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SHUPAK



Mid-Winter is the Time

WHEN your wardrobe needs replenishing, and when you need a new dress suit for social functions or a new business suit or over coat. You can have one made from the most popular fabrics that is a perfect fit and artistically tailored at a reasonable price at Shupak's

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An At-Home Affair.

Mesdames Sina Long and John LeGory were at home on Wednesday during the holidays from 3 to 5 to their many, many, friends in honor of the visiting ladies. This little cottage home was never more attractive than upon this occasion. The weather was balmy and made every one prove that all they needed was an invitation to this lovely home. The guests were met at the door by Mesdames Sina Long and Jim Shivers and invited to the punch table in the reception hall where they were served from a most artistically arranged table with a handsome cut glass bowl running over with delicious punch. To this Mrs. Robt. H. Wootters served each guest as they arrived so they may become thoroughly composed before going down the long line of honorees. Mrs. John LeGory, in her graceful, hospitable manner, gladly welcomed each one in her parlor and had them meet Mesdames Blum Wootters, Will McLean, Jim Downes of Dallas, Jordan and Wall of Lake Charles, La., Walker King of Palestine, A. H. Smith of Nacogdoches and Mrs. Numsen of Palestine. After chatting awhile with the line of beautifully gowned women, Mrs. Wortham and Miss LeGory ushered the guests to the dining room, where they were served to a dainty salad course, wafers, olives, fruit-cake and chocolate, by Mrs. Johnson Arledge, assisted by Misses Cary LeGory and Ruby Robinson. The dining room was just as cozy as dear old Santa had left it, with dim red lights and bells, amidst the gleaming cut glass. The table was beautified with a center piece of battenberg and a stately vase of roses and maidenhair ferns. When leaving the dining room Miss Mildred Mc-

Gill gave each one a boutonniere of violets. There were tables for "42" playing scattered over the home for those who desired, but at this time everything else was so charming in its own tone of Christmas art and high spirits, "42" had but little charm, even for the experts. It is useless to say five o'clock came too soon, for again the guests passed down the line with goodbyes and filled with compliments for Mrs. LeGory and her aunt, Mrs. Long, for one of the most delightful afternoons spent during the holidays. There were selections of music rendered by Mrs. Pinkney Hail and Miss Ruth Worthington. The punch table being in a convenient spot received no "slights" for there were many toasts of high appreciation and hopes for the occasion to be repeated in the near future. A Friend.

A Religious Author's Statement.

For several years I was afflicted with kidney trouble and last winter I was suddenly stricken with a severe pain in my kidneys and was confined to bed eight days unable to get up without assistance. My urine contained a thick white sediment and I passed same frequently day and night. I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Remedy, and the pain gradually abated and finally ceased and my urine became normal. I cheerfully recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy. McLean's Drug Store.

Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia—then to something more serious. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

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A Christmas Dinner.

Of the many pleasant entertainments and happy reunions given during the Xmas holidays one of the most pleasant, unique and enjoyable was the six o'clock dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edmiston to a number of their friends on Xmas day.

Their lovely little bungalow was aglow with Xmas cheer. The decorations of red and green, the holly, the twinkling lights, the bountifully spread table, made it an ideal picture of coziness, comfort and hospitality.

As the guests arrived they were cordially greeted by the host and hostess, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wootters. After the usual Xmas greetings were exchanged, and the guests were ushered into the handsomely appointed dining room, over the entrance of which hung a familiar flag inscribed thereon with the word, "Virginia"—a talisman, opening up a vista of pleasant memories to more than one of that Xmas party. And here truly we beheld a happy combination of big-hearted Texas and hospitable old Virginia in the abundantly filled table, which was also "a thing of beauty." In the center was a Xmas tree with its dainty decorations and waxen candles; bon-bon boxes, representing little browned turkeys, graced the base. At each place card with its bow of red was a miniature turkey with spreading feathers and bobbing head as if nodding a welcome to each guest, the big brown turkey, the whole roast pig, the old Virginia ham, etc., etc., making an ideal Xmas table.

The merry wit and jolly good humor around the hospitable board proved that the guests not only were enjoying all the good things so amply provided, the blazing plum-pudding, the delicious fruit cake "all the way from old Virginia," the nut cream, etc., but "the feast of reason and flow of soul" which comes with hearty good comradeship.

When the goodbyes were said all were unanimous in pronouncing this one of the most pleasant, one of the most enjoyable of all Xmas parties it had ever been our good fortune to enjoy, and for the host and hostess were expressed many wishes of many happy returns of merry Xmas-tide.

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Opening of Holiday Festivities.

The holiday festivities were begun with a reception given by Mrs. M. P. Jensen in honor of her sister, Mrs. Conally of Beaumont, on December 26 from three to five. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Jensen and invited to the living room where they were received by Mrs. Frank Edmiston and relieved of their wraps. Mrs. Edmiston ushered them to the drawing room where Miss Hortense LeGory introduced the line, which consisted of Mesdames Conally, Blum Wootters, Jim Downes, Peyton Denman, Misses Long and Ethel Wootters. Every one seemed so filled with Christmas jolly and being in this beautifully decorated home, with Christmas greetings, made quite a task for Miss Margaret Foster to get them into the dining room and equally as hard to get them out, for the reindeer with dear

old Santa amidst the snow made a scene of Christmas cheer in this pretty little dining room. Mesdames May and Murchison, assisted by Misses Jo Bayne and Annie Stokes, served a delicious course of fruit gelatine with whipped cream, cake and chocolate. The bright lights on the snow made a sparkling scene that held the crowd until a late hour. Miss Lizzie Howard gave a boutonniere of holly to each one as they left the dining room to mark the one time served, though each one looked back wishfully, with admiration and regretful hearts that the afternoon had passed only too rapidly. While Miss Ethel Wootters gave music the guests bade good-bye and left heartfelt of thanks and high appreciation for such a charming affair to begin the gay holidays with an ideal hostess. A Guest.

Notice of Director's Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the directors of the Texas Southeastern Railway Company, and each of them, that a meeting of the Board of Directors of said company is hereby called to be held at the principal office of said company in the town of Diboll, Angelina County, Texas, at 2:30 p. m. on Saturday, being the 27th day of Feb., A. D. 1909, for the following purposes, to-wit:

1. In pursuance of authority from the stockholders of said company, to authorize the issuance, execution and registration of the bonds or obligations of said company in such denominations, to such amount, and upon and for such time, terms and conditions as said Board, in pursuance of authority, to be granted by the stockholders, may, in their discretion, under the law, authorize, and to authorize the execution of a mortgage upon all or any part of the property, rights and franchises of said company to secure such bonds, same to be upon such terms and conditions as said Board may authorize under the directions of the stockholders.

2. To authorize the president of this company, or other proper officer, to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue and register said bonds and mortgages and to take all steps and incur all expenses necessary to that end.

3. And generally to do all things necessary to carry out the above purposes, and likewise to secure the issuance, approval and certification of the stock of said company, in the manner required by law.

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E. C. Durham, Sec'y.

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Notice of Stockholder's Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Texas Southeastern Railway Company, and to each of them, that a meeting of the stockholders of said company is hereby to be held at the principal office of said company in the town of Diboll, Angelina County, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m. on Saturday, being the 27th day of Feb., A. D. 1909, for the following purposes, to-wit:

1. Of authorizing the issuance and execution and registration of the bonds on obligations of said company, in such denominations, to such amount, and upon and for such time, terms and conditions as the stockholders of said company may, in their discretion, under the law, authorize, and to authorize the execution of a mortgage upon all or any part of the property, rights and franchises of said company to secure such bonds, same to be upon such terms and conditions as said stockholders may authorize, and to authorize the Board of Directors of said company to issue, execute and register such bonds and mortgage, and to take all steps necessary to that end.

2. To authorize the president of this company, or other proper officer, to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue and register said bonds and mortgage, and to take all steps and incur all expenses necessary to that end.

3. And generally to do all things necessary to carry out the above purposes, and likewise to secure the issuance, approval and certification of the stock of the company in the manner required by law.

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Watson Walker,
E. C. Durham,
J. E. Mitchell,
C. Y. Gribble,
J. A. Massengill,
Jno. O'Hara,
Board of Directors.

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- The citizen who patronizes the home merchants.
- The citizen who gets his job printing done in his own town.
- That man's THE TOWN BOOSTER.

What a Political Speaker Endures.
The political stump speaker has many amusing and many unpleasant experiences. A party of us went down into the heart of the east side of New York one night with a politician somewhat handicapped by his wealth and social position, who nevertheless elected to go to the doubtful district personally. At a street corner a bunting draped cart awaited him, and, climbing to the tailboard of this, he began telling the ragged audience in well rounded periods how they should vote and why. A few jeers began to crop from the tolerance of the crowd. The jeers gained volume. He was told to "Aw, shut up!" "Close your head!" "Say, give us a drink; your talk makes us 'fisty.'" Somewhat disconcerted, but still determined to finish his speech, he was continuing when something hurtled past his head and splashed gently on the floor of the cart. Another something and another followed, and every one was dodging decadent tomatoes until, it becoming impossible to hear a shout above the jeers and laughter of the voters, the horses were started forward out of the soft, red bombardment and the district left to its own political sins.—John R. Winchell in Metropolitan Magazine.

Why He Did the Washing.
A man came up out of one of the little roof houses across from the woman's window with a big basket of clothes. He was followed by two small boys, carrying more clothes and clothespins. The man put the basket of clothes down and began to sort them out preparatory to hanging them on the line. The boys helped, handing him the clothespins and some small pieces, one at a time. They were a long while hanging out the clothes because of their awkwardness. It was evidently work they were unaccustomed to, but at last it was finished, and the boys went down into the little roof house, leaving the man on the roof. He stood for a moment looking at the clothes, then, going over to a parapet, sat down between two tall chimneys. The woman could see him from her window lean against one of the chimneys, and by and by throw his arms against his eyes.
She found out afterward that his wife had died the week before.—New York Press.

The Wrong Horse.
Bridget had been in America only a few months, but she believed in the principle of pretending to know what she ought to know. She had been engaged as laundry girl in a small family of well to do people. When asked if she understood all the details of her work she unhesitatingly replied, "Sure I do, ma'am."
Her mistress was not quite satisfied, however, and while she was busy with her first washing looked in upon her. Bridget seemed to be doing all right, and she left without offering suggestions.
Next morning the ironing was in order, and Bridget was hard at it when her mistress looked in to say, "As you get the clothes ironed, just throw them over the horse."
"All right, ma'am," the busy laundry girl replied without stopping to raise her eyes from her work in hand.
The laundry room was located in an outhouse adjoining the barn, and occasionally the neighing of the family

horse and the merry voice of Bridget resounded throughout the house.
Returning to the laundry house a couple of hours later, the lady could scarcely believe her eyes nor restrain her mirth when she beheld the family horse, standing patiently beside Bridget, loaded down with newly ironed sheets, pillowcases, tablecloths and lace trimmed waists and skirts. With an anxious look on her honest face Bridget observed, "I'm glad you've come, ma'am, for I'll have to have another horse."

Working Too Hard.
The owner of the farm had been enjoying himself at the county fair, while his hardworking wife stayed at home to see that the farm suffered no loss in his absence.
"Well, Sarah," said the owner upon his return, "I'm about all tired out. Is the cows in the barn?"
"Yes; long since," replied his wife, barely looking up from the task then in hand.
"Is the hoesse unharnessed an' fed?"
"Yes."
"Chickens locked up?"
"Yes."
"Wood chopped for mornin'?"
"Yes."
"Wagon heel mended an' ready t' start in th' mornin'?"
"Yes."
"Well, then," concluded the exhausted owner, with a sigh of relief, "let me have my supper. I'm goin' t' turn in. Fardin's beginnin' t' tell on me."—New York Herald.

The Popular Coral.
The dealer held up two strings of coral. They were of equal size, but one was dark and dull in hue, the other beautifully pink and translucent.
"The dark one," he said, "is worth 50 cents; the pink one is worth \$500. That is what makes coral so popular. It suits all pocketbooks. All over the world it goes. These strings of rough, uncut beads are for the dead of India. They are put round the necks of the bodies about to be burned in the ghats. These large and blood red beads go to Africa. They are much liked by the natives, whose dark skins they perfectly suit. Here are a lot of coral hands with fingers extended in a V—the gesture that wards off the evil eye. The coral hands are for Italy, where the belief in their efficacy is widespread."—Buffalo Express.

He Would Return.
Marlow was three years old. One day his mother said to him, "Now, Marlow, you may go outdoors to play for awhile, but if I see you crossing the street to play with that naughty little boy Willie Burr again I'll give you a hard, hard spanking."
Half an hour later the mother looked out after her boy and saw him playing with Willie Burr. She raised the window and called with forced gentleness: "Marlow, come here to me!"
Marlow came, but as he did so he turned to his companion and said: "You stay right here, Willie. I'm doin' in to get spanked. I'll be wight back."—Delineator.

Catching Rats.
The best way to catch rats is to use any animal substance, well perfumed with oil of rhodium, into a trap. This induces them to enter readily and even draws them from a considerable distance, as they are extremely partial to this oil. An ounce of oil of rhodium will cost you 50 cents. Catnip to a rat is nothing like rhodium to a rat. Oil of rhodium is made from a species of bindweed and is used in perfumery.—New York Press.

For a Bride's Dowry.
There is a very pretty custom in some of the northern parts of Europe. There the white poplar in good soil increases a shilling in value every year. The trees are generally cut down at the age of twenty years, as they are then supposed to have attained their full growth. When a daughter is born in the family of a well to do farmer the father as soon as the season permits plants a thousand young trees, and these are to constitute the dowry of the maiden, "which grow as she grows and increases in height and value as her virtues and beauty increase."

Out to Work.
"What society needs is a clearing house."
"What do you mean?"
"I wish I didn't have to go to the Van Squawks' ball next week. The Van Squawks wish they didn't have to ask me. Why can't we exchange certificates and call the thing even?"—Kansas City Journal.

Why He Barked.
A witness in an Irish court talked so loud that Charles Phillips, who was counsel on the other side, said, "Fellow, why do you bark so furiously?"
"Because," said the man, looking hard at Phillips, "I think I see a thief!"

Retribution.
Tommy—Pop, what is retribution?
Tommy's Pop—Retribution, my son, is something that we are sure will eventually overtake other people.—Philadelphia Record.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston county, on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1908, in the case of Davis & Ham Commission Company vs J. B. Massie and Will Rush, No. 6134, and to me as Sheriff directed and delivered, I have levied upon, this 15th day of December, A. D. 1908, and will between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1909, it being the second day of said month, at the Court House door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all right, title and interest which the said J. B. Massie and Will Rush had on the 4th day of August, 1906, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Situated in the County of Houston and State of Texas, described as follows:

FIRST TRACT: Being 49 6-10 acres of the Daniel Harrison survey of 486 acres of land more or less, conveyed by Dr. M. A. Thomas to C. W. Kline by deed recorded in Book 35, page 260, Houston County Deed Records, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning on the Crockett and Hall's Bluff road, 475 varas from J. R. Bennett's east corner, stake for corner in road, from which a P. O. 20 in. marked X brs N. 5 E. 2 vrs. Thence N. 78 W. with said road 230 vrs. N. 67 W. 260 vrs. corner in said road, being corner of plank fence, a hickory 10 in. marked X brs. S. 38 W. 4 vrs. Thence N. 27 E. 700 vrs. set stake in field for corner, corner of wire fence. Thence N. 80 E. 66 vrs. set stake for corner. Thence S. 36 E. 400 vrs. set stake for corner at fence near the woods. Thence S. 18 W. 486 vrs. to place of beginning.

SECOND TRACT: Being 50 acres, part of the Daniel Harrison survey sold by J. W. Hall to C. W. Kline, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the S. E. corner of a tract of 106 58-100 acres described in deed to Kline by J. W. Hall. Thence N. 20 E. with east line of said tract, 1376 vrs. N. E. corner of same in Navarro road, a red oak 20 in. marked X brs. S. 20 W. 16 vrs. Thence with said road 86 1/2 E. 293 vrs. corner in said road; Thence S. 25 1/2 W. 1300 vrs. stake in Hall's Bluff road, a hickory 10 in. brs. N. 51 W. 18 9-10 vrs. Thence south 76 1/2 w. with the meanders of said road 160 vrs. the place of beginning.

THIRD TRACT: Being 106 58-100 acres of land consisting of 102 58-100 acres of the Daniel Harrison survey and 4 acres of the W. White league survey, described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the Hall's Bluff road, S. E. corner of Thomas survey, P. O. brs. N. 5 W. 2 vrs. marked X. Thence N. 18 E. with Thomas east line 510 vrs. stake for corner; Thence N. 36 E. with Thomas N. E. line 404 1/2 vrs. stake for corner. Thence S. 80 W. 66 vrs. N. w. corner of said Thomas survey; Thence N. 15 E. 590 vrs. to Harrison and White league line. Thence east with said league line 295 vrs. to Peter Nelson's S. E. corner; Thence N. with Nelson's east line 168 vrs. stake in Navarro road; Thence with the meanders of said road S. 64 E. 140 vrs. S. 52 1/2 E. 295 2-10 vrs. corner in said road, R. O. 20 in. brs. S. 20 W. 16 vrs. marked X. Thence S. 20 W. 1376 vrs. stake in Hall's Bluff road, pine 14 in. brs. N. 34 1/2 W. 10 6-10 vrs. do. 12 in. brs. N. 65 1/2 E. 12 8-10 vrs. Thence south 84 1/2 w. with said road, 181 7-10 vrs. to place of beginning.

Said property being levied on as the property of J. B. Massie to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$675.09, together with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent. per annum from the 13th day of October, A. D. 1908, in favor of Davis & Ham Commission Company and costs of suit.

However, such sale to be subject to the vendor's lien reserved in four notes for \$262.82 each due October 1st, 1908, 1909, 1910 and 1911 respectively, and three notes for \$445.00 each due October 1st, 1912, 1913 and 1914 respectively, bearing eight per cent interest per annum, and containing stipulations for ten per cent attorneys fees. All of said notes owned by the plaintiff, Davis & Ham Commission Company, and the defendant J. B. Massie is liable thereon. Given under my hand this 15th day of December, A. D. 1908.

John C. Lacy,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

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Dropsical Oysters.
With a sneer the oyster opener pointed to a brownish smear upon a Saddle Rock shell.

"Some fool," said he, "has been trying to fatten up a batch of Saddle Rocks with cornmeal. You might as well try to invigorate flowers with corned beef hash. But it is a common error to believe that cornmeal or oatmeal will fatten oysters. I continually find oysters with their shells stained with those grains. It makes me laugh. As a matter of fact, there is no such thing as fattening oysters. All you can do is swell them up with water, precisely the same as water swells a sponge. You put them in fresh water, which, being less dense than the soft they are accustomed to, by the principle of osmosis penetrates and distends their tissues—gives them, as you might say, dropsy. For my part, I don't like fattened oysters."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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New York—Among the men who have won their way to fortune and a commanding place in the financial world will have to be written the name of Henry P. Davison, late vice-president of the First National bank, but who on January 1 became a partner in the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co.

To men of finance the name of Henry P. Davison is very familiar, and stands for all that goes to make up the successful banker and man of affairs, for although but 41 years of age, Davison has made himself felt as a power in the money world.

Henry P. Davison is strictly a self-made man. Every dollar he possesses he made from the raw material of energy, hard work, application, honesty and quick intelligence. When about 19 years ago he came to New York from Bridgeport, Conn., he was merely a bright, active, enthusiastic young fellow, who had had a little experience as a bank clerk in his native town of Troy, Pa., and in Bridgeport. He had a few hundred dollars, but his real capital was in his head.

The little money he had then cannot be considered as even the nucleus of the fortune he has acquired since, for Mr. Davison does not owe his success to frugality and saving; he owes it to keen business foresight and knowledge of finance, and to the confidence of moneyed men he has won.

He was born in Troy, Pa., a little town near the northern border of the



HENRY P. DAVISON

state, not very far from Elmira, N. Y. His father was a business man, and his uncles were the local bankers. Young Davison was graduated from the Troy high school at the age of 15 years, and when he was 16 he was teaching school, having in his class some boys older than himself.

He kept at this work for a term or two, and then entered his uncle's bank as a clerk. There he got a fairly good knowledge of the banking business and widened his acquaintance so that in a year or so he got an offer of a bookkeepership from the Pequenock National bank, of Bridgeport, Conn.

He gave perfect satisfaction there, but he himself was not satisfied, for he wanted to get into the larger game and become a New York banking man. So he sought and obtained a position in the Astor Place bank in this city. He was only 22 years old, but he soon became receiving teller.

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One day, when the father and son were walking out, they passed a place where a "learned pig" was on exhibition, and the father took the boy to see this porcine prodigy.

"Just look at that," said the father. "Why, there's a pig that can count and add up numbers! Don't you wish you were as smart as he?"

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Thankful He Isn't Rich.

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Little Things That Tell.

As has been often shown, it is little things that tell. A two-cent postage stamp does not represent a large outlay. Yet in times of depression personal and business correspondence falls off, the result being a large decrease in the purchase of stamps and a corresponding diminution of postal revenue. This rule is illustrated in the late report of the postmaster general. His department would have taken in several million dollars more but for the "panic" of last fall. And the head of a large cotton-thread mill cites another instance, and one that would not be revealed to those with less opportunity for observation. He says a pointer is to be found in the decrease of the sale of darning yarn. The average American woman, he declares, will not darn stockings when the need of economy passes by. The statement is confirmed by the proprietor of a department store in New York, who reports he has noted the working of the rule among his customers, says the *Troy (N. Y.) Times*. They can afford to buy more and better stockings and to wear them undarned. So good times have come and the "panic" is over.

Emperor William, held down by a parsimonious government to an income of \$10,000,000 a year, is said by some to be in financial straits and suffering at times for the necessities of life. It must be hard on an emperor who has worked for years kaiserling industriously at all hours of the day and night to hear his children crying for breakfast food and automobiles and private circuses and not be able fully to supply the demand. An ordinary man living in a modest way in a flat with an income of that size could pay his rent, settle with the iceman, the gasman, the telephone man, the milkman and still have a trifle left for amusements. With the kaiser it is different. He couldn't live in such a modest way and still make his bluff good. If he were to say, after turning over the problem in his mind, "Mother, we will shut up fourteen or fifteen palaces and move into a flat next year to see if we can't save a few millions for a showery day," the people would begin looking for another ruler who felt he was amply able to owe it no matter how large the deficit.

About the time the trustees of the University of Minnesota were adopting a rule that professors in that institution who reach the age of 65 must retire, on the ground that their services are of lessened value, distinguished men in London were assembled to do honor to Lord Ripon, who recently resigned from the cabinet at the age of 81, after having been in public life almost continuously since 1852, and were regretting his retirement. Lord Asquith said of him: "When other hearts have failed and other feet have lagged, and other men's courage has grown faint and dim, he was always in the forefront of the fight." It is said of him also that at 81 he is an incurable youth. It seems likely, remarks the *Indianapolis Star*, that with these attributes Lord Ripon, were he a professor in Minnesota university, would be a valuable quantity there even now. A man's usefulness depends something upon what he is, as well as upon his years.

Up to 1880 applications for patents were accompanied by models; since then mechanical drawings have taken the place of the models. Wide-spread publicity was given to a report that the great accumulation of models in the patent office, over a hundred and fifty thousand in number, was to be destroyed. The report, of course, was groundless. The models are a precious record; but the patent office is a working institution, and the old models are not of practical value in the important labors of the office. Therefore, as is quite right, the models are to be kept in the new National museum, which will soon be completed.

This is the list of mile records for speed made by land travelers: Electric locomotive, 27 seconds, 1903; automobile, 28 1/2 seconds, 1906; steam locomotive, 32 seconds, 1893; motor-paced bicycle, 1 minute, 6 1/5 seconds, 1904; bicycle, unpaced, 1 minute, 49 2/5 seconds, 1904; running horse, 1 minute, 35 1/2 seconds, 1890; pacing horse, 1 minute, 55 seconds, 1906; trotting horse, 1 minute, 58 1/2 seconds, 1905; man, skating, 2 minutes, 36 seconds, 1906; man, running, 4 minutes, 12 1/2 seconds, 1887; man, walking, 6 minutes, 23 seconds, 1890.

GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH YOUR NOTICE

WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The stir in diplomatic circles caused by the resignation of Ambassador Griscom to Italy has led to much speculation regarding the future of all of America's diplomatic representatives abroad.

The Postoffice Department at Washington has issued advice to the effect that stamps will be furnished in rolls of 500 and 1000 coiled on a half-inch paper core, for use in stamp vending and stamp affixing machines.

Announcement was made at the White House Monday of a proposed plan for a conference looking toward the conservation of the natural resources of North America to be held at the White House Feb. 18 next.

To familiarize themselves with conditions and the present form of government in the Panama Canal zone, twelve members of the House Committee on Foreign and Interstate Commerce left Charleston, S. C., Monday for Colon.

Special Commissioner Buchanan, appointed by the State Department at Washington to conduct negotiations with Venezuela following the announcement of that government's disposition to settle pending international questions, will have a full conference with the officials of Venezuela this week.

President Roosevelt has named six eminent engineers to accompany Judge Taft to Panama, and his decision will largely determine whether the plan which is now being followed in digging the canal shall be persisted in or whether it shall be abandoned and preparations made to dig a sea-level waterway.

The Geological Survey is shortly to establish a number of rescue stations in vicinity of coal mines throughout the country, and one of these will be at McAlester, Ok. The purpose is to train men in the use of oxygen helmets and of other apparatus devised for rescue work in case of mining disasters.

That the falling off of approximately \$300,000,000 in important and perhaps \$150,000,000 in exports, in the United States during 1908, is merely part of a general condition which has prevailed the world over is shown by the monthly statement of the Bureau of Statistics. Of the twenty-five principal countries of the world whose foreign commerce bureau records month by month all but four show a falling off in exports.

The question whether there will be a river and harbor bill during the present session of congress is becoming a matter of much concern to many members of both houses. The committees having charge of the question find themselves confronted by a constantly growing deficit in the Treasury, with the accompanying complaint that it is going to be impossible to find money enough to go around without trenching too deeply upon the reserves.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

A committee has been organized in Berlin, Germany, to assist the sufferers from the Italian earthquake.

Gov. Campbell has pardoned Willie Bass, the 19-year-old boy who was given a life sentence in the penitentiary in Georgetown in 1901.

Ignited by sparks from a passing switch engine, about 200 bales of cotton, valued at \$6000, stored in the yards of the Harris-Irby Cotton Company, was destroyed Thursday afternoon in Oklahoma City.

The whole question of the sentencing for contempt of court of President Gompers, Vice-President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor by Justice Wright in the supreme court of the District of Columbia Thursday will be thrashed over at the meeting of the executive committee of the federation to be held in Washington January 11 next.

A battle between strike-promoting miners and five United States marshals took place at Stearns, Ky., a coal mining town Friday in Whitley county and resulted in the death of two men and the wounding of several others.

Two dead bodies have been recovered and eight more are known to be buried in an immense cave-in of a trench at the blast furnace plant at Ensley, Ala., Monday. Several other laborers were injured, as were two foremen who were superintending the work.

The Elks' clubhouse was totally destroyed by fire, Wednesday, in McAlester, Okla. Rock, Ark., destroyed the Board of Fire Wednesday morning in Little Trade building, valued at \$100,000. Irwin Cooper and William Arnold, Jr., killed each other in a pistol duel in a saloon in Ponchatoula, La., Friday.

The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company announces a new system in Wichita Falls the first of the year.

The fact has just been made public that the First National Bank of Monrovia, Cal., was robbed of a sum of money to the amount of \$29,000.

The public works department of Sherman is worried over a wanton destruction of street lamps, not less than a dozen of which have been broken recently.

Alfred D. Eddy, general Western attorney of the Standard Oil Company, will apply to the Supreme Court for a rehearing of the Standard's Missouri ouster case.

John M. Luther of Memphis has forwarded his resignation to Controller of the Treasury as National bank examiner for the State of Texas with headquarters at Fort Worth.

Cipriano Castro Thursday gave out a statement to the Associated Press which amounts virtually to an abandonment of his present claims to the presidency of the Venezuelan republic.

What is said to have been one of the most successful teachers' institutes in the history of public education in Dallas county was brought to a formal close in Dallas Wednesday.

John McBride, constable at Round Rock, was killed Friday at Duval, by Luis Guerra, a Mexican with several aliases. Guerra was killed by Constable Lem King, who met him at Merrittown.

Many letters threatening Gov. Campbell's life on account of his attitude in closing the gambling houses and enforcing the Baskin-McGregor law have been sent through the mails from San Antonio.

Dividends, interest, disbursements in stock and bonds of the banks, trust companies, railroads, industrial and other corporations of New York City for the month of January, 1909, will exceed \$210,000,000.

J. C. Stribling, a wealthy and prominent stockman who lives twelve miles east of Llano, had his barn and all its contents destroyed by fire at an early hour Sunday morning. The loss will probably reach \$12,000.

New Year's Day will witness the beginning of the evacuation of Cuba by the United States Army of pacification, which has been in possession of the island since the beginning of the provisional government in 1906.

The Supreme Court of Missouri issued a decree ousting from that State the Standard Oil Company and the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and assessed a fine of \$50,000 against each.

Young Donahue of Boston knocked out Tommy Mowatt of Chicago in three rounds in a feature fight before the Royal Athletic Club in New Orleans Friday night before a crowd of 1000.

"Bob" Fitzsimmons, former heavyweight champion of the world, and Jack (Twin) Sullivan have issued challenges to Jack Thompson, the conqueror of Tommy Burns, for a fight for the heavyweight title.

The preliminary report of the committee of ten prominent business men appointed by the National Society for the Promotion of Industrial Education of New York, to consider the industrial education addition to the general educational system of the country has been made public. The report, which was presented at the annual convention recently held at Atlanta, Ga., recommends the establishment of industrial improvements, schools and trade schools and a National department with a Secretary of Education in the President's Cabinet.

The United States has received an official communication from the government of Venezuela expressing the wish of President Gomez to settle satisfactorily all international questions and expressing a desire for the presence of an American warship.

The beginning of work on the new packing house at Amarillo has become a matter of general interest throughout all West Texas and marks a new era for the cattlemen and stockfeeders and as such will probably be made an occasion of a general jubilee, with every interest represented by leading men of the State.

Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was Tuesday sentenced to fourteen years in the State penitentiary at San Quentin.

Meager news of a coal mine disaster at Lick Branch has been received at Roanoke, Va. Between forty and sixty men are said to have been imprisoned and up to 5 o'clock Tuesday evening rescuing parties had been unable to go into the shaft because of fire and smoke. Lick Branch is the name of a coal operation on the Pocahontas division of the Norfolk and Western railroad.

CHIEF SAYS HOUSE MISUNDERSTOOD

Message to Lower Branch on Secret Service.

BIG STICK FALLS ON FOUR

Champions of Provision to Limit Scope of Investigators Are Raked Over the Coals by Roosevelt—Federal Sleuths Defended by Executive.

Washington.—President Roosevelt's big stick crashed down upon the heads of Representatives Tawney of Minnesota, Fitzgerald of New York, when the executive sent a special message to the house of representatives, berating those solons for being champions of the successful move to place limitations upon the scope of the secret service.

The president also declared that the interpretation of the house of the secret service clause in his last message was misunderstood, and had there been any evidence which would point to the necessity of an investigation of members, such evidence would long ago have been turned over to the proper authorities.

The message was in answer to the resolution transmitted from the house in which the representatives asked for evidence upon which Mr. Roosevelt based his statements that the chief argument in favor of the provision was that the congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by secret service men.

For the Ananias Club.

The message in part: "I am wholly at a loss to understand the concluding portion of the resolution. I have made no charges of corruption against congress nor against any member of the present house. If I had proof of such corruption affecting any member of the house in any matter as to which the federal government has jurisdiction, action would at once be brought, as was done in the cases of Senators Mitchell and Burton, and Representatives Williamson, Herrman and Driggs, at different times since I have been president. This would simply be doing my duty in the execution and enforcement of the laws without respect to persons. But I do not regard it as within the province or the duties of the president to report to the house 'alleged delinquencies' of members or the supposed 'corrupt action' of a member 'in his official capacity.' The membership of the house is by the constitution placed within the power of the house alone. In the prosecution of criminals and the enforcement of the laws the president must resort to the courts of the United States.

"In the third and fourth clauses of the preamble it is stated that the meaning of my words is that 'the majority of the congressmen are in fear of being investigated by secret service men' and that 'congress as a whole was actuated by that motive in enacting the provision in question,' and that this is an impeachment of the honor and integrity of the congress. These statements are not, I think, in accordance with the facts."

Misunderstood, He Says.

"This allegation in the resolution, therefore, must certainly be due to an entire failure to understand my message.

"The resolution continues: 'That the president be requested to transmit to the house any evidence upon which he based his statements that the "chief argument in favor of the provision was that the congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by secret service men." This statement, which was an attack upon no one, still less upon the congress, is sustained by the facts.

"If you will turn to the Congressional Record for May 1 last, pages 5533 to 5560, inclusive, you will find the debate on this subject. Mr. Tawney of Minnesota, Mr. Smith of Iowa, Mr. Sherley of Kentucky, and Mr. Fitzgerald of New York appear in this debate as the special champions of the provision referred to. Messrs. Parsons, Bennett and Driscoll were the leaders of those who opposed the adoption of the amendment and upheld the right of the government to use the most efficient means possible in order to detect criminals and to prevent and punish crime. The amendment was carried in the committee of the whole, where no votes of the individual members are recorded, so I am unable to discriminate by mentioning the members who voted for and the members who voted against the provision, but its passage, the journal records, was greeted with applause. I am well aware, however, that in any case of this kind many members who have no particular knowledge of the point at issue are content simply to follow the lead of the committee which had considered the matter, and I have no doubt that many members of the house simply followed the lead of Messrs. Tawney and Smith."

Asks Reversal of Action.

Concluding, the president said: "In conclusion, I most earnestly ask, in the name of good government and decent administration, in the name of honesty and for the purpose of bringing to justice violators of the federal laws wherever they may be found, whether in public or private life, that the action taken by the house last year be reversed. When this action was taken, the senate committee, under the lead of the late Senator Allison, having before it a strongly worded protest from Secretary Cortelyou like that he had sent to Mr. Tawney, accepted the secretary's views; and the senate passed the bill in the shape presented by Senator Allison. In the conference, however, the house conferees insisted on the retention of the provision they had inserted, and the senate yielded.

"The chief of the secret service is paid a salary utterly inadequate to the importance of his functions and to the admirable way in which he has performed them. I earnestly urge that it may be increased to \$5,000 per annum. I also urge that the secret service be placed where it properly belongs, and made a bureau in the department of justice, as the chief of the secret service has repeatedly requested; but whether this is done or not, it should be explicitly provided that the secret service can be used to detect and punish crime wherever it is found.

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The Drummer's Sermon

Why the Knights of the Grip Gave Up Their Lower Berths—How the Christian Endeavor Delegates Got In Their Good Work—A Recipe for Making a "Popular Preacher."

By WILLIAM T. ELLIS.

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I saw a number of traveling men give up their lower berths and take uppers on a sleeping car between St. Louis and Pittsburg a few days ago. The shock was really dangerous. I would have staked my reputation as an experienced salesman, and as a judge of human nature, that it would take a box of dynamite to elevate the average commercial traveler into an upper berth in a sleeper, when once he had his hooks firmly on a lower. Yet here was the unprecedented happening before my eyes.

It was all due to a crowd of Christian Endeavorers. They were mostly women—which, I understand, is the Christian Endeavor fashion—and they had come aboard at the last moment from one of their convention excursion trains. There were a dozen of them, and they had all been attending some convention out west. Most of the lower berths had been engaged before they reached St. Louis, but that fact did not bottle up their music any.

For they were a singing crowd. They sang on the platform, while waiting, with other delegates, for the train to start. When we got under way they all gathered in one end of the car and, after some more singing, they held a regular prayer meeting. Perhaps that wasn't polite; other passengers might have objected. But I guess most of us had traveled in cars with crowds of noisy sports, and the Christian Endeavor sort of disturbance was preferable. Fact is, I think we all rather liked it. The Endeavorers were mostly good lookers, and they sang well. They gave us a lot of the old-time hymns, and then some catchy rag-time things about "sunshine."

The Drummers Take Upper Berths. It was the music that did the trick for the drummers. Those old songs got next to the true inwardness of



AND THEY SANG WELL.

some of the fellows, and before it was time for the berths to be made down a lot of them told the porter to put them "upstairs" and explain it to the women. Mark you, those men didn't do the gallant in person; they simply sneaked off and had the porter fix the thing up, so that none of the women passengers would have to take an upper berth. And they were drummers, too!

I figure it out this way: those hymns and prayers, and the religious atmosphere generally, had gone deeper than the epidermis of that bunch of drummers, and had hit them where they really live—or used to live, maybe. The brazenest and toughest of us carries a sentimental spot somewhere beneath his fancy vest. A fellow may jog along for most of his life without giving a thought to what affects his better nature, and then all of a sudden he is brought up with a jolt to realize that the preachers are right, and that a man is at core a spirit.

Preaches Himself to Sleep. After I had crawled into my berth I thought the matter over—not through, but over, for I'm a salesman, and not a college professor. I checked off in my mind the names and characters of the men in that crowd, and what I really knew about them. It was surprisingly little. Beyond a few facts about their business experience, and a hint here and there of their home life, I knew nothing more than what appears on the surface of a traveling man's life.

Yet I was sure that each had other and more personal interests than the subjects we talked about from day to day. The deepest concerns of every man's life are spiritual—his loves, his hopes, his sorrows, his burdens. As I lay there above the music of the whirling wheels, reflecting on these matters, there recurred to my mind a sentence from a little advertising program that is given away on the Sound steamers—"We have bodies; we are souls."

I do not know at just what point in my cogitations I went to sleep, but the subject waked up with me. I have come to the conclusion that every man is spirit-hungry and spirit-sensitive once in a while. Then is the time that a joke book or a gay crowd will not satisfy him.

The "Popular" Preacher. Right here is where I have a kick coming against the "popular" preachers, the men who bid for hotel patronage and advertise catchy topics, and when they meet you are at pains to show you what "good fellows" they are, and how thoroughly men of the world. In all the preaching that I have heard from these pulpites they never go more than skin deep. They take their texts out of the newspapers and then proceed to talk a lot of cheap bancombe, with mighty little religion or sense in it. One of them caused a lynching in Delaware a few years ago.

Out of a varied experience with these pulpit performers I have come to formulate a sort of recipe for turning out a successful "popular" minister; maybe I can sell it to one of these rich theological seminaries. First, the candidate must have beef; let him be big and handsome, with plenty of girth. Then he must have lungs of leather. When ideas fail he will need his lungs more. Next I would put an unabashed manner, which would not be flurried by the presence of popes or potentates, and which would jovially slap the Angel Gabriel on the back. This insures the crowning qualification of a "popular" preacher—ability to utter the tritest and thinnest platitudes with the self-confident air of a great philosopher and orator who is handing down freshly coined truth from the mint of heaven. Given these furnishings, and you have a man who will draw crowds until the almost inevitable scandal comes along and sends him to pastures new and greener.

How can such creatures help a man's spirit? They are better qualified to mend soles at a shoemaker's bench (meaning no disrespect to that honorable calling) than to lay their great and grimy paws on the sensitive souls of living men and women. I wouldn't give the unworldly old pastor of my boyhood, who never preached to more than 200 persons at one time in all his life, and who was so wrapped up in spiritual concerns that he would not have been able to identify his own clothes were he to see them on a tramp's back, for a cartload of these ranting fellows who are the idols of foolish women.

The "popular" minister's desire to be popular is so great that he is willing to sacrifice his high calling for the sake of being called a "good fellow." His ambition is to be a "man among men," and he is always afraid of being considered too religious. We had one of them in a smoking car a year or two ago. He didn't smoke himself, for he had to keep solid with the W. C. T. U. crowd, and I have no doubt that he is a favorite speaker at their conventions, but he fairly fell over himself in his efforts to make us understand his liberal and tolerant views on the matter of smoking, yes, and of drinking, too. For the express purpose of shocking him, one man passed his flask around; but it didn't jar him a little bit.

The boys were bound to faze him somehow, so they got to telling stories, the ripest in their repertoires. That minister never blushed or squirmed; not he—and when his turn came he left the lot of them out of the running. Now don't let me lose you here; I don't want to misrepresent any goods I handle. This lobster is not a fair type of the Christian ministry; he is only one in a hundred. He is not fit to travel in the same crowd with most of the ministers I know. I hear lots of would-be-wise guys blowing off hot air about preachers as a whole, but it is only hot air; they judge the whole by a small part. They accept the noisy "popular" minister as a standard, when the truth is that he is only a pervert, a religious monstrosity, a mere wart on the face of the body ministerial.

The "popular" preacher makes me feel self-righteous, whereas the man I want to hear is the one who makes me feel that I am in need of help, if ever I am to get into glory, or glory into me. On the occasions when I go to church, I want to have my spirit's hunger fed. I have run across quite a few preachers who fill this bill. They are the men with deep, strong eyes, who affect nothing, but whose presence spells power. They are men to whom the unseen things are the real. They bear the marks of spiritual struggle and growth, and when they speak of matters other-worldly, I listen.

THE DRUMMER.

Paris Models



Lilac cloth is the material of the left-hand costume. The corsage forms a sort of bolero, fashioned on one side with embroidered black satin buttons. The collar, revers and cuffs are trimmed with black satin.

The chemisette is of tucked tulle, with plaited frill of the same ornamented with gold buttons. Platings of this tulle finish the long, tight sleeves at the wrists. At the back is a girdele of the material.

The half-empire skirt is made with breadths or bands, crossed in front simulating a tunic and uniting in the back.

The other costume is a pastel gray wool dotted with black and having a border of black and white checks, which forms the trimming on the corsage and bottom of the skirt.

The fitted corsage simulates a bolero, and is trimmed besides the border with bands of the material and little buttons, with simulated button holes of black liberty. The straps which form the girdele are also of black liberty.

The little gumples are tucked tulle, the collar and cuffs are composed of lace ruffles and green liberty ribbon.

The skirt is made and trimmed to correspond and is finished at the bottom with the checked border and a band of black liberty.

ANOTHER NOVELTY IN SCARFS.

Fluffy Accessories Are Just Now High in Favor.

It seems as though there will never be an end to the novelties in scarfs and motor veils that are being introduced almost every day, all of which goes to prove that soft, delicately colored scarfs and wide chiffon and net motor veils, if anything, increase in popularity with each successive week.

Most attractive are the newest chiffon scarfs and extremely easy are they of home manufacture, always a consideration for the woman who would be accorded the title of well dressed on an income distressingly small. Formed of chiffon or heavy net, the ends of the scarf are caught, or, more strictly speaking, gathered in and finished off with a short tassel or fringe of coarse sewing silk. The scarf may also be gathered in slightly in the center and a tassel attached at one end, so that when thrown over the shoulders the scarf makes an attractive bit of drapery on the back of the dress, as well as adding to the charm of the front of the gown.

In the soft shades of pink, blue, mauve, green and, in fact, in all the light pastel colorings, these scarfs are exquisitely pretty, and they are perhaps especially charming made up in the shaded chiffons which are now to be had designed especially for veiling for the large motor hats now in vogue. An old scarf of crepe de chine or chiffon can be quite rejuvenated by a bath in naphtha or a thorough washing in luke warm water and ivory soapsuds, and then after being carefully pressed out embellished by the addition of silk tassels at the ends and in the center.

Gold and Brown.

One of the combinations coming in to first style for indoor gowns is bronze satin. It is used for an empire skirt that reaches to the bust, and above this is a bodice of bronze sequins mixed with gold thread, run on brown net.

The bodice is made in the usual way out of bands going around the figure and over the arms. The only touch of any other color is a bit of white tulle at the neck and sleeves. This combination is adopted for elaborate low-necked frocks worn for special occasions. As a rule brown is not considered among the evening colors, but this coppery bronze tone shows off the heavy bullion trimming in an effective manner, and lights up well under the electric.

Prevent Raveling.

When you cut off the arms and legs of your flannels instead of making a hem finish off with a buttonhole stitch. This keeps it from raveling out and makes it look nicer.

THE MATTER OF VEILS.

Detail of the Costume That is of Imense Importance.

Nothing can more easily make or mar one's appearance than a veil. If it is put on in wrinkles, it conveys immediately the impression of a wrinkled skin, and adds years to the fair face. If a woman has a naturally heavy jaw, she must resist the temptation of the border veils, and the man—it could never have been a woman—who invented green veils ought to be imprisoned. Brown veils are universal becoming, and the veritable avalanches of lace that now fall from the fashionable hats can be manipulated by clever fingers into any effect whatever. The safest of all is the clear mesh with moderately large chenille spots. To fix it to the hat, always pin it in front first to the brim, then pin the two top edges together at the back of the crown. The ends are then gathered into a knot, so that the lace lies quite smoothly across the face.

The greatest care should be taken with the back of the veil, which must meet as nearly as possible over the back of the hair, and do not let the lower edge fall below the chin. Twisting it into a knot under the chin is abominable. When the veil is removed from the hat it should be rolled over a cardboard roll easily made for the purpose. An invariable law should be that the veil must match either the hat or the trimming. The old rose and the deep red shades in veiling give an attractive glow to pale cheeks.

SIMPLE AND CORRECT.



Simple hat of gray ottoman silk, lined with black; galon of gray and blue embroidery.

A Fine Hair Shampoo.

First, boil a pint of water. Add to this a third of a cake of pure white soap, shaved fine. Boil this until the soap is melted. Pour this mixture into a jar before it thickens and let it cool. To shampoo the hair put a couple of tablespoonfuls of this paste into warm water and when it is dissolved apply to the hair and rub it into the scalp several times. Then rinse the hair well in clear, warm water.

IN SELF DEFENSE.



"Why, professor! Why are you wearing ear muffs on the street on a hot day like this?"

"O, I forgot to take them off! Our baby makes such a noise all the time at home!"

HANDS RAW AND SCALY.

Itched and Burned Terribly—Could Not Move Thumbs Without Flesh Cracking—Sleep Impossible.

Cuticura Soon Cured His Eczema.

"An itching humor covered both my hands and got up over my wrists and even up to the elbows. The itching and burning were terrible. My hands got all scaly and when I scratched, the surface would be covered with blisters and then get raw. The eczema got so bad that I could not move my thumbs without deep cracks appearing. I went to my doctor, but his medicine could only stop the itching. At night I suffered so fearfully that I could not sleep. I could not bear to touch my hands with water. This went on for three months and I was fairly worn out. At last I got the Cuticura Remedies and in a month I was cured. Walter H. Cox, 16 Somerset St., Boston, Mass., Sept. 25, 1908."

Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

Prepared for the Worst.

Gov. John A. Johnson of Minnesota, who had many supporters for the Democratic nomination for president, was asked what his attitude on the matter was.

"Why," he said, "I can best explain my attitude by telling you about a man I knew out west who went to town one night and imbibed very freely at the various bars.

"He was weaving an uncertain way homeward along the road when he almost ran into a large rattlesnake that was coiled in the road and rattled ominously. He looked at the snake for a moment and then drew himself up as well as he could. 'If you are going to strike, strike, drat ye,' he said. 'You will never find me better prepared.'" —Saturday Evening Post.

The Unexpected.

The judge was about to pass sentence upon the condemned man.

"In view of certain contingent circumstances," he said, "I'm inclined to treat you with leniency."

A veiled woman who was sitting at a little distance suddenly burst into tears.

"Are you the prisoner's wife?" his honor inquired.

The woman could only nod.

"I think that in view of all these mitigating influences," the judge resumed, "I will fix three years—"

The veiled woman suddenly gasped. "It ain't half enough, judge; it ain't half enough!" she wildly shrieked.

Supporting the Aristocracy.

Senator Tillman, discussing international marriages the other day, said pertinently:

"What are we coming to? A friend of mine, an ardent foe to monarchies roared out in a speech last week:

"Downtrodden as they are abroad, I still fail to understand how they can endure to be taxed to support idle, extravagant and dissolute royal families."

"Then my friend wiped his heated brow, and, hurrying home, sent in a stock assessment of \$10,000 in order to help the president of the Dash railroad purchase a titled son-in-law."

THEN AND NOW

Complete Recovery from Coffee Ills.

"About nine years ago my daughter, from coffee drinking, was on the verge of nervous prostration," writes a Louisville lady. "She was confined for the most part to her home.

"When she attempted a trip down town she was often brought home in a cab and would be prostrated for days afterwards.

"On the advice of her physician she gave up coffee and tea, drank Postum, and ate Grape-Nuts for breakfast.

"She liked Postum from the very beginning and we soon saw improvement. To-day she is in perfect health, the mother of five children, all of whom are fond of Postum.

"She has recovered, is a member of three charity organizations and a club, holding an office in each. We give Postum and Grape-Nuts the credit for her recovery."

"There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

ROMANCES AND TRAGEDIES OF AUTOMOBILES

CHICAGO.—The whiz wagon of passionate hue is the modern car of romance, whether Cupid or Mephistopheles is in the chauffeur's seat, the automobile occupies the center of the stage at a time when the world's most thrilling melodramas are being played. The machine has imparted its own breathless and dizzy speed to the men and women who ride in it or drive it, and the world gasps while the giddy performance goes on.

What is there about the whiz wagon which renders men reckless and lures women into what the poet Le Gallienne calls "the moral shipwreck wrought by the automobile?" Is it the speed madness?

Perhaps Le Gallienne's answer is as good as any other. He declares that the automobile is "in our religion, in what is left of our manners, in education and would be in our morals if it had left us any. Naturally, having set its blight on everything else, it has entered the home to rob the parent of his daughter, the husband of his wife."

"Cherchez l'automobiliste" is the present day axiom when folly or crime has been committed," says Le Gallienne. "It is the man with a face like a horse that is tempting the woman. The autoist is neither man nor beast. He is half human and the rest of him is compounded of various brute forms—the sort of monster that only an automobile age could produce. And is it any wonder that Eve to-day should take a rib from such an Adam?"

Irresistible but Depraving.

"Look at the face of that fellow at the wheel there. If there is any face more hopeless it is that of the woman sitting behind him. All machines are brutalizing, but O, the brutalizing, depraving power of this machine!"

"And it is irresistible," he continues. "I love its exhilaration—yes, its intoxication—while I condemn it as the drunkard condemns drink. I know I shall yield again. There is nothing to be done, of course. You can't save woman from the automobile. She is doomed, as we all are doomed. The latest revision of 'Faust' should put Mephistopheles at the speed lever, with Marguerite at his side. We are lost, lost irredeemably, and we drown our sorrows in gasoline."

All of which may be only the poet's frenzy, colored with a certain sly humor of exaggeration. He seems to be a little dizzy from the fumes of his own machine. The whiz wagon is not all tragic. It leaves much of romance and comedy, even of farce, in its trail as it whirls through the world. It merely seems to pitch all the emotions and passions of men into its own high key, and colors the daily record of events with its own rich hues.

Numbered by Thousands.

There are more than 17,000 automobiles in Illinois and it is estimated that at least 15,000 of these are owned by citizens of Chicago and its suburbs.

The latest year book of the American Automobile association shows a total membership of 18,739, with 10 state associations and 132 clubs. When you consider that this embraces only a fraction of the automobile owning population, and that many people ride in each car as occasion offers, it will be seen that the lure of the whiz wagon is widespread. Even those of us who cannot ride are given to im-

itating or at least secretly envying the speed and extravagance of the automaniacs.

It would seem even that the hostility of the dodging public has abated recently, for the automobile proved a political ally in one of the most unique congressional campaigns ever held in Illinois. In the Twenty-fourth district, where there are many farmers and where the whiz wagon might be expected to be particularly unpopular, there was a contest between an automobile and a mule, and the mule was defeated.

Orlando Burrell of Carmi was formerly a member of congress from the Twenty-fourth district, and he made his campaign this year on an old white mule. Mr. Burrell is 50 years old, and is fond of the old order of things. His principal competitor was Pleasant T. Chapman, who whirled through the district in a whiz wagon. He made a rapid campaign and while a good many people were inclined to bet on the mule, Mr. Chapman and his automobile were elected. Even the farmers who drew their frightened horses up into the hedge as he chugged past in his touring car turned out and voted for him on election day.

Another candidate for congress who is addicted to the gasoline buggy was not so fortunate in his campaign.

Col. Herbert G. Catrow of Miamisburg, O., received the nomination for the Dayton district, but one day, while the campaign was at its height, he ran over and killed a laborer while his machine was going at racing speed along the highway. He was arrested for manslaughter and the sentiment of the district was so aroused that it was thought best for him to resign from the campaign.

Valuable Ally.

As an ally of Cupid the automobile has no competitors. From the first days the young man who had the best means of transporting his sweetheart was always able to defeat his rival who went wooing on foot. Young Lochinvar never could have carried away his bride in triumph had not his gallant steed been hitched at the gates, and young Jones of Podunk township never would have won Amanda Jane from her other numerous admirers save for the fact that he had a new top buggy.

Now the young man, or even the old man, with the automobile has all his rivals outclassed. Even a chauffeur who drives his master's car has the advantage over the steady going millionaire who takes the plebeian trolley.

Royal women seem to be as susceptible as other women to the charms of the man with the machine. Last spring Princess Amelle Louise Furstenberg eloped from her royal home with Gustave Kozian, an employe of an automobile firm. She had other lovers, gallant and noble, but the man with the car was irresistible. After she was brought back home she was married over her family's tearful protests to young Gustav at the castle chapel at Kammersberg.

Automobile Elopements.

There are a thousand such instances every year, and the women who find the lure of the auto irresistible range all the way from princesses to shop girls. Some of these automobile-elopements end at the altar, with

the promise of happiness to follow, but too often the climax has been a social wreck.

A woman lawyer has attempted to analyze and account for the fascination of the automobile for women, and she decides that there is a psychic effect to reckon with, and "when psychic change takes place, whatever the agent of change be, human conduct may take any extreme."

"What is the secret of the automobile's influence upon the intellect and will of women?" she asks, and then proceeds to give the answer.

"First, it supplies what humanity ever has sought—thrilling sensations. This makes it a lure not only to the young but to the middle aged and the old as well. The psychic effect of it is marvelous. A friend tells me of an acquaintance who was a model of moral strength before getting an automobile. After that there was a most astonishing change. Not only did the character lose its charm, but the sense of obligation was lost, and with it a reckless disregard of the wishes of others. And this was the price of the thrills which the automobile supplied. This appetite for new sensations is one that grows with what it feeds on. It leads one from desire to desire, ever spurring the victim to seek the unattainable.

Supplies Humanity's Great Craving.

"I don't mean to rail at the automobile. I am not even saying that in itself, used in moderation, it is a harmful factor. It is the old story of abuse."

There have been many automobile romances and not a few tragedies of the whiz wagon in Chicago and its suburbs as well as in the smaller cities of Illinois and Indiana. There have been so many elopements to Crown Point by automobile that one of the machines in auto row is still pointed out as the elopers' car.

Among Chicago society people who have gone honeymooning by automobile are Joseph Leiter and his bride, Mr. and Mrs. Watson Armour, the bride being Elsa Parker, and Miss Clara Herrick, who married Arthur Hevemeyer, a cousin of the late sugar king. While the Leiters were on their honeymoon their chauffeur was arrested at Kenilworth for speeding and was fined in the local court.

Miss Natalie Duell's romantic elopement with Mr. Douglas has not been forgotten. The couple went all the way from Cleveland to New York in a touring car and thence to Europe in a liner. The wireless message which came back announcing their marriage was the first word that was received.

Among the tragedies of the automobile are the hundreds of deaths that occur every year, most of them being due to the carelessness of the drivers or the high speed at which the machines are driven. The millionaire automaniacs who go plunging through the country not only kill and maim the strangers passing along the road but themselves fall victims to their own craze for speed.

Tragedies Have Been Many.

One of the latest tragedies of this kind was that which caused the death of G. Winthrop Sands, a stepson of W. K. Vanderbilt, near his country home, 20 miles from Paris, on July 30, of this year. Mr. Sands was driving his own machine, and his chauffeur, who was with him, estimated the speed at 75 miles an hour. One of the tires blew up, the machine skidded and struck a tree, bounded against another tree, which it literally climbed, falling back with its unfortunate owner beneath it.

Almost instantly the car burst into flames, and Mr. Sands was frightfully burned before he could be rescued. The chauffeur was not seriously injured, but Mr. Sands was killed.

This is another story that is retold almost every day in the newspapers with infinite variations, but always the same sad theme—reckless speeding. Sometimes there are women in the car, sometimes children, sacrificed to the craze for going faster.

The automobile also has been the central figure in many criminal affairs, one of the most notable being the "Dove" case of Chicago, which still remains an impenetrable mystery

and which is familiar to all newspaper readers.

One of the oddest cases of automobile stealing was that which occurred in Chicago this summer. A man here who seemed determined to go to the Pacific coast stole a \$5,000 machine from a Chicago firm and two months later they caught him, still with the machine, in Independence, Ore. He was jailed in the Oregon town while requisition papers were being procured. The Chicago firm was waiting for his return here when word came that he had broken out of jail, restolen the machine and whirled westward. At the last report he had not been heard from, but doubtless succeeded in making his way to the coast.

Some Notable Victims.

During the year 1907 there were reported a total of 1,568 automobile casualties—324 deaths and 1,244 serious injuries. As in previous years there was a large number of notable victims. Since the whiz wagon became the plaything and the mania of the rich it is estimated that about 100 members of millionaire families have met with violent death in automobile accidents.

It has been eight years since Count Caheen D'Anvers was instantly killed by his machine striking a tree along a country road in France, and he was the first of a long roster of titled victims. Baron von Bleichroeder collided with a stone cart near Cologne while his car was going 60 miles an hour. The machine upset, and the machinery continuing to work, pounded the victim to death. Count Zborowski and Baron de Pallange were hurled against a stone wall during a race near Nice, France, in 1903. Marquis D'Audiffret-Pasquier was fatally injured shortly afterward when a bursting tire overturned his machine. Count Thely was another titled French victim. His machine swerved while he was going down a hill at Les Champs, and he was dashed against a stone wall. He died within two hours.

There have been many notable American victims of the automobile tragedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Fair were both instantly killed near Saint Agulin, France, in 1902. The tire burst and the machine struck a tree while it was going at a speed of 60 miles an hour. Their chauffeur was driven insane by the shock.

Mrs. William M. Stewart, wife of former United States Senator Stewart, was killed at Alameda, Cal.

One of the most tragic of American automobile accidents was that in which Mrs. William A. Westphal received injuries which caused her death within a few hours. She was in the car with William R. Standberry, a rich silk manufacturer, who ran his machine into a horse and wagon in Dunellen, N. J., in 1905. Mrs. Standberry committed suicide because of the revelations made by the accident, and her husband died, a nervous wreck, within a few months.

Vinson Walsh's Tragic End.

Vinson Walsh, son of the mining king, was killed while speeding near Newport in the summer of 1905. His sister, Miss Evelyn Walsh, and Mrs. James L. Kernochan were seriously injured. Harry Oelrichs and Herbert Pell also received injuries in the same accident, which was caused by the machine dashing through the wooden railing of a bridge into a stream.

After this accident Miss Walsh, now Mrs. McLean, was for a time too much shocked to look at an auto without trembling, but when she had recovered her nerve somewhat her father had built for her an "invalid's car" which was one of the most luxurious ever built.

The automobile age is full of stirring romance, adventure and tragedy. It is a more eventful age than the age of chivalry, more picturesque than the crusades, more extravagant than the age of Nero, more given to folly than Babylon. We are right in the midst of it, and the whirl of the machine is so confusing that we cannot realize how picturesque it is. But the historian of the future will write us down as being swifter than our own whiz wagons.

COUGHS AND COLDS.

I Took Pe-ru-na.



Peruna Drug Co., Columbus, Ohio.
Gentlemen:—I can cheerfully recommend Peruna as an effective cure for coughs and colds.
You are authorized to use my photo with testimonial in any publication.
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Could Not Smell Nor Hear

Mrs. A. L. Weitzel, 1033 Ohio St., Terre Haute, Ind., writes:

"When I began to take your medicine I could not smell, nor hear a church bell ring. Now I can both smell and hear."

"When I began your treatment my head was terrible. I had buzzing and chirping noises in my head."

"I followed your advice faithfully and took Peruna as you told me. Now I might say I am well."

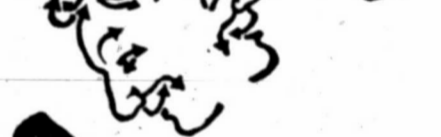
"I want to go and visit my mother and see the doctor who said I was not long for this world. I will tell him it was Peruna that cured me."

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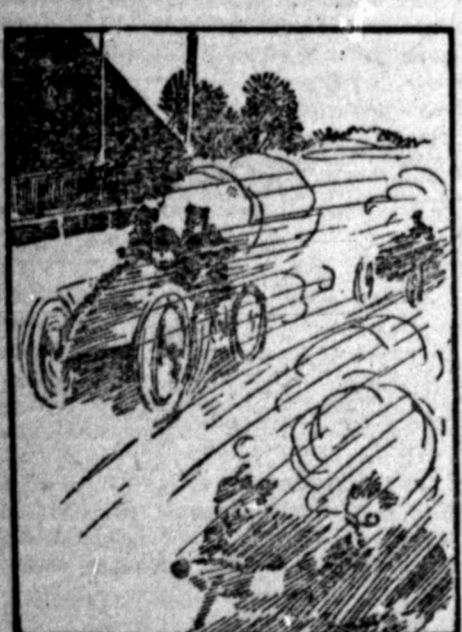
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Personal Items.

Frank Shupak was in Teague this week.

J. W. Shelor of Dallas was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. J. L. Jordan visited at Grapeland last week.

Morris Bricker was a visitor to Huntsville last week.

Mrs. Thos. Self has returned from a visit to Dallas.

Miss Ethel Wootters left for Stephenville Saturday.

W. T. Hale was among our friends in town Saturday.

T. J. Alexander was a caller at the Courier office Saturday.

J. O. Grounds was a visitor at the Courier office Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Downes returned to Dallas Monday night.

S. D. Ratcliff of Ratcliff was a visitor at the Courier office Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Baker and child have returned to their home at Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hardeman have returned to their home at Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wootters and Delha Mildred visited at Huntsville last week.

Jo Ed Winfree was at home from the State University at Austin during the holidays.

J. B. Meadors of Holly was a pleasant caller at the Courier office Wednesday morning.

Miss Annie Williams returned Saturday to Booth, in South Texas, where she is spending the winter.

J. J. Wedemeyer and H. Wedemeyer of Ash were among those remembering the Courier Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker King and son John of Palestine were guests of relatives and friends here last week.

W. A. Norris has returned from Georgia, where he spent Christmas amid the scenes of his early boyhood.

Mrs. Patt Neff of Waco and Miss Ella Mainer of Lovelady were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crook Sunday.

For Rent.

Land for making crop under any system desired. Help will be extended to renters if needed. For full information apply to W. B. Page. 3t.

The specialties presented between acts at the performance of Rip Van Winkle—are the kind you see in the best vaudeville houses. They are put on to entertain—not to kill time.

For Sale Cheap.

Twelve of fourteen good horses and mules for farm purposes for sale cheap for cash. 4t.

La. & Tex. Lbr. Co.,
Ratcliff, Tex.

The Courier regrets to learn of the removal of J. A. and J. W. Hooks from Houston county to West Texas. They are both good farmers and, therefore, good citizens, and their loss will be felt.

Eilers Rip Van Winkle Company which comes Tuesday, Jan. 12, carries a crack band, a concert orchestra, and presents the old drama in a manner that would credit to a metropolitan company.

\$65 per month straight salary and expenses, to men with rig, to introduce our Poultry Remedies. We furnish bank references. Don't answer unless you mean business. Eureka Poultry Food Mfg. Co., East St. Louis, Ill.

Social News.

Private Money to Loan.

Address 230, this office. 1t.

Next week's issue of the Courier will contain the U. D. C. write-up.

Mrs. Kate Newton has rented out her hotel at Lovelady and is now living in this city.

For hay, grain, chops, wheat bran, bolted meal and flour be sure and see J. E. Downes. 3t.

Lone Star Orchard peaches far exceed those canned in California or anywhere else. Ask your grocer for them.

For Rent.

A good six-room house in the Bruner addition in Crockett. Apply to S. F. Tenney. 4t.

George Miltimore and Alice Newton—said to be the best Rip and Gretchen, are with the Eiler Show which comes Jan. 12.

Ask your grocer if he handles the Lone Star Orchard Co's. peaches. If he does not, ask him to get them, for they are the best.

J. R. Howard has taken charge of the Pickwick hotel, while Frank Harris assumes charge of the hotel heretofore known as the Bayne.

Don't buy California peaches when you can get Crockett peaches. Ask your grocer for the peaches put up by the Lone Star Orchard Co.

Will Shivers has bought Jim Smith's interest in the firm of Moore & Smith and the firm will hereafter be known as Moore & Shivers.

Exchanges speak in highest terms of the performance of Rip Van Winkle as presented by Eilers Rip Van Winkle Co. which comes Tuesday, Jan. 12.

W. N. Sheridan of Grapeland, Lipscomb Sherman of Kennard and T. F. John of Coltharp are among those remembering the Courier this week.

Wishing each and all a prosperous "New Year," H. J. Phillips thanks his customers for past patronage and solicits a generous share for the future.

T. M. Buller has returned from West Texas to Houston county and now thinks this country is good enough for him. The Courier welcomes him back.

A. M. Decuir has bought an interest in the drug business of Murchison & Beasley and the firm will hereafter be known as the Murchison & Beasley Drug Co.

The Courier regrets to learn of the death of Mr. J. W. Barte, which occurred at his home in the northwestern part of the county Wednesday night of last week.

Don't miss the noon day concert by the Eiler Rip Van Winkle band. It is in keeping with Mr. Eiler's reputation and the splendid performance you will witness at night.

Mr. Eiler has been happily successful in selecting Vaudeville acts that are clean, pleasing and of high artistic excellence, in the (between acts) in his splendid presentation of the old drama of Rip Van Winkle.

Mrs. Earle Adams, Jr., entertained for her sister, Miss Ruby Robinson, New Year's night. Also Mrs. J. W. Shivers, who entertained at the same time for her sister, Miss Grace Simpson. Both affairs were enjoyable.

For Sale at a Bargain.

Six mules and one horse, mowing machine, disc plow, disc harrows, disc cultivators, section harrow, Acme harrow, turning and shovel plows and other farming tools. Apply to Aldrich & Crook. 4t.

A fire Thursday morning destroyed the residence of J. E. Bynum, a mile south of town. The building and furniture were valued at \$1300 and the insurance on all amounted to \$800. Mr. Bynum estimates his loss at \$500. The fire was accidental and is thought to have originated from a burning chimney.

A revival is in progress at the Baptist church, conducted by Evangelist Finney, who is assisted by Mr. Boyer as soloist and Mr. Hiatt as choir director. Great interest is being manifested at both the day and night meetings, and the outcome will no doubt result in a religious awakening such as the town has not felt in some time. The sermons are forceful and the music is excellent. The attendance of all is urged at both the day and the night services.

A Jenkins Party.

Miss Albertine Wilson entertained some of her young friends on last Wednesday evening with a "Jenkins" party. A prize was offered to the best player, which was won by Mr. Austin Woodall. At a late hour appropriate and dainty refreshments were served by the fair young hostess, who was assisted by Miss Nannie Bretling in a charming way. The evening was one thoroughly enjoyed by all fortunate enough to be present and the only regret is that Miss Albertine will not be here during the remainder of the winter to give these affairs oftener.

Notice of County Depository.

The Commissioners' Court of Houston county, Texas, in special session Dec. 18th, 1908, ordered notice to be given that sealed proposals will be received from any banking corporation, or individual banker, for the depository of the county funds, and the rate of interest agreed to pay on the daily balances to the credit of said county with such depository for a term of two years from Feb. 8th, 1909.

The said bid to be accompanied by a certified check for two hundred dollars as a guarantee of the good faith on the part of the bidder.

All bids are to be in the hands of the County Judge by 10 o'clock a. m. on the said 8th day of Feb. 1909.

E. Winfree, County Judge,
Houston County, Texas.

Sunday School Notice.

There were 127 present at the Methodist Sunday school last Sunday—more than 100 members absent.

Reader, were you one of the absent ones? Why were you not at Sunday school? Won't you be there next Sunday? We need your presence and you need the help the Sunday school can give you.

Father, mother, were your children at Sunday school last Sunday? Are they members of a Sunday school? If not, why not? Think this matter over seriously, and if you are a Methodist or member of no church send your children to our Sunday school. A royal welcome awaits them there. If you are a member of some other church in the town, send them to the church of your choice, but for their sake and the good of the community send them to some Sunday school. Respt.,
Jno. A. McConnell, Supt.
Joe Adams, Ass't Supt.

A Sprained Ankle.

As a rule a man will feel well satisfied if he can hobble around on crutches in two or three weeks after spraining his ankle, and it is often two or three months before he is fully recovered. This is an unnecessary loss of time, as by applying Chamberlain's Liniment, as directed, a cure may as a rule be effected in less than one week's time, and in many cases within three days. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

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To Our Friends and Customers

We desire to thank you heartily for your patronage and good-will during Nineteen-Eight.

It was certainly your help, coupled with that of others, which enabled us to make such progress throughout the year just past.

And Nineteen-Nine will find us even more anxious to please you—for please you we must, to accomplish this purpose—**To Be Known as the Most Accommodating Tailoring and Gents' Furnishing Store in Houston County.** Let us ask for your continued friendship and patronage.

With our best wishes for the new year.

JOHN MILLAR

"Satisfaction Must Be Yours."

Tailor and Furnisher

A Dinner Party.

Miss Cary LeGory entertained a few of her young friends on Tuesday evening of last week with a six o'clock dinner party. Covers were laid for ten guests or five couples who were as follows: Miss Viola Valentine and Mr. Austin Woodall, Miss Etta Hail and Mr. W. W. Aiken, Miss Ruby Robinson and Mr. Denman Sims, Miss Albertine Wilson and Mr. Tom Aiken and Miss Cary LeGory and Mr. Edgar Arledge. In the center of the table stood a miniature Christmas tree, lighted with small candles and giving a holiday halo to the occasion. The decorations in the dining room were in keeping with the season and much taste was displayed in the arrangement. The dinner was served in courses, beginning with oyster cocktail and beautifully followed up with the things essential to a complete and enjoyable six o'clock dinner. Coffee and chocolate were served and nuts and fruit completed a delightful repast. After dinner the guests were entertained at forty-two and high-five. The evening was delightfully spent.

Special Notice.

In obedience to the proclamation of the Governor of the State of Texas, the county commissioners—city council, all the health authorities therein, are urged and admonished to take precautionary measures to prevent the out-break and spreading of any and all contagious and infectious diseases such as small-pox, typhoid fever, scarlet fever, cerebrospinal fever, diphtheria, trachoma and all pestilential diseases within their jurisdiction.

The physicians of Houston county are earnestly requested to observe the above order and report promptly the occurrence of any such diseases to Dr. S. T. Beasley, County Health Officer, at Crockett, Texas. E. Winfree, Co. Judge, 4t. Houston County, Texas.

There is no case on record of a cough, cold or la grippe developing into pneumonia after Foley's Honey and Tar has been taken, as it cures the most obstinate deep seated coughs and colds. Why take anything else? McLean's Drug Store.

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Saturday Night,

Jan. 9th

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By Bertha M. Clay

Seats on Sale at Usual Place.

Up-to-Date Specialties

Featuring Polite
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Cured of a Severe Attack of Bronchitis by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"On October 18th last my little three year old daughter caught a severe cold which resulted in a bad case of bronchitis," says Mrs. W. G. Gibson, Lexington, Ky. "She lost the power of speech completely and was a very sick child. Fortunately we had a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house and gave it to her according to the printed directions. On the second day she was a great deal better, and on the fifth day, October 23rd, she was entirely well of her cold and bronchitis, which I attribute to this splendid medicine. I recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy unreservedly as I have found it the surest, safest and quickest cure for colds, both for children and adults, of any I have ever used." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Came Near Choking to Death.

A little boy, the son of Chris. D. Peterson, a well known resident of the village of Jacksonville, Iowa, had a sudden and violent attack of croup. Much thick stringy phlegm came up after giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mr. Peterson says: "I think he would have choked to death had we not given him this remedy." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

Local News from Lovelady.

Mrs. Henry Hickie and little son of Somerville and Mrs. Ralph Lundy of Crockett were the guests of Mrs. C. G. Leffler for the holidays.

Miss Blanche Emerson has returned to Athens after a week's visit to home folks.

Miss Bessie Bayne of Crockett was the guest of Miss Maud Harris last week.

Misses Yola Kennedy and Otice McConnell of Crockett were pleasant visitors in Lovelady during the holidays.

Mrs. O. Wells and children of Rosebud were the guests of Mrs. Pat Clayton Xmas week.

Mrs. Pat Neff and children of Waco were the guests of Mrs. N. J. Mainer last week.

Charlie Niessle returned last week to John Tarleton College in Stephenville.

Norman H. Moore returned to Austin after a pleasant visit with the folks at home during the holidays.

Rev. H. E. Harris and family left last week for their future home in Greenville.

Mrs. W. B. Cochran and children spent the holidays with relatives in Livingston.

Mrs. H. E. Ramey, Misses Della Bright, Della Stewart and Clem Holland attended the play at the opera house last week.

Miss Lillian Niessle left for Groveton Saturday to begin school after spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. A. M. McGowan has returned from an extended visit to Jackson, Miss.

Mrs. J. H. Newton has moved to Crockett to reside in the future.

Mr. O. E. Parten and wife of Madisonville and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lyle of Boyd were the guests of Mrs. Cater Goodwin Xmas week.

Misses Pauline Perry and Minnie Hutchings returned last week to Brookshire and Bay City to begin their schools.

Dr. A. L. DeWitt left last week for Tyler to reside in the future.

Mrs. Wyatt Driskill and children of Elkhart were the guests of Mrs. J. T. Hart last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Barbee spent last week in Crockett the guests of relatives.

Mrs. John B. Turner is the guest of relatives in Groveton.

Miss Blossie Evans of Galveston was the guest of Mrs. A. J. Bedford during the holidays.

Miss Q. Belle Clayton returned Sunday to Gaston.

Mrs. Julius Lansford and little daughter of Waco were the guests of Miss Ollie Wills last week.

Misses Nora and Grace Moore of Crockett were the guests of Miss Alma Moore last week.

Henry T. Jones of Airey, Miss., while on a business trip to Dallas, stopped over in Lovelady to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jones.

Mrs. W. F. Rayburn and Mrs. Pat Clayton entertained in honor of the visiting ladies.

Miss Ethel Thompson of Weldon passed through Lovelady enroute to Denton Industrial School.

Howard and Elmer Tomme returned to their schools in Percilla and Groesbeck.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Dean have

moved to Madisonville to reside in the future.

Misses Jimmie Hartt and Myra Hemphill returned to Pennington, at which place they are teaching.

Miss Lena Ford of Trinity is the guest of Miss Pearl Goodwin.

Misses Monday, Leffler and Rich entertained the visiting young folks Christmas week.

Mr. Herman Rich and Miss Annie Louis Leffler were married Monday night of last week at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Leffler, by the Rev. Mr. Pipkin of Conroe. Mr. Rich and bride are two of Lovelady's most popular young people and have the best wishes of every one for a long, happy, married life.

Dr. R. W. Skipper returned last week from a visit to Beaumont.

Rev. A. L. Carnes filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday.

Miss Ethel Wootters of Crockett passed through Lovelady enroute to Stephenville at which place she is teaching music in John Tarleton college.

Christmas Trees.

The Presbyterian church has had no Christmas tree in their church, while some of its members have had such trees in their homes. The reasons for this omission our older members understand, but some of the members, and some young people, and some in the community may not know why. So I will state the following as some of the objections to a Christmas tree in connection with our church:

1. It is impracticable to have such a celebration of Christmas without a good deal of levity and merriment, and such acting as seems almost like making a playhouse of the house of God. Reverence for God, and for everything connected with His worship, is plainly taught in the scriptures. The house of God is the place for worshipping God, and for preaching His gospel. Its associations ought to be holy, and such merriment as is inseparably connected with a Christmas tree may do for the family home, or some public hall, but seems out of place with the sacred associations and purposes of the house of God.

2. A Christmas tree in a church greatly increases the danger of fire, the loss of the church property, and possibly the loss of human lives. A few years ago in our own community one of our churches narrowly escaped burning in connection with a Christmas tree. I have read of more than one church in our own state, and in other parts of our land, being burned by accidents caused in connection with a Christmas tree.

3. A Christmas tree in connection with a Sunday school is usually open for presents of all sorts—some of them being expensive presents from parents for their own children, some from young men for young ladies. Some of the Sunday school scholars thus receive beautiful and expensive presents, and others receive only a few things, and they not of much value. Thus an invidious distinction seems to be made. Children, and sometimes their parents, do not understand why they receive only poor presents while others get very beautiful and costly ones. This is not good for the cause, and it does not seem proper that the house of God should be made the place for displaying the gifts of parents to their children, or of lovers to their sweethearts—nor does it seem suitable that the house of God should be used as a place of

amusement for children.

4. Such Christmas celebrations are supposed to help the Sunday school by attracting scholars to join the school. It is probable, if the matter were carefully looked into, it would be found that those who thus are attracted to join the Sunday school do not remain very long with it. And ought not our Sunday school workers to present higher motives as inducements to persons to join the Sunday school? Ought we not to aim to have thoroughly good Sunday school instruction, good teachers, good music, and endeavor to rely upon God in prayer and faith for His blessing, and recommend the school as a place where we may expect God's blessing? Our public schools do not rely upon a Christmas tree as a recommendation of the school.

5. Some of the best Sunday schools of our country are now celebrating Christmas by calling upon the scholars to contribute to the poor and orphans, and thus endeavor to follow Christ, who taught it is more blessed to give than to receive. The poor and orphans greatly need such help, and the contributors themselves would be greatly benefitted by such a benevolent exercise and training, and such a celebration would be more in keeping with such glory as should be given to the holy child Jesus, rather than a glorification of ourselves and our children.

S. F. Tenney.

The Wootters Reception.

One of the many delightful affairs during the holiday season was the reception given on Monday afternoon and evening of last week by Mrs. Berta Wootters for her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wootters, who were recently married in Oklahoma City. While the rain pattered the windows and the north wind told of the chill on the outside, many admiring friends gathered together at the Wootters home to partake of the season's cheer and extend congratulations and best wishes to the new bride and groom. Such a small thing as the inclemency of the weather did not retard their coming, but it cannot be said as a whole truth that the social warmth on the inside of this home did not retard their going. They lingered in nook and corner, near the punch bowl, in the dining room, hall and reception room—lingered to greet a friend here, partake of some punch there or to get another word with the happy bride and groom. Those in the receiving party were Mrs. Berta Wootters, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wootters, Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Wootters, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wootters, Mr. J. H. Painter, Mesdames C. N. Corry, Will Wall and W. R. Jordan of Lake Charles, Walker King of Palestine, S. J. Craddock of Chickasha, Okla., Miss Hazel Long of Chilicothe, O., Mr. and Mrs. Dock Smith of Nacogdoches. But going back to the door, the guests were met and welcomed by Mrs. Chas. May and Misses Foster, Bayne and Wootters. Having disposed of their wraps, they were shown to the register, a dainty white satin wedding book, kept by Mrs. M. Satterwhite and Mrs. T. D. Craddock, and then presented to the receiving party.

During the afternoon hours Mrs. Earle Adams, Jr., and Mrs. H. F. Moore were at the punch bowl, serving the refreshing beverage to the guests. In the evening Misses Bella Lipscomb and Annie Leathers presided over this popular bowl. Mrs. P. R. Denman and Mrs. R. H. Wootters extended the invitation to the

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