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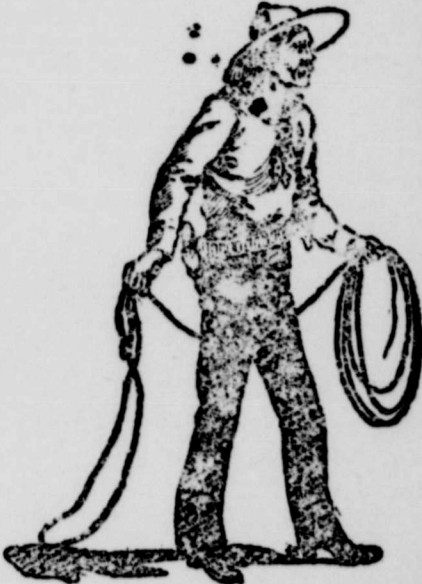
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COLDEST WEATHER THIS SEASON

THERMOMETER DROPS TO NINE BELOW FREEZING POINT.

Damage To Truck Farms in Vicinity of Cotulla Not Great—Onions Not Hurt.

After twenty-four hours of drizzling rain the weather culminated Sunday night with a sleet and wind storm out of the Northwest. It was accompanied by thunder and lightning.

Sleet fell only for a few minutes and the ground was so wet that it melted as it fell. The wind was cold and cutting and soon froze all shallow pools of water and the ground to the depth of one inch. Monday morning the thermometer stood at 26 degrees above zero. The sky was perfectly clear and the sun shone brightly but not during the day did the mercury get above the freezing point in the shade.

The wind stopped blowing Monday night and there was a heavy frost and the ground frozen again Tuesday morning. The mercury reached a lower point Tuesday morning than on the day previous, it went down to 23 deg. This is the coldest spell since December 13th 1901, when the thermometer registered 21 deg.

The cold killed some tomato plants on the irrigated farms that were exposed, but beyond that there seems to be but very little damage. Cabbage was not hurt neither were the onions. There was probably a hundred or more acres of corn up in the county, and this was nipped back. Watermelon seed that had sprouts an inch long were not killed.

The cold wave was general all over the State and in the Northwestern part the mercury went below zero. Trains were delayed everywhere and business paralyzed.

NO COURT UNTIL TUESDAY.

JUDGE STEVENS SENDS AN-
NOUNCEMENT TO THAT EFFECT.

Judge C. C. Thomas and Robert A. Gilmer returned last night from Carrizo Springs and brought the announcement from Judge E A Stevens that Court would not be opened at Cotulla until Tuesday morning, Feb. 24th. This change was made in order that all who desire to attend the Laredo Celebration may do so.

Judge Stevens was sick in bed yesterday morning and it may be possible that he will not reach here before Monday night or Tuesday. He has been confined to his room nearly the entire week.

FROM TWHOIG.

Cold Did Not Injure Crops in La-Salle's Artesian Belt.

Twohig, Feb. 20—The recent cold spell does not seem to have done much injury to the crops on the irrigated farms here.

There has been a hot house constructed on the Anderson & Sinclair irrigated farm. It is 10 feet wide and 49 feet long, two 6-inch pipes laid underneath supply one heat from a furnace. The entire upper part is enclosed with glass. There are several thermometers hanging inside to register the temperature. Thirty thousand tomatoes plants, fully six inches high are now growing in this hot bed.

It is raining again, weeds and grass growing and cattle in good condition, and everybody in good spirits.

More farming will be done in this section this year than usual on account of the extraordinary bright promises for a good crop.

NIGGERS IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

(SIX MONTHS HENCE.)
From the Nashville Banner.

Things at the White House Looking mighty curious: Niggers running everything. White people furious.

Niggers on the front porch, Niggers on the gable, Niggers in the dining room, Niggers at the table.

Niggers in the sitting room, Making all the coffee, Niggers in the ball room, Doing cake walk.

Niggers in the east room, Make a mighty throng, Niggers in the music room, Singing a coon song.

Niggers in the hallway, Taking off their wraps, Niggers in the billiard room, Shooting game of craps.

Niggers in the stereo room, Picking away their plunder, Niggers in the bedroom, Snoring like thunder.

Not a room in White House Without niggers many, Baby in nursery, A nigger pickaninny.

Niggers on the stairway, With very much satiety, Niggers in the blue room, Assembled for society.

Niggers in the front yard, Niggers in the back, Niggers come in Oambus, And niggers come in hack.

On they go to Washington, With a mighty rush, Forty thousand niggers, Getting in the push.

There is trouble in the White House

More than you can tell, Yelling like wild men, Niggers raising hell.

I see a way to settle it, Just as clear as water— Let Mr. Booker Washington, Marry Teddy's daughter.

Or, if this does not overflow, Teddy's cup of joy, Then let Miss Dina Washington, Marry Teddy's boy.

But everything is settled, Roosevelt is dead, Niggers in the White House, Cut off Teddy's head.

WEEKLY BUDGET FROM MILLETT.

EVENTS IN BUSINESS AND SOCIAL CIRCLES.

Abundant Rains Thoroughly Soak The Soil—Land Deals—Enjoyable "Tacky Party."

Millett, Texas, Feb. 20.—We have had more rain this week and the ground is more thoroughly soaked than for many years before at this season.

H. W. and A. W. Earnest have been having some surveying done for the parties who recently bought here.

A north bound freight train was wrecked near here last night but the track was cleared and open for traffic by nine o'clock this morning. Only one car left the wreck.

Miss May Smythe of Uvalde came last Friday on a visit to Mrs. Florence Yeager.

Misses May Yeager and May Smythe spent a day or two of this week at the Lone Star Ranch as the guests of Miss Amy Brown.

The sheriff was called up to this part of the county Tuesday to arrest a mexican, Aniceto Guerrero for hog stealing. Will McCombs, the main witness for the State, caught him in the act of killing and hanging his hog. He was given an examining trial before Judge Shull and bound over to await the action of District Court. Failing to give bond he was taken to the Hill Hotel for safe keeping.

Some of our young men are becoming interested in the history and charitable deeds of the Order of Haymakers and will doubtless join that ancient order in the near future.

District Court will carry many of our citizens to the county metropolis next week, some as witnesses, some as jurors and some as onlookers. Court comes at the

wrong season of the year for us, because of planting time but thanks to the continued rains, which have so thoroughly soaked the ground, the time can easily be spared this time.

The young folks of Millett and vicinity have been improving the time recently in a social way. Cols, hay-rides, serenades and parties are of common occurrence.

"Don't ask Walter why he said 'Say, hombre, where are we at?'"

The rains have proven to be a veritable God-send to one young man here owing to the fact of swollen creeks between here and —, there are also others.

F. C. Binkley, Hide and Animal Inspector, made a flying trip to Pearsall yesterday and on his return was accompanied by little Estelle Cooke, his niece.

Real estate continues to change hands in a way good to see. Everyone who buys begins at once to improve and the time is not far distant when Millett will be known as the farming center of La Salle county with never a failure in crops to hamper the upward growth of the community. New deals are reported almost daily.

Leonard Seed is confined to his bed and has been quite sick but is some better at present.

The ladies have organized a Woman's Missionary Society here and will begin active work as soon as proper literature and supplies can be obtained.

Mrs. F. C. Yeager gave a tacky party Wednesday night in honor of her friend Miss May Smythe. The invitations read: "Those wearing polished shoes, 'biled' shirts, hard 'biled' hats or with hair parted in the middle will be fined." Everybody turned out, regardless of the bad weather, and all dressed 'fit to kill.' The costumes proved to be things of beauty and a joy forever. Almost every conceivable color and kind was used in their make-up to say nothing of the styles in which they were cut. At the

door the guests were met by the hostess, who gave to each, a stick of red candy. The house was lighted in the good old fashioned way with tallow candles, and the seats, decorations and in fact every item was calculated to carry out the general effect. Spinning the plate proved to be the most fetching game, though weevily wheat (called for style The Old Virginia Reel) occupied the attention of several couples for a time as did jig dancing and piano duets by some of the more gifted among the gay throng. Candy pulling came in for a goodly share of the attention, and if a few of the girls complained of undue side plays in the way of—well the boys may be excused this time, for a better opportunity to play hands was never invented than in that of candy pulling.

Later refreshments of red lemonade and ginger bread was served in tin cups and on tin plates to the hungry guests. A real old fashioned gourd was used to drink water from. Prizes for the best dressed young lady and young man were awarded to Miss Laura and Mr. William Earnest, they having received the greatest number of votes. The prizes were, a real diamond stick pin (made of glass) and a ten cent bottle of Hoyt's best cologne. The costumes beggar description. Nothing like them were ever seen before. It is needless to say everyone enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent and regretted the hour of departure. It was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season.

THIS WEEK'S RAIN.

The rainfall of Sunday and Sunday night amounted to .71 hundredths of an inch. Wednesday morning it began clouding up again and by 2 o'clock in the afternoon a fine mist was falling. This continued throughout Wednesday night, Thursday, Thursday night and Friday, the precipitation amounting 1.16. Total for the week 1.87 inches. Total this month 2.82. Total since January 1st, (53 days) 5.09.

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Look out for more cold weather the latter part of the month.

Nearly three-fourths of an inch of rain again Sunday. It came slow and all went into the ground.

A bull fight, Indian fights, cock fights and naval fights are all included in the program at the Laredo celebration.

Don't be in a rush to get your corn in the ground. That cold snap that's coming 'round about the first of March might nip it.

The Cotulla Haymakers having been holding a series of meetings this week and from what we can hear they were a howling success.

The Commissioners' Court passed an order at their last session to meet on the 2nd Monday in each month for the purpose of approving all officers reports.

The farmers say that they were glad to see the freeze this week as it will kill many of the insects that were about ready to come out of the ground and go to work on plant life.

The roping contest at the Laredo celebration on 22nd is a feature that has been added this year. Expert ropers from Texas and Mexico will be there and exhibit their skill.

The cold wave hit us full in the face Sunday night. Cabbage plants, tomatoes and other garden truck were damaged to a certain extent, but the onion crop not hurt.

A sleet storm accompanied by thunder and lightning swooped down upon us Sunday night. The thermometer went down hurriedly and inside of two hours reached the freezing point.

The cattle market is looking up a little and the feeders are in better spirits. When it costs \$15 to fatten a steer he has to bring a good price not to leave the owner in the hole.

A petition to the Senate and House of Representatives is being circulated, praying that an appropriation be made and that a scalp-bounty law on coyotes and other depreeding animals be enacted. It is asked that at least 50 cents per scalp be paid. On account of the devastating drought of the past three years the counties in this section of the state are not able to pay a bounty for these animals, and they are becoming so numerous and bold and destructive that something must be done. We understand that petitions of a like nature are being circulated in Frio, Dimmit, McMullin and Zavalla counties.

On account of the cutting wind out of the Northwest Monday morning many people were led to believe it was the coldest day since the severe blizzard of February 12, 1899, when the mercury dropped to 6 above zero. This however, is a mistake. December 10th, 1901, it was 5 degrees colder than at any time Monday, the thermometer then registering 21. Jan. 12th of this year the mercury dropped to 28, only 2 degrees above Monday's mark. We usually have severe weather in February but that month in the years 1901-2 proved exceptions. There was very little cold weather in February '01 and in that month '02, only at one time, and that was on Feb. 2nd, did it drop to the freezing point, 32 degrees.

Miss Caroline Cotulla has been reappointed Postmistress at Cotulla for the next four years. Miss Cotulla has served in this capacity for the past four years and has given entire satisfaction to the people. She is careful, prompt and accommodating in all matters, and during the time she has been in the office there has not been a complaint registered, nor do we think, in a single instance, has there been cause for such. The satisfactory condition of affairs were such that there were no other applicants for the position, and the reappointment of the present incumbent meets with universal approval.

E. P. Clary and Charlie Miller have perfected an invention to take place of the float-valve in water troughs. Mr. Clary brought a pattern of the new device in and showed it to us the other evening. For simplicity it beats anything we ever saw. The entire thing consists of one piece of galvanized piping about one inch broad with reducers screwed on to each end. Inside of this is a rubber ball attached to a piece of wire which runs out through the top reducer. The bottom reducer is screwed on to the pipe that comes up through the trough. To the end of the wire that holds the rubber ball may be attached a block of any kind or anything that will float. When the trough is filled with water the float pulls the rubber ball up against the opening of the top reducer, securely and cuts off the flow. When the water in the trough is lowered the ball (which will be made one third lead) drops and admits a flow.

There is nothing about this device to wear out or always be giving trouble. No leather about it to rot. Mr. Clary informs us that he can furnish them for \$1 each, whereas a good galvanized float costs not less than \$2.50.

Another great point about this invention is that it can be manufactured right here at home. One man can turn out 100 a day and anybody can make them. We have heard a number of stockmen remark that it was a great improvement on the old float valve and indicated that they would use them as soon as they were put on the market.

Mr. Clary is the inventor of the Wonder Pump Jack, a Cotton Bale Hoop, a Tongueless B. C. C. and a number of other things. A patent has been applied for on the new device for water troughs.

There is a great difference in the way which personal difficulties are settled in France and in the West. In the West when there is a difference between two citizens that can't be settled anyway with the exception of firearms, the first time they meet there is an exchange of shots—and then there's business for the undertaker. The next day there is a couple of funerals and all is over.

In France however, they do things up a little different, and the following dispatch from Paris shows how it is done. "Max Regis, the former mayor of Aigiers and anti-Semite leader, took part in two duels today and will figure in two more. The first was fought with swords, his adversary being M. Basderque. It grew out of a private controversy. In the second encounter pistols were used and M. Regis exchanged shots with Jacques Landa. Newspaper criticisms were responsible for this quarrel.

The meetings occurred in the suburbs and were witnessed by a large crowd of people, including a number of women. Before the first encounter M. Regis shouted insulting defiance at his adversary. The former was slightly wounded in the right arm in the third bout and the affair was stopped. M. Regis again insulted M. Basderque who named his seconds for another encounter, declaring that he intended to kill his adversary the next time they met.

M. Regis also challenged the master of ceremonies for protesting against his insulting methods on the field, but friends intervened and brought about a reconciliation. The pistol duel followed. Two shots were exchanged without effect."

HELPING OTHERS

BY J. W. THOMAS.

Helpfulness is the most helpful word in our language. That this is a needy world in which we live, we are all ready to admit; and the helping hand others extend to us, we are all ready to appreciate. But there are so many things in this world for us to think of and so many cares of our own that we haven't time to think of others. That we owe anything to the busy stream of humanity which pass us daily on the thoroughfare of life we seem not to realize. You have felt the wonderful power that even a single man or woman has over you, and you have realized that you did feel it. The moment they entered your presence. All of us have this power in some it is greater than others. There are people whose soft foot steps and low voice bring a quietness over ones whole being. No matter how torn up in spirit or heart-sick we feel, their presence seems to soothe us just as our mother's voice did when we were children and she sang that old, sweet lullaby song to us at evening's close.

How we do appreciate these people who bring so much peace into our lives; for we know that, and don't we wish the world was full of such!

But how about the care-worn and benumbed souls that throng about us every day, whose hearts bleed with deep sorrow, hid from human gaze and who hunger for a sympathetic look, a kind word, or a helping hand, to whom we might minister.

But on we go, through the noise of the world, and the blindness of a selfish life, forgetting that there are others whose burdens are heavy and whose cares are perplexing as our own. Oh, how little we do know of others and how little we feel the world's wait of woe!

Too sacred to be placed for the gazer. In some of these are earth's choicest spirits and heaven's brightest jewels. It can be said of them, the disciple whom Jesus loves. Other, who need most our sympathy and care have grown cold and callous. They are unappreciative and far from what we wish them to do. Perhaps they have gotten their coldness and indifference by being pushed up against the rough corners of the world too many times. This class is to be blamed less and helped more, for who knows how heavy are their burdens, and what they have endured! All this has helped to harden them; they feel so alone in this great wide world.

There was a time when their prospects and hopes were as bright as ours; when the sun shined as brightly, and life was happy and buoyant. But that was years ago, when some fond mother stroked her child's soft hair, looking into its trusting eyes, she said, "My boy will be a hero yet," or to the daughter, "There are rich things in store for you dear."

But there is a great deal of difference between then and now. So mother believing in her child didn't make it so, for Dame Fortune isn't liberal with the world's children in general. So today that one has lost confidence in humanity, and the world grows darker with the passing years. Are we going to leave them thus? Might we not, if we should try hard enough arouse in them some emotion of interest, which the years have buried deep; and make them to feel that the world is not so bad as they in their madness have pictured; and set for them in the firmament, a star of hope.

"Bear ye one another's burdens and thus fulfill the law of Christ" is the sublime teaching of a sublime Book.

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G. PHILIPPE.

Eddie's New Year's Resolution.

BY KENNETH HARRIS.
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It altogether depended on the point of view whether it could have been called a bad habit, but it has become a habit, and Eddie Baxter was completely its slave. First he dabbled with it occasionally. He did not have to acquire the taste; it struck him as rather pleasant from the first, still, if he indulged himself once in two weeks or so it was as much as he particularly cared for. That might have gone on much longer, or at least merged by more imperceptible gradations into the habit if he had not left town for a month.
It is one thing to be near a thing of that sort, where you know that if you are in pressing need of it you can satisfy your yearning at almost any time, and another to be miles away from anything approaching the altogether superior quality of the article you have become accustomed to. Under these circumstances some men will take what they can get and make the best of it, but Eddie was not that kind of a man. What there was in Calamus Center did not appeal to him in the least. He was conscious of a vague feeling of uneasiness and emptiness all the time. He took it for dyspepsia at first and endeavored to overcome it by abstaining from the hot biscuits that they served with every meal and dosing himself with some little white pellets that he procured at a drug store. As these measures failed to afford him relief he set it down to the altitude and returned home a week earlier than he expected.

Almost unconsciously his footsteps strayed to the place where the potato was dispensed and the drudge that he took was somewhat deeper than any he had taken before, whereupon, though he did not notice it at the time, the feeling of uneasiness and emptiness left him and he went away experiencing an unwonted exhilaration. He ought to have realized the nearness of the slope of descent—that in fact, he was already upon it, when within three days he returned for more of the elixir; but for some time after that even he remained unaware that it was not a thing he could, in the customary phrase, "take or let alone." Other people noticed it and began to wag their heads wisely; some ventured to give Eddie a little well meant advice, but he only laughed at these solicitous friends.

Shortly after that he tried it. It had disagreed with him and he decided that he would be better off without it. He was restless and miserable for three days, and the feeling of uneasiness and emptiness returned to him with tenfold force. Then he realized that he had in truth got into the "chain of habit," and the result was a session of self-communion. Later he unboomed himself to a friend of experience and asked for his advice.

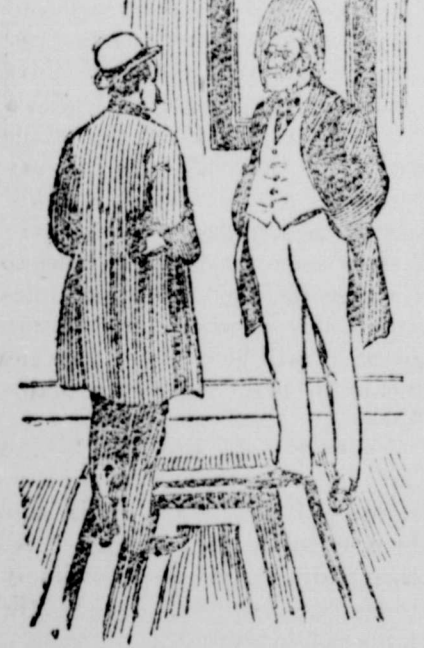
"My son," said the person of experience, gravely, "I don't see that you have any cause for worry, though these moments of remorse are inevitable. If you took a fair of the dog that has bitten you—in fact, several hairs—I think it would do you good. I have known that to answer in several cases that have come under my observation. I can not recommend total abstinence, because I am pretty sure that you would not be equal to it. Do you really want to quit?"
"I'm not dead sure," replied Eddie, frankly.
"Well, if you do, you can easily enough, if you'll only allow yourself time."
"That may be in some cases, but an allowance of eternity wouldn't affect me. I'm sure enough of that. That is, unless there was something else to bring my will power into action. I used to think that I had will power."
"The longer most habits continue the stronger they get," observed the person of experience, "but it's different with this one. To begin with, it is seldom well nourished after it gets well started; it becomes hollow-

"I tell you," said Eddie, indignantly, "that you've never known of a case that's like mine. I don't think that you understand at all. The more I see of her the more I think of her, and the last time that I saw her I gathered the impression that she wasn't particularly glad to see me."
"That's only natural."
"That she shouldn't want to see me."
"That she should allow you to get that impression. However, I've got troubles of my own—real troubles, and I can see that you haven't any idea of taking my advice in the matter, or any opinion of my judgment. All you wanted was to unload yourself, and now that you've done it perhaps you'll oblige me by clearing out of here. If you haven't got anything better to do, you might as well put on a clean collar and go and see her again."
"This last piece of advice Eddie took."
It is perhaps hardly necessary to say that the girl was as pretty as a



"Will You Help Me?"
picture; that she had a pair of brown eyes, a head of hair that excited the envy of every other girl in her set; that her complexion was good; her teeth even and white, and her figure lithe and graceful. To say that she expresses nothing. All these things a girl may have and yet not amount to a row of pins, but if the combination is right and the something that looks out of the bright, brown eyes is the one thing the young man has been wanting, it is easy to understand the facility with which a habit may be formed.

"Cocaine, opium, hemp, hashish, whisky and tobacco—all these are nothing to it," mused the person of experience.
"What?"
"The reason that the person of experience said this was that it was New Year's Eve. So obvious was the idea that it occurred to Eddie also, and he turned it over in his mind all the time that he was putting on his clean collar, and he thought of it over and over, and in all his various aspects as he walked to the house, and all the time that her father was talking politics and the war of the rebellion to him he was still thinking what a good time it would be to swear off.
After a little he had an opportunity to talk to the girl himself. If a young man conducts himself in a proper manner, and there is nothing in particular to be urged against him, these opportunities are bound to occur sometime or another. At first they did not talk very much, which was principally because they had so much to say that they didn't like to talk about, but it was not hard to get to New Year's resolutions.
"I don't drink more than a strictly temperate man should," said Eddie, "and I don't smoke to excess. I'm in doubt what to give up. Most people have had habits or vices, that they may abandon, but I am in a tickens of a fix, owing to the state of perfection I have arrived at."
"You have my sympathy," said the girl. "It's very sad; haven't you a slight reforming vice?"
"There is one habit I've got that I might give up," continued Eddie, reflectively. "It's got a terrible hold of me, and I'm getting anxious about it, but I've got to have help. Your father suggested that I should taper off some time ago and offered to help me, but you're the only one who can do it."
"Tell me what it is," said the girl.
"Coming around here seven nights in the week to see you," said Eddie, taking her hand.
She tried to withdraw it, and looked at him in some distress.
"Of course, if you don't want to come—net offerer than I have to. I want to stop at home and see you seven nights in the week—except when we have to go out. Will you help me?"
"Hark! The bells are beginning to ring now. Look at your watch."
"Will you help me?"
"Oh, I don't know, Eddie, I—I guess not."
"Then," said Eddie, raising his hand as the whistles from the factories and the blast of horns added their clamor to the bells, "I swear off right now."



Unbosomed Himself to a Friend of Experience.
cheeked and feeble in its movements, and after a little while it died. You wouldn't think to see it begin its career, robust, bright-eyed and full of energy and vigor, but so it is. Frequently, as I have said, it dies from neglect and starvation, but on the other hand it is easily overfed and coddled to death. It is a question which mode of treatment is the more fatal. Perhaps you had better try the over-feeding. Encourage it; don't be content with giving it its regular allowance, but let it piece between meals as often as it wants to. It will soon sicken."

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interesting features, among which may be mentioned Famous Spanish Bull Fights, G and Cattle Roping Contests, torchlight parades, embodying typical Mexican and Indian features. Naval fireworks, Sham Battle and Capture of the city by the Yaquis, Military drills and display evolutions, Historical Pageants and Food Display, Flower Carnival, Band and Musical Contests, etc.

For this occasion low excursion rates will be in effect to Laredo, also for the benefit of those who desire to see more of Mexican life and customs, arrangements have been made for sale of excursion tickets to Monterrey, Mexico, with ten (10) day's limit, permitting stop-over at Laredo in order to witness the International celebration.
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Galveston, Texas, Feb. 11.—An official message was received from the Navy Department this evening to the effect that the North Atlantic Squadron left Porto Rico this morning for the Gulf ports. At Key West, Admiral Higginson will designate certain ships to visit Pensacola and New Orleans and with seven or eight of the fleet come on to Galveston. They are due to reach this port on Feb. 18 and remain one week.
It is about an eight day voyage from Ponce to Galveston and the battleships are expected on the morning of Feb. 18 and be ready for receiving visitors on the 19th.

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PICKED UP BY OUR REPORTER.

ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE COMING AND GOING, WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND SAYING—OTHER LOCAL ITEMS.

Green Bobo is at Austin.
Maple Syrup at R. A. Gilmer's.
Scotch rolled Oats at G. Philippe's.
District court convenes Tuesday.
Bad weather for the Laredo celebration.
Cotton seed meal, bran, hay and oats at G. Philippe's.
More bad weather this week on the feeders.
A large crowd will leave for Laredo today.
Joe Jennings came in from San Antonio Tuesday.
Another Northwest wind blew up Thursday morning.
J. Guy Reed of San Antonio was in the city this week.
Try our Mexican cigars just received, G. Philippe.
Fred F. Moyer arrived in the city yesterday from Tyler.
Put up at the Commercial Hotel when you go to Laredo.
Evaporated peaches, prunes, pears and apples at G. Philippe's.
District Court was in session at Carrizo Springs this week.
Wm. Earnest of Millett was in the city several hours Monday.
Fresh cabbage and sweet potatoes at G. Philippe's.
Steve Elliott from up the Nueces was in town one day this week.
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stenhardt arrived from San Antonio Tuesday.
For fresh groceries go to G. Philippe.
When you go to the celebration at Laredo stop at the Commercial Hotel.
Bad disagreeable weather this week—but its good for the country.
Mrs. W. L. Hargus and children have returned from a visit to Brownwood.
Bob Clark is back at Cotulla again after two years absence at Brownwood.
Miss Edna Woodard of Pearsall is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. D. D. Saul.
Messrs. R. A. Gilmer and C. C. Thomas left Sunday evening for Carrizo Springs Court.
Mrs. W. G. Johnson and children are visiting Mrs. Johnson's parents at Carrizo Springs.
Sheriff Hill went up to Millett one day this week and returned on the evening train.
A slight freight wreck occurred just this side of Millett Thursday night.
District Atty. G. M. Martin was here Saturday on his way out to Carrizo Court.
In another column of this issue will be found a letter from Waelder, from Rev. J. C. Russell.
Mrs. Albert W. West, after a week's visit to her parents in San Antonio, returned home Tuesday.
C. J. Buckley and wife are in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Knaggs.
Commercial Hotel, one block from Market Plaza. Stop there when you go to the celebration at Laredo.
Messrs. V. G. Maltberger and W. A. Kerr are employed as deputies in the District and County Clerk's office.
The Haymakers will make things hum next week. The quicker you become a member the more you'll enjoy life.
A. D. Clark went up to Devine Wednesday and returned yesterday. He reports the rainfall there about like here.
Judge W. A. H. Miller returned Tuesday after an absence of several days attending to professional business at points North.
Edward Phelps and sister, Miss Camille Phelps, of San Antonio, arrived in the city Sunday last and remained over till Monday when they resumed their journey to Carrizo Springs. While here they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Deopker.

A. E. Avery, representing Thos. Goggan of San Antonio has been in the city this week.
Mrs. Ed Buckley returned to her home in Eagle Pass Thursday after spending several days at the Buckley ranch and with friends in this city.
Mrs. B. A. Johnson and children of Ennis are in the city and will remain several weeks. They are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Guinn, Mrs. Johnson's parents.
W. T. Deopker was a pleasant caller at our office Monday. He left a dollar for us to remember him by for the next twelve months.
Judge E. A. Stevens and Atty. J. L. Hudson passed through Cotulla Sunday enroute to Carrizo Springs where District Court opened Monday.
On account of the snow storms and cold in the North the South-bound passenger train has been from two to five hours late every day.
Mr. W. W. Barker, a prominent business man of Commerce is here on a visit to his sister Mrs. W. G. Johnson. He spent the week just past with his parents at Carrizo Springs.
Mrs. E. C. Price of Pearsall and sister Miss Johnnie Williamson, spent several days here this week with their sister, Mrs. G. A. Rogers. They returned to Pearsall Thursday morning.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart left last week for Austin which place they will reside in the future. We understand Mr. Stewart has a good position there. They ordered the RECORD to follow them.
This has been a muddy week to get out and rustle news, and there wasn't much to rustle after we got out. The weather was cold, the streets were muddy and almost impassable and the people staid indoors by the fire. But, let it rain.
Kerr & Henrichson are expecting a shipment of two of their Spring and Summer goods to arrive within the next ten days. We understand they have purchased a large and strictly up to date line of the coming season's goods which will be sold at exceedingly low prices.
W. G. Palmer, Special United States Attorney, with Fred F. Clark, Attorney of Record, accompanied by H. A. Collings and J. C. "Locomotive" Carr, are in Cotulla, hearing and taking testimony in Indian deprecation claim cases. They go from here to Carrizo Springs, where they will be February 23rd to 26th.
Chub Peole, one of the managers of the Laredo Roping Contest, which will be pulled off tomorrow, left Tuesday for that point to get the steers in shape and everything in readiness for the event. Several of the boys around Cotulla will rope and we're backing La Salle to carry off at least two of the cash prizes.
V. G. Maltberger and Albert West each have a fine pack of hounds and they have been making life wearisome for the wild cats that inhabit the regions round about Cotulla for the past month. They never go out without catching two or three and sometimes more. This past week they have captured and killed sixteen.
We received a letter this week from W. A. Mims, former R. R. agent at this place, and he came at us like this: "Enclosed find one of those beloved 'wheels' that your mouth is continually watering for, and move my 'sub' up another notch." Mr. Mims is at Round Rock now and says any amount of rain has fallen there this winter. To give one an idea about how much this is the way he illustrates it. "I started in with a pair of overshoes, but they soon got too shallow, and I bought a pair of rubber boots; they are too shallow now and I am figuring on buying a diving suit."

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3.00 values now going at... 2.25
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The flannels, wool goods, and outings must go. Make room and we will make low prices.

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\$1.75 Shoes this sale... \$1.00
1.00 Shoes this sale... .65c
75c Shoes this sale at... .50c
50c Shoes this sale... .25c

CHILDRENS SUITS

\$4.00 Suits now going at... \$2.00
3.50 Suits now going at... 1.75
3.00 Suit now going at... 1.50
2.00 Shoes now going at... 1.00

LADIES SHOES

\$2.50 Shoes this sale... \$1.75
2.00 Shoes this sale... 1.25
1.50 Shoes this sale... 1.00
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Our splendid line of mens pants and shirts will be offered at greatly reduced prices.

We have a lot of Boys White Shirts which will go at 25 cents each. Come and get what you want.

We have a large line of corsets which we are offering at 25 cents each. Some were formally sold as high as \$3.50 and \$4.00. Now you can make your selection at 25 cents each.

Remember these Prices are for Cash. Bring your money along.
Kerr & Henrichson.

MARRIED:—At the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Heut, eight miles west of town, their daughter, Miss Laura, was married Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock to Mr. C. W. Taylor, Rev. J. W. Thomas pastor of the Baptist church of this city, performed the marriage rites. Only relatives and a few intimate friends were present. Mr. Taylor moved here about one year ago and is a steady entergetic young farmer.
The RECORD extend congratulations and wishes them much happiness.
Fifteen persons have been shown through the mysteries of the "Haymakers" this week. They were: J. T. Maltberger, R. A. Gilmer, W. G. Johnson, W. P. Groszman, B. F. Claunch, A. W. West, Raymond Seefeld, Les Petty, V. G. Maltberger, C. J. Buckley, Mal Potty, Luther Neal, Geo. Knaggs, Dick Knaggs and Henry Jay.
Robt. J. Turnbull, book-keeper for the grocery house of R. A. Gilmer, recently put in an application for Pullman Conductor in Mexico, and Thursday received a message telling him to hold himself in readiness to report to Mexico City as soon as notified. Mr. Turnbull is a steady and deserving young man and we would be glad to see him get the position.
Dr. S. L. Stallings, of Pearsall, after a week here practicing Dentistry, returned home Sunday morning. The Dr. did a good business while here and people who had dental work done speak of him in highest praise. Dr. Stallings will visit Cotulla about once every six weeks and those wanting work of this class done will do well to wait for him.

FOR SALE:
I have for sale 18 young mules, 3 to 5 years old, some broke and unbroke. Price \$80 to \$150 per pair. Also a car of amber cane seed, some kafir corn and German millet. Write for prices.
W. E. Lowry, Dilley, Texas.
Walter P. Groszman of New York, son of Dr. M. Groszman, recently head of the Drafting Department of the New York Telephone Co., arrived in the city Sunday last. Mr. Groszman is a friend of Mr. Raymond Seefeld, and is here to enjoy a few weeks of Texas life. He stated to the RECORD man that he liked what he had seen of our country first rate, and it might be that he would remain here permanently.
NOTICE.
I, G. W. Henrichson of Cotulla, Texas, having been appointed temporary Administrator of the Estate of Clemente Ybarra, Deceased, by the County Court of La Salle County, Texas, on the 23rd day of September A. D. 1902, hereby notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present same within the time prescribed by law.
G. W. HENRICHSON, Temporary Admin'r Estate Clemente Ybarra Deceased.
CURED CONSUMPTION.
Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months, the doctors stated he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's horehound syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, and since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c. per bottle and \$1 bottle at C. McGarity's.

LA SALLE'S ROPERS.
La Salle will have a fair representation at the Laredo Roping Contest and we're backing our boys to take off at least two of the cash prizes. Those from this county that will participate are: Chub Peole, Joe Jennings, Jim English, Will Hill, Jack Hill, Jim Murray, Dred Sauls, John Reynolds, Jack Baylor and Bob Lansford.
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A CORRESPONDENT THUS DESCRIBES HIS EXPERIENCE.
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Resident Agent.

BITTEN BY A COYOTE.
H. R. Trammell was here Saturday from his ranch just over the line in Dimmit county, and reports that Sigh Parks was bitten by a coyote one morning last week.
Mr. Parks was out before daylight harnessing up his team and the wolf ran up behind him and sunk its teeth into the calf of his leg. It was dark and the animal disappeared before it could be killed. Whether it had hydrophobia or not was not known, but wolves are not in the habit of attacking people in that manner unless something is the matter with them. Mr. Parks left home at once to consult a physician.
Dred Saul was around at Claunch's Saddle Shop getting his "Cheyenne" fixed up yesterday like he intended to do business at the Laredo Roping Contest—and it wouldn't surprise us if he did.
Hogs weighing 475 pounds don't run loose on the range in Southwest Texas, nor are they very numerous in pens. B. Vesper, whose ranch is about 16 miles west of town, killed one Wednesday that tipped the scales at 475. This hog was Mr. Vesper's own raising, was 3 years old and measured 6 feet 5 inches in length and 15 inches around the shoulders. 175 pounds of lard was rendered out of him and about 150 pounds of sausage. Mr. Vesper brought the sausage to town and it went like hot cakes for 12 cents per pound. This is an example of what there is in hogs when good ones are raised and properly fed. Plant corn and raise hogs. It will pay you.
From Waelder.
Waelder, Texas, Feb. 16 1902.
DEAR OLD RECORD.
Your bright and sunny pages make their advent into our sanctum every week like a letter from home. It tells us of the current events and doings of loved ones left behind.
We are glad to note that no deaths have occurred since our departure. The old land seems to have taken on new life, inspired by the continuous rains, which prophesies a productive and prosperous year.
We enjoyed a two days drouth last week but the propitious Heavens opened the reservoirs of the skies and poured out the refreshing showers for three days continuously, closing out with a hard freeze mantling the whole earth with sleet and ice. Every farmer is hoping that it will kill out the pestiferous cotton weevil. Unless some providence comes to the rescue of the farmer and destroy this enemy to the cotton plant, it will be a loss of time and money to plant the fleecy staple here.
Farmers are greatly behind here on account of the continuous rains. There is but little land broken up in this county. No corn planted yet, and not likely to be for some time, unless the rains should stop.
We have here an enterprising and prosperous town of 1,000 inhabitants with nothing but pure Adams Ale to drink at this season of the year. This is a fine farming country, many fine orchards are to be seen. Pear trees yielded two crops last year. Many of the trees here were loaded Christmas day with pears.
Wishing for La Salle county a prosperous year, I am as ever an
OLD RUSTLER.