1.00
Trumpets, up to	25¢
Rugby Football	$1.00
Boxing Gloves, set	$1.50
Garden Set	50¢
Wheelbarrow	50¢
Trains, iron	50¢
Hook and Ladders	$1.00
Fire Engine	$1.00
Hose Cart	60¢
Fire Patrol	60¢
Mechanical Train	85¢
Magic Lantern	$1.25
Steam Engine	$1.25

Extra Special — 100-piece Haviland Dinner Set $25.00

Cloth Animals	10¢
A B C Blocks	10¢
Picture Blocks	10¢
Picture Books	10¢
Drums	10¢

For the Girl

Doll Bath Outfits	25¢
Doll Beds, 10c, 25c and	40¢
Nested Blocks, 25c to	75¢
Fine Linen Books, up to	$1.00
Doll Furniture	25¢
Bisque Dolls, 10c to	50¢
China Limb Dolls, 5c to	40¢
Kid Dolls, 15c to	$1.50
Dressed Dolls, special	25¢
Fine Jointed Dolls.	
Iron Stove	50¢
Kindergarten Set	25¢
Basket Ball Game	25¢
Glove Boxes	25¢
Handkerchief Boxes	50¢
Hand Mirror	50¢
Picture	15¢
Tea Sets	25¢
Inkstand	50¢
Jewel Box	25¢
Go-Carts	50¢
Desk	$1.25
Knife and Fork Set	$1.00
China Dinner Set	$1.50
Enamel Toilet Set	$1.25
Laundry Set	$1.00

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INVESTIGATE DEATH OF NEIL

Woman Left for New York City

Special to The Telegram.

GREENWICH, Conn., Dec. 15.—Investigation is being made today into the death of Joseph E. Neil, a former prize fighter, which occurred last night in a local hotel. Neil and a woman known here as his wife went to the hotel and were assigned to a room. About ten minutes later the woman asked the clerk to send for a doctor, saying that Neil was ill.

Dr. L. O. Thompson, who was summoned, found Neil dead with a black mark under his right eye. The woman also had a black eye but made no explanation as to how Neil met his death. She said she wanted to go to New York to see her mother, and she was allowed to do so, taking a late train for that city. Neil lived here and owned considerable property.

IN THE COURTS

Court of Civil Appeals

The following proceedings were had in the court of civil appeals for the Second supreme judicial district of Texas Saturday:

Motions submitted: Southern Kansas Railway Company vs. state of Texas, for rehearing; R. J. Brown vs. J. S. Wallis, for rehearing; W. B. Worsham vs. Chicago, Rock Island and Texas Railway Company, for rehearing; E. L. Stephens vs. Wichita Valley Railway Company, to strike out stenographer's report.

Cases submitted: International and Great Northern Railway Company vs. Roy Elder, from Tarrant county; Victor Safe and Lock Company vs. Texas State Trust Company et al., from Tarrant; Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas et al. vs. Russell & Scoggin, from Mitchell; Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas vs. Scoggin & Brown, from Mitchell; Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas et al., vs. Scoggin & Brown, from Mitchell; E. L. Stephens vs. Wichita Valley Railway Company, from Baylor.

The following proceedings were this day in the court of civil appeals for the second supreme judicial district of Texas:

Motions granted: St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company vs. P. A. Collins, to advance; the motion to affirm with damages was overruled; W. A. Ferguson vs. Anjolotta Allen, to dismiss; Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf Railway Company vs. G. C. Breeding, to advance; St. Louis and San Francisco Railway Company vs. R. B. Smith, to dismiss.

Motions Overruled: Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas vs. Harrison, for rehearing; Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company vs. A. W. Cooper, for rehearing; Guarantee Savings, Loan and Investment Company vs. Mitchell, for rehearing; Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf Company vs. G. O. Breeding, for rehearing and to certify; Texas and Pacific Railway Company vs. C. W. McFadden, for rehearing; St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas vs. George M. Price, for rehearing.

Cases affirmed: Southern Kansas Railway Company vs. J. B. Morris, from Roberts; Southern Kansas Railway Company of Texas vs. Curtis Brothers & Davidson, from Potter; Texas and Pacific Railway Company et al. vs. T. J. Coggin, from Mitchell.

Cases reformed and affirmed: F. M. Ong vs. C. H. Leftwitch, from Potter.

Cases reversed and rendered: E. M. Graham vs. John A. Edwards, from Reeves.

Cases submitted: J. T. Cockrell vs. J. R. Walkup, from Baylor; Chicago, Rock Island and Texas Railway Company et al. vs. Edwards, from Montague; Chicago, Rock Island and Texas Railway Company et al vs. M. H. Hiltibrand, from Montague; Chicago, Rock Island and Texas Railway Company et al. vs. C. A. Birk, from Montague; Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas vs. D. W. Matlock, from Montague; T. M. Brooks vs. Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., from Tarrant.

Cases set down for submission Jan. 12, 1907: Fort Worth and Denver City Railway Company vs. J. A. Travis, from Wilbarger; S. F. King vs. First National Bank of Stephenville, from Erath; National Benevolent Society vs. A. R. Knowles, from Tarrant; B. F. McKinley vs. J. C. Settles, from Comanche; St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company vs. P. A. Collins, from Tarrant; Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf Railway Company vs. C. C. Breeding, from Potter.

The following marriage licenses have been issued:

J. W. Patterson, Fort Worth, and Miss Ethel Cliff, 615 South Jennings.

L. P. Smith, 710 Crawford street, and Miss Florence Ethel Penkerman, 531 Peter Smith.

W. H. Greer, Birdville, and Miss Lula Caldwell, Birdville.

M. B. Frazier, Paradise, and Miss Julia E. Haynes, Saginaw.

Bertram C. Rogers, 1615 College avenue, and Miss Myrtle Erhart, Chico.

Wagner Ogletree, Kendall and Miss L. F. Rice.

Luther Ellison, Fort Worth, and Miss Minnie G. Leckner, Terrell.

In the High Company of Books

A man is known by the company his mind keeps. To live continually with noble books, with "high-erected thoughts seated in the heart of courtesy," teaches the soul good manners. —T. B. Aldrich.

YESTERDAY'S RACE RESULTS

Races at Oakland

Oakland summaries:

First race—Six furlongs: Plausible, 111 (W. Miller), 9 to 20, won; Grace C., 109 (Brown), 7 to 1, second; Triumphant, 109 (Williams), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:17 1-5.

Second race—Six furlongs: Lord Nelson, 105 (W. Miller), 4 to 5, won; Shady Lad, 109 (Brown), 9 to 5, second; David Boland, 112 (Fountain), 7 to 1, third. Time—1:16.

Third race—Futurity course: F. W. Barr, 103 (Graham), 7 to 1 won; St. Francis, 103 (W. Miller), 9 to 5, second; Burleigh, 108 (Williams), 4 to 1, third. Time—1:11.

Fourth race—One mile: Tony Faust, 118 (Dugan), 3 to 2, won; Tomacoe, 113 (Knapp), 9 to 2, second; Arimo, 113 (J. Daly), 5 to 1, third. Time—1:43 3-5.

Fifth race—One mile: W. B. Gates, 103 (Sandy), 20 to 1, won; Clandestine, 107 (Lawrence), 8 to 1, second; Cloche de Or, 107 (W. Miller), 4 to 5, third. Time—1:46.

Sixth race—One mile: Dr. Leggo, 111 (Knapp), 8 to 5, won; Sir Edward, 107 (Graham), 5 to 2, second; Northwest, 98 (W. Miller), 6 to 2, third. Time—1:42.

Races at New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 15.—City Park summaries:

First race—Five furlongs: Rose Marion, 105 (J. Lee), 15 to 1, won; Spider Web, 105 (Troxler), 5 to 2, second; Sister Ida, 105 (Austin), 12 to 1, third. Time—1:03 3-5.

Second race—Steeplechase, short course: Sam Hoffheimer, 164 (Henry), 1 to 2, won; Harloquin, 146 (Ellison), 6 to 1, second; Profitable, 153 (Day), 20 to 1, third. Time—3:13 1-5.

Third race—One mile: Goldie, 90 (Garner), 5 to 1, won; Besterling, 98 (Bilac), 10 to 1, second; Old Stone, 100 (L. Smith), 6 to 1, third. Time—1:04 3-5.

Fourth race—Six furlongs: Ira Lee, 109 (Mountain), 7 to 2, won; Fantastic, 96 (Hennessy), 2 to 5, second; Royal Breeze, 94 (Garner), 2 to 5, third. Time—1:16 2-5.

Fifth race—Mile and one-sixteenth: Debar, 105 (Troxler), 2 to 5, won; Calplock, 105 (Mountain), 3 to 1, second; Granada, 110 (Perrett), 8 to 1, third. Time—1:05 2-5.

Sixth race—Six furlongs: St. Noel, 109 (Key), 11 to 2, won; Woodclaim, 109 (Perret), 12 to 1, second; La Cache, 99 (Pickens), 13 to 1, third. Time—1:16 4-5.

Seventh race—Six furlongs: Columbia Girl, 103 (Vandusen), 14 to 5, won; Wild Irishman, 112 (Hennessy), ½ to 5, second; Glen Gallant, 112 (Mountain), 7 to 2, third. Time—1:15 3-5.

Races at Los Angeles

Special to The Telegram.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—Ascot results:

First race, five and one-half furlongs—Pipotetea, 102 (Keogh), 15 to 1, won; Dr. Crooks, 97 (R. Archibald), 7 to 1, second; Remember, 102 (Riley), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:09.

Second race, futurity course—George Miller, 105 (Booker), 12 to 1, won; Lotta Gladstone, 102 (Finn), 3 to 1, second; Jack Kercheval, 102 (D. Riley), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:11 1-4.

Third race, six furlongs—Gold Sifter, 105 (C. Koerner), 2½ to 1, won; Mary B. Clark, 90 (H. D. Riley), 5 to 1, second; Harding, 104 (J. Harris), 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:14½.

Fourth race, one mile, Riverside selling stakes—Tartan, 105 (Koerner), 3½ to 1, won; Varieties, 98 (Gargan), 12 to 1, second; Bryan, 100 (Kent), 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:40 1-4.

Fifth race, one mile—Milshora, 106 (D. Riley), 12 to 1, won; Merriam, 98 (Preston), 13 to 5, second; Livius, 104 (Hudlen), 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:42.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Governor Orman, 105 (Fisher), 3½ to 1, won; Nun's Veiling, 105 (Riley), 6 to 1, second; Creston Boy, 108 (Kunz), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 4-5.

Sentiment at Baird

Special to The Telegram.

BAIRD, Texas, Dec. 15.—The item in the Fort Worth Record from Baird of Wednesday's date in regard to how the people of Baird stand on the Bailey and anti-Bailey issue is calculated to mislead those not well informed about it. oYur correspondent interrogated a good many leading business and professional men today, and the most of them declared they were against Bailey, and they were very emphatic about it. It a vote of the city or county were taken it is believed it would go against Bailey.

Postal Matters

Star service has been established in Texas as follows:

Deland to Brady and return, 16½ miles, three times a week, Claborn O. Crafford, Deland, carrier, $285.

Rowden to Admiral, ten miles and return, three times a week, J. T. Stewart, Rowden, carrier, $180.

Lillie to Wellington, ten miles and return, twice a week, A. P. Messick, Lillie, carrier, $130.

Special service from Lillie to Wellington will be discontinued Dec. 25.

Lucile Dowlen has been reappointed postmaster at Petty.

Her Modest Request

A gallant motorist had rescued beauty in distress from a dog-cart in a ditch, where a scared horse had landed it, says Motor Illustrated, when the lady lisped, sweetly, "Thank you so much. Would you mind doing it again? We do so want our horse to get used to those horrid things."

Easy

Young Dedstuk—Miss Hope, here's a new conundrum. Why is a cow with only one horn like an unabridged dictionary? What's your answer to that?

Miss Dora Hope (with a dreamy, far-away gaze)—The answer is "Yes." —Chicago Tribune.

BLOCKADE IN GEORGIA

Special to The Telegram.

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 15.—On account of the inability of the railroads to handle cotton, many smaller towns thru the state are suffering from a complete blockade. It is claimed the railroads have not the facilities to properly handle the freight. On one line alone there are over 15,000 bales of cotton awaiting transportation. This delay has seriously hurt many small buyers who have their money tied up in cotton which they cannot get to its destination.

Great Scott!

Poeticus—Everything I see is poetry to me.

Witticus—Yes, even the editors.

Poeticus—Eh?

Witticus—Well, they all seem to be at least a verse to you.—Cleveland Leader.

Chip Off the Old Block

DeLong—I met your son this morning.

Shortleigh—Don't you think he resembles me a good deal?

DeLong—That's what. He tried to borrow a dollar from me.—Chicago Daily News.

Glad of It

Subbubs—Somebody's stolen our dog again. That's a d—

Mrs. Subbubs (hastily)—William! William! Don't swear about it.

Subbubs—Who's swearing? I was just going to say it's a dog-gone big relief.—Philadelphia Press.

Just the Thing

Guest (to proprietor of summer hotel)—That's great music you have with the meals.

Proprietor—Like it, do you?

"Splendid! Makes me forget that I'm not getting enough to eat."—Life.

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Our Special Feature Page

HOW OUR LITTLE FOREIGN GUESTS SPEND CHRISTMAS

A. Y. HAMBLETON

CHRISTMAS TREE AT THE CUBAN LEGATION
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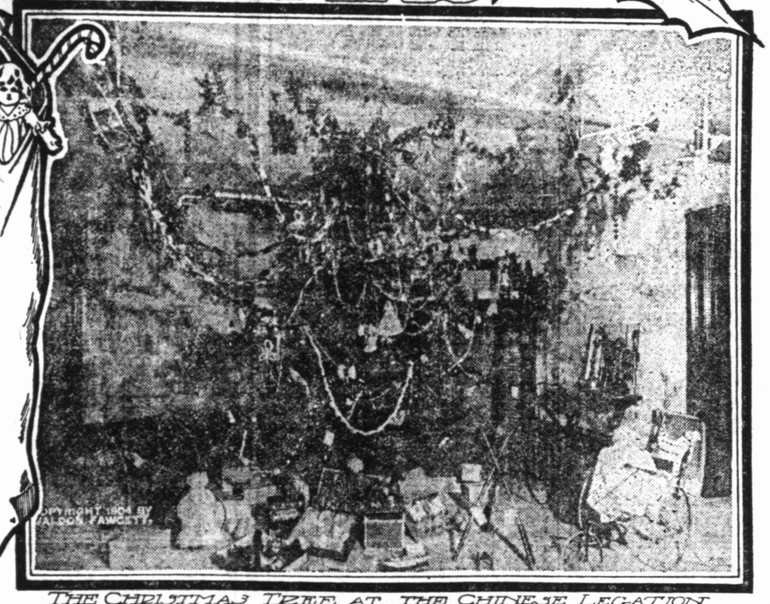

THE CHRISTMAS TREE AT THE CHINESE LEGATION

CHRISTMAS AT THE PERUVIAN LEGATION

NURSERY AT THE AUSTRIAN EMBASSY

At the capital of the United States are a number of boys and girls who celebrate Christmas in a manner very different from that followed by American young people. The participants in these holiday celebrations, which appear so strange in the eyes of Uncle Sam's subjects, are the sons and daughters of the diplomats who are stationed at Washington as the agents or accredited representatives of the leading governments of the world. There are at Miss Columbia's seat of government more than 100 of these alien homes, occupied by people from three dozen different countries, and in a large proportion of the habitations there are young folks to make Christmas a tangible reality.

In some of the households of this interesting foreign colony American Yuletide customs have been adopted to a greater or less extent, but for the most part these young people from far-off climes cling to the ways of their native lands, and in this their fathers and mothers encourage them, since all these children are, like their parents, but temporary residents of the republic and will ultimately return to their homes over seas instead of making the United States a permanent abiding place.

The children of German diplomats who have at one time or another been stationed at Washington have all celebrated Christmas very much after the fashion of their American playmates. The little Teutons all believe in Santa Claus, and one and all have firm confidence that the Christ Child will, on Christmas Eve, go into every German home and leave a tree loaded with presents in token of his love. The present German Ambassador has no children, but Baron Bussche, the blond giant who acts as first secretary of the embassy, and his dark-complexioned South American wife have a winsome daughter, Matilda, who is the pet of the entire embassy staff, and so at the Kaiser's branch office in America there is provided for little Miss Bussche and her juvenile friends a gorgeous Christmas tree, crowned with a Bethlehem star, and shading with its branches a wax figure representing the Saviour in the manger.

In France Christmas is primarily a religious festival, and the happiest event in the children's calendar falls on January 6, or what is known as "King's Day"—the day that commemorates that on which the three wise men went to Bethlehem. Of late years, however, many French children, both in and out of France, have been permitted to adopt the American Christmas, with its Christmas trees and gift-giving. There are no children in the immediate household of the French Ambassador at Washington, but this envoy, who, like the German Ambassador, has an American wife, is strongly in sympathy with Christmas traditions, and so on Christmas night all the French children in the official colony at Washington assemble with their parents at the French Embassy. Last year there awaited them three Christmas trees, set in a row, and each laden with gifts. After the gifts have been distributed there is served a Christmas dinner cooked by the famous French cooks brought to this country by the Ambassador of our sister republic.

The children of the British diplomats at Washington usually have a very merry Christmas, for all the families gather as though in family reunion at the British Embassy and there is a rousing old-fashioned English Christmas, with the tree, plum pudding and all. A Yule log is placed with due ceremony in the great open fireplace in the dining-room and all those present—young people and grown-ups—gather before the roaring fire and sing their Christmas carols, just as they would in their homes on the other side of the Atlantic. The British Embassy is always elaborately decorated with holly and ivy and evergreen. The illumination of the Christmas tree and the distribution of the presents occurs Christmas Eve, and Christmas night is given over to a great dinner.

In Austria the children know of Santa Claus as St. Nicholas, and they look for his coming on the night of December 6, when he is expected to visit every house, bringing presents for the good children and switches for the bad. The little daughter of the Ambassador from Austria Hungary does not receive her presents on the day on which gifts are distributed in her own country, but neither is she compelled to wait quite as late in the month as are most American children, for her big Christmas tree is illuminated on Christmas Eve and her father or someone at the Embassy, personating St. Nicholas, bestows the gifts at an hour when the majority of young Americans are fast asleep dreaming of the morrow.

It has long been customary for all the Swiss children in Washington to join in a grand Christmas celebration at the Swiss Legation. The Minister from the mountain republic invites them all, together with their fathers and mothers, to be his guests on Christmas night, and, although there are several hundred people in the party, as a rule, it is invariably found when the distribution of gifts takes place that none have been forgotten.

At the Mexican Embassy the young people receive their presents in a most novel manner. Suspended from the ceiling of the big ballroom is a huge, open-mouthed jar, in which have been placed all the presents, each neatly tied and addressed to the intended recipient. All the children who participate in the Christmas party are armed with long, slender canes, and with these one after another makes a dash for the swinging jar, striking it or at it in passing. Of course, it is only a matter of time until the frail treasure-house is demolished, and then ensues a grand scramble for the gifts.

The children in the homes of the diplomats from South and Central America are given each Christmas a very interesting object-lesson in Bible history. From the largest room in the house the children are rigidly excluded until Christmas Eve, and then they enter to find spread out before their eyes a representation in miniature of the city of Bethlehem, with its streets, houses and people. Over the whole is a canopy of stars with, most prominent of all, the star of Bethlehem shining over a grotto in which are tiny figures of the infant Jesus, his parents and the three wise men.

The magic vision in the closed room is not revealed to the juvenile members of the household until after the midnight church service on Christmas Eve. The unveiling of the representation of the nativity is followed by the distribution of Christmas presents, and still later by a feast, which keeps the Spanish-speaking children out of bed until all hours. In consequence the little folks from the lower half of the continent sleep late on Christmas morning—the one occasion when the young American can be depended upon to be up betimes. The remainder of the day is chiefly devoted by the junior Latin-Americans to visiting in turn the houses of their various friends in order to compare presents and inspect the miniature Bethlehems, for, of course, the portrayals differ widely in different homes.

Of all the young foreigners the ones who have most completely and most enthusiastically adopted the American Christmas in all that it implies are those that you might least expect—the Chinese. Perhaps this is due to the fact that the present Chinese Minister was educated in the United States, and the further circumstance that four of the dozen children at the Chinese Legation are half American. These latter are the little sons and daughters of Mr. Yung Kwai, the interpreter of the legation—a full-blooded Chinaman—and his American wife, who is a native of Massachusetts. However, no youngsters could be more excited over the Yankee Christmas than are the children of Sir Chentung, the minister, who can scarcely speak the English language. The smoking-room in the basement of the $100,000 legation home recently built by the Chinese imperial government is given over to an American Christmas tree laden with toys and other presents for the young Celestials, and there is a Christmas feast that is a comixture of oriental and Yankee delicacies.

Other foreign children who have been permitted to adopt the American idea of Christmas are the little son and daughter of the Cuban Minister and Senora Quesada; the lad in the home of the first envoy from the new republic of Panama, and Osman Sureya and Ali Haidas, the black-eyed little sons of Chekib Bey, the Turkish minister. At the Russian Embassy there are two Christmases, but the celebration on December 25 is not nearly so impressive as that on January 6, when there is a Christmas tree and a banquet whereat are served all the favorite Russian dishes.

WALDON FAWCETT.

Christmas in Uncle Sam's Navy

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PREPARING THE BLUEJACKETS' CHRISTMAS TREAT OF PIES, CAKES, CANDY AND ORANGES

DISTRIBUTING THE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

THE OFFICERS' CHRISTMAS DINNER
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Your average bluejacket is in fine spirits at Christmas—that is, if he be an American bluejacket. The tars of no other navy make so much of the joyous holiday as do the seamen serving under the Stars and Stripes, and certainly the enlisted men of no other nationality understand so well how to provide a befitting celebration, no matter in what part of the world the Yuletide may overtake them. Jack is a big hearted, whole-souled, generous fellow, and he enters into the plans and preparations for Christmas with an enthusiasm that it warms one's heart just to witness.

Very often, too, the jackies have to work out their Christmas schemes in an environment that is in sad contrast to the old-fashioned conditions back in "God's country," for many a holiday season finds numbers of our floating fortresses exiled in out-of-the-way corners of the globe. Sometimes the sailor lads are at their wits' ends to even find a substitute for a Christmas tree. If a northern pine is not to be had, however, they will put up with a tropical bamboo, and there have even been occasions when Uncle Sam's naval seamen have been obliged to content themselves with cactus—the only living thing within reach of some isolated ship.

Strictly speaking, Christmas in Uncle Sam's Navy begins at noon on December 24, when most routine work ceases. This year when the 24th falls on Sunday, the commanders of most of our war vessels will probably permit the crews to knock off work soon after noon Saturday, and thus the fun-loving men-of-war's men can enjoy nearly 60 hours of liberty and merrymaking.

As soon as the regular round of duties on shipboard is interrupted the preparations for the holiday frolic begin. This is in reality pretty hard work, but, of course, the sailor lads don't regard it as such. Especially does the burden of the preparations fall heavily on the cooks in the "galley," as the ship's kitchen is called, and, indeed, in order to bake the hundreds of cakes and pies required for Jack's Christmas feast the pastry men must keep their fires going all night—something that is permitted on no other occasion in the year.

With the first streaks of dawn on Christmas morning a number of bluejackets are up aloft "dressing the ship" with a festive array of holiday greens that are perched on each masthead and other vantage point. Between decks there are festooned garlands that proclaim the occasion, and mayhap a devoted gun crew will bedeck their big "barker" with huge Christmas wreaths. Of course, fir or pine is preferred for this decorative work, but if the jackies are compelled by force of circumstances to substitute branches of bamboo or banana it does not seriously disconcert them.

On Christmas morning something of the peace and quiet of Sunday prevails on shipboard. Indeed, so far as the events of the opening hours are concerned a visitor could hardly distinguish between the two days were it not for the decorations and the general air of expectancy which is manifest on Christmas. If the warship has a chaplain a brief religious service may be held, but woe betide the parson who oversteps the bounds in the length of his discourse, for his hearers have, in many instances, one thought for the sermon and two for the meal that is to follow—the long-awaited Christmas dinner.

No more inspiring and animated picture can be imagined than that presented by the long tables laden with all the good things to eat that money can buy and surrounded by perhaps half a thousand noisy, healthy, good-natured bluejackets, or maybe by twice that number of rollicking sailors, if, as frequently happens, the Americans are entertaining the seamen of some foreign war vessel that is tarrying over Christmas in the same port. On such occasions the Yankees, who are the best-paid bluejackets in the world and proverbial liberal spenders, fairly open the eyes of their guests with the lavishness of the "spread."

Just before the plates are helped the captain of the ship, accompanied by his chief officers, accepts an invitation which has been extended by the crew to visit their mess. The "old man" and his subordinates in command view the decorations, extend the greetings of the season and sample the good things spread out before them. Often, in doing this latter, they are treated to a genuine surprise, for it not infrequently happens that the jackies who have plenty of money to spend and begin their preparations early, are able to decidedly "put it over" the caterer of the ward room mess in securing Christmas delicacies in a limited market. For instance, in Hongkong, China, a few Christmases since the energetic tars bought all the turkeys to be had and the tardy officers of the ship would have had none had not the enlisted men shared their supply.

On Christmas afternoon general liberty is given to the crew. If the craft be anchored in an American harbor a number of the men may go ashore to spend the time with relatives or acquaintances, but if the warship is in foreign waters the hours from dinner until dusk are given over to a carnival of sports. The program includes boat racing, boxing, fencing, wrestling and a variety of other tests of skill along lines in which the sailors are proficient. The prizes may be small sums of money made up by subscription with a lift from the officers, but more likely they are such trophies as potatoes, onions and plugs of tobacco. Meanwhile a phonograph is grinding out comic songs on the quarter deck in lieu of an orchestra accompaniment, and just here it may be noted that no human beings get more real enjoyment out of the talking machines than the lads on a warship who may not see the inside of a vaudeville theater once in six months.

At some time during the day a delegation of seamen, bearing a bucket of slacked-lime and a huge brush, call upon the captain and request him to, in honor of the occasion, "whitewash the conduct book," thereby wiping out all demerits for past offenses, and, be it said to his credit, he usually complies. All hands assemble on deck for the distribution of Christmas presents. There is not likely to be much of an exchange of tokens between individuals, either officers or men, in the ship's company, but the mail "from home" is heavy with remembrances from dear ones far away.

There are, like as not, letters and packages enough to fill a dozen mail sacks. If the ship is on the Asiatic station or in other distant waters, the Xmas mementos have, of course, been started upon their journeys weeks before, and if the little community afloat has at best only a weekly mail from home, the holiday delivery may be made some days before Christmas. However, almost all of the envelopes and parcels will be found to bear the inscription "Not to be opened until Christmas," so that it is customary to hold all incoming matter in mysterious seclusion until the general distribution on Christmas Day.

The Christmas dinner for the officers of a warship is served in the evening. Everything from turkey to plum pudding is on the menu, if at all procurable, and the meal is made as jolly as may be for a feast that is denied the accompaniment of women's voices and children's laughter, for, be it explained, there are seldom any feminine guests at Christmas dinner on an American warship lying in a foreign port. If the wife of any officer has, however, followed her husband to his place of temporary exile—the naval regulations prevent her from traveling on the warship—she can count upon her husband's brother officers extending a hospitality that is simply without parallel. Even if there be one or two representatives of the fair sex aboard, though, it is inevitable that the thoughts of many of the men around the board should be elsewhere, and so the banquet closes with the toast "To Our Loved Ones at Home" and that famous navy health "To Our Sweethearts and Wives—May the Former Soon Be the Latter and the Latter Ever the Former."

If traditions are adhered to, Christmas on a warship closes with an entertainment by the crew—preferably an old-fashioned, uproarous minstrel performance at which a selected company of the bluejackets appear in burnt cork and attired in costumes that would cause to look sedate in comparison the gaudiest garb ever worn in any professional show. The program will be liberally sprinkled with hits and jokes at the expense of the officers. None of the jibes are malicious, but many of the satirical shafts are well aimed. Then there are rousing choruses to the accompaniment of the ship's band, and, perhaps, some tableaux treating, seriously or otherwise, historic events. In consequence of all this revelry, Jack may unroll his hammock a little later than usual; but it being Christmas, the officers are lenient.

WALDON FAWCETT.

Pen Study of William of Germany.

Emperor William II. of Germany may truly be described as one of the most remarkable monarchs who ever sat upon a throne. His restless and untiring energy is such that often causes all Europe to wonder what move the Kaiser is going to make next. His power chiefly lies in his extraordinary power of mastering details, whether in the mechanism of state affairs or organizing his army or navy it matters not. He is always master of the situation. His has never allowed any situation to master him. That may be said to be the whole keynote of his dominating influence which has moved the world on more than one occasion.

He is a man of many and varied interests, being poet, writer, playwright, musician, sculptor and painter. As an educationalist he has done much for Germany. The Kaiser's interests in his army and navy is of the keenest. The following story tells how he tested a soldier on duty. While on duty no soldier is allowed to receive any presents. The Emperor knew this well enough, but on passing one of the sentries at the park gates he held out a five-mark piece to him, but the sentry was not to be caught. "I am not allowed to take it, Your Majesty," he said.

"Come," said the Emperor, pretending to be angry; "if I command you to take it who is there to forbid you?" The soldier, almost in tears, begged to be excused. "If I put it in your sentry box, will you fetch it when your watch is over?" asked the Emperor. The soldier said he would. On looking round his box later on the honest sentinel found the five-mark piece, accompanied by another gold coin of greater value.

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EXPORT OF FLOUR IS INCREASING

Milers Claim They Pay Higher Rate

Exporting of flour from the Fort Worth mills has increased within the last ninety days and more business in that line is being done here now than has been done for a long time. The Fort Worth mills catering largely to export business for a long time or until the milling in transit privilege was withdrawn from Fort Worth by all the railroads with the single exception of the Santa Fe.

The withdrawal of this privilege almost prohibited the exportation of flour from this city, as the rates were so much in favor of the mills in Kansas and the territories. A large part of the wheat used by the mills here is shipped in from Kansas and Nebraska and the freight on this wheat from common points there is 28 cents. Then from Fort Worth to Galveston the rate is 17 cents for the flour. For mills in the territories the rate is 17 cents for all with a milling in transit privilege, with a result that the Fort Worth and other Texas mills are at a tremendous disadvantage. Not only do they have to pay the 28 cents on the hundred pounds on the wheat, but they have to pay again on the flour. As 100 pounds of wheat will not make 100 pounds of flour, the cost per 100 pounds of flour to Galveston is about 40 cents higher here than for the mills north of Texas. This makes an advance of 10 cents a sack of 25 pounds that the mills here have to pay, and consequently hurts the business.

The Santa Fe, however, stands by the Texas mills and allows a milling in transit privilege. Consequently almost all of the flour which has been shipped from Fort Worth for export within the last ninety days has been purchased along the line of the Santa Fe, when not bought in Texas, and has been shipped over that road to Galveston.

Business to Cuba from Fort Worth remains steady at all times, as the Cubans prefer the flour made from Texas wheat, which, it is claimed, makes better biscuit than the northern wheat and therefore they are willing to pay the 10 cents a sack more than they have to pay for wheat shipped from here, made from northern wheat.

This matter is one that the Texas Millers' Association took up at their meeting this week and a committee was appointed to take the matter up with the railroads and if nothing satisfactory could be gained there, to carry the matter before the interstate commerce commission for a readjustment of the rates.

The Texas millers have claimed since the rate was withdrawn that it was done to build up the territory north of the state at the injury of the Texas business and that the withdrawal of the rate was an arbitrary action taken to help the grain dealers at the expense of the millers and consequently the Texas Millers' Association, every member of which is injured by the rate withdrawal have taken the matter up and will fight it to a finish in order to establish their rights under the interstate commerce laws.

MANY TEACHERS COME TO MEETING

Big Demand for Rooms for Pedagogues

In spite of the bad weather nearly all the city teachers were present on Saturday at the institute meeting. The opening number of the program was a vocal solo by Miss Ada Darter, with Miss Terrell as accompanyist, both former pupils of the high school

Mr. Frost opened the discussion on the merits of the system of semi-annual promotions. Remarks were also made by Miss Diessen and Messrs. McGee, Belcher, Hamman and Guysinger. All favored the system of promoting pupils twice a year, as instituted in the Fort Worth schools this year. Some objections were suggested; that it would require more teaching force for a few years; that it created some confusion at the middle of the year.

One teacher was quoted as opposing semi-annual promotions on the ground that it called for two series of "parental conferences," instead of one. But the balance of argument was in the affirmative. It would be justice to both classes of pupils to reclassify them at the end of four months instead of keeping them together a year. It would save much time for the pupils and would permit more thoro work. Mr. McGee thought that ultimately it would increase the number promoted annually at least 15 per cent.

Professor Paschal spoke in regard to entertaining the visiting teachers during the meeting of the state association. He said that in addition to the liberal money contributions the city teachers should "give themselves" to making the visitors feel at home.

Several others talked on the state meeting.

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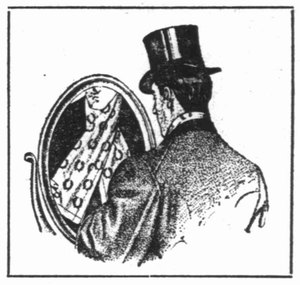

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Theater

"The Prince of Pilsen"

"The Prince of Pilsen," a musical comedy, perennial of charm and beauty will be presented at Greenwall's opera house Monday night, only, Dec. 17, by a cast of remarkable individual comedy success, "The Little Joker," which comes to Greenwall's opera house Wednesday, matinee and night, Dec. 19.

Seldom have the writers of a musical play hit as gracefully and artistically upon the necessities or peculiarities of a comedian and comic opera star.

New songs, both of the laughable and ballad type, abound, and there are also several songs characteristic, with beautiful chorus effects, dances and ensemble groups, enhanced by the latest electrical effects, devised by New York producers. Some of the songs most likely to win the popular applause and the approbation of the most blase theater goer are: "May I," "The Widow," "Terasita," "If I Were Only Taller," and "The Fairest Flower in Dixie."

The cast includes Miss Marie Glazier, Kitty Nelson, Jean Salsbury, Ann Dale, Bessie Franklin, Henry Leone, Harry Burgess, Bert Merket, Oliver Holden, Louis Christie and a host of other prominent metropolitan artists, besides a specially selected chorus of the prettiest and cleverest girls ever gathered into one organization.

Jean Salisburg and The Widow, with Arthur Dunn in "The Little Joker," at Greenwall's opera house Wednesday, matinee and night, Dec. 19.

and collective ability and attractiveness. It is now in its fifth year of unexampled success, and so long a term of popularity rarely falls to the lot of this evanescent style of theatrical entertainment. Gustav Luders and Frank Pixley contributed their best work to "The Prince of Pilsen," giving to it the inspiration born of a romantic theme in a picturesque setting. The enduring quality of Mr. Luders' music and the ever fresh and interesting turn of Frank Pixley's story and lyrics give to this musical comedy the distinction of a classic.

Jess Dandy, who has played the part of Hans Wagner more than 1,800 times, will again give expression to the comedy role of the American brewer, who has the honors intended for a prince thrust upon him. Mr. Dandy's topical song "Imagination" is a new interpolated number that scores heavily. Pauline Guzman, a dashing and piquant actress, who played the part of the dashing widow two seasons ago, assumes the same part in the present tour. George Lydecker will be seen in the role of the real prince, and his singing of the "Stein Song," with the chorus of Heidelberg students is one of the pleasing features of the performance. William C. Weedon has the part of the young naval officer. J. Hayden-Clarendon and Robert O'Connor have prominence in comedy and song. Dainty Marie Welsh is the daughter of the rich brewer and Jeanette Bageard, a dancing sylph, has the part of Sidonie, a French maid. Albertine Benson is the musical Vassar girl, and Ida Stanhope heads the line of beauties who represent the cities in the "Song of the Cities."

West's Minstrel

There is no longer any speculation concerning the flow of melody and merriment that the West big jubilee minstrels will bring to us at Greenwall's opera house Tuesday night, Dec. 18, for the proud record made by this organization of singers and dancers, comedians and specialty artists, has established its position beyond question.

Arthur Dunn in "The Little Joker"

"If I Were Only Taller" is the title of one of the many new laughing song hits in Arthur Dunn's latest musical comedy success, "The Little Joker," which comes to Greenwall's opera house Wednesday, matinee and night, Dec. 19.

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S. Miller Kent in "Raffles"

"Raffles" is the antithesis of Sherlock Holmes and greater than Sherlock Holmes. Such is the opinion expressed in New York and other American cities of the famous drama, "Raffles, the Amateur Cracksman," in which S. Miller Kent and a splendid company will appear at Greenwall's opera house Thursday, matinee and night, Dec. 20. The play was written by E. W. Hornung and Eugene Presbrey, who use as a foundation the sketches published in two volumes by Mr. Hornung under the titles of "The Amateur Cracksman" and "Raffles," respectively. The authors go to daring lengths, seeming to argue that crime is a disease and that criminals are irresponsible. The adventure of the Melrose diamonds is the one wisely selected for presentation of this argument and to give to the stage an entirely new and fascinating character, in Raffles, the gentleman burglar-philanthropist.

"A Race for a Widow"

"Pete" Baker, the famous singing comedian, who is starring this season in the successful comedy, "A Race for a Widow," which comes to Greenwall's opera house Friday night, Dec. 21, is known as the "William Jennings Bryan comedian." Not for an impersonation of the Democratic statesman, but because he so closely resembles him, it is not unusual for persons not over familiar with Bryan to address Baker as Mr. Bryan, and he has become used to being an innocent perpetrator of this deception. While traveling thru the south and west, during a recent vaudeville tour, he has had some funny experiences thru this mistaken identity. He has had many sympathizers with him on account of the political defeats suffered by Bryan and has had his political platform indorsed by a great many old, "dyed-in-the-wool" silver Democrats, who little guessed they were indorsing gold and the Republican administration. One of Baker's funniest experiences occurred on the train while he was coming east from Colorado. A very pretty Kansas girl who was traveling in the same car with Baker, spotted him and rushed up to the seat where he was sitting.

"I knew you the minute I saw you," she said. "I heard you in Topeka four years ago, and I have been in love with you ever since. I am one of your greatest admirers in the country and my father and brother think you are the greatest man in the country."

Baker was "on" right away and did not get a swelled head over the praise. "I am honored to meet you," he returned, in his best Billy Bryan style, "but you should not flatter me so."

"I mean every word of it," said the miss, "and—a" then turning suddenly toward Baker and blushing furiously, said: "May I kiss you?"

"De-light-ed!" replied Baker, with Teddy's favorite phrase, which did not appear to strike the young lady as very fitting. However, she threw her arms around his neck and pressed a resounding Kansas smack on his lips. Then, still blushing scarlet, she fled back to her seat.

"Who was that?" inquired a friend of Baker's, who saw the act.

"Oh, just another of Billy Bryan's friends," said Baker, "but I think it is all on Bryan this time."

Robert Edeson in "Strongheart"

The football scenes in the second act of "Strongheart," the play which Robert Edeson will produce here at Greenwall's opera house Saturday, matinee and night, Dec. 22, have most realistic physical effects on Mr. Edeson. He could hardly get more exercise out of participation in an actual game; he strains every muscle in the tense action and as a consequence, his arms, chest and back suggest those of an athlete. Every performance of "Strongheart" means hard work on Mr. Edeson's part, putting on his make-up as a full-blooded Indian requires an hour and a quarter of time. After the play starts he is on the stage almost all the time, and causes such free perspiration that a bath and a rub-down are always necessary between the second and third acts, when he changes from the costume of the gridiron to that of the ballroom.

Jess Dandy in "The Prince of Pilsen" at Greenwall's Monday Night.

Coming Attractions

On her mother's side, Olga Nethersole has inherited some degree of Spanish blood, while thru her father, she is descended from an old Kentish family, the tree of which dates back from the twelfth century, a fact of which the distinguished actress is justly proud.

Paul Gilmore "At Yale"

The Mobile Register said: "A play of college life; also it may be called a musical melodrama; that was the performance that drew an audience last night to the Mobile theater that filled the place. Paul Gilmore, the star, is a great favorite with this public. He is an actor without affectation, a fine figure of a man, and is generally associated with good people in an entertaining show. He seems well assured of good patronage on all occasions.

A scene of unusual interest showed the boat race on the Thames, the crews battling gamely while the back scene rolled rapidly to give the illusion of motion to the boats. There were many pretty scenes and the flavor of college life was well represented.

"Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them." A combination of those three sentiments of Shakespeare are peculiarly applicable to Ellen Beach Yaw, the world's famous coloratura soprano. Without any doubt this famous diva was born to be great; by dint of hard work she has achieved greatness, and now that she has reached the topmost rung in the world of sopranos she will most certainly have more greatness, which is her just due, thrust upon her.

"Merry Wives of Windsor"

The Minneapolis Joufnal said: "Louis James and accompanying players are giving Minneapolis audiences their first dip of the season into the Shakespearean spring this week, and the sensation is nothing but pleasing. Mr. James, probably the most capable comedian in the legitimate lists of the time, finds in the lines of Falstaff a groundwork peculiarly adapted to his powers, and to his well known temperamental touch upon the lighter side of situation and pose. He has taken liberties with the text thru softening some of the crassness of the period and has eliminated parts in entirety to let attention fall solely upon the author's theme—the intrigues and discomfiture of the larded knight. This will give no offense to any save the deeply critical, fortunately so few in number that Ben Greet might satisfy them all in a night by an Elizabethan revival, stage din a comparatively small theater."

Children, big and little, old and young, thoughtful and thoughtless, will find much to interest them in "The Gingerbread Man," which will be given a production in this city at Greenwall's opera house. The author is the late Frederic Ranken, and the musical composer is A. Baldwin Sloane. The new piece is said to have a fascinating story of gossamer texture, giving its message of gayety and comic scheming thru the medium of the mythical Kris Kringle, Little Jack Horner, Simple Simon, Margery Daw et al.

Lillian Russell's Great Tour

Lillian Russell is making a complete tour of the south and middle west in her now comedy, "The Butterfly," visiting a large number of towns in which she has never appeared, but has long been anticipated. During the present season Miss Russell has stepped from her pre-eminent position as queen of comic opera to the front rank of the light comediennes of the American stage. Her art, mellowed by the experience of years, has never been more convincing than at present. It has a lightness, a finish and a charm peculiarly characteristic of the woman. It is a new Lillian Russell—the reincarnation of the spirit of comedy—who comes to conquer in a new field with all the persuasive graces of person and manner that have proved so potent in the past.

Scene from "Raffles," as the amateur cracksman, Thursday, matinee and night, Dec. 20.

AT THE MAJESTIC

- Seventeen Pekin Zouaves.
- Powell and Company.
- Katheryn Roth.
- Ethel Robinson.
- James H. Cowley.
- Couture and Gillette.

Patrons of the Majestic theater are promised a rare treat next week when an entertainment will be given that will consist of some of the best vaudeville acts in the country. The top line attraction will be the seventeen Pekin Zouaves, who will go thru many military maneuvers. The others on the program will be Powell and company in magic feats, Miss Ethel Robinson, Miss Katheryn Roth, James H. Cowley and others.

From the moment that the strains of the bugle sounding reveille brings the sleeping soldiers to attention until the leaping pyramid of human athletes scales the high walls of the fortress and waves aloft the American flag, the Pekin Zouaves send thrill after thrill thru the audience.

There are seventeen youngsters in this military machine. Nattily uniformed in regulation Zouave uniform, the commander appearing in the officer's blue, there is something about the very appearance of the squad which attracts sudden and sharp attention. "Attention," then "Forward," and the soldier laddies are off on a maze of bewildering evolutions which keep the spectators guessing as to how the youngsters will disentangle themselves.

With a pat-pat-pat at a cadence of a step to the second, the Zouaves go thru the maneuvers of the regular army, developed into fancy figures and every little once in a while, there is a halt for some surprising novelty in the manual of arms. After going thru these maneuvers the act closes with a spectacular and patriotic exhibition, in which the soldiers scale a high wall, showing how a fort is captured, and when they have ascended to the top, they plant the American flag, while the orchestra plays national melodies. It is a beautiful climax to a thrilling entertainment.

Miss Katheryn Ford

A novelty is promised by Miss Katheryn Ford, who will be seen in a musical satire entitled, "Matrimony vs. Alimony." She will give readings, sing several songs and close with a trombone solo. Miss Ford will be remembered as the leading lady in Charles Hanford's company last season, playing "Ophelia," in Othello. Just to add a little diversity to show

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GREENWALL'S OPERA HOUSE
Monday Night, December 17
MR. HENRY W. SAVAGE
Offers the Evergreen Musical Comedy
Book by Frank Pixley — Music by Gustav Luders
THE — THE TUNEFUL TRIUMPH OF TWO CONTINENTS
PRINCE OF PILSEN
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Jess Dandy & Hans Wagner
Principal Singers of Rare Vocal Charm
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Scenic and Costume Splendor
Prices: Lower floor—$1.50; balcony, $1.00, 75c; gallery, 50c—Positively no free list—Seats on sale.

GREENWALL'S OPERA HOUSE
Tuesday Night, December 18th
WM. H. WEST BIG JUBILEE MINSTRELS
Forty Bright Lights of the Minstrel World.
James Cantwell, George Van, Wayne G. Christy, Dick Mitchell, Renaud, Billy Graham, Fred DeForest, C. Van Nostrand.
Prices—25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00.

THURSDAY MATINEE AND NIGHT, DECEMBER 20,
JOSEPH M. GAITES OFFERS
S. MILLER KENT AS "RAFFLES"
THE AMATEUR CRACKSMAN, with a cast that will live in history.
Matinee Prices—Lower floor, 75c, balcony 50c.
Night Prices—Lower floor $1.50, $1.00; balcony 75c, 50c; gallery 25c.

FRIDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 21
The Great Comedy Success
"A RACE FOR A WIDOW"
With Pete Baker, America's famous comedian, and a great cast.
Prices—$1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c.

SATURDAY, MATINEE AND NIGHT, DECEMBER 22
ROBERT EDESON
in the greatest success on the American stage
"STRONGHEART"
Seats on sale for above attractions.

GREENWALL'S OPERA HOUSE
Wait For Your Little Favorite
Wednesday, Matinee and Night, December 19
Arthur Dunn
In the New Musical Comedy
"The Little Joker"
By Herbert Hall Winslow
With twenty-five charming girls in evening gowns.
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Night Prices: Lower floor—$1.50, $1.00; balcony, 75c, 50c, Gallery, 25c.

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WEEK OF DEC. 17th
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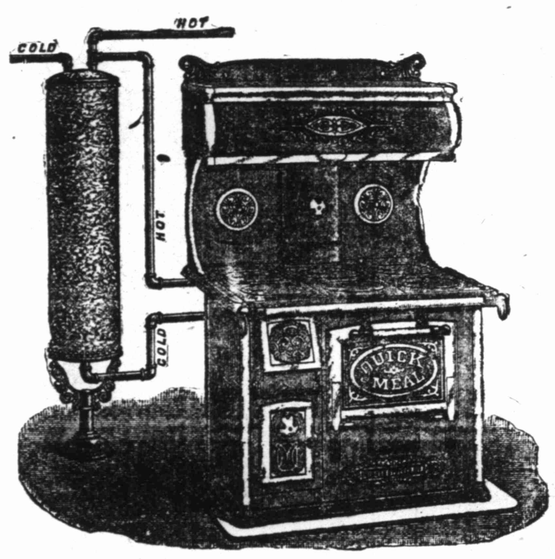

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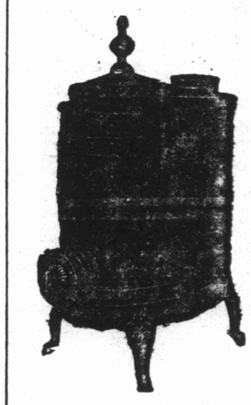

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THE OUTSIDE OF THE CUP

It was a handsome face—one of those faces in which the retrousse arrangement of all the features seemed to challenge and insult the gazer.

Such a face stopped Alfred Clover on his way thru the ball room of Mrs. Mayfair and such a face almost proved his ruin.

"A beautiful dancer, too," whispered his companion, a fellow senior at college, who immediately introduced Alfred to Miss Maria Milbank.

Alfred was hampered by good looks and wealth. He was beyond the necessity of work and his natural cleverness brought him a ready and easy superiority in his classes.

Such good fortune was not to last. First some of his money went; then he followed the foolish face to the altar. A narrow mind and a cold heart and envious soul had shut out all attractiveness from Mrs. Clover's nature soon after marriage.

Her husband was becoming more of a failure every day. Every kind of success vanished at once, it seemed. Finally he lost his character.

It remained for George Sullivan to rescue Alfred. The latter had helped George when he was a timid, bashful youth at college and George in his prosperity had not forgotten his friend. He gave George a good position in a western city and sent the family after him, first assuring the husband and father that he trusted him firmly. A number of years of faithful service proved that this trust had not been misplaced.

Louise was the youngest and favorite daughter of Alfred Clover. She had given her hand to Herbert Paulson, who claimed to be deeply in love with her. He was pastor of one of the smaller churches in the city where the Clovers lived. Meeting with success there he received a call to a larger place and went upward in the sacred calling. His devotion was not of the exalted kind usually expected of a lover and after a time his letters grew somewhat cold. Louise began to feel that she had been too hasty with her promise, but she loved him deeply and reproached herself for mistrusting him.

Altho he would not admit it to anyone, Herbert Paulson was attached to Louise chiefly because of the belief that some day she would inherit George Sullivan's millions. The Sullivans had no children and it was acknowledged that Louise was a great favorite with them. Who knew but that he, Paulson, was destined to be the high and noble intelligence which should divide that money to its legitimate and proper conclusion?

Mr. Sullivan died suddenly. His wife had passed away a short time before and when his will was opened it was found that Alfred Paulson had inherited $100,000 for immediate use and the balance of the estate in trust for Louise, if he chose to give it to her This decided Mr. Paulson. He wrote Louise telling her that in view of her father's defection in early life—of which the poor girl had known nothing until this time—he could not conscientiously marry her. But he hoped she would be happy with some one else, etc.

The worst shock to Louise was the knowledge that her idol was broken. Her father and herself had read this letter together, as if it were something to be feared, and they went forth to meet the trouble together. In the consciousness of her father's love the girl found peace.

Kaufman County Stock Farmer

J. D. Rice, who makes his home in Kaufman county and mails his letters at Mabank, was a visitor in the Live Stock Exchange and said:

"Our crops are all right or, rather, they turned out good yields. Cotton is making a very good yield. Grass is very good for winter and stock are going into the winter excellently. There are lots of hogs in our section and from this fact it can be judged that the farmers and fruit raisers are going into stock farming, for which industry our sandy lands and varied products, which are good feed, are peculiarly adapted. Our soil is a black sandy and will produce almost any kind of vegetation that are mentioned in horticulture as products of Texas. Corn, cotton, peas, beans, potatoes, sweet and Irish, goober peas, sorghum, and other kinds of forage stuff and vegetables and ifruits ad libitum. Bermuda grass is to be found everywhere and is considered about the best grass that we can get hold of for all stock purposes. The rains that have fallen have proved very detrimental to alfalfa, as it encouraged the growth of crab grass which was too fast for the alfalfa, outgrowing it and choking it out. It can't get away with Bermuda, however, no matter how much it tries, for Bermuda can take the shine off of anything when it comes to holding on and growing under all kinds of difficulties. Our cattle and stock of all kinds are improved and will continue to be improved from now on. East Texas will be found laggard in the race with her sister sections of the state in the race for agricultural and industrial improvement. The sassafras, sweet gum and persimmon section of the state will show the prairie districts that it is time, or soon will be, for the wagon poles to be turned eastward instead of west in the search for homes."

CURTIS WAS RELEASED

Half Witted Fellow Not Connected With the Crime

Special to The Telegram.

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 15.—David Curtis, the half-witted fellow who was tried by Squire Terry's court for the murder of Dona Gilman, was today released by the justice of the ground that the prosecution failed to show he was connected with the crime.

NEGRO ROBBED

Was Decoyed by a Telephone Message

Special to The Telegram.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—Frank Gilmore, a prosperous negro merchant, was found with his head beaten to a pulp at an early hour this morning and two hundred dollars known to be in his possession is missing. Between 5 and 6 o'clock a phone message announcing that the cotton sheds near his store were on fire called him from his home and he was then struck with a blunt instrument and killed. There were no arrests.

Railway's Name Changed

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The attorney general today approved the amendment to the charter of the Texas Railway Company, changing corporate name to Port O'Conner, Rio Grande and Northern railway. The amendment also provides the building of the line from Port O'Conner thru Victoria, Gonzales, Seguin to San Antonio, a distance of 200 miles. Also branch from Gonzales to Smithville, sixty-one miles, from Yoakum to Cuero and Seguin to New Braunfels.

SHIP HAULED OFF

Austrian Ship Went Ashore at Mantoloking

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Austrian steamship Clara, which went ashore at Mantoloking yesterday, was hauled off today.

Full Description

This advertisement appeared recently in a Glasgow paper: "Found wandering in Castle street, on Saturday evening, 28th ult., a child, age about three years, healthy looking, dark hair, gray eyes and ruddy cheeks, able to talk a little and swear."

Substitute for Tobacco

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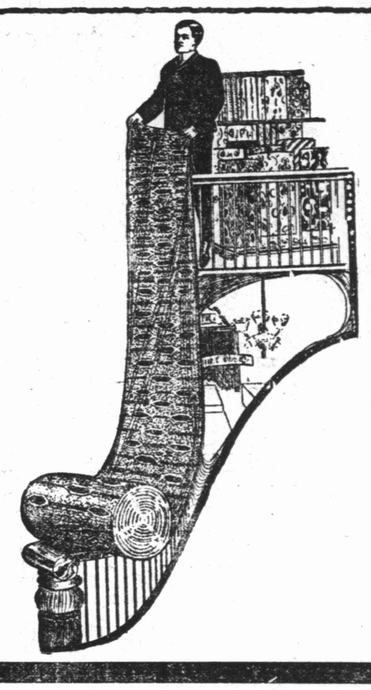

ANY ARE DELINQUENT

State Revenue Agent Reports on Corporation Franchise Taxes

Special to The Telegram.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—According to State Revenue Agent F. S. Bell, there were 700 domestic and about 200 foreign corporations which have failed to pay their franchise tax during the past two years. He has some suggestions on the question of franchise tax in his biennial report which has just been issued. He says: "The records of the office of our secretary of state show that there were 15,938 foreign and domestic corporations up to May, 1906, doing business in Texas, and of that number about 700 domestic and fifty foreign corporations failed to pay their franchise tax. This shows a decrease of the failures to pay such tax under the year at about 500. Both last year and this year I took the lists of delinquent corporations furnished me by the secretary of state and I found a number doing business under the old corporate names, and I requested of them a compliance with the law which the Twenty-ninth legislature passed making it a misdemeanor for any corporation with a forfeited charter to do business under its former corporate name, or to use its old signs or advertisements, and it is owing to this law that there is this decrease of failures to pay the franchise tax. This law needs amending and with such would be a greater benefit to the state.

"Again, I would recommend the enactment of a law similar to that on the federal statute book, which requires all persons to pay their occupation taxes on the first day of July of each year, but I would recommend the payment of any such tax for a less time than twelve months, and I think that the following observations are not entirely unworthy of consideration.

"I think that at a certain fixed time all persons pursuing taxable occupations should be required to pay such tax for twelve months in advance, in the manner following: Those who for the first time intend to pursue such taxable business should pay for said twelve months, and their licenses issued accordingly; and those whose times have not expired should be required to surrender their tax receipts or licenses, pay such sum, which, in addition to the tax unconsumed, amounts to a year's tax, and their tax receipts issued and licenses extended to the time prescribed for the payment of such taxes, with the privilege of renewal in the manner mentioned; then would the tax collectors be relieved of many complications, and the objectionable features to the law remedied."

CAR OF OIL EXPLODED

Man Was Hurled 200 Feet and Fatally Injured

Special to The Telegram.

FREMONT, Ohio, Dec. 15.—A Standard Oil tank car filled with crude petroleum on the Lake Shore railway yards exploded last night, shaking the town like an earthquake, breaking many windows and doing other damage. Will Battig, who was pumping oil from the tank, was hurled 200 feet. His clothing was burned from his body and he was fatally injured. It is reported that he dropped a lighted match into the tank.

SALOON MAN ASSAULTED

Aged Man Found in Tent Near Saloon in Houston

Special to The Telegram.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—Lying unconscious on a cot in a tent near his store and beer saloon, John A. Winkler of Seabrook was found early this morning. He is 73 years of age and his condition is serious. The pillow on which he lay was saturated with blood, showing an assault was committed hours before the discovery. When he revived Winkler gave no intelligible account of the attack on him. A few weeks ago S. Isensee, a Seabrook saloon keeper, was viciously assaulted.

MEETS IN DALLAS

Executive Session of Southern Cotton Growers

Special to The Telegram.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 15.—The executive committee of the Texas branch of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association is holding an executive session in Dallas today. Nothing is given out concerning the rumor that the Texas branch was opposed to President Harvie Jordan continuing at the head of the body.

ROYALTY AT BERLIN

Arrangements for Reception Were Cancelled

Special to The Telegram.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The kaiser today received King Haakon and Queen Maud at Potsdam. Arrangements for the reception at Berlin were cancelled. The kaiser declares the capital has become so socialistic that he can no longer receive his friends there.

MARKET TO CLOSE

Sessions of Exchange at New Orleans

Special to The Telegram.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 15.—The board of directors, by resolution yesterday, decided that there would be no sessions of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange Dec. 22, 24, 25, 26 and 31, and on Jan. 1, 1907.

BAILEY IN SAN ANTONIO

Says Legislators Are Bound to Vote for Him

Special to The Telegram.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15.—Senator Bailey held open house here and at noon less than thirty men had called to see him. He went on record as follows regarding the action of members of the legislature in voting for or against him. He said: "Every member of the legislature has the right and power and there is only one honorable way of settling the matter of voting for or against me. If not prepared to vote for me he should resign his office and go before the people for re-election on that issue. Otherwise he violates a sacred trust reposed in him by the people."

A Hoodoo

"Do you believe in opals for engagement rings?"

"Nope; opals are too unlucky—the chances are ten to one that when a fellow gives a girl an opal engagement ring he marries her."—Houston Post.

RAILROAD PROJECT

Entire Route of Road Has Been Determined

Special to The Telegram.

TULSA, I. T., Dec. 15.—John B. Christenson of St. Louis, one of the projectors of a railroad projected from Monett, Mo., southwest thru Indian Territory, passing thru Tulsa, is in the city. Mr. Christenson was reticent on the nature of his visit, but when question as to the proposed line, said ground for shops and terminals at Monett had been secured, negotiations are in progress for right of way, and that work on the road will soon be in progress. He said the entire route had been definitely determined, but it is intimated that Ardmore will be the southwestern terminus, with Tulsa as a division point.

Titles

"You must remember," said the heiress who was talking about her love affair, "that he is of noble lineage."

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "but we should not select husbands as we do books, merely because we like the

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KING MIDAS

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Synopsis

Helen Davis has just returned from a three years' trip to Europe and on her return breaks her engagement to her foster brother, Arthur, made in her girlhood days. Soon after her return she is invited by her rich aunt to a house party to meet a multi-millionaire, James Harrison, and others. Her aunt proposes that she try and captivate him. The very first night Helen is successful, enchanting him with her music and her manners.

The next morning the house party is broken by the illness of one of the members and Harrison takes Helen for a drive, visiting a newly purchased country home. She is absorbed in it and Harrison proposes and is accepted for his money's sake. Helen returns home to find her father gone on a visit and she returns to her aunt. Meanwhile her poor poet lover, Arthur, is very sick.

(Continued from yesterday.)

"Well, listen, then," Helen began; but then she stopped again. "Do you wish me to tell you?" she asked. "Do you care anything about it at all, or does it seem"——

"I care very much about it, indeed," the other answered.

"However dreadful it may seem," said Helen. "Oh, please know that while I have been doing it, it has made me utterly wretched, and that I am so frightened now that I can scarcely talk to you; and that if there is anything that I can do—oh, absolutely anything—I will do it!" Then the girl bit her lips together and went on with desperate haste. "It's what you said about what would happen if there were some one else to love me, and to see how very bad I was!"

"There is some such person?" asked the man, in a low voice.

"Yes," said she. "It is some one I have known as long as I can remember. And he loves me very much indeed, I think; and while I was letting myself be tempted in this way he was very sick, and because I knew I was so bad I did not dare go near him; and yesterday when he heard I was going to marry this man it almost killed him, and I do not know what to fear now."

Then, punishing herself very bravely and swallowing all her bitter shame, Helen went on to tell Mr. Howard of Arthur, and of her friendship with him, and of how long he had waited for her; she narrated in a few words how he had left her, and then how she had seen him upon the road. Afterward she stopped and sat very still, trembling, and with her eyes lowered, quite forgeting that she was driving.

"Miss Davis," said the other, gently, seeing how she was suffering, "if you wish my advice about this, I should not worry myself too much; it is better, I find in my own soul's life, to save most of the time that one spends upon remorse, and devote it to action."

"To action?" asked Helen.

"Yes," said the other. "You have been very thoughtless, but you may hope that nothing irrevocable has happened; and when you have seen your friend and told him the truth just as you have told it to me, I fancy it will bring him joy enough to compensate him for what he has suffered."

"That was what I meant to do," the girl went on. "But I have been terrified by all sorts of fancies, and when I remember how much pain I caused him, I scarcely dare think of speaking to him. When I saw him by the roadside, Mr. Howard, he seemed to me to look exactly like you, there was such dreadful suffering written in his face."

"A man who lives as you have told me your friend has lived," said the other, "has usually a very great power of suffering; such a man builds for himself an ideal which gives him all his joy and his power, and makes his life a very glorious thing; but when anything happens to destroy his vision or to keep him from seeking it, he suffers with the same intensity that he rejoiced before. The great hunger that was once the source of his power only tears him to pieces then, as steam wrecks a broken engine."

"It's very dreadful," Helen said, "how thoughtless I was all along. I only knew that he loved me very much, and that it was a vexation to me."

Mr. Howard glanced at her. "You do not love him?" he asked.

"No," said Helen quickly. "If I had loved him I could never have had a thought of all these other things. But I had no wish to love anybody; it was more of my selfishness."

"Perhaps not," the other replied, gently. "Some day you may come to love him, Miss Davis."

"I do not know," Helen said. "Arthur was very impatient."

"When a man is swift and eager in all his life," said Mr. Howard, smiling, "he cannot well be otherwise in his love. Such devotion ought to be very precious to a woman, for such hearts are not easy to find in the world."

Helen had turned and was gazing anxiously at Mr. Howard as he spoke to her thus. "You really think," she said, "that I should learn to appreciate Arthur's love?"

"I cannot know much about him from the little you have told me," was the other's answer. "But it seems to me that it is there you might find the best chance to become the unselfish woman that you wish to be."

(The End.)

STOCK FARMING

J. K. Rosson has returned from a trip from the Panhandle and other sections, and was induced to give some of his observations upon subjects of interest to stockmen in general:

"Yes, it seems our government has at last discovered a very cheap and effective dip to exterminate the tick. From the reports I have had from government inspectors thruout the country is that it does not injure cattle any more than to dip them in pure water, and it not only kills the tick, but also kills any other vermin that might be on the animal and does not cost to exceed 2c per head, and by the different infected states assisting financially to build vats or even recommend that it be done, it will only be a question of a short time until the people will be entirely rid of the ticks. We will take for instance Tarrant county and build four vats and locate them as centrally as possible in the different districts and compel each farmer owning stock to take his stock there and dip them and drive them home at certain seasons of the year, when ticks are bad, and if necessary dip them three or four times each season. I am of the opinion it would only be a couple of years until we would get entirely rid of the tick. However, it is Secretary Wilson's plan to begin this work on the border counties and work to the south and east and exterminate the tick as they go, which of course will be a very effective way, but it would take much longer than if the entire country were to take this in hand and make up their minds to get rid of the tick at the earliest possible moment.

"Every man owning cattle in the country would be greatly benefited as the tick absolutely saps the life out of an animal and instead of them getting fat during the months of May, June and July they often get poor and this condition often exists thru the late summer and fall months, and in consequence the cattle are not in condition to be marketed at all. It would not cost the man owning these cattle to exceed 5c per head to dip them, and in many instances he would derive a benefit of from $5 to $10 per head, besides exterminating the tick entirely. I should like very much to see this proposition thoroly investigated and I feel confident the results will be overwhelmingly satisfactory.

"Yes, I have recently returned from the Panhandle, and I find the recent storms have drawn the cattle as bad if not worse than any storm I have ever seen at this season of the year. I hope, however, when the weather clears up that the cattle will not be in as bad condition as they seem to be. However, grass conditions are not at all favorable."

Wants Premium Money

R. S. Stark resides at Godley in Johnson county and makes it pay to give his attention to stock, especially to cattle.

"I think that we have a good country all around us," said Mr. Stark, "but while I say this I do not mean to insinuate that ours in any better than many other sections, but we have a good one, all the same. There are a good many pastures remaining along the Brazos river, but the main portion of the country is given up to stock farming. Our people raise horses, mules, hogs and cattle in more or less numbers.

"Plenty of feed is to be had for these stock, so there is no sufficient reason why the business should not become a success. I have at present on hand about 100 head of cattle on pasture, and they are doing exceedingly well for the season. It has become a fact that the day of the range is past, for no one can afford to graze cattle on land that is being sold all round him for $40 per acre, as it is down with us. Land that produces a half bale of cotton to the acre is too valuable to graze cattle upon, when it takes not less than ten acres to provide one cow with enough feed to keep life in her body at the best of times.

"My cattle are shorthorn Durhams, and I have some good ones. I took the premium at the fat stock show last year with my shorthorn steer Roosevelt, in the two-year-old class, the prize money amounting to $200. He weighed 1,700 pounds, or near it, and sold to Max Harris of Dallas for $8.10 per hundred. While I took the prize, I have never yet been able to get the money from the association of the shorthorn people, and am still doing my best. The secretary of the association, Mr. Stuart Harrison, assures me that the money is as good as the bank, but I had much rather have the money in my hands. It is not much encouragement to a man to exhibit his fat stuff here when he is kept waiting for the premium, as is the case with me. No doubt the Shorthorn Association is solvent, as the secretary assures me it is, but if so why does it not pay what it justly owes for the premium that they advertised they would pay to the exhibitors.

"It is only a couple of months or so till the next meeting of the fat stock show, and it certainly looks as if the premiums that accrued at the last, more than ten months ago, should be settled before another function of the same sort comes off. I am not kicking at the show, but I want the premium and I want it now."

Myers Sells Railroad

Captain Billy Myers was again on the yards, but would not say what he was there for. "I am sorter in the railroad business now," said he, "and am going over to Mineral Wells to dispose of my ipterests in that kind of business. My connection with railroads consists of the ownership of a right of way and a dump out on the route of the Mineral Wells & Northwestern and I propose to sell it to the parties who are proposing to build that line. They are in the business and I am not, so I shall let it go. All I know about a railroad has been learned in the cow business and it has not all been very pleasant, especially when they run you off the track, as I was done and smash you up and leave you in as broken up condition as if you had been playing football at one of our modern universities. We have had too much rain, but cattle are doing very well. Grass has not been hurt yet, but if the damp weather continues there is no doubt but that it will rot on the ground. It is very thick and covers the ground like a mat and it will take a long continued dry spell, with plenty of wind to dry it out and keep it sweet. Should it rot those cowmen who rely upon grass entirely and make no provision for accidents will surely suffer if the weather gets very cold. Cotton is still unpicked in the fields, there being too much rain for the pickers. The farmers are paying $1 per hundred for picking and board. This is an awful price to pay and should cotton go down it will mean a loss to the farmer sure."

Reports Fair Conditions

J. M. Timberlake came in from Wilson county with a contingent of cattle for the market. "I live in Floresville," said he, "but my ranch interests are all in Atascosa county, about ten miles from Campbellton, Texas. Immediately around Floresville, and in fact, in all Wilson county, north and east of the San Antonio river, everything was hurt by the drouth, but west and south there has been plenty of rain and grass is fine and cattle are doing nicely. I do not breed cattle now, but buy steers and fatten them on the grass in my pasture. Stock are going into winter in very fair condition indeed and it looks as if they would do well thru the cold season. Most of the people are in the stock farming business now. Most of the ranchmen are buying stockers and have ceased to breed cattle. There are some still who are following the breeding business, but some of them are trying to get out of the business. The supply of steer cattle hereafter will mostly come from the "settlements," as it is called, the stock farmers and farmers, who have from one to half a dozen yearlings each year. This supply to one rot initiated would look but a poor business to take the place of the ranches, but he would make a big mistake. I bought 1,500 head of steer yearlings this spring past from the farmers around the vicinity of Floresville. That is a sample of what the aggregate would be in the whole county. All the big ranches on the river have been cut up and sold to farmers except one or two. The Tom Dewees, Rosser and Carrol, Beauregard and the Griffiths ranches have all gone the way of the farmer. John Dewees lands are still held in a body and are rented by Mrs. Dewees for $2,000 per year for pasture."

Raises Good Horses

Captain Ben Van Tuyl came in from his ranch and talked horse this time. "I have some good horses," he said, "and as our section around Colorado is noted for its qualities for horse raising it is no wonder that mine do so extremely well. I have some forty mares, good ones, and at present I am using a standard bred trotting stallion. I have used in the past Cleveland bays and French coach stallions, but am confining myself to the one breed of the standards. My increase are all bred with a view to first-class harness and trotting stock. There are not enough good stock of that character raised in Texas to supply even a small portion of the demand, and it is a shame for the people of the state to send out for the necessary supply when they can by a little effort breed as good stock as the world anywhere else can. I suppose in time people will begin to appreciate the qualities of the Texas harness horse, but most of them have a notion that nothing is so good as that which comes from outside. In other words to use a familiar saying, "A prophet has honor in all countries except in his own," and so with the Texas horse. An American from Mexico, a trader, was in Colorado and vicinity the other day, and I ran across him in a buggy. I remarked on the looks of the mare he was driving and said that I had some as good of my raising. He asked what I would take for my young ones and I said $150 a head. He remarked, 'Bring them down and I will take them all.' It was so muddy, however, that I refused to bring them off the ranch. Horse stock will pay any one if they will select good mares and a first rate sire, and it does not cost any more to raise one than a common filly. Grass is all right with us and has shown no signs of rotting yet. Cattle are doing well also.

Too Much Rain

"It has rained so much in the last two weeks," said Dick True, "that all work has about stopped around Ryan and that section. No cattle are being handled owing to the mud. Cotton picking has stopped, but I suppose will begin again if the sun is shining up there as it is down here. Our country is said not to be a good cow country now, as there is too much rain during the winter months. Captain Majors got thru his losses by fire better than was at first thought. He shipped seven or eight hundred head of his cattle to the oil mill to be fed and he found he had grass enough for the rest. He has to ship his feed from home, however, which makes it cost more than would have been the case had the fire not occurred. There will be no grass come up on the burn this winter, tho it is very mild, for we are too far north for this to happen."

H. Kapp came in from Oklah[illegible] from his smiling countenance [illegible] sure to believe that the world [illegible] ing well with the big feeder. [illegible] just from Guthrie, O. T., whe[illegible] feeding 800 steers for market. [illegible] no trouble up that way, except[illegible] the meeting of the statehood [illegible] tion a trouble. It is not worr[illegible] feeders anyway, and there [illegible] lots of rain the past week and [illegible] are pretty wet just now, but o[illegible] cattle and grass are both [illegible] along all right. There is plenty [illegible] in the country and where [illegible] been lucky enough to make [illegible] for his supply to cover every [illegible] feeding he is all right."

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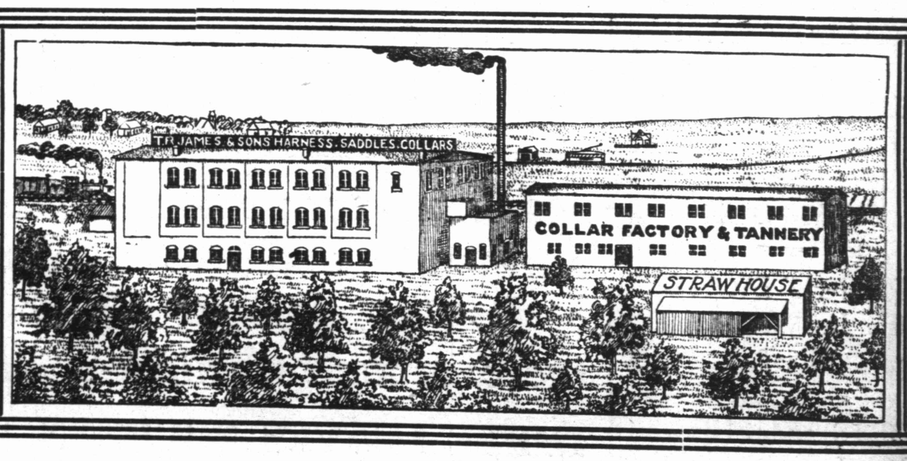

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AMUSEMENTS

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talents, Miss Ford will close with trombone solo, on which instrument she studied since a little girl. She is conceded to be one of the best lady trombone players in the country.

Powell and Company

Powell, the magician, and his company will have to be watched closely, as he is introducing for the first time two great illusion acts. At the close of his entertainment he will present a disappearing scene that is said to be one of the best ever attempted, and shows the wonderful achievements that may be accomplished in the mystifying art. It takes several assistants to successfully carry out the idea. Mr. Powell will also do many tricks with cards, paper and rabbits. His work is not devoid of amusing incidents, as the magician has mastered the art of injecting humor into the intricate workings of his art.

Ethel Robinson

Miss Ethel Robinson will be heard in some new ditties and will incidentally tell a few stories to keep the audience in a jovial mood, for this pretty comedienne is gifted with knowing just what pleases. She promises some new songs, which are the latest compositions.

James H. Cowley

The real funny part of the program is to be attended to by James H. Cowley, who will go thru some eccentric dances in addition to rendering parodies on popular songs and giving a monologue on what is happening thruout the country as he sees and views it.

Couture and Gillette

In the acrobatic line the management offers Couture and Gillette, a comedy team, who will introduce some new and startling feats. Couture has been termed the man with the boneless back and the manner in which he can twist his legs into inconceivable shapes is a wonder. Gillette is noted for the manner in which he can twist his body.

If Master John Cough, who was seen with the East Lynne Company at Greenwall's Saturday, could have careful training, he would develop into an actor of ability. He has talent and is about the only one in the cast that has.

Charles Newton is not bad. The company is one of conventional kind that is just on the road after the play has had its day. Master Cough sings one or two songs, which he learned while with Chauncey Olcott.

The weather was so inclement that the audience was not large at either performance.

PEKIN ZOUAVES AT THE MAJESTIC THIS WEEK.

ASSAULT CHARGE AGAINST DAVIS

Trial On in Judge Terrell's Court

An interesting aggravated assault trial was begun before Judge John L. Terrell in the county court Saturday afternoon, but was not concluded, it being continued over until 9 a. m. Monday in order to give an opportunity to secure the attendance of another witness.

The case was state vs. Bob Davis, the charge being that he committed an aggravated assault on Deputy Sheriff Tom Wren some time ago during a Sunday night raid made on Davis' saloon at the corner of Fifteenth and Calhoun streets. Three witnesses were introduced by the state—Tom Wren, the deputy sheriff; Roy Murphy, a newspaper reporter, who was with the raiding officers, and R. E. L. Roy. The three state witnesses testified to going to the saloon and of Davis, who was on the outside following them in. They also testified that Davis drew a pistol and that it pointed at Wren. Davis was covered with a pistol by Roy, who ordered him to drop his gun, and at the same time Wren hit Davis over the head with a six-shooter. All of the state witnesses agreed that Davis made no attempt to shoot Wren other than having the pistol, and Wren and Roy admitted that they had no warrant for Davis or anybody else in the place.

Davis was put on the stand in his own defense and denied that he made any assault or intended any and claimed that he did not recognize Wren until after Wren struck him over the head with a pistol. He admitted having a pistol in his overcoat pocket, but says his overcoat was thrown across his arm and he had no recollection of taking the pistol out of his pocket; that the handle may have been sticking out and Wren may have jerked it out of the pocket when he struck him with his (Wren's) pistol.

GRAND JURY ADJOURNED

No indictments Were Returned Saturday

The grand jury after having been in session all week adjourned Saturday evening until Dec. 27. No indictments were returned by the jury Saturday, it being decided to hold all bills back until the final adjournment. What has been the result of the week's investigation by the grand jury no one knows outside of the jurors themselves.

County Court

State vs. Z. H. Chambers, cards; verdict of guilty; fined $10.

State vs. J. C. Quick, theft; jury unable to agree on a verdict.

State vs. Bob Davis, aggravated assault; on trial.

Judge John L. Terrell will take up his jury civil docket Monday morning and will be engaged on it all the week. Following is the docket setting for Monday, Dec. 17:

J. T. Pulliam vs. Ed Otto et al.
M. I. Ray et al. vs. J. M. Richie.
F. G. McTier vs. R. A. Randohl.
J. E. Wiglesworth vs. Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company.
E. B. Brown & Co. vs. T. B. Mason et al.
L. P. C. Smith vs. J. L. Morris.
Houston and Texas Central Railway Company vs. J. P. Hughes et al.
H. C. Schliker vs. St. Louis and San Francisco Railway Company.
E. R. & D. C. Kolp Jr vs. Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas et al.

Probate Court

In the matter of E. T. Gannaway, charged with lunacy, a jury of inquiry Saturday returned a verdict that he was of unsound mind and should be restrained of his liberty. He will be taken to one of the state asylums as soon as there is room for him.

Suits Filed

The following suits were filed in the district clerk's office Saturday afternoon:

Annie L. Weaver vs. J. Roderick Weaver, divorce.

Will Present Play

Alpha Camp No. 3779, Royal Neighbors, held regular meeting at Pritchard's Hall Wednesday afternoon, with a large attendance. There were present for initiation several elected candidates, who were introduced into the mysteries of the order.

By a unanimous vote of the lodge it was decided to get up a home talent play, to be presented early in the new year. The proceeds of the play will go to the benefit of the lodge. The play has already been ordered, and they will go to work at once preparing for the entertainment.

English Most Widely Spoken

The most extensively spoken language is Chinese, but as there are so many dialects in the language, and as these differ so greatly in the confines of Mongolia and Thibet from those around Peking, it is scarcely correct to say that 382,000,000 Celestials all speak one language. Putting, therefore, China aside, the most spoken languages in the world are as follows, in millions: English, 120; German, 70; Russian, 68; Spanish, 44; Portuguese, 29

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One wineglass of brandy.
Two lumps of ice.
Stir with a spoon and serve.
Hot brandy can be made by leaving out the ice and using hot water.

Fancy or Imperial Eggnog

One tablespoonful of sugar.
One tablespoonful of cold water.
One egg.
Half a glass of fine ice.
One wine glass of brandy.
One pony of rum.
Shake well, strain into a large glass, grate nutmeg on top.

General Grant's Style of Eggnog

Two teaspoonfuls of powdered sugar.
One egg.
Four small pieces of ice.
Fill the glass with cider, mix well.

Egg Sour

One tablespoonful of fine sugar.
Several lumps of ice.
Juice of one lemon.
One egg.
Shake well and grate nutmeg on top.

Hot Spiced Rum

One teaspoonful of sugar. Hot water to dissolve.
One wineglass of Jamaica rum.
One teaspoonful of mixed cloves and allspice.
One lump of butter half as big as a cherry.
Fill with hot water and mix.

Mulled Claret and Egg

One tablespoonful of powdered sugar.
One dash of lemon juice.
Half teaspoonful of fine allspice.
One teaspoonful of fine cinnamon.
Half teaspoonful of fine cloves.
Two wine glasses of claret.
Pour into a dish and boil.
Yolk of two eggs beaten up with a little white sugar. Put eggs in a hot water glass. Pour in the liquid slowly mixing all the time. Serve with nutmeg on top. Dont' pour the egg over the wine.

An Absent-Minded Swain

A record breaker in absent-mindedness is certainly a Paris citizen, who appeared the other day before a magistrate to ask for a marriage license. He answered correctly and without hesitation all the questions as to his name, age and occupation, but when asked for the name of his fiancee he became embarrased, and finally replied dejectedly that he had entirely forgotten to ask her for it. This, remarks a Boulevard paper, recalls the distraction of the famous fable poet, La Fontaine. Meeting one day in a saloon a young man, he was so favorably impressed by his conversation that he expressed his admiration for him in the most flattering terms. "But he is your own son!" exclaimed a guest, in astonishment. "Is it so?" replied the poet; "then I am the more delighted to make his acquaintance."

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For Little Children

Adelborg, Ottilie, "Clean Peter;" Alcott, L. M., "The Candy Country," "A Christmas Dream," "The Doll's Journey;" Aspinwall, Alicia, "Short Stories for Short People."

Beskow, Elsa, "Bilberry Wood;" Blake, William, "Songs of Innocence;" Brooke, L. L., "Story of Three Little Pigs;" "Tom Thumb;" Burgess, G., "Goops and How to Be Them," "More Goops and How Not to Be Them;" Caldecott, Randolph, picture books.

Cox, Palmer, "Brownie Books;" Crane, Walter, "Baby's Bouquet—Old Rhymes and Tunes," "Baby's Opera," "Baby's Own Aesop," "Bluebeard Picture Book," "Flora's Feast," "Masque of Days," "Picture Books," Walter Crane Toy books.

Deming, E. W. and Willard, T. O., "Indian Child Life;" Dodge, Mrs. M. M., "Baby Days," "New Baby World," "When Life Is Young."

Field, Eugene, "Lullaby Land;" Fletcher, R. H., "Marjorie and Her Papa."

Greenaway, Kate, "A Apple Pie," "Day in a Child's Life," "Marigold Garden," "Under the Window."

Haines, A. C., "Japanese Child Life;" Hopkins, "The Sandman, His Farm Stories;" Hopkins, W. J., "The Sandman: More Farm Stories."

Jewett, S. O., "Play Days."

Lang, A., editor, "Cinderella;" Lear, E., "Nonsense Books;" Lucas, E. V., Book of Verses for Children.

Moore, N. H., "Children of Other Days;" Mother Goose, illustrated by Chadburn; Mother Goose, illustrated by Charles Robinson.

O'Shea, M. V., editor, "Six Nursery Classics."

Peary, Mrs. J. D., "Children of the Arctic," "Snow Baby," Peary, R. E., "Snowland Folk;" Perkins, Lucy F., "Mother Goose Pictures;" Potter, Beatrix, "Tale of Benjamin Bunny."

Richards, L. E., "Five Minute Stories," "Four Feet, Two Feet, and No Feet;" Rossetti, C., "Sing-Song."

Scudder, H. E., editor, "Children's Book," "Verse and Prose for Beginners;" Segur, S., "Story of a Donkey;" Sherman, F. D., "Little Folk Lyrics;" Smith, Gertrude, "Little Mother and Georgie;" Smith, J. W., "Rhymes of Real Children;" Smith, Jessie W., "Child in a Garden," "First Steps in a Child's Life," "Portfolio of Real Children;" Smith, Pamela C., "Christmas Carols;" Stevenson, R. L., "Child's Garden of Verses."

Whittier, J. G., "Child Life in Verse;" Wiggin, Mrs. K. D. S., and Smith, N. A., "Posy Ring;" Wiltse, S. E., "Folklore Stories and Proverbs."

For Older Boys and Girls

Alcott, L. M., "Jack and Jill," "Little Women," "Marjorie's Three Gifts," "Little Men Play," "Little Women Play," "May Flowers," "Mountain Laurel and Maidenhair," "Old Fashioned Girl;" Alcott, L. M., "Under the Lilacs;" Aldrich, T. B., "Story of a Bad Boy;" Amicis, E., "Cuore;" Anderson, H. C., "Fairy Tales," translated by Mrs. E. Lucas; "Fairy Tales," with introduction by E. E. Hale; "Arabian Nights Entertainments," edited by A. Lang.

Baldwin, James, "Old Stories of the East," "Stories of Roland," "Story of Siegfried;" Barbour, R. H., "Book of College Sports," "For the Honor of the School;" Baylor, Mrs. F. C., "Juan and Juanita;" Beard, D. C., "American Boy's Handy Book," "Jack of All Trades;" Beard, Lina and A. B. "American Girl's Handy Book," "Handicraft and Recreation for Girls;" Bennett, John, "Master Skylark;" Benson, J. F., "Book of Indoor Games;" Bible for Children, Bible for Young People, Black, William, "Four Macnicols;" Book of Games for Children; Bostock, F. C., "Training of Wild Animals;" Brown, A. F., "In the days of Giants," "Star Jewels and Other Wonders;" Browne, Frances, "Granny's Wonderful Chair;" "Bunyan, John, "Pilgrim's Progress;" Burgess, C., "Lively City o' Ligg;" Burnett, F. H., "Little Princess;" Burrell, C. B., "Little Cook Book for a Little Girl."

Carroll, Lewis, "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," "Thru the Looking Glass;" Catherwood, Mrs. M. H., "Days of Jeanne d'Arc;" Cervantes, "Don Quixote," retold by Judge Parry; Chaucer, Geoffrey, "Canterbury Tales," edited by Percy Mackaye; Clemens, S. L., "Prince and the Pauper;" Coolidge, Susan, "Eye Bright," "New Year's Bargain;" Craik, D. M. M., "Adventures of a Brownie; "Little Lame Prince;" Crockett, S. R., "Red Cap Tales;" Crothers, S. M., "Miss Muffett's Christmas Party."

Darton, F. J. H., "Tales of the Canterbury Pilgrims;" Defoe, Daniel, "Robinson Crusoe;" De Mussett, P., "Mr. Wind and Madam Rain;" Dickens, Charles, "Christmas Carol," "Christmas Carol and Cricket on the Hearth;" Dodge, Mrs. M. M., "Donald and Dorothy," "Hans Brinker;" Du Chaillu, P., "Land of the Long Night."

Edgeworth, M., "Tales from Maria Edgeworth;" Ewing, Mrs. J. H., "Benjy in Beastland," "Jackanapes, Daddy Darwin's Dove Cote and Story of a Short Life," "Land of Lost Toys."

Fraser, W. A., "Sa-Zada Tales;" Frothingham, J. P., "Sea Fighters from Drake to Farragut."

Gillie, R. C., "Story of Stories;" Gomme, A. B., "Shilden's Singing games;" Good, Arthur, "Magical Experiments;" Greene, F. N., "Legends of King Arthur;" Grimm, J. and L., "Fairy Tales," edited by Lucy Crane; "Fairy Tales," translated by Marian Edwards; "Fairy Tales," translated by Mrs. E. Lucas; "Household Stories;" Goerber, H. A., "Story of the Chosen People."

Hale, E. E., "Man Without a Country;" Hale, L. P., "Peterkin Papers;" Hall, Jennie, "Men of Old Greece;" Harris, Joel C., "Aaron in the Wildwoods," "Nights with Uncle Remus," "Story of Aaron," "Told by Uncle Remus," "Uncle Remus, His Songs and Sayings;" Hawthorne, N., "Wonder Book;" Henley, W. E., editor "Lyra Heroica;" Herodotus, "Wonder Stories from Herodotus," retold by Boden and D'Almeida; Hill, C. T., "Fighting a Fire;" Hodges, C. C., "When the King Came;" Howells, W. D., "Christmas Every Day;" Hughes, T., "Tom Brown's School Days;" Hugo, Victor, "J. Jean Valjean;" Hyde, M. C., "Christmas at Tappan Sea;" Hyde, M. C., "Holly Berry and Mistletoe."

Irving, W., "Old Christmas," illustrated by Caldecott.

Jackson, Mrs. H. H., "Nelly's Silver Mine;" Jacobs, J., "English Fairy Tales," "More English Fairy Tales;" Jewett, S. O., "Betty Leicester," "Betty Leicester's English Christmas."

Kingsley, Charles, "Heroes," "Water Babies;" Kipling, R., "Jungle Book."

Lamb, C. and M., "Tales from Shakespeare;" Lang, Andrew, "The Lang Fairy Books, Blue, Brown, Chimson, Green, Gray, Pink, Red, Violet and Yellow;" "Red Romance Book," "True Story Book;" Lang, Andrew, editor of "Book of Romance;" Lodge, H. C., and Roosevelt, T., "Hero Tales from American History;" Lucas, E. V., "Old-Fashioned Tales," "What Shall We Do Now?"

MacLeod, Mary, "Book of King Arthur and His Noble Knights," "Shakespeare Story Book," "Stories from the 'Faerie Queen;'" Martineau, H., "Crofton Boys;" Miller, Mrs. H. M., "Kristy's Surprise Party;" Mitchell, S. W., "Hugh Wynne;" Modern Reader's Bible—Children's Series; Moffett, C., "Careers of Danger and Daring;" Monroe, Kirk, "Flamingo Feather."

Page, T. N., "Santa Claus' Partner," "Two Little Confederates;" Parkman, Francis, "Conspiracy of Pontiac," "La Salle and the Discovery of the Great West," "Oregon Trail;" Pier, A. S., "Boys of St. Timothy's;" Plutarch for boys and girls, edited by White; Pyle, H., "Jack Ballister's Fortunes," "Men of Iron," "Merry Adventures of Robin Hood," "Pepper and Salt," "Story of King Arthur," "Wonder Clock."

Richards, L. E., "Peggy."

St. John, T. M., "How Two Boys Made Their Own Electrical Apparatus;" Saunders, M., "Beautiful Joe;" Seton-Thompson, E., "Animal Heroes," "Biography of a Grizzly," "Lives of the Hunted," "Trial of the Sandhill Stag," "Wild Animals I Have Known;" Seawell, M. E., "Paul Jones;" Sewell, Anna, "Black Beauty;" "Scudder, H. E., "Book of Legends," "Children's Book;" Shaw, F. L., "Castle Blair;" Smith, N. Y. R., "Una and the Red Cross Knight;" "Spyri, J., "Heidi;" Stevenson, R. L., "Black Arrow," "Treasure Island;" Stockton, F. R., "Buccaneers and Pirates of Our Coast;" Stoddard, W. O., "Little Smoke."

Tappan, E. M., "Golden Goose;" Thackeray, W. M., "Rose and the Ring;" Turley, Charles, "Maitland, Major and Minor."

Verne, J., "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea."

Wiggin, Mrs. K. D. S., and Smith, N. A., "Golden Numbers;" Wiggin, Mrs. K. D. S., "Polly Oliver's Problem," "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," "Timothy's Quest;" Wilkins, M. E., "Pot of Gold;" Wyss, J. D., "Swiss Family Robinson."

For Older People

This list is chiefly of books published during the year, with notes of a few editions of standard books concerning which questions are often asked.

The library is always ready to give assistance in selecting good books along any special line not represented here or from the older books on a subject.

Alden, Felix, "Essentials of Spirituality;" American essayists; Armstrong, Sir Walter, "Sir Joshua Reynolds;" Aston, W. G., "Shinto;" Austin, Alfred, "Door of Humility."

Baker, J. C., ed., "American Country Homes and Their Gardens;" Barrington, Mrs. R., "Life, Letters and Art of Lord Leighton;" Batten, Loring W., "Hebrew Prophet;" Beach, Rex E., "Spoilers;" Beebe, C. W., "The Bird;" Bell's cathedral series, 30 English cathedral towns have each a volume; Benson, A. C., "From a College Window;" Bielschosky, A., "Life of Goethe;" Birrell, A., "In the Name of Bodleian;" Birukoff, Paul, comp., Leo Tolstoi, "Childhood and Early Manhood;" Black and White series; Bousset, W., "Jesus;" Brander, Geo., "Main Currents in Nineteenth Century Literature," "Reminiscences of My Childhood and Youth;" Breasted, J. H., "Ancient Records of Egypt."

Cambridge Bible; Cambridge edition of the poets; Caxton series (34 volumes); Chamberlain, T. C. and Salisbury, R. D., geology; Chambers, Robt., "Fighting Chance;" Channing, Edward, "History of the United States;" Chiswick series (30 volumes); Cholmondeley, Mary, "Prisoners;" Churchill, Winston, "Coniston;" Churchill, Winston S., "Lord Randolph Churchill;" Clarke, Wm. N., "Use of the Scriptures in Theology;" complete photographer; Couch, A. T. Quiller, "Sir John Constantine;" Coverly, Sir Roger de, illustrated by Brock; Cranford series (24 volumes); Crawford, J. H., "From Fox's Earth to Mountain Tarn;" Crothers, S. M., "Pardoner's Wallet," "Endless Life."

Dawson, W. J., "Makers of Modern English;" Deland, M., "Awakening of Helena Richie;" devotional series (13 volumes); Dickerson, Mary C., "Frog Book;" Doyle, J. A., "English Colonies in America."

English men of letters series.

Fenollosa, Mary M., "Dragon Painter;" Fisher, Gertrude A., "Woman Alone in the Heart of Japan;" Fitzgerald, Percy, "Sir Henry Irving;" Fitzmaurice, Lord Edmond, "Life of Lord Granville;" Fogazarro, A., "The Saint;" Foster, G. B., "Finality of the Christian Religion;" Freeman, Mary W., "Debtor."

Golden treasury series (63 volumes); Goodnow, F. J., "Principles of Administrative Law in the United States;" Gosse, E. W., "French Profiles."

Hale, Edward Everett, "Tarry-at-Home Studies;" Hardy, Thomas, "Dynasts;" Hart, A. B. ed., American Nation;" Harting, J. E., "Recreations of a Naturalist;" Hawkins, A. H., "Sophy of Kravonia;" Hay, John, addresses; Herbert, Geo., English works, arranged by G. H. Palmer; Hichens, Robt., "Call of the Blood;" Higginson, T. W., "Part of a Man's Life;" Hill, F. T., "Lincoln, the Lawyer;" Hornaday, W. T., "Camp Fires in the Canadian Rockies;" Howells, W. D., "Certain Delightful English Towns;" Hunt, W. Holman, "Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood;" Hunt, Wm. and Poole, R. M., eds., "Political History of England."

Ibsen, Henrik, letters; Ingersoll, Ernest, "Life of Animals," "Wit of the Wild;" Isham, Samuel, "History of American Painting."

James, Henry, "Question of Our Speech."

Kent, Chas. F., "Origin and Permanent Value of the Old Testament;" Kipling, R., "Puck of Puck's Hill."

Lindsale, Maria H., "Chateaux of Touraine;" Lea, Henry C., "History of the Inquisition of Spain;" Leroy-Beaulieu, P., "United States in the Twentieth Century;" library of applied arts (4 volumes); literary lives; Loeb, Jacques, "Dynamics of Living Matter," "Studies in General Physiology." London, Jack, "White Flag;" Lucas, E. V., "Life of Charles Lamb."

Mackaye, James, "Economy of Happiness;" McMaster, J. B., "History of the People of the United States;" Mahan, H. T., "Sea Power in Its Relation to the War of 1812;" master musicians; Mayo, Annette, M. B., "Russia: Travels and Studies:.. mediaeval town series (19 volumes); Moffin, Lloyd, "Collected Sonnets," McCun, Francis, "Castles and Chateaux of Old Touraine and the Loire Country;" Mims, Edward, "Sidney Lanier;" modern reader's Bible; More, P. E., "Shelburne Essays."

Napoleon (Cambridge modern history, vol. 9); new pocket library (36 volumes); new universal library (42 volumes).

Oliver, F. S., "Alexander Hamilton;" Orr, James, "Problem of the Old Testament;.. our Asiatic neighbors; our European neighbors; Oxford book of English verse, ed. by Quiller-Couch; Oxford edition of the poets.

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Age brings infirmities, such as sluggish bowels, weak kidneys and bladder and TORPID LIVER.

Tutt's Pills

have a specific effect on these organs, stimulating the bowels, causing them to perform their natural functions as in youth and

IMPARTING VIGOR

to the kidneys, bladder and LIVER. They are adapted to old and young.

DEMAND FOR MONEY

Many Want Small Loans on Good Security

Local bankers report an almost unprecedented demand in Fort Worth for large and small loans on the best of security during the past month and especially the last week. Demand for money means prosperity for the bankers. Business of this kind indicates that Fort Worth men are doing things and are venturing in the field of business. There seems to be no special demand for loans for any one kind of business, but the demand has been steady all fall and seems to have increased with the approach of Christmas this year.

Deposits in the bank on the other hand have fallen off during the past week, as many of the depositors are withdrawing money stored up during the fall in order to pay for the gifts which they and their families have been buying during the past week.

"Fainting Lady" Obsolete

A prominent physician who, in his younger days, used to treat many cases of fainting among female patients says the "fainting lady" has gone out of fashion, athletics and a more sane system of living having put an end to the trouble. "Nowadays," says the doctor, "women are ashamed to faint. It is too kittenish. All women want to appear strong, even if they are naturally weak. And as a sex they are considerably more robust and more fascinating than they were a few years back. The reason for it is that women go in for more outdoor life and recreation than did their mothers, or their grandmothers. They may partake of more highly seasoned food and eat more than is good for them at times, but they lead a more athletic life and for that reason do not have to faint legitimately or otherwise, no matter what the shock might be. We are to have a stronger race as a consequence."

Flower Causes Death

The London Lancet notices the death of a woman from a scratch on the nose, received while smelling a primula obconica, a variety of primrose originally brought from central China. The Lancet says it is not the first case of the kind.

Wonderful Dolls' Houses

The most wonderful dolls' houses in the world are to be seen in Japan. They are completely furnished, have little cages for chirruping insects instead of birds, and queer tiny bookcases filled with dolls' poetry books about the size of a postage stamp.

Gentlemen of Leisure

Kind Lady—What a nice little girl you are! Is your father in business in this city?

Little Girl—Business? My papa does not have to bother about business."

"Ah! Gentleman of leisure, then?"

"Yes'm; he's a detective."—New York Weekly.

A Good Place for All

Nothing is of keener interest to housewives just now than the furnishing of the table for the holidays. What to have Christmas is an all-absorbing question.

M. P. Feris, the well-known staple and fancy grocer, at 100 South Jennings avenue, has a complete line of eatables, having just opened case after case of groceries and put them upon the shelves. The completeness of the stock, its freshness and the reasonable prices asked enable the shopper to buy whatever is needed.

Mr. Feris also has an up-to-date meat market, employs a skilled butcher and can promptly take care of all orders for meats.

Mr. Feris extends a cordial invitation to all to visit his store and wishes a happy Christmas for all everywhere.

A YOUNG LADY'S GOOD FORTUNE

Miss Grace Gladden of Mount Pleasant, has just accepted a position as telegraph operator for the Western Union Telegraph Company in this city. Miss Gladden came here to Tandys' Depot College only a few months ago, and she then knew absolutely nothing of telegraphy. She went directly from school into the telegraph office at the Worth hotel and is highly elated over her success. The special holiday rates are now on at Tandys' Depot College. Phone office 3595; residence 3583.

Talbert & McNaughton, fire insurance, phone 1534; at new quarters, room 216 (second floor), Fort Worth National Bank Building.

OF IMPORTANCE TO MEN

DR. J. H. TERRILL

Are you afflicted with any of the Special or Pelvic Diseases peculiar to your Sex? If so, why not get the proper treatment for your condition? Get Dr. Terrill's and you get the best. The fact that he is daily curing those obstinate and complicated cases which have successfully baffled the combined efforts of other physicians and specialists reflects most highly upon Dr. Terrill's remarkable skill and ability and upon the meritorious features of his modern methods of treatment. You can get no better were you to look the whole world over, yet his charges are the most reasonable.

He cures Stricture, Without Knife or Bougie. He cures Contagious Blood Poison, never to return. He cures Loss of Manly Vigor! no stimulant, but permanent. He cures Varicocele without an operation, and with no loss of time.

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HYDROCELE, NERVOUS DEBILITY, UNNATURAL DRAINS, SEMINAL EMISSIONS, PILES, FISTULA, EPILEPSY, CATARRH and all CHRONIC DISEASES of the STOMACH, KIDNEYS, BLADDER and PROSTATE GLAND.

Dr. Terrill cures the above mentioned diseases in the shortest possible time. No pain, no inconvenience, no loss of time from your business. Don't throw away your time and money experimenting with Electric Belts. Free Trial Treatments. "NO PAY UNTIL CURED," and like propositions when honest, reliable treatment is at your command.

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It makes no difference whether you are afflicted or not YOU NEED Dr. Terrill's new eighty-page book on the Diseases of Men. Send for it TODAY. It will be sent ABSOLUTELY FREE to any address in a plain sealed envelope if you mention this paper and enclose six cents for postage.

SPECIAL NOTICE—All men coming to Dallas for treatment are requested to inquire of the leading banks, commercial agencies and business men as to who is the BEST and MOST RELIABLE Specialist in the city treating the Maladies of Men.

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If you doubt the first fact compare the service of today with that before The Southwest Limited entered the field. If you doubt the second fact a trial trip to Chicago will convince you of its truth. The Southwest Limited leaves Union Station 5:55 p. m.; Grand Avenue 6:07 p. m. Arrives Union Station, Chicago, 8:20 a. m.

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A SPLENDID CHRISTMAS PRESENT

You can make your friends and relatives, whether in Texas or other states, no better present, or one that would be more appreciated, than a subscription to **The Fort Worth Weekly Telegram.** 50c a year. DO IT NOW. Six Months for 25c.

MANY NEW CLERKS IN POST OFFICE

Over 1,000 Clerks in Railway Division

The Fort Worth postoffice is now working under full holiday swing, the extra clerks authorized by the department having all been put on now. The postoffice was authorized to add four more clerks to the number of those already working in order to take care of the Christmas business. The four clerks who are working now are all in the registry department, as that branch of the work needs more extra care than the other branches of the postoffice.

In the sorting room, etc., the regular clerks and carriers have to take care of the additional work that falls to their part during the Christmas holidays, as it is almost impossible to put a stranger in there to do the work properly.

Extra clerks authorized for the railway mail service will go to work on Monday, or at least the majority of them will. The department authorized the employment of seventy-four additional clerks during the Christmas holidays in the division and these have been distributed to various trains, where the rush of mail will be the heaviest. By Tuesday the number of men working in the Eleventh division will go over 1,000 for the first time in its history, unless the time of the mail weighing be counted, when 200 additional men were worked.

For the sake of justice to the afflicted and for the good of humanity, it is my right and duty to recommend Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. We owe our country and our fellowmen a duty. Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. J. P. Brashear.

Special Christmas Week

We will present free to all purchasers of 50c worth of Tea, Coffee, Extracts, Spices or Baking Powder, a beautiful China Pitcher. Secure one early in the week before our supply is exhausted.

SOME CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Elgin Creamery Butter, per pound	35¢
Fine Mocha and Java Coffee, per pound	25¢
Campbell's Salad Dressing, half pint	10¢
A. and P. Pure Tomato Ketchup, pint	15¢
Grandmother's Pancake Flour, 2-lb. package	10¢
Grandmother's Buckwheat Flour, 2-lb. package	10¢
Grandmother's Seeded Raisins, 1-lb. package	12½¢
Grandmother's Cleaned Currants, 1-lb. package	12½¢
Pure Vermont Maple Syrup, quart	25¢
A. and P. Baking Powder, 18-ounce can	50¢
(Present with each can)	
A. and P. Pure Extracts, 2-ounce bottle	25¢
All flavors. (Present with two bottles)	
Granulated Sugar, 18 pounds	$1.00

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Liner Advertising Sells the No-Longer-Wanted Things

HELP WANTED

NEWSBOYS WANTED at once, to take orders for and deliver the GREAT CHRISTMAS NUMBER, Dec. 16, 1906, of THE FORT WORTH TELEGRAM. Big money. Big bargains. Call quick. See City Circulator, Telegram office. Telephone 177.

WANTED—Eight experienced Novelty salesmen for 1907 to handle, under contract, our exclusive line of advertising wall map hangers, pocket maps, business and art calendars. The best selling line out. Liberal commissions, exclusive territory, fine samples. State experience. Send references or don't write. Kenyon Map Co., Des Moines, Iowa.

WANTED—White girl for light house work, in family of three, prefer one having some experience in caring for baby two years old. Wages no object to good reliable girl applies. Comfortable home for a first class person. Answer in person after 6 o'clock in evening or before 8 in the morning. Mrs. Finnegan, 1607 Hemphill street.

WANTED—For United States army, able-bodied, unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35; citizens of United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information apply to recruiting officer, 346 Main street, Dallas; 1300 Main street, Fort Worth; 211½ Travis street, Sherman, Texas.

WANTED—Experienced salesman in men's wear about Feb. 1 for Fort Worth. Highest references and bond required to cover stock of goods. Business permanent, therefore small interest must be taken, although good salary allowed. Address G-B., 621 Main street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

WANTED AT ONCE.
A first-class solicitor in our Sign Bulletin Department. Commission or salary.
THE J. J. LANGEVER SERVICE,
907 Throckmorton Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

AGENTS—Canvassers, miners, peddlers, solicitors, mail order people, etc., should buy Kramer's Book of Trade Secrets. Regular price $5, but balance of last edition for $1.25 as long as they last. Guaranteed. Order quick. Sioux Pub. Co., Sutherland, Iowa.

SALESMAN WANTED — Traveling Texas drumming dry goods trade to handle strong, popular priced line Laces Embroideries, Vellings, Dress Trimmings; samples weigh twenty pounds; liberal commissions. Address S. Ellinger & Son, 487 Broadway, New York City.

AGENTS—Magnificent Dollar Fruit Dish with every box of soap. Beats anything ever heard of. Big money for canvassers, branch office and crew managers. Write for mammoth circular. Wonderful new offer. Parker Chemical Co., Chicago.

WANTED—An aggressive, capable salesman for 1907 to handle superior staple line, $75 per week and expenses to man who can make good; permanent position; responsible house; established 12 years. References. Frank R. Jennings, Chicago.

AGENTS — Something extraordinary; self-generating gas burner, fitting kerosene lamps; brilliant white gas light; liberal inducements; exclusive territory; positive monopoly; description free; established, reliable. Eastern Gaslight Co., 280 Broadway, New York.

WANTED—Men to learn barber trade. Splendid time to begin. Few weeks completes. Top wages paid graduates. Positions waiting; best trade in the world for poor man. Little expense. Call or write Moler Barber College, First and Main streets.

WANTED—Side line traveling salesman can make $30 to $50 per week handling our latest production of Advertising Fans. Liberal terms. Apply at once. United States Calendar Company, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SALESMAN—Travel for old reliable wholesale house, staple line sells to all class of merchants; good hustlers for Texas territory for 1907. $250 a month and expenses. Address Box 786, St. Louis, Mo.

LADIES to work piecework, $3 per doz.; material furnished. No canvassing; steady work. Stamped envelope. Best Mfg. Co., Champlain Bldg., Chicago.

"WANTED—Stenographer, Bookkeepers, Salesmen everywhere." "Situations" (published weekly) contains many such ads. Sample copy, 10c. Guarantee Co., Toledo, Ohio.

LADY MANAGER in each county; straight salary $18 per week and expenses; your office at home. F. Pack, Dept. 95, Nashville, Tenn.

GOOD pay to men everywhere to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc. No canvassing. Universal Adv. Co., Chicago.

SALESMEN for 1907. Will guarantee $2,400 a year and expenses to first-class men. Staple lines sells to general stores. Box 786, St. Louis, Mo.

WANTED—Contractor for cement sidewalk, large contract, references required. Apply room 410, Fort Worth Natl. Bank Bldg.

CIVIL engineer wanted, capable of making railroad survey; must invest $500, which is fully secured. Address 255, care Telegram.

SALESMEN make $50 weekly selling White Sox Cigars, Talking Machines, Records, Electrical Books. O'Connell-Gruss, 225 Dearborn St., Chicago.

LADY AGENTS—Big money until Christmas with Photograph Pillow Tops. Electric Art Co., Dept. 11, 112 Clark street, Chicago.

WANTED—A girl to do general housework; one that can cook; no washing and no children. Apply Scott's Grocery, 1307 Peach street.

MAN AND WIFE—Man drive team, wife do housework. Call 109 West Twelfth street. Phone 74 or 1883 old.

WANTED—Woman to do housework in family of three. Apply 209 Calhoun street.

WANTED—A good cook or house girl at once. Call 600 Galveston or phone 4438.

WANTED—A good cook; one that is neat and experienced. 404 Taylor street.

WANTED—One man to buy a pair of of W. L. Douglas Shoes. Apply at Monnig's.

WANTED—White or colored woman for general housework. Phone 2000.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—50 good hustlers, men or women, to sell lots in the new town of Slaughter, on the Texas & Pacific, in Western Texas; an excellent proposition. Lots at $40 each; $10 down, $10 a month for 3 months. Call on or address Frank K. Campbell, mgr., Western Realty and Investment Co., 206 W. Tenth st., Fort Worth, Texas.

AMONG the hundreds of business and technical positions described in Opportunities, our monthly publication, may be just the place you want; sample copy free if you state age, experience, etc. HAPGOODS, 917 Chemical Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

WANTED—Gentleman or lady with good reference, to travel for firm of $250,000 capital. Salary $1,072 per year and expenses; salary paid weekly and expenses advanced. Address, stamp, J. A. Alexander, Fort Worth, Texas.

CANVASSERS wanted, every town, for our advertising assorted soap packages; $1 worth 25c, world beaters; $25 weekly paid good canvassers. Moore Brothers, 288 Greenwich street, New York.

QUICK, easy money for people with a few hours spare time, men or women. New article, sells at sight, big profits. Inquire: Kleenitt Company, Seguin, Texas.

$40 PER WEEK and expenses to man with rig to introduce Success Remedies; no experience necessary. Success Remedy Co., Taylor, Texas. Department S.

WANTED EVERYWHERE—Hustlers to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc.; no canvassing; good pay. Sun Advertising Bureau, Chicago.

AGENTS, elegant catalog, your imprint; selling everything; grandest mail order business free. Home Supply Company, Paterson, N. J.

AGENTS—Learn to fit glasses. Our Eye Book, with full information, free. Jacksonian Optical College, 16 College Place, Jackson, Mich.

WANTED—Everywhere, hustlers to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc.; no canvassing; good pay. Sun Advertising Bureau, Chicago.

WANTED—At once, first-class dishwasher for big boarding house. Apply 810 Lamar.

WANTED—A good woman to do dining room work; good wages. 702 West Third street.

WANTED—An assistant lady bookkeeper, that has had experience. No others need apply; reference required. Address 260, care Telegram.

COOK wanted for small family at 1525 Pruitt street. Phone 4197.

THIRTY concrete men at once at the new Denver roadhouse.

WANTED—A middle-aged lady to do housework for two. Phone 4244 old.

WANTED — Woman to help with housework and care for children. Apply 1305 West Texas street.

WANTED—Two news agents to run on train. Call Van Noyse News Co., 202 East Fifteenth street.

WANTED — An experienced white house maid. Phone 391.

BOY WANTED—Apply at Midland Brass Works.

SITUATIONS WANTED

FIRST-CLASS lady stenographer wants position; owns Oliver typewriter; $20 first month; eight hours work. Phone 2527.

DRUGGIST, graduated, registered, ten years' experience, on or before 1st of December. Best references. Address Box 26, Talpa, Texas.

EXPERT PAPERHANGER and painter wants work by day or contract. 507 South Calhoun street, new phone 1927.

EXPERIENCED GROCERY clerk desires position; good reference. Address 199, care Telegram.

A MIDDLE AGE LADY wants position as housekeeper, would not object to country. Phone 2812.

WANTED—Position as powderman; 8 years experience. Call 303 East First street or phone new 463-red.

WANTED—A position as housekeeper or lady's nurse. Phone 2297.

WANTED—By all around carpenter, work by day or job. New phone 1927.

WANTED MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED a partner with $5,000 cash to take one-third interest in amusement device at Norfolk, Va., during the Jamestown exposition, to be located in a permanent park, with good chances for doing a $75,000 business next year and proportionately the following four years. Party can take an active interest in the management of the business. Pleasant occupation, remunerative investment, with good people. Don't answer this unless you have $5,000 cash to invest. Address P. O. Box 643, Fort Worth, Texas.

WANTED—At once, good clean rags in any quantity at press room, this office; no woolens.

WANTED—100 automobile tires to fill with my RESILIENT FILLER; makes pneumatic tires solid; no more punctures, and rides just as easy as pneumatic and will make your tire last longer. T. P. Day, 414 Houston street, Fort Worth, Texas. Write for prices.

WANTED—$1,000 worth of second-hand furniture and stoves for spot cash. Call on W. P. Lane Furniture & Carpet Co., corner Fourteenth and Houston streets, or call 3252 old phone or 45 new phone.

WANTED—Two men boarders or man and wife, $4 week; no objection to baby; close to car line; best neighborhood; with small family. 1315 Wallis avenue. New phone 1348.

WANTED MISCELLANEOUS

I WILL PAY highest cash price for all the second-hand furniture I can get. R. E. Lewis. Phones 1320. 212-14 Houston street.

GET GREAT CHRISTMAS NUMBER, Dec. 16, 1906, The Fort Worth Telegram. Bargains boiled down for busy buyers. Telephone 177.

FIRST-CLASS DRESSMAKING done at 609 West Fifth; prices reasonable. Mrs. Bell.

WE pay the highest for your old clothes. A. Wolfe, 1504 Main street. Phone 89, new.

WANTED—Folding bed and mattress, must be in good condition. Address B, 112 St. Louis avenue.

WE PAY CASH for second-hand furniture, refrigerators and stoves. Hubbard Bros. Both phones 2191.

EAT at King's.

KING'S Chili Parlor. 1103 Main.

BOARD AND ROOMS WANTED

ROOMS WANTED—Two furnished rooms with modern conveniences; close in. State price. P. O. Box 492.

ROOMS FOR RENT

NICE, LARGE, FRONT ROOM, two minutes' walk to Main street, for couple or two gentlemen; very reasonable. Call 509 East Third street; nice neighborhood.

GENTLEMEN—Splendid room, with all modern conveniences, near city hall, private family. Address L. J. R., care Telegram.

ONE furnished room, $8 per month, for one or two gentlemen; board across the street. 611 Huffman. Phone 1765 (new).

FOR RENT—Three complete housekeeping rooms for couple; reasonable if taken at once. 1302 East Belknap street.

TWO NICE, light southwest rooms for rent for light housekeeping or for rooms. Convenient to Frisco shops. Phone 4150. 110 West Jarvis.

BEAUTIFULLY furnished south front rooms, modern home, best part of city; first-class table board for refined couple. Phone 1211.

ONE nicely furnished room for rent, with bath, for gentlemen or couple without children, on Henderson car line. 319 Henderson street.

ROOMS, newly furnished under new management, for men only. Post-office flats, 708½ Houston street. Phone 3709.

THE REX, corner Eleventh and Houston. Everything new, strictly first class; large, light rooms; reasonable. Also transient. Mrs. W. H. Vosburg.

WANTED—Two young men to occupy furnished room, close, in, on south side; modern conveniences. New phone 304.

ROOMS FOR RENT—Two southeast unfurnished rooms, close in, good location; a snap for light housekeeping. 302 Lamar street. Phone 4017.

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms, suitable for light housekeeping, with private family; all conveniences. Positively want no children. Phone 726.

NICELY furnished south room to rent, for gentlemen only; with all modern conveniences. 822 Monroe street, upstairs.

ROOMS and board in private family; electric lights, hot bath. Phone 3555. 500 W. First st.

NEWLY furnished front room in West Fifth street, close in; references required. Old phone 2223.

FOR RENT — Three unfurnished rooms. 1310 Calhoun, North Fort Worth.

BEST ROOM AND BOARD at the Family Hotel, 1004 Lamar street. Rates reasonable.

FOR RENT—Two large unfurnished rooms, $9 per month. Call Sunday at 114 Cochran street.

FOR RENT—Two very select rooms, with bath, heat and water. Apply to H. C. Jewell & Son, 207 West Tenth st.

TWO HOUSE keeping rooms, one block to car line; modern conveniences. Phone 3863.

NICE COOL ROOMS with or without board. Phone 374 or apply Sixth and Burnett streets.

FOR RENT—Newly-finished rooms, $5 to $15. Brooker's Office Building, 413 Main street. J. N. Brooker.

NICELY furnished rooms, close in, bath and phone privileges. Apply 812 West Fifth street.

NICE furnished front room to rent, bath and phone privileges, at 403 Lipscomb street.

NICELY furnished rooms for rent, 108½ East Weatherford. Mrs. Linnie Suggs. Phone 1156-green.

FIRST-CLASS BOARD and rooms, modern and up-to-date, close in; rates reasonable. 304 Taylor.

FOR RENT—One downstairs furnished room to couple, with board. Phone 1926.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS for rent. 212 East Belknap street, one block from courthouse.

NICELY furnished front room, private family. All modern conveniences. Old phone 4428.

WE rent rooms, free of charge to either party. Mills Realty Co., 1016 Houston.

FURNISHED rooms for two or more gentlemen, $1.25 each per week. Apply 906 East Belknap.

LARGE southeast furnished room with closet; modern bathroom; hot water all hours; furnace heat. Phone 3192.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room; light housekeeping; all modern conveniences. 317 South Calhoun.

NICE southeast bed room, upstairs, furnished, all modern conveniences. 810 Taylor street.

FURNISHED room; one large room for light housekeeping to party without children. 200 West Fourth street.

ROOMS FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two large south rooms, for gentlemen; $1.50 per week each; close in. 1100 Taylor street.

TWO LARGE furnished rooms for four young men; boarding houses convenient. 805 Taylor street.

FURNISHED or unfurnished rooms, with or without board. 815 West Weatherford.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished and well-kept rooms. The Flats, 207½ Main street.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, near business district. Phone 4863, mornings.

FURNISHED or unfurnished housekeeping and bedrooms; very cheap. 1023 Taylor street.

FOR RENT—Furnished south front room, electric lights, bath and modern cottage. 605 East Second street.

THREE furnished rooms to rent to parties without children; reference. Phone 3660.

FURNISHED ROOMS for gentlemen, all new and modern, close in. Phone 1118.

TWO nicely furnished downstairs rooms for rent at 914 Lamar. Phone 3552.

MOST desirable rooms with good board, on car line. Phone 2513. 415 East Belknap.

FOR RENT—Two furnished and two unfurnished rooms, with water. 1008 East Daggett.

THREE unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping, close in. 1015 West Daggett.

DESIRABLE front rooms near T. and P. station. 100 St. Louis avenue, phone 2725.

TWO unfurnished or furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 400 East Bluff street.

TWO furnished front rooms, 2 blocks from T. & P. depot, 215 West Railroad avenue.

ROOM AND BOARD, $4 per week, family style. 1113 Taylor street. New phone 1858.

ROOMS completely furnished for housekeeping to parties without children. 612 East Second.

NICE furnished room, close in, for single person or couple. 401 Lipscomb street, corner Broadway.

FOR RENT—Furnished room in private family to gentleman; references. Phone 4482, old.

NICELY furnished rooms for rent; close in, 221 South Main. New phone 1049.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. 611 West First street. New phone 1740 red.

NICELY furnished rooms, five blocks from postoffice. 1121 Burnett.

ONE nice furnished room for rent, phone 1027. 316 East Seventh street.

WANTED—A renter for elegantly furnished office, 603-4r. new 644.

THREE unfurnished rooms for rent. Apply 604 West First street.

FOR RENT—Two furnished front rooms, reasonable. 500 East Third.

ROOMS furnished or unfurnished. 307 Pecan street.

ROOMS for housekeeping. 412 East Fifth street.

ROOMS for light housekeeping and bed room for rent. 616 East First.

ROOMS for rent at 910 Taylor street.

ROOM AND BOARD

"WHERE IS THE WITHERS?" "1141½ Throckmorton." "Why?" "Well, I heard it is was a quiet, modern place, with beautiful rooms and good board."

BOARD and ROOMS $20 per month; day board, $3.50 per week; hot and cold bath; phone and light; on car line. 420 South Jennings.

WANTED—Man and wife and gentlemen to rent nice rooms, house newly renovated and furnished new; references exchanged. 404 Taylor street.

NICELY furnished front room; southern exposure; bath, all conveniences; board if desired. 607 Terry. Old phone 4183.

WANTED—Man and wife, or two gentlemen boarders; front room, private family. 1511 Lake avenue, North Fort Worth. New phone 808.

A FEW choice outside rooms, neatly furnished, well arranged for light housekeeping, reasonable. 607 Rusk street. New phone 1666.

WANTED—To room and board a nice refined couple for company; especial attention given. References exchanged. 1003 Throckmorton street. Phone 1960.

FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished large connecting rooms, hot water, electric lights, phone; private family, $8 each. Call at 509 May street.

ONE-HALF of a furnished house, in private family, where there are no children; water; $11 per month. 1019 East Daggett.

NICELY furnished room with board, arranged for three young men; close in. 600 Taylor street.

FIRST-CLASS rooms and board, $5 to $6 per week. 1014 Burnett.

NICELY furnished rooms with modern conveniences. 804 Taylor.

BOARDING and lodging; $4 per week. Family style. 400 Taylor street.

SPECIAL rates to four young men together. Inquire at Mansion Hotel.

NICE, large rooms, good board; modern conveniences. 300 E. 4th.

NEATLY furnished south room. New phone 1187. 300 North Burnett.

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The Rental Agents of the City. 207 West Tenth street. Phones 63.

FOR RENT—Suite of large offices in Dundee bldg., 7th and Houston st. Architects or others desiring large roomy offices, with good light and water, heating facilities, are invited to inspect them. Possession February 1, next. Apply Heaton Bury Co., 810 Main street.

IN W. D. Reynolds' building, 1007½ Houston, two real nice connected office rooms for rent, south exposure. First rooms head stairway. Look at these quick. They are going to rent. Smith-Henry Realty Co., 1007½ Houston street. Both phones 851.

FOR RENT—Twelve acres in Riverside; new five-room house; well and wire; good barn. Apply at once. W. A. Patterson Real Estate Co., 1600½ Main St.; phone 3237.

MODERN cottage, 5 rooms, hall, hot porcelain bath, electric lights, servants' room and barn. Two blocks south high school, $27.50. Steady tenant only. Old phone 1292.

FOR RENT—62 houses at prices from $10 per month up. Phone us your wants. It is a pleasure to answer questions. Clements & Webster, 404 Reynolds building; phone 4949.

FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished rooms, bath, etc., or for light housekeeping, with bedroom furnished. 401 Lipscomb, corner Broadway.

ELEGANT OFFICE for rent, centrally located. Apply to E. L. S., rooms 7 and 8, Floore building, 909 Houston street.

FOR RENT—The lower floor of a nine-room house to parties who will board lady and gentleman. References required. Phone 4249.

FOR RENT—Good store room, Main street entrance; vacant Dec. 1. Apply Fort Worth Cigar Company, 613 Main street.

FOR RENT—Four rooms in eight-room house, phone, water and bath, furnished. A bargain. Apply at once. Phone 2197.

NICE upstairs rooms with first class board, close in, on car line; all other conveniences. Phone 1083.

FOR RENT—A three-room cottage, furnished, $12.50. Apply 1015 Julian street.

FOR RENT—Five-room cottage, Arlington Heights, one block from car line. Address 249, care Telegram.

ROOM AND BOARD, $4 per week; family style. 1113 Taylor street. New phone 1858.

WE RENT HOUSES. See us. Mills Realty Co., 1016 Houston. Phone 2158.

WILL rent two-story house, eight rooms, cheap, right party, for one year. 4267.

FOR RENT—Eight-room house, modern conveniences, in exchange for boarding couple. Phone 3701.

FOR RENT—Good 3-room house, 703 East Third street. Inquire of Mrs. Mary Bagget.

NOTICE—I have a good location for a meat market in my grocery store; free rent. Phone 1480 new.

OFFICE, ground floor, well lighted, central location on Houston street, for rent. Address 222, care Telegram.

5-ROOM new cottage, near car line, all modern conveniences. Call 2158.

FOR RENT—Small black land farm, near city. W. S. Essex, Fort Worth.

FURNISHED house for rent. New phone 1654.

FOR RENT—Five-room cottage. 1417 Gould avenue. $12.50.

MOTORS TO RENT—Bound Elec. Co.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

YOU are hunting for bargains in houses and lots. You have been peddled around the city and had pointed out to you property that you would not buy. Do not get discouraged; let us "show" you the real things. We have them. Homes, lots, vacant business property and some trackage that is growing in value. The location and price are right, terms are easy. Come and tell us what you want. Get acquainted with us. A. T. Baker & Co., 1105 Houston street.

FOR SALE — 5-room house, with bath, hall, 2 porches, sewerage connection, lavatory, sink in kitchen, grate; east front lot 50x130, gravel walks, shade trees, stable, buggy shed; near car line; 10 minutes walk to business center; no mud. Must sell. Phone owner, days, 3350; nights, 2648.

COTTON GIN—4-80-saw Murray, run one season; storage capacity, 250 bales; electric lights, on railroad switch—most up-to-date and convenient plant in I. T.; doing a good business. The only reason for selling, owner has other business. Don't write unless mean business. For particulars, call on or write C. R. Debord, Paoli, I. T.

FOR SALE—Furniture complete for boarding and rooming house, eight rooms, besides halls, bath and servants' house; close in. Apply J. J. Langever, 907 Throckmorton street (basement). Old phone 4610. New 337.

FOR SALE—Twenty-eight-room flat, corner Fifth and Throckmorton sts. Apply to Jesse F. Cross Land Company, 607½ Main street, Fort Worth, Texas.

FOR SALE—On account of removal, all goods held for storage charges. All parties interested please call at once. Sale takes place Monday, Dec. 17. Parsley Storage Co., W. J. Epps, manager.

FOR SALE or will trade, a fine old violin for a trombone or B flat cornet. C. K. Lord, 1312 Calhoun, North Fort Worth.

FOR EXCHANGE with owner, good 4-room house for 5-room house; will pay difference in cash. New phone 1884.

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FOR SALE—Surrey, cheap, or will trade for cow. Phone 3602.

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SEVERAL SETS of secondhand single and double buggy harness; one set double hack harness; for sale cheap. At Nobby Harness Store, corner Fifth and Houston streets.

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FOR SALE—Five-room house; cost $4,000; if sold at once will take $2,500; terms on $1,500. Address 187, care Telegram.

FOR SALE—A grocery store and meat market running at less cost than any in city; good stand, cheap; Phone 1479 blue.

TO TRADE—Two-year-old Governor Strong colt and five milch cows for house and lot or lot on south side or North Fort Worth. Phone 508.

FOR SALE—Thirteen-room flats; cause for selling, sickness. Call on Morris Brothers, 1606½ Main street. Phone 2453.

LOOK FOR SALE BARGAIN—Furniture three rooms complete; cottage for rent; best offer this week takes it. 1310 South Henderson street.

FOR SALE—First-class household furniture, entirely new; must be sold immediately. 407 Jackson street. Old phone 2673.

FOR SALE—Or exchange, western land at $1 to $10 per acre. Jesse F. Cross Land Company, 607½ Main St., Fort Worth, Texas.

FOR SALE—On terms, good secondhand top buggies, phaetons, surreys, etc. Fife & Miller, 312 and 314 Houston street.

FOR SALE—Accommodations in prominent Kansas City hotel, at reduced rates. Apply 112, care Telegram.

FOR SALE—From factory to purchaser direct, great saving, easy terms. Phone 1053 new, or call 207½ Main st.

FOR SALE—Fine, nearly new, base burner, cheap for cash. 401 Lipscomb street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, new modern furniture of 4-room house. 913 East Hattie street.

FOR SALE—Bay mare and runabout, mare perfectly sound, gentle and safe. Price $125. Phone 876.

SECOND SHEETS for correspondence. 8½x11, in pink, green and white. Call up Business Manager, Telegram.

FOR SALE—One thoroughbred water spaniel pup. Phone 2103, or call at 1800 Lipscomb street.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow. Apply at 211 Cromwell street, at east end of Bessie street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, Singer sewing machine; good as new. Call 922 Macon street or phone 3386.

FOR SALE—Diamond ring that cost $190 at a bargain. Address 238, care Telegram.

TWO new buggies for sale at wholesale prices at Colp's livery stable. 705 Rusk street.

DRY mares at $25 per head on cars at Texas state line. B. V. railway, by J. A. Ezell, Carlsbad, N. M.

WANTED—To furnish room and board for couple; select; all modern conveniences. Phone 5019.

FOR SALE—Rubber tired buggy, almost new; leaving the city. Phone 794.

FOR SALE—Full blood chickens; Cornish Indian games; good layers. 522 Jarvis St.

FOR SALE—Hamburger and short order stand. 1506 Main street.

OLD harness taken in exchange for new. Nobby Harness Co.

FOR SALE—Large galvanized iron tank. W. S. Essex.

ONE nice city broke horse for sale at at 1623 May street.

FOR SALE—Six-year-old horse, 16 hands high, city broke. Phone 1950.

WANTED—To trade piano for good horse. 1100 Taylor.

TRY King's Chili.

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DR. CHARLES DOWDELL, office Fort Worth National Bank bldg., 212 and 213, old phone 1252, new 898, gives special attention to chronic diseases and diseases of women and children. Will devote some time to a general practice. Leave calls at Covey & Martin's. Both phones 9.

SCOTT'S RENOVATING WORKS—Carpets, rugs and feathers renovated; all kinds of carpet work done to order; new fluff rugs made of old carpets; satisfaction guaranteed. Old phone 167 1 ring.

YOUNG man 23 years would like to meet lady with view to matrimony; is worth over $25,000 in real estate; will inherit $10,000. No objection poor maiden or widow. Address Mr. H, Room 460, Ceylon Bldg., Chicago.

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WANTED—Christian home for fine baby boy; also homes for ten baby girls. Apply to West Lynn Employment, 1025 Bryan avenue. New phone 1623.

ASPA WEIGHT PRODUCER makes flesh and fat when everything else fails; greatest nerve and brain tonic known. For free booklet address Aspa Co., 1265 Broadway, New York.

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HOME for ladies during confinement. Good doctors and nurse. Infants adopted. P. O. Box 274. San Antonio, Texas.

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DON'T FAIL to see "How to Keep Cool" and "Whale Fishing" at 1106 Main street. Come and bring your wife and children.

—James Loughery, bricklayer; jobbing promptly attended to; Patterson House, 1113 North street. New phone 829.

OVALS in stamp photos are the latest. John Swarz makes the best. 705 Main street.

PRIVATE RESCUE HOME—For girls; babies adopted. Address, 1604 Galveston avenue. Phone 3799.

TEXAS PECANS, new crop, in large or small quantities. Crowdus Bros., phone 173.

A MAN 40 years of age, worth $1,000, wants a wife. Address D. L. Forst, Fort Worth, Texas.

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I BUY AND SELL secondhand clothes. 1308 Main street. 797 red, 869 blue.

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LOST—One pointer dog with flea bitten liver spots; tail not docked, and sore near end. Dog about 5 years old. Disappeared Saturday evening. Has small piece of rope around neck. Return to 912 West First street and receive reward.

A PARCEL containing a lady's skirt that was left by mistake at some store by a little boy about 9 years old, and if anyone having same in their possession would please phone 1901 would be rewarded.

STRAYED—Bay mare, 14½ hands high, small nick in left ear, white streak in mane, no brands. Return to 805 Pennsylvania avenue for reward. Phone 209.

LOST—One red sorrel horse mule, 14 hands high, shod all around, one mouse colored horse mule, 14 hands high, shod all around. Finder please phone 86 or call corner Eighth and Rusk streets.

LEFT on Hemphill car, package containing red crepe de chine, pair scissors and thimble. Return to 310 Jackson street or phone 2295, receive reward.

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LOST—Saturday, a lady's red purse on Cannon avenue, between Jennings and Hemphill containing about $29.00. Finder please call 703 Jennings avenue and receive reward.

LOST—Seal of Fort Worth lodge No. 75, I. A. & M., on corner Ireland and South Main Monday night. Reward if returned to 708 Bryan avenue. Phone 2759.

LOST—Fox terrier pup; some brown on jaws, black and white body, bobtail. Return to 315 Galveston avenue and receive liberal reward.

LOST—Female fox terrier, six months old; brown head; answers to name of Gypsy. Reward if returned to 817 East Bluff street. Phone 1343.

STRAYED—Sunday, bay mare, white spot forehead, white hind foot. Reward. New phone 564.

LOST—Lady's gold watch, with A. E. E. engraved on case. Return to Telegram and get reward

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WE HAVE 105½ acres, 40 in cultivation, 4-room, good well, ½ mile of Santa Fe railroad, in Milam county; two springs, no waste land, fine for fruit and truck as well as corn and cotton. $15 per acre. Good terms. Will trade for improved or unimproved city property.

Also 700 acre farm, 300 in cultivation, in Cherokee county, 3½ miles railroad, five wells; two sets improvements; all fenced; fine water; rich red sandy soil. The state has nothing better for fruit, truck, tobacco; fifteen acres in young Elberta peaches. A bargain at $10 per acre. Easy terms. Would trade for city property.

4,430 acres, Archer county, 5 miles railway, 2,400 acres being fine red agricultural land, 400 acres bottom; fenced and cross-fenced; 5-room house; 80 acres in cultivation; lies on Little Wichita river. This is an exceptional bargain at $6.50 per acre. One-third cash.

We also have 203 acres two miles of Handley and 1½ miles of interurban, 4 rooms, 45 acres in cultivation; small orchard, good well, $35 per acre. Will trade for city property.

4-room cottage, Cochran street, south front, iron fence, half block car line, very conveniently located, $1,150; $300 cash, balance to suit.

5-room cottage, hall, shade, barn, lot 50x154, Missouri avenue; $2,000; $100 cash, balance $15 per month; 8 per cent interest.

4-room cottage, nicely finished, bath, front and back porch, east front, lot 75x100, iron fence, Edwin street; $1,450.

5-room cottage, corner lot, one block Evans avenue car line, nicely finished, just painted, comparatively new; $1,475; $300 cash, balance to suit.

McKnight street, 5-room cottage, hall, porcelain lined bath, sink in kitchen, china closet, pantry, linen closets, electric lights, cement walks and curb, shade trees, barn and outbuildings, lot 50x140; $2,500; $500 cash, balance to suit.

Two fine lots, Eighth avenue, near end of car line, 50x140 each, we offer this week for $1,700. This is fine location and about the only nice lots left on top of the hill.

We can furnish you with any size home or on any terms or at your own price from $400 to $35,000, and we are anxious to have you call or communicate with us.

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Phone 2901. 513 Main St.

25 ACRES black sandy land, 20 acres in cultivation, balance good land; house, well and garden; thirteen miles from Fort Worth; near school and church. Price, $900; $200 cash, balance $75 per year.

160 acres black and black sandy land, 110 acres in cultivation, balance grass and timber; four-room house, barn, well water; best corn and cotton land; only $27.50 per acre; $800 cash, balance yearly payments.

Twenty acres orchard and garden land, good house, four rooms, well water and fish tank; on edge of town of 700 population; nine miles from Fort Worth; 200 yards to depot; all good land; good orchard. Price, $1,500; $300 cash, balance $100 per year.

100 acres black and black sandy land, 70 acres in cultivation, 10 acres timber, 20 acres mesquite grass; house and plenty of water; nice location, on edge of prairie, seven miles from Fort Worth; only $28 per acre; $400 cash, balance $150 per year.

200 acres level prairie land, in West Texas, for $300.

Fifty acres, an ideal home, half mile to railroad town, 10 miles from Fort Worth, on gravel road, 45 acres in cultivation, 5 acres grass, nice new house and good barn; best soft water. Price, $2,000; $500 cash, balance $150 per year.

Eighty acres black sandy land, fifty acres in cultivation, balance fine pasture and timber land; house and well; one mile to railroad station. Price $25 per acre; easy terms. The timber will bring the price of the place.

Forty-five acres sandy loam, thirty acres in cultivation; ten acres fine grass; five acres timber; three-room house, cellar and outbuilding; nice place to live. Price $1,250; $250 cash, balance easy payments. Will take part in horses, mules or cattle on any of above places. Write for farm list.

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ANY ONE over the age of forty will tell you that if they had their lives to live over they would invest in real estate, especially in a good home. Ask them and then go and think this over. Do this at once.

On the south side we offer:

Hemphill street, close in, $3,500.

Adams street, five rooms, $3,500.

Travis street, six rooms, $3,000.

Jennings avenue, six rooms, $3,000.

Fifth avenue, five rooms, $2,900.

Washington avenue, $2,300; $250 cash, balance easy.

Kane street, $2,000; $150 cash.

Galveston avenue, close in, $1,800; $150 cash.

Maddox avenue, four rooms, $1,800.

St. Louis avenue, four rooms, $1,650; $200 cash.

Hemphill street lot, $1,500.

Clements & Webster, 404 Reynolds building, phone 4949.

CITY PROPERTY BARGAINS

Eight-room two-story house, close in, on south side, new, with all modern conveniences; lot 128x142—$6,000.

Five-room house, close in, on Louisiana avenue, deep lot, $2,000. Take lot as part pay.

Property now renting for $63 per month; seven houses; room for four more; only $4,500.

Good four-room house on Annie St., water, gas, trees, etc., $1,500; $500 cash, balance $15 per month.

Six rooms, reception hall, bath, gas, electric lights; cheap at $4,200; $1,000 cash and annual payments.

Large boarding house, $7,000; $2,000 cash, balance to suit.

Have twenty-three other real bargains in houses and lots. W. A. Patterson Real Estate Co., 1600½ Main St., phone 3237.

FOR SALE—Elegant home, moderate price, 7 rooms with large reception hall, two mantels and grates, elegantly finished; large circular porch with chandeliers for either gas or electric lights, good barn and outhouses, cement walks, fronts south, lot 50x140, best of locations in the southwestern portion of the city, near some of the most costly homes in Fort Worth. For price and terms, see Joe T. Burgher & Co., (exclusive agents). 1105 Houston street. Phone 1037.

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YOU WILL doubtless agree with us in the statement that business property will greatly enhance in value after the first of the year, and in the meantime we ask that you will give the following good propositions your careful consideration:

On Main street, 50x100, with good two-story brick building, $60,000.

Corner, on Rusk street, 100x100, $20,000.

Lot on Main street, 25x100, $17,500.

On Houston street, 25x100, good two-story brick, $13,500.

On Main street, 25x100, good two-story building, $20,000.

On Taylor street, a corner, 100x100, $10,500.

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REAL ESTATE BARGAINS

Modern eight-room house, plastered, bath, with hot and cold water connections, gas, mantel, cement walks on side and front, beautiful terraced east front lot, 64x100, corner, one block from car line, fine neighborhood, close in on south side; the house is practically new, well built, has solid brick foundation; a bargain at $4,500.

Five-room modern cottage, bath, gas, reception hall, alcove, china closet, clothes closets, electric lights, cement walk, east front lot, 50x100 to alley, one block from car line, near the university; the house is almost new and is a cozy cottage, $2,500.

Two beautiful deep lots on Hemphill, fine location, corner, $3,000.

Eight-room modern house, bath, gas, electricity, splendid barn, corner lot, 106x200, near Pennsylvania avenue, east front. See us about this. J. E. Head & Co., 806 Houston St.; phone 1422.

WE HAVE an assortment of houses that will surprise you, at prices which cannot fail to interest you. If you are not a property owner you should be. Let us show you some of these places on the west side.

On Quality Hill, good ten-room house, $15,000.

On Quality Hill, good eight-room house, $10,000.

On Quality Hill, good seven-room house, $3,500.

On West Third street, six rooms, $3,150.

On West Belknap street, five rooms, $1,850.

On Lamar street, eight rooms, $8,500.

On Monroe street, seven rooms, $6,500.

On Taylor street, ten rooms, $10,000. Clements & Webster, 404 Reynolds building; phone 4949.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE for other property or merchandise: Two res, lots in Denver, Colo., value $1,000; 40-acre farm in Doniphan, Mo., value $1,200; 3 town lots in Kennedale, Texas, value $1,000; 344 acres timber land in Freestone county, Texas, house, barn, two wells, gin and about fifty peach trees, part in cultivation, value $6,880; 110 acres best farm or fruit land in Texas, cleared ready for cultivation on International and Great Northern Railway, value $4,400. Address J. J. Langever, 907 Throckmorton street, Fort Worth.

FOR SALE—400 feet trackage on Rock Island. Cottages near Seventh ward school. Also near University. Terms like paying rent.

Good home close in on Pennsylvania avenue, $6,500. Less than cost of improvements.

Good home on Lamar street.

Elegant home on South side.

Large south front lot on car line. Will build to suit purchaser.

Nine acres improved land on car line. Will sell part.

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VACANT LOTS

We study property values in Fort Worth and they are an open book to us We, therefore, ask you to read what we know to be good values. They will be worth more in the spring.

East front, on South Henderson street, $450.

East front, on Seventh avenue, $600.

On Pennsylvania avenue, 100x140, $6,000.

On Washington avenue, 50x100, $1,100

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SEE BILL BAILEY, 413½ Main St., Phone 1928-3r. South Side—5-room house; reception hall, bath and pantry, two galleries; one block from car line. Terms easy; $1,600.

7-room 2-story residence; east front, close in and on car line, $2,500.

4-room house in good repair; lot 53x78; $600; half cash, balance to suit; if you want a bargain, get busy.

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HAVE YOU SEEN GEORGE?
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WE HAVE some bargains in black land farms; also small truck farms, near the city. We also have western land in small and large blocks, and for city property, we have it. Call at 314 Main street. Phone 1590.

DO you want to buy a good four-room frame house, east front, lot 50x160, well fenced, barn, etc., $50 down, $12.50 per month, if so see A. D. Carpenter, with Glen Walker, over 115 West Sixth street.

2 ACRES near Riverside, school house; good cottage, deep well in yard, wind mill, barn and out buildings, good orchard. Price $1,500. Arthur Scoggin & Slate, 314 Main st. Phone 1590.

FOR SALE—Beautiful lot on College avenue, near Eighth ward school house, 50x100, east front. Price $1,150, $200 cash, balance in one year at 8 per cent. Apply Axsheer-Bury Co., 208 Reynolds Bldg. Phone 860.

WHY PAY rent when we can sell you a good cottage on North Side from $850 to $1,600 on terms, like paying rent? Arthur Scoggin & Slate, 314 Main st. Phone 1590.

FOR SALE—Beautiful lot in North Fort Worth, two blocks from Catholic school, two blocks from White city; cheap for cash next twenty days. Call or phone W. R. Burnett, at Famous shoe store.

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FOR SALE—Fifty acre farm; part choice West Fork bottom; one-half mile from Arlington Heights car and Country Club. Price, $3,000; easy terms. Phone 1869.

$120 BUYS one of those beautiful lots in South Hemphill, $10 down and $10 month. $12,950 presents given away. Dodson Realty Co., 709½ Main street. Old phone 3262.

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In Riverside, eight rooms, a whole block of ground, $3,750.

On Vickery boulevard, five rooms, a fine place, $2,650.

On Edwin street, four rooms, $2,100; $150 cash, balance easy.

On Stella street, four rooms, $1,200; $50 cash, balance easy.

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A GOOD 60-acre farm with 5-room house, well in yard, good barn and outhouses; near good school and church. Price $2,400; ¼ cash. See Arthur Scoggin & Slate, 314 Main St. Phone 1590.

DON'T BUY a home until you see us. We have many desirable homes from three rooms up; cash payments from $50 up. Mills Realty Company, 1016 Houston street; phone 2158.

IF YOU want to buy a home or a nice lot to build on, it will be to your advantage to see us about it. We have the bargains. Mills Realty Co., 1016 Houston.

A GOOD new 5-room modern house, with all modern convenience; east front lot; near Chase place. Price $2,750; 1-3 cash, balance terms. Arthur Scoggin & Slate, 314 Main St. Phone 1590.

FOR SALE—169 acres improved black land, five miles from McKinney; bargain if sold immediately; terms easy. Address owner, Box 388, Fort Worth.

HELLO!
Have you seen George?
G. B. Pennock Realty Co.,
115 West Eleventh street.
Old phone 4400.

FOR SALE—Lot, 2 houses, corner Daggett and Henderson streets; lot 100x200; fine houses and extraordinary water.

WE want you to own your own home. North Fort Worth Townsite Company, Main street and Exchange avenue. Phone 1236.

FIVE-ROOM modern cottage, best neighborhood, small cash payment, balance monthly. Address 321, care Telegram.

FOR SALE—Close in on Jennings avenue, modern two-story, eight-room home, corner lot, 66 2-3x100. Phone L. E. Roberts, old 504.

FOR SALE—Three-room houses furnished at Rosen Heights, $200 cash, balance $10 per month. Address 259, care Telegram.

GOOD BUSINESS LOT on East Front street; six-room house adjoining. Will sell altogether at a bargain. Small cash payments. Phone 1211.

$50 CASH and $15 monthly will buy a nice home, north front, one block of car line. Mills Realty Company, 1016 Houston St., phone 2158.

GET GREAT CHRISTMAS NUMBER, Dec. 16, 1906, The Fort Worth Telegram. Bargains boiled down for busy buyers. Telephone 177.

DESIRABLE home for sale, direct from owner. Phone 2626 for particulars.

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REAL ESTATE bought, sold, rented and exchanged. Address P. O. Box 531, city.

FOR SALE—90x200 feet at head of Rusk street, near court house. W. S. Essex.

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LEGAL NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE—REAL ESTATE

By virtue of an order of sale issued on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1906, out of the district court of Tarrant county, Texas, Forty-eighth judicial district, in cause No. 23524, Geo. H. Burras vs. Brown Harwood et al., Brown Harwood, Adella Warfield, a feme sole; Josephine Boisseau, a feme sole; Mattie J. A. Boisseau and husband, T. J. Boisseau; Callie E. Bibb and husband, Thomas A. Bibb; William Boisseau; I. W. Webb, a feme sole; Sarah T. Self and husband, J. T. Self; Willie Tucker and husband, Tom W. J. Tucker; Mollie A. Rust, a feme sole; Lou F. Faxton and husband, Tom Faxton, Richard E. Hardaway, Mary E. Small and husband, J. S. Small; V. J. Griffin and husband, William Griffin; V. A. Dickerson and husband, Rufus Dickerson; V. L. Crenshaw and husband, West Crenshaw; Cave H. Johnson, guardian of Virginia G. P. Young, a lunatic, and John Johnson.

I did on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1906, levy upon the following described land as the property of the above named defendants, situated in Tarrant county, Texas, to wit: The middle one-third of lots seven and eight, block four, College Hill addition to the city of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, now known as lot thirteen, block four, of said addition.

And I will on the first day of January, A. D. 1907, the same being the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1907, between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, offer the said land for sale at public vendue for cash, at and in front of the court house door of Tarrant county, Texas, in the said city of Fort Worth. T. J. WOOD,
Sheriff of Tarrant County, Texas.
By W. M. REA, Deputy Sheriff.

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Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat—Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2 p. m.

Diseases of Children—Mondays, 2 to 3 p. m.

Diseases of Skin and Syphilis—Mondays, 3 to 4 p. m.

Diseases of Nervous System—Fridays, 2 to 3 p. m.

Diseases of Women—Fridays, 3 to 4 p. m.

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We have a few lots left at $150, $200, $250 and $300. They will be worth double in less than a year. A three-room house and lot 50x140, fenced; barn, sidewalk, water in house for this week only $900; terms, $100 cash, balance $12.50 per month. A four-room house for $1,000; same terms. A five-room house, $1,200.

J. GOLDGRABER & COMPANY
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In France and Germany

In France, where more presents are given at New Year's even than Christmas, family gatherings are held and healths drunk, while in the cafes in Paris many a gay little party may be seen seated at the tables drinking in the new year. A similar custom is now prevalent in Germany, where the wish is "Prosit Neu Jahr" ("May the New Year be happy").

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COMANCHE, Texas, Dec. 15.—The district medical association of this district met here Thursday. A number of out-of-town visitors were here, including Drs. W. B. Anderson of Brownwood, Eargle of Proctor, Rush of De Leon, Duke of Sipe Springs and others.

The session closed with an elaborate banquet to the visiting physicians.

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HAVE BEEN WED FOR 69 YEARS

Missouri Couple Hold Record for Married Life

Special to The Telegram.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. Green Bedford of this city hold the record for long married life. They were joined in wedlock June 6, 1837, in Harrison county, Ky., more than sixty-nine years ago. In December, 1866, they moved to Missouri and have lived here ever since.

Mr. Bedford is now past 90. His wife is two years his junior. Both are native Kentuckians and both are the

Mr. and Mrs. Green Bedford

last of a family of fourteen children.

Unlike most men of such great age Mr. Bedford is quite active. Every spring he makes a garden, from which his home is supplied with vegetables the greater part of the year.

Mrs. Bedford has been a cripple for thirty years. She spends most of her time piecing quilts and knitting.

The couple has seven children, ten grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren.

INCREASE IN POLL TAXES PAID HERE

1431 Have Paid Their Taxes to Date

Of the fifty voting precincts in Tarrant county Arlington precinct leads in the payment of poll tax up to this time, with 77 polls paid up to the close of business, Saturday night. The Sixth ward in Fort Worth and Grapevine are good seconds, being only two behind Arlington, with 75 polls paid.

The payment of poll tax in Tarrant county is much better at this time than it was on the 15th of December, 1905, the number paid this year being nearly 150 more than had been paid a year ago. The total number of polls paid at 5 p. m. Saturday, Dec. 15, 1906, was 1,431, which it is believed, is as many as have been paid in any county in Texas.

The smallest number of polls paid in any precinct is 1, Wayside and Leonard precincts having the distinction of bringing up the rear of the fifty precincts. In fact, Wayside and Leonard seem to have fallen by the wayside, both having paid the same number of polls each. Washington Heights is next lowest with two polls and Dido and Saginaw are next with five polls each paid, and Haslet comes next with only six.

Of the 1,431 polls paid in the fifty precincts Fort Worth proper has paid only 482, the county outside leading largely with 994, or a little over double that paid inside the city. Following is a list of polls paid by voting precincts:

Fort Worth

First ward, 60; Second ward, 55; third ward, 32; fourth ward, 45; fifth ward, 65; Seventh ward, 55; Eighth ward, 55; Ninth ward, 40. Total in Fort Worth, 482.

The County

Glenwood, 25; Manchester Mills, 20; Handley, 30; Forest Hill, 15; Prairie Chappel, 10; Brooklyn Heights, 10; Arlington Heights, 10; Rosen Heights, 15; Saginaw, 5; Riverside, 35; White Settlement, 15; Benbrook, 10; Leonard, 1; Crowley, 28; Oak Grove, 10; Enon, 20; Arlington, 77; Johnson Station, 30; Littles, 10; Kennedale, 15; Sublets, 25; Webb, 15; Britton, 30; Mansfield, 65; Rendon, 25; Grapevine, 75; Eulliss, 26; Bedford, 30; Branford, 45; Dove, 15; Keller, 30; Smithfield, 25; Birdville, 17; Haslet, 6; Dido, 5; Wayside, 1; Azle, 49; Montgomery, 8; North Fort Worth, No. 1, 33; North Fort Worth No. 2, 25; Washington Heights, 2.

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2—**REPAIRS** are seldom needed. The heating is applied directly to the cooking utensils or the thing cooked, hence there is no wasting or burning out of the stove plates, and the period of usefulness is longer than in any other stove.

3—**FUEL** is bought only in small quantities and paid for after it is used. There is no necessity for buying fuel in advance and storing it for future need, and Gas, if not wasted, will do your cooking cheaper than wood or coal.

4—**LABOR** is continually saved by cooking with gas. There is no wood, coal, gasoline or ashes to be handled. No heavy stove lids to be lifted or fuel doors to be constantly opened and shut.

5—**TIME** is gained by the quickness with which a Gas Stove can be put into operation and raised to its maximum capacity. The cooking is also more rapidly accomplished by the direct application of the heat to the thing cooked.

6—**SPACE** is saved by cooking with Gas, which can be utilized for other purposes. The Gas Stove gives maximum capacity in minimum space and can be used in places or apartments in which other stoves would be impracticable.

7—**CLEANLINESS** is one of the chief advantages of cooking with Gas. No dirt, no dust, no leaking gasoline cans, nor floors tracked up by bringing these things into the house. They are not necessary with Gas. Hence the latter encourages cleanliness in the preparation and cooking of food.

8—**HEALTH** depends much on avoiding extremes of temperature. The use of Gas avoids the necessity for hot kitchens, excessive perspiration and the evil of sudden cooling in passing in and out of doors with fuel, or from exposure to drafts or cooler rooms, in prosecuting the work usually carried on in the kitchen.

9—**SAFETY** is an important feature of cooking with Gas. Gasoline is recognized the world over as a dangerous fuel. Wood and coal throw out sparks, set fire to chimneys, originate fires fresh from ash receptacles, burn out and destroy the stove that confines them and in which fire must be left burning frequently with no one to watch it. Gas is free from these evils and is much safer than any other fuel used for cooking.

10—**EMERGENCIES** arise in every household from sudden sickness, unexpected guests or the necessity of providing for larger numbers of people than usual. The Gas Stove is a friend in need in such cases and becomes a friend indeed to all who call upon its capacity for prompt and liberal services in times of emergency.

11—**COOKING** is in a progressive state, constantly advancing in new methods of preparation and in variety of dishes, and for those whose cooking is up-to-date it is necessary that up-to-date apparatus should be used. Wood and coal are ancient and venerable forms of fuel, but they do not compare with Gas in readiness of control or steadiness of heat. Hence Gas is suited to the latest demands for a controllable heat for fine cooking or to a steady heat for the simpler forms of old-fashioned cooking.

12—**THE COOK** is one of the most important members of the household, and should receive the consideration her responsible position entitles her to. Cooking with Gas lightens her labors, saves time for other duties or for rest for her, adds to the cleanliness of her apartments, add to her health and comfort, and permits and encourages the exercise of the highest skill. It also enables her to give better service to her employer, or to those whose well-being is largely in her hands, and who should be interested in her welfare.

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SOCIETY

A Party for a Birthday

Miss Elsie Conner and her brother, Truman, went into partnership for a party Saturday afternoon that took the place of birthday celebrations near that day.

Maud, well known to Sunday supplement readers, furnished fun by having a movable tail to be properly placed.

A table loaded with good things and a birthday cake with eight red candles stirred up much enthusiasm and fun.

The guests were: Robert and Joseph Abey, Marshal and Clifton Lawrence, Wanda Lawrence, Arthur Sprinkle, Charles Osborne, Fannie Osborne, Fannie Andrews, Ruth Estelle Dowlin, Peyton Smith, Ione Guthrie, Evangeline Jordan, Alice Randle, Henry Lawrence, Renfro Knickerbocker, Beryl Knickerbocker, Rosalind and Hunter Gardner, Aline Boatner, Hazel Plumlee, Margaret Lofton.

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The Daisies

Miss Edna Pendleton's guests Saturday afternoon were Misses Mallard, Wombwell, Wells, Murdock, Hogg and Bibb, Mmes. Lawson, May, King, Connell, Huff and Bishop.

These guests are members of the Daisies, who during the holidays will meet with Miss Wells.

The Impudent Thing!

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"Queer thing, isn't it?" remarked the thoughtful thinker.

"What's queer?" asked the other party to the dialogue.

"That the second hand on a watch is in reality the third," explained the t. t.—Chicago Daily News.

Study Not to Blame

"I shouldn't think you would let your daughter study so hard that her health was likely to be affected, even for the sake of being able to graduate."

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Total amount of money raised for the freight bureau has now gone to $9,500, $600 more having been added by the committee composed of A. P. Foute and B. B. Paddock on Saturday after a little over half a morning's work.

The freight bureau is a matter that is of the greatest interest to every merchant and wholesaler in the city, as it is an acknowledged fact that Fort Worth pays higher freight rates almost than any other city in the country. The railroads seem to have taken a special delight in discriminating in the matter of rates against the state of Texas and the city of Fort Worth has been as badly treated as any other city. Heretofore protests have only been made by the individuals as they would arise, but now the sufferers have considered that the time for concentrated action has come and with this action, with a competent man at the head it is expected that results will be highly satisfactory.

Several factories have turned Fort Worth down within the past year for no other reason than that the freight rates are against the city and the state as well and have gone on to other localities.

Other cities which have once established a freight bureau have never given it up, but have rather increased the cost of maintaining it in order to make it as thoro as possible, and get the greatest benefits that can accrue to the city which they are working for.

Kansas City is one of the places where a freight bureau has been of great importance and Kansas City is probably the most favored city in the country today in the line of freight rates.

Real Estate Transfers

The following transfers of real estate have been filed for record:

Fort Worth Proper

A. H. Stewart to O. H. Mance, lot 4, block 4, Page's addition, $2,223.90.

L. F. Perkins and wife to Taylor Harrison, lot 10, in block 1, Moody & Evans survey of block 20, Field-Welch addition, $1,150.

Rupert S. Allison and wife to T. N. Whitehurst and wife, part of lot 7, Hyde Jennings' subdivision of block 29, Jennings' South addition, $3,500.

C. T. Willoughby to T. N. McCouiskey, lot 6, Central addition, $10.

Nannie B. Nunnally and husband to G. W. Smith, lot 6, block 8, Jennings' South addition, $1,500.

John Geye and wife to R. M. Welch, lot 55, block 9, Emory College subdivision of the W. P. Patillo addition, $550.

W. T. Hancock to V. K. Wedgworth, lots 25, 26 and 27 and part of lot 28, R. G. Johnson's addition and part of block 7, James Harrison's addition, $3,500.

J. M. Washam to Addie Springton, part of block B, Moodie & Morton's subdivision of block 24, Feild-Welch addition, $1,100.

B. F. Hall and wife to C. Chambers and wife, lots 5 and 6, block 5, J. W. Shirley's addition, $2,000.

Nellie F. Buck to J. M. Youngblood, lot 11, block A, King's subdivision of block 27, Feild-Welch addition, $2,000.

Heirs of D. M. Nicol to John E. Quarles, 50 feet of lot 2, in block 7, Fort Worth, $1,000.

R. H. Harle and wife to E. R. Woodward, lots 36, 37 and 38, Grandview addition, $2,100.

Rupert S. Allison and wife to T. N. Whitehurst, part of lot 7 of Hyde Jennings subdivision of block 29, Hyde Jennings South addition, $3,500.

J. A. Ingram to Jas. B. Gray; lot 1, block 36, Jennings' south addition, $5,200.

Mrs. A. P. Wilson et al to W. M. Scott; lot 22, block 4, Park subdivision Field-Welch addition, $1,250.

W. R. Parker and wife to Mamie F. Harding, lot 8, block 40, Jennings South addition, $1,200.

J. N. Clements and wife to W. A. Hargis, 125 feet of block D4, Powell's subdivision of Bellevue Hill addition, $2,500.

Rollo Bruce and wife to C. A. Hickman, 50x100 feet of block 30, Jennings West addition, $5,000.

George Simson and O. B. Holt to Sarah L. Larimer, lots 1 and 2, block D2, Daggett's addition, $26,000.

J. J. Dillin and wife to C. E. Gossett, part of block 8, Tucker addition, $2,000.

Mrs. Mary J. Wait to J. E. Hughes, block 23, Bacon Hill addition, $1,00.

David T. Evans to W. F. Riley, lots 1 and 3, block 6, Valley View addition, $212.50.

W. J. Smith and wife to W. S. Cantrell, lot 8, block 3, Greenwood's subdivision, $1,900.

H. O. Ledgerwood to O. G. Allen, part of block 13, Jennings south addition, $2,600.

T. Q. Tidball to Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Company, lot 6, block 7, T. A. Tidball's subdivision of block 7, Hirshfield's addition, $2,300.

F. A. Whitsell and wife to J. R. Francisco, lots 33, 4 and 5, block 1, Fairmount addition, $3,100.

Western & Hawaiian Investment Company to Warner McIlhaney, lots 12, 13 and 14, block 4, and lot 7, block 5, Cunningham & Woodall addition, $575.

J. N. Winters and wife to W. N. Bowers et al., lot 2, block 15, Emory College subdivision, $310.

T. S. Weaver and wife to W. G. Newby et al., lot 8, block 8, Hirschfeld addition, $21,300.

John F. Tedlie and wife to M. E. Trogden, lot 12, block 6, Grainger addition, $3,200.

J. J. Dillen and wife to John A. Thompson, lot 10, block 2, Vincent's addition, $650.

Frank A. Davis and wife to J. L. Kimbrough and wife, part of the J. L. Purvis subdivision, $2,500.

George E. Bennett and wife to H. C. Moss, lot 5 in block 33, Union Depot addition, $100.

Ester E. Ferguson to John Wells, lot 8, block 2, Hemphill Heights, $400.

John C. Ryan Land Company to John W. Bonner, lot 12, block 9, Ryan's addition, $1.

John C. Ryan Land Company to J. W. B. Bonner, lot 23, block 13, Ryan's addition, $200.

B. F. Willie and wife to B. B. Alford, part of the James Sanderson survey, $894.

R. Vickery to B. F. Willie, part of the James Sanderson survey, $900.

L. V. Walton to O. T. Averill, lot 3, block 18, Brooklyn Heights, $100.

County Property

Irby Dunklin and wife to G. H. Colvin, 188 acres of the E. Johnson survey, $10,162.

J. C. Hudson to I. G. Scarbrough, lot 12, block 1, Everman, $185.

F. S. Wendle and wife to A. S. Walker, 4 27-100 acres of the S. C. Neil survey, $480.

Sallie Wilson to L. L. Higdon, 80 acres of the Shelby county school lands, $2,000.

W. M. Eagle and wife to John D. Gaston, part of the J. Lynch survey, $875.

S. Linville and wife to N. B. Scott; 30 acres of the John M. Henderson heirs' patent, $2,100.

Adla A. Tyler and wife to W. B. Cowan; 50 acres Susan Lynn survey, $1,400.

J. M. Munah and wife to Mary E. Fenel, lot 6, and part of lots 7 and 8, block 63, Mansfield, $650.

Samuel G. Tomlinson to S. E. Tomlinson, 4 acres on road between Fort Worth and Handley, $400.

M. S. Gray and husband to Williiam Lord, 60 acres of the W. D. Barnes survey, $3,000.

Clarence McNay and wife to T. W. Bucy, lot 7, block 13, Hyde Jennings subdivision of the S. G. Jennings survey, $250.

W. G. Turner to George T. Reynolds, George W. Armstrong and E. E. Baldridge, 200 acres of the L. Cohen, Voight and D. W. Campbell surveys, 3½ miles northwest of North Fort Worth, $23,500.

William Crawford and wife to Thomas B. Crawford et al., part of the William McCowan survey, twelve miles north of Fort Worth, $1.

Susan T. Burgess et al. to W. W. Burgess and wife, part of the Redfield & Lockhart survey, exchange deed.

W. W. Burgess and wife to Susan T. Burgess et al., part of the Redfield & Lockhart survey, exchange deed.

Fort Worth National Bank to V. M. Evans, 4 36-100 acres of the F. Wood survey, $545.

G. L. Fitzhigh and wife to H. W. Wilder, 87½ acres of the Henry D. Thompson survey, $6,300.

William Arch Ferguson to C. H. Boedecker, 160 acres the J. E. Field survey, $3,000.

D. M. Dawson to J. F. Rissenger, part of the J. Beal survey, $1,100.

D. M. Dawson to J. F. Rissenger, 51½ acres of the J. Beal survey, $1,100.

J. F. Rissenger to J. B. Post, 46 11-20 acres of the J. Beal survey, $1,000.

North Fort Worth

North Fort Worth Townsite Company to B. F. Spruill, lot 32, block 66, North Fort Worth, $200.

J. F. McEntire and wife to W. R. Wells, lots 8 and 9, in block 31, Rosen Heights, $500.

Rosen Heights Land Company to E. N. Dinwiddie, lots 7 and 8, block 29, Rosen Heights, $350.

North Fort Worth Townsite Company to E. M. Fridge, lot 20, block 105, North Fort Worth, $1,300.

North Fort Worth Townsite Company to J. E. Fridge, lots 18 and 19, block 105, $550.

John M. Moody to J. T. Westal, lot 5 in block 36, Moody's addition to North Fort Worth, $100.

John M. Moody to Mrs. Katie Snearly, lot 2, block 21, Moody addition, North Fort Worth, $100.

Henry Kaysing and wife to Lula Percy, lot 4, block 68, Rosen Heights, $1.

North Fort Worth Townsite Co. to J. Goldgrabber; lot 2, block 96, North Fort Worth, $265.

North Fort Worth Townsite Co. to J. Goldgrabber; lot 1, block 96, North Fort Worth, $385.

W. H. Smith to J. H. Thrasher, lot 10, block 6, M. G. Ellis addition, $400.

L. F. Arlond and wife to G. F. Fincher, lot 21, block 17, M. G. Ellis addition, North Fort Worth, $775.

Joseph R. Goggins to Lewis F. Arnold, lot 21, block 17, M. G. Ellis addition, North Fort Worth, $250.

Fort Worth Development Company to E. M. Paschall, lot 16, block 108, M. G. Ellis addition, North Fort Worth, $150.

W. Lord and wife to Mrs. M. S. Gray, lots 11 and 12, block 16, M. G. Ellis addition, North Fort Worth, $3,000.

Union Trust Company to H. B. Sellars, part of lots 23 and 24, block 16, M. G. Ellis addition, North Fort Worth, $10.

North Fort Worth Townsite Company to R. C. Godwin, lot 18, block 96, North Fort Worth, $668.

John F. Grant to R. C. Godwin, lot 19, block 143, North Fort Worth, $275.

B. M. Frazeur and wife to Robert E. Lee and wife, lot 5, block 52, North Fort Worth, $1,850.

M. Goldstick to Jane M. Williams, lot 6, block 35, Rosen Heights, $200.

Suburban

David T. Evans to James McKenna, lot 3, block 3, Valley View addition, $400.

Capps Land Company to H. D. Alexander, lot 7, block 32, South Hemphill Heights, $160.

J. J. Lydon and wife to Z. F. Daugherty, lot 16, block 12, Dixie Wagon Company addition, $275.

J. H. Price to C. H. Baldwin, lot 6, in block 108, Polytechnic Heights, $100.

Sycamore Land Company to V. K. Wedgworth, lot 5, block 31; lot 15, block 32; lots 11 and 16, block 51; lot 1, block 44, and lot 4, block 53, Sycamore Heights, $780.

David T. Evans to Wilford Shipp, lot 11, block 2, Valley View addition, $115.

A. Arneson to Mrs. Mattie Zinn Price, lots 12, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, in the Arneson subdivision of block 26, King & Hendricks subdivision of the James Sanderson survey, $1,350.

J. B. Clark and wife to Lula Percy, lot 6, block J, L. T. Millett's addition, $125.

Lemuel T. Millett and wife to J. B. Clark and wife, lot 6, block J, L. T. Millett's addition, $100.

Lemuel T. Millett and wife to Lula Percy, lot 13, block B, L. T. Millett's addition, $125.

L. M. Burkhart and wife to Mrs. Ella Whitset; lots 4 and 5, block 13, Fairmount addition, $750.

Lee Farquhor to T. J. Homes; lots 11 and 12 and w½ of 12, block 46, Glenwood, $600.

John C. Ryan Land Co. to Mrs. Ada L. Fisher; lot 13 block 6, Ryan's addition, $200.

B. Vickery to D. G. Chapman; west 35 feet of lot 9, and the east 15 feet of lot 10, block 60, Highland addition to Glenwood, $925.

John M. Moody to W. G. Peneston; lot 1, block 23, Moody's addition, $75.

Miriam O. Buck to Mrs. B. E. Anderson, lot 9, block 2, Van Zandt subdivision of the William Russell survey, $800.

Sycamore Land Company to J. W. King and H. E. Gray, lot 5, block 30, Sycamore Heights addition, $130.

Sycamore Land Company to Della Deaton, lot 17, block 32, Sycamore Heights addition, $130.

Sycamore Land Company to J. E. Hughes, lot 3, block 45, Sycamore Heights addition, $130.

John C. Ryan Land Company to J. G. Campbell, lot 24, block 1, Ryan's addition, $200.

John M. Moody to H. A. Allen et al. lot 6, block 3; lot 9, block 3, Moody's addition, $200.

Sycamore Land Company to G. T. McBroom, lot , block 32, Sycamore Heights, $130.

A. C. Farmer and wife to Mrs. L. A. Knighton, lot 11, block 2, Belleview Hill addition, $750.

G. C. Newton and wife to J. M. Greder, 6 acres of the J. P. Montgomery survey, $6,200.

O. R. Dunn and wife to George B. Pennock, lot 14 in block 109, Polytechnic Heights addition, $100.

George B. Pennock to O. R. Dunn and wife, lot 14 in block 109, Polytechnic Heights addition, $100.

J. H. Price to O. R. Dunn, lot 14 in block 109, Polytechnic Heights addition, $100.

Arlington Heights Realty Company to A. J. Willis, lots 17 to 20, block $200.

Arlington Heights Realty Company to Mrs. E. S. Newman, lots 15 and 16, block 1 Chamberlin, Arlington Heights, $150.

John C. Ryan Land Company to W. B. Lockwood, lot 10, block 4, John C. Ryan's south addition, $200.

John C. Ryan Land Company to C. G. Stover, lot 24 block 24, John C. Ryan's south addition, $200.

E. S. Kuykendall et al. to W. H. McCrary, part of block 71, Silver Lake addition, $200.

DIRTY MONEY IS IN CIRCULATION

Banks Want Government to Pay Express

Much complaint has been made in Fort Worth as well as in other cities of the country, on the condition of the paper money that is circulating. Most all of it has long since lost the crisp nature that makes paper money easy and agreeable to handle. Cause for this deteriorating of the money is assigned to the fact that the government caused the banks to pay for the express on money sent into Washington to be redeemed.

In order to overcome this a bill has been introduced in congress calling for the government to pay the express on this money and it is known that all the banks of the country are urging that the bill be speedily passed. At the present time, on account of the fact that the banks have to pay this express, they do not send any money except what is so badly ruined that it cannot be used.

In some sections of the country, where the banks can send money in at a small rate of expressage, there are many more new bills in circulation than here, as many of the banks make a practice of returning all bills that have become soiled and thus make the government send them new bills in the place of the old. When a bill that is not absolutely unfit for business on account of a tear or wear, is sent into the government, it is up to the experts there to say whether the bill should be continued in use, and if they decide that the bill is still fit for use it is sent to the bank issuing it. In the meantime the bank which has sent the bill is given an equivalent of the amount in government money, thus insuring the district where that bank is of new money to that amount.

Torn bills cause considerable loss to the banks, as they are out the use of the money during the two or three weeks that it takes to send the money from here and have it returned again from Washington. Another loss is on the fund of 5 per cent of the paper money issued in paper by the bank, which is always on deposit at Washington in order to redeem bank bills of theirs, which may come in in a ruined condition. When the government takes up a sufficient amount of such notes a new batch is sent to the bank, which becomes money as soon as it is signed by the bank officials. However, as soon as a package of this is received the bank has to enclose an equivalent amount in order to make good the hole in the 5 per cent fund, which has been made by the redemption of their own money.

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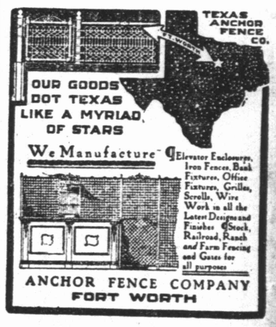

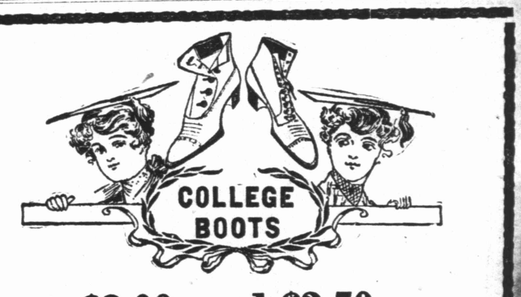

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Whims and Fancies

President Roosevelt has found out that this country is divided into three parts: President Roosevelt, the politicians and the school teachers. President Roosevelt knows the politicians and can beat the best of them at their own game. When he attempted to play the school teacher's game he got up against it good and hard.

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The least considered factor of our progress is the school teacher, but when congress was asked to back up the President on spelling every man of them remembered the blue back speller and the worthy dame who had plioted him thru b-a ba k-e-r ker baker, on thru to un-in-tel-li-gi-bil-i-ty. Whatever they may say in explanation of opposing the President's pet fad down in every man's heart was loyalty to the school ma'am of his youth.

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President Roosevelt is one of the few men who have "done things" who believes that he could have gotten along without the school teacher. Even congressmen as a rule take a minute off now and then to remember some favorite school teacher to whom in his heart he believes he owes much of his success. School teachers have a way of believing in a boy that his own mother cannot surpass. This belief is often the boy's start. Most men acknowledge it, to themselves, at least.

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There is not a school teacher in the land but who scorned this legislative education, even President Roosevelt's system. They know some things quite as well as the President. Of course no one could know anything better.

The congressional defeat of the spelling fad is the first triumph for the humble school ma'am of the land. So long as congressmen remember their first teachings, I will have faith in them.

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One Fort Worth teacher has complained no little about the list of 300 words. It is not "through" and "thorough" that gives the small boy a trouble. They learn those easily. But "Tuesday" and "saperate" have turned my hair prematurely gray.

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I wish somebody would inspect these picture postals that are being issued with a Fort Worth label. I saw one today with a cow with a broad white face very much curly and a bit of white on the tail. This was labeled "A Short Horn Cow." I showed it to a woman I thought to be a native Texan. She did not know why I was agitated.

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I wonder if the cold rain and muddy streets won't bring hardships on the horses that are driven to Christmas loaded wagons. The drivers have a hard time I know, but the drivers can provide themselves with warm clothing and can even stop once in a while to warm up a bit. But the poor horses.

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A girl thinks it perfectly scandalous for folks to even think of getting married at holiday time. "If folks want to get married at this season I think they might at least elope?" wails this girl.

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Until I had read one of Zola's stories I had worried somewhat over the refusal to make him one of the "Forty Immortals." After my one incursion into the Zola products I got over worrying. Possibly there was reason for refusing him a place with the forty.

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But I wish I could make a hall of fame or start up some sort of forty immortals for women. I want to put Widow Zola up on the topmost rung of whatever stands for the biggest and best there is in womankind.

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After Zola's death publicity was given to the existence of a demi-Mme. Zola and three little demis. The world very properly clasped its hands and rolled its eyes heavenward in pious agitation.

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Word now comes from France that Mme. Zola has filed papers of adoption for the little demi-Zolas. They are to have the name legalized and will share in their father's inheritance. Mme. Zola, the wife, shares with demi-Zola, the mother, the responsibilities and assumes a part of the Zola obligation for the Zola offspring.

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I seldom allow myself to harbor cruel criticisms of women. I have suspicion that most of them are carrying, not only their own sorrows, burdens and duties, but the sorrows, burdens and duties—ay, even the sins of others. Woman's little weaknesses, her vagaries, her very ignorances—what are they but the foam thrown up by the undertow of life's tragedy? I wonder often, not that woman occasionally commits grievous errors, but that these errors are so few and so occasional.

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Men are going to have some difficulty adjusting the male point of view for this act of Mme. Zola. I hope that the funny man will feel for once an inclination to practice his trade. This is not the occasion for any man to do anything but stand aside with uncovered head and silence.

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Some women will be silent, too. But those who are silent will shut the world out when they review in the silence of midnight with wet eyes (some will review it with dry eyes) their own marriage tragedy. Mme. Zola is not the first brave woman. The Zola name and fame has made her bravery more conspicuous.

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I once knew and loved a beautiful girl, who was more than amiable in character. As child, girl and young woman she won every heart that knew her. She was an only child and was cherished with the tenderest devotion. When the Lover came she was told a bitter story. When an infant the father had brought her home with the story of his weakness. The mother's name was given. He threw himself and the mother of the baby upon his wife's mercy. The wife took the child to her home and heart and made no sign. To the world she was her own. To the child she was a loving, tender mother. When the tale was told the girl's greatest grief was that the mother she so loved had not borne her.

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I danced with the gayest of those at the wedding. The lover was a sensible man and the love story was all the happier in its ending because there was no deceit nor hidden shadows. Her death came a few years ago, and her husband still mourns her. She was the ideal wife and mother, as she had been a model girl and daughter.

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I once heard a woman say she could forgive her husband anything save lying to her. She was the unhappiest woman I have ever known. The world knew that had her husband been truthful with her she would have been kept busy forgiving him. But she was a game loser and made no complaint.

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The world applauds this guardianship, too. Orators never tire of praising the eternal feminine in loyalty, etc. It sounds much better than crudely saying, "This dog and her bone."

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It takes a brave man, I think, to own up to his wife certain misdeeds. From what I know of women I would hesitate if I were a man and had confessions to make. A superficial view indicates that most women think they have the only prize there is in their matrimonial draw. Their after-marriage conduct is much like that of a dog with a bone. Even when they find that the bone is meatless they guard it jealously and with a fierce instinct of possession.

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Mme. Zola evidently is cherishing no illusions. A childless wife must expect certain penalties in exchange for her exemption from nature's duties. Whether the penalty is self-imposed or not makes the penalty none the less keen that it is demanded.

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Mme. Zola may have cherished Zola as a man of genius. He may have endeared himself to her so strongly that she feels the world will be better by the gift of the Zola spirit in his children; a gift she had not made possible.

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Or can it be that Zola was merely the bone and Mme. Zola too keenly disillusioned to enter into an unseemly wrangle over a most poor scrap from life's table.

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But Mme. Zola rises to heights far above many women when she says: "These children are innocent. They have done no wrong, and they must suffer no further punishment than can be avoided. I will give them the name that is theirs. I will give them the patrimony that is morally theirs. "I have borne the name of oZla honorably. I will help it to be borne honorably in so far as in me lies."

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When a woman takes to her arms and cradles upon her breast her husband's child that should have been her own, I fancy the recording angel blots out many of the records against the follies and weaknesses of women. Womanhood shines brighter and all women should be made better.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. Wray's Reception

Mrs. John W. Wray's reception Thursday afternoon was quite the important event of the week socially. It was also one of the most beautifully planned and arranged society folks have enjoyed in many a day.

The entrance hall, with its wide staircase of carved oak, was lighted under crimson shades. The parlors on the left and the dining on the right made a picture of delightful beauty.

In the parlor the ferns and smilax were used with white carnations and white roses. In the dining room pink carnations made first invitations for admiration. Besides them were silver candlesticks with carnation shades. The electroller had shades of pink sweet pea blossoms. The carnations formed a mound in the center of the dining table with maiden hair ferns and smilax as green setting. A cut-glass vase rose from the pink mound and was filled with blossoms. Under all these accessories was a beautiful table cover of cluny lace.

All around the dining room were vases filled with carnations; they stood on buffet, mantel and cabinets, at least a dozen vases of carnations in all. This floral setting was but a background for the handsome gowns worn by the hostess and her house party.

At the door the guests were met by Mrs. Littlefair and Mrs. Dunklin, and Mrs. Fakes and Mrs. C. W. Ware greeted in the hall before the guests passed into the parlor, where Mrs. Wray was assisted by Mrs. Gordon of Thurber, Mrs. Butts, Mrs. H. C. Edrington, Mrs. McCabe, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Connery and Mrs. Lauderdale of Dallas.

In the hall stood the punch table, set generously with fruits, including grapes, apples and grape fruit. Miss Pendleton and Miss Fakes served the nectar.

In the dining room ices and cake were served with tea a la Russe, Mrs. Olive Edrington Scott and Mrs. J. W. Mitchell being at opposite ends of the table. Assisting in the dining room were Mrs. Callaway, Misses Bibb, Lucille and Bess White and Edna Pendleton.

During the receiving hours, from 3 to 6, several hundred guests called.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Bomar gave one of the most elaborate dinners ever served in Fort Worth at the Touraine hotel Friday night in honor of Dr. Fenton B. Turck. Covers were laid for twenty-six guests. The banquet hall was elaborately decorated with fall leaves and chrysanthemums, while on the table were plate glass mirrors surrounded by smilax intertwined with beautiful carnations. In the middle of the table was a large bunch of roses. At either side of the doors of the banquet hall were large horns of plenty filled with chrysanthemums. An innovation in dinner cards was the crest of the hotel embossed in gold on the corner.

Those present at the banquet were Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Bomar, Dr. Fenton B. Turck, Mrs. W. A. Adams, Mrs. Chase, Dr. George Adams, Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Walker, Dr and Mrs. W. A. Duringer, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Suggs, Dr. I. C. Chase, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stripling, Mr. and Mrs. N. Harding, Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Humble, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Burney, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilkinson.

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Mrs. Dan Waggoner's Tea

Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock Mrs. Dan Waggoner received her friends to meet her niece, Miss Halsell. The beautiful Waggoner home presented a most cheerful appearance with its decorations of pink roses and ferns. In the dining room, Mrs. Guy Waggoner poured chocolate and Mesdames Wharton and McKee served tea and salad.

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Cards with Mrs. Lewis

Mrs. C. W. Lewis' card party Tuesday afternoon provided her friends with a pleasure to which all gave sincere expressions of appreciation. Beautiful yellow "mums" were used, but when the players for fifteen tables of high five were assembled the beautiful gowns worn and the radiant cheerfulness of the guests eclipsed these floral beauties.

Miss Watkins succeeded in winning every game and was given a beautiful Haviland vase. Miss McCarty won the souvenir, a Japanese bowl. Miss Akers of Mississippi was favored with a Haviland puff box for assisting in scoring.

Mrs. Lewis' guests were: Mesdames Armstrong, Irwin, Collins, Capps, Colvin, Felder, Pettigrew, Gross, Gordon, Huff, Hunt, Hardeman, Lawson, Peterson, Samuels, Stonestreet, Strupier, Parker, French, Templeton, Ida L. Turner, Stewart, Howells, Pleasants, Anderson, Connery, Hartford, Mayo, Margaret Lewis, Malony, Blake, Connell, Keeler, Terrell and Furman; Misses Zane-Cetti, Anderson, Bibb, Hassard, Hull, Murdock, Price, Hogg, Wills, Watkins, Gregg, Gardner, Rintleman, Reagan, Darter Lewis, Daniels, FcCarthey, Smith, Coppage, Shaw, Holvet, Flato, Campbell, Price and Akers of Mississippi.

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The Fortnightly Whist

A jollier company of whist players could not be found than were the guests of Mrs. W. F. Foster Wednesday afternoon. Silver score cards were used in keeping tally, that belonging to Mrs. McLain having ten credits. For this she received the guest prize, a dainty bit of Dutch embroidery on a lunch cloth. Mrs. Dooly won its mate from the club members.

Over bowls of fresh hickory nuts with home-made cake and New Mexico cider, the guests envied the club winners their tasteful prizes.

Mrs. Foster's guests were: Mesdames Dooley, Taylor, Sawyer, Mullins, Gross, Gayle, Bibb, Bronquist, Connell, Peterson, Coombs, McLain, Stearns, Johnson, Hackett, Mitchell, Hills, Robinson, Busbee, Larimer, Yale and Miss Fuller.

Mrs. Yale will be the hostess of the club the first Wednesday in January.

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Dinner at Rosecroft

Mrs. Jim Burgess entertained with a family dinner the other day that was really a family reunion. Rosecroft, the country home, was the scene of the happy occasion. Mrs. Burgess' guests were Mrs. J. W. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Warfield Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Burgess, Mrs. Lily Burgess Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Van Zandt Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. King, Miss May Blossom Beaumont of Kentucky, Misses Annie Mae and Goldie King Alexander and Burgess Smith.

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Over the Tea Cups

Mrs. H. W. Lusher and Mrs. W. V. Bowman entertained most charmingly Monday afternoon, in honor of Miss Lucy Norred, a bride-elect, whose friends include all who have had opportunities to know her. Mrs. Lusher used quantities of yellow chrysanthemums and palms for her decorations.

Mrs. J. E. Lusk and Mrs. R. C. Armstrong poured the tea, and Misses Josephine Woods and Lily Shepherd passed the cake and bonbons. Mrs. G. W. Armstrong and Mrs. Mittie McCammon assisted in receiving and entertaining.

Each guest on arriving passed the gift brought to the dining room, and after a pleasant hour they gathered around the table with the bride, and Mrs. Duncan Ross graciously voiced the sentiments of the givers in the speech of presentation of several dozen rare and beautiful tea cups.

Among those enjoying the hour "over the tea cups" were Mesdames R. C. Armstrong, G. W. Armstrong, Mittie McCammon, Colgan, Ferguson, Hampton, Burgher, Woods, Evans, Nolan, Pierce, Hawes, Lincoln, Webb, Williams, Lacava, Ross, Brock, Lansford, Lackey, Booth, Perkins, Wells, J. E. Lusk, Sweeney, Hickman, Norred, Fincher and Shepherd and Misses McDaniels, Shepherd, Woods, Goodner, Froment, Chollar, Ruby Norred, Finklea, Armstrong, Sweeney, Colgan and Hickman.

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For Mrs. William Matthews

Mrs. Robert Harle gave a farewell party for Mrs. William Matthews Friday evening, her guests being intimate friends of Mrs. Matthews, who are bemoaning her departure. The guests of the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wallace, Miss Phillips, Mr. and Ranson, Mr. and Mrs. Keiso, Mr. and Mrs. Foute, Mrs. Caffey, Miss Caffey, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Thompscon, Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Galbreath, Hall Frey and Mrs. Jennie Foute.

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To Bid Mrs. Pruit Farewell

Club women without regard to club affiliations are deeply regretting the loss of Mrs. Drew Pruit, who removes to California, and to show their appreciation of this gifted worker in literary and philanthropic lines several hundred club women called at the Worth Friday afternoon to pay her special honor. Tea was served, the decorations being beautiful. The hostesses of the afternoon were Mesdames H. C. Edrington, Harris, D. T. Bomar, John C. Rynan, I. H. Burney, R. E. Buchanan and John P. Hird. These ladies, who are directors of the literary work of the Woman's Wednesday Club this year, tendered this reception to Mrs. Pruit, who has completed her work assigned for this year.

Assisting these ladies in the receiving line were the officers of the club, Mrs. H. W. Williams, president; Mrs. George Clayton, Mrs. John P. King, Mrs. Penniston and Mrs. Harrison.

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Guests Honored

Mrs. Goldgraber entertained Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Albert Wertheimer and Mrs. Cohsland of New York. Mrs. Cohsland won the guests' souvenir, a perfume bottle, cutting for it with Miss Ephraim of Hempstead and Miss Mayer of San Antonio.

Mrs. Alexander won a vase in a cut with Mrs. Weltman and Miss Mayer.

A luncheon of oyster cocktail with pickles and crackers, shrimp salad, hot rolls, coffee and cake was served, with carnations for each guest.

Those present were: Mesdames L. Gordon, A. B. Wolfson, H. Brann, J. Wolf, O. T. Simon, L. Weltman, U. M. Simon, Wertheimer, Jac Mayer, M. Alexander and the guests of honor, Misses Mayer, Weltman and Promer.

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A Surprise Party

Mrs. L. Weltman gave a very jolly surprise party Tuesday night, complimentary to Miss Ephriam of Hempstead, Texas. Whist was played during the evening. Miss Hogg of Georgia secured the ladies' prize and Arthur Weltman the gentlemen's prize. Delicious refreshments were served to the following: Misses Ephriam, Mayer, Waldstein, Brown, Simon, Freidman, Murdock, Hogg, Neumagen, Sturman, Jasin, Gabert, Sunberg; Messrs. Carb, Bierbaum, Alexander, Simon, Jasin, Weltman, Neumagen, Brann, Gabert,

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WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Tuesday

Mrs. Merrill's musical in honor of Miss Croysdale and Mrs. John Homan.

Mrs. McCabe entertains with cards for Mrs. Burbridge of Denver.

Wednesday

Social Book with Mrs. Mullins.

Daughters of Caledonia with Mrs. Dewar, corner Welsh and Myrtle streets.

Seriatim Whist with Mrs. Ault, 1503 West Fifth.

Thursday

Newkirk-Walker Wedding.

Brock-Lofton wedding.

Broadway Baptist church with Mrs. W. B. Harrison.

West Side Social with Mrs. Jerome C. Kearby at Madrid at Madrid Flats.

Friday

Childrens' party at County Club by Mrs. W. T. Humble and Mrs. J. B. Googins.

Saturday

W. A. G.'s with Miss Alice Lusk.

College dance given by Mrs. Ford to Miss Frances Harrison at her new home on Interurban.

CHRISTMAS WEEK

Wednesday

Imperials' annual dance at Imperial hall.

Miss Charlie Mae Scott's morning party for Misses Taylor of Kentucky and Robertson of Abilene.

The Misses Mastersons' dance at the Worth.

Thursday

Entre Nous formal germain at the Worth.

Miss Virginia Rossington entertains with cards for the Misses Capps in the afternoon.

Do As You Please with Mrs. Colton.

Friday

Mrs. Willard Burton's dance for Miss Bernice Platter.

Saturday

Thalians' anniversary dance at Hotel Worth.

German at Forth Worth Club.

Tuesday

Sans Pariel german, full dress, at Imperial hall.

The Christmas Tree

By FRANK H. SWEET

Only a star—a shining star—
More glorious than our planets are,
But watched by wistful eyes and bright,
And longing hearts, that wondrous night.

Only a manger, shadow-thronged,
That on two tender faces fall—
Where sweet-breathed cattle quietly
For midnight slumber bent the knee.

Only the light of tapers small,
T8hat on two tender faces fall—
Two tender faces—one divine—
That still through all the centuries shine

From palace walls, from thrones of gold,
From churches, shrines, cathedrals old,
Where the grand masters of their art
Wrought faithfully with hand and heart.

Only a babe—in whose small hand
Is seen no scepter of command,
But at whose name, with freedom's sword,
Move the great armies of the Lord.

Only a cross—but oh, what light
Shines from God's throne on Calvary's height!
His birth, His life, the angels see
Written on every Christmas tree.

—Putnam's Monthly.

Get SOMETHING Of This Kind For Her Christmas Gift:

LADIES' PURSE; We Have Them from $3 to $16.50
A MANICURE SET; We Have Them from $2 to $25
A FINE BOTTLE OF PERFUME. WE HAVE THE BEST Brought to This Market

Get For His Christmas Gift:

A FINE RAZOR; A FINE KNIFE
A COLLAR BOX; A TRAVELING SET
A PAIR OF MILITARY BRUSHES

And By All Means Get MAILLARD'S FINE CANDY Allegretti's Chocolate Creams, and Rudolph & Bauer's Caramel Biscuit If You Want the Best

706 MAIN STREET — R. A. ANDERSON, The Quality DRUGGIST — OPEN ALL NIGHT

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Gifts for Girls

Gold Necklaces, from $1.19 to $2.50
Sterling Silver Manicure Sets from $2.50 up.
Silver Nethersole Bracelets, 98c to $1.50
Pearl Bead Necklaces, 10c up to $3.75
Manicure Scissors, 65c up to $1.65
Silver Thimbles, from 25c up to 98c
Plain or Set Rings, 75c to $2.45
Silver Brush and Comb, $3.45 to $8.95
Hat Pins, 25c up
Toy Chairs, 50c to $1.25
Enameled Iron Beds, 98c to $1.48
White Enameled Furniture, 98c to $10.95
Pretty Little Pictures, 25c up
Storm Coats, $2.25 up
Walking Skirts, $3.98 up to $10.00
Fur Sets from $1.25 to $13.95
Dressed Dolls, 25c up
Undressed Dolls, 10c to $25.00
Gold Hat Pins, $1.19

This Is the Comfortable Store—Delightful in the Morning.

Doll Furniture, 50c to $10.95
Doll Outfits, 75c
Doll Trunks, 25c to $1.00
Doll Go-Carts, 48c to $6.95
Dolls White Furniture—all prices
Laundry Sets, 48c to $1.00
Doll Tea Sets, 10c to $2.25
Toy Kitchen Sets, 25 up
Toy Ranges, 69c to $3.25
Toy Pianos, 25c to $6.95
Paper Dolls, 10c to 25c
Leather Hand Bags, 25c to $5.00
Vanity Bags, 25c to $1.50
Pretty Kid Gloves, $1.00
Wool Gloves, 25c to 50c
Umbrellas, $1.25 to $5.00
Children's Handkerchiefs, 5c to 60c
Hair Ribbons, all prices
Work Boxes, 25c to $2.50
Games of all kinds, 10c up
Christy Calendars, $2.75
Fisher Calendars, $2.75
Gibson or Life Calendars, $1.75
"Little Colonel Books," $1.25
Miss Alcott's Books, $1.19
"Five Little Pepper Books," $1.20
Blackboards, $1.00 to $2.69
Child's Writing Desk, $1.00 to $10.95
Silver Hat Pin Holders, $1.25 to $1.75
Christmas Boxes of Paper, 25c up
Leather Music Rolls, 50c to $4.95
Japanese Art China, 25c up
White Gauze Fans, 25c up
Dainty Pin Cushions, 29c to $1.95
Work Baskets, 50c up
Gloves Boxes, 25c to $4.50
Handkerchief Boxes, 25c to $4.50
Picture Blocks, 10c to 98c
Tricycles from $2.69 up to $3.98
Post Card Abums, 50c to $1.50
Doll Beds, 25c up
Piano Stools, 69c
Extension Book Racks, 65c
Calendars, 10c to $3.69
Xmas Cards, 1c up
Post Cards, every kind
Perfumery in Xmas boxes, 25c up
Sachet Powders, 10c package
Perfumery Atomizers, 50c up
Good Warm Stockings, 15c up
Sewing Sets, $1.00 and $1.25
Silver Buffers, 75c to $1.69
Manicure Articles, 65c to $1.58
Silver Darners, 25c to 58c
Needle Books, 25c to $1.10
Manicure Sets, $3.45 to $6.50
Pin Cushions, fancy shapes, 15c to 35c
Hair Receivers, 39c to $1.10
Doll Shoes and Doll Hose, 10c to 25c

Shop Early in the Morning Before the Throngs Are Greatest.

Gifts for Baby

Rag Dolls, 25c to $6.50
Rubber Balls, 5c to 50c
Rolling Chimes, 5c to 98c
Gold Rings, 29c to 75c
Silver Spoons, $1.25 up
Silver Bib Holders, 65c
Baby's Biography, 75c to $2.50
Toy Books, 5c up
Rubber Dolls, 10c up
Rubber Rattles, 10c up
Mittens, 10c to 25c
Necklaces, 25c to $1.50
Silk Caps, 75c to $3.25
Dress Pins, 25c to $1.50
Comb Sets, 75c to $2.50
Warm Coats, $1.25 to $6.95
Bracelets, 49c to $1.45
Building Blocks, 10c to 98c
Rag Animals, 25c to $5.00
Rocking Horses, $1.00 to $7.95.
Iron Toys, 50c to $25.00
Mechanical Toys, 25c to $4.95
Toy Whips, 10c
Toy Animals, 10c up
Humpty Dumpty Circus, 58c to $12.95
Baby Blankets, $1.50 up
Knife and Fork Sets, 25c

Gifts for Women

Broadcloth Evening Wraps, $25.00 to $45.00.
White Silk Waists, from $3.98 to $6.95
Silk Shirt Waists, from $3.00 to $6.95
Walking Skirts, $3.98 to $37.50
Linen Waists, $1.25 up
Woolen Waists, 98c to $4.95
Flannelette Wrappers, 98c to $3.69
Crepe de Chine Scarfs, $1.69 to $4.95
Dressing Sacques, 98c to $10.95
Jap Silk Kimonos, $3.98 to $10.95

Elderdown Robes, $1.98 to $6.95
Book Racks, 65c and $1.25
Calendars, 5c to $3.69
Evening Hats, $5.00 to $25.00
Bath Robes, $2.25 to $4.95
Kimonos, $2.50 to $10.95
Leather Desk Sets, 48c to $5.95
Xmas Stationery, 25c to $4.75
Chafing Dishes, $5.95 to $8.95
Tea Balls, Silver, $1.75 to $2.19
Coffee Percolators, $8.95
Five O'clock Teas, $7.95 to $8.95
Feather Boas and Stoles, $3.98 to $11.95
Silk Petticoats, $3.98 to $25.00
Lilly of France Corsets, $4.95 to $8.50
"La Vida" and "W. B." Corsets, $1.00 to $16.50
Fans, 50c to $7.50
Gold Rings, 75c to $2.45
Gold Bracelets, $1.00 to $5.95
Silver Hat Pins, 15c up
Gold Hat Pins, $1.19
Vanity Boxes, $2.45
Gold Cuff Buttons, $1.50 to $2.95
Gold Brooches, $1.50 to $4.95
Gold Breast Pins, $1.50 to $5.00
Gold Stick Pins, 50c to $2.25
Gold Dress Pins, 50c
Gold Jewel Set Rings, 75c to $2.75
Silver Lip Salve Boxes, 65c
Jewel Boxes, 50c to $4.95
Tea Strainers, $1.45 to $2.50

Silver Bon Bons, $3.75 to $4.95
Sterling Silver Toilet Sets, $6.50 to $65.00
Bead Necklaces, 10c to $3.95
Pearl Collars, $2.50 to $3.95
Jeweled Back Combs, $1.25 to $16.50
Back and Side Combs, set, $1.25 to $10.00
Electroliers, $7.95 to $29.50
Sterling Mirrors, $8.95 to $10.95
French Plate Mirrors, $1.25 to $3.25
Sterling Cloth Brushes, $3.25 to $4.98
Sterling Hair Brushes, $3.75 to $5.75
Umbrellas, fancy handles, $1.00 to $15.75
Belt Buckles, 25c to $4.50
Fancy Belts, $1.00 to $2.50
Handkerchiefs, 5c to $5.50
Dainty Neckwear up from 25c
Silk Scarfs, $1.69 to $4.95
Fancy Candelabra, $2.50 to $5.95
Woolen Blankets, $3.98 to $12.95
Driving Gloves, $1.25 to $2.50

Come Early Monday Morning—Come Early Every Morning

Dress Kid Gloves, $1.00 to $2.25
Long Kid Gloves, $3.50 to $4.00
Long Silk Gloves, $1.98
Framed Pictures, 95c to $19.50
Christy Pictures, in sets of 4, $3.25
Fisher Pictures, in sets of 4, $3.25
Remington Pictures in sets of 4, $3.00
Gibson or Life Calendars, $1.75
Christy or Fisher Calendars, $2.75
Christy Books, $2.75 and $3.00
Crocheted Slippers, $1.00
Embroidered Linens, 50c to $13.95
Table Linen Sets, from $3.95 to $19.50
Colgate's Perfumes, 25c up
Hudnut's Perfumes, 50c up
Farnesse Violet Extracts, $1.50 oz.
Rain Coats, $6.95 to $29.50
Dress Coats, $3.98 to $45.00
Furs, Boas, Scarfs, etc., $3.95 to $95.00
Opera Bags, $1.00 to $4.95
Fur Muffs, $11.95 to $25.00

Hand Bags, $1.50 to $24.50
Sterling Silver Table Ware, $4.95 to $25.00
Rogers' 1847 Table Ware, $1.35 up
Jardinieres, $1.39 to $7.95
Set of Haviland China, $39.50 to $69.00
Austrian China Dinner Sets, $6.50 to $39.00
American China Dinner Sets, $15.95
Hand-painted China, 69c to $24.50
Cut Glass Bowls, $3.45 to $22.50
Cut Glass Vases, $1.25 to $24.50
Cut Glass Novelties, 25c to $3.95
Bohemian Glassware, all prices
Sterling Silver odd Table Pieces, $1.50 to $5.50
Sterling Silver Novelties, 58c to $1.50
Souvenir Spoons, Sterling, 75c to $2.50
Work Baskets, 25c to $6.95
Fish and Game Sets, $6.95 to $21.50
Japanese Vases, $1.98 to $7.95
Oxford Teachers' Bibles, $1.25 to $7.50
Prayer Books and Hymnals, 75c to $6.00
Fancy Garters, 65c to $1.00
Fine Silk Hose, $1.00 to $4.95

What to Give for Christmas

Practical Suggestions for Puzzled People

Nearly every man and some women knows what it is to worry over the question: What to give for Christmas? It is not a question of how much to spend, but of what gift will bestow the greatest pleasure on the recipient—of selecting the right thing for the right person. Wouldn't it be pleasant if someone who **knows** should take the whole trouble off your shoulders and make out a list of things you never would have thought of, but are just the things you want? No one should be better able to tell these things than this store, to which people have been coming for Christmas gifts and advice about Christmas gifts for many a year.

Read this page of Gift Suggestions and keep it by you.

We have gone all through the store and compiled a list of about four hundred suggestions for gifts. Counting the full range of price for each article mentioned the number would be multiplied many times. Of course there are hundreds of things in the Store which are not mentioned here at all, but they are in most cases akin to those named, and as you read you will think of them.

Read this list for suggestions, and then come to the Store where **shopping is easiest, service best, delivery most trustworthy.**

This is the brightest, most comfortable Christmas Store in Fort Worth. The gift-things are fresh and well arranged for selection, and a gift parcel from "The Fair" insures quality.

The advantage of early morning Christmas shopping.

We have stocks of merchandise in every department to meet every demand, although of course some of the novelties which cannot be duplicated are disappearing each day. We have more employes to wait on you than ever before, but great as our capacity and organization may be, **all who want to do their shopping in this store cannot get in at once; but all can get in and shop comfortably if enough of them come early in the morning.**

The doors open at 7:45 and everything is in apple-pie order by 8 o'clock. From that time until noon is the best time for shopping. If you have not yet experienced the delights of early morning shopping—**try it on Monday.**

This store will be open every night beginning on Wednesday

Shop Early in the Day

Gifts for Men

Full Dress Protectors, $1.50 to $3.00
Silk Mufflers, 58c up
Linen Handkerchiefs, 10c to 75c
Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c to 75c
Collar and Cuff Boxes, 25c to $5.95
House Coats, $5.00
Night Shirts, 50c to $1.25
Cigar Boxes, $1.00 to $4.95
Smoking Stands, 98c to $4.95
Tobacco Jars, $1.25 up
Smoking Sets, 98c to $4.95
Cigar Cases, $1.75 to $3.98
Cigarette Cases, $1.00 to $3.50
Signet Rings, $1.95
Gold Scarf Pins, 50c to $2.50
Gold Watch Fobs, $1.25 to $2.50
Pocket Knives, 50c to $2.50
Good Razors, $1.00 up
"Carbo-Magnetic" Razors, $1.50 to $3.00

The Store Opens at 7:45 o'Clock—Ready For Business at 8 o'Clock.

Bath-room Slippers, 95c
Reading Lamps, $7.95 to $29.50
Book Racks, 65 to $1.25
Books—to suit his taste
Paper Knives, 25c to $1.00
Fountain Pens, $1.00 to $7.50
Ink Wells, 25c up
Pen Racks, 25c up
Blotters, 10c up
Pen Wipers, 10c up
Hunting Pictures, $1.25 up
Pictures (ideal heads), $3.00 to $15.00
Scrap Baskets, 25c up
Fancy Gaiters, 65c to $1.50
Sofa Cushions, 39c to $2.25
Umbrellas, from $1.25 up to $15.00
Suit Cases, $1.98 to $10.95
Card Cases, 50c to $2.25
Bill Books, 50c to $2.50
Coin Purses, 50c to $1.50
Military Brushes, $1.25 to $10.95
Hat Brushes, $1.25 to $2.95
Clothes Brushes, $1.25 to $4.98
Traveling Bags, $1.00 to $9.50
Traveling Cases, $1.69 to $9.50
Shaving Sets, $1.69 to $8.50
Shaving Pads, 25c to 50c
Shaving Mirrors, $1.00 to $3.50
Triplicate Mirrors, $1.00 to $8.95
Pocket Knives, 50c to $2.50
Manicure Scissors, 65c to $1.65
Nail Files, 25c to 75c
Razor Sets, in case, $4.95 to $8.50
Flasks, $1.00 to $4.50
Corkscrews, 69c to $3.25
Gloves, $1.00 to $1.50
Silk Neckwear, 25c to 50c
Silk Suspenders, 50c and 75c
Scarf Pins, 50c to $1.95
Thermometers, 25c to $1.50
Mustache Combs, 25c up

As Much Can Be Done in an Hour Early as Two Hours Late

Moustache Sets, 79c
Hat Brushes, $1.25 to $2.95
Fancy Clocks, $3.95
Steins, 75c to $2.98
Statues and Busts, $2.50 to $4.95
Match Boxes, 58c to $3.50
1907 Calendars, 5c to $3.00
Silver Key Rings, 25c to 98c
Stamp Boxes, 58c to 75c
Shaving Mirrors, 89c to $6.95
Paper Weights, 15c to 98c
Oxford Bibles, 50c to $7.50
Set of Shakespeare, $6.95 to $20.00
Thackeray's Works, half leather, 15 volumes, $21.50
Stevenson complete, 25 volumes, leather, $31.25
"Mark Twain's Books," 4 in set, $4.90.
"Henry Van Dyke's" Books, 4 in set, $4.85.
Constant's Private Life of Napoleon, $3.50

Gifts for the Aged

Black Silk Dress Patterns, $12.25
Lace Collars from 25c up
Gold Eyeglass Chains, 50c up
Black Silk Mufflers, 75c to $2.50
Soft Silk Handkerhiefs 25c to 75c
Crocheted Slippers, $1.00
Book Racks, 65c to $1.25
Large type Bibles, $1.25 up
Silver Handled Darners
Headache Cologne, 75c
Fine Perfumery, 25c up
Sachet Powders, 10c up
Silver Tea Balls, $1.19 to $2.50
Five O'clock Tea Stands, $5.95 to $7.95
Folding Wood Screens, $6.50 up
Lap Writing Tablets, $1.25 up
Needle Books, 25c to $1.25
Work Baskets and Boxes, 50c up
Religious Books, 25c to $3.00
Silver Handled Darners, 25c up

Gifts for Boys

Mufflers of silk, 58c up to $2.25
Drums, 25c to $1.25
Neckties, 25c to 50c
Air Rifles, 69c to $2.25
Rocking Horses, $1.98 to $10.95
Velocipedes, $1.69 to $10.95
Automobiles, 25c to $3.25
Automobile Engines, up to $25.00
Kid Gloves, 75c and $1.00
Handkerchiefs, 5c up
Clothes Brushes 35c to $1.50
Umbrellas, $1.00 to $5.00
Chautauqua Blackboards, $2.25
Trains of Cars, 48c to $2.25
Royal Mails, up to $24.50
Friction Toys, 48c to $3.25
Woolly Animals, 25c to $5.00
Baseball Games, $2.95
Horses and Wagons, 25c to $1.00

Everybody Will Be Waited Upon, But Morning Shopping Is Wisest.

Desks for small boys, 98c to $6.95
Patrol Wagons 48c to $1.00
Hook and Ladders, 25c to $3.25
Books from 25c to $2.00
Traveling Bags, $1.69 to $5.00
Suit Cases, $2.50 to $7.50
Collar and Cuff Boxes, 25c to $3.25
Card Cases, 25c to $1.50
Purses for change, 25c to $1.00
Bill Folds, 25c and 50c
Tool Chests, 98c to $6.95
Magic Lanterns, $1.00 to $5.95
Airships, 39c
Footballs, 50c to $2.98
Cuff Buttons, 58c to $2.95
Scarf Pins, 50c to $1.95
Fountain Pens, $1.00 to $7.50
Signet Rings, $1.25 to $1.98
Boxes of Stationery, 25c to $4.75
Watch Fobs, $1.25

Breakfast Early, Come at Once; Shopping Is Easiest From 8 Until 11.

Soldiers' Suits, 89c to $1.25
Humpty Dumpty Circus, 98c to $12.95
Teddy Bears, $2.00 to $7.50
Pictures for his room, 25c up
Crokinole, $1.00 to $2.69
Card Games, 10c to 75c
Wheelbarrows, 25c to $1.00
Express Wagons, 69c to $3.25
Pocket Knives, 25c to $2.50
Toy Automobiles, 25c to $1.00
Military Brushes, $1.25 to $3.50
Hair Brushes, 50c to $4.50
Hat Brushes, 50c to $2.95
"Men of Achievement," 4 volumes, $2.50
Parkman's Histories, 13 volumes, $22.50
"The Deerfoot" Series, 3 volumes, box, $2.75
Napoleon's Military Career, 75c
"The Rover Boys' Books," 50c
"Henty" and "Alger" Books, 25c
Building Blocks, 10c to 98c
Fur Top Mittens, 75c
Warm Underwear, 25c up
Crocheted Bedroom Slippers, $1.00
Strong School Hose, 25c to 35c
Nail Files, 19c to 75c
Pocket Testaments, 7c to 95c
Scholars' Bibles, $1.25
Special Fountain Pen, $1.00
Set of Dickens, 15 volumes, $18.50

Mail orders filled for any article on this page.

Gifts for Home Helpers

Pretty Neckwear, 25c up
Woolen Shirt Waists, 98c up
Heavy Cotton Waists, 75c up
Kid Gloves for women, $1.00
Men's Kid Gloves, $1.00 and $1.50
Good Razors, $1.00 to $2.00
Pocket Knives, 25c to $2.50
Pretty Dress Goods Patterns, $3.95
Woolen Blankets, $2.69 up
Shaving Mugs, 25c up
Jewel Boxes, 75c up
Brush and Comb Sets, $1.50 up
Silk Neck Ties, 25c and 50c
Linen Handkerchiefs, 5c up
Women's Belts, 25c up
Good Hosiery, 25c up
Knit Underskirts, 75c to $1.50
Outing Wrappers and Kimonos, $1.19 up
China Hair Receivers, 25c up
Pocket Books, 58c up
Men's Pocket Books, 25c up

Remember the Old

Those to whom the memory of past happiness is their strongest tie to earth, whose Christmas today is but a recollection of Christmases long ago, should have their hearts warmed by attentions which bring to mind the happy yuletides of bygone years.

Remember the Sick

In the midst of general merrymaking pain and languor and isolation seem to assume an aspect of deeper gloom. All the more welcome to the sick is every token that they are held in kindly remembrance by those who are well and happy.

The Fair

Fifth and Houston — Fort Worth, Texas

Remember the Poor

The keenest joy of receiving and perhaps the keenest joy of giving are experienced when those are remembered or discovered who have few to send them gifts. Here the promptings of duty are in full harmony with the impulse of the generous heart.

Remember the Helpers

Let the spirit of Christmas do something to gladden the hearts of the household helpers, something to show that faithful service, day in and day out, meets with a recognition which wages alone can never fully express.

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Cards for Miss Giesen

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hines entertained at cards in honor of Miss Gertrude Giesen of San Marcos.

Smilax, palms and evergreens prevailed in the decorations, making a beautiful effect.

Progressive whist was the game of the evening. The first prize, a hand-painted fruit bowl, was awarded Miss Giesen; the consolation prize, a beautiful burnt wood plaque, went to Mrs. Rowland D. Williams, and the gentleman's prize, a box of cigars, went to H. Zane-Cetti.

Music, story and song were interspersed and Phil Auer's toast to "Shen-Topics" will encourage everyone to brush up on American history. Wine

THE WOMAN'S STORE — The Fair — THE WOMAN'S STORE

FINAL REDUCTIONS ON WOMEN'S

Tailored Suits

EVERY SUIT HERE REDUCED 1-4 TO 1-2

MONDAY we inaugurate a great sale of Women's Tailored Suits—offering every suit in stock—no reservations—at a reduction of one-fourth to one-half from our usual moderate prices. And why? The rule of this store is, NO GARMENTS CARRIED OVER FROM ONE SEASON TO THE NEXT, hence these remarkably low prices in order to make a clean sweep of all Women's Suits. Included in this offering are some suits from almost every popular and correct style offered this season. We haven't every size in every style, but we have your size in some style, and the great price reductions offered you Monday and this week mean real economy to every purchaser.

Women's Tailored Suits, priced at $10.00 to $79.50, Monday and this week reduced One-fourth to One-half.

Handsome Costumes Reduced 25%

NOT a great number of these beautiful Costumes, but every garment here offered perfect of its kind. Dressy Costumes in Princess or two-piece style, made of crepe de chine, messaline and radium silk; also of net and lace, white and dainty evening shades. Former prices $40.00 and up to $95.00; **Monday and this week reduced 25 per cent.**

A Special Inducement--Alterations Free

As a special inducement to Monday shoppers, we will make necessary alterations on Suits and Costumes bought MONDAY, Free of Charge. This offer is good for one day only, and applies to the above advertised garments—bought on MONDAY.

Silk Petticoats, $10 to $25
Reduced 25%

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Cohen, Nuremberg, Mr. and Mrs. Goldgraber.

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Cards for Miss Giesen

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hines entertained at cards in honor of Miss Gertrude Giesen of San Marcos.

Smilax, palms and evergreens prevailed in the decorations, making a beautiful effect.

Progressive whist was the game of the evening. The first prize, a hand-painted fruit bowl, was awarded Miss Giesen; the consolation prize, a beautiful burnt wood plaque, went to Mrs. Rowland D. Williams, and the gentleman's prize, a box of cigars, went to Mr. Zane-Cetti.

Music, story and song were interspersed and Phil Auer's toast to "Shenanigopics" will encourage everyone to keep up on American history. Wine and a dainty salad were served. Those present were: Mmes. Phil A. Auer and Rowland D. Williams, Misses Giesen, Hayes and Marion Zane-Cetti, Messrs. Phil A. Auer, Rowland D. Williams, John R. Reeves, F. M. McClure, Herbert Hayes and C. H. Zane-Cetti.

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A Box Party

Mrs. Stonestreet invited Misses Madeline McCart and Andre Anderson and Mesdames Arnold and James Anderson to witness the performance of "The Land of Nod," which was given Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Arnold was the guest of honor.

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Charity Ball

The charity ball given under the auspices of the Jewish Women's Council Thursday evening was a very successful affair, more than a hundred couples enjoying the cheerful dances and the merry evening. Mrs. Dan Brown was chairman of the ball committee and Mrs. L. G. Schenck was assistant chairman. Mrs. Seligman and Mrs. Alexander were active in seeing that all the guests had as much pleasure as the occasion afforded.

The Jewish Woman's Council is a national organization with local chapters. The funds they secure are devoted to the Orphans' Home in New Orleans and the Consumptive Hospital in Denver.

The proceeds of the ball, however, amounting to more than $200, will be devoted exclusively to local charity.

You need a tonic that will put the sap of life into your system and fortify you from all diseases. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is recognized as the greatest strengthener known. Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. J. P. Brashear.

WEDDINGS

The Runnels-Norred Wedding

The Missouri Avenue church was filled to overflowing Tuesday evening with friends to witness the marriage of Miss Lucy Norred to L. Runnels. The church was attractive with white chrysanthemums and palms that were massed around the choir rail and pulpit. Before the ceremony Miss Inez McDaniel sang, "I Love You" to the piano accompaniment of Miss Kittie Gammill. At the close of the song Miss Jennie Finklea joined with the violin for Mendelssohn's wedding march for Mrs. W. V. Bowman, Miss Sallie Estes, Messrs. Vinson Norred and Dowles, the quartet of singers to take their places on the platform with the other musicians. They then sang the march from "Lohengrin" for the bride and her attendants, who were Misses Ada Belle Armstrong, Nora Sweeney, Jessie Hickman and Mae Goodner.

The bridegroom entered with Alvin Norred, who was best man. The bride came in with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Wylie Fincher, who was matron of honor. Rev. R. C. Armstrong officiated for the ceremony.

The bride's gown was an exquisite creation of radium crepe, with duchess medallions in the skirt, alternating with hand-run tucks and layers of ruchings. The bodice was trimmed with a yoke flounce of duchess lace.

The bridesmaids wore white chiffon of great elaboration of design and wore over primrose yellow slips, some of satin, others of taffeta. The bouquets were of white chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Fincher wore her wedding gown of white crepe de chine, with point lace trimmings.

Mr. and Mrs. Runnels left for New Orleans and will be at home after Jan. 1 at 1801 Hemphill street.

Among the many beautiful presents of china, silver and art pieces were the gifts from the teachers of the Eighth ward school, where the bride had been a popular and efficient teacher, and the pupils who had been in her charge. The teachers gave a dozen cut glass tumblers and the pupils a cut glass berry bowl and nappies.

Mr. Runnels is one of the successful business men of the live stock industry and is universally esteemed.

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Edwards-Purcell

A very pretty wedding was celebrated last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Purcell, when their daughter, Laura, was given in marriage to Eugene Edwards of Crowley, Texas. Rev. T. W. Phillips officiated. Only the intimate friends and relatives of the bride and bridegroom were present. The bride was beautifully attired in white crepe de chine, over white taffeta, and made an altogether charming appearance. Their host of friends wish them much future happiness. The beautiful presents of silverware, cut glass and hand-painted china, were numerous.

Immediately after refreshments congratulations and best wishes, the young people departed for their future home near Crowley.

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Harrington-Atwood

Sam B. Harrington, formerly of Stephenville, Texas, and Miss Fannie May Atwood of this city, were married Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the residence of E. C. Dalmage, 467 Samuels avenue, by the Rev. J. P. Mussett.

The young man is descended from pioneer stock of Erath county, his maternal grandfather, Fields, was one of the original twelve settlers of Erath.

The young lady is a native of this city, the youngest daughter of P. B. Atwood, an old resident, and an ex-Confederate soldier, and a member of R. E. Lee camp.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wolfson entertained Wednesday night with a surprise tacky party with whist in honor of their brother, Will Nurenburg. The prize for the tackiest gentleman, a Chinese figure, was won by Arthur Weltman. The ladies' prize, a Japanese doll, was won by Miss Flora Weltman. During the game, stick candy, salted peanuts, punch and popcorn in tacky boxes were served.

The gentlemen's whist prize, a silver handle hat brush, was won by Mr. Goff of Chicago, and the ladies' whist prize, a cut-glass perfume bottle, was won by Miss Ida Brown.

After the game, luncheon was served to Mr. and Mrs. J. Goldgraber, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. L. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. U. M. Simon, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brann, Misses Ida and Pearl Brown, Weltman, Simon of Tyler, Ruby and Blanche Friedman, Ephriam of Hempstead, Sturman, Plummer and Jasin, Dr. Jasin, and Messrs. Brann, Goff of Chicago, Robertson of Houston, Berebaum of Chicago, Alexander, Elchenbaum, Weltman, Block and Laskin.

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Mrs. McCabe will entertain with cards Tuesday complimentary to Mrs. Burbridge, of Denver.

Circle No. 9 of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Broadway Baptist church will give a tea next Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. B. Harrison, 328 Adams street.

Mrs. J. Malcolm Brown is visiting her mother, Mrs. George Hendricks, at San Angelo. She will spend the holidays.

Mrs. J. W. Fincher of Miles City is visiting her mother, Mrs. Norred.

Mr. and Mrs. David Shepherd of Sewanee, Tenn., will spend the holidays with Mrs. Shepherd's parents, Captain and Mrs. J. F. Waller.

Mrs. Goodrich of Wisconsin is the guest of Mrs. William Bryce.

Miss Marguerite Cantey, Miss Martha Cantey, Miss Mae Wilson, Miss Martin Mae and Alba Capps will spend the holidays at home.

Miss Mabel Long and Miss Nell Connell, who are at school in Washington, will be at home for Caristmas.

Miss Margeurite Adams, Miss Frances Harrison will reach home this week to spend the holidays.

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The Daughters of Caledonia will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. Dewar, corner Welsh and Myrtle streets.

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The West Side Social Club will meet with Mrs. Jerome C. Kearby next Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Kearby will entertain at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Mitchell.

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Miss Charlie Mae Scott will be the hostess of a card party Wednesday morning, Dec. 26, from 9:30 to 12. Her guests of honor will be Miss Taylor of North Carolina and Miss Robertson of Abilene.

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Rowland D. Williams announces his pupils' recital for Jan. 4 in Greenwall's opera house. An interesting program is in readiness and will be an important musical event.

The Sans Pariel Club will give a full dress german the night of Jan. 1, 1907, in Colonial hall.

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Mrs. J. A. Ault, 1504 West Fifth street, will be the hostess of the Seriatim Whist next Wednesday.

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J. L. Boicourt and Mrs. J. E. Westhoff slipped over to Dallas last Wednesday and when they returned Mrs. Westhoff had become Mrs. Boicourt. Mr. Boicourt is a valuable employe of the Midland Brass Works and his many friends are congratulating him and his bride on their happiness. They will reside at 115 East Leuda street.

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Miss Frances Gayle will give a high five party during the holidays complimentary to Miss Grace Fakes.

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Daughters of the American Revolution

The Daughters of the American Revolution met with Mrs. J. T. Lofton Thursday afternoon, transacting chapter business with the regent, Mrs. John F. Swayne, presiding.

The history lesson on Patrick Henry was conducted by Mrs. C. I. Dickinson, with contributions by Mrs. Robert Flournoy, who is a lineal descendant of the great orator and statesman.

Those present were: Mesdames Swayne, Bostick, Lofton, Dickinson, Conner, Harding, Harle, Flournoy, Hyman, Andrews, Gilliland, Matlock, Stanbery, Misses Frost and Yeates.

Mrs. Sedgwick was received into the chapter by transfer from the Waco chapter. Mrs. Flournoy will be the next hostess.

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The Daughters of the Confederacy held no meeting Friday on account of the weather.

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The E. H. A. met with Mrs. Friedman last week, re-electing all officers. Mrs. Seligman remains president, Mrs. Weltman, vice president, and Mrs. H. Brann, secretary and treasurer.

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Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Kate Walker to George Harmon Newkirk, the ceremony to take place at the residence, 1700 West Texas street, Thursday, Dec. 20.

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Miss Virginia Rossington will entertain with cards on Dec. 27, at the residence of her aunt, Mrs. J. M. Logan, complimentary to the Misses Capps.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Merrill will entertain with a musicale next Tuesday in honor of Miss Frances Croysdale of Kansas City and Mrs. John Homan of Enid, O. T.

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The Entre Nous will give a full dress dance at the Worth hotel Dec. 27.

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Mrs. Willard Burton will entertain Dec. 28 with a dance at the Worth hotel in honor of Miss Bernice Platter and the Entre Nous Club.

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CLUBS

"Do As You Please" Club

The "Do As You Please" Club was delightfully entertained last Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Custead, at the residence of Mrs. C. A. Steele, 205 West Daggett avenue.

High five was the feature of the afternoon. And the price, a dainty tatting center piece, was won by Mrs. H. E. Sawyer in a cut with Mmes. Hart and Gernsbacher.

In a cut for the club prizes, Mrs. Steele won a beautiful handkerchief, and Mrs. Ault a table mat. While the guest prize, a tatting center piece, was won by Mrs. Case.

A delicious two-course luncheon was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Steele, to Mmes. Lloyd, H. E. Sawyer, Hart, Ault, Colton, Siler, Steele, Addis, Gernsbacher and E. B. Sawyer. The guests were Mmes. Case and McWilliams. Mrs. J. B. Colton will be the next hostess, on Dec. 27.

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The Euterpean Club

The open meeting of the Euterpean Club Tuesday evening at the Temple attracted a large number of club friends and music lovers to hear a program of "old music," rendered by the talented members and associate members. William J. Marsh, the music director of the club, explained the program and gave brief sketches of the composers and history of those numbers famous long time ago, as he introduced the musicians.

Applause was flattering for all the numbers of the program which was as follows:

Quartet — "Kathleen Mavourneen," Mesdames Matthews, J. Montgomery Brown, Dan Brown and Miss Gregg.

Violin—Miss Grace Devenport.

Song—"Marguerite,' Mrs. J. Montgomery Brown.

Piano—"Old Folks at Home," Miss Charlotte Gregg.

Song—"Killarney," Mrs. O. W. Matthews.

Violin—Professor Rossignol.

Song—"Sweet Genevieve," Mrs. Bagley.

Song—"Lost Chord," John Bradley.

Quartet—"Old Black Joe," Mesdames Matthews, J. Montgomery Brown, Dan Brown and Miss Gregg.

Violin—"Melody in F" (Rubenstein), Professor Rossignol.

Song—"Juanita," Mrs. Dan Brown.

Piano—"Alice, Where Art Thou?" William J. Marsh.

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Friendship Study Club

The Friendship Study Club had a pleasant meeting with Mrs. Simpson on Tuesday afternoon. The club decided to set aside unfinished business and give more time to study. The next meeting will be a social one, with Mrs. D. J. Ryan, the date to be announced later.

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The Maple Club

The Maple Club was entertained on Wednesday afternoon by Mmes. Barrett, Foster, Whitehurst and McEwen, at the home of Mrs. Barrett.

A very jolly time was the ten minutes alloted to the moulding of animals. Mrs. Holden received the prize, a pretty paper weight. In an animal contest Mrs. Anderson won first prize, a beautiful picture. Mrs. Dooley won the consolation in a draw with Mrs. King. A two-course luncheon was served.

The next meeting will be Dec. 18, with Mrs. Dooley, 125 Bessie street, and every member is requested to be present, Whittier will be the author for the afternoon.

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The Penelope Club

The Penelope Club met in open session Tuesday afternoon with fifty guests, in addition to the full membership present.

The lesson was the annual afternoon devoted to Biblical literature. Roll call was answered by favorite quotations from the Scriptures. Mrs. McCarty, conducting, had class reading of the fifth chapter of St. Matthew, Mrs. McCarty furnishing a discourse on verse 8. The chief address was by Rev. G. W. Ray.

At the close of Rev. Mr. Ray's address Mrs. Clark served a two-course luncheon. Mrs. Clark also presented each guest with a souvenir booklet, the entire afternoon being a unique way of celebrating her birthday.

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The Harmony Club

The Harmony Club met with the president, Mrs. J. F. Lyons, Wednesday, continuing practice on the numbers to be rendered at the concert for the teachers' convention. The next meeting will also be with Mrs. Lyons, with a continuation of choral work.

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The Sorosis Club

The Sorosis, studying the history of England during the reign of the Plantagenets, had a paper, "Thomas a Becket," by Mrs. Felder. "The Conquest of Ireland was told by Mrs. Lofton, Mrs. C. T. Prewett conducted the lesson.

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The Monday Book

The Monday Book Club is having this year the most satisfactory meeting of the club existence, the attendance of practically every member at the meetings attesting to club loyalty and interest.

Mrs. Don Campbell conducted the round table talk, on Commander Peary and his "Farthest North." Mrs. McKee and Mrs. Craddock assisting. Mrs. Stovall read a paper on the Conway Cabal and Miss Bennett gave a sketch of Baron Steuben. "The Surrender of Burgoyne" was the topic of Miss Mary Brown's paper. Mrs. Glen-Walker read several poems of the revolution.

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The Trio Club

The Trio Club enjoyed the weekly rehearsal Monday afternoon, but will meet again before deciding upon the number to be rendered at the musical to be given in honor of the teachers' convention.

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The History Club

The History Club in pursuing a course on Japanese art, life and letters, heard a paper on "Realistic Schools," by Mrs. West, and one on lacquer work, by Miss Stripling. Miss Fakes told of household interiors, as she observed them during her recent tour of Japan.

The next meeting will be with Miss Fakes, who will display her collection of Japanese curios and works of art.

The Current Literature

Mrs. G. S. Hart was the hostess of the Current Literature Friday afternoon, serving a delicious luncheon after the study of French literature and hearing a paper on "Empress Josephine" by Mrs. Blanton.

Miss Sarah Carb has the club the first Friday in January.

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The Thursday Musical Club

The Thursday Musical Club met with Miss Etta Wilson Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, the hour following being spent in musical review.

Rythm and accent, tempo marks and abbreviations of marks of expression, rests, accents and musical groupings were included in the lesson.

Next Thursday French opera, from the time of Lully to the present will be discussed.

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PERSONALS

J. B. Daniel is home from Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Matlock will remove in a short time to San Antonio.

Miss Kate Butterfield of San Antonio is the guest of Mrs. S. M. Gaines.

John M. Spellman of Dallas was in town Thursday.

Miss Webb of St. Louis, Mo., is here on a visit with Mrs. Paul Bishop.

Miss Lucille Griffin has returned from a short stay at Galveston.

Mrs. A. B. Wharton spent Monday in Dallas.

Herman Church left last week for Utah.

Mrs. Oscar Flato is home after a visit in Eagle Pass, Texas.

Bert Honea arrived in Fort Worth Thursday from Stamford, Texas.

L. P. Robertson is home from Marlin, Texas.

Miss Kahn of Dallas is visiting Mrs. Heninger.

Mrs. W. F. Stewart left Monday for a short trip to St. Louis.

Miss Waldstein of Dallas spent Tuesday in Fort Worth.

Dale Smith and Roy Binyon have returned from Graham, Texas, where they attended a house party.

Miss Bess Wombwell and Miss Alice Stewart returned home today from a short visit in Graham.

Miss Eva Halsell of Vinita, I. T., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Dan Waggoner.

Misses Fay and Mabel Spencer arrive home this week for the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Wylie of Ballinger arrive next week, to be the guests of Mrs. J. M. Henderson.

Dudley Keith passed thru Fort Worth Wednesday from St. Louis, en route to Chicago.

Mrs. W. H. McKenzie of Enid, Okla., is here to spend Christmas with Mrs. Pauline Rintleman.

Mrs. B. M. Harding and son will leave in a few days for an extended visit in El Paso.

Miss Minnie Sanborn, who has been visiting in Austin, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Don Newlin of Krum, Texas, who has been the guest of Mrs. C. A. Newlin, returned home this week.

Miss Anderson of Wichita Falls, who has been the guest of Misses Lillie and Bettie Durrett, returned to her home last week.

L. P. Robertson has gone to Marlin, Texas, for a week or two. Mrs. Robertson may join him in a few days.

Mrs. W. L. Ragsford of New York City, who has been visiting Miss Nona Leach, has returned home.

Mrs. John S. Griffith of Terrell, who has been visiting her niece, Mrs. Calvin Mac Templeton, has returned home.

Mrs. L. Smith, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. C. Jewell, returned to her home in Kentucky.

Miss Mary Brown's guests, Misses Matthews and Lemond of Albany, have returned home.

Miss Maggie Conner left Wednesday to spend the holidays with friends and relatives in Chicago.

Miss Helen Murdock expects to leave on the 20th for a visit to friends in Brownsville.

Miss Frances Croysdale of Kansas City will be the guest of Mrs. Robert Merrill for several days.

Mrs. John Homan of Enid, O. T., will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spencer.

Miss Ethel Watkins left Wednesday for Dallas to visit her sister, Mrs. Walter Want.

Miss Lucile Rawlins, daughter of Mrs. Lalla Rawlins, is quite ill at her home on Weatherford street.

Mrs. William Matthews left Saturday for Denver where she joins Mr. Matthews for future residence.

Miss Ada Hughes of Dallas is spending some time with Miss Willie Bowlin.

Miss Lucy Taylor of North Carolina will be the guest during the holidays of Miss Charlie Mae Scott.

Will Gayle, who attends school at Castle Heights, in Lebanon, Tenn., will be home for the holidays.

Miss Annie Merle Reynolds will be home for the holidays, having been in Boston for the past few months, studying music.

Dr. S. G. Stubbins of St. Louis has returned home after a month's visit with his uncle, S. M. Gaines.

Mrs. Cross of Dallas came over on Thursday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. S. M. Gaines.

Miss Howard Foute, who is away at school, will spend the holidays at home.

Miss Logan of Dallas, who spent some time at the Country Club with Mrs. George Lettler, returned home Monday.

Miss Mary Smither of Huntsville spent a short time this week with Misses Lucille and Bess White, en route to Houston, Texas.

Miss Ephraim, who has been the guest of Miss Flora Weltman, left Wednesday for her home in Hempstead.

Miss Vanita Flato, who is attending school in San Antonio, will arrive Thursday to spend the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. T. B. Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Proctor and daughter of Missouri will spend the holidays with Mrs. Proctor's sister, Mrs. A. T. Baker.

Mrs. Drew Pruit will be with Mrs. John C. Ryan, East Weatherford street, until her departure for her home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gates, who have been touring the eastern cities, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hedgman Wingfield on their return to their home in Burlingame, Cal.

Miss Mary Louise Thompson, who is attending school in Boston, will arrive this week for the holidays at home.

George Thompson Jr., who is attending school in Virginia, will be at home for the holidays. He will be accompanied by a guest, Harry Wilkinson, of Virginia.

Mrs. May Grassie, who was seriously injured several weeks ago, is now on a way to recovery, and left for Chicago Tuesday. An operation may be necessary to remove the traces of her

Colonel R. L. Ellison, who was seriously injured by a runaway team at the ranch near Memphis several days ago, is now at the sanitarium. His condition is reported encouraging.

Mrs. Claude Arnold, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Beggs, for several weeks, returned to her home in Wharton Saturday.

Word has been received from El Paso that Mrs. Kenneth Raynor is suffering from a paralytic attack. Mrs. Raynor is one of the nation's noted women, being a daughter of a soldier of the Revolution, who was also governor of North Carolina. She is the widow of United States Senator Kenneth Raynor of North Carolina.

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Bank Clearings Are Over the $8,000,000 Mark

Bank clearings for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 15, were $8,472,602.44 against $6,848,219.70 for the corresponding week of 1905, a gain of $1,624,382.74.

According to the Bradstreet report for the week ending Thursday the clearings for the seven days preceding that were $8,728,599, an increase of 25.3 per cent over the corresponding week of 1905. According to this report for all the cities of the country Fort Worth is for the week again ahead of Denver, surpassing that city by $500,000. Other cities behind Fort Worth in bank clearings but not in population are Memphis, Richmond, Washington, Savannah, Atlanta and Birmingham.

NEW TEXAS CHARTERS

Gyn-a-Septin Company of Hubbard, Hill county; capital stock, $10,000; purpose, the manufacture and sale of medicine.

Hearne Light and Power Company of Hearne; capital stock, $20,000; purpose, to furnish light and power to the public.

H-1 Horse Company of Barstow, Ward county; capital stock, $5,000; purpose, the buying and selling of mules and breeding of stock.

Security Realty Company of Dallas; capital stock, $10,000; purpose, to buy and sell real estate.

Joe E. Johnston Company of Dallas; capital stock, $25,000; purpose, to conduct a hardware and vehicle business.

The German Mercantile Company of Milam county filed an amendment to its charter increasing its capital stock from $20,000 to $30,000.

The Greenville Ice Company filed an amendment to its charter increasing its capital stock from $75,000 to $125,000.

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WHAT THE RAILROADS IN TEXAS ARE DOING

To Push Port O'Connor Road

Special to The Telegram.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—W. S. Hipp, who holds the contract for the construction of the Port O'Connor Railroad, returned this morning from Victoria, where has been engaged in completing arrangements to press the work. On Wednesday the directors of the Texas Railway Company met in the West Texas city to arrange for the amendment of the charter, changing the name of the corporation. The contract held by Mr. Hipp of this city, calls for the ultimate construction of 265 miles of railroad, with ninety miles already under grade. Between $5,000,000 and $6,000,000 is involved. Arrangements were perfected at San Antonio two weeks ago, when negotiations were finally completed between the promoters and Mr. Hipp, with his attorney, N. C. Abbott of Houston. The Port O'Connor Railroad project is now one of the most ambitious constructive efforts that has passed to reasonable assurance of consummation in this state for many months. A London company is said to have undertook to finance the enterprise. The plan contemplates, in addition to the railroad construction, the expenditure of a large sum of money in providing a deep water harbor at Port O'Conner, south of Victoria. As previously explained, the road is expected to represent a short line to deep water from San Antonio and the west and from Smithville and the north. Passing northward from the terminus the new road passes thru Victoria to a point beyond where it divides. One line connects with the Missouri, Kansas & Texas at Smithville and the north, while the other connects with all roads entering San Antonio.

Still Grading North

Special to The Telegram.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 15.—The graders of the Wichita & Northwestern have now crossed the Red river and are pushing ahead on their part of the work in the Oklahoma country. No one seems to know as yet or is willing to say, at least, where the ultimate destination of the road is. Some who keep pretty well posted as to the movement of railroads give it as their opinion that the road is headed for the city of Denver; but no one seems authorized to state exactly where it is going. The fact that is pleasing the people of this city most is that the road is going into Oklahoma country, and that it will draw a large trade to this town that it never had before. The ties are scattered along the line and the work is being pushed as rapidly as possible.

Mixed Train on Cuttoff

Special to The Telegram.

MEXIA, Texas, Dec. 15.—Commencing Monday, Dec. 17, the Houston & Texas Central will begin operating a mixed train on the Mexia-Navasota cutoff. Official announcement to that effect has been made by G. F. Hawks, general superintendent of the Central, east and west lines, and the circulars are now out. From a point about two miles south of Mexia, the cutoff runs ninety-four miles to a point about three miles north of Navasota, where the main line is again found. It has been built in about a year and the steel runs from 75 to 80 pounds to the yard. Until the tracks have been settled by train running there will be no attempt to run main line trains over it. At some date in the future it may become a portion of the main line, and what is now the main line will become the branch. What is probably the greatest benefit derivable from the new trackage is in the fact that it reduces some grades from one and a half per cent to less than three-quarters of one per cent. This is an important desideratum in railroading, involving, as it does a saving of fuel and the permitting of an equal schedule to be maintained.

Ready to Grade

Special to The Telegram.

SNYDER, Texas, Dec. 15.—D. Nation is in receipt of a letter from F. W. James, head of the company that is building the Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific Railroad, in which he urges the citizens to secure the right of way thru Scurry county and states that he is ready with the forces to begin the grading. We are informed by parties who are in touch with the promoters that the road will be built by next August. With the grading forces at work along the route the roadbed will be complete in a short while if the weather is favorable.

Railroad Talk at Westbrooke

Special to The Telegram.

COLORADO, Texas, Dec. 15.—A new road is to be built north from Westbrooke via Gail and on thru the Plains country. M. S. Palmer, the promoter, placed a large order for railway literature last week. The plan is to build a standard gauge road to be run with gasoline motors. A right of way one mile wide on each side of the track will be purchased and sold to actual settlers, giving to each man a railroad frontage and station every mile. The plan is feasible, without a doubt, and it will be pushed to completion, giving Westbrooke another railroad.

Building Mile a Day

Special to The Telegram.

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 15.—Matt Glover is in the city from Hawley and says Abilene & Northern trains will get to his town Monday. The working force is greatly enlarged now and great progress is being made. The construction gang will reach the river by Saturday night, and Monday night will put them in Hawley, as they go a mile every day now. The bridge over the river is hardly completed as yet, but will be passable all right for the construction crew.

Ask for Extension

Special to The Telegram.

ANSON, Texas, Dec. 15.—The promoters of the Abilene & Northern have asked Abilene and Anson for thirty days extension of time in which to complete their road to Abilene, promising five per cent discount on all bonuses provided the road is finished by Jan. 1, ten per cent discount if finished between Jan. 1 and Feb. 1, and if not finished by Feb. 1 the bonus is cancelled altogether.

Wellington Wants Line

Special to The Telegram.

WELLINGTON, Texas, Dec. 15.—There is now on foot a move that promises more success in the solution of the perplexing problem of securing a railroad than anything that has yet been proposed. At the courthouse last Wednesday evening a number of citizens, and among that number some of the most prominent and most careful business men in the community, met and unanimously indorsed the suggestion that local capital at this place, Hollis and Clarendon take the initial step toward getting a railroad from Clarendon to a connection with the Frisco at some point east of Hollis, O. T., by doing preliminary work of procuring a charter, right of way, etc., for such a road, which it is believed will make the project comparatively easy to finance.

Locating Abilene Depot

Special to The Telegram.

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 15.—The depot of the Abilene & Northern Railway will be located on South First street, just east of the new gas plant station and north of the old baseball grounds in block 35. The track is being built to the depot grounds and the lots are being cleared for the building. "Hurry up" is the watchword of the contractors.

To Investigate Ballinger Route

Special to The Telegram.

BALLINGER, Texas, Dec. 15.—President Charles S. Miller of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company, wrote a letter to Superintendent T. B. Coppage, calling that official's attention to the feasibility of extending the northern branch of the Santa Fe from this point. Mr. Miller forwarded maps of the country thru which the road would lead. This week Mr. Miller received a reply from Superintendent Coppage, acknowledging receipt of his letter and the maps, and stating that the same had been forwarded to the chief engineer, with instructions to investigate the route proposed, and it would be done at an early date. Our people have taken it for granted all along that a route from Ballinger north would be investigated before the final decision, but this letter from Mr. Coppage adds assurance and is a source of congratulation, as it is felt that whenever the test is made that Ballinger will surely get the road. With the assurance that the proposed route will be investigated, these people will meet any reasonable requirement necessary to secure the road.

Right of Way Not Promised

Special to The Telegram.

HEREFORD, Texas, Dec. 15.—The local railroad committee met with J. R. Ransom at the office of Murchison, Thompson & Co. the first of the week to ascertain what could be done in the way of closing the contract for the right of way and the cash bonus of $15,000. It was learned that Mr. Ransom will want about seventy acres of land belonging to the Western Union Land Company and situated east of the Pecos Valley depot, besides the right of way to the western extremity of the town. This will be required for the accommodation of the machine shops, general offices, etc, but in view of the fact that no definite reply has been received from the Western Union as to the probable cost of their lands in question, the committee deemed it unwise to guarantee the right of way over these lands till further information could be received about them.

Still Grading North

Special to The Telegram.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 15. The graders of the Wichita and Northwestern have now crossed the Red river and are pushing ahead on their part of the work in the Oklahoma country. No one seems to know as yet or is willing to say, at least, where the ultimate destination of the road is. Some who keep pretty well posted as to the movement of railroads give it as their opinion that the road is headed for the city of Denver; but no one seems authorized to state exactly where it is going. The fact that pleases the people of this city most is that the road is going into Oklahoma country, and that it will draw a large trade to this town that it never had before. The ties are scattered along the line and the work is being pushed as rapidly as possible.

CIGARETS ARE POPULAR

More Than 4,400,000 Pounds Used in Paris Yearly

Special Cable to The Telegram.

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PARIS, Dec. 15.—The cigaret is now the favorite "smoke" of the Parisians. In 1870 the annual consumption of cigars was 5,400,000 pounds. This was steadily increased until 1875, when for the next twenty years there was a decline. In 1904 the consumption was 5,220,000. Cigarets, on the other hand, have grown in public favor all the time. In 1870, 32,000 pounds of tobacco were used for this purpose; in 1904 there was an increase to 4,400,000 pounds. Pipes are also being used, a thing which a few years ago would have been impossible.

BANKS NOT FORECLOSING

Denial of Reports of Hardships for Property Owners

Special to The Telegram.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The city savings banks declare that instead of foreclosing upon mortgages, as has been widely reported, interest is being paid with more regularity than before the April disaster. The banks, they say, are not loading up with property taken under foreclosure. On the contrary, there has been a surprising falling off in the number of foreclosures, and the few foreclosure suits instituted have been for the most part friendly suits to establish titles.

The Reason

Critic—Why don't you do something worth while?

Poet—Because it isn't worth while.

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$5,000 Policy gives annual income of $250.00

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$20,000 Policy gives annual income of $1,000.00

Premium rates for $5,000 are five times above rates.

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To Estate

of the Insured.

Disability Benefits After one full annual premium shall have been paid, and before a default in payment of any subsequent premium, if the Insured shall furnish satisfactory proof that....he has become wholly disabled and will be permanently, continuously, and wholly disabled for life, by bodily injuries or disease, from pursuing any and all gainful occupations, the Company hereby agrees to pay for the Insured the premiums, if any, which shall thereafter become payable during the continuance of such disability. In any such case the guaranteed values shall increase in like manner as if the premiums were being paid by the Insured. If, however, the Insured shall recover so as to be able to engage in any gainful occupation for wages or profit during the premium paying period, the obligation on the part of the Insured to make payment of premiums in accordance with the contract shall recommence, but only from date of recovery, with the same force and effect as if this provision were not contained herein.

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Application And upon the application for this insurance, which application is hereby made a part of this Policy.

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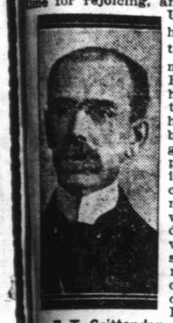
PROSPEROUS YEAR FOR FORT WORTH

Good Times Promise Unusually Active Christmas Trade

Of all holidays Christmas is the time for rejoicing, and no city in the United States has more reason to be glad and make merry than Fort Worth. Her happy and contented people have shared very bountifully in the generous prosperity now blessing the entire country. With the means at hand we may confidently look forward to a greater season of gift making, especially in the purchase of luxuries. It is said that nearly $20,000,000 is spent annually in New York city for presents in the Christmas season and this vast sum is spent within a period of ten days to two weeks. These figures seem astounding at first glance, until you consider the population and the number of very rich people who make extravagant purchases, Christmas presents of $25,000 and $50,000 not being uncommon, and gifts of automobiles, residences, jewelry, fine works of art, down to the penny whistle, all go to make up the sum total. While Fort Worth may not attempt to vie with her sister city, New York, in amount of lavish expenditures, yet the Christmas shopping here will run well into six figures. The home merchants have grasped the spirit of progress during the growth and development of our city and gift seekers will find larger and costlier stocks in every line than ever before, thus eliminating any necessity to resort to eastern mail order houses. The rich and man of moderate means will find equal opportunity to supply his Christmas needs. This is especially true of useful and appropriate articles of men's wear and accessories.



F. T. Crittenden

F. T. CRITTENDEN,
Advertising Manager Washer Brothers.

BUY SOMETHING THAT IS USEFUL

Showy Goods Look Pretty, But Durability Lasts All Year

Buy something for your Christmas gift that will be useful to the recipient all the year. The glitter of the modern show window may lure you from your duties in the matter, but waste of money is a sin whether it is money spent foolishly on useless Christmas presents or in some other way that does not have the excuse of a holiday spirit to justify it.

W. F. Barnum

The purchase of some lasting article is an investment. In the furnishing of a house from kitchen to parlor there are scores of articles that will make Christmas presents genuinely acceptable to those who get them and they will be presents which will suggest your thoughtfulness all year instead of for only a few weeks.

You will be surprised when you find how far a few dollars go in a modern furniture store where there is an immense variety of stock from which to select. The chances are you will not only be surprised, but also so much gratified you will make it a rule to hereafter make Christmas presents of something which will last.

W. F. BARNUM,
Advertising Manager Ellison Furniture Co.

MORNING BEST TIME TO SHOP

Afternoon Rush Always Annoying and Confusing

The best time to go shopping is in the morning; at this time there are few shoppers and goods will be found arranged in complete assortment rearranged for the day and undisturbed by shoppers. Then, too, the clerks are fresh and have time to attend to your inquiries. The woman who goes shopping from 8 until 11 o'clock in the morning will have the time and opportunity to see and have first choice of goods. The newest and most complete lines this season are in books, calendars and portfolios. Along these lines will be found the best that artists can produce. The stocks are more complete and of better quality. Novelties in toys are new and complete. In glass and leather there are new designs and novelties.

J. Montgomery Brown

There will be more salespeople this year than ever before and the comfort and needs of shoppers will be attended to with more efficiency and rapidity than ever before. Stores will be particularly beautiful with Christmas decorations.

It is always the aim of business men to deliver packages with promptness; to assist in this matter it should be remembered by the shoppers that early buying insures prompt delivery; afternoons there is always a rush and deliveries become congested. If packages are taken along their contents can be examined upon arrival home and arranged for presents in time to avoid trouble by delay. Instructions regarding packages should not be telephoned; this gives opportunity for additional delays and mistakes. In conclusion, after all, the best thing for a shopper to remember is, that morninf is the best and most satisfactory time to buy.

J. MONTGOMERY BROWN,
Advertising Manager, "The Fair."

HERE'S A LIST TO PLEASE "HIM"

Ought to Be Able to Select Something From This

The man must indeed be captious to whom something from this attractive assortment of Christmas gifts does not appeal. Among the very choicest gifts the "draw string" leather collar and cuff pouches are the latest novelties, but here are some other good ones — Smoking jackets, lounging robes, bath robes, bath slippers, dress suits, dinner suits, dress shirt protectors, silk hats, opera hats, kid gloves, fur gloves, frock coats, suit cases, fancy waistcoats, street shirts, hosiery, mufflers, silk underwear, traveling bags, golf jackets.

W. B. So Relle, (Taken 26 years ago.)

The gifts are beautifully packed in fancy boxes ready for the recipient.

Linen handkerchiefs, one-half dozen in a box.

Suspenders, one pair in a box.

Comb and brush sets, in leather box.

These selections show rare discrimination and the distinct air of elegance and refinement. The choice is simply a matter of the amount you care to spend.

W. B. SO RELLE,
Advertising Manager for the "Store That Makes Good."

PRESENTS OUGHT TO BE USEFUL

Sign of Good Taste to Present Appropriate Gifts

Perhaps there is no better suggestion to make to a Christmas shopper things as furs, art merate, but such too many to enulines, there are value. In useful all but a money resent nothing at gaudy things repness of a friend, the thoughtfulthings represent Useful everyday merits of goods. mistake the real times shoppers the rush; sometimes than to say that presents should be of use. Useful things are not always given; for sometimes they are forgotten in goods, combs, shawls and scores of other things are included in the list.

C. W. Stanton.

Never was there such variety of design and assortment. In many lines there are scores of different shapes in the same line. It is not often that lines are so complete and unbroken so near Christmas. It is a pleasure to look over a full assortment of goods because in them you will find suggestions without end. Then, too, the larger stores are now buying direct from the manufacturers, saving the middleman's profit; thus the shoppers are able to purchase better goods at less price.

Among the new things you will find something unusually attractive in wraps, jackets, etc. Baby wraps are a feature this season. Art goods and embroidery work are shown in all styles from Oriental to modern. An umbrella will be appreciated and will be useful; combs of almost countless shapes and of best quality.

It is a sign of education, taste and good sense to confine presents to the lines of life—useful life. Special sales and prices can be found in many lines, this gives the shopper opportunity to add quality without additional cost to gifts. It is better to give good things and be happy than to give gaudy, expensive things and realize, when it is too late, that you have made a mistake.

C. W. STANTON,
Advertising Manager, W. C. Stripling.

SHOP BETWEEN 8 AND 11 A. M.

Morning Hours Best for Satisfactory Purchasing

How, when and where to shop seem simple questions, easily answered. But when you come to consider the keen competition existing among the merchants in all lines of business just prior to the holidays, the average person will find these questions harder to answer intelligently than one would think. My plan of how to shop, while very simple, I believe if carried out, will save the shopper much time and trouble. First, decide to whom you will make gifts, and about the amount you wish to spend for each. Then "as to when." The hours between 8 and 11 o'clock in the morning. The stores are less crowded and the clerks more at leisure to show you the beautiful assortment of holiday goods, with which the stores are stocked. Don't wait until the last day and the last minute to do your shopping, for hundreds of others will, and you will find the choice goods sold, the stores crowded, the clerks worn out and you will have to take what you can get, not what you want, and go home dissatisfied and unhappy.

T. W. Newman

T. W. NEWMAN,
Advertising Manager, The Daylight Store.

HAVE SELECTIONS PUT BY FOR YOU

Final Selections Can Be Made Later if Necessary

It has been a very prosperous year, so prosperous, in fact, that the factories have been unable to fill all orders; for this reason, and others, early purchases should be made. The supply of stock will be exhausted earlier this year than ever before. Along with this fact another will have to be considered—the price of things is gradually going up—metals, silverware, etc., have in some instances advanced from 15 to 25 per cent and may yet advance further.

D. C. Sanders

The stocks are now complete and a few dollars will go a long ways in the Christmas shopping. The stocks are now complete and it is a good plan to look them over early and at least select the things wanted; better still, you had better have your selections laid aside, then when you come for them you can finish your errands in better time and spirits. This plan will save unnecessary worry and trouble, both to the merchant and to the shopper.

Before the jam of crowded streets, which is always the case during the last few days, you will be able to carefully inspect all lines; when the rush comes you may not be able even to find what you wish in one line. Most of all it is important that shoppers see and choose their goods at times when they have time for meditation and proper consideration. In a rush you always forget some of the important things or else you take what you would not choose under other conditions.

D. C. SANDERS,
Manager Retail Department, Nash Hardware Company.

HOG STARTED FIRE

Animal Unconsciously Gets Even with Man That Threw It

The entire east side of town narrowly escaped being burned at night and nothing but prompt action upon the part of those present averted it, says a dispatch from Dresden, Tenn.

Pete Perry, a clerk at Tuck's restaurant, went to his room upstairs over the restaurant about 11 o'clock to retire. He lit a lamp, which caught fire within, and Perry promptly threw it into the street. The lamp struck a town hog fairly in the middle of the back and exploded, covering the hog with burning oil. The squeals of his hogship could have been heard half a mile away as he awoke to the situation and tried to get away.

The hog took a turn around a part of the public square and returned to where he was first assaulted and ran under the restaurant from which the lamp was thrown to get release from the flames. The blaze by this time had just begun to make extra good headway and soon set the floor and rubbish under the building afire. The alarm was raised and the entire fire force called out, but for some time they could neither get the hog out or reach the fire. Finally the floor was torn up and water poured thru upon the hog, who took the relief offered him without a grunt and the fire was finally put out. All losses, except the hog's, were covered by insurance.

DRIVEN CRAZY BY FRACTIONS

Prisoner's Effort to Educate Himself Ends in Suicide

Special to The Telegram.

SING SING, Dec. 15.—When it was whispered among the prisoners at Sing Sing that instead of escaping from the prison on Sunday night, Frank Schleimann, a counterfeiter, who would have been released next May, had committed suicide, even the most hardened of the convicts were saddened and muttered:

"It was the fractions that did it."

Schleimann was an exceptional prisoner and was never considered a professional counterfeiter.

The pretty little Austrian girl who followed him to America and for whom he was trying to provide when he made the coins, married him when he had been sent up for three years.

"I'll be waiting for you when you get out," she said.

This gave the man tremendous inspiration and as soon as he got to Sing Sing he began attending the prison school with the determination to leave the place an educated man. Every minute that he got away from his work he put in studying arithmetic. He got as far, eight months ago, as fractions. But there he stuck. The rest of the class went on, but Schleimann stuck hard and fast on fractions. Study nights and Sundays as he would he came up against a brick wall over which he could not climb.

Finally the keepers, watching him at work, saw that his lips were going and when they questioned him it was a sum in fractions that he put to them.

Finally it dawned upon him that his brain had reached its maturity, that there was no more expansion for him, that his mental caliber had been set for life—and that when he walked out of prison to meet the little wife he would still be a child in mind, who had never conquered fractions. The thought drove him mad. Recently he has been "seeing things" and fractions of things.

Appointed By Lincoln

Judge John J. Jackson, of Parkersburg, W. Va., tho in his 83d year, is full of vigor and his mind is as clear and strong as any time in his almost unparalleled career of forty-four years' service on the federal bench. He was appointed to that office by President Loncoln, as the President not only wanted a judge learned in the law but who was against the policy of secession. On one occasion Jackson was holding court when Judge Holt was of counsel. Mr. Holt had run for governor the year before and had been defeated. He asked the court for leave of absence, saying he wished to catch a train which was about due. His honor readily granted the request, remarking as he looked at his watch: "Judge Holt, you've very little time remaining and if you don't make a better run for that train than you did for governor last year you are bound to get left, sir."

BUY EARLY AND KEEP A LIST

Christmas Shopping Should Be Always Systematic

With the great hurry and rush of Christmas, it behooves every one to do all in their power to make it as easy as possible and take advantage of every opportunity or suggestion that might tend to relieve the situation. On account of circumstances, thousands and thousands of the people are forced to postpone their buying until the last moment, which always causes a wild rush that grows in intensity as the time shortens. Therefore, the following suggestions are offered, believing if adopted they would do much toward solving the situation:

M. T. Taylor

First of all, begin in time.

Second, decide on the amount you can afford to spend.

Third, make a list of those to be remembered, and what you would like to give each one.

Fourth, about the price it should cost.

Fifth, whenever possible, deliver your own packages, especially the small ones.

Then, as stated before, begin in time; not just a day or so, but two or three weeks, as soon as Christmas goods are shown. It is best for the purchaser, best for the merchant, best for the salespeople, best for everybody. You have the opportunity to decide with more deliberation and when the holiday comes, you are in a physical condition to enjoy it. While as for the dealers, they can take more time with each sale and extend many more courtesies, besides being able to deliver goods promptly, which is utterly impossible if all wait until the last day or two.

Those who have the Christmas money should be doing their shopping now if not already. Respectfully,

M. T. TAYLOR,
Advertising Manager and Decorator, Stonestreet & Davis.

Every year The Telegram has tried to tell its readers about Christmas time, what might be bought in the different stores of the city and how to make Christmas shopping as easy as possible. Usually this work has been assigned to a reporter, but this year the plan has been tried of having the stories written by the leading advertising experts of Fort Worth, the men who have to know every article the store for which they write advertisements contains. The advertising writer is a man of experience, judgment, and from the very nature of his work must know what shoppers want. How well the advertising writers of Fort Worth have succeeded in giving valuable aid to shoppers may be seen from their practical suggestions, which are here given.

Truth Generally Is Brutal

Never ask a truthful man for his honest opinion unless you are prepared for a shock.

Grand Fraternity

Fort Worth Lodge No. 240 of the Grand Fraternity, held a regular meeting at Pritchard's hall Thursday night and elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Commander, D. R. Patterson; past commander, Dr. A. M. Cleveland; vice commander, A. A. Smith; regent, R. S. Atchison; secretary, F. R. Fuller; treasurer and collector, J. A. Mulholland; marshal, Jesse Smith; outer guard, Frank Utes; inner guard, Jesse Utes.

Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday nights of each month.

TURKISH WOMEN PRINT A PAPER

Weekly Has Been Running Successfully Eleven Years

Special Cable to The Telegram.
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LONDON, Dec. 15.—Pierre Loti has written a novel which combines with his usual delightful style a most interesting revelation as to the awakening which is going on among Turkish women. A proof of the truth of his assertion is to be found in the fact that our veiled sisters in Turkey started a paper, with a woman for its editor, and written by women, as far back as the year 1895, or as it is dated according to the Mohammedan time, 1313.

It is described as a weekly illustrated publication for ladies, price sixty paras, which means a yearly subscription of thirty francs, and writers are informed that "any contribution that is in accordance with Mussulman faith and with Ottoman morals will be gratefully received."

Some pages are given to advertisements of dressmakers, perfumers, etc.

Many of our ideas of the harem in this little leaflet. For instance, there is an advertisement of an insurance company, thru which Turkish ladies can insure their lives.

Of news, the paper contains very little. There are no politics, and one of the chief items of information is that "the sultan, the most holy, the most mighty, the lord of our country, who demands from it all gratitude, went last week with all pomp and glory to the mosque of Hermidie, and having performed his religious duties, returned," and this appears regularly every week in every paper in the empire.

It is also stated that the sultan conferred the Order of Compassion on the sister of his majesty's secretary, and on the wife of a Greek official; but here and there are scraps of information as to what women are doing in other countries, and Pierre Loti's description of the impatience which many of the Turkish women feel for the limitations of the harem, is no doubt justified, when they read of such things as the "ladies' two-hundred yard race," "the women's hospital," the "ladies' fire brigade in Chicago," but the whole tone of the newspaper is undoubtedly childish and frivolous, and the author of Les Desenchantees has shown how many of these women are better educated than the majority of European women, excellent linguists and have touched the fringe of the great thinkers, but the Turkish ladies' paper is interesting as an example of independent action, altho the mental development of the Turkish woman is probably far ahead of its contents.

A Harsh Estimate

"He is an accomplished linguist," said the admiring friend.

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "He is one of those people who speak many languages but never think anything worth saying in any of them."—Washington Star.

ZYMPHERLITIS

"Now, just put up your hands, be amiable, and quiet. You are up against it."

The burglar dropped the plunder he had accumulated and looked into the muzzle of Dr. John Jameson's revolver.

"Send for the police," said the burglar. "I am ag'in it."

"Not at all," said the doctor. "I often sit up nights, studying. The minute you came in here I knew that you were suffering from the zymplerlitis. You displayed every symptom; so I watched you, and determined that you were a full-fledged victim. In fact, you are the only thoroly developed case in America. Sit down! There are two cases authenticated in Euroue. Zymplerlitis is the most deadly disease in the world. You are the third man to get it. Here, take this."

The doctor had been mixing up something, and when he handed it up to the burglar the latter gulped it down.

"It's horrible," said the burglar; "why don't you shoot me, or turn me over to the p'lice?"

"Here, take this," said the doctor, as he fixed up something that fizzed.

The burglar took it and doubled on the floor in a carooning agony. He stood on his head, tried to climb the walls, and finally sank in a chair.

"It's a turrible desease and a horrible remedy," said the burglar.

"It is," said the doctor. "Come back in a week. Here, I will show you where you are at. Now, notice how the fearful germs of zymplerlitis show themselves. They need but forcible action."

The doctor twisted the cuticle in Carter's neck and an ugly red lump appeared. Then the doctor handed Carter a mirror.

"Oh, Lord!" said Carter. "It seems 'It is growing!'"

"It is growing," said the doctor. "It's a bad case of zymplerlitis."

A meek and subdued burglar left the house.

Jim Carter wouldn't drink; he wouldn't even smoke, and to his friends' invitations he replied: "I can't do it; I've got the 'zympher,' and I'm only one of three men that's got it." Of course, he went to see Dr. Jameson at the end of a week.

"Doctor," he said, "that lump on my neck is growin' an' I guess that zymplerlitis has got me."

"Jim," said the doctor, "you take this"—and he handed him a small vial—"one teaspoonful every hour, until you go to sleep, so you can't take any more, and when you get over that cussed zymplerlitis, Jim, I want you to come and take care of those horses of mine."

And Jim got over the zymplerlitis and has worked for Doc now some twenty years. Jim still wonders about zymplerlitis, and he smiled one time in a vague, half-understanding way when, while rummaging among some of the doctor's old papers, he found one signed by one of the doctor's old classmate friends, which read:

"Dear Doc: I always claimed that the idea of suggestion was a greater curative power than that of medicine. That you succeeded so well with your burglar and your zymplerlitis only shows that we live in a world where what we are taught is absolute, is absolutely not. J. M."

Anarchy is the vermiform appendix of the social system.

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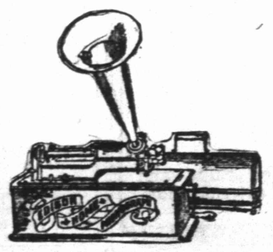

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THE GREATEST DECEMBER SALE

Never Before in the History of the Daylight Store

HAVE we had on display so handsome a line of Art Goods. Our Art Department fairly glistens with beautiful things for Christmas. For the past week eager buyers have thronged this Department and many have been the exclamations of pleasure as article after article was shown. This week with the added shipments that are arriving daily and the special Low Prices we quote will make this Department one of the busiest spots in the store. We merely quote a few prices to give you an idea as to our special value giving.

Handkerchiefs and Gloves in eyelet embroidery; very handsome, 25c and.....50¢

Dresser Scarfs in eyelet embroidery, 98c to.....$1.50

Pillow Tops in eyelet embroidery, $1.00 and.....$1.50

Splendid assortment of Laundry Bags, up from.....25¢

Bath Robe Cord and Frogs, set only.....45¢

Pillow Cord, all colors; 15c yard value, yard.....7¢

Sofa Pillows filled with silk floss, floss and down, up from....21¢

Hardanger Scarfs.....$1.69

Center Pieces.....$1.69

Doilies.....$1.69

Dresser Scarfs, Center Pieces and Table Covers in beautiful art denim, each.....50¢

Biedermayer Sofa Pillow Tops and Backs, with floss to work, only.....50¢

Corset Covers stamped for work, only.....50¢

Tinted Table Covers on Russian linen, $1.00 and.....$1.25

Beautiful line of Battenburg and Point Lace Patterns, in newest designs, up from.....10¢

Golden Fleece Wool.....10¢

Shetland Floss.....10¢

Double and Split Zephyr.....5¢

Royal Society Floss, 3 skeins for.....10¢

Germantown Wool.....10¢

Saxony Wool, in all shades..10¢

Hundreds of designs in fancy lines priced specially low this week.

We Make No Idle Boast

When we say we carry the most perfect fitting as well as the most serviceable Corsets carried by any house in the city. "Royal Worcester Bon Ton." Lengthening waist models that are beautifying and satisfying. We also carry a full line of Warner's Rust Proof Corsets and Girdles.

Royal Worcester, priced from $1.00 to.....$3.00

Bon Ton, priced from $3.00 and up to.....$7.00

Warner's Rust Proof, priced from $1.00 to.....$5.00

Girdles, up from.....50¢

Ladies Knit Underwear

Knit Petticoats in cotton; all colors.....35¢

Knit Petticoat in better grade, comes in all colors, 65c to....98¢

Knit Petticoat, all wool, extra length and in beautiful shades, $1.25 and.....$2.00

Splendid line Ladies' Vests at moderate prices.

Knit Shawls--Fascinators

In cotton, wool and silk—in every shade, as well as black and white; come in solid colors, plaids and plaid mixtures, and must be seen to be appreciated. A nice present for Christmas; priced, for fascinators, up from.....25¢

Shawls, from 50c to....$100.00

Ladies Vests

Ladies' All-Woll Vests in small sizes that we have always sold for $1.00 each, now go for, each..50¢

Ladies House Slippers

Ladies' Crocheted House Slippers in red, blue, pink and mixed shades; very handsome and always sold for $1.50 the pair, for pair.....$1.00

10 dozen Ladies' Sleeping Slippers in pretty colors; the most comfortable thing to be had for those who suffer with cold feet; are fleece lined and very warm; 50c would be cheap for them, but we price at, the pair.....25¢

Ladies' Rubber Bust Forms for only.....$1.50

Ladies Muslin Underwear

Ladies' Muslin Drawers, hemstitched tucks; an excellent value at, pair.....50¢

Ladies' Muslin Drawers, three rows hemstitched tucks, pair.39¢

Ladies' Muslin Drawers, hemstitched tucks, pair.....39¢

Ladies' Muslin Drawers, unbleached, embroidered and tucks at bottom, pair.....50¢

Ladies' extra wide Muslin Drawers, trimmed in tucks and embroidered; another trimmed in insertion and lace, $1.00 value; choice, pair.....73¢

Ladies' Muslin Gowns, square yoke formed of hemstitched tucks and pin tucks, neck trimmed in lace to match; $1.00 value; priced at.....73¢

Ladies' Muslin Gown, v-shape neck, square yoke formed of insertion and hemstitched tucks; neck and sleeves edged with lace; $1.25 value, for.....87¢

Ladies' Muslin Gown, square yoke of embroidery and lace, neck and sleeves trimmed in embroidery; $1.25 value.....84¢

Ladies' Muslin Gown, yoke of embroidery, neck and sleeves trimmed in edge to match and tied with blue ribbon.....98¢

Silk Petticoats

In black and all shades; just received by express, ranging in prices from $5.00 to $15.00. The best values in Silk Petticoats we have ever owned.

Knittop Petticoats

In Cotton and Silk

The most perfect fitting and comfortable Petticoat made. Once worn you will use no other; ranging in prices from $1.25 to $7.50

Nothing Prettier

For a gift than one of our beautiful Ruffs, which come in delicate shades of pink, blue, heliotrope, red; also black and white, priced from $1.50 to.....$8.50

Long Silk Kimonos

In the most beautiful Japanese and Oriental designs; special bargains at $7.50; now.....$5.75

A Large Line of Dolls at Half the Price Asked Elsewhere

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Come in black and white check and make one of the handsomest medium priced Waists that you can buy. Many houses get $2.00 for them; our price.....$1.50

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Skirts, Drawers and Pajamas

In best quality, neatly made and finished in braids.

Skirts, 65c to.....$1.00

Drawers.....50¢

Gowns, 75c to.....$1.50

Pajamas, $1.50 to.....$2.50

Special Value Giving

In Our Dress Goods and Silk Department

50 pieces fine Black Brocaded all-wool Novelty Suiting, priced for quick selling for one-half regular price.

Handsome line of Silks and Broadcloths priced extremely low.

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Beautiful Brass Clocks; up from.....$1.25

Decorated China Pie Plates, up from.....9¢

Pitchers, in all sizes, decorated; up from.....65¢

Handsomest line of Toilet Cases ever shown in Fort Worth, ranging in price from $2.75 to.....$25.00

Pretty Collar and Cuff Boxes; up from.....75¢

Military Brushes, in leather cases and boxes, $1.25 and up to.....$3.50

Nut Pick Sets, in handsome cases; up from.....75¢

Novelties in French Plate Oval-shaped Hand Mirrors, $1.25 to.....$2.75

Plain and Fancy Hand Mirrors; up from.....25¢

Manicure Sets, in pretty cases; up from.....$2.25

Very Fancy Candlesticks; up from.....10¢

Baby Comb and Brush Sets; up from.....98¢

Fancy Japanese Gunmetal Crumb Trays; 90c to $1.50

Ebony Smoking Sets; 50c to.....$1.50

Combination Ebony French Plate Mirror and Shaving Sets, very handsome.$5.75

Shaving Mugs and Brushes; 25c to.....$4.00

Cigar Stands; up from.35¢

Hand-painted Plaques; up from.....75¢

Ebony Toilet Brushes.$2.00

Toilet Brushes; up from 25¢

Dressing Combs, 25c, 50c, 75c, and up.

Beautiful line of Back Combs, in newest styles, elegantly ornamented in cut steel and jewels; 25c up to.....$5.00

Special Back Comb, sterling silver top, set with jewels, at only.....$4.00

New things in Back Comb Sets, jet trimmings 50c and up to.....$1.00

Oriental designs in genuine China Cups and Saucers; each.....25¢

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Rogers' triple-plated silver Butter Bowl.....$1.95

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Some houses ask as much as $1.00 for these.

Japanese Card Receivers, and Pin Trays, handsomely decorated; $1.50 to.....$3.00

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Splendid line of Purses, beaded and leather, in brass and gunmetal trimmings; 25c to.....$6.50

Latest novelties in Belts, in every style and color; 10c up to.....$3.50

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Hat Pins, up from.....25¢

Beauty Pins, up from...25¢

Handsome line Belt Buckles, up from.....25¢

Beautiful line Ladies' Neckwear, up from.....25¢

Very handsome line Ladies' Silk Hose, in all shades as well as black and white; some plain, others embroidered in colors; pair, from $1.50 to.....$5.00

Rogers' triple-plated Silver Knives and Forks at.$3.50

Beautiful embossed Silver Fruit Basket.....$2.97

Rogers' triple-plated Silver Berry Spoons, beautifully engraved.....$1.00

Rogers' triple-plated Silver Child's Set of Knife, Spoon, Fork, Cup and Napkin Ring, handsomely engraved...87¢

Rogers' triple-plated Forks; set.....$1.50

Rogers' triple-plated Silver Orange Spoons; set..$1.45

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Many beautiful Hats priced for special selling 25 per cent less than value. Not refuse stock, but the newest things in stylish millinery. To give you an idea of a few numbers we quote prices and give description. For instance:

Newest Blue Velvet Sailor, plaid draped crown. High at side, filled in with large loops of ribbon; priced at.....$4.98

White Rolled Brim Hat, trimmed in white and black ribbon and handsome quills.$4.95

Brown French Felt Turban, trimmed in large brown wings and loops of ribbon, filled in with taffeta ribbon at bandeaux.....$5.75

White Roll Brim Hat; very stylish for street wear; trimmed in quills and ribbon....$4.98

Black Sailor Hat of velvet, trimmed in coque feathers and ribbon; a very handsome and stylish hat, for.....$5.75

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Black Velvet Hat, high side, filled in with maline and plume; one of the prettiest hats of the season; cheap at $10.00, for.....$6.75

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New model Prince Chap Suit in dark and light gray checks, with hair lines of red and green interwoven, trimmed in silk braid, skirt full plaited from waistband $25.00

Short tight-fitting Coat Suit in solid brown, all-wool Panama cloth, trimmed in brown silk, velvet and velvet buttons; skirt in newest model $25.00

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In Persian Bands; all shades, yard up from .....18¢
Pull Braids in all silk and all shades.
Lace Bands and edges to match in cream and white.
All-overs in Orientals and Baby Irish, newest designs.
Pretty Nets, suitable for waists.

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Women Waists

In newest plaid and stripes, black, cream and wh in prices from $3.75 to $6.50

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Splendid Skirt in newest gray plaid, handsomely tailored $7.00

A full Plaited Skirt in pretty shade of gray; a $13.50 value for $10.00

A number of styles in red, gray, green and brown Skirts; tailored in newest models; $20 value for $16.50

Handsome Imported French Skirts in newest plaids and latest styles; $25.00 values for only $20.00

Special value in three styles of Black Voile Skirts; regular $14.00 values for $10.00

Black Voile Skirt trimmed in folds of silk; plaited back, front and sides; can't be duplicated for less than $20.00, now.....$15.00

Full box plaited Voile Skirt, trimmed in three wide bands of black taffeta silk; extremely new and worth $27.50 .....$19.75

Hundreds of handsome Tailored Skirts; 20 per cent less than elsewhere.

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TO SERVE the Misses and Children as now. Our Children and Misses' Department is stocked to overflowing with new and stylish wearing apparel---dainty handkerchiefs, pretty hats and caps, splendid hosiery, etc., and the prices here given represent but a few of many choice articles and special low prices that are to be found in this Dep't.

For Misses and Children

Beautiful line misses' and childrens' Fur Caps in all colors, with and without visor. The latest novelties, from 69c to..$1.25

Big bargains in misses' and childrens' Hats in our millinery department.

Children's heavy ribbed Wool Leggins; just the thing for school wear, 25c and.....50¢
Children's Toboggan Caps...25¢

For Misses and Children

Infants' Crocheted Shoes, pair, 25c and .....50¢

Children's Waist with sterling rubber button hose supporters attached .....25¢
Children's Knit Waist.....15¢

Splendid quality misses' girdles, only .....50¢

Infants' long white and cream Cloaks, handsomely embroidered and trimmed in braids, priced up from $1.25

Misses & Childrens Coats

And the most complete stock to choose from ever shown in the city. We have them in every new weave and cloth, in plaids, mixtures and solid colors, stylishly tailored in newest models; and we have priced them extremely low, up from $1.25

If you expect to buy a Coat this season do it now, for you will not have a chance to purchase such goods at the prices we quote.

Childrens Hose that Wear

100 doz. Bulldog Hose, double knee, heel and toe, guaranteed stainless, for, pair.....15¢
Many houses get 25c pair for the same quality.

Beautiful line of Children's and Misses' Windsor Ties just received.
Handsome Misses' and Childrens' Fur sets of muff and scarf. One of the most desirable presents you can buy for misses' or children, set $4.50

Furs Make Excellent Christmas Presents

Especially the kind that last long and give satisfaction and pleasure. The prices we quote are very low, but are marked on garments that will be found to be thoroughly satisfactory as to quality.

Coney Scarfs .....95¢
Black Coney Fur.....$1.75
Beaver $3.00
Handsome Sable Collarette, silk frogs, satin lined.....$4.25
Sable Scarf, four tails.....$4.75
Isabella Fox $6.75
Isabella Fox $7.00
Isabella Fox $10.00
Isabella Fox $15.00
Coney Fur $1.25
Opossum $2.25
Marten Scarf, stole of white, for only $3.25
Brown Sable Scarf, fringed with chinelle $3.75
Isabella Fox $8.75
Isabella Fox $9.00
Isabella Fox $13.75
Isabella Fox $18.75
And many other handsome Furs equally as cheap.

Specials in Misses & Childrens School Dresses

About two hundred of these wool and gingham Dresses, ranging in sizes from 3 years to 14 years and, to clean up and make room in this department for our spring stock we will sell cheaper than you can possibly buy the material; they come in plaids and mixtures and are made in newest styles. You can save a lot of work and money by supplying yourself with these.

We have just received a special holiday shipment of the handsomest line of Children's Handkerchiefs we have ever shown and you will never have a better chance to supply your children for so little money. Ask to see them at the notion counter.

Full line Buster Brown Collars, full line Buster Brown Hose Supporters and other styles in all colors, up from.....18¢

Solid Leather Suit Cases

Made of the very best calf skin, soft and desirable; nickel and brass trimmed, in all sizes, from 16 inches to 22 inches. Priced for the holiday present at $2.50 and up to $10.00
Brass trimmed, leather strapped, hand sewed, leather and canvas lined. These are extra good values and make nice, useful gifts, $4.50 to $12.75

Trunks

No better line anywhere to be found. We buy direct from the factory and in carload lots, and we guarantee our Trunks to stand hard usage. They are very heavily ironed and brass bound. Priced at $3.50 to $35.00

Wool Slumber Robes

Fancy Wool Slumber Robes, made of the very best and finest lamb's wool and thoroly washable colors. These are made in Mindleton, Ore., and Marysville, Cal. They are actually worth $5.75 to $8.50 each. We will offer the entire lot this week for $4.65 each. We have only 32.

Wool Comforts

Wool Comforts—The very superior bed covering to anything manufactured. They are absolutely sanitary; light and warm; covered in silk, satin and French sateen. Priced this week at the very low price of $3.25, $4.25, $5.75, $7.50, $10.50 and $15.00.

Plaid Blankets

11-4 all-wool Plaid Blanket, in light blue and white, pink and white, fawn and white; these are our best sellers for $7.50. We have 39 pairs left out of a lot of 100. We will offer this lot next week for $5.95 per pair

Sofa Cushions

Silk floss-filled Sofa Cushions in all sizes and we are going to clean up a lot this week; these are clean and fresh, but we have many, hence the prices.
16x16 inches .....18¢
18x18 inches .....23¢
20x20 inches .....28¢
22x22 inches .....35¢
24x24 inches .....59¢
26x26 inches .....65¢

Men's Cotton Underwear

The best 75c value ever offered. We realize the season so far has not demanded heavy Underwear, hence we will allow this beautiful quality of 50 doz. to go at, per garment .....48¢

Men's Wool Socks

In the very light gray, no seams, full, regular made; gives comfort to the foot, worth 35c per pair; will go during this week for 25¢

Silk Finished Socks

In black and tan. They are so much like silk you can't tell the difference, were never offered for less than 3 for $1.00; during this week an extra pair will be given, 4 pair for $1.00

The Best Values in Ladies Hosiery and the Largest Stock

Bargains in Carpet and Curtain Dept. for 10 Days

Beautiful Couch Covers in Oriental designs, $3 to $6 values; for $2.00 to...$4.00
The handsomest line of Portieres ever shown in the city, from, pair, $1.25 to $16.50
Battenburg, cluny lace, cable cord, net, bobbinet, nottingham, Arabian, Irish point, swiss and scrim Curtains in latest designs, priced 25 per cent cheaper than elsewhere; from per pair, 50c to.....$16.00

STRAW MATTING

Best quality Japanese cotton warp Matting in pretty designs; 37c quality, laid for only .....27¢
Our 25c quality Japanese Matting, laid, for.....18¢
Best quality China Matting, 42c quality comes in many patterns, for, laid.....32¢
Extra heavy China Matting, 27c quality, laid for....22¢
25c quality China Matting, laid, for .....18¢
Large lot remnants of all kinds of Matting, ranging from 3 to 16 yards in a piece, at 10c and 15c yard. This includes best grades of Matting. Best Quality Curtain Stretchers; can be extended 6x12 feet, $1.00 to.....$2.25
Bissell's Carpet Sweepers, $2.50 and $3.00

A few extra good $2.50 Carpet Sweepers included at this sale at, each.....$1.25
Fine line Window Shades in opaque and oil, water color, duplex and single face, and our estimates are the lowest. Full line Linolium and floor Oil Cloth at 20 per cent less than actual value.
Big bargains in odd Curtains and Portieres.

RUGS

Rugs in Persian and Oriental designs, 36 inches; the $4.25 values for.....$3.75
27-in. same as above only smaller; $2.75 value..$2.25
36-in. Smyrna Rugs, $4.50 value now $3.50
27-in. Smyrna Rugs; $3.00 value now $2.25
Crex Grass Sanitary Rugs, Size 27-in., $1.35 value for, only .....90¢
Size 36-in., $2.25 value, for only $1.50
Size 6x9 feet, $6 value for only $4.50

BARGAINS IN CARPETING

Hemp Carpet, 25c yard value, made, laid and lined; now only .....16¢
Best Velvet Carpet, $1.35 yard value, made, laid and lined $1.00
Second grade Velvet Carpet, $1.15 yard value, made, laid and lined.....85¢

Tapestry Brussel Carpet; 10 wire, $1.00 value, made, laid and lined .....80¢
Tapestry Brussel Carpet; 9 wire, 90c value, made, laid and lined .....70¢
Tapestry Brussel Carpet; 8 wire, 80c value, made, laid and lined .....60¢
All-wool Ingrain Carpet; 2-ply, 75c value, made, laid and lined .....50¢
Beautiful line Borders and Centers in odd pieces that we will make Rugs from 50 per cent less than real value.

TAPESTRY

Beautiful Silk Tapestry in delicate shades, 54 inches wide; regular $2.50 to $3.00, now, yard, $1.25 to...$1.50
Full line Tapestry in all shades and designs; regular price, 75c to $2.50; now 45c to $2.00
Pretty Curtain Swisses in coin dots, butterfly cover and many other designs, 12 1-2c and 15c quality, now, yard, only .....10¢
Scrims in cotton and linen in Oriental and stripes, 25c quality now .....18¢
Splendid assortment Rug Fringe in all colors, 18c quality now.....10¢
Portiere and Curtain Loops, white and colored, pair 5c to $1.25

Coco Mats, 60c, 70c, 90c quality, now 50c, 60c and....75¢
Wire Mats, 80c to....$6.00
Curtain Rods in brass extension .....10¢
Brass Sash Rods.....5¢
Best Royal Wilton Art Squares, size 9x12 feet; in Oriental and Persian designs, $40.00 value $37.00
Sanford's extra heavy Axminster Art Squares, size 9x12 ft., in Persian and Oriental designs; $25.00 value now only $22.00
Best Velvet Art Squares, extra heavy, in beautiful designs, size 9x12 ft.; $23.00 value $20.00
Extra fine Tapestry Brussel Art Squares, floral and Oriental designs, size 9x12 feet; $16.50 value for....$12.50
Beautiful Body Brussel Art Square; size 9x12 feet; $30.00 value for $27.00
Splendid Axminster Art Square, size 8 ft. 3 in.x10 ft. 6 in.; Persian and Oriental designs; $23.00 quality for only $20.00
Handsome Tapestry Brussel Art Squares; size 8 ft. 3 in.x 10 ft. 6 in.; $13.50 value for only $11.00
Handsome Axminster Art Square; suitable for reception halls, size 6x9 ft., in Persian and Oriental designs; $19.00 value, now.....$16.50

Something Rich and Rare

In fine Table Linen by the yard and Napkins to match. Just a few pieces we have selected of our $2.25 and $2.50 qualities, which we will offer this week at 10 per cent above actual cost. If you want something extra good and at a cheap price come, for these all go at one price; yard..$1.48

Marseilles Quilts

The best your money can buy. They are as large as if you paid us $8.00; these are new designs, fresh clean stock; we offer this lot at, this week, each.....$2.25

Neck Ties

Ties for the swell dressing man, the tie which will give tone and appearance of gentility, worth usually $1.00; we offer 1,000 for, each .....50¢

All pure Silk. They are beauties and worth 50c each. Yes, you have paid 75c for no better. We offer 2,000 for, each .....25¢

THE DAYLIGHT STORE — G. Y. SMITH, PROP.

...is that that system entails. | ...have been imported to America, | ...is best in England. The question is indeed difficult to answer. | ...the under secretaries of state have been admitted to all recent sittings. | ...perance reformer, who leases it to Captain and Mrs. Ronald Greville, great friends of the king.

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GLIDDEN TO BE HERE MONDAY

Noted Autoist Travels by Rail on Southern Tour

Charles J. Glidden, the celebrated automobile tourist, will be in Fort Worth Sunday night or Monday morning on his great touring trip of 50,000 miles in fifty countries. A message was received by The Telegram from Mr. Glidden at Little Rock, Ark., Friday morning, indicating that he would leave that city Saturday morning and would make the trip from Fort Worth to Dallas Monday. From this he will probably arrive here Sunday afternoon or night and leave the next morning after remaining here all night.

It was expected that Mr. Glidden would be here several days later than now indicated, as he was caught in the snow storm of a couple of weeks ago in New Mexico and lost several days there. From New Mexico he went to El Paso and then turned eastward to Little Rock. From Little Rock he probably makes a two days' trip to Fort Worth, leaving here for Galveston via Dallas. After visiting a number of the Texas cities Mr. Glidden goes to Laredo and thence to the City of Mexico.

No notice has been received at the offices of the dispatchers in this city as to the coming of Mr. Glidden, altho notice will have to get here before his arrival, as he is running on the railroad tracks, having had flanged wheels added to his equipment, and travels as the second section of some railroad train of the road upon which he is operating.

JEWELRY THIEF CAUGHT

Two Negroes Were Arrested at Temple, Texas

During the absence of the family of Otho S. Houston from home Wednesday a negro who had worked about the place stole jewelry, chiefly diamonds, valued at about $1,500, and about $100 in money.

The articles were not missed until Friday and then a notification was sent to police headquarters.

Suspecting a missing yard man named Albertus Green, aged 17 years, colored, Detective Ray located him and had him arrested at Temple last night. He was brought in Saturday morning and at 10:20 o'clock was locked up in the calaboose with a burglary charge against him.

About a thousand dollars worth of the stolen jewelry was recovered from Green when he was arrested at Temple and from Jess Edwards, colored, aged 23, practically all of the balance was recovered, there being a diamond ring valued at $100 still missing. The charge against Edwards is receiving stolen property. Edwards also had over $50 in money when he was arrested.

Machine Is a Wonder

One of the cleverest inventions ever brought out is the machine for sticking pins in the papers in which they are sold. The contrivance brings up the pins in rows, draws the paper in position, crimps it in two lines, than at a single push passes the pins thru the paper and sets them in position.

Kinds of West

The numerous kinds of west of which the effete east solemnly discourses are enough to bewilder a Philadelphia lawyer. It will assure you that besides "the middle west," a phrase it employs continually and with evident pleasure, there are an eastern west, a western west, a northern west and a southern west! Yet there is only one east, and hardly enough of that to swear by.—The Californian.

Danger in Open Fireplaces

In view of the astounding fact that in one year 1,634 London children have died in consequence of injuries received from open fireplaces, an effort is being made to have a law enacted to punish parents who leave children unguarded in rooms that have such fireplace. A similar inquiry might be made with important results in America is the comment made by the New York Observer.

EVERYBODY

Or at least nearly everybody, buys Whisky for Xmas. You may not use it at any other time during the year, but you do not feel that you can properly celebrate this occasion without it. You, of course, want a first-class article, and we would call your attention to the two most famous brands sold in Texas: **Craddock's '92 Sour Mash and Melba Pure Rye.** There are few better Whiskys sold at any price, and none their equal for $4 per gallon. To those who buy Whisky all thru the year, we would say that you may possibly be a little careless at times WHEN, WHERE and WHAT you buy, but at Xmas time you want to be sure to have something good, so don't forget the old reliable house of L. Craddock & Co. 1906 has been a wonderful year for us. Thousands of new customers have added their names to our list, and have been pleased with the fair and honest treatment accorded them. We hope to have them all, together with other thousands, as our friends and customers during the new year now close at hand. But to come back to the present, the holidays will soon be here, and we would advise that you place your orders early. The express companies are already crowded, and to be sure of no delay order now.

Remember, that we have the largest and most complete stock in the state.
Goods shipped C. O. D., or upon receipt of money order. If convenient, we would advise that during the rush you send money order.

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THE SOUTHERN LIQUOR COMPANY sells direct to consumers, cutting out all middlemen. Our customers save the expenses and profits of retailers; they save the salaries, commissions and traveling expenses of agents. Does not your reason and good, common sense tell you we can give you more and better liquors for the same money than either a retailer or traveling agent? Certainly we can. Here is proof that our direct-selling plan saves you 50c to $1.00 on every quart of whiskey or brandy you buy from us. Read every word of these two special offers.

SPECIAL OFFER NUMBER ONE

10 FULL QUARTS EXPRESS PREPAID $5.00

Here is a special 10-quart combination that has met the approval of thousands of our customers. Send us $5.00 today and get $8.00 worth of fine and good liquors. Note that our price—$5.00—is 50c less than the regular wholesale price of the whiskey alone; so you practically pay nothing for the excellent brandies—you get them FREE.

4 full quarts Rosedale Rye, regular price.....$3.00
4 full quarts Lincoln or Robinson County, Tennessee, Sour Mash, regular price.....$2.50
1 full quart Old Apricot Brandy, regular price.....$1.50
1 full quart California Blackberry Brandy, reg. price..$1.00
10 Full Quarts FINEST LIQUORS, regular price.....$8.00

ALL FOR $5.00

Did you ever see a more liberal offer than the above from a substantial and reliable liquor house? Rosedale Rye Whiskey is one of our leaders. It is made from choice selected grain, double filtered through charcoal—filtered until every drop of fusel oil is removed. Many physicians have endorsed and recommended Rosedale Rye as a wholesome stimulant for the stomach. It is never sold at a lower figure than the regular wholesale price of $3.00 for four full quarts.

FREE! SPECIAL OFFER NUMBER TWO
A Beautiful Watch—Either Ladies' or Gentlemen's

In addition to giving a beautiful watch FREE with this $10.00 order, note that you make an actual saving of $3.00. These whiskeys are positively the best made. They meet fairly and squarely every demand of the expert judge of good liquor. They are just what they should be in age, flavor, wholesomeness and healthfulness.

You cannot get better Whiskeys than these, no matter if you are willing to pay Five Times the price we ask.

4 full quarts Soulico, Private Stock, regular price....$5.00
4 full quarts Soulico, high grade, regular price.....$4.00
4 full quarts Cream of Rye.....$4.00
12 FULL QUARTS, regular price.....$13.00
Your choice of either Ladies' or Gentlemen's Watch

ALL FOR $10.00

You never saw a better looking watch than the ones we are giving away with this $10.00 order. They would probably retail at $10.00, but they look as if they cost $50.00 or $60.00. The dies from which the cases are made are perfect facsimiles of the most expensive gold casings, and the engraving is an exact counterpart. The case looks exactly like the original solid gold case—only an expert can tell the difference, and yet the case is simply electro gold plated. If you have a watch and do not care for another, you can easily trade this one. Remember, too, that a watch is always an acceptable gift to wife, sister, sweetheart or friend. You can select, if you wish, a lady's regular 6-size, hunting case, stem wind and stem set, beautifully engraved, gold plated time-piece.

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO SAVE MONEY

Select the order you want from this advertisement. Send $5.00 for 4 full quarts of Rosedale Rye Whiskey; or send $5.00 for the 10 full quarts of fine whiskies and brandies; or send $10.00 for 12 quarts of the best whiskies ever made and a beautiful watch FREE. When we began business years ago we gave an ironclad guarantee that if any buyer was not satisfied with his shipment after he had received it and tested it, he could return what was left at our expense and we would return every cent he paid for it. Thousands have bought the above combinations with this understanding. Not a single buyer has ever asked for his money back, instead they buy again and again, and yet again. If they don't our guarantee still stands, and you will get your money back. All shipments are in plain boxes—no marks to indicate contents. We ship C. O. D. when desired. The above offers are subject to withdrawal at any time, so it is to your interest to act at once. Better order today.

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DIAMONDS!

How can we sell diamonds for 10 per cent less than the other fellow? Here is the secret: We buy direct in large quantities **and for cash,** and can consequently give our customers the benefit of our conservativeness. In buying **Diamonds** of **us** you **buy**

DIAMONDS!

dollars. We agree to buy any stone over ½ karat sold by us, for 10 per cent less than the original purchase. Another inducement to buy of us is that you have the guarantee of a firm whose honesty and integrity is unquestioned.

WATCHES WATCHES WATCHES

Being chief time inspectors for the principal railroads running into Fort Worth gives us a decided advantage over our competitors and we buy and sell more watches in a given length of time than all the others combined.

Gent's 18-size 20-year guaranteed gold filled case with Elgin movement, $12.50 to **$50.00**

16-size 20-year guaranteed gold filled case, Elgin movement, $12.50 to **$65.00**

12-size 20-year guaranteed gold filled case, Elgin movement, $15.00 to **$65.00**

Solid 14-karat gold case, Elgin or Waltham movement, $25.00 to **$150.00**

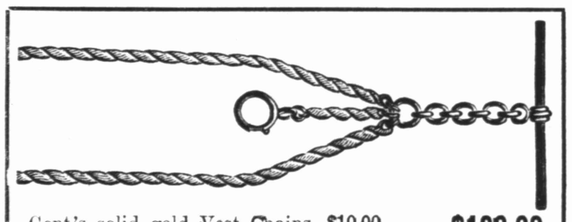
Solid 14-karat gold case, set with diamonds, Elgin or Waltham movement, $75.00 to..... **$500.00**

Ladies' gold filled cases, Elgin movement; special, $11.75 to **$18.00**

Ladies' solid 14-karat gold cases, Elgin movement, $22.00 to **$75.00**

Ladies' solid 14-karat gold cases, beautifully studded with diamonds, with Elgin mvoement, from $35.00 to **$500.00**

Ladies' solid 14-karat gold Chatelaine Watches with high-grade Swiss movements $35.00 to... **$65.00**



Gent's solid gold Vest Chains, $10.00 to **$100.00**

Gent's gold filled Vests Chains, $1.50 to **$10.00**

Ladies' solid gold Lorgnette Chains, $7.00 to **$75.00**

Ladies' gold filled Lorgnette Chains, $2.00 to **$8.00**

Ladies' solid gold Neck Chains, $2.50 to **$50.00**

Ladies' gold filled Neck Chains, $1.50 to **$6.00**

Solid Gold Lockets

Solid Gold Lockets, $3.00 to **$12.00**

Solid Gold Lockets, with diamonds, $6.50 to..... **$50.00**

Gold Filled Lockets, from $1.50 to **$5.00**

Gold Filled Lockets, with stones, $2.00 to **$5.50**

Cuff Buttons

Solid gold, plain dumb-bells, from $1.75 to **$10.00**

Solid gold, with diamonds, from $3.50 to **$250.00**

Watch Fobs

Solid gold, $5.00 to **$50.00**

Gold filled, patent safety, $2.00 to **$8.00**

Diamond Brooches and Pendants

Sunbursts with Diamond and Pearls $12.50 to **$500.00**

Sunbursts, with Diamonds and Rubies, $25.00 to **$1000**

Pendants and Lavaliers, from $10.00 to **$250.00**

Rings Rings

Diamond Cluster Rings, from $10.00 to **$1000**

Solitaires, from $5.00 to **$1500**

Misses' Stone Rings, from $2.50 to **$10.00**

Misses' Signet Rings, from $1.50 to **$8.00**

Gent's Signet Rings, from $2.50 to **$25.00**

Umbrellas

When you are thinking of your Christmas gift, just say **UMBRELLAS**, and you have it.

Gentlemen's Sterling Silver Handles, Silk Covers, $4.50 to **$25.00**

Gentlemen's Stag Handles, trimmed with silvery, silk covers, $6.00 to **$20.00**

Gentlemen's Gold Filled Handles, Silk Covers, $7.50 to **$50.00**

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen Makes an Ideal Christmas Gift

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Umbrellas

We have Umbrellas to burn, but we prefer to sell them. We are overstocked and are offering them this week at a very close figure.

Ladies' Sterling Silver Handle, Silk Covers, $4.50 to **$22.50**

Ladies' Silver and Pearl Handles, Silk Covers, $4.00 to **$20.50**

Ladies Gold Filled Handles, Silk Covers, for $6.50 to **$50.00**

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STOCKS STRONGER AT THE WEEK'S END

Stocks Showed More Strength and the General List Made Some Advances

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Some further strength was shown in the opening of the stock market. While early operations were without any special feature, the undertone was good. About the only important news since the close of Friday's markets, perhaps, is the announcement that the Northern Pacific's issue of $95,000,000 of new stock, to be offered to stockholders at par on the lines laid down by the Great Northern a few days ago. The Mexican government has formerly announced acquisition of the control of the Mexican railway. Despite what may be said to the contrary, the passing of the control of the Green Copper Company places that property where it will be amalgamated, it is claimed, and as the book value of the Green Copper Company is about 20 per cent more than the market price, the deal is considered a bull card on copper. The steel earnings continue to show large gains. The bank statement was much more favorable than was expected, and the money situation eased slightly. Eighty-eight railroads for October show average net increase of 10.95 per cent and for 11.45 per cent. Sixty-two roads for November show average gross increased of 5.36 per cent. Dun's Review notes some irregularity in collections, which was due to high money rates and failure to market the crops. The banks lost on the week's currency movement $1,494,800. Bradstreet's says prices of staples made further advances in November, making the fifth successive monetary gain since the middle of the year. Twelve industrials advanced 72 per cent and twenty active rails advanced 180 per cent.

Quotations

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am. Loco.	73½	73½	73	73
Atchison	104½	104⅝	104½	104⅝
B. and O.	118¾	118¾	118	118
B. R. T.	82⅝	82⅝	81⅝	82
Cana. Pac.	199⅞	200	198⅝	199
C. F. and I.	56½	56⅝	56¼	56½
Anaconda	291	292	290⅞	291¾
Copper	115	115⅛	114⅝	114¾
Erie	44¾	45⅛	44⅝	44⅞
L. and N.	148¼	148¼	147½	147½
Natl. Lead	73½	....	....	73⅞
Mex. Central	29½	29½	28⅛	28¼
M., K. and T.	42¾	42¾	41	42¼
Mo. Pac.	94¼	95	94¼	94⅝
N. Y. Central	132	....	....	131⅜
N. and W.	91¼	....	....	91¼
O. and W.	48¼	....	....	48¼
People's Gas	96	98¼	95⅞	97½
Pennsylvania	138½	138⅝	138	138⅜
Reading	147¾	149⅛	147¾	147⅞
Rock Island	31¼	31¼	30⅞	30⅞
South. Pac.	94⅞	94⅞	94¼	94¼
Sugar	134½	134½	133⅜	134⅜
Smelter	152⅛	152¼	151⅜	151⅜
South. Ry.	....	....	....	34⅜
St. Paul	197	197½	195⅝	196½
T. C. and I.	....	....	....	160½
Texas Pacific	37½	....	....	37½
Union Pacific	185¼	186¾	185¼	186⅛
U. S. Steel pfd	105	....	....	105
U. S. Steel	48⅞	49⅛	48¾	48⅞

New York Bank Statement

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The associated banks of New York City issued the weekly statement today. The condition was much better than expected, loans showing a decrease while reserves increased. The statement was as follows:

Reserves, increase $5,003,125
Less U. S., increase 5,243,000
Loans, decrease 17,002,500
Specie, decrease 14,800
Legals, increase 1,238,900
Deposits, decrease 15,116,100
Circulation, decrease 189,900

GRAIN MARKET STEADY; PROVISIONS HIGHER

Grain Held a Steady Tone, While Provisions Opened Strong and Closed Some Higher

Special to The Telegram.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The grain markets opened weaker and little activity was shown early in the day. Provisions were stronger and a shade higher at the opening, the principal activity being in ribs and lard.

The wheat market was confined within narrow bounds, the principal realizing being on scalping accounts, tho there was no evidence of any aggressive selling, notwithstanding that an array of bearish statistics including world's supplies of 219,000,000 bushels were put out. This report, however, cut little figure in the market, inasmuch as the farmers had quit selling and with a possibility of a light move. Minneapolis millers were eager buyers of winter wheat. The government report which is expected on the 20th inst. is reported to disclose a rather liberal reduction in the estimated spring wheat figures and may prove to be a bullish document, such as will attract attention abroad. Great stress is being placed on the fine condition of growing wheat thruout the entire wheat belt, but there are many contingencies that may arise before the crop is safe to effect prevailing prices. Europe continues to absorb the bulk of the world's shipments. Our seaboard clearances are large and should it develop that the Argentine crop is of a poor quality, foreign buyers will be compelled to enter the American markets.

The movement of corn is considerably under last year's movement at this time, but the stocks show a small increase, while country sales are a trifle larger. Professional pressure was brought toward hedging sales by the changing of operations from December to May, which widened the premium on the latter. At the same time very little impression was made on the May price, thru bearish reports from Argentine or Europe, and there was comparatively little short selling. The seaboard clearances of late have been about 100,000 bushels per week. The farmers are in position to dictate the price, and are in position to interfere with pessimistic tendencies.

There seems to be no doubt that there is room for a broader market on oats. The sentiment among the local professionals is decidedly bullish, and oats are expected to maintain its lead with the best of prospects for sustaining it. Small stocks and a diminishing movement along with a liberal consumptive demand and the prevailing high price of hay are the bullish features claimed in the oats situation.

Provisions displayed a strong tendency at the opening. Pork products were quoted higher, and with a continued scarcity of hogs offered on the markets the situation looks bullish.

Quotations

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
December	73¾	73⅞	73⅝	73¾
May	78¾	78⅝	78	78⅛
July	77⅝	77⅝	77⅝	77½
Corn—				
December	41½	41½	41	41
May	43½	43½	43¼	43¼
July	43⅞	44	43¾	43¾
Oats—				
December	34	34⅛	34	34
May	36	36	35⅞	35⅞
July	33⅝	33¾	33½	33⅝
Pork—				
January	15.95	15.95	15.92	15.92
May	16.12	16.27	16.12	16.27
Lard—				
January	8.70	8.75	8.70	8.75
May	8.85	8.85	8.82	8.85
Ribs—				
January	8.52	8.55	8.52	8.52
May	8.65	8.70	8.65	8.70

MARKET TIPS

Chicago: Wheat steady. A little buying in the pit. No special feature. —Leask.

Carpenter, Baggott & Co. say: "We would favor working from the short side and selling on advances."

New York: Reading is anticipating increase in dividend. Look for fireworks on the bull side.—W. & L.

New Orleans: Some spot men claim that 8,000 bales of spots and f. o. b. cotton have been sold today.—Mann.

Chicago: Broomhall estimates the world's shipments to be reported Monday will be about 5,400,000 bushels of wheat.

New Orleans: Liverpool cables: "Market feels the influence of jobbers caught short and absence of selling orders."—Mann.

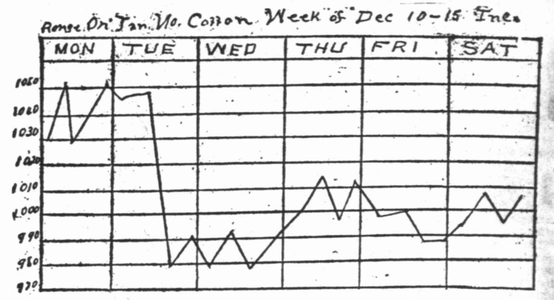
John Muir & Co. say: "We are inclined to advise caution and not too much confidence in following advances until the holidays have passed, at least."

Chicago: Quite a spurt in Peoples' Gas on talk of its going on a 6 per cent basis. Bank statement unexpectedly good, but a deficit of $1,699,000 still remains in reserves.—C. K. Sackett.

New Orleans: Spots are firm at an advance of 1-16 to ⅛c. Total sales amount to about 5,000 bales so far. Houston wires: "The demand for cotton in all shapes is simply vicious."—Mann.

Forecast—Louisiana: Fair tonight, showers tomorrow. Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, east Texas (north): Fair and colder. East Texas (south): Rain on coast tonight, fair tomorrow. West Texas, north and south, fair.

COTTON OPENS HIGHER; CLOSES TEN POINTS UP



New Orleans Cotton

Range of fluctuations in January for week of Dec. 10-15:

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
Open	10.30	10.46	9.79	10.02	9.98	9.95
High	10.52	10.47	9.92	10.14	9.99	10.07
Low	10.29	9.77	9.77	9.96	9.88	9.95
Close	10.51	9.91	9.91	10.11	9.88	10.06
High for week	10.52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Low for week	.....	.....	9.77	.....	.....	.....

Extreme fluctuations, seventy-five points.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

The Market Closed Steady at a Net Gain of About Twelve Points

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—The opening of the New Orleans market was steady at an advance. The offerings were light, and the values gradually worked up, March making a gain of 18 points before noon. The strength came from the over sold condition of the market and from what was conceded a bullish visible supply statement, which showed the remarkable mill takings of 414,000 bales for the week, against 327,000 for this week last year, and 395,000 this week in 1904. Liverpool displayed a very bullish tendency and futures were marked up three to four points on the close, when a decline of three points was due on the fluctuations on this side Friday night. While the into sight figures were considered very bearish, they were offset by statistics which went to make up other end of the visible supply statement. Besides the remarkably large mill takings, Liverpool sold 62,000 bales of spot cotton during the week against 49,000 last year, and 35,000 this week in 1904, and forwarded 109,000 bales against 85,000 this week last year and 83,000 this week in 1904. Such sales and forwardings bear out the most bullish accounts regarding the activity of English spinners.

One of the features of the morning was found in a circular from a prominent freight broker in Galveston calling attention to the fact that thirty-two steamers are already scheduled to load in Galveston during January. This means a continuation of the large export movement. Thus far this season's total amount to 3,463,000 bales against 2,976,000 at this date last year and 3,732,000 at this date in 1904. It will be seen from this that large as exports are already, they must increase if they catch up with the exports of two seasons ago.

Spots were in very strong demand at an advance of ⅛c, and sales toward the close became very heavy for a Saturday market.

Houston wired that the spot demand there was nervous.

New Orleans Cotton

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	9.95	10.07	9.95	10.06-07
March	9.98	10.10	9.98	9.98-99
May	10.08	10.19	10.08	10.18-19
July	10.25	10.33	10.25	10.32-33
December	9.96	10.07	9.95	10.05-06

NEW YORK COTTON

Market Opened Higher and Closed at a Net Gain of Eight to Nine Points

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Cotton opened steady and quiet, 5 to 11 points up, but not as high as was expected on cables. There was considerable local selling in January and March, opportunity against early purchases in the Liverpool market. The market was fairly steady but dull, but made some advances on New Orleans buying. Shorts were uneasy and inclined to cover, and it looked like weak holdings had been eliminated, and the market ready to respond to fresh news and buying operations.

Spot cotton in Liverpool the past week amounted to 42,000 bales against 49,000 this week last year and 53,000 in 1904. The amount of cotton forwarded was 109,000 bales against 85,000 a year ago and 83,000 in 1904.

The past week in the cotton market was a very eventful one, in that the annual crop estimate of the government, an event of great importance, and especially so at this season, in that the 12,500,000 bale estimate proved a surprise, and resulted in almost completely changing sentiment. Instead of being willing to buy on every decline,

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the figures so changed opinions on the yield that operators hesitated to take any initiative on the buying side and prices slowly sagged to below the figures of a month ago. On receipts of the figures, cotton broke violently to 9.50, followed by a rally of about 30 points, only to have another break to the low figures which occurred Friday.

The close of the market Saturday was steady, at a gain over the Friday's close of 8 to 9 points.

New York Cotton

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January ...	9.41	9.43	9.36	9.38-39
March	9.61	9.66	9.58	9.63
May	9.76	9.83	9.75	9.78-79
July	9.86	9.97	9.86	9.89-91
December .	9.30	9.32	9.29	9.30-32

Liverpool Cotton Cable

Special to The Telegram.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—Spots were 7 down in the Liverpool market, on sales of 6,000 bales. The receipts were 4,000, of which all but 1,000 were American cotton. The close of spots was steady.

Liverpool futures were affected favorably by American and European buying orders, with no offerings, and by large out-of-sight figures. The opening of Liverpool futures was generally lower than Friday's close, but the close was higher.

Quotations

	Open.	Close.
January-February	5.33	5.40
February-March	5.32	5.40½
March-April	5.33	5.41
April-May	5.35	5.43
May-June	5.37	5.45
JuneJuly	5.38	5.46½
July-August	5.39	5.48
August-September	5.42	5.42
September-October	5.32	5.35
October-November	5.21½	5.29
December	5.39	5.44
December-January	5.36½	5.41½

Port Receipts

	Today.	Last year.
Galveston	....	6,602
New Orleans	17,264	6,436
Mobile	814	1,122
Savannah	12,923	4,458
Charleston	....	185
Wilmington	....	849
Norfolk	....	8,442
Boston	....	1,494
Estimated total	55,000	....
Total	....	33,055

Interior Receipts

Little Rock	....	1,353
St. Louis	....	3,302
Cincinnati	....	1,333
Memphis	....	5,018
Augusta	....	912
Houston	....	4,306

Liverpool Spots

Special to The Telegram.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—Spots closed easier, middling 5.72d against 5.79d yesterday. Sales, 6,000 bales. Receipts, 4,000

New York Spots

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Spots closed steady, middling 10.55 against 10.45 at yesterday's close.

New Orleans Spots

Special to The Telegram.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—Spots closed steady, middling 10.25 against 10⅛ Friday. Sales, 6,000 bales.

New York: Cotton opened steady and quiet but not as high as expected on cables. Considerable local selling of January and March apparently against early purchases in Liverpool market.—C. W. Lee.

HOGS WEAKER AT CLOSE OF MARKET

The closing day of the week found an unusually light supply of cattle in. Twenty-one cars were yarded with a fair number driven in. Steers made a good showing, selling strong to 10c higher. One load of corn-fed cattle topped the market at $4.80. Butcher stock sold strong with calves steady. The supply of hogs was moderately liberal, sixteen cars arriving. Quotations show another decline in values generally 5c lower. The top for the day was $6.32½.

Saturday's Receipts

Cattle	700
Calves	100
Hogs	1,200
Horses and mules	4

Steers

Steers mads a good showing in the light supply. Four loads of corn-fed cattle arrived that were well finished. A few meal and hull fed steers were driven in and several loads of grassers were in evidence. The market opened with an active inquiry on the part of buyers for all steers and an early clearance was made on a basis strong to 10c higher. Fed cattle sold at a range of from $4.25 to $4.80, with grassers selling at $3.85.

Closing quotations for the week on steers shows a general advance from 10c to 20c.

Sales of steers:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
1...	870	$3.85	117...	1,055	$3.85
23...	1,104	4.60	57...	1,022	4.25
10...	1,010	3.25	22...	1,205	4.80
14...	856	3.75	45...	1,037	4.00
16...	1,350	4.35	16...	1,273	4.35
9...	918	3.60			

Butcher Stock

Cows and heifers were in in light supply. Offerings included a light sprinkling of good butcher cows, but the bulk were mixed loads and largely common to medium grades. The trade had a fairly good active tone for the closing day of the week, and a clearance was made in good season at steady prices. Prices on cows and heifers have fluctuated back and forth all the week, but there has been a good demand and the market closes strong to 10c higher.

Sales of cows:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
26...	768	$2.35	168...	703	$2.20
31...	735	1.90	1...	800	2.65
20...	670	2.40	4...	830	2.40
8...	925	3.25	1...	800	2.65
8...	701	2.00	14...	699	2.40
1...	840	3.00	3...	1,026	2.50
13...	922	3.25			

Calves

Hardly enough calves arrived today to make a market quotable. One load of fair quality light vealers arrived, with a few mixed lots, which arrived in mixed loads. The demand from both local packers and order buyers was good and an active trade prevailed at steady prices. Receipts of calves have been light all week, not enough arriving to fill the demand, and the market closed fully 25c higher. Sales of calves:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
91...	377	$4.35	14...	300	$1.50
3...	426	1.75	5...	312	1.75

Hogs

Of the sixteen cars of hogs arriving, nine were from the territory and the balance from Texas points. The quality today was the best that has been on the yards this week, offerings being composed largely of smooth, good quality and weight hogs. Early bids were lower and it was only a decline that anything could move. A clearance was made in good season, however, with sales generally 5c lower. Tops selling at $6.32½. The market for the week is closing 5c to 10c lower on the best hogs, with best pigs selling fully 25c lower. Common pigs are not wanted and are almost unsalable.

Sales of hogs:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
73...	238	$6.32½	72...	215	$6.35
69...	228	6.32½	96...	203	6.35
61...	298	6.32½	16...	205	6.25
58...	278	6.32½	18...	208	6.10
96...	185	6.07½	74...	243	6.35
61...	189	6.15	60...	173	6.15
59...	316	6.32½	66...	252	6.30
71...	202	6.25	78...	228	6.30

MARKETS ELSEWHERE

Chicago Live Stock

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 300 head; market steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,000 head; market strong to 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $6@6.27½; good to choice heavy, $6@6.27½; rough heavy, $5.80@5.95; light, $6@6.22½; bulk, $6.05@6.20; pigs, $5.40@6.20. Estimated receipts Monday, 38,000.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head; market weak.

Kansas City Live Stock

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,000 head; market steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,000 head; market steady; mixed and butchers, $6.20@6.25; good to choice heavy, $6.22½@6.27½; rough heavy, $6.15@6.20; light, $6.10@6.22½; bulk, $6.17½@6.22½; pigs, $5.50@6.10. Estimated receipts Monday, 8,000.

St. Louis Live Stock

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 900 head, including 300 Texans; market steady; native steers, $3.25@7; stockers and feeders, $2.40@4.50; cows and heifers, $2.40@5.50; Texas steers, $2.60@5.50; cows and heifers, $2.25@3.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,500 head; market 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $6.15@6.30; good heavy, $6.20@6.30; rough heavy, $6.10@6.20; lights, $6.15@6.25; bulk, $6.15@6.25; pigs, $5.75@5.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 100 head; market strong; sheep, $3@6; lambs, $3.75@5.50.

STOCK YARD NOTES

C. H. Murdock of Cordell, Okla., marketed today fifty-eight hogs, averaging 278 pounds, which sold at $6.32½.

T. B. Tedball of Gotebo, Okla., was represented on the market with sixty-nine head of 228-pound hogs, which topped the market ta $6.32½.

E. Dawson, a regular shipper to the Fort Worth market, had in from Cashion, Okla., seventy-three hogs, which averaged 242 pounds and sold at $6.35.

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THE REAL BLUEBEARD

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According to an old French legend, however, the original Bluebeard lived in Britanny in the sixth century and was known as Count Conomer. After seven of his wives had disappeared, he became enamored of Triphyna, the daughter of Count Guereck of Vannes. The wedding was celebrated at Vannes, and Conomer took his bride home.

Before a year had passed Triphyna noticed a change in her husband's manner and, fearing the same fate that had met her predecessors, she fled from the castle, but was overtaken by Conomer, who struck off her head with a single blow. St. Gildas, by whom the unfortunate wife had been educated, happened to pass the spot soon after, and seeing the body, tenderly replaced the head, and by prayer restored Triphyna to life. The story does not relate the end of Conomer.

RECEIVE NO GRAIN

Embargo of Texas Roads on Oklahoma Grain

All of the railways have laid a temporary embargo on the shipments of grain from Oklahoma to Texas points and one of the roads specially named in that connection is the Rock Island, but at headquarters in Fort Worth nothing is known in reference to the alleged order, except the statement is made that the Texas part of the road is not receiving any grain shipments from Oklahoma and the addenda is made "What is the use? We cannot get rid of the grain we have been getting and if such an order is issued it is because the Galveston end cannot handle the grain that is going in there."

New Orleans: On the weather map a good deal of rain is indicated over the western belt. The eastern belt is comparatively dry. Excessive rainfalls are Little Rock 2.44, Palestine 1.64, Taylor .88 and Fort Smith, Ark., 1.42.

New Orleans: J. W. Steele, a large Galveston freight broker, has issued a circular in which he names thirty-two steamers which will load in Galveston during the month of January. Such a large number of steamers already scheduled to load there is January means a heavy export movement of cotton.—Mann.

Weather map—Extreme northwest: Generally clear, rising temperature, 2 below to 24 above; general snows. Northwest: Generally clear, 8 below to 14 above, local snows. West and southwest: Generally clear, lower temperatures, 8 to 30 above; general rains in Illinois and Missouri. Ohio valley: Cloudy, 34 to 52 above, raining generally.

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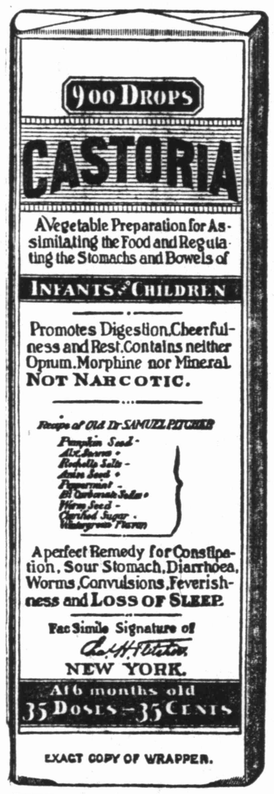

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Dr. E. J. Dennis, of St. Louis, Mo., says: "I have used and prescribed your Castoria in my sanitarium and outside practice for a number of years and find it to be an excellent remedy for children."

Dr. S. A. Buchanan, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "I have used your Castoria in the case of my own baby and find it pleasant to take, and have obtained excellent results from its use."

Dr. J. E. Simpson, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have used your Castoria in cases of colic in children and have found it the best medicine of its kind on the market."

Dr. R. E. Eskildson, of Omaha, Neb., says: "I find your Castoria to be a standard family remedy. It is the best thing for infants and children I have ever known and I recommend it."

Dr. L. R. Robinson, of Kansas City, Mo., says: "Your Castoria certainly has merit. Is not its age, its continued use by mothers through all these years, and the many attempts to imitate it, sufficient recommendation? What can a physician add? Leave it to the mothers."

Dr. Edwin F. Pardee, of New York City, says: "For several years I have recommended your Castoria and shall always continue to do so, as it has invariably produced beneficial results."

Dr. N. B. Sizer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I object to what are called patent medicines, where maker alone knows what ingredients are put in them, but I know the formula of your Castoria and advise its use."

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GUGGENHEIM FOR THE U. S. SENATE

Head of Smelter Trust Has Walkaway in Colorado

Special to The Telegram.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 15.—Simon Guggenheim, of Hebrew parentage, a member of one of the wealthiest families in the country, recognized head of the smelter trust, is likely to be elected United States senator from Colorado to succeed Senator T. M. Patterson. Politicians say his election is assured. It was predicted even before the last election, when Colorado elected a Republican governor and

legislature. Guggenheim aided the Republican party in this campaign materially.

Guggenheim is modest. He has made no speech as yet of consequence in this state, which it is no secret he desires to represent in the national "Millionaires' Club." He is rather a silent worker, surrounded by wise ones politically, who direct his political career. He always figures as "among the honored guests present" on state occasions, and, in a way, is popular. He is a liberal contributor to charitable and public movements. But his political lieutenants, among them the shrewdest of the Republican party workers, make up for their master's smile-and-look-pleasant ways.

The residence of the smelter trust magnate is "New York and Denver."

It was common political gossip in the last campaign that Guggenheim "is to spend $1,000,000" to be elected senator." At any rate, the Republicans conducted a costly campaign.

Guggenheim, as a youth, was a chemist. He spent some time in the gold and silver districts of this state. With his father and brothers he organized the smelter trust. Now all the precious metal mines pay tribute to this trust.

At this time Guggenheim is 39 years old. He is a native of Philadelphia and traveled much abroad. He first became prominent in Colorado at Pueblo in 1889, where he was in business with his brother. This will not be the first time to figure in political life, for he was nominated for lieutenant governor by the Silver Republicans of the state. He declined the nomination, altho the ticket succeeded in the election. Again he was nominated, in 1898, this time for governor, and was indorsed also by the people's party, but withdrew. He was Republican presidential elector from Colorado in 1904.

SPOKE 70 LANGUAGES

Noted Linguist Died in Bristol, Vermont

BRISTOL, Vt., Dec. 15.—Jeremiah Curtin, the distinguished linguist and well known also as the translator of Russian and Polish novelists, died here last night of Bright's disease. Mr. Curtin was 66 years old. He was proficient in seventy languages, excelling as a linguist, it is said, any other man. After graduation from Harvard in 1863, he became the secretary of the United States legation in Russia and later was acting consul there.

A Daily Thought

Thoughtful people have doubts, but doubts ought not to be the sum total in life. Doubts ought to be like clouds that by and by are swept from the sky. We have got to have sunup and sunlight, and the blanketing of the clouds must some time be torn away, and the sunlight must get at the flowers of the world, lest the flowers fall to bloom and exhale perfume to the sky.—William A. Quayle.

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KAISER UP AGAINST IT

Finds in Children Opposition He Cannot Curb

STEAL FROM CZAR

Russian Ruler Unable to Give Money to Charity—Agents Appropriate Funds

BY MALCOLM CLARKE.
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BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The kaiser, who has succeeded in breaking the backbone of socialism and accomplished what the late Prince Bismarck considered almost impossible, concedes that he does not know how to deal with the strike of school children in Polish Prussia.

In the district of Posen alone more than 120,000 school children refuse absolutely to be taught by Prussian teachers. Every means to coerce the children has been tried without success, and the government dares not order the parents to force their children to attend school because the feeling among the Poles against the Prussians is so bitter that such an order might result in open revolution.

The only hope of the government is that Cardinal-Prince-Bishop Kopp may succeed in arbitrating the question on such terms that the government may give in without showing up its weakness.

The rumor is current in court circles here that Chancellor Prince Von Buelow's position is very much threatened, as the kaiser is exceedingly dissatisfied with his rather meek replies to the socialists Bebel and Roerer in the reichstag.

The socialistic attacks upon the german colonial department have angered the kaiser very much because their accusations have found ready belief in other countries, and created the impression that cruelties against natives are as frequent in the German colonies as in the Congo Free State.

Photograph by Wire

According to a dispatch from Munich, Professor D. Koru of that city has succeeded in solving the problem of telephotography. At a meeting which was attended by a number of prominent scientists he produced photos of objects 450 kilometers distant in less than seven minutes, using telegraphic transmission. His discovery will prove of immense military value and the war department is said to be ready to pay one million marks for it.

Immigrants Must Wait

Because of a longshoresmen's strike in Italy no emigrants for the United States are able to leave via Naples and Genoa and more than 10,000 future American citizens have crowded the cheap hotels and lodging houses of Hamburg and Bremen, where they are waiting for steamship accommodation, the majority of them are entirely without means and many are on the verge of starvation.

Wanted, a Trusty Man

In a letter to a friend at the court of Hesse-Darmstadt, the czarina is reported to have said that the problem of how to care for his millions of starving subjects is almost driving Czar Nicholas insane. He is willing to spend any amount of money from his private exchequer, but cannot find a single man in whose honesty he can trust. One million roubles donated by the czar to be used in buying flour and other necessaries of life for the starving has already gone astray, that is to say, into the pockets of the grand dukes.

The czar thinks that Count Witte is the only man who has the will and ability to accomplish anything, but his enemies at court are too strong and Czar Nicholas dares not put him back into power.

White Slave Traffic

American agents of dealers in white slaves are again very active and a day hardly passes that the police are not asked to find young girls who have been enticed away from their homes. Two women, who have confessed to representing houses of ill repute at New Orleans and Buenos Ayres, were arrested the other day, but the authorities have so far been unable to locate the real leaders who have organized the trade.

Socialists War With Jews

The Jewish Black Hundred, formed recently in the Warsaw suburb, Praga, has delivered four leaders of the socialistic party, the "Proletariat," into the hands of the police.

The proletariat offended the Black ninth century Church, whose members are organizing their [illegible] ing for them between 800 and 900. On December 25 of the Charlemagne was crowned by the Romans, an event, the details of its which was felt [illegible] the Jewish Black Hundred party has issued a the title, and threatening the members of the latter with death.

LITERARY WARSHIPS

France Makes New Departure in Picking Titles

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PARIS, Dec. 15.—In naming her new warships, France has honored Literature, and her ironclads will bear the names of great French writers. None of them will recall a great admiral or general, battle or any warlike idea.

France is now building the battleships Danton, Mirabeau, Voltaire, Diderot, Condorcet and Vergniaud; and the cruisers Victor Hubo, Jules Michelet, Edgar Quinet, Ernest Renan and Waldeck-Rousseau—all names after writers, philosophers or statesmen.

The names chosen for the new submarines contrast with the prosaic "A1, A2" series in the British navy. Among them will be two Wasps, an Emerald, an Opal, a Ruby, a Sapphire, a Topaz, a Turquoise, a Circe and a Clypso.

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LONDON, Dec. 15.—Latest photo of the Norwegian royal family.

GERMAN TALK MOSTLY BLUFF

France May Hope for Alliance With Neighbor Some Day

BY THE MARQUIS DE CASTELLANE.
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PARIS, Dec. 15.—There are all kinds of diplomatists—the silent ones who give themselves an air of carrying the destinies of the world in their brains, and the chattering ones, to whose works the public, nine times out of ten, attributes too great importance. Prince von Radolin, the German ambassador to France, is one of the latter.

Taking advantage a few days ago of the highly pacific declarations of Prince von Buelow, his chief and the director of German policy, he explained to an interviewer that the speech was a confirmation of the attitude he took up and maintained during his emperor's escapade at Tangier.

Prince von Radolin declares—and one must believe him—that the hullabaloo he made on that occasion was a simple blowing off of steam with no ulterior purpose. "Prince von Buelow," says the ambassador, "assures me and has authorized me to say in his name that the chancellery at Berlin and the German embassy in Paris has always gone the same way."

These words, which seem to be slightly in disagreement with the appearance of certain acts, especially Baron Tattenbach's conduct at Algeciras, are certainly reassuring from the point of view of peace. It shows the desire of the emperor to consolidate his foreign policy and no longer allow some of his advisers to pull in one direction while he and his chancellor are going in another.

And henceforward we know that on the other side of the Rhine there is a prince who not only does not wish us any harm, but is ready to give us his hand on the day, which is perhaps not so far off as we think, when we are ready to extend ours.

Lourdes to Be Closed

Is Lourdes to be closed, or are the religious-minded to be left to think and pray as they will? The reputation of the celebrated place of pilgrimage is as universal now as it was in times past, that of the Delphic oracle. There where all Greece resorted for centuries to give thanks to the gods none thought of making a mockery.

France, or rather those who govern her at present, flatter themselves that they are going to make a deeper furrow in the world's intellectual field than ancient country has such an ambition. They wish to rid France of what they consider to be superstition, and under this fallacious pretext, practice a despotism which free America, happily for its subjects, does not know.

So the government is preparing to battle with a virgin—the Virgin of Lourdes, who has never done an ill to anyone, but in one way and another, does good to many. The faithful will naturally oppose this pretention of declaring to men what they should believe.

The closing of Lourdes would be an act of impiety and stupidity and would benefit no one—least of all, the republicans, who will be accused, and not without reason, of sectarianism. But, as a fact, I believe M. Clemenceau has too much sense to undertake such an enterprise.

PREFECT OUT IN HUFF

Popular Head of Paris Police Quits His Job

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PARIS, Dec. 15.—M. Lepine, the popular prefect of the Paris police, has resigned his office. The cause of the resignation is said to be a quarrel between himself and M. Clemenceau, and M. Viviana, the labor minister.

M. Lepine is a very popular figure here, and, when any disturbances arise, he seldom fails to go in person to the scene and do all he can to calm the people. He is a great favorite with even the masses.

TOLSTOI TIRED OF SHAKESPEARE

Has Read Works in Three Languages—Still Not Admirer

By a Staff Correspondent.
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LONDON, Dec. 15.—It will be remembered that the theory that Francis Bacon was the author of Shakespeare's works came from America, but the Baconian theory is now at rest, chiefly because the known writings of Francis Bacon vary so widely in style, methods of thought and in individuality from the writings of William Shakespeare, and no man can explain how any one learned in the lore of the classics could be guilty of the anachronisms which are to be found in the pages of "Julius Caesar," and yet write a drama which is so full of the local coloring of ancient Rome.

In one of our latest magazines Count Tolstoi contributes an article on Shakespeare and the drama, and here is a completely new expression of opinion, for the great novelist tells us that when he read "King Lear," "Romeo and Juliet," "Hamlet" and "Macbeth" he felt "an irresistible repulsion and tedium." He has read the works of Shakespeare, he says, in Russian, English and German, "and I invariably underwent the same feelings of repulsion, weariness and bewilderment." He then submits one of the most extolled dramas, namely, "King Lear," to detailed analysis, and he sums it up as "a very bad, carelessly composed production, which cannot evoke anything but aversion and weariness."

Tolstoi is nothing if not original, but his greatest characteristic is courage, that courage which alone enables a man to do any great work in the world, and which Mr. Bernard Shaw, our great playwright, says is the rarest quality that exists, but with Tolstoi, this courage comes from his absolute belief in the overwhelming greatness of the principles which he is bound to proclaim.

DAUGHTERS SOLD INTO SLAVERY

Russian Peasants Forced to Desperate Straits

BY LADY HENRY SOMERSET.
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LONDON, Dec. 15.—Hunger is a hard taskmaster, but the peasants of the province of Kasan have been indeed reduced to straits, when they are induced to sell their daughters to the highest bidders. They declare that they are dying of starvation. Agents have been sent into the Caucausus who negotiate with the parents, and in most cases the girls are sold for prices ranging from ten to fifteen pounds, and these girls are destined for the Turkish harem.

Millions of pounds of corn were sent to this district, but owing to the corruption of officials only a few thousands reached their destination, and most of this corn is condemned as "rotten."

The imperial ukase which abolishes the ancient system by which the land was the property of the village commune is fraught with extreme danger to the economic life of Russia.

The government desires to please the peasants by making them landed proprietors, and this will probably have the effect of making them support the government for a time, but by and by the needy land-owner will sell to the richer, and the land then, instead of being owned municipally, will fall into private hands, with all the evils that that system entails.

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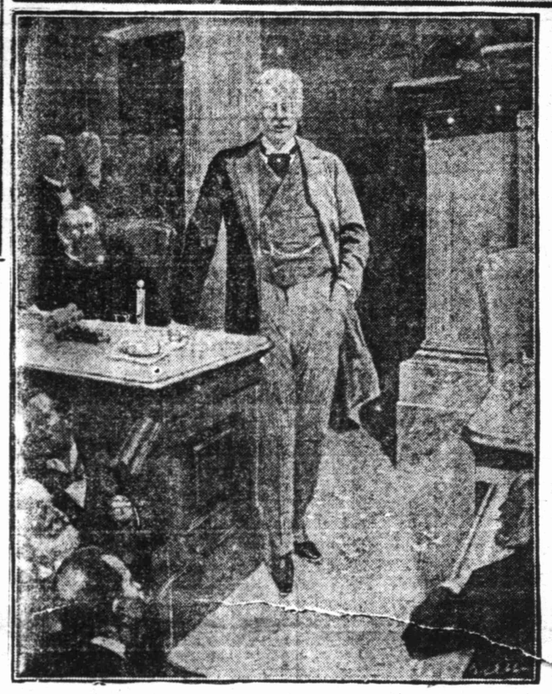
PARIS, Dec. 15.—Blessing the Hounds—A curious preliminary to the French hunting season.

The French hunting season opened somewhat dismally so far as weather was concerned, and in one case at all events the blessing of the hounds (a usual custom on St. Hubert's day), was postponed for a week or so. St. Hubert, it need hardly be pointed out, is the patron saint of huntsmen.



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BERLIN, Dec. 15.—This sketch of Chancellor of the Empire Prince von Buelow was made while he was making his first speech in the reichstag since his collapse in the same place seven months ago.

O'CONNOR THINKS AMERICANS SAD

Irish Member of Parliament Holds Interesting View

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LONDON, Dec. 15.—T. P. O'Connor has just returned from America, and to all who are interested in that country his experiences are of vivid interest. I read an articles written by him last week which seemed to me an entirely new point of view. He says that the Americans are a sad people. His friends, he says, insist that he should say "serious," but no—he persists that he could never get rid of the impression of sadness as the dominant mood with which he was brought in contact among the Americans he met in the streets, in the tram car and in the railway train.

"It is not," he says, "that you do not meet with an enormous amount of good humor among Americans, for they are the most good-humored people in the world, quick to see the humorous side, and with an intense spirit of humor, even in the most serious, tragic things of life, but I still hold the conviction," he says, "that there is a sense of strange sadness brooding over the country. In repose the American is sad"—the newsboy who sold him his paper was sad, the girl on her way to business, who took her book and sat reading in the corner of the car, was sad, and the taciturnity of the people whom he met struck him as a symptom of the prevailing joylessness which he holds to characteristic of the modern American.

"In short," he said, "I felt everywhere in America a curious sense of a silent, unrelaxed, and tho somewhat concealed, a very real and a very bitter division of class and class, the portents and auguries of a bitter class war that might be settled by ballot boxes, and yet also might burst forth into riot."

AMERICANS LIKE HIM

Painter Jean Veber Is Popular in Paris

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PARIS, Dec. 15.—M. Jean Veber, the famous French painter, whose fantastic pictures are among the sensations of the Salon every year, has just completed the series of mural decorations which he has been making for the home of Edmond Rostand, the poet. M. Veber has chosen for the subject of his paintings scenes from the fairy tales of Perrault and other writers. M. Veber's talent, which is distinguished by a whimsical imagination and a wonderful conception of color, which is not in any way of the impressionist school, is greatly admired by wealthy Americans over here, and his canvases number among the best private collections in the American colony, and numbers of them have been imported to America.

FAILED AT TWO TRADES

Marquis de Gouet-Gouraud Starves As Cab Driver

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PARIS, Dec. 15.—The Marquis de Loz de Gouet-Gouraud, the titled cab driver of Saint Germain-en-Laye, is dead. The marquis was of a very old Spanish family and he took to cab driving two years ago because he had lost all his fortune. He did not earn much as a "coucher" and poverty and hunger caused his death.

$50,000 FOR CHARITY

Rothschilds Make Large Annual Distribution

BY PAUL VILLIERS.
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PARIS, Dec. 15.—Fifty thousand dollars have been distributed by the Rothschild brothers among the twenty wards of Paris. This money, which has been deposited at the Marries of the Arrondissements, or Wards, is intended for assistance to the poor in paying their rent during the coming year.

SWEDEN'S KING A SUFFRAGIST

Oscar a New Recruit to the Cause of Women

BY LADY HENRY SOMERSET.
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LONDON, Dec. 15.—The new recruit to the cause of woman suffrage is no other than King Oscar of Sweden. Mr. Michelsen, the Norwegian premier, declared in a speech at Bergen that the women had backed him so splendidly during the crisis with Sweden, that he personally should vote for a woman suffrage bill in the storthing should it be brought in.

King Oscar was subsequently approached by a deputation of Swedish women. He told them that as a constitutional king he was prevented from taking an active part in politics, but that he should do all he could to forward the cause.

The liberal press in Sweden cannot understand the situation here, and they ask, with some pertinence, "How can a son of Gladstone keep the daughter of Cobden incarcerated in a prison for criminals, for insisting with impatience on having the vote, as if all extensions of the suffrage were not won that way!"

The names of Cobden and Gladstone still stands in the minds of the Scandinavians as representative of all that is best in England. The question is indeed difficult to answer.

DUKE GIVEN A RUDE JAR

Argyll Once More Finds This a Cold World

QUEEN LECTURED

Alexandra Rebukes Maud of Norway for Wearing Osprey Plume

(BY PAUL LAMBETH.)
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LONDON, Dec. 15.—A wedding which will bring many members of the American colony in London together is that of Lois, daughter of Mr. Fred Van Duzer, secretary of the American Society in London, and Mr. Gerald Allen Crane, son of Newton Crane, the American lawyer, who has for many years been established in London, and who [illegible] ways to be seen at the law courts when an American is in legal difficulties.

The wedding will take place on the 18th of December at St. Peter's, Cranley Gardens, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Van Duzer hold a reception at their home in Sloane street.

Little Miss Aline Van Duzer will act as maid of honor, and the Misses Allena Crane and Teresa Prevost will be two of the bridesmaids. The bridegroom, who is thirty years of age and who is a very successful mining engineer, is leaving shortly to carry out some important works in Argentina.

Tar for the Duke

The Duke of Argyll, who, as Marquis of Lorne, was always known as the Marquis Forlorn, owing to the fact that he was snubbed by the entire royal family and even his wife, Princess Louise, got another rude shock recently at Glasgow.

Stopping to admire the works of the Argyll Motor Car Company he indiscreetly inquired of one of the mechanics who was loafing about outside why the firm had chosen the name of Argyll for their automobiles. The man, not knowing in the least who he was addressing, replied, indifferently: "Well, it's not a bad sort of name, but you may be sure we didn't call the cars after that old fool, the duke."

And once more the Marquis Forlorn went out into the cold world to ponder over things.

Queen Maud Lectured

Queen Maud of Norway must have felt like a young girl the other day when she received a severe lecture from her mother, Queen Alexandra.

The trouble arose thru Norway's queen appearing at the Ritz hotel for a charity function wearing a real osprey feather in her hat. The wearing of the osprey has long been denounced by the queen, who wears imitation plumes so that wild birds need not be slaughtered to trim her toques.

Unfortunately for Queen Maud, a lady belonging to the Society for the Protection of wild birds was present at the function and immediately "spotted" the offending plume. She at one wrote to the queen's secretary about it, with the result that Queen Maud received a lecture and has not been seen wearing an osprey since.

Actress Refuses Aid

The pluck of Mrs. James Brown Potter in rushing about from one provincial theater to another in the hope of retrieving her lost fortune is admired even by those who do not care for her acting.

Mrs. Potter is at present giving one week's performance at each one of the many suburban theaters around London and with "Charlotte Cordoy" she has already made enough money to set up a modest little home.

At one of the Midland manufacturing towns Mrs. Potter received an anonymous letter from a well wisher of evident wealth offering to purchase the actress a new home on the River Thames and telling her that she could repay the purchase money by small installments over a long period.

If Mrs. Potter accepted thru the medium of the press the writer would disclose his name. The actress, however, refused this as she has consistently refused many other offers of help. "I mean to build up my fortunes again," she tells all her friends, and it begins to look as if she would succeed.

Seeks Fortune in Canada

A daughter of Helen, Lady Abinger (the great American peeress, nee McGurder) has just left for the far west of Canada, where she purposes to establish herself as a lady doctor and surgeon.

The Hon. Ella Scarlett married while attending the wounded in the South African war a Mr. Synge, who, altho very well connected, has never seemed capable of securing a billet which would enable him to properly support his clever wife.

Mrs. Synge has the most extraordinary pluck. She has gone to Canada with very little money, leaving her husband, to whom she is devoted, to live with his mother. She is armed with letters of introduction and is determined to obtain a large practice, so that her husband can follow her out there later.

Mrs. Synge is a fully qualified M. D., besides being a first-class surgeon. She was at one time physician to the emperor of Corea. The London hospital authorities think very highly of her, but the lady doctor in London has a very small chance nowadays.

King to Consult Curzon

It is whispered in court circles that King Edward is very anxious to consult Lord Cuzon on several important questions, notably the signs of unrest among some of the natives in India.

Lord Curzon on his return from the United States, will reside at Reigate Priory, Surrey, for the rest of the winter. The Priory is the property of Lady Henry Somerset, the great temperance reformer, who leases it to Captain and Mrs. Ronald Greville, great friends of the king.

BLIND TO HAVE A DAILY PAPER

London Mail Prints Edition in Raised Letters

BY LADY HENRY SOMERSET.
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LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Daily Mail—which is, I suppose, at present the most popular paper in England—has made an entirely new departure, for it publishes today an edition for the blind. There are 40,000 blind persons in the British Isles, and this edition, printed in Brail characters, will bring to these people a ray of new hope and alleviate the sad monotony of their darkened lot.

The Brail system consists of raised dots in groups of six, read by the touch. Brail, who was the inventor of this system, was born in a village a few miles from Paris. Thru an accident he lost his sight, passed into the National institution for the Young Blind in Paris and was elected a professor in 1826.

He spent his whole time in inventing a system by which the blind could read, and devised the simple and beautiful method which bears his name. All the proofs are read by the blind, and the paper is folded, collated and stitched by sightless people. It is a happy idea and one that commands our respect for the owners and editors of the Daily Mail.

New Author of Shakespeare's Work

There has been no end to the attempts to find a new author for the works attributed to William Shakespeare, but Dr. Carl Bleibtreu announces the discovery that Roger, Earl of Rutland, was the author of all the plays which have for 300 years been popularly ascribed to Shakespeare.

The reasons assigned are already well known. The author maintains that it would have been impossible for Shakespeare, "the strolling player, and a brainless country bumpkin, without a trace of literary talent, to have had such a remarkable familiarity with Italian life and to have been well versed in the manners and customs of high society, for many of the plays could only have been written," says Mr. Bleibtreu, "by an author personally familiar with the inner life of royal courts, who had associated with statesmen, courtiers, warriors and scholars.

"It is impossible," adds the German professor, "that William Shakespeare could, amid all his duties as actor and theatrical director, together with his proclivities for drinking at the 'Mermaid,' have acquired such knowledge."

The reason that Roger, Earl of Rutland, has been selected by him as the author is his remarkable familiarity with Italian life. There was no man of that period likely to possess the same knowledge. He had also an intimate acquaintance with French life. The play of "Henry the Fifth" must have been written by someone well versed in the manners and customs of France, a knowledge which the German denies that William Shakespeare could have possessed at all.

"It is remarkable," says Herr Bleibtreu, "that the scene in the 'Taming of the Shrew' was removed from Athens to Padua, with which Rutland had become acquainted as a student. Just as the Shakespearean dramas appeared during the two years in which Rutland was imprisoned in the tower, the principal ones came out between 1603 and 1612, when Roger, Earl of Rutland, was living a quiet life on his estate. "Why," asks the author, "should William Shakespeare have suddenly ceased to produce his great works several years before his death?" And his reply to this question is that Roger, Earl of Rutland, died in 1612, shortly after the appearance of the last two Shakespearean dramas.

THIRTEEN AT TABLE

France Worried at Unlucky Number in Cabinet

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PARIS, Dec. 15.—Thirteen at table is causing great trouble in the new labor ministry. Formerly there were only twelve ministers in the cabinet, but since the election of M. Viviani, the labor minister, it has become thirteen. In order to propitiate the evil spirits said to hover over the heads of persons unlucky enough to be "thirteen at table" the under secretaries of state have been admitted to all recent sittings.

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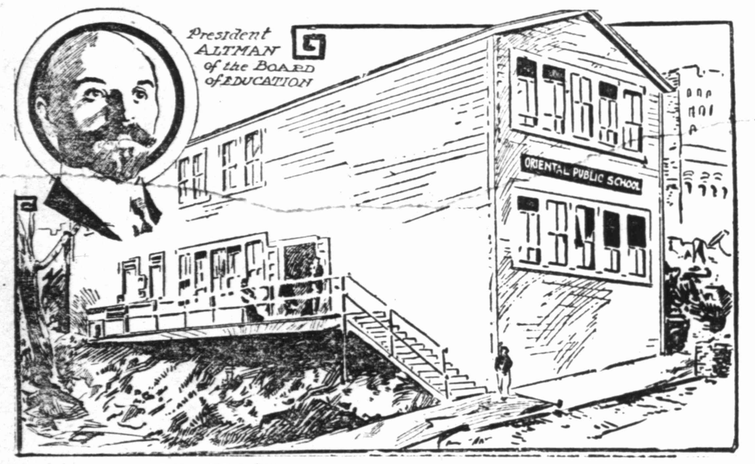
REAL FACTS ABOUT THE JAPANESE SCHOOL QUESTION

So general has been the misapprehension regarding the so-called "exclusion" of Japanese children from the public schools of San Francisco that, in order to place the matter in the right light before its readers, The Telegram, thru its special correspondent at San Francisco, has secured from President Altman of the San Francisco board of education a statement clearly explaining the situation. In this statement President Altman makes it plain that Japanese children are not denied education at the expense of San Francisco—that they are not "excluded," but that for good reasons and under the law of the state, they are merely "segregated," a separate school being provided for them and maintained out of the general school fund. The Japanese object to this, maintaining that under the treaty they have the privilege of sitting in the same school with the white children.

SCHOOL IN 'FRISCO JAPS REFUSE TO ATTEND



BY AARON ALTMAN,
President of the San Francisco Board of Education.

With all due deference to President Roosevelt, I must say it surprises me that, with all the minuteness of detail of information furnished Victor H. Metcalf, who came to San Francisco as the special representative of the President in this matter, and who upon his return to Washington must have undoubtedly placed all of this information at the disposal of the chief executive of this country, there should be such a display of ignorance upon the part of the President as to state in his message that Japanese pupils are barred from the public schools of this city.

This would lead people outside of San Francisco to believe that we refuse an education to the Japanese children. Japanese children have not been excluded from the public schools of San Francisco. They have not, in fact, been denied any of the advantages which are accorded children of American birth and parentage, and not the slightest obstacle has been thrown in the way of their education. The impression already gone forth that the Japanese children were indeed excluded from our local institutions of learning arises from the fact that a section of the school law of the state of California providing for a separate school for these children has been put into force and effect.

In other words, far from barring the Japanese children from the public schools of San Francisco, the board of education has merely said to them: "Attend this particular school and there find all the advantages and facilities which are provided for our own white children."

In saying this, the board of education has gone no further than to enforce a plain and unmistakable law which was enacted by representatives of the people of California for reasons that, to them, appeared just and sufficient.

The board of education holds that the government has no authority over the schools of California, nor any other state. As proof of this, we refer to the tenth amendment of the constitution of the United States, which reads that the "powers not delegated to the United States by the constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people."

The control of our schools, we maintain, is thus evidently one of the things delegated to the states.

The clause of the California state school law referred to is as follows:

"Trustees shall have the power to exclude children suffering from contagious or infectious diseases, and also to establish separate schools for Indian children and for children of Mongolian or Chinese descent. When such separate schools are established, Indians, Chinese or Mongolian children must not be admitted into any other schools."

While the President's message has been severely criticised by the people here, they have been liberal enough to believe that the chief executive has been misinformed as to the true condition of affairs.

The reason for the existence of the law which has created such trouble is that the people here wish to prevent Japanese of the lower class, who come to this country in tremendous numbers, from intermingling and crowding out the white children of the public schools.

GOOD SHOWING MADE

Record of the Congregational Missionary Society

The Congregational home missionary society held its eightieth annual meeting recently. This organization had been a self-perpetuating body, empowered at the expiration of a term of service to elect new members to succeed to the offices. At the Oak Park meeting this was so far changed that hereafter each contributing state society will have a voice in the constitution of the body. Four out of every five of the 7,000 Congregational churches have been brought by it to self-support. In connection with its auxiliaries it has raised and expended $23,401,523. During the past year $130,000 has been added to the endowment of the society, and the increase of gifts for the current work of the year was $70,000. It employs 1,641 missionaries who have during the year preached at 2,216 stations. During the year 5,100 converts have been added to these home missionary churches. Forty-five churches have been organized during the year and fifty-seven houses of worship completed. Forty-one young men connected with the home missionary churches are preparing for the ministry.

A Case of Exposure

She (referring to scandal case)—I should hate to be exposed like that.

The Major—'Um! Yes, I think these exposures are sometimes somewhat too pronounced.

CONVERSION SUDDEN

Stirring Incident of the Torrey Meetings in London

Rev. Dr. R. A. Torrey tells the following of his revival work in London, showing how instantaneous and complete were the instances of conversion at some of his meetings:

One night while we were in London one of the best known entertainers there was feeling discouraged and down. He was playing billiards with a friend, when he said to the friend, "Let's go and hear those men from America.

The next evening he came to Albert hall and told me what he had done. I said, "Stand up here and tell these 10,000 people about it.' And the celebrated entertainer who was so well known all over England got up on the platform and told how he had accepted Christ.

He went down to the manager of the concert hall, where he was to take part in an entertainment the next night, and said, "I cannot keep my engagement with you. I cannot take my part on the program. I have been up to the Royal Albert hall and accepted Christ."

The manager said, "All right, but you must go out on the stage and tell the people.' "I will do that," he replied. When it came to his number on the program Mr. Quentyn Ashlyn stepped out on the platform and said: "Friends, I cannot give you my usual entertainment this evening. I have been converted in the Torrey-Alexander mission at the Royal Albert hall." They commenced to laugh and applaud —they thought it was part of a joke.

When they had quieted down he said, "It is no joke; I have accepted Christ as my saviour, and I cannot waste my life in merely making people laugh." And at least one person was converted right then and there.

Then the manager of the hall said to him, "Mr. Ashlyn, you may have this place every night for a week to preach in if you want it," and for a week that concert house was turned into a gospel meeting, and for a week in the heart of fashionable London, in Langham place, the converted entertainer preached the gospel, and a good many were converted. And he has kept at preaching the gospel till this day.

STAMP MOVED UP WALL

Explanation Simple, But Clerk May Be Pardoned for Feeling Nervous

"An old gentleman," remarked the major to a Portland Express reporter, "bought some stamps from me one day last week, and after moistening one of them it slipped from his finger and fell to the floor. He did not bother to pick it up, and, after affixing another stamp on his letter, left the store and I forgot all about the incident. A few minutes later my clerk came into the store from the rear room, and at once his face attracted my attention for he seemed to be troubled about something, while he gazed fixedly in a certain direction. Calling over to me he sail: 'I do not think I am crazy, but I do see something that I cannot understand.' I looked where he pointed and distinctly saw the postage stamp moving steadily up the side of the wall!

"The explanation is this: The stamp which the old gentleman dropped had fallen on a fly and stuck to it."

UNCLE ANTHONY'S TEMPTATION

THE Y. M. C. A. IN CHINA

What Consecrated College Man Has Accomplished

Robert Gailey, who was known during the '90s as a champion football player in Princeton, has for the past seven years been in charge of the Young Men's Christian Association rooms at Tientsin, China, where the organization occupies what was formerly a mandarin's palace containing 100 apartments. Some of these rooms have been fitted up with scientific apparatus, and the Princeton secretary gives lectures upon electricity. Astronomy and, by the aid of a very large globe, upon geography. He has convinced the intelligent young men of Tientsin that an eclipse is not caused by a great dog attempting to eat up the moon; that electricity can be produced without an appeal to the thunder god, and that China is not the only country on the globe. Mr. Gailey is seeking a larger endowment for his work and will doubtless get it, since it is thru such agencies the isolation of the Celestial empire must be finally overcome. The Y. M. C. A. reaches a class older than that reached by the missionary schools, but a class not as yet too old to be reached at all. At Tientsin 94 per cent of the cost of the association support is met by the non-Christian population, who have come to appreciate the worth of such an institution.

Oldest Ohio Clergyman

Rev. John Schaeffer(of North Benton, Ohio, has just celebrated his one hundred and first birthday. He is the oldest clergyman in Ohio, and possibly in the United States. He preached regularly for sixty years and has lived in his present home for ten years longer. He reads newspapers without glasses and has hardly been ill a day in his life.

Origin of "23"

The slang expression "23," according to the Boston Advertiser, comes from New York and is a police and hospital term. The psychopathic ward in Bellevue is numbered 23. When a person arrested shows any sign of insanity he is sent to ward 23, and the police have become accustomed to saying, "Twenty-three for him," as they send him to the hospital.

Governor in a Bungalow

Henry A. Buchtel, the recently elected governor of Colorado, will not reside in the executive mansion, but will continue to live in his bungalow in University park, in order to be near the University of Denver, of which he will continue chancellor.

TRAINING A HUSBAND

Advice to Brides Need Not Be Followed Too Literally

A great many bridegrooms are like jelly. It is only when they begin to grow cold that they become set in their ways, says a writer in Good Housekeeping. It is always wise, therefore, for the bride to remember this and while there is yet time to mold him into the proper form for future keeping.

I would admonish all brides, therefore, to obey their own blind instincts and to train up their husbands in the way they should go. Mere man thinks he knows something and he is inclined to act upon this fatal assumption too often.

The bride, however, does not know—she divines, and she should hold him sternly fast to her intuition, selecting for him the things that he needs—or doesn't—feeding him on the things that are good for him—or are not—taking him to the places where he is anxious to go—or isn't—and, in short, doing for him all the things that he likes or doesn't like—in the firm assurance that her own sweet incompetence is by far the best guide.

An Indian Priest

So far as known, Father Albert Negahnquet, now working among the red men of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, is the only living Roman Catholic priest who is a full blooded Indian. He was born on the Pottawatomie reservation in Kansas in 1877. After studying in the Catholic college of Washington he went to Rome. It was there, in the Church of Santa Prasedo, that he celebrated his first mass. Since his return to this country three years ago he has been laboring among his own people.

Selfishness Always Wrong

To try to be happy at the expense of other people is to be bad.—Margaret Leland.

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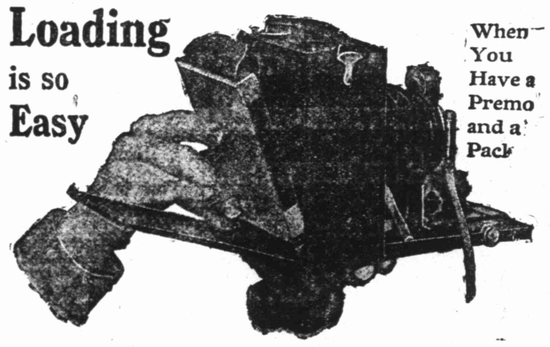

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CHRISTMAS IN HISTORY

ALTHO a summary of "Christmas in History" begins with a tragedy, there are a number of important historical events connected with the days that have tended to the betterment of the world. It is interesting to trace the development of the season from the earliest years.

303 It was because the Christians of this early period held Christmas as a time of religious celebration that Diocletian, emperor of Rome, planned his wholesale slaughter of believers on that day. He thought it afforded an excellent opportunity to catch them together in large companies, and murder on a gigantic scale would, therefore, be made easier.

Diocletian had appeared friendly to the Christians in order to entrap them. When great numbers of them had assembled at the Temple of Nicomedia, in Bithynia, and were chanting, praying and holding joyful services in commemoration of the birth of Christ, Diocletian marched his soldiers on the town and set fire to it at all four corners. History states that more than 20,000 persons perished on that dreadful Christmas day.

306 Christmas day of 306, however, found the dawn of a happier era for the Christians, for Constantine had ascended the throne. His father was the sub-Emperor Constantius, and his mother a British woman, the famous Helena of York.

Constantine had been present at the burning of Nicomedia, and he determined that if ever he came into power, he would make reparation for Diocletian's atrocities by granting the Christians every liberty in their religious rites. From that time until the ninth century Christmas day passed without especial historic interest.

800 On December 25 of this year Charlemagne was crowned emperor of the Romans, an event the influence of which was felt for 1,000 years. In fact, the title was held by succeeding kings of the Franks, or the Germans as they were called later, until 1806, when Francis II resigned both titles.

The first emperor of Germany, after the unification of the German empire, as a result of the victory of the Germans over the French in the war of 1870, was elected and given ruling power during Christmas week. The king of Prussia was proclaimed emperor of the new empire by resolutions drawn up by the German princes in the Galerie des Glaces of the chateau of Versailles, where they were obliged to spend their Christmas holidays in 1870.

878 Christmas day has figured conspicuously in English history. That of 878 marked a dark and gloomy period. Some time before King Alfred the Great had set apart twelve days for the celebration of the season, and gave a personal example by a lavish indulgence in feasting and merrymaking.

Alfred should have been preparing for battle during the Christmas week of 878, as the Danes were near at hand. While he and his followers were making merry, the Danes stole upon the English army on Christmas day. As the English were unprepared, they were scattered with great slaughter; thousands were driven into the sea, and the king was compelled to flee into the forest.

961 Perhaps it was this success that led the Danes to adopt the custom of celebrating Christmas. In 961 King Edgar held a royal festival at York at this season. Sir Walter Scott, in "Marmion," refers to the "savage Danes" keeping Christmas.

1016 Like the Germans, the Danes were given rulers on Christmas day, but were not quite as happy in their choice as the people of the federated empire. In 1016 Canut, or Canute, son of Sweden, first king of England, was chosen king over all England for the third time. This Danish king followed his father's teachings for the first few years of his reign. He was guilty of atrocious murders, several of which he committed on Christmas day, when his subjects were off guard, indulging in the festivities of the season, which he encouraged.

1043—Canute's son, Harold, occupied the throne for a short time, and then, on Christmas day, 1043, Edward the Confessor was crowned. A number of important events in the reign of Edward was connected with the day. It was on Dec. 25, 1053, at a meeting with his wise men at Gloucester, he ordered that Rhys, brother of Gruffydd, the South Welsh king, be executed.

King Edward's last Christmas—that of 1065—was marked by a tragedy when Earl Tostig, brother of Harold, was foully murdered by traitors in the monarch's court. Edward had not gone to Gloucester that year, as was his custom, to spend the holiday season, but remained in London to push forward plans for the completion of Westminster Cathedral.

1066—When Harold II was chosen to assume the crown, it was felt that his reign would be short, and it was, terminating at the battle of Hastings. On the following Christmas day William the Conqueror was crowned king, and a stable line of succession for English rulers was founded.

When William was crowned in Westminster there was a division among the soldiers. One faction, hearing the loud acclaim of the people in the church, chose to believe there was a disturbance within, and shot into the crowd, causing a riot and much bloodshed.

1068—This was a Christmas of bitter mourning for a great number of the English people. King Swein of Denmark rose in revolt against the Norman king, and William, in a spirit of wild revenge, caused all northern England to be laid to utter waste, that its people might never again rise against him.

The desolation thruout that land, beginning at Yorkshire, was terrible, and on Christmas day many died of starvation; others killed themselves, and hundreds fled to other lands, while their homes were burning and their friends being devastated.

1087—William Rufus, the next monarch, took occasion to change the nature of the first Christmas of his reign from combined religious and quiet social enjoyment to carousing and merrymaking, without thought of the religious meaning of the time.

He caused to be erected a large and splendidly fitted-up hall at Westminster, which he dedicated to Christmas celebrations of such a nature that the place received the name "Rufus' Roaring Hall." Altho it was a rendezvous of royal merrymakers, it soon became a place of questionable character, and for many years was marked by riotous celebrations.

1126—Under Henry I, royal Christmas celebrations were again held at Windsor, and once more characterized by a combination of religious and secular rites. Dec. 25, 1126, Henry called an assembly of his kingdom for the purpose of declaring his daughter, who was the widowed Empress Matilda, as his legitimate successor. Six years previous to this King Henry had lost his son and heir apparent, Prince William, in a shipwreck. The king received the news while he was preparing a big Christmas celebration to welcome home the young man, and it is said that Henry never smiled again.

1135—Stephen of Blois was crowned at Westminster Abbey during the Christmas festivities of 1135. For nineteen years he fostered wickedness, and his reign was one of unparalleled disorder. Trouble arose between Stephen and the Empress Matilda, who claimed the crown for her son, Henry. Stephen waged war against "The Lady of the English," as Matilda was called, and on Christmas eve, 1142, the empress fled from the castle where she was in hiding, and where she was threatened with starvation, because Stephen had cut off the source of food supply. On Christmas day a treaty was drawn up, whereby Stephen was to hold the crown for life, and at his death it should revert to the son of Matilda.

1156—Upon his third Christmas as monarch of the English, Henry II created a decided sensation by taking his crown from his head during the festival of the Nativity and placing it upon the altar when the priests were conducting services. He vowed that he would never wear his crown again, and kept his word.

1170—Peace-loving and democratic as Henry was in many things, he could not bear to be opposed. It was at Christmastide, 1170, that he clashed with his archbishop of Canterbury, Thomas a' Becket.

Anticipating trouble, Becket, who had been out of England, preached on Christmas day a sermon, the text of which was: "I come to die among you." He then proceeded to excommunicate certain bishops who had incurred his displeasure. The king, hearing this, expressed his anger so forcibly that four of Henry's knights, who were enemies of the archbishop, took this excuse to murder him. They found Becket in Canterbury Cathedral, and, after demanding in vain that he reestablish the bishops whom he had excommunicated, stabbed him to the heart.

1214—It was at a Christmas festival in 1214 that the barons surrounded King John and demanded that he sign the paper which proved to be the foundation of English liberties, the Magna Charta. John held out against their demand for a time, but was finally forced to accede to their demands.

1265—Under Henry III, in 1265, an event of great importance took place on Christmas day. Henry had sworn to observe the Magna Charta, but, time after time, he broke his oath, until the barons became infuriated, and decided that the rights of the people should be upheld at all costs.

The result was a clash with the crown which caused the establishment of the first English parliament. It was summoned at Christmastide, 1265, while the king was held a prisoner by Earl Simon.

1281—Christmas of 1281 became historic because of the severity of the winter. Never were such frosts known in England. The Thames was frozen solid, so that skating could be indulged in for a long time; fishes and birds died from cold and want of food; human beings perished from the cold, and everywhere was felt the blight of the black frost. In the breaking up of the ice five of the arches of London bridge were carried away.

Another fearful Christmas was that of 1564, when a dreadful cold wave held the country in its frozen grip. Thousands died from cold and exposure, and provisions were scarce.

1286—Edward I provided a sensational and grewsome feature for Christmas day of this year by having the mayor of London publicly hanged in the morning. Naturally, this threw a gloom over the city for the day.

1326—On Christmas day in this year the tables were turned on Edward II, altho not in such a tragic manner. While indulging in scandalous rioting, he was seized by his indignant subjects, bound hand and foot and carried off a prisoner to Kenilworth castle. On the following Christmas parliament met and deposed him, electing his 14-year-old son Edward to the throne.

Under Edward III the Christmas celebration commenced on All Hallow eve, Oct. 31, and continued until the day after the Purification, Feb. 3. Dec. 25 and Jan. 1, however, were the big days.

1418—Lord Cobham, who had led the Lollards in their revolt against the throne, was subjected to cruel torture and put to death in St. Giles' Field, London, on Christmas day, 1418.

1428-9—Christmases of 1428 and 1429 were ushered in and out to martial music, and there was little rejoicing in either France or England, for both countries were passing thru the horrors of war. The name of Joan of Arc is linked inseparably with the Christmas seasons of 1429 and 1430, for during the first she was a terror to the English army of Henry VI, and her trial was dragging its weary way when Christmas of 1430 arrived.

It was on Christmas day, 1440, that Giles de Retz of France, the original "Bluebeard," was executed for the murder of six of his wives.

1460—The terrible battle of Wakefield, in the Wars of the Roses, took place at Christmastide, 1460.

1492—Navidad, Cuba, owes its name to Christmas, for it was on that day in 1492 that Christopher Columbus landed at that place. Because of the day, he called the place Navidad.

1526—The "Still Christmas" of 1526 was so called because, on account of the plague which was raging thru England, Henry III ordered that the court should suppress all Christmas mirth and jollity out of sympathy for the suffering country.

1642—The most astonishing thing connected with Christmas about this time was a plea for the abolishment of the day made by the Puritans. Old John Taylor, the "Water Poet," says in this connection: "All the liberties and harmless sports, the merry gambols, dances and friscols, with which the toiling plowman and laborer once a year were wont to be recreated, and their spirit and hopes revived for a whole twelvemonth, are now extinct and put out of use, in such a fashion as if they had never been.

"This is because of the conduct of the merry lords of bad rule at Westminster. Their madness hath extended itself to the very vegetables; senseless trees, herbs and weeds are in a profane estimation among them—holly, ivy, mistletoe, rosemary and bay are accounted ungodly branches of superstition for your entertainment.

"So far has the revulsion of feeling gone, that now to roast a sirloin of beef, to touch a collar of brawn; to take a pie; to put a plum in the pottage pot, to burn a great candle or to lay one block the more on the fire for your sake, Master Christmas, is enough to make a man be suspected and taken for a Christian, for which he shall be apprehended for committing high parliament treason and mighty malignancy against the general council of the directorian Presbyterian conventicle."

The parliament gained such authority that, in 1642, some parish officers were censured and their orders taken from them for permitting ministers to preach on Christmas day and for allowing them to adorn the church.

June 3, 1643, the lords and common parliament issued a proclamation wherein it was stated that "the feast of the Nativity of Christ" should no longer be observed, and that "all scholars, apprentices and other servants" should perform their duties on Dec. 25 the same as on any common day. Dec. 22 next the town crier went thru London by order of the mayor, proclaiming that "Christmas day and all other superstitious festivals should be put down, the market kept open on that day."

It was impossible to wipe out the Christmas spirit, which had been implanted in the hearts of men since that first morn of rejoicing, and in a few years the religious and secular celebrations were in full force again.

1688—James II, who had taken the crown, was obliged to flee to France for his life, and on Christmas day, 1688, he landed at Ambleteuse, in Brittany. The flight of James put an end to the struggle between the crown and the people. The throne was offered to William of Orange and his wife, Mary, daughter of James II and granddaughter of Charles I. This affected a reconciliation of the powers. When, Dec. 28, 1694, Queen Mary died of smallpox a gloom was cast over the Christmas festivities of that year.

1837—Christmas days in America have been peculiarly non-history making. It seems to have been an unwritten law of the country that no battles should be fought on that day. There is only one record of this being broken, and that was in 1837, when Zachary Taylor defeated the Indians in the battle of Okeechobee, Fla.

To be sure, Washington crossed the Delaware on Christmas day, 1776, as he expected then to catch the Hessians off their guard.

Lincoln and his cabinet met Dec. 25, 1861, and decided to release, on England's request, Mason and Slidell, who had been captured while on their way to France as representatives of the Confederacy.

The goose is trained by inhabitants of Siam to give a hoot like a motor car horn whenever a stranger approaches.

ALL LONDON RAVING OVER THIS BURLESQUER

Special to The Telegram.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—All the Johnnies of London are raving about Mlle. Gabys Deslys, a delightfully chic 22-year-old Parisienne, who is playing the part of "the Charm of Paris" in the burlesque "Alladin" at the Gaiety theater.

Mlle. Deslys is the first French burlesque actress to appear in a London production, and the Gaiety management searched the boards of the gay continental capital thoroly before they found the girl they wanted.

Mlle. Deslys is the embodiment of all the charm of Paris, and she sets the baldheaded row crazy at the Gaiety. She has more invitations for dinners and automobile rides than any other actress in London, and there is always a line of Johnnies in waiting for her outside the stage door.

BURRUS' UPPER CRUST--THE FLOUR THAT HELPS ALL TEXAS
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"MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN" NOW IN UNITED STATES

The most beautiful woman in the world arrived in the United States this week. "Most beautiful" is the way Emperor William described her when she sang in Berlin, and that also was the compliment King Edward extended to her after he had seen her a year or so ago at the Paris grand opera.

This prize beauty is Lina Cavalieri, and she came on the liner La Savoie from her native Italy to sing "Fedora" in the Metropolitan opera house in New York. Cavalieri is already very rich, but, like all the great songsters, and others, she wants more.

She began life as the daughter of a working man, and, it is said, sold flowers in the streets, and as she was gay and so beautiful attracted the notice of a Russian prince, and from that she began to build up the fortune which has now assumed such proportions.

The prince gave her jewels which are the wonder and envy of Rome, and are said to be of the value of $500,000. One rope of pearls, which she continually wears, was, it is said, wanted by Queen Margherita herself, but was secured for Lina.

WHOLE FAMILY IS SENTENCED

Father, Mother and Son Convicted in Ohio

BANKING CROOKED

Played Game of High Finance With Savings of Poor—Son Held to Blame

Special to The Telegram.

NEWARK, Ohio, Dec. 14.—An entire family here has been convicted for playing the game of high finance. They broke a bank and a building and loan association.

James F. Lingafelter has been sentenced to serve four years in the penitentiary and is out on bail pending decision on appeal. His wife, Mary, has been sentenced to serve three years, and is at liberty awaiting action by the circuit court on her appeal.

Their son, Robert C. Lingafelter, is serving an indeterminate sentence of frmo one to twenty years.

They left the Newark Savings Bank with a shortage of $60,000. They are accused of having looted the Homestead Building and Savings Company of $86,000.

Their victims, numbered by the hundreds, were the industrious and thrifty; the homeseekers of the community. Of these there were 1,600 in the building and loan company. These poor people worked hard, made sacrifices and carried their small savings to the Lingafelters. They lived "in rent" or in modest cottages loaded down with mortgages which were to be paid with the savings.

The Lingafelters lived in the most metropolitan and one of the most costly mansions in this section of the state. It was, however, a house of trouble. Some will tell you that a hoodoo rests upon it. The house was built by a congressman, whose wife said she'd show Ohio how houses were put up in Washington.

Whatever overwhelmed the congressman's family and the monumental abode went the way of the rest of his fortune. It was bought by "Jim" Lingafelter. The latter was born in this county in 1847. He entered the union army at 17, was wounded and went home to politics. He was recorder five years, auditor six years and a councilman.

In 1887 he organized the building and loan company and in 1890 the bank. It was the first savings bank in this city and the people, especially the poor, flocked to it with their money. Deposits as low as 50 cents were accepted.

The twin concerns occupied the same room. Officially, Lingafelter was secretary of the building and loan company. In fact, he was the whole thing—he and his family. His wife was there most of the time. His son much of the time. They were not on the payroll as employes. It was a labor of love they explained, for the husband and father, who was busy most of the time in the savings bank.

Robert, the son, whose escapades had for years been the talk of the town, had authority to sign his father's name. He worked on the books.

James F. was cashier and general manager of the bank. Robert was employed there several years ago for a few months. Then he worked for the building and loan.

Things went badly and in 1904 both concerns were placed in the hands of receivers. Among other interesting developments was the fact that Lingafelter's accounts with the bank had not been balanced since 1898. He had ten accounts and they were overdrawn $15,000.

What has become of the money taken from the two concerns is a mystery, and Robert squandered it, according to the statements of a great majority of those who are asked the question.

"Lingafelter was easy going," they say, "and yielded to his wife. The latter idolized the son. She minimized his wrong doing and backed all his demands for money."

Robert's way of getting rid of money were diverse. Often, too, they were picturesque. One of his earlier exploits was the shooting of a drove of hogs owned by a man near town.

A performance credited to him involved the shattering of a $1,000 mirror in a Columbus saloon with champagne bottles. He has denied this charge.

He attended a medical college in Columbus and added to the regular studies a course in poker and faro. He tried his hand at managing theatrical attractions. He also managed female bicycle riders.

Lingafelter gave princely tips to waiters. He spent $3,000 in an illuminating trip thru the east.

All the bills were sent to the bank and were paid. Lingafelter shook his head sometimes, but he always ordered the drafts charged to his account.

Robert was 27 years old when the crash came. While he spent a lot of money, it is improbable that he disposed of all the missing $140,000. The family did not spend it in high living. The father was as extreme in holding money as the son was in spending.

The theory is held by some that the Lingafelters "planted" much of the money. They have been defended by high-priced lawyers and it is believed in some quarters that their home, sold for the benefit of creditors, was bought in for the couple. They are now living in the hoodoo castle in lonely grandeur.

Lingafelter is soft spoken, while his wife is of resolute and determined manner. They feel that they are much abused. The mother still defends the boy and says he did nothing wrong.

Lingafelter says that of the $86,000 building and loan alleged shortage, the amount of $46,000 was paid to the shareholders in unearned dividends and that the balance is a myth—a sort of bookkeeping mirage. He claims the association was solvent at the time of the receivership. The bank failed, he says, because of bad loans he was forced to make by order of the directors.

One of the directors committed suicide by drowning soon after the bank failure. The others have been sued to make good part of the shortage.

Prosecuting Attorney J. R. Fitzgibbon has led in pressing the cases in court. He secured the conviction of Lingafelter and his son on the charge of forgery. The verdict was overturned by higher courts and the prosecutor arranged for new trials, in which the prisoners were again convicted. Mrs. Lingafelter was found guilty this month on the charge of aiding and abbeting the commission of a forgery. Her lawyers told the jury that if she made any false entries it was to shield her son and not for her own gain.

A Hard Headed Boy

"Dar's jes' dis about it," said Mammy Minerva, "I's gotter han' dat Pickaninny Jim over to de Society Foh de Prevention o' Cruelty to Animals."

"What's he been doin'?"

"We give him a goat foh a Christmas present, an' Jim an' de goat got to playin' rough, an' de fus' thing I knowed Jim he done los' his temper an' butted dat goat almos' to def!"

New Year's Bells

In England the year is ushered in by a peal of bells bursting forth upon the midnight air from every steeple far and near, telling the people that they are on the threshold of another twelvemonth. Charles Lamb said of these bells: "Of all sounds of all bells—bells the music nighest bordering on heaven—most solemn and touching is the peal which rings out the old year. I never hear them without gathering up to a concentration of all the images that have diffused over the past twelve month; all I have done or suffered in that regretted time I begin to know its worth, as when a person dies."—New York Evening Post.

He Knew the Boy

Head of Firm—"You had better give the office boy a couple of dollars, Mr. Penwiper, for Christmas."

Mr. Penwiper (the bookkeeper)—"I think we had better make it a New Year's gift, sir. I have just sent him out with a telegram, and I don't think he will get back by Christmas."—Brooklyn Citizen.

THE GARDEN OF TOYS

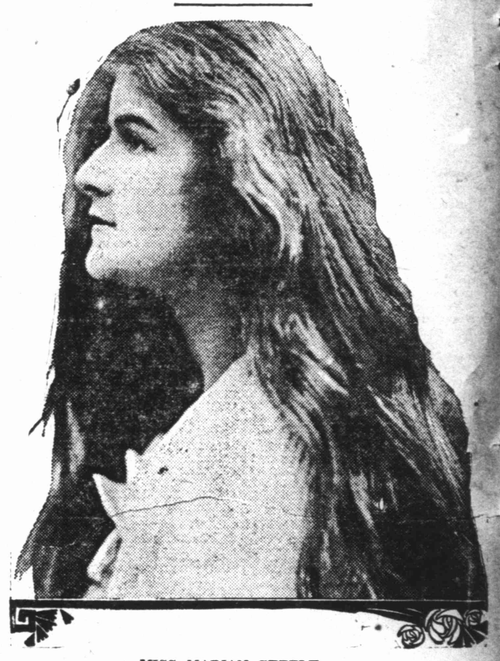
By the boreal pole where old Santa Claus lives
In his cottage of taffy and glass,
In the summer his sleigh is well packed away
And his reindeer are pastured on grass.
There the Saint reads his books and the Saint smokes his pipe
And leisurely hours he enjoys;
But of mornings he goes with his rakes and his hoes
To the beautiful Garden of Toys.

Oh, the Garden of Toys is well planted with seeds
Of everything that's out;
Long rows of tin whistles and horns thick as thistles
And pop-guns, beginning to sprout.
The marble-plant, too, is just bringing to view
A crop of delight for the boys
As the Saint showers the lot from his watering-pot
In the beautiful Garden of Toys.

—Wallace Irwin in Woman's Home Companion for December.

MRS. LINGAFELTER AND THEIR HOODOOED HOUSE.

BREACH OF PROMISE A PUZZLE TO JURYMEN



MISS MARIAN SETTLE.

Special to The Telegram.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Whether Heinrich Thyssen, son of a multimillionaire German iron king, really promised to marry Miss Marian Settle, a beautiful actress, daughter of the late Judge Settle, of Jacksonville, Fla., is a question which a London jury has declared itself not wise enough to answer.

Miss Settle, convinced that Heinrich intended to marry her, gave herself entirely to him, and then, when his love grew cold, she brought suit for $60,000 for breach of promise. Heinrich declared that he wanted Marian simply as his mistress.

Heinrich first met Marian three years ago while she was performing in "The Country Girl" at Daly's theater, London. He fell in love with her, and sent her a basket of flowers, with his card. She acknowledged them, and then he wrote for an interview with her, which she granted. According to Marian, he proposed marriage, and she agreed to live with him as his wife until he could arrange matters with his father, who might disinherit him if he married an actress.

Heinrich told Marian his father was an extraordinary man. In fact, he said his father had selected a wife for him, and that there had been a dinner at which she and her people were present, but that he had walked out, and this had annoyed his father and made him very angry.

It was arranged between the young couple that they should not mention names in their letters, Heinrich signing himself Tumty No. 1 and Marian Tumty No. 2.

The two traveled together about Europe and went to America, Tumty No. 1 introducing Tumty No. 2 to his friends as his fiancee.

Affectionate letters passed between them when they were separated, Marian writing:

"My Dearest Darling D. D. D.: I am worrying as to how your cold is. Dearest Tumty No. 1, will you tell your little Tumty No. 2 whether you truly love her, or are tired of me and wish to get rid of me. Tell me what our future is to be. Are we really to stick together? Do you intend to marry me? You say you cannot while your father lives. Do you intend to marry me afterwards, or is this only an excuse? Dear Tumty, I love you so much. Do not make a fool of me."

He replied:

"D. D. D.—I have just got your letter of 24 Jan. A very nice letter, too. I love to have letters from Tumty No. 2. Everything will come all right. With love from Tumty No. 1 to Tumty No. 2."

In another letter Heinrich wrote asking the actress to return to England from New York and telling her:

"You must not upset me by silliness. You know perfectly well what I want from Tumty No. 1. Love and kisses. Let me know when you are coming back."

The lady sent one letter in which she signed herself "Tumty No. One-and-a-half." Finally Heinrich's love ceased, and he wrote to Tumty No. 2:

"My Dear Marian—This letter will probably be a great disappointment to you, but I cannot act differently. After all the different conversations we had at Carlsbad about marriage you will remember you told me that a life like this would not satisfy you always. I have come to the conclusion that neither now, nor at any time, can I marry you. I came to the conclusion that I must give up the life I lead. I may think of marrying somebody and leading a quiet life. My Dear Marian, I cannot marry you. I have tried to explain the reasons very often. Believe me when I think of you it is always very good, but the only thing I cannot do is to marry you."

This letter almost broke the heart of Tumty No. 2, and she replied:

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"What can I do? I am not made for the buffeting or hardships of the stage. I shall never be any success there or be able to earn a living. The best I could ever do there is to eke out a miserable existence. Do you think this is right—to throw me, helpless and broken-hearted, on the streets? Your passion, or whatever liking you had for me, being satisfied, you have no further use for me! Is that it?

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The quotations given below may be of some value to those who like to accompany a Christmas gift with an appropriate sentiment: With a calendar, "Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year"; with a book, "An old friend to trust"; with a pair of slippers, "We must go together"; with a pair of gloves, "We're a pair if ever theye was one."

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MEAT TRUST MET ITS MATCH IN THESE

TYPES OF WOMEN STRIKERS WHO DEFEATED THE MEAT TRUST.

Special to The Telegram.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—When the butchers of the East Side advanced the price of meat 2 cents a pound to meet the demand of the beef trust, which had jumped the wholesale price, 2,000 housewives of the poorer section of New York made a patriotic demonstration, unique in the battle of the common people, against trust oppression.

Two cents counts for 2 cents on the East side of New York, and the women went on strike, declaring that the advanced price of meats was outrageous. Two of them, Mrs. Esther Delbofsky, of 402 East Fourth street, and Mrs. Rebecca Resnick, of the same address, organized all the housewives for blocks around. These women formed in line and marched thru the streets, stopping at every butcher shop and notifying the dealer that unless the price of meat was reduced they would eat fish or go without meat for six months.

Pickets were sent out to warn women from shops within an area of over two miles. Mrs. Delbofsky made a speech in the street to a large number of women, in which she said:

"I tell you women not buy meat at the present prices. You had better buy fish, or we can go without meat entirely until the butchers give us reasonable prices. It is every woman's duty to herself, her husband and her family to protest against this oppression. They do not raise our husband's wages, but they advance the prices of things we have to eat."

Some of the butchers, seeing ruin ahead, attacked the leaders of the strike, several of whom were knocked down and beaten. The police made a number of arrests.

Within twelve hours after the strike had begun nine-tenths of the butchers in the district had reduced their prices and the strikers declared the boycott off.

Most of the strikers were Jewish women.

THE WINTER GIRL IS A WITCHING MAID

The winter girl of today is just as bewitching and bewildering as the summer girl has ever been.

On a cold day when a keen wind brings the blood to her cheeks, she tramps along with the knowledge that she is a picture in her trim tailored suit and her snug-fitting toque—for the wise winter girl is the one who selects for her street costume the plain skirt and jacket and small hat.

The girl in the illustration wears a dark blue cheviot suit. The skirt comes just below the ankles, while the coat is cut long and trimmed with black braid. Her ermine toque is an affair trimmed with tiny tails and claws. Her muff is of black martin, with bits of ermine set in.

Not Enduring

"He used to say," she sobbed, "before we were married that his love would be more enduring than everlasting granite."

"And hasn't it been?" asked the dear friend.

"No," she replied between the sobs. "It didn't even last as long as a wood pavement."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Building to Fit the Play

Theater Manager—I can't use your play, sir. It's too long for the stage.

Amateur Playwright—But, I say—aw—look here—ay! Can't you lengthen the stage, you know?—Tit-Bits.

Momentous Question

Her—Would you say that Miss Muggsby has a pug nose or that her nose is retrousse?

Him—Well, that depends. How—er—much is her father worth?—Chicago Daily News.

THE WILD MAN OF BORNEO

WM. EDGAR GAIL, F. R. G. S.

Borneo, the second largest island on this planet, and the paradise of mothers-in-law, has been given a poetical name. "The Land of the Golden Duck," and enthusiastic writers refer to it as "The Garden of the Sun" which to any voyager who has been compelled to endure the terrors of a tropical orb sounds as if the writer were verging toward an insane asylum. Another worshipper of the home of the Wild Man of Borneo speaks like a sweet girl graduate and says it has an "always afternoon" climate, whatever that is. But there is no denying that nature is both beautiful and bountiful on this monsoon swept land basking in a shallow sea. Like other tropical islands food stuffs are so easily obtainable that one is prohibited from anticipating much energy and ambition on the part of the indigenous population.

That was the idea of yesterday, but it is not the opinion of travelers of today. You know that the primitive home of the so-called "white man was in a warm climate." The barbarian hordes which not long ago swept down from the north have only recently become civilized under the sunny influence of the southern branches of the races. Our modern civilization, long barred from the hot lands, has now turned thither, and in Borneo, and Samoa, in Fiji and New Guinea, in East Africa and West Africa the white man is found. When we look at the missionaries we find real examples of northern Christian who domiciled at nativity-time in rigorous regions is now flourishing in the most productive portions of the planet. There is more time in the tropics for the consideration of loftier subjects than how to get food and raiment and shelter with plenty of sleep. It is in the winters of the northland that people slumber their life away. The tropics do not require so much sleep. It is not remembered that in warm, sunny climes much of the best in art, literature and science has emerged. A milder and kinder civilization may yet be produced by the Christianized natives of the equatorial countries for the hustle and bustle for sustenance is not so insistent as in the cold climates, and more time and disposition obtains for the finer, fairer and gentler things of life. Let us hope that the new civilization, the civilization of the tropics will excel ours, which owes so much to the ancient simplicity of those who lived and taught on the shores of the narrow Mediterranean sea.

Borneo is in the tropics. The equator lies across Borneo. I called it the paradise of mothers-in-law! Let me furnish the schedule for the Dyak marriage ceremonies—In the first place a young brave can find no girl to court unless he has taken at least one human head and dried and kept the skull. That was formerly the universal custom and still prevails to a considerable degree. At the proper time in the marriage ceremonies, after the fashion of the native tradition a warrior brings in six sticks and lays them down before the dusky bride and groom. Stick No. 1 means that the husband is prohibited to put away his wife for sickness or an incurable disease. No. 2, she is not permitted to treat him badly. No. 3 he must give her a full dowry if he puts her away when with child. No. 4 he is to give her no compensation if she is guilty of adultery. No. 5 the wedding feast is to be repeated when the wife has her first child. No. 6 and last, they are both forbidden to mention the names of their fathers-in-law or mothers-in-law! These prohibitions are intended to teach them reverence to their fathers-in-law and mothers-in-law!

This island is full of interest to the scientist. Here I found the cannibal snake that eats snakes, here flourishes the plant that lives by being bitten by ants, so I have been told; I did not see the plant during my visit in Borneo, here dwells the orang-outang, or the "wild man of the woods," which was long supposed to give color to the Darwinian theory but that theory must go elsewhere as the orang-outang, a low grade animal is below the dog and horse in intelligence! The Malays have a proverb "even a lizard gives a fly time to pray," which has been derived from the manner of the tiny Saurian going for its prey! There are other interesting things on this island, but among the most useful and entrancing studies will be the effect of the teaching of the Master Teacher Christ on the sea gypsies, and land Dyaks, once head hunters and otherwise violent and outrageous savages until the love of God and men constrained Christians, lay and clerical, to leave their comfortable homes and throw in their lot with the wild man of Borneo.

The population probably numbers 4,000,000 and is exceedingly raw material out of which to make Christians.

This huge island, thru which the hot equator passes is, like ancient Gaul, divided into three parts, North Borneo, Dutch Borneo and Sarawak. There is very little missionary work being done in British North Borneo aside from feeble efforts by the church of England and the Roman Catholics. European missionaries—the staff is small—are at work in the Dutch possession. There the Rheinish mission has 9,000 converts and recently a widespread revival began! In Sarawak, which may be considered a Mohammedan country because the conquering race (Malay) follow the prophet of Mecca, there has been for years effort put forth by the S. P. G., i. e., the society for the propagation of the Gospel, one of the two great church of England missionary societies, and the Roman Catholic.

Sarawak is an independent state of brownskins, with a population of possibly 400,000, ruled over by an Englishman known as the rajah or king. The independence of the state was first recognized by the United States of America, and it may be considered as under the protection of Great Britain. There are practically no written laws. The rajah is absolute monarch, but thruout the state he has placed officials known as residents. They are all Englishmen, and are assisted by the native chiefs, but anyone has the right of appeal from their decision to the rajah himself, and may approach him personally. Many of his constituents are savages, most of whom have given up the interesting but barbarous practice of head hunting. The American Indian was satisfied simply with the scalp of his dead enemy, but the Dyak of Borneo took the whole head and dried it, ever afterward smooking it over the village fire. The government of this country is unique and I think it may be considered as just but certainly not as beneficial to the native races as would be the administration of the British.

The first rajah, Sir J. Brooke, is said to have invited missionaries to come to Sarawak for the purpose of statecraft. It was his wish to establish in his little kingdom a strong party of Christians to keep in check the Mohammedans.

The headquarters of Christian effort are in the capital, Kuching, a city of 25,000 population, cosmopolitan, and at times in the past, turbulent. Located twenty-five miles from the sea on the Sarawak river it has the movement of the tides. Here the different nationalities live in kampongs or wards. There is at least one Hindu temple, a Chinese joss house, and two Mohammedan mosques, a Roman Catholic church with two steeples, and schools the "fathers" of which speak with no great encouragement concerning the work. It has been difficult, only slowly prosperous, and yet they have labored zealously. In one large village the Roman missionaries have lived and worked hard for years, the officials say, without a solitary convert. The church of England has a beautiful situation and a Catholic church constructed of the native hard wood, bilian, which is supposed to last hundreds of years. The bishop of Singapore, Labuan, and Sarawak lives in this compound six months of the year. All but two of the missionaries of the S. P. G. belong to the high church party. Services are conducted twice every day and attended by the students from the boys' school and the girls' school.

For many days I was rowed, paddled, or walked, slid and jumped thru the dense tropical vegetation of the jungle forming a solid mass of foliage between the various rivers of this region. In that time I visited one land Dyak village and seven inhabitated by the sea Dyaks, some of whom have been called the sea Gypsies of Borneo. These Dyaks are an interesting people. First because of their habitations. At the village of Stampin, all the inhabitants of which are pure sea Dyaks, and but recently won from savagery, the house is 314 feet in width, with uncovered porches extending along both sides. This house is supported by 545 posts, some of which run from the ground to the apex of the tap roof. The whole village lives in this one house which has sixteen doors and a population of 100. The first floor, made of split up sections of nibong palm, is probably fifteen feet above the ground. This arrangement of the dwellings make the efforts of the missionaries require at times, an unusual amount of vitality and spiritual power. The missionary visits the house, is given a fine mat in front of the chief's door next to the village fireplaces over which hangs a bamboo creation containing twenty human skulls. He talks with the chief and those who immediately gather to welcome him. If the sea Dyaks are polite and observe their ancient rules of hospitality they will send a brownskin clambering up a cocoanut tree and offer the missionary a cool drink. His cook prepares meal at the village fire and serves it, and then the whole population gather in the porch to hear him talk about the new religion. Here intervenes the difficulty. The replies elicited are from the chief and the witch doctors, for by a rule as old as the race the young people must keep quiet in the presence of their elders. The result then obtains, as it did at Stampin, that these men, specially the witch doctors whose financial income is at stake, do not faithfully represent the sentiment of the village. The missionary seemed to be rebuffed by the witch doctors and chiefs at Stampin, but while visiting Pontong an heroic young sea Dyak from Stampin told us that the young men and young women have a mind of their own and will not follow the leading of their elders, but express a desire for Christian teaching.

Second interesting feature about the missionary work is the presence in large numbers and the extreme vitality of the mosquitoes. Scientist Wallace who wrote a valuable work called "The Malay Archipelago," says, "I obtained altogether in Borneo about 2,000 distinct kinds of beetles, of which all but about 100 were collected at this place (Simunjon coal works) and on scarcely more than a square mile of ground." He got them all in three months. This gives a slight idea of how numerous insects are in the island. On several occasions the mosquitoes became so vicious that I asked the Dyaks to start a fire under the house that the smoke might go up and eliminate the pest. I have been bitten hundreds of times in a few days. During these visits I found the attendance of Dyaks at religious services large and frequent.

There is a great field here for missionary work, and more missionaries are urgently needed. I have found in this land of the missing link no monkeys, apes, orang-outangs, developing into human beings, but have found some human beings on the descending scale.

Generally speaking the wild of Borneo is still wild. The land of the golden duck, a thousand orchids and a multitude of moths still waits for the healthful influence of wide-spread civilization.

A Strangely Wrought Reunion

A joyous Christmas celebration in the home of Adolph Gebhardt of Lincoln, Neb., over the return of a long lost brother was brought about thru the medium of a moving picture exhibition. Adolph was watching the entertainment one night when he was struck by the strange familiarity of one of the figures. He returned a second and third night before he was able to recognize the features, and then he startled the spectators by shouting, "It is George; it is George!" It was learned that George was an actor in a New York theater. Telegrams passed, and George arrives in Lincoln Christmas day. They had not seen each other for nearly ten years.

True Christmas Charity

Last Christmas, says the Des Moines Register, clad in rich raiment, Mrs. Arthur Hyde, the handsome wife of a Des Moines millionaire, faced a bitter wind from noon until 5 o'clock in the afternoon holding in her hand the regulation Salvation Army turkey contribution box, which she took from the hands of Captain Mary Taylor, after telling the latter to return to the barracks, eat her dinner and remain indoors until sent for. Attracted thither by the strange spectacle, money of all denominations was dropped in the box, and when Captain Taylor came to resume her work at 5 o'clock, besides a well filled contribution box she received a large roll of bills from Mrs. Hyde's own pocketbook.

To Kill Dandelions

The best means, and surest, is to dig up, root and all. This is tedious, however, and expensive. Try, in case the digging process is not employed, the sulphate of iron solution. Use a good sized handful to three gallons of water and sprinkle this over an area of twenty feet square. It will not injure the grass and will kill the dandelions; at least some of them.

Has No Charm for Americans

Only two American vessels have entered the harbour of Bordeaux in ten years, and these were private yachts which sought refuge during the Spanish-American war.

Balloon a French Invention

The first balloon was made by Jacques Eitenne Montgolfer, of Annonay, France, in 1763, and the French have maintained the leadership in balloon flying.

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VAUDEVILLE TO HELP HIS CHURCH

New York Pastor Believes in Entertainment

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Declaring that if the church expects to continue popular with the people it must keep up with the times the Rev. Frank M. Goodchild, pastor of the Central Baptist church, one of the largest in the city, has introduced vaudeville into his services.

Dr. Goodchild induced the trustees of his church to vote him a fund with which to employ talent. From a theatrical booking agency he has made up a program for each Sunday evening during the winter.

The first performer was Miss Ethel M. Palmer, a vaudeville performer, who whistled sacred music, being accompanied by a pianist. The congregation was startled at first at the shrill notes of the whistler issuing from beneath the pulpit. Later the members seemed to calm their fears and enjoy the act.

The next performance was by Chas. Wold, who rendered sacred music upon musical glasses, familiar to all vaudeville devotees.

Dr. Goodchild said: "If my church is to continue to do any good it must get in touch with the people. There is no use preaching to empty pews, nor is there much reason for work in a flock of church members, all of whom are at least supposed to be living aright. I am not particular as to the means of getting people to attend my church, as long as I get them."

"Honest Graft" in Henry's Day

The practice of sending presents on New Year's day has often been turned to advantage by people who were in a position to make it unpleasant for others. In the olden days it was customary for every tenant to make his landlord a New Year's gift and for every loyal subject of a baron, knight or king to testify his loyalty by sending his master a gift. This custom was regarded with such favor by the money loving Tudor sovereigns that they let their wish be distinctly understood that the presents should take the form of cash, and there is a curious manuscript memorandum by the marquis of Bath, who held an official position in the court of Henry VIII. It contains a list of all those who made presents to the king on New Year's day of that year, together with the amount contributed by each, the sum total considerably exceeding 7,000 pounds.

Mohammed's New Year Motto

Every good act is charity. Giving water to the thirsty is charity. Removing stones and thorns from the road is charity. Exhorting your fellowmen to virtuous deeds is charity. Putting a wanderer in the right path is charity. A man's true wealth is the good he does in this world. When he dies mortals will ask, "What property has he left behind him?" but angels will inquire, "What good deeds hast thou sent before thee?"—Mohammed.

New Year's on Skates

In Holland on New Year's the people may be seen skating along the canals in gay holiday attire. In Scandinavia the picture is similar, while in Russia, wrapped to the ears in furs, the people travel around in sledges to make their New Year calls, but not on the same day that we are making ours, for their Jan. 1 falls twelve days earlier. Russia being the only Christian country where the Julian calendar is still used.—Chicago Tribune.

TALKS WITH TEXAS STOCKFARMERS

East Texas Stock Farming

W. W. Williams is an East Texan and is proud of his section of the great state. He resides in Wood county at Alba. "I am a stock farmer in addition to some other matters of business, among which is butchering stock for our local market," said Mr. Williams. "Our people are, those at least who are engaged in farming, giving their attention more and more to raising feedstuffs and forage crops and breeding stock. This is especially so in the case of hogs. With the quality and quantity of food suitable for fattening swine, that can be harvested in our county and in fact in all of East Texas, there is no reason at all, except the indifference of the people, why our section should not become the great hog producing section of the state. In the first place the quality of the stock hogs has been improved until there are as fine bred hogs with us as there are in any other part of the state. The razorback is no longer to be found in Wood county. He has become one of the down and out club and is now only a remembrance and a subject for a joke. Our cattle have been improved, too, and the good work still goes on. As to feeds, while we raise corn more or less each year, the time has passed in East Texas when a stock farmer makes corn the sole feed and without it determines that he cannot raise hogs. That is an exploded idea and has been laid away along with many other ancient prejudices. Our sandy soil is especially productive relative to any vine or root crop and in consequence field peas of any variety, goobers, potatoes, especially sweet, and all species of vegetables and fruits are at their best in our country. There is no better feed for hogs than goobers, potatoes and goobers, taken in connection with some grass. The peas and goobers make fine feed both for hogs and cattle and the hay cured from the vines of the field peas and goobers makes a remarkably succulent and nourishing feed for horses and cattle. Goobers, the Spanish variety, yield enormous crops of the peanuts. Most people, when the time comes to harvest, simply pull the vines up with what nuts cling to the roots, shake the dirt off, and as it is sandy, this is easily done, turn them upside down with the roots and nuts to the sun and let them cure. They are then baled and if it is so desired, they can be readily disposed of in the towns for from $12.50 to $15 per ton. They are eagerly sought for by the town folks for their carriage horses.

"The field peas are planted either by themselves or, as is most commonly done, are planted among the corn when it is laid by. This last fashion makes it hard to gather the corn, but it makes a splendid pasture for hogs and all manner of stock. It is not necessary to tell a southern man what virtue there is in sweet potatoes as food for hogs, for every one knows that. It was always the rule in the south in the old days to have a few acres in a potato patch and when ready they were plowed up and the best, according to size, were separated from the small ones and 'bedded' for the family use in what were called 'potato banks.' After that the hogs had the free run of the patch and they generally got what was left. The hogs are turned in now on both the potatoes and the goober patches. Of course, there is some waste in the methods in use, but all this will be eliminated as the people advance in the science of stock farming.

"As to grass, the Bermuda is by far the best for all purposes. It is good for all kinds of stock and will carry more head to the acre than any other to be found, and the grass will not be hurt. The stock may graze it down until a mule can't get a hold on it with its strong teeth, but the minute the stock are removed it goes to growing and that at a rapid rate. In the second bottoms of the creeks, it will get to be half leg high, and here it will be very fine for cattle, these animals not being able to eat it when it is grazed close to the ground with any degree of good. For hogs, there is nothing better and taken with the feedstuffs mentioned heretofore in this talk, a complete ration is obtained, which not alone produces the best results, but they are merely incidents, as it were, and help as a change of diet. We have had a world of crab grass this year, owing to the great fall of rain, but there was some compensation in the fine stalk fields that were to be had for our stock."

Stock Farming Good Business

James Connelly lives at Trenton, which is not far from Van Alstyne. "Yes, I follow stock farming for a livelihood and I am confident that any farmer can get a big lot of satisfaction out of that branch of agriculture if he will make up his mind that there is something else that will bring money besides cotton and corn. I raise crops of feed and feed it to cattle and hogs and then sell the proceeds in the shape of good fat livestock. It is a good business, paying well, and is healthful at the same time. We made a very good crop of cotton this year and it is strange, for down in the neighborhood of Van Alstyne the weevil ate everything up or rather stung it to death. Corn was a good crop and is selling for very good prices. I breed a cross of Duroc-Jersey and Poland China hogs and I tell you, they are the hogs for all purposes. There is nothing like it in the hog line."

Cattle Doing Well

Joe Payne came in from the territory with encouraging words from that section as to conditions. "Things are all right up at Waggoner, in the nation," he said. "I am feeding 803 head of steer cattle up there on meal and hulls. Cattle are doing very well in that section and there is plenty of feed for anybody who wishes it. Crops have been good and everybody seems to be flourishing. There has been a lot of rain and all last week there was a misty, drizzling fall of moisture all the time. Take it all together matters could be much worse than they are at present. The country is pretty well settled now with farmers and farms are the common thing in the section of the territory where I have been recently."

Prefers Hog Raising

S. F. Tindle has his stock farm near Lerue, Henderson county, and his postoffice is R. F. D. No. 1.

"Am a stock farmer and while I raise some cattle and other stock, I make my main business that of hog raising, which I believe will be the chief industry of east Texas, now that we have a permanent market here at Fort Worth, where we can sell at any time and for fair prices, and have discovered that it is easy to breed and fatten hogs without corn, which has always heretofore been deemed an impossibility in Texas. Of course some corn is useful in the feeding, but it has come to that point now, that the fear that was always with us that there would be something that would reduce the yield of corn, and thus bring starvation to the surplus swine, has passed away never to return. Peas can be raised in any quantity, and beans of all sorts, sweet potatoes, goober peas, ribbon cane and sorghum and all kinds of vegetables are very prolific and all good feed for hogs. In addition to this we have any quantity of Bermuda grass which is just as good as any other known for hogs and other live stock. Our people are finding this out and when it becomes generally known they will take to it for their stock. Bermuda will produce more to the acre and will stand more grazing than any known kind of grass and it is practically a native of the south and will flourish in any kind of soil and does not need any care or cultivation unless breaking up the sod every three or four years can be called cultivation. Poland China is the class of hogs that I have always preferred, but I have heard a lot about the Duroc Jersey and read something in The Telegram about their being such fine breeders and mothers and I am thinking of crossing the two breeds, and I think that this will result in a fine hog for all purposes. Hereford and Durham are the favorite grades of cattle with us and the cross makes about the best and most serviceable cattle for the stock farmer. I do not plant cotton to any great extent as I believe that there are other things that can be made to yield a better living than cotton. I raise a little now and then just to keep my hand in. All farmers in my opinion should make it a practice to plant something of everything that is a money maker, and while either one alone would not make much of a showing, still in the aggregate there will be quite a balance in bank at the end of the season.

"Most of us plant ribbon cane and it does exceedingly well. If we could get fair treatment from the railroads there would be no trouble in shipping to all parts of the state and placing it in the hands and homes of all the people in the shape of the finest syrup that ever was eaten with hot biscuit. The car load rate is very unfair to the small shipper and prohibits him from shipping his own stuff in competition with the corporations who manufacture things they call syrup from most any old thing. The car load system plays into the hands of the big man and compels the small producer to sell his product to him almost on his own terms. This is not only an injustice to the farmer, but is one of the parents of the trusts that there is such a howl about now. Fruit is a big factor in the products of our country, and now that the small plant for canning is to be had by the farmers there will be no trouble in disposing of the surplus. I have an uncle who cans his blackberries and peaches at home and sells them to the merchants in the small towns. The profits on the transaction are good and better still, he does not have to sell his stuff for any price, as he would have to do if he had to deal with a big canning establishment."

Territory Stock Farming

Ex-Governor Mayes of the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory, and who is a stockman, paid a visit to the Stock Exchange, and was met by many friends. In talking to a representative for this paper Mr. Mayes said:

"I live at Pryor Creek, about fifty miles below the Kansas line, and my business is stock raising. Our section used to be a very fine cow country, indeed, but it is not so now. It is not profitably any longer, owing to the cold weather. Stock farming has taken its place to a limited extent. When the country was an open one, with no fences, a man's cattle could seek the protection of the valleys and creek bottoms and find protection and food at the same time; but now, since the land has been sectionized and alloted out to families, there are fences all across the country, and there is no way for cattle to be protected or grazed in the old way. Stock farming will help and, of course, there will be a lot of cattle and hogs raised, and of good quality, too.

"There is plenty of corn raised and other feed stuffs, so there can always be plenty to take care of the limited number of stock that each farmer will have on hand.

"An allotment is an average of 110 acres to the head, valued at $325, but the land itself is not all valued at the same price. Some is classed as fifty-cent land, and on up to land that is classed at $6.50, so you see that if a man got 50-cent land he would get a much larger allotment than if he took $6.50 land.

"Each full-blood Indian has a homestead of thirty acres that he cannot sell or dispossess himself of in less than twenty-five years. At a council that was held with the government the Cherokees agreed to certain restrictions. The land allotted was not to be allowed to be sold within less time than five years from the date of the agreement 1902. This was signed by both the Cherokees and the United States government, but the last congress, without any right or justice, took it upon themselves to restrict the full bloods for another twenty-five years before they could sell their lands. I am sure that this law will not stand in the courts.

"The senatorial committee that has just gotten thru an investigation, I am sure, will take another view of this case than the house did last session, and will remove the restrictions if not in full, still in part, so that the Indians can lease or sell some portion of their land. The United States really had no right to interfere in any way with the lands of the Indians, for they were theirs by solemn treaty, the Indians giving value in the shape of their lands in the states within which they lived east of the Mississippi.

"When the Cherokees sold the strip along the northern border of their lands to a man named Joya, the neutral land it was called, their title was disputed and they took the case to the United States supreme court, and that court held that the title of the Cherokees was absolute, and that they alone could give a valid and legal title, as they were the sole owners under their treaty rights. The modern court of the territory and the secretary of interior have held different views and now the Indians have no title it is held except what congress gives them.

"There never was a more unfair action on the part of any government, but no treaty with the Indians seems to have any binding effect when the land crazy people desire to enter upon and take it from its owners. We are nearly all for statehood, for the quicker we get from under the authority of the secretary of the interior and the territory courts the better we will be pleased. Nothing could be worse than the present conditions.

"Yes, the Cherokee Indians work and will do well. The allotments that were made to the negroes by the government of lands that belonged to the Indians absolutely were given them, and the restrictions as to selling was held up until they could sell them, which they did, and we were glad of it.

"I was elected governor of the Cherokee Nation in 1895 for four years. I am engaged in stock farming to a limited extent. Our crops have been good this year and our people are in very good fix."

Grass Not Rotting

W. H. Shields returned from the country of the Conchos with sixteen cars of cattle for the market, which he bought in San Angelo, while on the trip. "Conditions still remain the same in the section that I visited and they are very good indeed. Grass is a perfect mat on the ground and is green near the ground. It is a perfect hay on the ground and the cattle are enjoying it to the fullest. There is no trouble about rotting grass down in that section as yet, I hear some talk of grass rotting out west in the papers, but there seems to be nothing to fear down in the Concho country."

Stock Markets Feed

Lester Hilman of the stock firm of Hilman Brothers was around the yards from his home in Van Alstyne, Grayson county.

"I am a dealer in cattle and stock and at the same time am engaged in the stock farming business, too. I do not work my lands myself but that is my business. We raise lots of feed stuff but we never sell it in the shape of grain but put it into the flesh of cattle and hogs and then sell it. This is the only true way to make farming pay and it is the most interesting by a long sight. We have had very much too much rain and between it and the boll weevils and boll worms the cotton has been a failure, not more than a bale to six acres being the result. Cattle are very scarce now in our section, they having been picked up pretty close. This can also be said of the hogs, too, which have been sold very close indeed, as the price has been high all the year. There was plenty of forage crops raised and there is no lack of feed stuff for the cattle and hogs. The immense amount of rain has caused the crab grass to choke out the alfalfa and ruin it. Millet and sorghum are good crops with us and make good feed. Corn turned out forty bushels to the acre. Ours is a pretty good peach and pear country but apples do not last. They do very well for a few years and then die out. Ours is the regular black land and makes good crops of cotton and corn, but it is not a country that will produce good crops of peanuts and such things as that."

Alfalfa Has Failed

Charles Shultz, who is a stock farmer near town, was on the yards looking over the stock and hearing the news. "We have gone thru the year very well," said he, "and all the interests on the farm are not suffering to any extent. Alfalfa is the only thing probably that has failed, and we have plowed it up, as it was not doing very well. Cotton turned out very good and was not troubled with weevil or worms. The sheep are doing fine and there is about as fine a flock of young lambs as any man ought to wish for. With the season in the ground that we have, it is hardly probable but that the next year will be as good a one as this."

Sure of Her Consent

She—You say you are going to marry me?

He—Yes, dear.

"But you're not sure that I'll marry you."

"Oh, well, I'm going to telephone your father tomorrow. I guess he'll give his consent."—Yonkers Statesman.

First Public Bank

The first public bank was established in Venice in 1550 by the Lombard Jews. The Bank of England was founded in 1693.

WORLD GOOD TO HER SHE RENOUNCES IT

MISS GRACE WARING.

Special to The Telegram.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 15.—Miss Grace Waring, one of the highest salaried business woman in Omaha, comfortably rich and a social favorite, has suddenly entered a convent. As a result tongues of all the smart set in that city are wagging vigorously, trying to determine why she did it.

Miss Waring earned $2,500 a year as reporter in the federal court. During her summer vacations she traveled in Europe. She was ardently fond of hunting and fishing and found time to indulge in these sports. The accompanying photograph shows her after she had landed a huge muskalonge. In short, she had the money to do what she pleased, and enjoyed the good things of the world.

One day she started supposedly on a visit to her parents. She never reached there, but turned over her money to the church, entered a convent and has renounced forever the world and its joys. Strangers first told her parents what she had done.

Various reasons are given for Miss Waring's step, but so far no one has succeeded in locating a "man in the case."

New Year's in Caesar's Time

At the Roman festivals of the god Janus, held on the calendar of January, gifts and good wishes were exchanged, friends met together and feasting and dancing, masking and mumming were the order of the day. January derives its name from the god Janus, who was represented with two faces looking in opposite directions, as the month was considered both to look back upon the past year and forward to that which was coming.—Buffalo Times.

Hand-Painted

Mrs. Sweetly—Mrs. Jobber and her sister have made up.

Mr. Sourly—I never saw them any other way.

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Roosevelt Gives Nobel Prize to Found Peace Fund

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CHIEF JUSTICE FULLER. SECRETARY STRAUS. SECRETARY WILSON.

BY GILSON GARDNER.

Special to The Telegram.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—President Roosevelt has received the Nobel prize for his services in promoting peace.

The Nobel prize is one of the world's great honors, conferred for greatest world service, and the country is distinguished that claims as a citizen one of the recipients of the prize.

The prize came in the form of $40,000 in cash and President Roosevelt determined to make a present of the money to the people of the United States, to be devoted to the cause of industrial peace.

He believes that this money cannot be better used than in the labor of bringing about better relations between employer and employed. To this end the fund will be placed in the hands of trustees and the income will be used perpetually for this purpose.

The Nobel prize comes to the President in recognition of his services in bringing about peace between Russia and Japan. This accomplishment is regarded by the Nobel trustees as the greatest promotion of world peace during the last decade.

The President feels the keenest appreciation of the high honor accorded him in making him the recipient of this prize, but he is disinclined to profit financially by his labors in this behalf. He feels very much as a man would feel who, having saved the life of a child, were offered $720 for his labor. Hence he has cast about to find the best way to use the money in promotion of the end for which the original foundation was made.

It is the President's plan to put the money in the hands of trustees, and he has about decided to appoint as trustees Chief Justice Fuller, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Straus. These trustees will invest the fund in safe securities and devote the interest annually to the promotion of industrial peace in accordance with the following plan:

The President will select two men, representing respectively labor and capital interests. It will be their duty to promote industrial peace in whatever way, by arbitration or otherwise, that they are able to devise, and to do all possible to bring about lasting harmony between the warring interests in the industrial world.

One of the peace promoters will be John Mitchell of the coal miners' organization, and the other will be some man in the capitalistic world who has made himself conspicuous by his fair dealing and the confidence which he commands at the hands of the employed as well as the employing class.

These two men will serve for a year, at the end of which time it will be their duty to select two more men, one from the employer and the other from the employed classes, on the basis of some conspicuous accomplishment in the way of bringing about more harmonious relations during the year then ended.

These two men will each be presented with a bronze medal, the design and character of the medal to be later determined, which will be valued as a distinction rather than from any intrinsic value.

This committee of four will, at the end of another year, choose two other medal men, so that at the end of three years there will be a committee of six. The first two men appointed will resign at the end of the third year and each of the other committeemen will do the same at the end of a three-year period of service.

Thus each year there will be selected two new members, honored by the presentation of two bronze medals, and each year two members of the Nobel peace commission will drop out, so that there will always be a standing committee of six.

President Roosevelt has no hard and fast notions as to how the administrators of his Nobel fund shall proceed in working for industrial peace. Everything will be judged by results. Theories are excellent, but until they have been tested they will probably not entitle their authors to any participation in the honors of this endowment.

On the other hand, men like John Mitchell or former Senator Gray of Delaware, who actually do things in the way of settling strikes or insuring industrial peace, will receive recognition. One of the purposes of the fund is to inspire greater endeavor along these lines.

JUDGE GEORGE GRAY,

Famous jurist, who may be John Mitchell's associate on the labor peace board.

OTHER WINNERS OF PEACE PRIZE

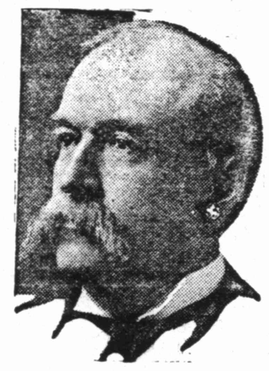
1901—Henri Dunant, founder of International Red Cross Society, of Geneva, and Frederic Passy, founder of the first French Peace Association; divided equally.

1902—Elie Ducommum, secretary International Peace Bureau at Bern, and Albert Gobat, chief of the interparliamentary peace bureau at Bern; divided equally.

1903—Wm. Randall Cremer, M. P., secretary of the International Arbitration League, London.

1904—The Institute of International Law.

1905—Baroness Von Suttner, author of "Lay Down Your Arms."



JOHN MITCHELL,

President of the United Mine Workers of America, who is honored as the first member of the perpetual Roosevelt labor peace promoting board.

WANTED TO FIND OUT

Had Doubts As to Whether Riddleberger Could Agree with Himself

Senator Blackburn tells a story of the days when Riddleberger was a senator from Virginia, which recalls the late Senator Harris of Tennessee. All these senators were then members of the committee on the District of Columbia, and there was a franchise bill of some kind pending, over which there was some contention. It was referred to a subcommittee, of which Riddleberger, Harris and two other senators were members. There were two reports, Riddleberger making the minority report.

The bill was referred to another committee, Riddleberger being the man reappointed, with two different senators, and again he made a minority report. When the question came up as to what should be done with the bill Senator Harris said, in his precise and emphatic manner

"Mr. Chairman, I move that this bill be again referred to a subcommittee, and that the subcommittee shall consist of the senator from Virginia. I make this suggestion in order to ascertain if the senator from Virginia can agree with himself."

A Diplomat

She screamed and jumped into his arms,
When'er she saw a bug.
Tho she was not a timid maid,
She did it for the hug.
—Houston Post.

PUTS THEM TO SLEEP

Physician Admits Leaving Poison for Hopelessly Sick Patients

The question of euthanasia has been exercising persons in various parts of the country of late, and while it has always seemed to me that certain incurably ill sufferers ought to be put out of their agony, I never met but one physician who openly confessed to having intentionally killed anyone. He is an old army surgeon, now retired from practice, and I asked him one day what treatment was given abdominal gun-shot wounds during the war, for I had heard that abdominal surgery was almost undreamed of in those days.

"A big drink of laudanum," he answered. "At least that's the treatment I gave. It saved forty-eight hours of agony. Since then I've never let anybody suffer if I could help it. When I have patients with cancer in the last stages, say, I call one day and leave three powders within reach. 'These are to make you sleep,' I say. 'Be very careful not to take more than one at a time. You'd never wake again if you took two!'

"I could tell you of at least twenty patients who have taken the overdose before I called again, and my conscience has never troubled me about one of them."—Washington Post.

A Great Plenty

Ethel—That is your first ancestor, I suppose?

Bobbie—Oh, no; but when we got back to him we thought we'd got enough of 'em, you know!—Chicago Daily News.

President of United States Honored for Settlement Of Russo-Japanese War

REVERSE SIDE OF THE MEDAL CONFERRED ON NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS, SHOWING PICTURE OF ALFRED NOBEL.

THE NOBEL PRIZES AND THEIR FOUNDER

Alfred Bernard Nobel.
Born 1833, Stockholm.
Educated, St. Petersburg.
Studied mechanical engineering under Ericsson in the United States.
Patented compound of nitroglycerin and gunpowder, 1863 and 1864.
Invented dynamite, 1867.
Patented explosive gelatin, 1876.
Controlled fifteen dynamite factories thruout the world.
In later years made experiments at his laboratory at St. Remo, near Nice.
Gave much to charity and largely financed the Andree balloon expedition in search of the north pole.
Died, 1896.
The founding of the Nobel prize fund was the most noted achievement of Nobel. The fund amounted originally to $9,200,000, the annual interest on which was to be divided annually into five parts to give to the most deserving persons in as many fields of human activity.
The awards are for:
The most important invention or discovery in physics.
The most important discovery or improvement in chemistry.
The most important discovery in physiology or medicine.
The most remarkable literary work of an idealistic nature.
The most or best work done in the interests of universal peace.
The peace prize is awarded by the Norwegian storthing, the others by the academies of Sweden.
Roosevelt is the first American to receive a Nobel prize.

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It will make the next Christmas happier

NORTH FORT WORTH joins Fort Worth on the north. They are destined to be the largest center of population in the Southwest. This vast area embraces 100,000 square miles of the fertile land comparatively undeveloped, or one-third of Texas. This territory is being converted into farms. The large ranches are being divided into smaller tracts and sold to farmers who are beginning development. Almost every variety of soil and climate is afforded and unlimited opportunities are presented in this vast domain. This grand extent is the feeder for the nucleus that makes North Fort Worth, with two giant packing houses of Armour & Co. and Swift & Co., and the canning factory of Libby, McNeil & Libby, stock yards and railroads, THE GREAT LIVESTOCK MARKET OF THE SOUTHWEST

From a crossroads village a few years ago, North Fort Worth now claims for itself and adjacent suburbs a population of 10,000 souls, and besides its many businesses incident to a thriving town in the way of retail stores, groceries, markets, clothing stores, restaurants, hotels and kindred ventures, it boasts the successful management of two national banks, two ice and one cold storage plants, three elevators, one marble and monument works, one overall factory, one creamery and ice cream factory, one steam laundry, one electric light plant, a horse and mule market (the largest south of St. Louis), eight churches, a paid fire department, two electric trunk lines of street railway, an artesian system of water supply unsurpassed, representing $100,000 investment, and a residence section that is the pride of Tarrant county, as a brief description of Grand avenue will indicate. This thorofare is ten feet higher than the second story of the courthouse. It is the highest point in North Fort Worth. The Trinity valley flanks this to the west, forming Belmont Terrace Addition, affording a magnificent prospect and view for miles, and unsurpassed residence sites by anything in this county. The street is paved. Cement walks grace its sides, and altogether an ideal spot finds lodgment for the most modern and up-to-date homes.

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The truth of all these assertions is borne out by investigation which we invite, and we assure you the heartiest co-operation in satisfying your research for investment or home. North Fort Worth needs more factories, more residences for rental purposes, more retail stores, more business buildings. Anything that can succeed elsewhere can succeed here, and many things unsuccessful elsewhere are bound to succeed here. Opportunities are almost boundless. Let your inquiries be answered by the Commercial Club of North Fort Worth or the undersigned. It is our pleasure to serve.

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NOT ON THE TREE

By Mary Dray

GENEVRA had returned from finishing school, this time to stay, and she sat down by the open window to face a certain problem, which had been trying to confront her for some time, and now must be definitely settled. There was no more school, no more anything to do, only a future of eternal days with Aunt and Uncle, living as they lived, among the people that they liked. Her eyes closed tragically, and tears forced them themselves below the lashes.

She could see herself as she had come to them, six years ago—plain Jennie then, a slight girl of twelve, dressed in cheap mourning, carrying all her worldly goods in two heavy traveling bags. From the little village to the great city Jennie had come alone; from the house of death to the abode of frivolity. And how the magnificence of her uncle's home had impressed her! With what awe had the small girl slipped into a spindle chair and gazed about her, while the manservant went to announce the new arrival to her aunt!

The room was much the same today as it was then—slippery floors, spotted with Oriental rugs, silken, lustrous, luxurious; damask-covered furniture, with wandering, golden legs and arms; the walls heavy with wide, gilt-framed paintings; the ornate ceiling; the frieze of cupids, pink and plump, pursuing one another; here and there a palm. And then, when her aunt had been heard coming heavily down the stairs, rustling at every step—when she had pushed aside the rose-colored drapery with one thick, white, bejeweled arm, and stood there a moment, very pink and very blue and very golden—when she had come in and greeted her kindly, affectionately, saying that she was not to be an orphan any longer, but their little girl, and that her name was to be Genevra!—

The young girl sat up hastily. They had been all that was good to her—or they had tried—and now duty demanded the response they asked—that she be as a daughter to them. She was anxious to be worthy of their generous affection at any cost, and it would cost! Tears flowed again. It means the ending of all her girlhood friendships, for the girls she had met at school belonged to families that did not know Mr. and Mrs. Pilger—would not know them. Could she ever forget having brought her dearest chum home for a few holidays, and overhearing later the remark that the Pilgers were "hopelessly vulgar, you know, tho you wouldn't expect it, to see Genevra!" That they were so she knew. All this would mean the spoiling of her young hopes, as she was beginning to realize.

At the sound of approaching silken-shrouded footsteps, she rose quickly and began to take down her hair. Mrs. Pilger entered, big and blonde and smiling, and Genevra kissed her warmly.

"Dressing for dinner, dear? I've got a great surprise for you tonight. No, I won't tell you anything about it. You'll see him at dinner time."

Laughing, her aunt went away and Genevra clutched at the dressing table, shivering suddenly. Now it had come. They had invited to dinner the man who had been hanging for two years like a threatening cloud over her horizon. It must be Hopper, the young business partner of her uncle! She had never seen him, but could he be anything but horrible—the man who had said her aunt was the handsomest woman in New York; of whom her uncle spoke as a darned good fellow, an artist at concocting certain drinks, and the very devil with the women.

The preparation of her toilet for that dinner was the most sickening trial she had ever undergone; but it was nothing in comparison with the dinner. The guest of honor sat beside her, and murmured gallantries in her ear. He was big and sleek, with bold eyes and large laughter, affecting massive jewelry set with just a sufficient number of black pearls to throw the diamonds into greater contrast. The girl hardly dared trust herself to look upon the figure of her aunt, opposite, so vast and tumultuous was the expanse of bare whiteness above her green-blue gown, so myriad the colored gems that glowed amidst the diamonds on her shoulders, neck and hair. Then when her uncle, who drank much wine and showed it in his eyes, slapped his wife coarsely on the shoulder, she flicking a few drops of water into his face in return, and they all laughed, Genevra felt that she should surely be consumed with hot humiliation.

The evening came to an end, with its good-humored merry-making. Genevra had played and sung, and received the ensuing compliments with a modesty born as much of embarrassment as of nature. Mr. and Mrs. Pilger were pleased with their investment in her education. Mr. Hopper was pleased with her in every way. He had even remarked upon the beauty of her throat, to her unspeakable confusion. The last witticism had been laughed at, the last glance of pleased gratification exchanged, and after a fond good-night embrace from her aunt, a good-natured pat from her uncle, Genevra found herself in her room alone. She sank to her knees by the bedside, too anguished for tears, feeling hemmed in by horror.

Mr. Hopper's sentiments became quickly known. He sent masses of expensive flowers; bon-bons enough to make a girls' boarding school happy. There were automobile trips when he followed them to their summer "cottage." In fact, his wooing would have grown very ardent had it not been for Genevra's unwavering refusal to go anywhere unchaperoned. As a consequence her aunt, rather reluctantly, accompanied them always. And surely her high spirits and fun made for a better companion for Mr. Hopper, than his inamorata ever could have been.

When the fall season came and with the return to town a merry-go-round of dinners, theaters and dances, his continual escort became almost unbearable. Never was there an evening meal free from his presence. If they joined a party, Mr. Hopper had her in charge. If they dined privately, he was the fourth at table.

Yet, so far as his companionship was concerned, none other at hand would have been preferable. The women they knew were all of a type, elaborately coiffed, gorgeously dressed, perfumed, and the men their natural, masculine counterparts. Genevra writhed in a society which repelled her, fearing in any way to betray the repulsion.

And, worst of all, the nothing had been said, she knew that she was eventually expected to marry him. Just what she should do when the moment of crisis came she would not even consider—the thought was too painful; but many an hour the girl spent alone, in the early morning, or indeed waking in the dark night, trying to devise a plan for earning her own living if an hour of compulsion should come.

One clear, cold Sunday morning dull unhappiness drove her out of the house before her uncle or aunt had arisen. People were coming to dinner and to remain all afternoon. There would be a little more wine than was necessary, high gayety and ragtime music. Partly to nerve herself for the coming day, partly to get away from her own introspection, Genevra walked far and fast. Returning, she passed a church of the same denomination that she had attended at school. The services were commencing, the sound of the organ swelled even to the street. A longing filled her heart and she went in. Before she came out she had become a member of the congregation. Girls do such things quickly sometimes when the assistant pastor is young, alert and skilled in the ways of women, and all this was the Rev. Arthur Grant.

Her action occasioned some surprise at home, but no disfavor. It was when she began spending week-day afternoons at the "settlement" as well as Sunday mornings at the church that Mr. and Mrs. Pilger made decided protest. Genevra heard their words without reply, and repeated them to the Rev. Arthur Grant, who listened, much disturbed at the thought of losing his pretty and capable assistant.

"If you go, Miss Genevra," he said, looking straight into her eyes, "we shall never find anyone to take your place. You give more time and are more valuable than any of the other girls; in fact, you are the only one who really puts her heart in the work. And—the children are not the only ones who will miss you. There are—others will miss you, too."

He was a young man and only assistant rector, and some things are hard to say.

"I will come anywav until Christmas," said Genevra, with determination. "I will make them let me stay that long. They will, I am sure. And afterward"—the thought choked her, and she turned away.

The time was short until Christmas, and Genevra lingered a little longer every day, while the young minister never failed to look in for a little while at least, to see how his charges were progressing, no matter how many other duties called him. It did his heart good to see this luxury-wrapped young woman pour out such loving kindness to the swarm of children, mostly unclean, all affectionate, that clung to her and adored her. It gave him greater faith in his own work, better courage for himself. And his heart ached to think that soon the settlement would know her ministrations no more. The time narrowed to two days. That afternoon he was slow in taking leave.

"Can you come all dav tomorrow?" he asked. "I know it is asking so much of you to be here the day before Christmas, but no one could trim the Christmas tree like you. I don't know anyone who would be such a help in getting things ready for the evening. And I do want the poor little rats to have the nicest Christmas, because it is their only one that you will have anything to do with."

"Do you want them to rejoice because I am going away?" she asked, smiling.

"Let them rejoice, if they will," he answered. "Children forget. It is we grown-ups who remember."

"Good night," said Genevra, extending her hand, with a little sigh. "I will surely come all day tomorrow, because it is the last time, and I want to be all the help I can."

"No one will ever take your place," he replied. "Good night—until tomorrow."

That day a very different scene had taken place in the business offices of Pilger & Hopper, when the latter had suddenly burst in, angry and heated out of all proportion to the weather.

"See here, Pilger!" he exclaimed hotly. "You've been stringing me long enough! It's no fault of mine that Genevra and I haven't had an understanding long before this. I'll have one tonight or know the reason why. And if it's that pup of a preacher, I'll smash in his face for him."

"What are you talking about?" snorted her uncle, looking up with a pair of shrewd, little eyes.

"I know what I'm talking about, and you ought to know too. The girl lives at his Settlement House. Looking after the children? Children nothing! She goes there to see him and I don't like it. She'll take me tonight or leave me, that's all. I'm no fool for any girl to twist around her finger. She can have the preacher."

"What do you say?" cried Pilger, turning purple with fury, and bursting into an explosion of profanity. "She'll marry you, or I'll know the reason why. Hopper, don't say a word to the girl this evening, and I will announce your engagement at the dance tomorrow night. Leave it to me. Any time I see her thrown away on a preacher! Any time!"

The indignant suitor allowed himself to be persuaded to another day's delay, and the next morning dawned ominously for Genevra.

"Last day at the settlement, isn't it?" was her uncle's query at the breakfast table. And his added words "About time," foreboded ill.

Mrs. Pilger's languid crossness at having her niece away all day made matters still more unpleasant, and Genevra was glad to escape into the open air. All the way to the settlement House her brain mechanically repeated over and over, "the last day," "the last day."

The children were not to come that afternoon, but to wait until the evening, and then, with their parents and the tree, have all the joys of Christmas eve. So Genevra and Arthur Grant were practically alone all day. They hung the tree with glittering festoons and trimmed it with many candles, fastened on the presents all tied up in pretty parcels, arranged the last detail for evening and the work was done. Something else had been accomplished, too—a set determination in one young man's mind that neither wealth nor outside opposition should interfere between him and his heart's desire.

It was 6 o'clock and Genevra was drawing on her gloves. "It is time for me to go," she said in a shaking voice.

He tried to speak what was crying for utterance from his lips, but could not.

"I—I hope the children will have a lovely time—and—I wish them all—and you—a—very merry Christmas—"

"Merry Christmas!" he exclaimed. "Merry for me, when I know you'll never be here again?"

Genevra had read somewhere about an astral body. She felt as if she were conscious of one now, and it was drawing out of her and wavering around her empty shell. She spoke without conscious hearing of what she was saying: "I hung a present on the tree for you—"

"Genevra," he said, "Genevra!" and almost crushed her little hands in his. "There's only one Christmas present that I want, and it isn't on the tree—"

The door opened and Mr. Hopper walked in.

"Thought I'd find you here, Gen," he said, blithely. "I came to take you home."

The veins knotted on Arthur Grant's fine forehead, and his mouth straightened into a hard line.

"We shall miss you this evening, Miss Genevra," he said. "Think of us when you are dancing. And wait one moment. Here is your Christmas present from the Settlement" (handing her an unexpected parcel). "Don't open it till morning. Merry Christmas and good night."

"Thank you," said Genevra, almost inaudibly. "And good night."

The dance in her honor that evening goaded her almost to madness. Again

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In the Christmas Dawn

FOR the Lord's sake!" ejaculated Mrs. Samuels, in her amazement forgetting that the Ladies' Aid meeting, especially when held in the parlor of the parsonage, was hardly the proper place for such expressions.

But as all her fellow-workers were hanging breathlessly on the recital of Mrs. Gleason, wife of the local druggist, her remark passed unnoticed.

"Yes, he said just that: 'If you can get one that costs $5 more, all the better. There's nothing too good for Mrs. Hiram Grey——'"

"With the accent on the 'Hiram,' I suppose," suggested Miss Kent, the town milliner. The druggist's wife caught her breath and resumed:

"And then he bought every Christmas tree ornament in our store and Bradley's stationery store, too, even to the wax angel which my husband was quite sure he would lose on, nothing so expensive ever having been sold in Santa Anna before. And then two hours later Larry Grey, he came in, and what he said when he found all the Christmas tree trimmings was gone my husband said would curl your hair. And he handed Mr. Gleason a $10 bill, and told him to telegraph an order for a duplicate lot, and some more, directly."

"My, those trees will be worth seeing. It's a shame the Grey family live twenty miles from nowheres.'"

"And to think of Lucy Grey having a gold mounted toilet set, with French women painted on the back of the mirror and the brush, and only ten years ago the two families of them coming here in prairie schooners. Well, some folks do have luck!" sighed the little milliner.

The minister's wife looked up from her sewing.

"Yes, but I think Lucy Grey would rather have back her sister's companionship and love than all the gold-mounted toilet sets in Christendom. It is very sad indeed.

The soft, regretful tones quieted the clatter of gossiping tongues. The druggist's wife coughed not exactly in apologetic manner, but as if she had said, perhaps, a trifle too much. The little milliner rose and fastened her scarf around her throat. She had work to finish at the shop. Some one remarked that the doctor had told the blacksmith's wife that her eldest child was threatened with appendicitis, and perhaps a committee ought to be appointed to tender the sympathy and assistance of the Ladies' Aid.

And so the conversation drifted in other channels, but the Grey quarrel was by no means forgotten. In fact, for nearly a year the breach between the two brothers had been the one, all-absorbing, never-failing topic of gossip in Santa Anna, and, in a way, Santa Anna had profited by the quarrel. For when Hiram Grey bought his wife a new dress length at the Fawett store, Larry Grey bought his wife a better one at the Hanson store. When Larry Grey paid $200 on the mortgage hanging over the church, Hiram promptly sent his offering of $250. Not that the Greys of either family ever came to town to church. They had done so before the quarrel. Even their women folk had sometimes driven in for the meetings of the Ladies' Aid. Now they stayed away. Not that they were afraid of meeting, but because the presence of the two factions might embarrass other churchgoers and impede the efforts of the Ladies' Aid. At least that was what Mrs. Hiram Grey had said to the minister when he had ridden the lonely fifteen miles out the Saguache road to find out why he had lost two good parishioners. Mrs. Larry Grey had simply worked her fingers in and out of the lace which edged her apron and wept quietly.

Away back in other years and in Old Missouri, Hiram and Larry Grey had married sisters, Ellen and Lucy Barton. Together the four had made a small farm profitable. Then, reducing all their belongings to cash, they had taken prairie schooners and entered this mountain-locked valley of Southern Colorado, with its marvelous undeveloped resources, its great sheep ranges, and its land to be had from the government for a song or less. With their nest egg they had made a fair start, and by intelligent, purposeful efforts were becoming prosperous, when the serpent in the form of a corporation lawyer entered their Eden.

Hiram Grey was in Pueblo at the time, on his way to Kansas City with a great shipment of sheep and lambs, Larry wrote to him, setting forth the lawyer's plan, but the letter miscarried, and so, in the subsequent silence of Hiram, the foundation of the domestic tragedy was laid. The lawyer had no time to waste. If the deal was to be closed at all, it must be done at once. Other men who controlled watersheds would be glad to talk business.

Avarice, the glitter of gold on the distant horizon, dazzled Larry. He closed the bargain. The lawyer went back to Denver and drew up corporation papers, by which a company was formed which controlled the water supply of thousands upon thousands of acres of ranch land, and Larry Grey was vice-president of the company. All the ranchmen to the south of the Larry Grey land would have to pay so much a year for water to run thru their irrigation ditches, water which heretofore had been free, and Hiram Grey was among those southern neighbors. In fact, his ranch lay next to Larry's, and their comfortable homes were just the width of a quarter section apart.

Larry had really meant to protect Hiram's water rights in the final deal. He had power to do so, but Hiram's hot words when he returned from the trip whose profits the brothers were to share roused a very devil in his soul—and he shut off the water supply within twenty-four hours.

Then Hiram had built, at tremendous expense, an artesian well, and the quarrel to all appearances was deeper than this well, and as inexhaustible. Connection between the two comfortable homes on opposite sides of the quarter section ceased. Barring sensational efforts to outdo each other in the eyes of acquaintances and tradesmen in Santa Anna, fifteen miles away, the community knew nothing. Only the sad faces of the two sisters on their occasional trips to town, and the fact that two governesses instead of one taught the two flocks of small Greys bore eloquent testimony to the fact that all intercourse between the two families had been broken off.

"Larry, think of it," she said, tearfully. "A lovely Christmas tree and not a match in the house to light it when the children get up. A beautiful turkey, mince pie, everything that's good—and the nearest neighbor from whom we could borrow matches, ten miles away. Oh, if you only hadn't——" she stopped abruptly.

She would not reproach him on this, Christmas eve. He had meant to do what was best. He had told her that he wanted money and power only to make her happier. He could not understand. And arguing thus, she fell asleep in his arms.

But her words would not sleep. They came back to the man, sitting rigidly in the dark, his arms clasped about the woman he loved.

"A lovely Christmas tree and not a match to light it. The nearest neighbor ten miles away. Oh, if only you hadn't——"

If only he hadn't! How many times in the past three months he had said the same thing. How often he had missed Hiram's protecting presence and comforting strength and brotherly affection. How often he had grieved as the children's plea for cousinly companionship had been cut short by his wife's tactful words. He had made them all unhappy. What was the use of trying to hide this fact with a gorgeous tree and high priced gifts? There was something they wanted more than presents.

Suddenly he, bent forward and caught his wife's regular breathing. Then very gently he laid her on the sofa, covered her with infinite care, and, putting on his great coat, stalked forth into the night.

There was a path thru sage brush across the quarter section, long since dropped into disuse, but he found it now and followed it, close to the barbed wire fence. Suddenly he caught the approach of quick, pattering feet. He bent his head to listen. It was not the soft, padded fall of a wolf's or coyote's foot. It was human, and short and sharp, and it was very close now. He sprang forward and a woman fell gasping into his arms.

"Oh, Larry, is that you? I was frightened almost to death. I never dreamed you'd be coming this way tonight."

"Nor I, that I'd meet you on the same path," he said, grimly, as he supported his trembling sister-in-law.

She clung to him gratefully and ignored his grim speech.

"I haven't slept a wink. I saw such a funny flame in your kitchen window tonight, and somehow I could not get it out of my head that something had happened to my sister Ellen."

"Well, something did happen, but not to her. I burned every dog-on match in the house and she's cried herself to sleep because she can't light the tree in the morning for the kids."

Lucy Grey lifted sparkling eyes to his.

"Come right back to the house and we'll get those matches and take them back together."

Larry hesitated.

"I'll go—on one condition. I want a few minutes' talk with Hiram—I want to tell him I was in the wrong and I'm going to make it right—I want——"

Across the sky a pale white light crept. Lucy Grey caught her brother-in-law's arm.

"Don't you waste a minute like this. Ellen will cry her eyes out about those matches, if we don't hurry."

Larry entered his brother's house with words of regret and penitence on his lips. Hiram had been roused from slumber by the vague realization that the place beside him in the great four-poster was empty. At sight of his wife and brother, he gave an exclamation of relief.

"I might have known she couldn't stand it at Christmas time, and I'm glad she went after you. Larry, I'm an old fool—and by God, how I've missed you."

The younger brother stepped into the warm, lamplighted room, feeling like a Christmas prodigal, but he did not speak. He picked up the hand that, by reason of great difference in years, had guided him over many rough places. His cold, trembling lips touched the work-worn fingers and something round and hot and moist followed the quick, impetuous kiss.

"Here are matches, Larry," said Lucy Grey, handing her brother-in-law a bulging pasteboard box of the precious articles. "And I've called the children. They're dressing. So's Miss Benson. We're all going back with you. Gracious, I must help little Larry on with his boots. The sky's getting awful light."

Ellen Grey turned restlessly and flung back the afghan her husband had tucked about her. Where was she? Oh, yes; in the sitting room! There stood the tree, strangely gaunt in the pale dawn. She remembered now! There were no matches with which to light it. She hoped the children would sleep until very late. She sat up very straight. Steps, steps just outside the door. Perhaps David had found some matches after all. Perhaps Larry——

"Hark, the herald-angels sing,
Glory to the new born king;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."

She stumbled toward the door. Those voices, a bass she knew well, a tenor that had rung in this room, oh, how often, and, yet, that was her sister's queer, uncertain alto among the childish falsettos. She opened the door and leaned dizzily against its frame.

"Lucy, Lucy!" she cried, and flung wide open her arms.

Miss Benson, Hiram Grey's governess, looked far across the valley where the first pale pink shafts of sunlight were touching the mountains with a faint celestial glory.

Hiram and Larry Grey tried to look unconcerned and said something about its being uncommon warm Christmas weather, but the small Hiram Greys plunged madly into the house and up the narrow stairway to the rooms where they knew their cousins would be found.

"Come on, kids," shouted Larry the second. "Come on an' sing herald-angels an' see what Santa Claus brought you."

And down in the doorway stood the reunited brothers and sisters, the glory of the sun-kissed mountain tops reflected in their faces.

And so Christmas was coming, the first Christmas that the four, doubly related, accompanied by their children, had not spent together. Prosperity had lodged over the door of each household. What Larry had made thru his deal with the Santa Anna Improvement Company, Hiram had perhaps doubled by a fortunate turn in the wool market. It was evident to all residents of Santa Anna that the Christmas celebration in the two households was to be a record breaker, and wives and children were to fare the better be-

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The Lord's Song

WITH a quick little chime like a ripple of rhyme,
Ashake from our camels' small bells;
With a song on our lips as the soft night slips
We come as the Star compels.

We have gifts in our hands for this child of far lands,
Three gifts for the child that's thrice great;
Bright gold have we brought for the King we have sought,
Red gold for the King's high state.

And frankincense we bear as the God-head's share,
A tribute for God-head divine;
Its savor that stays while the years go their ways,
Is of life everlasting the sign.

So ride we along with offering and song,
To kneel at the door where he dwells.
Thru deserts and marts with a prayer in our hearts,
We come as the Star compels.

—Catherine Markham, in The Home Magazine.

A WYOMING HOLD UP

A CHRISTMAS STORY

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EVERYTHING had gone wrong with Kathryn Shelbourne since she started from Philadelphia on a wild goose chase after a Christmas dinner and a ranch dance at the Y-open-A, and when she arrived at Cody Christmas eve common sense had almost abdicated in favor of a disordered imagination.

The trains had belated her two days; a blue goggled easterner who occupied the section opposite hers across the plains filled her ears with the dangers of cross country travel in Wyoming on account of the strife between the cattle and sheep men; then unfortunately she found the little town of Cody excited over a holdup in the bank that morning.

Therefore it was a fear smitten young woman who tremblingly signed the register at the Irma and asked for a room.

"Do you want it for the night or until the Meeteetse stage goes out?" inquired the clerk, surveying with satisfaction the tall, graceful figure clad in dark blue, fur trimmed broadcloth.

Kathryn's eyes traveled slowly around the office from group to group of men excitedly discussing the affair of the morning. She had thought her cup of trouble quite full, but there was in view a possible calamity which would run it over.

To the clerk she replied vaguely, "Why—yes."

"Well, which?" the clerk demanded.

Kathryn flushed. Excuse me, yes, I'll take it for the night and then—if"——Again her blue eyes made a circuit of the room.

They were searching for a man large of limb and tall of stature, with scant hair and full beard, who was furthermore distinguished by a triangular scar above his left eye. She had never seen him, but she had studied a photograph in her possession until she could not mistake the original, and the original was not there.

Her lips trembled as she followed the porter to her room. At the door she

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and again she fled into another room, feeling that she must get away or scream. On one of these occasions Hopper followed her. Before she understood what was coming, he had grasped her tightly, and was imprinting kisses upon her lips, tho she struggled frantically.

"Don't carry on so, Gen," he said. "You know I've been so gone on you for months that I haven't had a look for any other woman. Say you love me and we'll announce it tonight."

She wrenched herself free, tearing her filmsy gown, and gazed at him with quivering contempt, from head to foot.

"Love you? I hate you, hate you, hate you."

He turned on his heel with a bad light in his eyes, and walked out of the room, answering: "I guess that's no lie."

A few moments later her uncle came into the room seething with suppressed rage.

"Have you refused Hopper?" he demanded.

Genevra was now almost too excited for speech, but she managed to reply, "I have."

He raised his hand, and in it showed a little prayer book, bound in white leather, with clasp of gold. Instinct told her that it was her Christmas gift, not to be seen until morning. In a flash she saw the burning, shining tree, the faces of the children kindled with delight, and above them his face, pure and strong and kind. With a cry she leaped forward to snatch the book, but he held it from her.

"Is it on account of that pup?" he cried hoarsely. "Answer me!"

Her body shook with strangled emotion, but she made no reply.

"Is it? I say!" he demanded again, furiously.

She did not speak and he flung the little book forcibly into her face and strode out of the room. The blow stung, but she caught the volume and clasped it to her breast. It had been forced open and on the fly-leaf was one small, scrawling, pencilled line—"I love you."

Bursting into little, inarticulate sobs and cries, she fell into the nearest ing which he sought refuge, chair, passionately kissing the insensible little book.

Her uncle raged into the room again.

"So that is the reason, is it?" he roared. "Take your choice this instant—throw that book into the fire, come out and announce your engagement to Hopper or leave my house forever—tonight."

She looked at him curiously. His red, bald head, on which angry beads of perspiration glistened; the thick neck, swollen with wrath; the bloodshot eyes and merciless jaw; the wide area of white front with searchlight diamonds; all photographed itself permanently on her brain. Yet never had she felt so affectionately toward him as now.

"Tonight?" she asked questioningly, almost as a child.

"Miserable little ingrate," he said. "I won't give you five minutes."

Genevra went into the dancing room to find her aunt, ill-concealing wifely anxiety. The woman also impressed her picture memorably in the girl's mind, the too-gold hair, too-pink face, the tight and stony waist, deeply pointed and more than magnificently decollete; the changing light of many quivering jewels. Then she flung her arms around her aunt's neck, careless of the astonishment of beholders.

"You've been good to me, auntie, dear, and some day I'll try to repay you both—but not in the way you ask me now. I'm so glad I can go. Good-by."

She started out of the room, her astounded aunt hurrying after her as fast as very high heels would permit.

"Genevra! For heaven's sake don't go out at this time of night. Your uncle will forgive you. He doesn't mean to turn you away. Genevra! Where are you going?"

"Where?" Genevra turned smiling, as she fastened on a cloak over her filmy dress, the light of myriad Christmas trees shining in her eyes. "I'm going to deliver a Christmas present that wasn't hung on the tree."

The front door closed and the last sound that floated to the straining ears of the woman within was a laugh of perfect joy.

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"WHERE?" GENEVRA TURNED SMILING, "I'M GOING TO DELIVER A CHRISTMAS PRESENT THAT WASN'T HUNG ON THE TREE."

IN THE XMAS DAW'N

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cause of the bitter rivalry between the brothers. And how were the townspeople to know that each sister with aching heart and listless fingers had packed boxes to be sent back to the home folks in Missouri—boxes rich in price marks, but hollow and empty of Christmas spirit?

Ellen, looking across the quarter section, had turned passionately to her husband and said: "If you wanted to give me a present worth while, why didn't you build a new house so far away I can't see the light in Lucy's home? I won't live here another year." And her husband, Larry Grey, had answered: "By heavens, I will before next Christmas. I'll show Hiram Grey that not only can I make money, but I can build a house that will make folks talk. I'll show him——"

His wife raised a deprecatory hand. She hated the expression, "I'll show him——" She did not want a handsomer home—just a home where there were no tender memories of sisterly kindness, now lost forever, a home on the extreme further edge of their property, where the very nearness of her sister was not a daily thorn in her flesh.

Three days before Christmas, Hiram Grey drove into Santa Anna and loaded big high spring wagon with boxes and bundles. The druggist, the stationer, and the proprietors of the two general stores had contributed to their Christmas stocks. There should be a merry Christmas at the Hiram Grey ranch, thought the little milliner as she watched the wagon and its square shouldered driver flash by her small window.

Two days before Christmas, Larry Grey drove into town and out again. He had not only gathered up his full quota of packages from the various tradespeople, but he had gone to the depot and claimed a large express package from Denver which, he explained to the station agent, was the finest doll his partner, the corporation lawyer, could get. It was for little Lucy, his daughter, named in honor of the aunt whom, by the way, she missed sorely. Perhaps the doll might fill the void. Of course, Larry Grey did not say all this, but he thought it as he drove back with the parcel snuggling up against his great coat.

And so came Christmas eve. The Hiram Greys trimmed their tree early and retired. As Lucy Grey stepped for the last time to her window she saw across the quarter section of land a sudden flame shoot up behind her sister's kitchen window and then as suddenly die down into darkness.

"I do declare, Hiram, it looked exactly as if something had taken fire over at Ellen's and then gone out again quick. Do you suppose she——"

"Oh, don't worry about other people's affairs. The children will hear you chattering and be down like wolves on the Christmas tree before midnight. Larry'll take care of Ellen, don't you worry. He has shown he knows how to look after his own."

The bitterness of his tones told his wife that even in this Christmas tide the wrath in his heart did not burn low. She crept into bed, buried her face in her pillow and gave way to soundless sobs.

Over in the Larry Grey house there had been a fire, a single but hope-blasting tongue of flame. Not that the Larry Greys had realized the extent of their loss at the time. It was an hour before its full extent was made clear.

They, too, had begun to trim the tree early, Larry, Ellen and the governess, an Eastern college girl, who had come West for her health and was trying to banish her own homesickness by creating a Christmas spirit that would not burn in the Larry Grey home. But the tree was a beauty, the trimmings intricate and demanding many bits of ribbon and wire hangers. The two women made a feint of Christmas merriment as they prepared the trifles for Larry to hang. Strands of popcorn and tinsel gave the finishing touch, and then they stepped back to admire their work.

"Lovely," exclaimed the governess, "Do light it up, Mr. Grey, while we arrange the presents. Let us have a peek at its complete loveliness before we go to bed. In the morning we shall be so excited with the children that we will not notice the tree."

On the opposite side of the room rose a mighty fireplace of adobe in which pinion logs usually burned. But tonight it had been warm, owing to a sudden thaw, and they had let the fire burn low. Larry Grey kicked the ashes and gray logs aside as he bent over them with the taper, but not a spark could he find.

"Where are the matches, Ellen?" he asked, as he felt in the empty box above the fireplace.

"Oh, I have been so busy I forgot to fill the safes. You'll find them in the corner closet in the kitchen—a whole big box that you brought home yesterday."

And a moment later the flame that Lucy Grey had seen a quarter of a mile away shot up into the air. Larry never knew just how it happened. He opened the big box, struck a match and turned to light the kitchen lamp when the whole box of matches seemed to flash up in one mighty flame. He turned to the sink, picked up a bucket and doused the flames. It was over in the twinkling of the eye and then he went back to the sitting room.

"Got any more matches in the house, Ellen? I've paralyzed that box for fair."

And then began the weary search for matches. Lamp in hand, and followed by the two women, he searched every cranny of the house. The usually careful and forehanded housekeeper had forgotten to fill the holders in the Christmas excitement. Even the bedrooms would not yield up a precious lucifer. The wood range had been permitted to go out after supper. The embers in the fireplace were absolutely dead. The trio sat down and looked at each other in amused dismay.

"A matchless Christmas," murmured the governess. "We'll have to sit up all night and watch this lamp. If it burns out, we can take a taper and light another."

"Better still," suggested Ellen, "we will build a fire here and then, in the morning, light the tree and the kitchen fire from the fireplace."

"You are both wrong," exclaimed Larry, feeling that somehow the affair was taking on the flavor of an adventure. "I'll go up to David's cabin and borrow some matches."

David was the man of all work and he had a cabin of his own behind the corrals. No doubt he would be blessed with a big supply of matches, for he was an inveterate smoker.

Larry reached for his hat and coat and just at that moment there came a knock at the door. Ellen, lamp in hand, stepped to the door. It swung open and the lamp went out in the draft. A voice, rich and friendly came out of the night.

"Sure, Mrs. Grey, would you give me the loan of a few matches? I haven't one, and two of the boys from the Bar-X range has dropped in for a bit of Christmas cheer and friendly smoke——"

Ellen Grey burst into hysterical laughter, and Larry's hand was stayed in the act of removing his hat.

"You want matches?" he echoed. "Why, so do we."

Larry tramped back to the cabin with David, but no matches were forthcoming from the cowboys of Bar-X. They had expected to find matches and other creature comforts at David's cabin.

The homesick little governess picked her way carefully upstairs to bed. Larry Grey took his wife by the arm and led her to the sofa in the dark sitting room.

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"LARRY, I'M ... OLD FOOL—AND—HOW I'VE MISSED YOU!"

Unparalleled Generosity of Skinflint

Town Councillor—Have you heard, Mr. Skinflint, that our generous townsman, Mr. Muller, is defraying the cost of a new promenade all round the town? We think a wealthy man like yourself ought also to do something for us.

Skinflint—Well, what do you say to my giving you a park of oak trees?

Town Councillor—Oh, you noble-hearted philanthropist. Why, do you really mean to—

Skinflint—Yes, yes. I'll make the town a present of an oak forest. You have only to find the land, and I will supply you with as many acorns as you may want for seed.—Royal Magazine.

Strange!

"Grilrig, what became of your scheme for starting a restaurant that was going to jump into immediate popularity by having its kitchen in front, where everybody could look thru the plate glass windows and see all the processes of the cooking?"

"Why—h'm—the fact is, Smithkins, I couldn't get any regular cooks that would have anything to do with the scheme."—Chicago Tribune.

"Have you any good reason for suing him for breach of promise? Did he show your daughter any marked attention?" "Any attention! Why, man alive! He once gave her his seat in a trolley car."—New York Times.

BEAUTIFUL ROOM OF CHANDELIERS

Showing Made at A. J. Anderson's Store

For a moment the room was dark. There was no sound; not even the noise of the street could reach the room. The reporter stood in darkness, wondering why he had been invited.

Suddenly there was a flash and varicolored lights came from everywhere, and mingling together filled the room with a wonderful soft mellow light. Walls and ceiling of the room are specially fitted and the tables are heavy oak. This room is the chandelier room at A. J. Anderson's gun store; it is on the second floor and set apart for the special showing of chandeliers.

Chandeliers of antique origin, a century old and showing the evolution of ideas. Greek, Roman, Moorish and the later day Mission styles are among the best designs. All these strange designs shown in colors give the room an effect of being very large.

There are perhaps a dozen or more big factories in this country where chandeliers are made. Each factory has its corps of special designers, who command fancy salaries. Still, in spite of this there is no one factory that has more than a few really artistic designs. Knowing this, Mr. Anderson selected the best from a score of factories and imported Oriental ones from France, Germany and Austria.

The American idea is by far the one of simplest pattern, imitating nothing and suggesting no superstition or fear. The Mission designs are for simple beauty and stand alone as models of symmetry and efficiency. They give no grotesque suggestion of ancient fears. They are American.

Such a room as the chandelier room is for artists; in the designs they will find traces of all styles and ideas known to the world. There is no mistake—there is too much there; so much that you cannot realize the unnoticed attractiveness for it all.

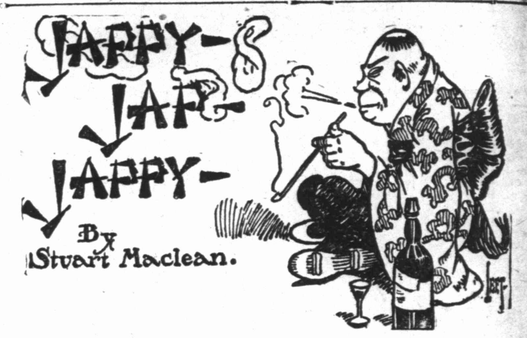
A Daughter's Lament

Zeruble Garvey had died at an advanced age and left several children to inherit his small property. Martha, the youngest, a maiden lady of 40, was worried about the failure of the heirs to agree on the terms of their father's will. Martha, herself, while sympathetic and always kind to her father in his old age, was suspected of having counted up her share of the estate years before death placed it in her hands.

Talking over the will with a neighbor, she expressed much concern.

"David and Odriah ain't satisfied," she said. "Jerry says he's going to have it in court, and Mahella an' her husband is going to make trouble. Do you know," she continued in the tone of one imparting a confidence, "I sometimes almost wish father hadn't died at all."

In French Switzerland the shepherd girls wear men's clothes.



Oh, dear little Jappy-Jap-Jappy,
In your lotus-land happy-hap-happy,
Are you really as scrappy-scrap-scrappy
As all of the newspapers say?
Why aren't you more fretty-fret-fretty?
More plain with your threaty-threat-threaty?
Instead of upsetty-set-setty
In your funny old Japanese way?

You sit here as dreamy-dream-dreamy,
With bows of esteemy-steem-steemy,
The while you're as schemy-scheme-schemy
As anyone ever could be;
But you sip your saki-sak-saki,
And puff at your baccy-bac-baccy
In a way most opaquy-paq-paquy,
And calm to a wondrous degree.

Please don't get too lusty-lust-lusty;
Uncle Sam's awful crusty-crust-crusty,
And his guns ain't so rusty-rust-rusty
That they can't shoot a bullet or two.
So it's best to sit sweetly-sweet-sweetly,
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A WYOMING HOLD UP

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turned and pressed a bill into the man's hand. "Porter, is there a man in the hotel that has a scar over his left eye and not much hair?"

The porter, ignoring the ambiguity of the speech, opened his hand and looked earnestly at its contents. Don't know, miss, but I'll find out." Then he hesitated, "Want me to give him this?" indicating the bill.

"Why, no!" ejaculated the girl in amazement, and the bill again changed hands.

The next instant she dropped into the only chair in the room and gazed at her ill given tip, halfway between laughter and tears. "Now, by this sign I know I'm outside the pale of civilization," she said aloud, "where porters won't take tips!"

Resolutely winking back a tear, she took from her suit case a letter and re-read parts of it. Mrs. Stetson, mistress of the Y-open-A, had written:

"There's nothing out here to fear, dear—nothing at all. Of course the sheep and cattle men are having a little fling, but that means no danger to you. Royal will meet you at the Irma with a carriage—I'll just slip his photo in so you'll recognize him. You know how wild I have been to have you meet him. He's a dear boy, Kate, but as sensitive and quick as a girl, and I think that already—well, of course, I've raved about you so much he's prepared to like you just a little.

"P. S.—If Royal shouldn't be there, take the stage to Meeteetse. It's perfectly safe, only a bit tiresome for a thirty mile ride as it makes the trip at night. And at Meeteetse take the Kirwin stage, which will set you down at our door. But—"

She was interrupted by a tap on the door. It was the porter. "Say, miss, there's a man with a scar over his left eye and bald, but"—the messenger looked uneasy—"he's on the barroom floor all in"——

"Oh," ejaculated Kathryn, "I know that can't be the one I'm looking for. He probably has not come."

"But," began the porter hopefully, "there's a man in the parlor wantin' to see Miss Shelbourne. That's you, ain't it?"

Kathryn gasped. "Yes, but—porter—has he a scar——"

"Smooth mug and no scar," anticipated the porter, "and a heap of hair. Says tell you Mrs. Stetson's brother-in-law would like to see you."

The porter departed, leaving Kathryn quaking. "Says he's Mrs. Stetson's brother-in-law—with no scar!" Her head swam. She scented danger and abduction in the region of the parlor, to which, inwardly confused, but outwardly composed, she descended.

Under the hanging lamp stood a man who bore no resemblance to the photograph. He was tall and muscular, but not stout. His face was smooth, dark and scarless, his eyes black and steady.

He came forward with his hand half outstretched, but it dropped heavily before the girl's manner—Kathryn had decided on her course. This was no ordinary villain. He must be dealt with warily! She would be brief and decided.

Therefore when the man stammered, "I am Royal Stetson," she inclined her head coldly and did not contradict.

But when he added in scarcely distinguishable words, "Do you wish to start for the ranch tonight?" she announced with an air which cut like a whiplash, "I have decided to go tonight, and by stage."

The blood flooded the man's face. He drew some six feet of brawn and bone up haughtily, while his eyes blazed in a way not good to see, but their fire was lost on Kathryn.

She had turned without another word and walked swiftly out of the parlor to the office. As she stopped in front of the desk there was a bright spot on either cheek. "I want to take the Meeteetse stage," she said to the clerk in a voice which suddenly shook.

He surveyed her from under locked brows. Truly, the ways of easterners were past finding out. "You'll have to get busy, ma'am, for it's out here now ready to start. Jim," he vouchsafed to a fur coated individual who at that moment swung the door at the end of the counter, "here's a lady to go in the stage."

Jim drew near, his breath revealing the kind of refreshment served beyond the swing door. He informed her with every evidence of confidence and good will that the Meeteetse stage was due to strike the trail in just ten minutes.

Followed by the porter, Kathryn again climbed the stairs. Her knees failed her, and a feeling of faintness assailed her. "It's the effect of the altitude," she told herself bravely, altho a better explanation was found in the presence of the man leaning against the office door and following her with a pair of angry and perplexed eyes. "The villain!" she breathed and then stole another glance. He was certainly a handsome one.

She had resolved on a desperate move. Shutting her teeth firmly and resisting a desire to shut her eyes, she removed a small revolver from her suit case and slipped it tremblingly into the bosom of her dress. "If he follows us"—she whispered and shivered. At intervals for a month she had practiced with that revolver and, barring a constant fear of it, she felt proficient in its use since she had mastered the art of pulling the trigger.

"Fair night, ma'am, but cold," volunteered the stage driver as he tucked her unsteadily away in the back seat of the stage and surrounded her with boxes and bags galore.

Kathryn's hand flew to her hat as the stage was jerked violently forward. A fleeting backward glance revealed a tall figure in a fur coat and hat standing beside one of the porch pillars, and the light streamed out of the office door fell on a smooth, dark face. The stranger was evidently equipped for traveling.

"Git out of here! Hi, there, Rambler, this ain't no time to rest! Fool you keep yer heels in place or you'll lose 'em some of these days. Git out of here!"

The horses "got out" on a run. Just as they passed the last shack and turned into the Meeteetse road Kathryn heard sounds of drunken shouts and cries, hoarse laughter and the notes of a song. Then she was whirled out on the wind swept and dust blown prairie.

"You will fall in love with the West," Belle had written in a burst of enthusiasm, but Kathryn, bouncing with the rest of the freight in the end of the long, uncovered wagon, was far from realizing her friend's predictions. The driver, who was accompanied by a bottle, alarmed her. The belief that she was being followed terrified her, while the limitless wastes thru which they were moving made her heart ache with loneliness.

A sharp wind carried the dust in eddies around the wagon, leaving a long dirt air trail behind them. The moon, bright and full, arose out of a dreary distance in the east and moved toward a dreary distance in the west. It shone on a wilderness of sagebrush, which Kathryn's vivid imagination peopled with belligerent sheep herders and bank robbers. On and on and on for hours Fool and Rambler carried the stage, disputing the right of way with each other at intervals unheeded by the nodding driver. Hour after hour the only sound of life was the monotonous clank of the trace chains and the dull thud of hoofs on the hard ground.

"I shall die," thought Kathryn, setting her teeth to prevent them from chattering. It seemed ages since she had left home and safety behind and projected herself into this land of terror and danger. Back in God's country it was Christmas eve, with cheer and comfort. The family were collected now in the library around the Christmas tree singing Christmas carols and distributing gifts. And here was she beset with evils on all sides. The threatened tears were checked by a sound on the back trail. She thought she saw a shapeless, shadowy thing moving in the moonlight.

They had been traveling thru the bad lands of the basin, the sandy mesas and coulees, thru which the wagon creaked and groaned like a thing of life. The driver was awake and making wavering attempts to guide the horses, which strenuously objected to making the almost perpendicular descents. They likewise objected to the equally perpendicular ascents.

"I shall certainly be killed, shivered Kathryn aloud as the stage trembled on the edge of a high mesa and then plunged down a sliding, dust deep decline into the Oregon coulee. Fool sat on her haunches and, nipping at Rambler's neck, slid down. Rambler, pawing, scrambling and kicking, followed half a length behind in a cloud of dust, while the brake, gripping iron on iron, screamed an ear-racking accompaniment. At the bottom of the gulch the horses stopped with such accord as to dislodge Kathryn from her barricade of boxes and drop her against the front seat.

The next moment she stood on the ground, shaking with cold and terror.

"Hic-balking a bit," explained the driver affably. He pinned the reins between his knees and leisurely lit a cigar. "Better get in, ma'am," he politely suggested, "or you'll get left. These animals are good—hic—travelers, but a bit unsartin. They're here now, but the Lord only knows where they'll be in a minute. I don't."

"What—what will they do?" faltered Kathryn.

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The driver threw the brake back. "Don't know, ma'am; can't say. That white un may—hic—kick over the traces, while roan lays down and rests awhile. Better git in while they're peaceful and you—hic—have the chance."

"Oh, what a shame to drive such horses!" cried Kathryn in despair. "I'm afraid to get in and I'm afraid not to. Oh, dear, what shall I do?"

"Well, in this country we do what—hic—we have to," was the consoling assurance. "And I'll warn you, ma'am, that if them beasts take it into their heads to hit the trail on the run—hic—I can't get 'em back after you until tomorrow. They've got the western spirit, ma'am," proudly, "the independence and go ahead."

The half tipsy jehu grinned and rested one foot on top of the dashboard. Kathryn glanced at the elevation which they had come and saw something which at once decided her. There defined against the sky on top of the mesa appeared two horses, a carriage with the top laid back and the erect figure of a man fur coated and capped.

"I'll get in!" she cried hastily, stepping forward. The roan saw the movement and chose to be afraid. The next instant there was a mad plunge thru the coulee and a scramble up the other side.

The driver's voice floated back, loudly cheerful, "Wish you'd taken my advice sooner, ma'am." His words were lost in a cloud of dust, and Kathryn stood alone in the midst of Big Horn basin listening to the rapid thud of the runaway horses' feet.

"Slowly, boys," she heard a deep voice say, and two Indian ponies slid down the incline and stopped before her.

Their driver sprang from the carriage and lifted his cap courteously, altho his voice was decided. "It's fortunate I followed the stage directly, because behind us——"

"I shall not ride with you!" gasped Kathryn.

Far behind them arose a confusion of sounds, which caused the man to listen intently a moment. Then——

"You will kindly get into the buggy at once."

There was a note of brusque masterfulness in the tone, which caused Kathryn's anger to mount above her fear. With numb fingers she drew out her little gun and gripped it desperately in both hands.

"I can shoot you," she declared indignantly, fumbling for the trigger.

The next instant she stood empty handed, while her revolver disappeared somewhere inside the big fur coat. "You are probably unaware you were holding the butt end of that gun toward me!" its possessor remarked in a voice unmistakably choked with amusement. Then the amusement faded. "Pardon me, but this is no time for child's play," he added as the sounds back of them became louder.

Dexteriously and unexpectedly he picked Kathryn up, set her in the carriage and was beside her before she could utter a protest.

"I'm sorry, but there's no time to lose," he said, looking into her eyes with such apologetic brown ones that the girl's fear of him turned into an angry bewilderment.

As the ponies rose to the next mesa the sounds on the back trail resolved themselves into the shouts and laughter of many men. Never were the sounds of human voices more welcome to Kathryn. "I am going to appeal to those men for aid," she declared in a spirited voice. "They may be western gentlemen!"

Her abductor's face went red, and he made no reply for a moment. Then he said quietly: "That is according to what your ideas of gentlemanliness may be. They are drunken sheep herders on their way to Meeteetse, and it's my intention to give them a wide berth."

"Oh!" The spirit oozed out of Kathryn's voice. She glanced at the profile beside her, the strong mouth and firm chin. He certainly looked like a gentleman himself, she thought, but how could she explain his actions. Everything was unreal and contradictory in this awful western land, from porters that refused tips to attractive men who abducted defenseless women without appearing to enjoy the operation in the least.

In the silence which followed she began to realize how cold she was. The wind sucked thru the gulches and drove over the hills, chilling her thru and thru. Her shivers aroused her companion, who gently drew the fur robe up, tucking it securely around her. Then, without apology or ceremony, he gathered her numb fingers into his left hand and warmed them.

His gentleness contrasted strangely with his late peremptory actions and added to the unreality of the situation. "It's all a dream," thought Kathryn, her head dropping drowsily. "Perhaps I'll wake and find he isn't a villain, but a very——" And with the thought unfinished, overcome by fatigue, she drifted into dreamland.

When she awoke she gazed about in bewilderment. The sun was painting the east in gorgeous colors, and at the right in the misty distance arose the peaks of the Shoshone mountains. Meeteetse lay behind them, and down at the left, near the road, Wood river chattered among its stones. Suddenly a dawning recollection brought the blood surging into her cheeks. She raised her hands to adjust her velvet toque, at the same time meeting a pair of dark eyes containing an expression which filled her with confusion as she glanced involuntarily at the fur clad shoulder against which she had been sleeping.

"I wish you a most delightful Christmas," her companion said quietly, his eyes on the ponies.

Her heart leaped in sudden hope. She tried to speak, but her lips were parched and stiff, and it was an instant before she could whisper, "Where—where am I going to spend it?"

Her abductor turned quickly and looked at her. There was a touch of anger and wonder in his voice. "I suppose here at the Y-open-A ranch."

She strained her eyes in silence down Wood river valley, where a collection of buildings appeared in the midst of a group of trees. The ponies turned sharply from the highway and stopped before a large gate. Their driver laid the reins in Kathryn's hands and sprang to the ground. Swinging back the gate, he said briefly, "This is the Y-open-A."

Down the field a pony galloped bearing a well known figure, and Kathryn sat stupid, scarcely believing the evidence of her own senses. Behind her sounded a short whistle, and at the signal the horses started, and she found herself driving alone to meet the mistress of the ranch.

"I couldn't wait, Kathryn," called Belle. "A merry Christmas to you, dear, and a happy time among us." Mrs. Stetson wheeled her horse, and the two clasped hands.

Kathryn could not speak, but Belle, chattering and laughing, did not notice.

The ponies stopped in the midst of a collection of low buildings, and Belle, dismounting, threw her pony's reins

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NEWS, REVIEW AND COMMENT OF THE NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

"RICHMEN'S CHILDREN"

"Rich Men's Children," by Geraldine Bonner, a novel of rather startling fashion, and one of the latest in the field, is hardly worth reading unless the reader has time and likes modern society fiction. Methods used by the characters in dealing with one another are unusual and after a surprising succession of events, the whole story breaks up by a thunder-clap from an unknown field, thus rendering a happy ending to the hero and heroine, if such they can be called, and catastrophe to the villainess.

Dominick Ryan, son of the wealthy widow, Mrs. Con Ryan, has been trapped into a marriage with a stenographer, Bernice Iverson. After two years of stormy life he leaves his home in San Francisco for parts unknown. Meanwhile Bill Cannon, of untold wealth, is snowed up with his daughter at Antelope. Of course Dominick appears or rather is rescued from the storm and in the two weeks together, snowbound, he and Rose Cannon fall in love.

Bill Cannon finding this out, tries to buy a divorce from Bernice for $300,000, but she refuses. Dominick has returned home and Bernice has discovered Cannon's real motive and is all the more angered, altho tempted by the vast sum of money.

One day while eating in a Mexican restaurant she is seen by one James Defay Buford, an actor who was also snowbound. With no previous warning of such an existence, he discloses to Dominick that he is Bernice's first husband, whom she has left and whom she supposed to be dead from a false report from the Klondike.

The breaking up occupies but few pages thereafter. Securing $35,000 instead of $300,000 Bernice departs for New York and prospects are given for a happy marriage.

This last book of Geraldine Bonner's has the one characteristic of late fiction. It can be read quickly. Page follows page, altho for its length there is little incident and consequently one skims along rapidly. The sudden change in plot caused by the discovery of an earlier marriage of Bernice takes one's breath away and before it is recovered the end is reached.

One cannot entirely sympathize with Rose Conner, who allows a married man to make open love to her after two weeks' acquaintance, but whose sense of honor is deeply wounded by the revealing of her father's attempt to procure a divorce for her lover. The one step is not so far beyond the other to cause such a revulsion of feeling.

One cannot help but like Bill Cannon with his scheme. Bluff, hearty exminer, he has more than his share of money and is not used to being crossed. Dominick, however, is weak and can do nothing for himself, even seeking sympathy from Rose for his troubles.

Bonner, author of "The Pioneer," "Tomorrow's Tangle," etc., illustrated by C. M. Relyea; Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis; 492 pages, $1.50.

MACAZINES

The Blisseful State of Widowhood

We have never been able to understand why even the dour Jeremiah should have regarded widowhood as a just cause of reproach. Whatever may be their sentiments after the event few women, while their husbands live, really wish to lose them, and, barring those who cultivate the habit of nagging or whining to their own great enjoyment, practically none can find themselves directly responsible for the demise of her partner. It was not uncommon, however, in the old days, to consider misfortune itself as deserving of censure, and it was in this cruelly harsh spirit, we assume, that the prophet spoke.

We doubt if he would find much cause for lamentation if alive and observant today. Surely no reproach now attaches to widowhood and we question whether, in point of fact, it is any longer regarded as an affliction and not, in the general run, as a somewhat happy circumstance. True, the lot of a woman, especially a young woman, suddenly deprived of the presence of the man whom she has grown accustomed to see about the house, is still regarded as one of peculiar sadness; but it is indeed amazing to note the brevity of the time required to transform commiseration into congratulation, and even envy, on the part of her sisters. The primary cause of this attitude lies doubtless in the value attached to the acquirement of pecuniary independence and personal freedom, but unless we have misjudged the controlling forces of femininity, a most unlikely supposition, the enviousness is directly traceable to a suspicion that men are prone to consider widows more attractive than maidens or even married women of similar ages. One never hears of a sour young widow, and seldom a gay old maid; the former is referred to invariably as "captivating," the latter usually as "crabbed," and it is needless to say which a man is asked to come to meet at teas, houseparties and like functions, where the masculine presence is most desired and with the greatest difficulty obtained.

It is an interesting fact, moreover, that the discrimination in favor of the widow finds ample justification, altho it is probably accounted for by the difference between what is expected of her and of her unwedded sister. No responsibility as to attractiveness rests upon the shoulders of an unallurfng spinster, and, sensitive to this depressing fact, she soon ceases to practice the arts of pleasing and relies for attention upon cultivated personal satire, which quickly palls upon one seeking a more gracious form of amusement. The young widow, on the other hand, realizing that her shining qualities have been duly heralded, is constantly alive to the necessity of justifying her reputation for vivacity, sweetness of disposition, charm of manner or darling speech, as the case may be, and is induced by pride to exert her utmost endeavors to make herself agreeable. In this she profits from the American man's chivalry to women and fidelity to men, and is aided materially by the convention of polite society, which accords her a much wider range of topics than is permitted to her unfortunate rival, whose coquetry must be veiled by seeming innocence and becoming modesty.

Not that demure appearance and coy glances lack efficacy; far from it. Even beauty, "all powerful as it is," according to Montaigne, "has not wherewithal to make itself relished without the mediation of these little arts;" if spinsters had been endowed with a monopoly of such weapons, the contest would be waged more evenly. Unfortunately for them, if not indeed for all of us, these qualities are common to all women, and are so susceptible of sedulous cultivation by constant practice that the maiden's shyness of manner is fully counterbalanced by the greater adeptness of the widow in the exercise of flitting obliquity by eyelashes tinged to meet the requirements of harmonious expression.

Indefinite continuance in the intermediate state, which we have seen to be far from unhappy, would be contrary to feminine nature and distinctly unwise, as tending toward what might seem to have the effect of a professional condition, such, for example, as inevitably withers interest in a lady who has buried more than two husbands; but in the present state of our civilization, in view of the considerations herewith set forth simply, yet to our mind conclusively, we unhesitatingly advise preliminary marriage with one carefully selected with a view to his early demise, to be followed by an interim of joyous widowhood before definitely and finally engaging in matrimony as a permanent vocation likely to induce the placidity of rational existence.—George Harvey in the North American Review for Dec. 7.

An Actress' Home-Coming

The return of an actress to her dwelling place late at night or early in the morning seldom escapes the attention of curious neighbors. Clara Morris, writing in the American Magazine for December, describes a great banquet given by Augustin Daly—a banquet where, by the way, Miss Morris and Mrs. Gilbert went home together in a cab. Here is the story of what then happened:

"The cab stopped, I leaned forward—my blood froze in my veins. My mother always waited up; always kept a bright light till my return; therefore, the neighbors knew I was still out, and knew, too, that it was 3:30 in the morning. I drew back.

"'What's the matter, Clara? Am I sitting on your dress? Why don't you get down?'

"'Look across the street at the upper window!' I groaned. She did so, the sash was being softly raised. We dimly saw a white figure, and on its head an old-time night-cap, ruffled and firmly tied beneath the chin.

"'She's fifty-two,' I breathed. 'She has one daughter of seventeen, and from the day of that daughter's first call upon me, this ancient has nightly, secretly assisted at my home-coming.' And as I spake an opera glass was trained upon our cab. 'Oh, my character!' I moaned. 'My poor, lost character!'

"Mrs. Gilbert folded her hands at her waist line, and swayed back and forth in helpless laughter. 'Look next door!' she gasped.

"A light appeared and a hand was holding the curtain cautiously, while its owner peeped. 'I know you are tired, very tired,' I said, 'but Mrs. Gilbert, if I get out alone, I shall be counted with the lost by this whole street. I throw myself upon your generosity—save me!'

"Choking back her amusement, she commanded me to get out first; I did so. She raised her hand, and paused. 'This whole block is tense with excitement,' she whispered. 'Something will snap in a moment,' and on the very word a shade broke loose and flew up ceiling high, betraying two scantily clad, flying figures, and while she fell to laughing again my reputation hung suspended, like Mahomet's coffin, between heaven and—well, let us say earth.

"At last she stepped out. 'Help me,' she whispered, 'so they may know me to be old and probably respectable.'

"Mother opened the door, and Mrs. Gilbert, speak very high and clear, said: 'I've brought her back to you safe and sound, but very tired. No, thank you, I wont come in. (Another window softly rose.) Not at this shocking hour. I'm too old to be kept up so late as this. Good-bye!' She turned to the driver. 'Home!' she cried loudly, and muttering low, 'drive straight up the avenue,' got into the cab, and as it moved away I saw her swaying back and forth, and knew she was having her laugh out.

"Thanks to her help, I held my head high as I entered my own home, wrapped in my still unspoted reputation. Windows closed—lights went out—the street, wearied with long watching for the return of its one actress, retired."

Buying a Gift Book

To the generation just behind us nourished on Felicia Hemans and Amelia Welby, an approved and acceptable gift was the gilded and funereal annual, celebrating the grassy grave and the broken heart. Our generation is more robust in its living and giving. Our book stores are flooded with books touching every field of human activity. "Oh, that mine enemy had to choose a Christmas book!" one might cry, on entering a thronging store. We are embarrassed by superfluity, as tho called on to choose a handful of flowers from a wilderness of bloom.

The principle of choice should, in general, follow the taste or need of the friend to whom you are selecting a book. Yet it is also well, now and then, to open a new channel of interest by giving a volume outside of your friend's habitual line. We are often thankful to a friend who had drawn us out of our mental sheep-tracks.

There are a few writers that stand as permanent figures in the modern literary world—writers who have given out seminal ideas that seed and beautify the field of thought. Chief among these men are Shakespeare, Carlyle, Ruskin, Emerson and Victor Hugo. Until a library possesses at least the best writings of these five men, it is sadly deficient. You are doing kingly service when you make these men known to any thoughtful mind.—Edwin Markham in Success Magazine.

Queer Things Made from Milk

You could hardly build a house of milk if you liked, and it would be as strong and lasting as that made of Aberdeen granite, says M. Glen Fling in Technical World Magazine for January. Moreover, all the fittings could be made of the same substance, and they would outlive the finest ordinary material that was ever constructed.

Billiard balls, combs, fancy boxes and many other things are made from the new substance, galalith, which is made from milk.

There is really no limit to the articles which can be made from Galalith. It takes dyes readily and inferior grades are colored. The best remain white, however, for white galalith brings the highest price because of its similarity to ivory. The first grade of white galalith is made up into knife handles, and it bring almost as high a figure as would so much ivory.

Galalith is the best substitute for ivory ever discovered, for it is smooth to the touch, retains its soft, creamy tinting or years, is not marred by soap and water, and, unlike celluloid, is proof against fire. It does not chip or crack like bone and can be cut into the most delicate shapes, being tough and not easily broken.

In Austria, something like 100,000 quarts of skimmed milk are used daily for the purpose of making galalith, and the industry is largely on the increase. The article describes the process of making this queer substance.

The Criminal Chauffeur

Some well merited and pointed comments are made in the current Harper's Weekly on the criminal conduct of certain automobilists, apropos of the recent death of a chauffeur who was killed in a collision of automobiles caused by his outrageous fast driving in Central Park at midnight. "This," says the Weekly, "is a cast in which the punishment, as far it went, fitted the crime. The man in question killed two or three others besides himself. It is a satisfaction to know that there is one less crazy and irresponsible chauffeur in New York to imperil the lives of his fellows. If he had survived, he should have had twenty years in state's prison. There are many chauffeurs, still at large, who constantly expose themselves to the danger of deserving a similar sentence. From time to time one of them is killed, but other, and comparatively innocent, persons usually die with them. If all of these creatures could manage to break their impenitent necks without involving others in the same catastrophe, society would be much relieved and human life hereabouts would have a better chance to run its course."

The American Example

"Once we taught the nations what to do. Now we teach them what not to do," says Charles Edward Russell in "Soldiers of the Common Good," in the Christmas Everybody's. "It is even so. In all the remaking of New Zealand a tremendous force has been the determination to escape, at whatever cost, the conditions prevailing in the United States. All the world knows what has happened to us. The story of the American trust has penetrated to every corner of the globe; the very boatmen on the Wanganui river and the Maori school boys will tell you that America is dominated by its rich men and corporations and distracted with labor upheavals. To all mankind we seem to have become the awful example. Often in Switzerland and Germany I was startled to find how keenly, even to the minutest details, our troubles had been noted, and here in New Zealand not a line of their significance was overlooked in the discussion provoked by the new measures. 'Let us have no trusts here as they have in America,' men said. 'Let us have nothing like the American railroad companies, bribing legislatures and watering stock.' 'The strikes in America are terrible calamities; we must not have such things here.' The newspapers teemed and still teem with such comments; and if we have done ill for ourselves we have at least done well for our neighbors, since every disastrous effect upon America of the unequal distribution of earnings and of opportunity has been a spur to the regeneration of New Zealand."

Elbert Hubbard on Upton Sinclair

There are a good many amusing features about the book which Hubbard has written in defense of scribing Sinclair as follows:

"Mr. Sinclair is an honest, sincere, upright man, educated, sensitive, sympathetic, earnest, zealous, refined."

This on the first page of his book. Note now the last page.

"If Sinclair is an example of an honest and sincere and competent Socialist, then his maudlin sympathy, his ignorance, prejudice, malice and unreliableness impeach him as a person unfit and unworthy of trust or confidence. He conceals everything which does not bear upon his side of the case, and magnifies mole-hills into mountains. No lawyer or judge would accept his plainly biased statements as truth. He states everything in the gross and you have to take off 50, 40 and 5 per cent to get the net facts, and then guess. Mark Twain is much to be preferred to Upton Sinclair. Mark is a liar, too, but he never deceives us."

This contrast of the opinion of Sinclair on the first page and the last page is about as amusing an instance as I have ever seen in literature. The rapid transition of Sinclair, the honest, sincere, upright man to Sinclair, ignorant, prejudiced and malicious, makes one dizzy. Jekyll and Hyde are not in it.—Wilshire's Magazine.

Eastern and Western Ideals

It will be remembered that in 1903 G. Lowes Dickinson published anonymously a volume entitled "Letters from a Chinese Official," making use, as he says, of a familiar literary device to expose what appeared to him certain weak points in western civilization. The book called forth from William Jennings Bryan another, entitled "Letters to a Chinese Official, Being a Western View of Eastern Civilization," Mr. Bryan being unaware that the authorship had been avowed. Now Mr. Dickinson has written a rejoinder to Mr. Bryan, which will appear in the December Century under the title of "Eastern and Western Ideals."

"I do not propose to defend my representation of China against Mr. Bryan's," says Mr. Dickinson. "For my purpose I selected all the good, as he, for his, has selected all the evil; and a controversy carried on upon such lines as those can have no fruitful result. Nor would it be really interesting or relevant. Like Mr. Bryan, I am a westerner; it is western civilization with which we are both most nearly concerned, and if I differ with him, it is not, I think, upon the question of ultimate ideals, but upon the degree to which we have realized, or are in process of realizing them."

There is certain to be much of suggestive interest in Mr. Dickinson's discussion of Mr. Bryan's reply to his book.

Talking Machines as Assistant Music Teachers

"How about the talking machines? These, to be sure, are purely mechanical; the owner cannot regulate the music produced by them. This makes them less desirable for those who enjoy the fascination of personally producing music. Shall we therefore condemn them entirely? Mr. Goodrich says: "All but the phonograph can be recommended for special purposes." But the musical phonograph surely has its uses—even for teachers. I was informed at a large music store that teachers often came and asked permission to hear a certain song sung into a talking machine by Caruso or some other famous singer, to make sure of some detail of phrasing. Other teachers buy a phonograph, so as to have it always on hand for their pupils. They can thus illustrate at any moment how Emma Eames phrases Micaela's air from "Carmen," or the "Ave Maria" from "Otello;" how Sembrich sings Chopin's "Maiden's Wish," or "Verdi's "Caro Nome;" how Melba sings Foster's "Old Folks at Home;" Patti, Mozart's "Batti, Batti;" Schumann-Heink, the "Brindisi" from "Lucrezia Borgia;" Plancon, Schumann's "Two Grenadiers;' Knote, the prize song from Wagner's "Meistersinger;" and so on. Teachers also find the phonograph useful for letting the pupils sing into them and then study what they have done, with all the faults clearly revealed."—From "A Musical Revolution," by Henry T. Finck, in the Circle for January.

Christmas Gifts for the Other Fellow's Sister

In planning Christmas gifts for a girl, remember she can never have too many dress accessories. Collar-and-cuff sets make pretty presents. Some are plain, others have a dainty embroidered design. The severe turn-down collar comes with a butterfly bow of ribbon in a variety of colors.

Neckties to wear with stiff linen collars are made of plaid ribbon. There is a center knot, to which five or six pieces of ribbon in different lengths are attached. They come at 50 and 75 cents. The jabots, which are now known as ribbon showers, come in all colors, some with short and others with long ends. They are worn not only at the neck, but attached to the side of the corsage, and are then brought down gracefully to the belt line. They cost 50 cents and $1.

One of the newest dress accessories is a belt made of narrow Roman striped ribbon, attached to a gilt buckle. It costs 50 cents. The elastic girdles come studded heavily, and some are as wide as seven or eight inches. They can be bought from $5 up, according to the width and the buckle.—Grace Margaret Gould in Woman's Home Companion for December.

Presents for Men

For those fortunate enough to have men to provide for at Christmas there is a long list of things desirable that are not difficult to make. Among the practical gifts, the bath robe, smoking jacket or lounging coat and pajamas can be fashioned at home at considerable less than the same quality would cost at the stores. Blanket robes, or those of Turkish toweling or heavy madras, are not much more difficult of construction than a night shirt.

Many leather novelties are displayed at the stores, but the small table cover shown is easily made at home. The foundation is of dark green velvet, and the design is formed by strips of suede leather in three shades of tan. The leather is fastened to the cloth by glue, but for the same idea carried out in a cushion cover, machine stitching would be more practical. A "trifle" made from a glove top is a mirror tilt. A piece of leather nine by five inches is rolled over cotton, and finished with loops and a long end to fasten to the swing screw. By its use the mirror can be held at any angle.—The Home Magazine for December.

The Turkey

Observe the turkey's ill-bred air,
His gobble, strut, and vulgar stare.
Light-hearted folk have mocked at him,
But thoughtful ones are shocked at him,
And feel with pain they must conclude
'Tis his intention to be rude.
—Arthur Colton in the Christmas Everybody's.

Wife—Yes, it was I who brought all the money into this household. What did you have before I married you?

Husband — Peace.—Translated for Trans-Atlantic Tales from "Fliegende Blatter."

"Just heard of your engagement to a Miss Jones. I congratulate you, old man."

"Hm—Thanks, have you seen her yet?"—Translated for Trans-Atlantic Tales from "Meggendorfer Blatter."

"You say your boss threw an inkstand at you?"

"Yes, he did, but I must say for him that he threw the blodding pad after it."—Translated for Trans-Atlantic Tales from "Fliegende Blatter."

The portrait studies of beautiful women which open the Red Book magazine for Christmas are quite the most beautiful this interesting publication has ever published.

The Admiral Chadwick who is the author of "Causes of the Civil War" (Harpers) is the same Chadwick who did such brilliant service as captain of the New York and chief of staff to Admiral Sampson in the war with Spain.

All She Wanted

Last summer a philanthropic lady took a party of poor children to Atlantic City for a day's outing. Later in the afternoon she saw one little waif had wandered away from the others and was sitting by herself surveying the ocean with great interest.

"Why, little girl," said the lady, who escorted the party; "you are entirely alone! Don't you want to play with the other children?"

"No, ma'am," was the reply, "I'd rather look at the ocean."

"And what do you find to interest you in the water?"

"There's such a lot of it," responded the waif, with quiet enthusiasm, "and it's the only time in me life I've ever seen enough of anything."

"OUR CONSTITUTION"

"Our Constitution—Why and How It Was Made, Who Made It and What It Is," by Edward Waterman Townsend, has just been issued by Moffat, Yaid & Co. This book has received more attention than any other like it in a long time and a hurried look thru it is enough for one to decide that it ought to have a place in one's library.

A single volume giving a complete story of the constitution within its covers has been needed for a long time and the author has shown such a careful selection of material that any item of importance in regard to the formation of the constitution can be found in this book.

Starting with the beginning of the states, a brief outline of history preceding the revolution is given. The need of a strong government, following the failure of the articles of confederacy and the formation of the constitutional convention. The spirit of the delegates to this convention is aptly shown in the words of Washington, "It is too probable that no plan we propose will be adopted. If to please the people we offer what we ourselves disapprove, however can we afterward defend our work? Let us raise a standard to which the wise and honest can repair; the event is in the hand of God."

A careful and elaborate description of the work of the convention with arguments for and against the various clauses takes up the body of the work. Who reads this part of the book will appreciate the meaning of various parts of our constitution as he never has before.

Then follows the history of the ratification and amendments, each carefully explained. Then a description of sources of our convention ends the book, telling of the Magna Charta (1215), Plymouth Compact (1620), Bill of Rights of Parliament (1689) and so on thru the last.

Last, but not least, as a handy source of reference, the articles of confederation and the constitution are given entire.

In his introduction the author gives the idea of the book in one short sentence, "The purpose of this book is to tell the story of the incentives, making, ratification and amendment of our constitution." He claims no new source of information, resting the book entirely upon the merits of its scope and plan, and selection and arrangement of material. Mr. Townsend also says he will be well repaid if his volume stimulates a further search in the rich storehouse of American history.

Not for a long time has such a handy and well appointed reference book been published. On a subject that is of interest to every American, such as no other matter, it is a book that is well worth having.

"Our Constitution," by Edward Waterman Townsend; 8vo, 322 pages. Moffatt, Yaid & Co., New York. $1.50 net (postage, 17 cents).

BOOKS

"Hohenlohe Memoirs"

Never before in modern times has the publication of a book caused the international sensation which has followed the appearance of "Hohenlohe Memoirs," the English translation of which is published this week. There are in print other documents of the same nature, tho few memoirs or recollections have ever dealt more intimately with events of great historical importance; but the "Hohenlohe Memoirs" are unique, so far as can be recalled, in that they have appeared within the lifetime of many of the important personages with whom they are concerned, including the most important of all, the kaiser. To find a precise parallel it would be necessary to imagine what the effect would have been if some of the famous documents of this kind—the Greville Memoirs, for instance—had been published within a half dozen years of their author's death.

Good Juvenile

Publishers in England and America have frequently remarked the dearth in the last few years of good stories for children, altho the search for the right material has been persistent. Not long ago an English publishing house offered two large prizes, one for the best story for children of both sexes, and the other for the best girls' story. The two contests were conducted separately, but the awards were made and it was intended to announce the names of the winners simultaneously. Greatly to the publishers' surprise they learned after the prizes had been awarded that both of the successful stories came from the same author, Miss Christina Gowans Whyte. The prize story for girls was "The Story Book Girls," which is published by the Macmillan Company.

E. F. Benson's "Paul," recently published by the Lippincotts, is winning good opinions for itself, and will no doubt be one of the big sellers of the season. It is a modern love story, the scene of which alternates between Italy and England. The book is considered the strongest and most human yet produced by its author, who is favorably remembered for his "Dodo," "The Image of the Sand" and "The Angel of Pain."

One of the most amusing books of the season, which will bring joy to many a youngster and grown-up during the holidays, is Frank Ver Beck's "Book of Bears," published by the Lippincotts. It consists of the best of the pictures of bears by Mr. Ver Beck that have been appearing in the magazines, with accompanying verse and prose by Hanna Rion, Hayden Carruth and Mr. Ver Beck himself. The book is a quarto, bound in boards, and contains pictures in full colors, in two colors and in tint.

"The Workers, and Others Poems"

Has a new Anglo-American poet "arrived?" This question has been asked by more than one critical reader of a recent volume of verse, entitled "The Worker, and Other Poems." Its author, Coningsby William Dawson, is a very young man; an Englishman by birth, a graduate of Oxford, and at present a resident of this country. His unpretentious and unheralded little volume has been acclaimed by many a surprised critic as a genuine and important poetic utterance.

"The House of a Thousand Candles"

The third English edition of "The House of a Thousand Candles" (Bobs-Merrill Company) was exhausted in November, and the novel bids fair to repeat its American success. It is already issued in independent editions in Canada and Australia. The English press is speaking in cordial praise of the workmanship of the tale, which presents, moreover, that rarest of achievements these days—a new and astonishing device in romantic fiction.

American Flags

A work likely to become practically a national text-book on all matters relating to American flags is Peleg D. Harrison's "The Stars and Strips and Other American Flags," just published by Little, Brown & Co. Mr. Harrison has brought together in his large octavo volume a vast amount of valuable information.

"Eight Secrets"

Ernest Ingersoll's new story, "Eight Secrets," is dedicated "To the Ninth Secret." The delightful story throws no light on this cryptic reference, and Mr. Ingersoll is already receiving letters demanding that he write another book to elucidate the mystery.

It is often said that the English do not understand American humor. However this may be as regards some American humor, there is no doubt that they like Mark Twain, and a second English edition of the recently published "The $30,000 Bequest" has already been issued.

God Rest You Merry Gentlemen

A Song Which, for Two Centuries, Has Been the Most Popular Christmas Carol in England

God rest you, merry gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ our Saviour
Was born upon this day.
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray.
O tidings of comfort and joy,
For Jesus our Saviour was born on
Christmas Day.

In Bethlehem in Jewry
This blessed babe was born,
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn;
The which his mother Mary
Nothing did take in scorn.

From God our Heavenly Father
A blessed angel came,
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same,
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.

Fear not, then said the angel,
Let nothing you affright,
This day is born a Saviour
Of virtue, power and might;
So frequently to vanquish all
The friends of Satan quite.

The shepherds at those tidings
Rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm, and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway,
This blessed babe to find.

But when to Bethlehem they came,
Whereat this infant lay,
They found him in a manger
Where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling
Unto the Lord did pray.

Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All others doth deface,
O tidings of comfort and joy,
For Jesus Christ our Savior was born on
Christmas Day.

FORT WORTH [illegible] now show a m[illegible] variety of good [illegible] Christmas din[illegible] are on the mark[illegible] ly liberal numbers, an[illegible] meats, including a very [illegible] of game. But the turk[illegible] monarch of the mistlet[illegible]

But this is not to be [illegible] mas, by any means; it is [illegible] one, and many other [illegible] meats will be on the Ch[illegible] fare. It will be possible [illegible] strawberries, string bean[illegible] tables; egg plant and the[illegible] green peppers in the wo[illegible] of them will come from [illegible] ready all varieties of nut[illegible] cluding imported chestnu[illegible] not the kind that we see [illegible] every day, but the real [illegible]

Then there will be p[illegible] ters, and much other sea[illegible] which play very import[illegible] the preparation of a re[illegible] dinner. Dates and figs[illegible] here in sealed jars, and [illegible] know them from those [illegible] trees. In this connection[illegible] to mention that a new aft[illegible] fection is rich cream ch[illegible] bons covering Maraschino[illegible]

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And just as popular wit[illegible] if not the senses, are tw[illegible] things—fresh Turkish figs[illegible] lina pecans. The figs loo[illegible] plums, and the Louisiana [illegible] among the largest ever s[illegible] Worth. The[illegible] have paper[illegible] are chuck full of meat of[illegible] est flavor. In cheese, Cam[illegible] Edam, seem to hold th[illegible] the counters.

Plum pudding, mince me[illegible] pumpkin pies are going t[illegible] own this Christmas, with [illegible] cake, which have already [illegible] perhaps for several weeks. [illegible] ach is going to have its fil[illegible] if the purse holds out.

Game Law Not a Dra[illegible]

The game laws in Texas [illegible]

A WYOMING HOL[illegible]

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over his head and carried [illegible] into the house.

"Oh, you dear, you are nea[illegible] she cried, bustling about. "G[illegible] out in the kitchen, and we'l[illegible] feet into the oven and get [illegible] drink. And, dear, I can't wai[illegible] —how did you like Royal?"

"Where was he?" asked [illegible] finding her voice for the [illegible] "Oh, I have had such a dread[illegible]

The outer door opened an[illegible] preceded the speaker, an anxi[illegible] "I say, Belle, what the [illegible] Royal?" He——"

The speaker came into sig[illegible] pulent man with a scar ove[illegible] eye.

"Dear, this is my husban[illegible] Belle, but she got no furthe[illegible] "Your husband!" Kathryn[illegible] "That photograph, then, is of[illegible]

Belle began to laugh, but [illegible] band's face wore a troubled [illegible] he glanced uneasily out of [illegible] dow.

"Oh, Kathryn," Belle c[illegible] "wasn't that a funny mistake [illegible] scovered it until this morn[illegible] Kathryn arose tragically. "[illegible] she breathed. "Oh, Belle, h[illegible] you? It has made such a [illegible] things and frightened me n[illegible] death!"

A look of enlightenment pas[illegible] Mr. Stetson's face. "I won[illegible] said hesitatingly, "if this has [illegible] to do with Royal's actions. At[illegible] he's making the trail hot up[illegible] way."

"What?" cried Belle.

"Fact," admitted Stetson. "H[illegible] down to the stable looking [illegible] thundercloud, flung a saddle on[illegible] and, remarking incidentally [illegible] was going to look at gold min[illegible] Miss Shelbourne returned ea[illegible] off."

"Oh, dear; oh, dear!" cried [illegible] She dropped into a chair and[illegible] resentfully at Kathryn. "Wha[illegible] you done to Royal?"

"What haven't I done?" [illegible] Kathryn. "And all the time [illegible] saving me from——" She clas[illegible] hands together and turned imp[illegible] to Stetson. "Please bring him [illegible]

Stetson scratched his head do[illegible] ly. "You don't know Royal. H[illegible] come for anything I could say[illegible]

Kathryn glanced out of the [illegible] at Belle's saddled pony; and [illegible] impulse occurred to her. A bri[illegible] spot burned on each cheek. [illegible] way is Kirwin?" she asked abru[illegible]

Stetson pointed. Kathryn pu[illegible] her gloves as she crossed the ro[illegible]

"Are you"—cried Belle breat[illegible] "I am," returned Kathryn [illegible] "You recollect that I am a good [illegible] woman."

Five minutes later she was [illegible] along a broken track on the road [illegible] mountains, while Stetson scratch[illegible] head again and laughed. "That's [illegible] ern grit," he declared approving[illegible]

To Kathryn it was not a ques[illegible] grit, but of justice. The man w[illegible] protected her against her will [illegible] the face of her insults should [illegible] Christmas with her at the Y-o[illegible] ranch if she had power to brin[illegible] back. On and one flew her pony[illegible] she sighted a horseman ahead, [illegible] at the easy gait which betoke[illegible] long distance to travel.

"Royal!" she cried, unconsc[illegible] using the name by which sh[illegible] heard him called. "Royal, please [illegible]

He turned in the saddle, stopp[illegible] horse and slowly squared the [illegible] across the road. His face was [illegible] under its tan, and his eyes con[illegible] an expression of uncertainty [illegible] watched the approaching girl.

"I came after you," she said al[illegible] ly, reining in her horse. "I——"

"Well?" His voice was still r[illegible] less, but not his eyes.

"It's all a miserable mistake, [illegible] began. "Belle sent the wrong p[illegible] graph. I acted badly, I know[illegible] oh, I was so frightened! I believ[illegible]

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FORT WORTH food markets now show a most remarkable variety of good things for the Christmas dinner. Turkeys are on the market in moderately liberal numbers, and many other meats, including a very small supply of game. But the turkey is still the monarch of the mistletoe board.

But this is not to be a game Christmas, by any means; it is to be a dainty one, and many other things besides meats will be on the Christmas bill of fare. It will be possible to have fresh strawberries, string beans, fresh vegetables; egg plant and the most delicious green peppers in the world, and many of them will come from Texas, too. Already all varieties of nuts are here, including imported chestnuts from Italy, not the kind that we see on the streets every day, but the real Italian nuts.

Then there will be plenty of oysters, and much other sea foods, all of which play very important parts in the preparation of a real Christmas dinner. Dates and figs are already here in sealed jars, and few of us will know them from those just from the trees. In this connection it is proper to mention that a new afterdinner confection is rich cream chocolate bonbons covering Maraschino cherries.

The Christmas dinner will be here—now for the Christmas appetizer. Manhattan, Martini and whisky cocktails ready mixed may be easily procured. Then Rhine wines, or Moselles or claret during the meal. Then wind up, if you desire, with sparkling moselle or champagne. There is also sparkling Burgundy. All these wines are popular for a Christmas dinner, and there are plenty on the market.

And just as popular with the palate, if not the senses, are two new good things—fresh Turkish figs and Louisiana pecans. The figs look like green plums, and the Louisiana pecans are among the largest ever seen in Fort Worth. They have paper shells and are chuck full of meat of the sweetest flavor. In cheese, Camembert and Edam, seem to hold the head of the counters.

Plum pudding, mince meat pies and pumpkin pies are going to hold their own this Christmas, with the fruit cake, which have already been made perhaps for several weeks. The stomach is going to have its fill Christmas if the purse holds out.

Game Law Not a Drawback

The game laws in Texas do not hurt much, when it comes to figuring on the Christmas dinner. There are very few of the species of game that may usually be had that cut any figure in Texas, so the game question, which is of considerable moment to the one responsible for the Christmas dinner in most places, will not make trouble with Fort Worth people.

But in smaller game there will be plenty on the market. There will be rabbits, more rabbits and just piles of rabbits, as well as large numbers of coons and 'possums on sale. The sweet potato vender will not forget to ply his trade, and the one who fails to get supplied early will take long chances. Then there will be wild duck, wild turkey and wild geese, with a variety of small game, such as plover, quail and perhaps a few prairie chickens.

So, if the Christmas diner does not like turkey, he may have goose, tame duck, beef roast, or many other meats. He may fall back on a crown roast of mutton buried in parsley, bearing a lake of cranberries, cooked with the roughness in.

Dressed guinea chicken may be had for 40c each, or if the demand is good, a shade higher, and the young barnyard fowl at 35c, while the old ones will come still higher. Turkeys are expected to be 18c and 20c, for they are scarce, and the price may beat that. A chance for the beef trust yet. Dressed ducks and geese are expected to range around 15c per pound; pigeons, 20c each; "homer" squabs, 30c each; bear meat, 40c and 50c per pound.

The Christmas husband cannot buy a lot of game at the market, play poker or indulge Christmas spirits until early in the morning and then go home and tell his wife he was out hunting and have her fall on his neck with joy. He could buy coons or 'possums, but that would be worse for him than the truth.

Eggs to Be a Luxury

Eggs are soaring skyward, and bid fair to play around the 50c mark. Grape fruit is abundant, and horseradish is finer than ever. Catsup, pickles and relishes of all kinds, clover honey and good butter will abound. The market is groaning now.

Cranberry merchants are busier than ever. Sage, celery root, celery, fresh and white in the stalk; thyme and other good things are plentiful. For the Christmas dinner there will also be fresh peas, beans and other fresh vegetables from Texas as well as parsley, hot house onions, radishes and fresh tomatoes.

The approach of the Christmas dinner season, has brought out large displays of all kinds of wines, liquors and cordials, which may be seen at any of the dispensaries, and in such varieties that one may select just what one may wish.

A study of the markets show that there will be nothing to eat, drink or smoke that will be missing at this Christmas. Yet, there is still the beef trust with a full stock, turkey at any cost.

English walnuts, Missouri walnuts and butternuts, hazel nuts and pecans, chestnuts, hickory nuts, Brazil nuts, filberts and all other nuts fill the stores and market stalls. Popcorn, white and in colored grains, is plentiful.

Besides, there are rolled herring, hominy, mangoes, gherkins, maple sugar and suckling pigs. Roast pigs can be had this Christmas for from $1.50 to $2.50 each.

Again, there are carrots, beets, cabbage, lettuce, kraut, cucumbers, okra, artichokes, spinach, turnips, pumpkins and some more dainties—fresh asparagus from the greenhouse, fresh cauliflower from the hothouses or from California or seed celery from California, greenhouse radishes or fresh tomatoes from California or Florida.

This is going to be a gingery Christmas dinner, too. Preserved and crystallized ginger abounds in great quantities. Figs and raisins are plentiful.

Cocktail Substitute

But a new dainty which is making a hit is the kunquat or miniature orange. It is eaten whole, skin and all. Perhaps the best way to eat kunquats is to hold the delicious things in candy back to follow right after them. Then you will eat too much candy and complete the Christmas dinner properly.

Or else, these miniature oranges may be substituted for the cocktails with splendid result. If they are, there will be no turkey bones to pick after the Christmas meal.

There is everything new in confections that could be imagined. The candy stores have "containers" representing everything from a squab to a turkey, and all the vegetables and fruits are used. Imitation nuts are filled with candy sweets.

A WYOMING HOLDUP

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over his head and carried her friend into the house.

"Oh, you dear, you are nearly dead!" she cried, bustling about. "Come right out in the kitchen, and we'll put your feet into the oven and get you a hot drink. And, dear, I can't wait to ask it—how did you like Royal?"

"Where was he?" asked Kathryn, finding her voice for the first time. "Oh, I have had such a dreadful time!"

The outer door opened and a voice preceded the speaker, an anxious voice. "I say, Belle, what the devil ails Royal?" He——"

The speaker came into sight, a corpulent man with a scar over his left eye.

"Dear, this is my husband"—began Belle, but she got no further.

"Your husband!" Kathryn gasped. "That photograph, then, is of him."

Belle began to laugh, but her husband's face wore a troubled look, and he glanced uneasily out of the window.

"Oh, Kathryn," Belle exclaimed, "wasn't that a funny mistake? I never discovered it until this morning."

Kathryn arose tragically. "Funny!" she breathed. "Oh, Belle, how could you? It has made such a mess of things and frightened me nearly to death!"

A look of enlightenment passed over Mr. Stetson's face. "I wonder," he said hesitatingly, "if this has anything to do with Royal's actions. At present he's making the trail hot up Kirwin way."

"What?" cried Belle.

"Fact," admitted Stetson. "He strode down to the stable looking like a thundercloud, flung a saddle on Get-up and, remarking incidentally that he was going to look at gold mines until Miss Shelbourne returned east, was off."

"Oh, dear; oh, dear!" cried Belle. She dropped into a chair and looked resentfully at Kathryn. "What have you done to Royal?"

"What haven't I done?" moaned Kathryn. "And all the time he was saving me from——" She clasped her hands together and turned imploringly to Stetson. "Please bring him back."

Stetson scratched his head doubtfully. "You don't know Royal. He'd not come for anything I could say!"

Kathryn glanced out of the window at Belle's saddled pony; and a mad impulse occurred to her. A bright red spot burned on each cheek. "Which way is Kirwin?" she asked abruptly.

Stetson pointed. Kathryn pulled on her gloves as she crossed the room.

"Are you"—cried Belle breathlessly.

"I am," returned Kathryn quietly. "You recollect that I am a good horsewoman."

Five minutes later she was flying along a broken track on the road to the mountains, while Stetson scratched his head again and laughed. "That's western grit," he declared approvingly.

To Kathryn it was not a question of grit, but of justice. The man who had protected her against her will and in the face of her insults should spend Christmas with her at the Y-open-A ranch if she had power to bring him back. On and one flew her pony until she sighted a horseman ahead, riding at the easy gait which betokened a long distance to travel.

"Royal!" she cried, unconsciously using the name by which she had heard him called. "Royal, please wait."

He turned in the saddle, stopped his horse and slowly squared the animal across the road. His face was pale under its tan, and his eyes contained an expression of uncertainty as he watched the approaching girl.

"I came after you," she said abruptly, reining in her horse. "I——"

"Well?" His voice was still relentless, but not his eyes.

"It's all a miserable mistake," she began. "Belle sent the wrong photograph. I acted badly, I know; but, oh, I was so frightened! I believed"—a flush swept over her face—"that you were running away with me."

Suddenly the ludicrous side appeared, and the sunshine broke out in every curve and dimple of her face. Her laughter rang infectiously, and Royal joined in it as he replied, "No, but I wanted to badly in spite of the fact that I might have been shot!"

Kathryn's eyes fell, but the dimples did not retreat. "Then will you come back now and not wait until Miss Shelbourne returns east?"

There was a pause. Royal passed his hand over his eyes and spoke in a low voice, "Yes. I'll go back if you wish it," and there was an emphasis on the "you" which increased the color in Kathryn's face. He ungloved his hand and held it out.

Quietly the girl laid her's within it and repeated steadily, "Yes, I wish it."

No Competition

"What reasons have you for objecting to my suit for your daughter's hand?"

"You will not be able to support her in the style to which she has been accustomed."

"My dear sir," was the suave reply, "your success in that direction has been so complete that I should not presume to make any effort to excel it."—Washington Star.

GREAT HONORS FOR COMMANDER PEARY

New photograph of Commander Peary, taken since his return to this country, by Staff Photographer Doncourt. Peary's face shows the hardships he underwent in reaching "Farthest North."

Special to The Telegram.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The first public appearance of Commander Peary since his return from his arctic explorations, is to be made in Washington under the auspices of the National Geographic society December 15, when a great banquet is to be given him at the Willard hotel.

The occasion promises to be a notable one. Commander Peary will be presented with the society's gold medal, the highest honor it has to bestow, and the explorer will be toasted by all the most distinguished people in the capital.

The secretary of the navy will be present and it is expected that the toast to Commander Peary will be offered by the Italian ambassador. It was Italy which held the "farthest north" record until Peary's exploit, and it is fitting, therefore, that the representative from that country should lead in honoring the man who has made the new record.

Among other distinguished people who are to be present are Mr. and Mrs. Morris K. Jessup, of New York; F. A. Cook, who made the first ascent of Mount McKinley; the ambassadors from Russia, Japan and a number of other countries; Professor Alex. Graham Bell, of telephone fame, and many others.

A Day of Rest

He was a solemn Scotchman, with an equally solemn and somewhat downtrodden wife. The fact that they were receiving an excellent price for their "second pair front" from an American lodger did not blind them to her failings.

"Dear me, Mr. Macduff," said the lodger one Sunday afternoon when an errand took her to the parlor, where the family sat, "I should think you and your wife would be stifled sitting indoors this hot day with the windows shut. If you'd just open one and get some fresh air I'm sure it would do Mrs. Macduff good; she looks pale."

Mr. Macduff looked at her with his usual stern and unbending gaze.

"We can hae fresh air ony day," he said calmly. "We've no need to hae it rushing aboot the house on the Sawbath."

Same Over Here

Church—Women and young girls in Java carry heavy loads on their heads, balancing them with great skill. From the time a Javanese girl is able to walk she is taught the art of carrying things on her head.

Gotham—Same way here, old man. The millinery stores will eloquently testify to that fact.—Yonkers Statesman.

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That's one thing that's sure about El Toro Cigars—something extremely doubtful about the many so-called "Porto Rican" brands.

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A SELLING EVENT OF UNCOMMON INTEREST

The Best Stitching Silk on Earth

Many thousands of yards of the most up-to-date high grade dress Silks and Woolen fabrics, qualities and styles that will receive the approval of critical buyers, are offered for the Holidays at most unusual savings. These decidedly impressive values are due to the culmination of several advantageous purchases and offer you an excellent opportunity to secure fabrics of unquestioned desirability. The season has arrived when we want every one to know that we are steadfastly confident in our belief that we give you the best goods for the least money. To make this expression stronger than ever before we have decided to make a general reduction on every article throughout the house, carefully studying your needs and wants as we have, fulfilling every desire that is within our power to do. We want you to know and fully realize what it means when we say a reduction in price of the article to which it is attached. Sale opens **Monday morning, December 17, at 7:30 o'clock,** closes **Monday evening, December 24, at 10 o'clock.** Come and see how far a dollar will go. We are going to make this one of the largest sales ever held in Ft. Worth before—seven days of the greatest selling on record—the products of the most highly skilled manufacturers at prices that will interest you. A few of the most notable offerings are quoted, many others equally as attractive will be shown at the counter.

Knight's Special Offerings in Holiday Silks and Dress Goods. The Prices Must Be Right. Watch Every Item Quoted if Possible

Holiday High Grade Dress Silks

A Silk Dress Pattern is very nice indeed for a Christmas present.

36-inch Black Gilt Edge high grade Chiffon Taffeta; our regular $1.50 yard kind; while it lasts; yard **$1.15**

36-inch Black Gilt Edge Tailors' Silk Fabric, in Chiffon Taffeta; our $1.35 grade; our sale price, yard only **$1.08**

All our 36-inch Black Chiffon Taffeta, "Gilt Edge," wear guaranteed stamped on every yard, and our $1.25 value; while it lasts, "we make the price," per yard..... **94¢**

Two bolts 36-inch Black Taffeta, very soft and durable; a grade that usually sells for 85c yard; our price, while it lasts, yard.. **69¢**

36-inch Chiffon Taffetas in cardinal, scarlet and garnet reds, navy blue, brown, white, gray and some changeable colors. These are substantial weights and are known for their durability; a line worth today $1.10 the yard; our special price, yard only..... **89¢**

A Great Sale of Ladies Holiday Ready-to-Wear Attire

If you are looking for something in the line of ready-made garments, now is your time to buy. Come early and make your selection. The styles are correct; the prices must be right.

Ladies, Misses and Children Coat Specials for Holidays

All the new colors, just suitable for Christmas presents and at prices to suit the times.

Ladies' black 52-inch Coats, worth $25.00; our holiday price **$14.95**

Ladies' mannish mixtures; very long; price ranging from $3.95 to..... **$10.95**

Misses' long gray mixtures, red and green collars and cuffs; $3.95 to **$6.95**

A full line of Children's Coats; $1.50 and up to **$4.95**

Special Holiday Offerings in Ladies Tailor Made Suits

In order to close out the entire lot by Monday evening we offer choice of any suit at one-half price. Below is a partial list and range of prices. We have about 25 Suits left that go at half price. These Suits are all late styles, finely tailored.

$25.00 Suits **$12.50**
$22.50 Suits **$11.25**
$20.00 Suits **$10.00**
$15.00 Suits **$7.50**
$10.00 Suits **$5.00**
$6.00 Suits **$2.95**

Cream & White Wool Goods

For either Shirt Waist or Full Suits. Suit Patterns carefully packed, for Christmas presents.

36-inch cream, plain and fancy Sicilians, Wool Batistes in cream, baby blue, nile green, gray, pink, garnet and lavender. Be sure to see this line at special holiday price, yard only ..... **48¢**

42-inch cream substantial weight All Wool Serge—a quality worth 90c yard; special holiday price, yard **69¢**

If Its this you are Looking for

Call and see our line. A pattern will make a nice Christmas present.

32-inch Cream Chiffon Broadcloth, a very fine grade; our regular $2.00 quality; special holiday price, yard only **$1.75**

44 and 50-inch Sicilian, Mohair Tamise, Surah, French and Imperial Serges. This line cannot be duplicated today to sell for less than $1.25 the yard; our special holiday price, yard only ..... **95¢**

Holiday Wool Dress Goods Patterns

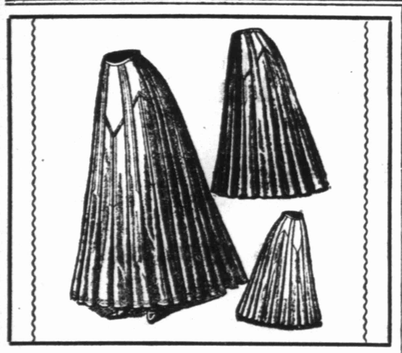
Makes appreciative, serviceable Christmas gifts. Call and see our impressive values.

44 and 46-inch Surah, French and Imperial Serges, Mohairs, Sicilians, Bedford Cord, Mohair, Serge; 50-inch Storm Serges—these are in black only, and worth regular $1.25 yard; our holiday price, yard only ..... **95¢**

30 new bolts very fine gray mixtures. Overlaid all-wool Plaids, all best colors. These run in width from 44 to 56 inches. The very newest patterns and extra qualities. Many of these goods are really worth and sell at $1.50 the yard. Note the width, quality and prices; our special price for our holiday sale only, the yard ..... **98¢**

52 and 54-inch very fine novelty high-grade Suitings. Nothing to equal their values; also 54-inch Chiffon Broadcloth in all leading staple colors; these exceptional values are actually worth $1.00 the yard; our special holiday sale price, the yard only ..... **73¢**

40-inch all-wool Chiffon Broadcloth in dark reds and gray; also 40-inch all-wool Serge in navy blue and dark red; an exceptional value; during holidays, the yard only ..... **73¢**



Ladies Holiday Skirts

Of most every style and price, many new ones just arrived and go in at prices to please you; 60 drummers' sample Skirts bought at 60c on the dollar. To make an extraordinary sale of these beautiful Skirts during our Holiday Sale we make prices that will certainly interest every one. Just seven days of this great sale of Skirts. Call and see this line whether you wish to buy or not.

$18.50 Voile Skirts **$10.95**
$15.00 Panama, blue and black **$7.95**
$12.00 Panama and Serge, all colors..... **$6.95**
$7.50 Panama Broadcloth, all colors..... **$4.95**

Special offerings in Ladies', Misses' and Children's Holiday Underwear.

10 dozen ladies' full bleach, tape neck, fine ribbed, fleece lined; an extraordinary quality in all sizes; our special Holiday price on these Vests and Pants, each, only.. **45¢**

5 dozen ladies' swiss ribbed Vests; a good winter weight; our Holiday price, each only..... **25¢**

50 dozen children's good ribbed Union Suits; all sizes and sell everywhere at 25c suit; our special holiday price, each ..... **19¢**

Holiday Wool Goods

50-inch Sicilians, 75c values, in brown, black, gray and navy blue; our price for special Holiday sale, only the yard ..... **48¢**

44 to 50-inch Plaid Wool Suiting in brown, navy blue, red and gray, with small overlaid plaids and checks; a line that has no equal at 65c yard; our special Holiday sale price, yard only..... **48¢**

14 bolts Gray Mixtures and high colored Plaids—a beautiful line, well selected for a value of 60c yard; our Holiday price, the yard only..... **45¢**

Extra Special—20 bolts 36-inch Plaid Wool Suitings—grays, tans, browns, red, blue and many others. This is our regular 50c seller; all now on special sale counter. Come and look them over. We know you will buy a pattern if you see these; Holiday price, yard only.. **38¢**

Holiday Holly and Fancy Ribbons

We are showing a complete line of Holly Ribbons. If you are needing fancy Ribbons, we have them for you. Holly Ribbons in red, green and white grounds, Nos. 2, 5, 9, 40 and 80.

No. 2 Holly Ribbons, yard only..... **3¢**
No. 5 Holly Ribbons, yard only..... **5¢**
No. 9 Holly Ribbon, yard only..... **7½¢**
No. 40 Holly Ribbon, yard only..... **10¢**
No. 80 Holly Ribbon, yard only..... **15¢**
Many other fancy and Holly Ribbons as Holiday specials, yard only ..... **25¢**

Cotton Plaid Suitings

And Plaid Worsted Suitings. **Buy now while the assortment is here.**

8 bolts 40-inch Worsted Plaids and Checks in greens, browns, black and white; both large and small; a line you have always paid 40c the yard for; nothing ever equaled its value; Holiday price to close out lot... **25¢**

20 bolts Arnold's Cotton Plaid Suitings—most every available color in stripes and checks; a regular 25c grade. We make the Holiday price, yard only.... **15¢**

40 bolts Cotton Biege Suitings and heavy Coverts, in all washable colors, worth and sell everywhere at 12 1-2c and 15c. We place the entire lot on special Holiday counter and will sell as long as they last, a yard only ..... **10¢**

Most all Latest Holiday Novelties

Such as fancy Collars, Plaid and Fancy Belts, Shell Necklaces, Hand Bags, Purses, Supporters, Fancy Garters and many other new novelties that can't be mentioned here. All these are suitable for Christmas presents, so call and see our line.

Something in the line of fancy Side and Back Combs, also some in sets at prices that can't be beat during Holidays. See our line of these fancy novelties worth from 50c to $2.00; our special price for seven days at from 25c up to..... **$1.50**

New Holiday Umbrellas

We have just received our purchase of Ladies' and Men's Holiday Umbrellas. There are some choice handles in the lot, and by making your selection early you get the full line to choose from.

Ladies' and Men's 26- and 28-inch very fine Umbrellas, worth from $2.00 to $5.00; our price for Holidays at from $1.45 to **$3.50**

If You Are in Need of Staples

Best take advantage of these Holiday prices.

800 yards 4-4 brown Domestic; a good one, yard.... **5¢**
900 yards Bleached Domestic; a good one at, yard.. **5¢**
200 yards nice Plaid Suiting, yard..... **6¢**
9-4 brown Sheeting; good heavy weight; worth 22 1-2c yard; our special sale price, yard only..... **18¢**
9-4 Bleached Sheets, hemmed and ready for use, each only ..... **48¢**
3 bolts Curtain Scrim, good ..... **5¢**
We have a few nice large white Bed Spreads; while they last ..... **75¢**
600 yards good Outing Flannel, yard..... **5¢**
Special lot good Cheviots, yard..... **7½¢**

Timely Thoughts — Any of The Above Articles are good gifts, practical and useful--these are always numbered among the Christmas Gifts received by everyone. Come at once in order to insure good selections from our stocks before they are broken.

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OUR SPECIAL OFFERINGS TELL THE STORY

Our Christmas Shoes for Men.

Men's Shoes are good gifts for Christmas presents. Little need be said about our line of Shoes, as they are all solid leather and guaranteed to give satisfaction. Our special Holiday numbers are subject to your approval at any time. Four reasons why our Shoes are better: First—Because the prices are right; second—the workmanship and qualities are the best; third—they are always new and the very latest styles; fourth—a perfect fit guaranteed by a competent shoe man. Note a few of our styles and prices quoted below:

Men's high grade pat. kid, vici and gunmetal calf Shoes; a Shoe for style, fit and wearing qualities; our regular $4.00 Shoes. Holiday price.....**$3.45**

Men's dress kid, pat. colt, box and velour calf Shoes, warranted to give good wear; our regular $3.00 Shoe. Special Holiday price **$2.45**

Men's regular $2.50 Shoes in all styles and leathers. Our Holiday price..**$1.95**

Men's water-proof bootees for work shoes, a $3.50 value. Special Holiday price **$2.75**

Men's dongola kid and satin calf Shoes in lace and congress, a good $2.00 Shoe. Holiday price is only **$1.45**

A big assortment of Men's heavy sample Shoes, worth up to $2.50. Holiday price pair **$1.45**

See Our Line of Men's Holiday House Slippers

Men's black and tan house Slipper, with hand turned soles. Holiday price $1.45 and..**$1.25**

Men's warm felt Slippers with flexible soles. Our Holiday price **$1.00**

A nice line of Men's house Slippers in different styles and colors. Our special Holiday price only .....**60¢**

Some Extra Specials in Boys' Holiday School SHOES

Get a pair of Shoes for the boy that will keep his feet warm and dry. The Walton Shoe will do it. Warranted not to rip and all solid leather.

Boy's satin and kangaroo calf Shoes; a regular $2.00 grade; sizes 2 1-2 to 7. Holiday price **$1.50**

Youths' vici kid, box and kangaroo calf Shoes, warranted to give good wear; sizes 1 to 2. Holiday price $1.50, $1.35 and..**$1.25**

Little Gents' Shoes, a nice Shoe that will stand the wear; sizes 8 to 13 1-2. Holiday price $1.15 and **$1.00**

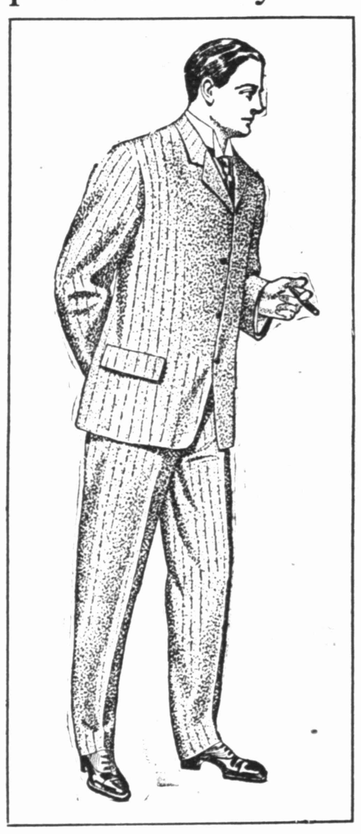
Little Boys' solid leather Shoes, extension soles in kid and box calf, sizes 5 to 8. Our Holiday price 95c and .....**65¢**

See Our Prices

on men's Umbrellas. We save you money on every article. We have them at prices unexcelled

A SNAP IN MENS SUITS

Our big Holiday Sale of Men's, Youths and Boys Clothing begins Monday morning, December 17th, 7:30 o'clock, closes Monday evening, December 24th, at 10:00. Value giving extraordinary; this is a timely sale of stylish garments in the height of the wearing season, and at prices we quote here it's nothing more or less than a "Snap." We know of nothing that is more practical or will please any man, youth or boy better than a nice Suit of Clothes for a Christmas present. Any of these articles will please a man.



A Suit of Clothes, an Overcoat, Gloves, Ties, Cuff Buttons, Shirts, Underwear, Suspenders, Umbrellas, Collars, Hose and Silk Handkerchiefs, fancy border, initials, etc.

Men's black unfinished Worsted London Smoke or Moonlight Gray Suits; regular $20.00 values. Special Holiday price, only.....**$12.45**

Men's Novelty Gray Mixed Stripe or Check Suits; the regular $15.00 values. Special Holiday price, only.....**$9.95**

Men's fancy Mixed London Smoke Gray Suits; regular $12.50 values. Holiday price, only.....**$7.95**

Men's Suits all colors most all sizes; regular $7.50 Suits.....**$5.95**

Mens Odd Coats and Vests Go at One-Half

Gong thru our Clothing stock we find about 80 odd Coats and Vests. All these are placed on special sale counter at holiday prices; come pick your choice at exactly ONE-HALF PRICE.

Odd Pants to fit the pockets of everybody. Call and see our line; all colors and sizes at prices to please every man.

Men's Overcoats, $12.50 values.....**$9.95**
Men's Overcoats, $10.00 value.....**$7.45**

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Christmas among the Pine Woods

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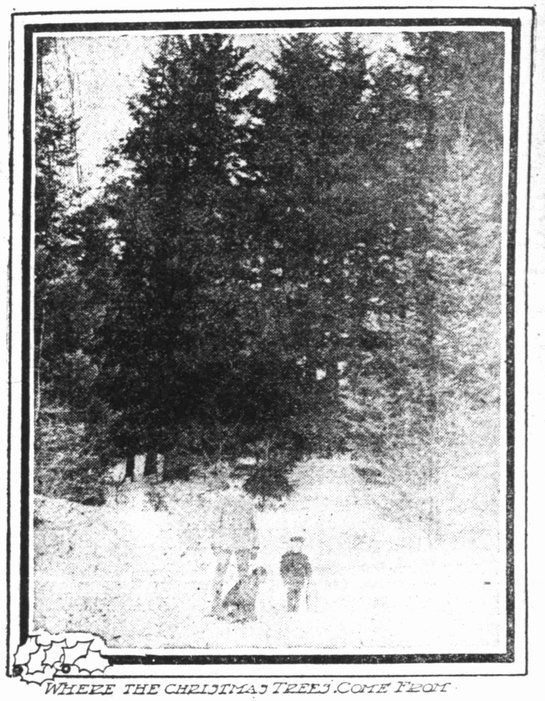

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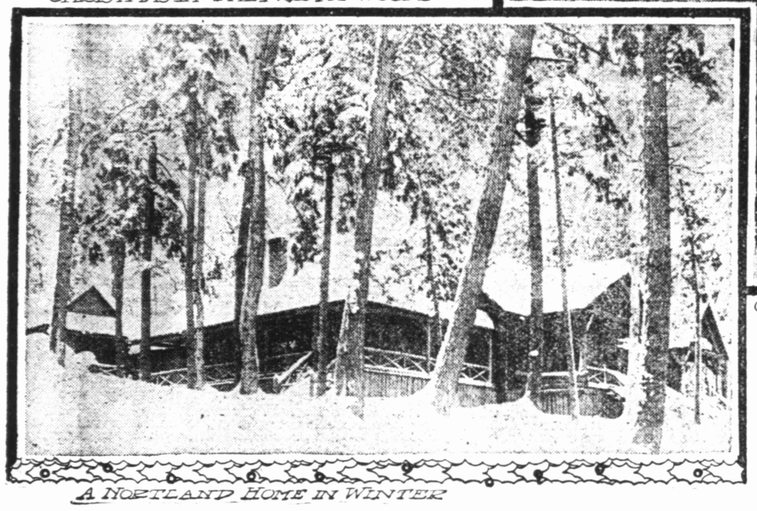

A NORTLAND HOME IN WINTER

CHRISTMAS in the land where the Christmas trees grow! The thought of it does not conjure up any dreams of enjoyment in the mind of the average city dweller. Indeed, if the individual who finds the most pleasing exemplification of the Christmas spirit in the merry throngs on the streets and the crowded shops at Christmas were doomed to spend he holidays in the vast snowclad wilderness of the North he might pronounce the experience tame and monotonous. Nevertheless, the celebration of the joyous festival in the heart of the forest has a charm all its own, and certainly no Yuletide observance has the benefit of a more attractive setting of evergreen and snowclad landscapes.

In the eyes of the man or woman who rejoices in a good, old-fashioned Christmas, with plenty of snow and ice, the wintry background may make up for anything else that is lacking in the celebration in the pine woods of the annual season of gift-giving. There is never a Christmas in the realms of woods and waters whence come the Christmas trees that does not seem like Christmas in so far as Dame Nature's part of the program is concerned. In a vast slice of our country snow is an unknown luxury at Yuletide, and in an even larger section of Uncle Sam's domain there is always more or less uncertainty as to what the weather man will provide for a Christmas menu, and the bugbear of a "green Christmas" ever threatens the folk who want the holiday ushered in with the sound of sleighbells.

However, none of these doubts need assail the dwellers in the forest fastnesses of Northern New York and New England, Michigan and Minnesota. In much of this territory where the odor of the pine fills the air there is fell seven months of winter, and often there is six months of sleighing out of the 12. Christmas finds the whole countryside blanketed in a mantle of snow that is drifted in many places as high as the second stories of the houses, and lakes and rivers are frozen so solidly that these transformed waterways are the accepted highways for teaming and sleighing. There are, of course, numerous towns and villages in the pine woods along the northern border of the country where the Christmas merrymaking is characterized by all the spectacular features to be found in any community, but there are also in the forest domain isolated and sparsely settled districts where, save in the homes of the inhabitants, there are few reminders of the occasion.

In the pine woods the "Christmas rush" which gets into the blood of almost everybody at holiday time, whether they are really called upon to participate in it or not, comes several weeks before the momentous holiday. The chief product which the woodsmen contribute to the gaiety of the nation at the close of the year is Christmas trees, and inasmuch as these emblems of the holiday must be on sale in distant city marts for several days before Christmas, it naturally follows that the work of harvesting the young pines in the wilderness, hauling them on giant "bob" sleds to the shipping points and there loading them on the railroad cars which are to carry them to the cities must be undertaken ere the month of December is very far advanced.

Of course, all work is suspended in the logging camps and elsewhere in the woods on Christmas Day, but this interval of idleness would not in itself serve to distinguish the day as it does in some other sections of the country, for the reason that in the pine forests, where blizzards are by no means of rare occurrence and where the thermometer frequently registers from 20 to 40 degrees below zero, there are many days in the dead of winter when the weather virtually compels a suspension of all outdoor work and causes the men and boys to remain as closely at home as they would do on Sunday or Christmas.

The woodsman, if he be experienced and farsighted, presumably has in his storehouse pretty nearly everything that will be needed for the Christmas dinner, even to maple-sugar candy, that is vastly better than any sweetmeats to be found in the city shops, but he may desire to make a trip to the nearest store for a turkey and other delicacies, and if such a journey is to be undertaken it is usually done several days before Christmas, for in the wilderness a trip to the store is no slight chore. To be sure, it may mean merely an easy journey over a logging road, smooth and level as a dancing floor, but it is much more likely to call for a trip of 8 or 10 miles, or mayhap twice that distance, through the snow-choked woods, with little more than the woodsman's instinct to enable him to keep the trail.

Another feature of the Christmas preliminaries is the trip to the nearest postoffice to mail the presents which the various members of the family may be sending to absent friends and relatives and to receive the reciprocal tokens which may be in waiting. The forest dwellers do not, as a rule, have the boon of rural free delivery, and a trip to the postoffice is by no means an everyday occurrence, even at Christmas time, although it may be noted that in most instances the trip to the postoffice is not nearly so long as the one to the nearest store.

In the pine woods, as in more densely populated sections of the country, there are both indoor and outdoor celebrations of Christmas. As may be imagined, the chief feature of the indoor celebration is a rousing Christmas dinner, and just here it may be proclaimed that there are no better cooks in the country than the woodland housewives. They cater to men whose healthy outdoor life enables them to eat any of the delicacies that are procurable without paying the penalty of a visit to the doctor immediately afterwards, and consequently the wilderness housewife prides herself above all else on her skill as a pastry cook.

The woodsman maintains in his home a degree of heat that to many a person would be well nigh intolerable, it being nothing uncommon for one of the woodburning stoves to bring the temperature of a room up to 100 degrees or more, yet despite the terrific contrast the woods folks apparently do not mind sallying forth for an outdoor Christmas celebration when the temperature is anywhere from 10 to 30 degrees below zero, and they will walk for miles in such an atmosphere. Indeed, snow shoe parties constitute a standard Christmas pastime, the various groups of travelers over the snow meeting at some common rendezvous, such as the district school-house, where there is held a rousing Christmas party. Skating is another popular holiday diversion, and in almost all the pine regions from Maine to the Northwest the forests are interlaced with networks of connecting rivers and lakes, which afford admirable frozen pathways for the excursion on steel blades.

In some communities in the pine country there are holiday celebrations which are novel and unique. The most notable example is to be found in an annual frolic at the town of Saranac Lake, N. Y., a community of over 2,000 people in the Adirondack wilderness. Here there is held each year an ice carnival upon which $4,000 or $5,000 is expended by the public-spirited and pleasure-loving inhabitants. Almost all the places of business and residences in the town are lavishly decorated with flags, bunting, spruce and cedar trees and other evergreens, and there is erected for the occasion an immense ice palace. The carnival is opened by a parade in which there are floats mounted on runners depicting various phases of woods life. Then follows a program of winter sports, including hockey matches, skating contests, and horse races on a half-mile circular track laid out on the frozen bosom of the lake, and the carnival winds up with the storming of the ice palace—a spectacular event in which there is liberal use of fireworks.

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Santa Claus Mail

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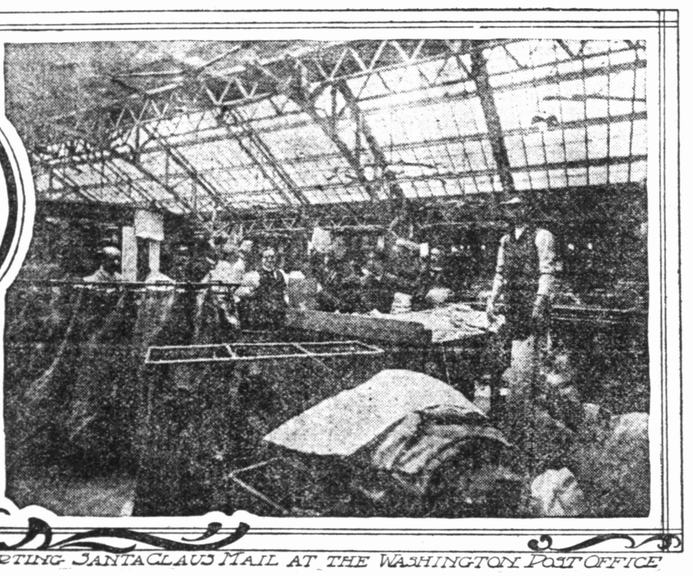
THE DEAD LETTER OFFICE AT WASHINGTON WHERE SANTA CLAUS MAIL IS HANDLED



SORTING SANTA CLAUS MAIL AT THE WASHINGTON POST OFFICE

UNCLE SAM'S SANTA CLAUS MRS. PATH LYLE COLLINS

SANTA CLAUS does a big mail order business, or at least the orders are addressed to the jolly old saint, and if any of them are not filled it is either because the writers failed o give their addresses in the proper way or else because Uncle Sam's postmen are unable to find the individual to whom the missives are addressed, well known as he is supposed to be. However, even the Christmas correspondence that cannot be delivered does not represent wholly wasted effort, for Uncle Sam now has an official Santa Claus whose business it is to read all the letters intended for the driver of the reindeer team and sometimes a way is found to grant the requests made in these highly confidential little notes.

No person would be surprised that the United States government has been obliged to make special arrangements for handling the Santa Claus mail if they could but see the volume of it which pours into the Postoffice Department at Washington toward the close of each year. Under the regulations of the department all letters which for any reason cannot be delivered or returned to their writers, must be sent to the dead letter office, and so to this asylum for the waifs of the mails come bushels upon bushels of letters addressed to Santa Claus or Kris Kringle or St. Nicholas.

These odd pieces of mail are directed to "Snowland," "Heaven," "North Pole," "Iceland" and a host of other places where Uncle Sam has no postoffices, and upon many of them no postage has been paid, there being substituted for the usual postage stamp a counterfeit crudely drawn with pencil or pen and ink. Of course, these letters come from children and the writers, one and all, confide to the magical filler of stockings just what the youthful correspondents would prefer for Christmas. More than 20,000 of these Santa Claus letters are handled at the postal graveyard at our seat of government each year. This phase of the postal business is spasmodic in the extreme. All through the year, from the beginning of January to the end of November, the postmasters and letter-carriers find scarcely an envelope addressed to the patron saint of Christmas, but with December comes a literal avalanche that steadily increases in volume up to the very eve of the joyous holiday.

Uncle Sam's Santa Claus who has been delegated by the powers at Washington to take charge of this novel Christmas mail is a woman—Mrs. Patti Lyle Collins by name—and perhaps it would be more appropriate to give her the title of Mrs. Santa Claus. She is down in the government's official directory as chief of that division of the dead letter office which concerns itself with letters and parcels that cannot be delivered because of unintelligible or insufficient addresses, and in this capacity she draws one of the largest salaries which Uncle Sam pays to any woman, while as Uncle Sam's "blind reader" her fame has spread round the world through her ability to decipher addresses so confusedly written that no other person could make head nor tail of them.

Unusual as is all of Mrs. Collins' work, decidedly the most interesting phase of it is found in her service as the children's postmistress each holiday season. She has been playing the role of official Santa Claus for more than 20 years, and during that time has handled nearly half a million letters intended for the king of the Yuletide. Of course, Mrs. Collins has to have help in handling the mass of first efforts of juvenile letter-writers, but she exercises close supervision over the disposal of all the childish confidences.

There is but one thing to do with a majority of the Santa Claus letters, and that is to destroy them. When a letter reaches the dead letter office Uncle Sam makes every effort to return it to the writer—if unsuccessful in finding the addressee—and if there is nothing on the outside of the envelope to indicate where it originated, the communication is opened and a search of the contents made for a clue as to the identity of the sender. This same course is followed in the case of the Santa Claus correspondence.

In not one case in a thousand, however, is there anything on the outside of the letter to indicate its source, and as a rule the contents of the missive are no more enlightening. Santa Claus letters are usually dated, but the names of the towns in which the writers live are seldom given, and for the most part the signatures to the letters are merely given names or childish nicknames. Occasionally there is found a letter which incloses money either as a thank offering to Santa Claus for his kindness in former years, or else to enable the toy king to buy presents for some poorer child, and in such cases exceptional effort is made to trace the letter and return the money to the donor, or rather to his parents, for Uncle Sam has sufficient sentiment in his make-up to want to preserve childish illusions.

Probably two-thirds of the holiday orders which Santa Claus is asked to fill are placed in envelopes which bear simply his name and no other address, but some of this mail bears what is plainly designed to be the most explicit directions to aid in its delivery to the proper person. One juvenile correspondent inscribed her envelope: "Mr. Santa Claus, Tokio, Iceland, First Snow House from the Gate;" a second missive was addressed to "Santy Claus Workshops, Toyland, in the Icebergs of Greenland," and a third envelope read: "Mister Kris Kringle, Snow Town, Montantop, the Moon." A youngster who wanted a "whole heap of guns and drums and a war vessel, with a serch lite," sent his request to "Mister Saint Nicholas, Chimney Street, Icicle Land, care North Pole," and a wee maiden, the margin of whose letter was adorned with wobbly round figures, each marked "A Kiss," dispatched her communication to "Santy Claus, at Mister Wanamaker's Store, or where Santy Claus lives in the Moon."

Kris Kringle is the intended recipient of some rather odd suggestions. For instance, a little girl in Rhode Island sends a greasy piece of paper on which she has printed with obviously laborious effort: "Dere Thanty, you are ve bestest of all ve Thnuts and I luv you ve mostest. Please dere Mistr Thanty brung me a Little Sister. Id ruver hav a Little Sister than any over presunt fur I am so lonstum. Dere Nice Thanty gud by. Celia Young." Many of the petitioners for Santa Claus' bounty see to gain his good graces by assurances of their good behavior during the year, and yet other juvenile schemers resort to flattery, as, for instance, as artful little shaver in Georgia who last year wrote: "The presents you brinqed us last yere was fine," and then wound up with a request for a railroad train "like the one you give Quentin Rosevlt."

Every year there are found in the big sacks of Santa Claus letters which are shipped to Washington many pathetic little appeals which tell of fathers out of work, crop failures, sickness or any one of the misfortunes which result in a dark outlook for any observance of Christmas such as the children of the family knew in times of prosperity. Ofttimes the letters are bravely unselfish, as that of the little girl who wrote: "Deer Mr. Zanty in Heaven Weve muved so far from our hom I am afrad you will not find us this yeer way out here in Dakota, but I do hop that you will for muver is sick and want you to bring sum mediceen to make her well. And plees Mister Zanty johnie and I are nawful lonestum sum times so if you will bring sum candy and a hobby horse and a doll we wud be so glad. Your friend allways Mary Williams."

Unfortunately, there is no way in which Uncle Sam can officially take cognizance of these piteous little pleas, much as he would like to do so, but Mrs. Collins, who is as kind-hearted as old Santa himself is supposed to be, often takes it upon herself to show the more appealing prayers to men and women of means, who have discovered in Santa Claus' mail a vehicle for the sweetest of Christmas charities, and who each year bring sunshine to many a desolate home, where, but for their good works, there would be a mournful shattering of childish faith in the all-embracin; generosity of old Santa Claus.

WALDON FAWCETT.

THE TOILET TABLE.

Natural means are followed to keep the skin and complexion in the best of condition, and the complexion specialist is reaping a harvest from the women who formerly indulged in a plethora of cosmetics. A good soap, soft water, a camel's hair brush rather than a wash cloth, some reliable skin food and a fine innocuous powder—this latter to be used with extreme discrimination—is all that the toilet table should show. The old-time pleasantry which announced "Natural" as the keynote of good breeding is once more in vogue, and everything that savors of artificiality in appearance, dress or manner, is looked on with strong, if silent, disapproval.

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... liberal use of fireworks.

WALDON FAWCETT.

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CHRISTMAS MAIL RUSH ENORMOUS

...arriers and Clerks Overwork-ed Handling World's Gifts

HIS sleigh and reindeer re-enforced by fast trains and ocean-liners, Santa Claus is delivering a much larger number of presents every year. The United ...tes postal authorities say the ...ristmas mail this season will far ...ceed in volume that of last winter, ...d then it was tremendous.

...With every hamlet, town and city ...nding out and receiving its quota, ...ions of letters and packages—some ... special delivery, many registered ... others with ordinary postage—...vel from and to all parts of the na-..., arrive from foreign shores or ...s out to them. There are about ...,000 persons in this country. A ...jority of them both send and re-...ive Christmas mail, from one to sev-...l dozen pieces each. This gives a ...nt idea of the extent of the work ...t falls upon the postal authorities. ...Whether in the heart of the city or ... a rural delivery route the carrier is ...aded down with gifts—remembrances ... loving friends or heart echoes of ...ttered families. The letters he ...ust deliver are easily three times as ...any as in ordinary seasons, but his ...eatest burden is the packages—in-...merable, back breaking packages.

...But if the carriers are worked hard, ...w about the postoffice clerks? Be-...des the increased amount of matter ...ey have to handle, they must be par-...icularly careful that the regulations ...f the department are not being vio-...ted. Many articles of merchandise ...e prohibited transmission in the ...ails. Violations are frequent because ...f ignorance.

...One thing that causes extra work for ...e letter sorters is the peculiar ad-...esses on many letters and packages. ...Aside from the thousands of missives ...ent to Santa Claus, there are those ...ith some such address as "Care of ...ieutenant Peary, North Pole." Puz-...e addresses are not uncommon, and, ...lthough postoffice people enjoy them ...rdinarily, they do not at Christmas ...me. A frequent form of address is a ...awing of a plum pudding, with the ...ame, street and city written in minute ...haracters on a leaf of a sprig of holly ...n the top.

...The greatest center of postal activity ...n the world is probably New York ...ty. It is by far the largest mail dis-...ributing or shipping point on the con-...inent, receiving postal matter from ...oreign countries, from the north, ...outh and west. It also has an im-...mense foreign population that sends ...me vast numbers of money orders ...nd registered letters.

...In the midst of the Christmas rush ... average of 6,000 registered parcels ...nd 60,000 letters an hour are received ...t the foreign mail station in New ...ork. Recently one ship sailed for ...urope with 3,000 sacks of ordinary ...ail matter and almost 75,000 register-...d packages, while another vessel car-...ied away half a million dollars in ...oney orders.

Terms Used in Cookery

To break flour is to mix in gradually ... small quantity of cold liquid, stir-...ing it until it is smooth.

To bind a mixture is to add milk ...r eggs to make it hold together.

To burst rice is to put it on in cold ...ater and bring it to a boil. This ...ursts the grains of starch.

To parboil is to boil anything until ...alf cooked.

To scald milk is to bring it almost, ...ut not quite, to a boil.

To shred suet is to cut it with a ...harp knife so thinly as to be almost ...ragile; the suet should be so thin ...s to curl up.

Blanch—To whiten poultry, vege-...ables, fruit and nuts by dipping them ...nto boiling water for a short time ...nd afterward into cold water, letting ...hem remain there for a while till ...hey are whitened.

Braise—To stew meat which has ...een previously blanched, with fat ...acon, until it is tender.

Compote—A stew, as of fruit, or ...game or pigeons, or fruits preserved ...n jelly.

Consomme—The name by which ...ich, clear soup, stock or gravy is ...ommonly known.

Entrees—Tasty little side dishes, ...erved with the first course.

Meringue—A sort of icing made of ...hites of eggs and sugar, well beaten.

Paner—To cover meat, etc., for cook-...g in the oven, on the gridiron, or ...ying pan, with fine breadcrumbs.

Casserole—A crust of boiled rice, ...hich having been molded into the ...orm of a pie, filled with a fricasse ...f white meat or a puree of game.

Puree—Vegetables or meat reduced ...o a smooth pulp and afterward mixed ...ith sufficient liquid to make it of ...he consistency of thick soup.—Chi-...ago Tribune.

Kindling Wood as Diet

John Maginn, a well educated Lon-...oner, has gone Americans one bet-...er. Among our list of raw foods and ...ealth foods are messes that closely ...esemble excelsior in taste and food ...alue, but it was left to the above-...amed crank to discover that wood, ...rdinary kindling wood, is an excel-...ent food and medicine. Maginn chews ...bits of wood as any ordinary sane ...eing would chew a delicious bit of ...enderloin, and he hypnotizes himself ...nto believing that it is superior to ...he best brown bread in flavor.

Unfortunately, the doctors stopped ...his fool, as it was evident that he ...as slowly committing suicide. It ...ould have been better if he had ...een allowed to go on, so that his ...ltimate death might serve as a warn-...ng.—Health.

The Scientific Method

"George Bernard Shaw," said an edi-...or, "likes to poke fun at scientists. ...e ridicules the high regard in which ...cientists are held. He says if a cler-...yman dares to make a startling as-...ertion he is disbelieved and reviled, ...hereas the rashest, the most un-...ounded claims of scientists are ac-...epted reverently by the world as so ...uch gospel. Mr. Shaw once de-...lared to me that the utility of scien-...ists was overrated. He said that was ... typical scientist to whom a young ...an took a superb cigarette holder ...f clouded amber. 'Some one claims,' ...aid the young man, 'that this amber ...s imitation, sir. Will you tell me how ... may prove conclusively its genuine-...ess?' 'Just soak it,' said the scientist, ...or twenty-four hours in alcohol. If ...t is genuine, it will disappear.'"

The Standard

"Married, is he? Well, well, and he ...as always such a worthless fellow."

"Yes, he married a rich widow; he's ...ot a reputation to live up to now."

"Nonsense; he never had any repu-...ation."

"No, but his wife's first husband ...ad."

The Goose That Lays the Pay Check

The railroad men of this country ...re good and patriotic citizens; they ...re representative members of the communities in which they reside; they stand for a class of workingmen who generally think before they act, who weigh both sides of a question before deciding. They are as anxious to cleanse corporate life from graft and favoritism as the most radical modern reformer, but they will resent, and that most strenuously, any course of policy outlined by those who have the destinies of the nation in hand that will tend to "kill the goose that lays the pay check."—Railroad Employe.

Wisconsin Statesman's Diet

For five years Senator La Follette of Wisconsin has not eaten meat of any kind. "My stomach went back on me," says the senator, "and I was reluctantly forced to cut meat out of my menu." The Wisconsin man is one of the best authorities in the country on gastronomic ailments, because when his own gastronomic apparatus went back on him he became a student of such subjects, prescribed a diet for himself and restored his health.

HOW GEORGIE WAS SCALPED 5 TIMES

Wonderful Way in Which Hair Grew Back Each Time

Willie Duncan was going to be a butcher when he grew up, and Alf Smith was going to be a policeman, but Georgie Thompson was going to be "a Indian fighter," because they were brave. Georgie got to thinking so much about Indians he couldn't think about anything else, and he'd stick Mucho Carter the Spanish boy, in the back and play he was an Indian, because "Mucho's" big brother lived in another town. It got so that George used to dream about Indians.

So one Christmas eve, while he was waiting for Santa Claus, Georgie took his hatchet and went out to find some. It was pretty dark, but he was brave, and he just kept looking for them until just as he turned a corner he heard something go:

"Ugh! Ugh!" just like an Indian, and before he knew what to do a whole pack of wild savages ran out of the forest and surrounded him.

"Big chief have war dance," said one of them; and then the Indians began dancing around him, and he kept turning around to watch the big chief, and finally he got dizzy, and with a wild yell the Indians closed in on him and seized him, after a hard struggle, and bound him to a tree. And then the big chief spoke again, and said in an awful tone:

Big Chief fight 'em,
Big Chief beat 'em,
Big Chief scalp 'em,
And then go eat 'em."

And with that the big chief grabbed George's cap, and Georgie's hair stood right up on end just like Uncle Ned said it would, and he thought if it would only lay down, maybe the Big Chief wouldn't see it, and he tried to ...t it lay down to get down out of sight, but it wouldn't do it.

And then the Big Chief grabbed Georgie by the hair, and he took out a great big scalping knife and just took him by the hair and cut it all off, scalp and all.

And the very next instant off flew the Big Chief's scalp and it jumped right onto Georgie's head.

The Big Chief gave a yell of pain, and at that another Indian rushed at Georgie and began cutting the Big Chief's scalp off of Georgie's head, where it had jumped; and just as he got it off, why his scalp just tore itself away from his head, and both Indians' scalps jumped onto Georgie's head. And so they kept it up till Georgie had five scalps and five heads of Indian hair on his one head. And then, all of a sudden, Georgie knew what to do. He just looked all of the Indians right in the eye, and said:

Wheedleum
Deedleum,
Tie 'em to a tree,
Bullyragum,
Tear and jag 'em
Big Chief me!

And at that the Indians just got crazy, and they all made one will rush at him, but he sprang up with a loud cry and—

And then he felt funny because he had fallen asleep in the big arm chair, and his papa was tickling him with a feather. But when he got his eyes wide open there was a whole Indian suit and tomahawk and everything, and he didn't say anything about dreaming, but he just put them on the next day, and he wtin out and scared the daylights out of the fellers. And that's all.

Too Great a Risk—Why Blinks Hedged

Jinks—Has a husband a right to open his wife's letters?

Blinks (a lawyer)—Certainly, sir, certainly; open all you please.

"Well, here is a letter my wife has written to your wife and handed me to deliver. I feel pretty sure there's something unpleasant in it about me. I wish you'd open it, and if there is, just burn it up."

"Humph! Does my wife know your wife is going to write to her?"

"Yes."

"And if my wife doesn't get this letter she'll soon find it out, won't she?"

"Of course."

"On second thought, I believe that there is a new law which makes it a penitentiary offense to open a wife's letters. I couldn't take the risk, sir; indeed, I couldn't.—New York Weekly.

Sudden Change of Mind

Puffing and blowing, the fat passenger began to climb to the upper berth in the sleeping car.

"Pretty hard work, isn't it?" said the man in the lower berth.

"It is," answered the fat passenger, "for a man of my weight."

"How much do you weigh, may I ask?"

"Three hundred and eighty-seven pounds."

"Hold on! Take this one!" exclaimed the other, his hair beginning to rise on end. "I'd rather sleep in the upper berth, anyway. The ventilation is better."—Chicago Tribune.

It Was All for the Best After All

Bronson—Yes, my daughter's commencement essay was very fine.

Woodson—Did you enjoy it?

Bronson—I should say so! I wish I could write something like it.

Woodson—You regret not having applied yourself to literary pursuits?

Bronson—No. If I had I probably couldn't have afforded to give Virginia the education which enabled her to produce this masterpiece.—Judge.

An Early Bird

"Procrastination is a dangerous thing in business, isn't it?" said the young man who is anxious to learn.

"I should say so," answered Dustin Stax. "You don't know how thankful I am that I made my pile before all that furore for investigation started in."—Washington Star.

CHRISTMAS OF BULLS AND BEARS

How Day Before Holiday Is Spent in World's Market

THE Christmas spirit is about the only thing traded in on December 24 on Wall street, and the brokers have a celebration each year that literally jars things loose. The features of this ceremony vary, but the horseplay does not. The brokers let off the tension and have a good time generally. The festivities begin at noon and sometimes last for several hours. The galleries fill early, mostly with wives and sweethearts of the members on the floor. The stock exchange is liberally draped with green and red. The Seventh regiment band is on hand and as the chairman sounds the gong begins playing "The Star Spangled Banner" or some other patriotic air. Sometimes an elaborate program is arranged, made up of minstrel acts, coon songs, comic talks and similar performances. But, whatever the especial form of entertainment, the bulls and bears conduct themselves in much the same way. They make Rome howl. Hats are smashed; bags of confetti are tarown at the ladies in the gallery, who in turn empty the contents over the heads and shoulders of the shouting brokers below.

If there happen to be new members they are "initiated," and are carried about the room in a yelling procession to the music of the band. On one such occasion an amateur football game was played in the great chamber of the stock exchange. Afterward the members indulged in a cakewalk for an immense forty pound cake, which was temptingly displayed on the chairman's balcony. One staid old financier played the piano, another strummed on a guitar, while the younger brokers cut pigeon wings about the floor. In older years a Christmas tree graced the stock exchange celebrations, all sorts of comic presents were handed out, and the carnival ended up by everybody telling jokes on everybody else. Of recent years this formal observance of the day has been abandoned. Now the ceremony is simply a small edition of pandemonium, a sort of frenzied Christmas, as it were.

The celebration of last year will give an idea of these Christmas eve frolics in Wall street. At five minutes before noon the whole floor seemed intent on business, pushing up U. P. and other stocks and hurling puts and calls back and forth like a game of battledore and shuttlecock. Promptly at 12 the great gong sounded, and in the twinkling of an eye the scene was transformed. From somewhere appeared a band and began playing "Everybody Works But Father," and all the brokers howled in chorus. A rope was stretched across the room, and visitors crowded into the open space inside. Pads of paper and everything else that was loose were gathered up and hurled thru the air, balls were used as missiles, great showers of colored paper were thrown here and there, and the din was greater than it is even in a panic. Dozens of young men formed circles about older men in the game of "bull in the ring."

At this moment appeared a great push ball, six feet in diameter, which was sent spinning across the floor, only to be hurled back again, bowling over men in its flight. To and fro went the great rubber sphere, while the shouting reached a pitch to drown out the band. Finally one broker was hoisted on to the ball, which promptly was kicked out from under him. But, tho his legs were in the air, he was kept from falling and again regained his feet. Then the ball was rolled toward the high platform of the chairman, when another effort was made to whirl it out from under the broker's feet. Leaping, he caught an edge of the platform, scrambled over the railing and gravely shook hands with the venerable and dignified presiding officer. The hilarious ceremony was wound up by a collection being taken for the messenger boys and attendants, which mounted up to thousands of dollars.

Whatever new methods of playing house will be introduced in high finance circles for the Christmas eve festivities this year, it is certain that the men who make and wreck fortunes will enjoy themselves.

A Santa Claus Party

As the once popular "donkey party" no longer holds forth for novelty, here is something new: a Santa Claus party. Take an old sheet and paint or draw on it a Santa Claus. Have a number of red caps cut from medium weight water color paper and distributed among the guests. Taking turns, let each one be blindfolded and, walking toward the sheet, try to place the cap on Santa's head. The person succeeding is the winner and receives the prize of a toy Santa Claus. The two who also come the nearest might be given prizes of reindeers.—Bee Hive.

Said Little Socrates

"Some generous person," said little Socrates Bulginbrow of Boston, "has been kind enough to send me a copy of Mother Gooses's lyrics for Christmas. Do you know, the theory that a representative of the bovine genus at one time leaped over the chief luminary of the night leads to some interesting calculations as to the muscular development of the cows of that time. I have ascertained that they must have been endowed with strength proportionate to that of the flea of the present day."—Baltimore American.

Turkey Which Ended Long Fast

An odd incident of the last Christmas celebration in St. Louis was the breaking of a month long fast by James Barrington, who had been in custody two and one-half years on a charge of murder. Barrington expected turkey for dinner Thanksgiving day, and when the jail rations were served minus the national bird he refused to eat and promptly went on a strike. He declined his provisions consistently until Christmas, when he got the pined for turkey.

Artificial Snow

White cotton slightly smeared with mucilage and sprinkled with common salt or diamond dust will make the best wintry effect. For store window or table decoration mirrors make good water imitation with small sized ducks placed on them. The effect of new fallen snow can be produced by taking the branches and dipping in gum arabic water and then sprinkling with flour. Snowball effect can be produced by taking toy balls and covering with cotton wool.—Bee Hive.

The Christmas Filler

"Say, Jones," said the busy editor, who was making up a page of Christmas features and needed several small items to piece out the columns, "do you know of any good Christmas fillers?"

"I know of one excellent Christmas filler," promptly replied the ready writer.

"Ah! What?"

"Turkey."

MEDITATE A MINUTE

HAS YOUR HAULING FOR THE CLOSING YEAR BEEN SATISFACTORY?

HAVE YOUR GOODS BEEN DAMAGED BETWEEN THE DEPOT AND YOUR STORE?

DO YOU GET YOUR GOODS DELIVERED JUST WHERE YOU WANT THEM?

HAS THE DELIVERY BEEN SUPERINTENDED BY AN EXPERIENCED MAN?

SHOULD NOT YOUR HAULING BE UP TO THE STANDARD OF YOUR GOODS?

ARE YOUR GOODS ALWAYS DELIVERED **PROMPTLY?**

WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF HAULING, AND MAKE A GUARANTEE THAT IT **WILL** BE SATISFACTORY. YOU DEAL WITH A RESPONSIBLE CONCERN.

WE USE THE UTMOST CARE TO PREVENT DAMAGE OR INJURY OF ALL GOODS WHILE IN OUR HANDS.

WE DELIVER YOUR GOODS **EVERY TIME,** JUST WHERE YOU WANT THEM.

OUR HAULING IS SUPERINTENDED BY AN EXPERIENCED MAN, PAID FOR THAT PURPOSE ONLY.

YOU CLAIM YOUR GOODS ARE UP TO THE STANDARD, AND EQUAL TO YOUR COMPETITORS'. WHY NOT HAVE YOUR HAULING UP TO THE STANDARD, AND EQUAL TO THAT OF YOUR COMPETITORS?

WE DELIVER GOODS PROMPTLY—AT THE VERY DAY AND HOUR PROMISED AND YOU CAN DEPEND ON IT.

WE DO TWO-THIRDS THE HAULING OF FORT WORTH, BECAUSE WE NEVER LOSE A CUSTOMER BY NEGLECT, OVER PROMISE, OR ANY OTHER REASONS. TWO-THIRDS THE HAULING OF THIS CITY IS THE BEST EVIDENCE THAT WE DO THE WORK SATISFACTORILY AND WE ARE WILLING TO DEMONSTRATE WE CAN DO YOURS IN THE SAME MANNER.

ANOTHER REASON WE DO THE BUSINESS IS BECAUSE WE HAVE THE FACILITIES. AT THIS TIME OUR FORCE CONSISTS OF 20 LARGE DRAY WAGONS, BESIDES THREE NEW ONES ORDERED. THESE WAGONS ARE DIFFERENTLY BUILT TO TAKE CARE OF EVERY KIND AND CLASS OF HAULING. ONE OF THE THREE NEW WAGONS ORDERED IS AN IMMENSE CLOSED FURNITURE VAN, BUILT EXPRESSLY FOR HOUSEHOLD MOVING, AND WILL BE IN CHARGE OF THE MOST EXPERIENCED FURNITURE HANDLER IN THE CITY.

OUR STORAGE FACILITIES ARE EQUAL TO ANY IN THE STATE—LARGE NEW WAREHOUSE ONLY RECENTLY BULT, WITH AMPLE CAPACTY TO TAKE CARE OF ANY QUANTITY.

WE ALSO HAVE AN EXPERIENCED PACKER WHO UNDERSTANDS THOROLY HOW TO PREPARE GOODS FOR STORAGE AND SHIPMENT, TO PREVENT WEAR, DAMAGE OR BREAKAGE.

WITH THIS, THE CLOSING OF THE YEAR, WE WANT TO THANK OUR PATRONS FOR THEIR LIBERAL PATRONAGE, AND HOPE TO MERIT THE CONTINUANCE OF IT FOR ALL TIME TO COME.

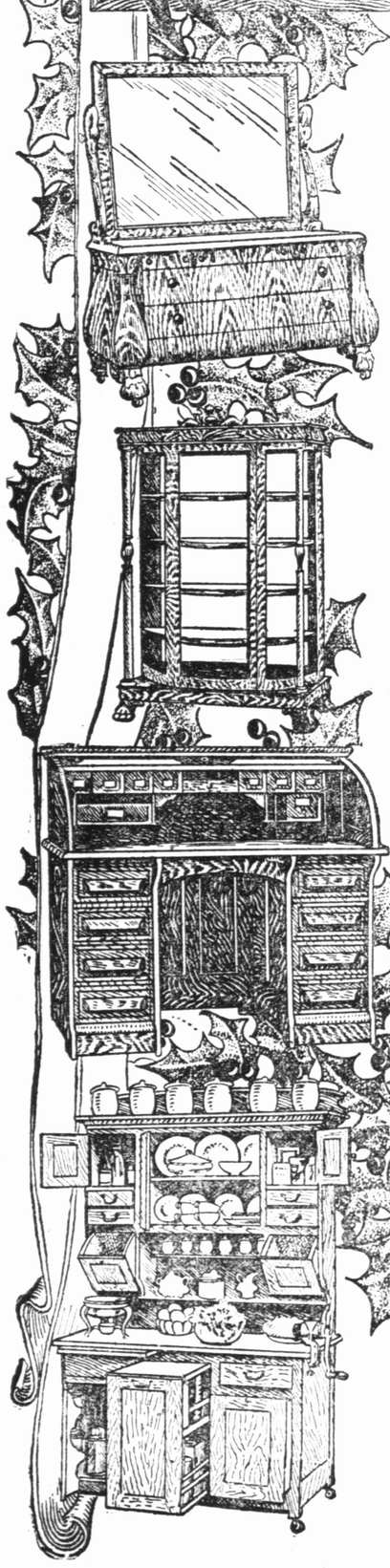
BINYON TRANSFER & STORAGE COMPANY.

LET US DO YOUR HAULING NEXT YEAR.

IT WILL BE SATISFACTORY

THE HOUSE OF QUALITY

Ellison Furniture & Carpet Company



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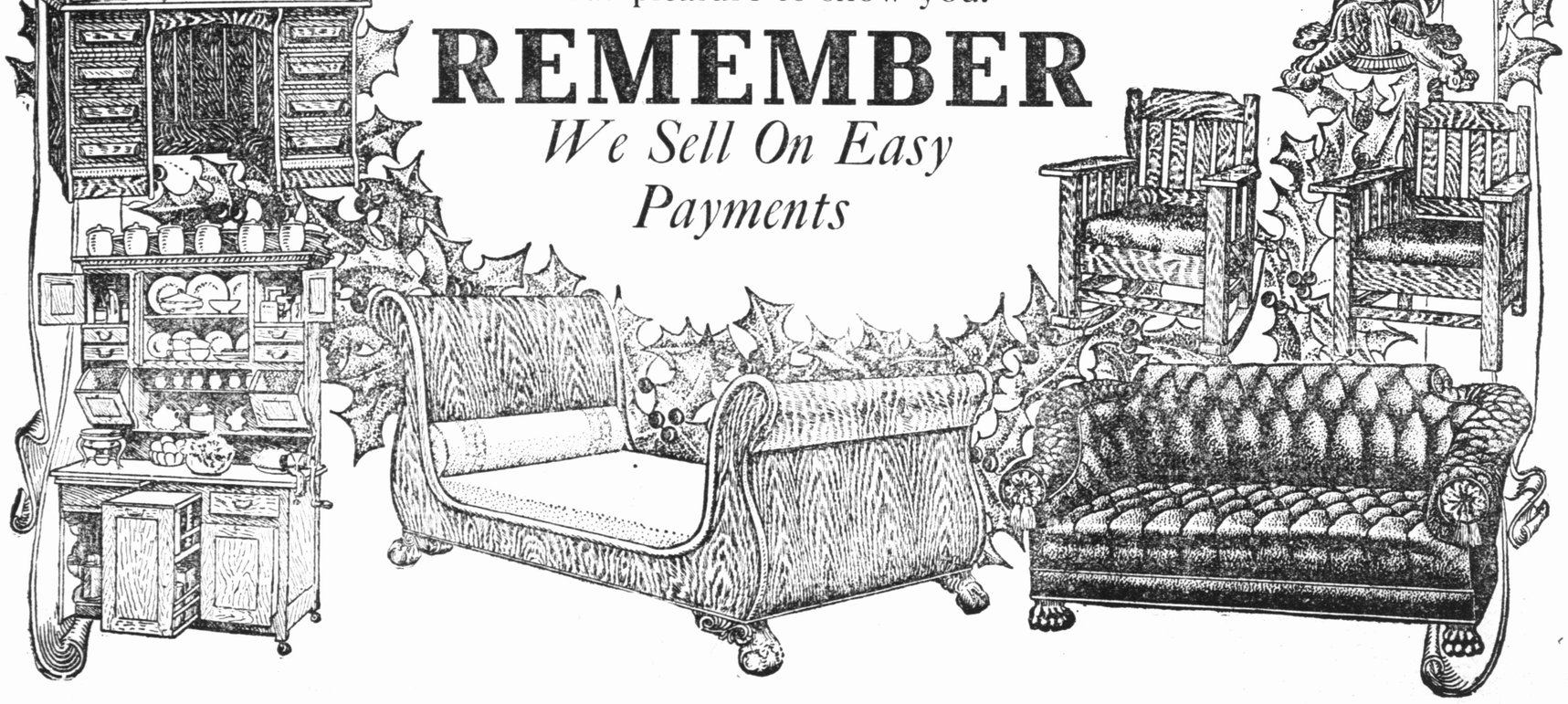


Ten Million Dollars Spent In the United States Every Year For Toys

TOYLAND WONDERS FOR 1906 SEASON

Gifts for Children Cost From Few Cents to $500

IF YOU would know what a wonderful world you live in, you must visit the Fort Worth Toyland before Christmas. Toyland is now in a state of marvelous progress. The Toyland is a small country, it is everywhere at the same time. And Toyland was never so prosperous as now.

Toyland is now crowded with the most unique, the queerest, the most natural and the most extraordinary miniatures of everything caildren or grown-ups ever heard of.

There is everything in little for the children that there is in the great and big all about us for the grown-ups. And the things that are called laws in the world of the grown-ups, when it is prosperous, are called rules in Toyland and work in the same way. That's why there are so many high-priced toys in Fort Worth this year. Tho, of course, there are just hundreds of delightful toys that don't cost much, and scores that cost less than a dollar.

The very highest-priced are the very newest, representing in miniature the latest developments in science, art literature, crafts, and all that. It is well to tell the prices of these remarkable things of Toyland.

One of the most wonderful things that grownups know very little about, is wireless telegraphy. Well, Toyland has wireless telegraph outfits that work perfectly for boys of a scientific mind which Santa Claus can purchase for them at $29. Transmitters, batteries, poles, receiving stations, everything, just as they were sent over sea from Paris. A message-taking tape is also included.

And the airship. It only costs $1. The musical Ferris wheel is $12. Mechanically correct printing machines sell as high as $7.50. Complete steam or electric railroad systems cost from a few dollars to $50. Each system has a fine roadbed, metal rails and ties, sidetracks, turn tables and locomotives run by steam or electricity.

Each system has the latest things in block signals, semaphores, water tanks between the rails, electric cattle guards, overhead bridge warnings, and the railroad stations are of up-to-date architecture and have flower gardens around them.

The toy electric railroads are operated by batteries, with three rails, and by overhead wires. Collisions are impossible, except with trains made to go thru mimic wrecks and come out uninjured.

When once a toy railroad system is set in operation, all trains operate automatically under real electric or steam power; trains pass, sidetrack, switch, stop at stations, back up, and do all manner of railroad work without the aid of child or man. They illustrate just how perfect mechanical brains are, and what the world is going to have in reality for both children and grown-ups to ride safely on. While the trains are in operation, boys may send wireless messages, and operate the running of the trains if they choose.

A Harriman or a Gould system or an electric system in the miniature can be purchased from a few dollars up to $50 or $100. At the stations and along the roads are are lights and power-houses.

There are in Fort Worth shops steam and electric fire engines which run to fires, throw water and make a terrific gong clatter. There are electric submarine boats and fire boats which pump and throw water. There are factories and workshops, which are run by steam, and fitted with perfect drills, lathes, emery wheels, punches, drop forges, and any other machine desired. These things run from $5 to $100, including steam turbine engines, gas engines and ordinary boilers.

Battleships, ocean liners, tugs, whole war fleets and sailboats (perfect miniatures of the big things of the everyday world) are in Toyland for from $1 to $36.

"Teddy" bears are so numerous and popular in Fort Worth that the salesmen in Toyland are afraid the cunning little bears will outsell the dolls this year. Besides the bears that are carried in the arms, there are elephants that carry 400 pounds, camels, horses and donkeys, and all are in the real hide and hair.

The elephants swing their trunks and talk. The lions roar. Close akin to them are the animal blocks which make each their own peculiar kind of cry when a string is pulled. These animals run up in price as high as $20. Frogs with bulbs and little hose attached to them swim in water, and hobby horses this year cut up tricks just like real ponies.

Moving picture machines or machines that show moving pictures in colors run from $4 to $25. France has sent a mechanical canary bird to the Fort Worth Toyland, all boxed up in a gilt cage, which sings so much like a real canary that you can hardly tell the difference. These canaries sell at $50.

Now comes the circus, with all the paraphernalia of the real in all that is "marvelous, astonishing, stupend us and wonderful." The menagerie is complete with every animal under the sun, and every animal is jointed so that it can perform tricks, at the same time making much ado by roaring and squeaking.

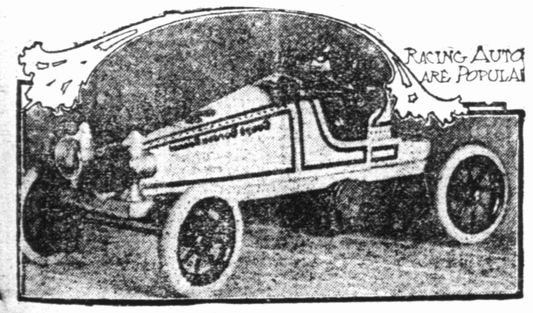
There are a score of clowns, who have fun with the elephants, the donkeys, the ponies, and the monkeys. The performers are many, including those who work on trapeze, rings, wire, ladders and all else under a tent, and a monster tent is furnished. The whole thing can be loaded on a circus train and run over the steam lines to another town, at night when the electric arcs are burning. Circuses run from a one-ring price of less than $10 to a three-ring outfit at several times as much more.

Thruout Toyland little mechanical girls are blowing bubbles. And near them little boys from the real world are beating tattoo drums which operate themselves. For boys and girls and "Teddy" bears are overalls, goggles, togs and caps.

Gravity railroads at only a few dollars run themselves, loading and unloading cars of coal.

There are baseball games to be played on your knee or a table for boys and girls and men and women. The "fans" are buying these without waiting for Santa Claus. They cost only $2.50, while such things as autos cost up to $100. If a real power auto is desired, it can be purchased for about $500.

For the miniature towns, there are also swimming tanks, bathhouses, milk wagons, coal wagons, carts, water towers and electric plants, from a few dollars up to $12 and $50. Real miniature pianos go up to $50.



The Modern Mistletoe

Prominent in the Christmas revels and, with the holly, most essentially "Christmassy" of all the plants used was the mistletoe. With us the old significance and sacredness have gone, leaving but charm enough to give the well known privilege to the man who meets a girl beneath it. There exists also in some places the tradition that the girl who is not kissed under the mistletoe will not be married for a year. (The present writer once knew a thoughtful and provident damsel who wore a hat trimmed with the sacred plant.) But the kiss permitted in olden time was originally of the religious variety, our mistletoe celebration being borrowed from Scandinavian lore. —Critic.

Xmas Xplained

"Papa, why do some of the newspapers always spell it Xmas?" inquired Wistful Willie.

"Because, my son, it is so Xpensive."

LITTLE ALICE'S WONDERFUL TRIP

Doll Tells Her Story of Girl Who Was Kind

The very first thing I can remember in all the four months of my life is being awakened one morning by a beautiful lady who lifted me carefully out of my bed—dressed me up in a pretty silk gown, smoothed my curls and placed me in a big glass house with rows and rows of other dolls, some smaller than I and some bigger, and some queer little dolls that squealed crossly every time they were touched. Well, here I had to sit perfectly quiet for days and days, watching the crowds of people as they passed by our house, until I got so tired and cramped up that I thought I never would be able to walk again. One day a lovely little girl came past, and I was sure she liked me best of all the dolls, for she came close up to where I sat and pressed her tiny face against the glass and smiled at me so sweetly that I wanted her to take me right away with her. I heard her begging her mamma to buy me for her, but I guess her mamma didn't like me, or something, anyway, she went away and left me still sitting in that horrid glass house and I was so tired.

After a few days we were all taken out of our glass house and carried away to the most wonderful room I have ever seen. It was crowded with sleds and horses and little wooly bears and other dolls, and just everything—now where do you suppose it was? It was Santa Claus' storeroom, where he kept all his gifts for boys and girls until he got his list made out and got ready for his journey. Here we were to stay until he called for us. We were there a long time and one night just as we were all going to sleep, in rushed Santa Claus, all covered with snow. He must have been in an awful hurry, for he bundled us all into boxes and bags and dumped us into his sleigh and before we knew what had happened he was off—and such a journey—over housetops and tree tops and fences and hills without ever stopping until we came to a place where there were ever so many houses; then Santa Claus would jump out at each house taking some one of us with him; I had just about decided that he was going to keep me, when the reindeers stopped suddenly before a pretty white cottage and out jumped Santa Claus as usual, but this time he took me. I was frightened out of my wits, for he climbed up to the very top of the old black chimney and then started down—it was so dark and gloomy that I was sure we'd never reach the end of the trip, but we did, finally, and there before the fire hung the prettiest pink and white stocking—and Santa Claus spied it, too, for he put me into a corner and from a big pack on his shoulder he brought out beautiful little gifts of all kinds and just poured them into the little stocking, and he seemed to enjoy it, too, for he chuckled and laughed to himself all the time. Finally he came back to me and bidding me good night, vanished thru the chimney as noiselessly as we had come down. So I was left alone, but I was so tired after that strange journey that I went right to sleep until morning when I was awakened by the sound of little bare feet on the stairway and when I opened my eyes what do you think I saw? There on the landing with her big blue eyes wide open staring wonderingly at me, stood the very same little girl that had begged so hard for me when I sat in that old glass house. All at once she remembered me, for down she came off the steps and picked me up, hed and all, and what a welcome I did get to my new home! And here I am still as I write you this little story, as happy as ever doll could be.

THE ART OF GIVING

Christmas Presents a Subject Demanding Serious Study

Giving Christmas gifts is almost a science. It is certainly a study for one who really wishes to give and not distress and embarrass. No one is more helpless than the woman who receives an utterly useless and undesirable gift. She is fairly forced into falsehood and is obliged to express gratitude which she does not feel.

The woman who has a queen parlor and receives a blue rug or the woman who has a blue dining room and receives a set of doilies embroidered with purple violets, or the woman with a sallow complexion who is given a delicate pink shawl, is actually made to sin against truth. She feels, if she is of a naturally grateful and tender disposition, that she must express thanks which she does not feel. Then, ten chances to one, if it is not a struggle for her not to pass along those useless gifts next Christmas and fairly involve herself in a mesh of deceit, she goes about terrified lest by any unforseen chance the first giver should discover the gift in the hands of the second recipient.

Often people are so deluged by useless gifts that memory fails them concerning the givers. Such mistakes are likely to occur, and petty and absurd, but no less lasting, feuds are the consequence.—Philadelphia Press.

Once Enough

"Christmas comes but once a year."

"I'm glad of that," said popper.

"For two would break us up, I fear,
Since mommer's such a shopper."

A LITTLE GIRL'S DEAR LITTLE GIFT

How Her Thoughtfulness Made the Sunshine Come Out

The little girl I'm going to tell you about lived in a big city miles and miles away from here, and her parents were very poor, so Christmas didn't mean the same to Marion as it does to most boys and girls, for there were tiny brothers and sisters to be clothed and fed, and when Santa did come, he always had to leave warm clothes and food instead of dolls and toys and candies and nuts, and all the good things that children like to have him leave; so never in all her life had little Marion owned a real doll until one day, just before my story opens, a kind aunt, who lived away off in another city, had sent her a beautiful big doll, with lovely brown curls and big brown eyes, just like Marion's own. What a happy little girl Marion was and what good times they had together, tho fine long walks they would take and the tea parties Marion would give, and invite all the other brothers and sisters, and always the new dollie was queen of the party.

One day as they were taking the usual walk, they passed a little cottage away back from the street—a cold, bare looking cottage, and glancing up at the window, Marion caught sight of a tiny, pale face pressed against the window, watching them wistfully, such a pale, thin little face, and the big eyes looked so mournful and unhappy that Marion decided to run in for a moment and show the little girl her doll and tell her about the kind aunt who had sent her, and the good times they had together, so she ran lightly up the rickety steps and knocked and the little girl's mamma took her in where she sat. To Marion's dismay, she found that the little girl, Meg was her name, couldn't even get out of her chair—she was a helpless cripple. She seemed so glad to see Marion, and how she admired the beautiful big doll—she told Marion how when just a tiny baby she had had a fall and that all the rest of her life she would just have to sit there in her little chair, that she could never go to school, or walk or play like other girls; she must just sit there by her cheerless window and watch them; besides this Meg's mamma was very poor and it took all she could earn to buy food, so she hadn't even a doll like Marion's, or toys to keep her company thru the long, lonely day when her mamma was away at work, and how tired she got. Dear little Marion went away very sad and thoughtful, for do you know what as she sat there listening to the pitiful story of the lonely cripple girl, somehad whispered to her: "Suppose Meg had a beautiful doll like yours to play with when she's here all day alone—she has no brothers or sisters to play with and you have, besides you can play and go to school, and she must just sit there alone all day long." Still Marion clung to her dollie; but somehow she didn't enjoy their walks and their tea parties weren't such a success, for always Marion would see the thin little face and wistful eyes of the cripple girl. One dark day after thinking very hard for almost an hour, she got her doll and dressed her in the very prettiest of her dresses, bundled all the others into the tiny trunk and started off for Meg's house. The little girl was all alone today, so Marion walked right in and putting down her package she placed her precious dollie in the arms of the cripple girl and told her that she was to have her for her very own to keep always. Poor little cripple—poor little Meg. She took the beautiful dollie to her heart. She looked into Marion's eyes and tried to speak, but her throat hurt her and her lips trembled so the words would not come. Then as she stretched out her thin little arms in silent thanks two big tears of happiness came to her eyes. They were precious tears—too precious to lose, so the angels tore away the clouds and the great sun sprang thru and turned the tears into diamonds.

So little Marion was happy, and the doll was happy, and best of all, the dark, dreary days of the lonely little cripple's life were brightened just by the one kind, unselfish act of a little unselfish girl.

$10,000,000 A YEAR FOR TOYS

Fortune Spent Annually During Christmas Season

Johnnie says, "I want a drum,
One that goes rum, dum, dum."
Mary says, "I want a clock."
One that goes tick, tick, tock."
And hoggish Willie says, "I want a great big dock,
With horses, sheep and lots of stock."

Ten million dollars' worth of toys will have been sold by Christmas!

Boys and girls, and grown folks, too—can you comprehend these figures?

Just think—it required a whole fleet of ships to bring this great cargo across the ocean from Toyland, the land of the master toymakers.

Toyland, you know, is somewhere in Germany, where a swift river runs thru grassy banks and children with wooden shoes skip and play in the streets from morning until night.

Never before has the ingenuity of the human brain been taxed to such extent as it has this year to invent new toys.

Jointed dolls, with fine, rolling eyes and soft, lisping voices are the proper thing this season. They walk and talk and drink tea in smart, up-to-date style. They wear real lace and jewels, too. If they don't come up to this high standard, then the little daughters of the rich won't have them.

And the boy of the family must have a real engine—steel thruout, a real firebox, real steam.

A little limited train rushes past, a mail hook catches the sack and deposits it at a station farther on. The railway has a complete block system of semaphores and everything that goes to make up a modern railway equipment.

Every current event is eagerly seized upon by the topmaker as an idea. The Russia-Japan war has brought forth 40,000,000 of toy Japanese and toy Russians, enabling the boys to have great mimic battles.

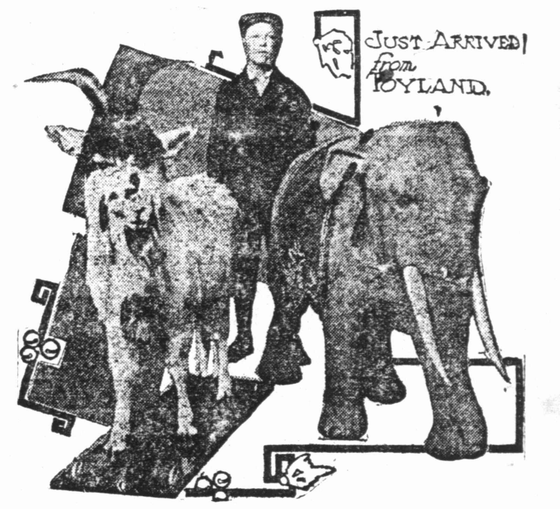
The children of the rich can "shoot the chutes" this year in their own homes. Then there are the big stuffed elephants and camels and goats, all very new in Toyland, and racing automobiles that cost $400 and $500.

Nearly all of our toys come from Germany. The big wholesale toyhouses send their buyers away off to the old country in quest of the master creations of the toymakers.

And queer stories these men tell on their return about old, gray-haired men, crooked-backed with age, who have toiled for over half a century in the toymaster's shop. The cunning of their hands does not bring to them big profits, however. A mere pittance is the limit of their reward for a lifetime's work.

Of course, there is the other side of the story, the poor man's children, the pathetic love that is bestowed upon the foolish looking homemade rag doll, the tenderness with which it is laid to rest at night, and the grateful little prayer that subconsciously goes up to heaven upon its receipt.

But, poor man's son or rich man's son, it is all the same. The toymaker is busy from one end of the year to the other, and millions upon millions of dollars are spent annually that the little ones may rejoice at the being of Santa Claus.



Christmas With the Mokis

The whole affair has the character of what we should call a mystery play, the dramatic action representing the fight of the sun god to return northward from his home in the mountains. Malevolent genii are trying to drag him back, while friendly divinities aid him in the struggle. He wins, of course, and comes back to Moki Land to warm the earth with his rays and to cause it to smile with fresh harvests. When those harvests are ripening in the following summer the snake god, which controls the water supply so urgently needed in that arid country, must be appeased by another ceremony specially devised for his glorification, the principal feature of which is the famous snake dance, concerning which so much has been written.—American Family Magazine.

Christmas Post Cards

The favorite Christmas post cards have very little room for writing. The entire back of the card is covered with a "Madonna and Child" by Murillo, Raphael, or, to come to more modern times, Gabriel Max or Bouguereau. The coloring is most artistic, and these cards are quite worth framing as little works of art. Some of these Madonnas—for instance, the Raphael "Madonna of the Chair"—are framed in a wreath of glowing holly, which contrasts vividly with the colors in the Roman scarf flung over the back of the chair. Other subjects are to be had in these truly artistic post cards, notably portraits of fair women by Romney and Lely, Reynolds and Gainsborough, Greuze and Le Brun.—New York Globe.

The Christmastide Lesson

The Christmastide celebrates the birth festival of our Lord. The incarnation of Christ is the central thought in the history of the world. His birth has exalted the poetry, the music and the art of the centuries. It has changed all social customs and religious rituals. It has given a new glory to human life and a new trend to eternity. This is the time when all bitterness should be forgotten, all family feuds reconciled and all life glorified. God grant that the day may speedily come when the song of the angels celebrating the birth of the Christ may find its fulfillment thruout the whole world.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."—Dr. Robert Stuart Macarthur, Pastor Calvary Baptist Church, New York City.

Caught Santa on the Street

A Santa Claus from the Salvation Army was ringing his bell beside his iron pot in Fourteenth street, says the New York Mail and Express, when suddenly a little girl broke away from her mother in the passing throng and, rushing up to the pseudo Santa, grabbed him by his gown and began rapidly to tell her wants. First she gave him her full name and address, with many injunctions not to forget. Then she rattled off a list of things she wanted, regardless of the attempts of her mother to induce her to come away and not bother Santa. The little girl was persistent, the crowd gathered around to her her little invocation, and for a while she blocked traffic on that side of the street.

Uncle Allen's Helpful Suggestion

"Speaking of that girl who broke her arm while trying to fasten the middle button at the back of her shirtwaist," said Uncle Allen Sparks, "there isn't the slightest excuse for such an accident. Let an even number of buttons always be sewed on the back of a shirt waist, and there won't be any middle button."—Chicago Tribune.

The Romance of Mistletoe

By the Teutons mistletoe was held sacred by Baldur, the sun god, the son of Freya, the Scandinavian Venus. In Baldur all that was beautiful, eloquent, wise and good was honored, and he was the spirit of activity, of joy and of light. Predicting his own approaching death, his mother, Freya, exacted an oath from animals, planets and minerals not to injure him. The mistletoe among the plants had been forgotten. When this was discovered by the treacherous Hoeder, the blind god of brute strength, he took a wand of it, and, being directed how to aim it, the mistletoe pierced Baldur thru the heart, and he fell dead to the ground.—Boston Traveler.

Holly Superstition

There are many traditions connected with holly—one, that it is unlucky to bring it into the house before Christmas eve. There are two kinds of holly, the prickly and nonprickly, and according as the holly which is brought in for the Christmas decoration is smooth or rough the wife or the husband will be master. A bunch of holly with berries must be broken from holly which has been used in church decoration and kept until the next Christmas to protect from lightning and insure a lucky year.

Those Picture Postcards

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The Rev. Dr. Len G. Broughton of Northfield conference fame is planning a tabernacle for Atlanta. It is proposed to raise in cash something like $200,000. This amount, in addition to the value of the present church property, will form a nucleus of a quarter of a million dollars. The site purchased is centrally located and cost $55,000, and it is understood that $70,000 has already been offered for it. It has been unofficially announced that Dr. Broughton is counting on several large subscriptions from outside Atlanta.

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RANCHMEN RAISE WHEAT

Consul Victor L. Duhaime of Saltillo states that Coahuila holds the third place among the states producing the largest amount of wheat in Mexico. He writes:

"In this consular district alone the crop for this year is estimated to be about 1,000,000 bushels. The yield generally averages from 10 to 15 bushels to the acre. Winter red wheat is sown in October and the crop gathered the following May or June. The quality compares favorably with United States wheat. The price ranges from $2.50 to $3 per bushel, Mexican currency ($1.25 to $1.50 United States currency). About one-third of this crop is grown by irrigation. The wages paid to workingmen for harvesting ranges from 75 cents to $1 a day Mexican currency (37½ to 50 cents United States currency.

"This branch of agriculture is yet entirely in the hands of Mexican ranchmen. Owing to the introduction of modern agriultural implements the area is being increased each year. The large steam plows, cultivators, threshers and engines and almost every kind of improved farming machinery now aid in the preparation of a greater amount of virgin soil, not undertaken before owing to the crude facilities. This improved system of economic cultivation by labor saving machinery has proved to be so profitable and attractive that land owners are now directing their attention to this branch of agriculture with much more energy and activity. Consequently the value of agricultural land is advancing appreciably and the farming sections are becoming more thickly settled and prosperous. Traveling modern steam threshing machiners are in general use.

"In this vicinity there are six modern rolling mills running by steam and nine stone mills operated by waterpower. The flour they produce is of a excellent quality and finds a ready sale in all parts of the republic, so much so that a large amount of wheat is imported here from the United States keeping these mills in constant operation day and night to supply the demand for the fine grade of flour which this locality has acquired a reputation for. It is shipped in burlap sacks, two bags containing about 200 pounds, or one barrel, of flour, the demand usually exceeding the supply.

"Wheat straw furnishes the principal food for the animals, there being no hay raised here. Owing to some peculiarity of the soil, it contains sufficient nutritive element to replace hay in feeding stock, on which they thrive and keep in good healthy condition. The price of wheat straw ranges from $10 to $20 Mexican currency ($5 to $10 United States currency) per ton, owing to its abundance and proximity to market.

"The duty on imported wheat was removed entirely during the first six months of this year, and during this period the importations was much larger than any previous year. The importation of American wheat into Mexico during the last twelve months amounted to $2,000,000 gold, demonstrating that this is the nearest available market for Amerian wheat. The supply here is never equal to the demand, and this will prove a profitable field for American wheat exporters. The railroads entering Mexico are all of standard gauge and are fully equipped for the handling and prompt delivery without change to points of delivery.

NO MONTANA LOSSES

From Helena comes the news that the storm whih has been raging in most parts of Montana has culminated in a snowstorm and is general thruout the state. But the cattle and sheep men are unusually well prepared to withstand a siege of cold weather and show little concern over the bad turn in the weather.

W. G. Preuitt, secretary of the Montana Stock Growers' association, with headquarters at Helena, and who keeps in close touch with live stock conditions in that state, said to the representative of the Helena Independent:

"The cattlemen of Montana are prepared to withstand cold weather, and have no complaint to make about this weather. It is merely seasonable. The past season has been a fair one for the cattlemen and they will be able to bring their herds through the winter, unless it is unusually severe, in nice shape. They have plenty of feed on hand, the cattle themselves are in good condition, and on the whole the outlook is not bad."

Mr. Preuitt said that there were a good many cattlemen who had cattle to ship, but were unable to do so for lack of cars and unless the shortage on both the Great Northern and Northern Paific roads is soon ended, animals meant for this year's market will have to be carried over until next year.

THE CHICAGO SHOW

Under superb weather conditions the seventh International Live Stock Exposition opened its doors this morning. Tonight the ring show will be inaugurated in a blaze of glory. With propitious weather conditions attendance is expected to reach the half million mark. The close will be next Saturday night.

"I look for an increase of 150,000 over last year, which reached the half-million mark," said W. E. Skinner, general manager of the exposition. "The live stock show has developed into the biggest attraction, in crowds and floor space, in the world, so far as I know. The building, constructed especially for this purpose and used only one week in the year, has been enlarged until the exhibiting ring is larger than the horse show ring at the Colliseum and the seating capacity is about 50 per cent greater. This area does not include the acres of pens where live stock are kept on general view."

This year the show will live up to its title of "International" in a dashing manner. Four champion Shire horses from the stables of the King of England will be shown, not only for exhibition, but also for competition, this being the only time that Edward "Rex" his condescended to join with the mob in pursuit of trophies.—Drovers' Journal.

Aged Cattle Cleaned Up

"All the aged feeding cattle in the southwest have been cleaned up by current demand," said Judge O. H. Nelson of Amarillo, Texas, who was in today. "Feeders have been clamorous for mature stuff than can be put in fair flesh from sixty to ninety days and have been sidestepping the long-feed proposition, consequently Texas calves have not been in such demand as 2s, 4s and 5s.

"I look for a big run of warmed up stuff early in the new year, and more or less demoralized markets until after April. Next summer, however, cattle will sell well and the man who cuts loose from the bunch and does what the other fellow isn't doing will get the money.

"The number of cattle on feed at Texas mills is 60 per cent of normal, and it is improbable that many will go on for the second feed."—Drovers Journal.

Hereford Calf Champion

Indiana turned a sensational trick in the fat steer display at the International.

The Hoosier state contributed a Hereford calf of such outstanding quality that it was made the champion steer of the breed without question. Even General Manager, son of the great Perfection, on which the Iowa Agricultural College based its hope of winning the grand championship, had to relinquish all claim to that coveted honor after being made first in his class.

Professor C. F. Curtiss, ever on the alert for championship material, after comparing the Indiana candidate, admitted that he had gone down in defeat and warmly approved the decision of Judge Turner. His next more was to secure this calf prodigy for the Iowa college.

The sensational youngster is a pure-bred Hereford named Peerless Wilton 39th's Defender. He was bred by H. J. Fluck. Born Jan. 4, 1906, his sire is Peerless Wilton 39th 90610 and his dam White Rose 61284.

"He is the most notable animal in the fat cattle show this year," declared Professor Curtiss. "We thought we had a sure winner in General Manager, the reserve champion of last year, but the best we could do was secure this calf in the hope of making him a grand champion again next year."—Chicago Drover's Journal.

Live Stock Situation

With the exception of losses of Angora goats in Southern New Mexico, the injuries done to live stock by the storm of two weeks ago and the subsequent cold weather are not nearly as bad as was feared. The loss in Angora goats was brought about by the fact that many of the animals had been sheared recently, and therefore could not stand the rigors of the blizzard and the severe cold of the snow on the ground. In many sections of New Mexico the sheep and cattle are wintering very well. There is plenty of snow in the mountains in the ground and the ranges are good. This, as far as can be judged now, bespeaks a prosperous season for New Mexico live stock owners next year.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Made New Record

The grand champion load of cattle made a new record this year when they sold at $17 per hundredweight. The next highest price in exposition history was $16.50, paid for Kerricks' doddies the first year of the show. Funk Brothers can well be proud of their achievement this year. They had the sharpest kind of competition from such men as Krambeck and Escher, both of whom have developed prize winners in the past. The standard of quality in the fat department has been growing better with each succeeding year, and there were more pure diamonds on exhibition this year than in any previous one. So far as finished cattle are concerned the Angus men seem to have the best of it, for out of seven contests the black cattle have been champions. The record made this year was certainly one to be proud of by the exhibitors, most of whom had exceptionally good cattle. The value of the prize load this year was $244 per head, or $3,666 for the car load.—Chicago Live Stock World.

Sheepmen Lose Heavily

The extreme difficulty in obtaining cars which has prevailed on every railroad line in New Mexico during the present shipping season has caused heavy losses to the sheep growers of New Mexico and to the buyers who have come into New Mexico for feeders, says the Albuquerque Journal.

All purchases have been made and all sheep are ready for delivery. They have not been delivered and shipment has not been made with thousands of head of sheep because of the inability of owners or buyers to get cars in which to ship them. The complaint does not come from any one line, but from every sheep growing section of the territory, affecting every railroad line which enters New Mexico.

A New Classification

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 10.—The Western Stock Association, whose next annual exhibition opens in Denver on Jan. 24, has determined upon a new departure in regard to the classification of feeder cattle, says the Record-Stockman. Heretofore a feeder has been classed as an animal that has been fed nothing but grass or hay. This has barred many sections from competition for the reason that many cattlemen are compelled to feed a certain amount of concentrated food during the winter in order to keep their animals growing, not having enough hay or grass. As this was manifestly unjust and barred many sections from competition the Western Show has decided to classify feeders upon the same basis that they are classified in the market. If the animal is not fat enough or in proper condition for beef it is a feeder. In order to have the cattle entered in the show properly classified a committee of experts will be appointed to go over the cattle and classify them either as feeders or fat cattle prior to the judgment, and no questions will be asked as to what the cattle have been fed. A special class has been arranged, however, for grass-fed cattle, open only to cattle that have been fed on hay and grass and have never been fed grain or other concentrated food. Cattle entered in this class may also compete in the regular feeder classes. While this new plan is an experiment, it is believed that it is a step in the right direction. It will enable cattle from the southwest to compete in the same classes with cattle from the north, and there will be some choice car lots exhibited from the Panhandle of Texas and New Mexico.

Packers to Show Methods

"The big meat packers are to be allowed an opportunity to demonstrate that the 'Jungle' is more or less a piece of fiction. A coterie of Chicago business men, believing that the stories which have occupied the public prints lately regarding the methods of the packing houses, were strictly detrimental to interests, especially in Chicago, have formed an association which will be educational in its tendency. The National Packers' Exposition Company is the name of the company just incorporated, the central feature of which will be the holding of an immense exposition of packing house products and methods. Charles F. Gunther is president of the company, Ben Leven vice president, Stewart Spalding secretary and treasurer and James W. Sechrest general manager."

So says the literary department.

It is the intention of the company to hold a gigantic exposition of the products of packers in all lines. The plan is international in scope. It is the intention to invite foreign packers to exhibit at the different expositions held under the auspices of the organization. These expositions will be held in all the prominent cities of the country, the first one to be given at the Coliseum, Chicago. From there the exhibits will be moved entire to Madison Square garden, New York, and thence to Pittsburg, Philadelphia and Kansas City in turn. The date of the opening show has been fixed at May 1, and will continue for two weeks.

Confidence in Our Inspection

As was announced in the National Provisioner several weeks ago, the Italian government has notified Washington that it will accept the United States meat inspection stamp under the new law as a sufficient guarantee of the healthfulness of American pork, even without the microscopical inspection previously required. The Italian officials state that they are satisfied that our new inspection system is sufficiently strict to warrant the purity of the meat.

This show of confidence is in striking contrast to the action of the German and French governments in barring further imports of American pork since the suspension of microscopical inspection. It is well known, however, that action in these latter instances was due to political motives, particularly in Germany, where the agrarian party will go to any extreme to shut out American meat. Their action is practically hypocritical when it is remembered that the microscopical inspection certificates they formerly demanded were thrown in the waste basket. They had not been demanded in good faith, but only as an added bar in the way of American importations.

Two Texas Herds Honored

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Texas made a lot feeding cattle, taking first and lot feeding cattle taking first and second ribbons. The J. E. Boog-Scott (Coleman, Texas) Herefords bucked the Channing, Texas, IXL's of D. W. Black, Ohio, and nosed them out. And both bunches were calves. Champions by ages were:

Two-year-olds—First, Andrew Norrell, Colorado, Herefords; second, Vance & Kelley, Herefords; third, Howell Bros., Colorado, Herefords.

Yearlings—First, Vance & Kelley, Wyoming, Herefords; second; H. T. Gray, Wyoming, Herefords; third, Howell Bros., Colorado. Shorthorns; highly commended, Canborn & Dwinnell, Colorado, Herefords; commended, T. J. Payne, Colorado, Herefords.

Calves—First, J. E. Boog-Scott, Texas, Herefords; second, D. W. Black, Ohio, Herefords; third, F. W. Remington, Wyoming, Herefords; highly commended, Wm. Reynolds, Wyoming, Herefords; commended, D. W. Black, Herefords.

Fat Angus Cattle Win

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The grand championship in car lots of fat steers was awarded to a load of 2-year-old grade Aberdeen Angus today, the property of Jacob Funk & Son of Bloomington, Ill. The car lots which won were all grade Aberdeen Angus. The Funk cattle were the first prize 2-year-olds. Second in this class went to a load shown by Klauss Krembeck of Marney, Iowa, and third to L. H. Kerrick of Bloomington, Ill. They were judged by James Brown of Chicago. The car lots of cattle are possibly the best ever shown at the International. There was the hottest competition in all classes. Aberdeen Angus breeders are jubilant over their success.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The First One Was Sung Nearly 2,000 Years Ago

The first Christmas carol was sung to the startled shepherds of Judaea, nearly 2,000 years ago. It voiced the praises of the Newly Born, and it rang out on the frosty air:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth piece, good will toward men."

This is sung today by all Christendom to celebrate the birth of the Christ. The first carol has been repeated yearly by all mankind.

Many have been the meanings given to the word "carol," but the simplest comes from the Latin derivation "carolare," which literally translated means "to sing songs of joy."

Christmas is the first joyous festival of the Christian church, and carols are the songs of joy sung at this festival. And, tho the word carol is used for the Easter hymn and songs of other festivals, it rightfully belongs to the Christmas one alone.

The history of the carol in England —and even today we look to England for the majority of our carols—has been varied from reign to reign. In early days the Chapel Royal choir sang carols at court. There is a record of a Christmas kept by Henry VII when the singers "sang a carol." Queen Elizabeth kept Christmas in right royal fashion "with the singing of carols and with dancing." Charles I ordered the nobility and gentry to keep open house on Christmas day at the country seats and bade them sing "carols and joyous music." But Puritanism did away with "all observations of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day," and the Scotch parliament in 1582 decreed against the "singing of carols without or within kirks and all sik uthers superstitions and papistical rites."

During the last few years a marked change has been observed in the matter of Christmas carols in England and in our own country. The great number of writers of music in England are one and all writers of church music, and the carol has been one of their proudest compositions.

Carol writing has been successfully tried by Sullivan, Stainer, Barnby, Monks, Dykes, George William Warren, Gerrit Smith, John Hyatt Brewer, Homer N. Bartlett, Frederick Grant Gleason, Harry Rowe Shelly and others.

The Christmas carols of the 1,800 years have changed greatly. At one time they were only wassails, to be sung over the punch bowl of the dissolute kings, but the carol of today takes highest rank in music.—New York Telegram.

A Natural Mistake

Crawford—"Do you know what your wife bought for herself for Christmas?"

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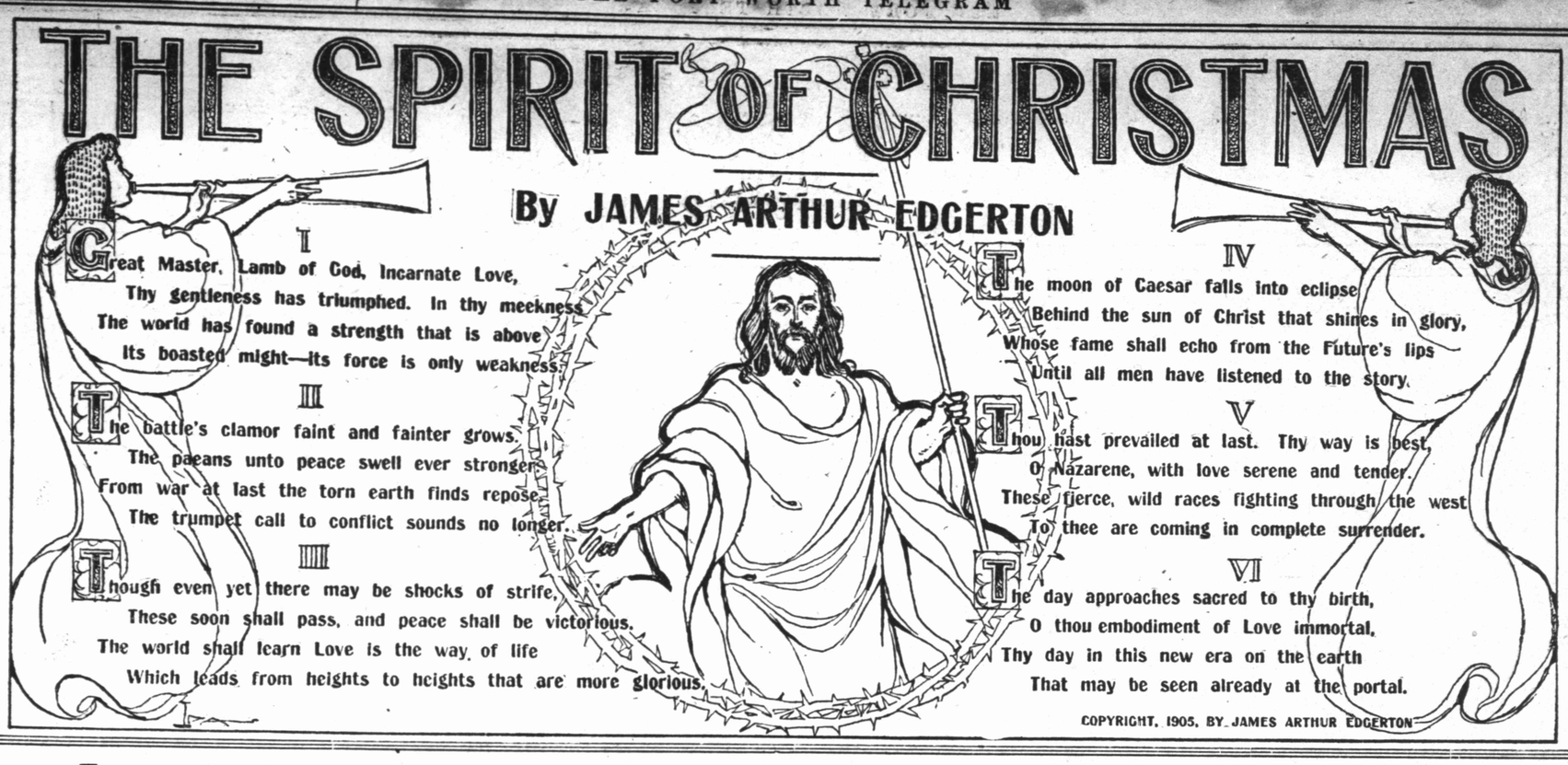

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I

Great Master, Lamb of God, Incarnate Love,
Thy gentleness has triumphed. In thy meekness
The world has found a strength that is above
Its boasted might—its force is only weakness.

II

The battle's clamor faint and fainter grows.
The paeans unto peace swell ever stronger.
From war at last the torn earth finds repose.
The trumpet call to conflict sounds no longer.

III

Though even yet there may be shocks of strife,
These soon shall pass, and peace shall be victorious.
The world shall learn Love is the way of life
Which leads from heights to heights that are more glorious.

IV

The moon of Caesar falls into eclipse
Behind the sun of Christ that shines in glory,
Whose fame shall echo from the Future's lips
Until all men have listened to the story.

V

Thou hast prevailed at last. Thy way is best,
O Nazarene, with love serene and tender.
These fierce, wild races fighting through the west
To thee are coming in complete surrender.

VI

The day approaches sacred to thy birth,
O thou embodiment of Love immortal,
Thy day in this new era on the earth
That may be seen already at the portal.

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The Jewish Massacres and Russia's Regeneration

THE most revolting page in the history of modern times, the one that will be read by generations now unborn with mingled skepticism and horror, is the story of Russia's treatment of the Jews. Until the present time the infamous massacre of St. Bartholomew's has been the premier example of the virulence inspired by racial and religious hatred. The recent slaughter of Jews at Odessa and other points in the Russian empire is far ghastlier.

The massacre of St. Bartholomew's was the sanguinary finale of a long and bitter controversy, the climax of a war of extermination. It was regarded at the time as an almost natural consequence of the relations which existed between the political factions of France. It was the outcome of a civil war in which the religious instability of the moment became a prominent factor, but it was primarily the struggle for a crown. The horror inspired by the massacre of St. Bartholomew's has been cumulative. There is no evidence to show that it was followed by any widespread and immediate sense of public indignation. The dominant and victorious party found in it a cause for rejoicing.

Except in carnage, there is little parallel between St. Bartholomew's and the recent criminal and wholly irrational slaughter of the Russian Jews. Even in that respect the comparison falters, for the victims of this twentieth century outrage greatly outnumber the Huguenots who fell on that fatal night. Since the initial crime of Kishineff, which was followed by the fearful retributfon of the Japanese war, atrocities against the Jewish inhabitants of the empire have been so frequent that the public sense of horror has become dulled, almost deadened to receptiveness. It is a fact that Russia in its present attitude toward the Jews is about where England was in the thirteenth century. In the ancient ballads of that period the Jew was always pictured as the villain, the creature to be hated, ill treated and deprived of his rights. It is rather less than three centuries since the British nation discovered that the Jew was a being susceptible of becoming a good citizen under fair treatment. Russia has not made the first step toward a similar enlightenment.

There has been a great difference of opinion among outsiders as to the actual feeling of the Russian peasant for his fellow countryman, the Russian Jew. As a matter of fact, the Russian moujik has an inborn and very decided prejudice against the Jew. It is the growth of centuries of like prejudice on the part of his ancestors and is so firmly rooted that it seems to be practically ineradicable. Time—much of it—will be necessary to overcome this ingrained antipathy. But it need not be predicated from this that the dislike is of such a character that the peasant is animated perpetually with a desire to go about slaying his harmless neighbors or even burning their houses. He may live with them in peace for years—has done so and will continue to do so—and then unscrupulous and crafty leaders will play upon his latent prejudices and the mob spirit, once aroused, will carry him on to the climax of criminal excess.

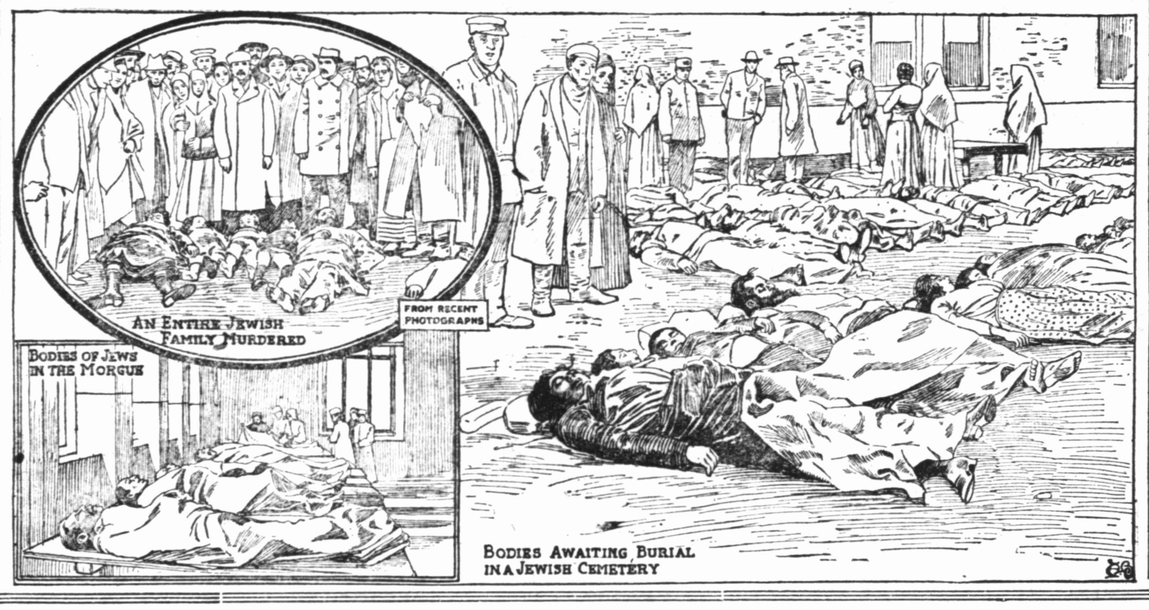
Time will prove that the Russian bureaucracy alone is responsible for the present unprecedented onslaught against the Jews. In its rage and supineness over the spread of liberal ideas it has sought to divert the attention of the nation by a bloody demonstration against the popular scapegoat. Its own hated cause menaced to the verge of extinction, it did not hesitate to interpose a distraction which meant untold misery and absolute destruction to so many of the empire's most lawabiding subjects. Anything was preferable to the triumph of Liberalism and the further humiliation of the house of Romanoff and its satellites. The ancient shibboleth, "The Jews are the enemies of the Russian nation," was revived and employed with terrible effectiveness.

That the autocracy has struck its final envenomed blow against Liberalism over the shoulders of the peaceable, war detesting Jews is no longer a matter for mere speculation. The party that has done such a deadly injury to these inoffensive aliens works through an organization known in Russia as the Chornaya Sotnya (Black Hundred). It is a secret and extremely powerful organization, and it has numerous members in all large Russian towns. Its sole object, to put it briefly, is to stifle the cause of liberty. The expulsion of the Jews from the empire or their persecution as long as they remain is no part of their undertaking. It may even be affirmed of them that they cherish less enmity for the Jews than for any other people of the empire outside their own class. They would rather have the blood of one Liberal than that of a hundred Jews.

The Black Hundred is hated and dreaded by every lover of liberty. It has happened more than once that a member of the society caught red handed has been dipped in kerosene and set on fire. The members' names are kept as secret as possible, and no man dares to avow himself. The upper hierarchy and the regular clergy are represented largely in the Black Hundred, but the secular papa, or married priest, is not admitted. He is not considered to be sufficiently intelligent or capable of keeping silent. The members are recruited largely from the bureaucrats, the officeholding class of Russians. It is manifestly to the interest of this class to do its utmost to prevent its golden opportunity from slipping from its grasp. It has become cruel and conscienceless in the effort to retain power.

Arrayed against this malevolent force are first of all the so called "intellectuals." These include the university students, who are the true and ardent friends of Liberalism and who have no quarrel with the Jews. The Liberals have always stood out against the persecution of the Jews, but have seldom made a point of fraternizing politically with them. The Liberal element has been satisfied to use the Russian artisan as a political lever, wisely avoiding the co-operation of the 6,000,000 Jews of the empire, whose natural tendency must have been toward liberty and reform.

Saddest of all, it is becoming evident that the dastardly expedient of the bureaucrats has had its effect; that it has even succeeded in a measure. It is becoming more apparent every day that the massacres have postponed the coming of liberty instead of hastening it. It is a sickening realization that the blood of the thousands of Jews shed during the recent uprisings has contributed to the support of the tottering fabric which time and opportunity seemed to have combined to destroy. If the sacrifice could have purchased the social rehabilitation of the empire, and more especially the full emancipation of the race which has furnished martyrs sufficient to redeem the political sins of the world, there would be some recompense. As it is, there is nothing beyond a courageous and insistent hope. ALONZO HASTINGS.



Christmas at the Postoffice and Express Agencies

THE annual Christmas rush at the postoffices and express agencies of the big cities and even in those of lesser magnitude has become the time most dreaded by the armies of employees driven under the increased pressure. No other class of workers feels the approach of the holiday season so keenly, and for no others does Christmas seem more burdensome and less joyful.

In the postoffice of a great city like New York the money order department is first to discern signs of the approach of the festival of gifts and giving. Early in December the immigrants begin to flock to the postoffice to send money to their parents, wives and sweethearts. First to appear are the Scandinavians, for the mails to Norway, Sweden and Denmark are transmitted more slowly than to other European countries whose people come to America in large numbers. The Scandinavians, too, are exceedingly cautious, and they see to it that their Christmas remittances shall not arrive too late. Next come the Germans, quickly followed by the Irish, Scotch, Welsh, English and Dutch. The Italians, Austrians and Slavs come last of all. The French, Spanish and Portuguese send their gifts for New Year's.

Last year the first Christmas steamer from New York, sailing early in December, carried over half a million dollars in money orders, mostly divided into trifling sums. The bulk of this treasure was from immigrants to their friends at home. It was subdivided as follows: To Austria 2,902 orders, worth $53,303; Germany 3,746 orders, worth $46,816; Great Britain 9,560 orders, worth $125,073; Hungary 1,844 orders, worth $40,850; Denmark 725 orders, worth $9,816; Norway 2,650 orders, worth $43,750; Russia 3,053 orders, worth $46,611; Sweden 8,090 orders, worth $90,230. A day later the first big shipment of Italian money orders was made, aggregating at least $250,000. It is estimated by the authorities at the New York postoffice that the money sent as Christmas presents by immigrants amounts to upward of $2,000,000 annually and is increasing at the rate of about 16 per cent each year. It has developed, also, that the Italian, the despised "dago" of the fruit cart and the street cleaning brigade, sends home the largest sum per capita of all the immigrants. Last year he sent on an average over $33. The Hungarian came next with $19. Then followed the Russian, with $18.50; the Austrian, with $17; the Norwegian, with $12.50; the Swiss, with $12; the Swede, with $10.30; the Dane, Dutchman and Briton, with $10 apiece, and the German, with $8.50.

Of course this is not an exact criterion of the liberality of the respective nationalities. It will be observed that the poorest immigrants send the largest sums of money. The inference would be that the relatives of the others are in more comfortable circumstances and do not need so much help. They do not need the international money order to provide the Christmas dinner. The larger amounts sent by the Italian immigrants may be accounted for in another way. They come to America in large numbers in the spring, work diligently all summer live frugally and return to Italy at the approach of winter. Before they sail, however, they take the precaution of sending their money in advance by international orders.

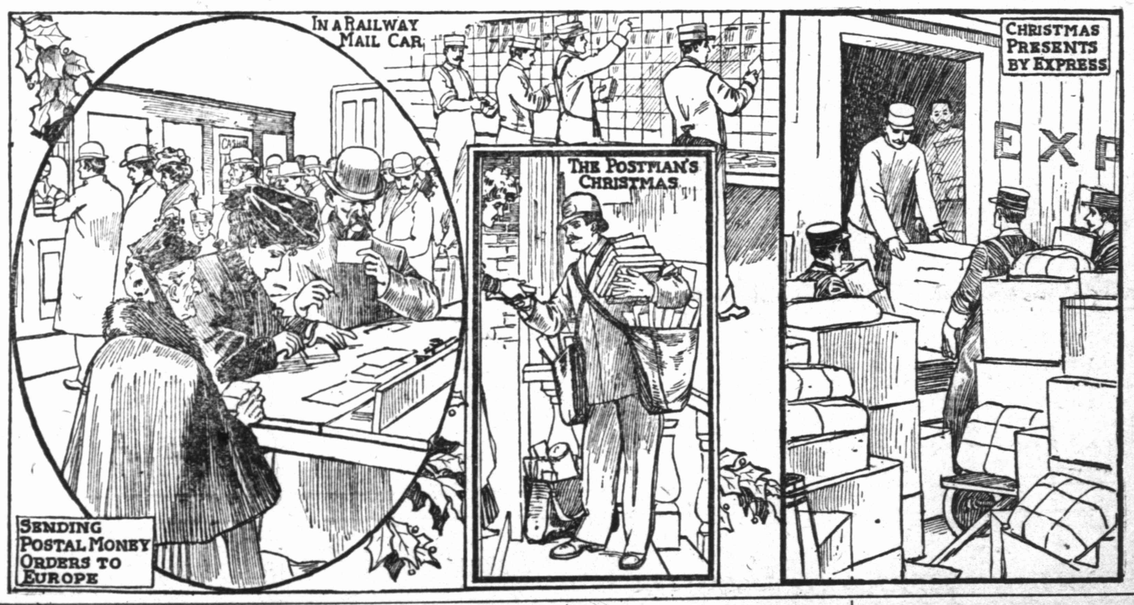
Severe as the strain upon those who do the inside work undoubtedly is, it is even more burdensome for those who do the outside work. This is especially true of the carriers, who regard the coming of the holiday season with feelings not attuned to those of ordinary mankind. Even in the business sections of a great city the delivery increases enormously during the holidays. Take, for example, the task of the carriers who deliver the mail at the Park Row building, a twenty-nine story skyscraper in New York, with about 6,000 tenants. Ordinarily the day's deliveries amount to from 18,000 to 20,000 letters and packages. At Christmas time this becomes about 35,000 daily for a week or so. In America, even in ordinary times, the carrier is laden with a burden twice as great as the legal limit in Great Britain, and at the Christmas season this becomes so augmented that any man who is not a veritable Samson must groan beneath it. As he trudges along painfully, an overloaded bag on each shoulder and often gripping a third in his hand, the Christmas letter carrier is not an inspirer of envy.

It frequently happens that the carriers in the residential districts of large cities are accompanied on their rounds by two or three assistants who are provided with hand carts loaded to the top with holiday gifts of every description. This enormous collection of Christmas sundries is sometimes so great and so bulky that it becomes necessary to use horses and wagons in its delivery. The work of the postoffice employees is increased needlessly during the holiday season by the fondness of the public for playing pranks with the mail sorters. It seems to be the time of all others selected for the mystification of addresses and the deliberate invention of puzzling directions. A package decorated with a well drawn plum pudding enshrined within a wreath of holly may not be inappropriate, but when the only address is written in infinitesimal characters on a leaf of the encircling greenery its artistic value is not apparent to the carrier.

A holiday visit to one of the railroad stations of a large city which contains the offices of the express companies doing business on the various roads will reveal a confusion and babel worthy of the Stock Exchange in its most excitable condition. Storerooms are filled to their utmost capacity and passages and all spaces that are open ordinarily are blocked and locomotion is impeded. Every semblance of order and system has departed, and there is a look of bewilderment in the faces of the employees. As a matter of fact, the express companies become hopelessly swamped during the holiday season in spite of their most vigilant precautions. Express officials take to themselves considerable credit if they succeed in straightening out the tangle with reasonable expedition. To collect, sort and transmit properly this vast aggregate of holiday presents is a work requiring a high order of administrative ability, and it is a marvel that the proportion of delays and miscarriages is so small.

The work of loading an express car is a trade in itself. It demands from the stower away of the goods as much familiarity with the various stations along the road as is possessed by the messenger who accompanies the goods and distributes them en route. The car loader must stow away the packages as fast as they are handed to him and must arrange them with reference to important stations and junctions. He must build his piles of goods systematically and firmly, so that they will not collapse and become hopelessly confused. Certain general rules must be observed rigidly. Heavy articles must not be placed on lighter ones that might be crushed. Wet goods and perishable stuff must be kept apart from other things and packages marked "With Care" must be given some attention, although it has been found by experience that directions for handling furnished by the sender may, as a rule, safely be disregarded.

At the receiving point the holiday bustle is still in progress. Until the precious consignment is delivered to its rightful owner the employee of the express company may not return to the paths of peace. It is a happy, weary moment for him when the last Christmas package has reached its destination. ANSON DUCKWORTH.



THE WIDE, WIDE WORLD.

Brewers' yeast has been used in Paris successfully in the treatment of typhoid fever as an aid in reducing temperature, overcoming dryness of the tongue and regulating the bowels.

A volcanic eruption at St. Vincent once threw a cloud of dust against the wind to Barbados, a distance of a hundred miles. The deposit fell for twelve hours over the entire island, attaining a thickness of nearly half an inch. Its estimated weight was, therefore, nearly 2,000,000 tons.

The new Talla waterworks for the increased supply of water to Edinburgh are now practically complete. The works were begun ten years ago—September, 1895—and include an embankment across the Talla water, 1,200 feet long and 90 feet above the river bed, also a conduit leading to Edinburgh 35 miles in length, 9 miles of which consist of tunnel and 12 miles of cut and cover aqueduct.

Hongkong has hitherto been spoken of as the third shipping port in the world. The figures for 1904 are not yet available, but the official returns of vessels entered at London, Hongkong and New York in 1903 are: London, 10,958,709 tons; Hongkong, 10,783,502 tons, and New York, 9,371,545 tons.

Korea is primarily an agricultural country, whose principal products are rice, beans, millet and some wheat, although it would seem that its soil and climate are well adapted to raising any of the products of a temperate region. Some cotton is grown, but none is of very good quality. Silk, for which the conditions of climate, etc., would seem to be admirable, is also cultivated to a certain extent.

The French government, it is reported, has decided not to attempt a monopoly of gold production in Madagascar. Gold prospecting will remain free, as heretofore, and duties will be levied only on the exploitation of mines. These duties, according to the reports, are to be lower than those levied in the Transvaal.

Members of the London Stock Exchange are not allowed to advertise. Lists of the members are posted at the Bartholomew street entrance of the Bank of England and are to be had on application to the secretary.

Bishop Bentzler of Metz does not like the German government and has had repeated squabbles with it. As his see lies in the heart of the ticklish Lorraine district this is of importance. On the emperor's recent visit the bishop left town and did not even respond to the invitation to the imperial banquet.

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