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## YOUR TWO EYES



Pardon the pun, but we mean that YOU'RE TOO WISE to go through the coming year without having this paper in your home.

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### BUILD HOUSES IN TREES.

Some Mexicans Thus Sleep Secure From Quakes and Tigers.

In order to protect their homes from earthquakes many of the natives in the territory around Chilpancingo and other towns in the state of Guerrero, in Mexico, live in trees. Some of these tree homes are of large size and are ingeniously constructed. Reeds and grasses are interwoven with the twigs and branches of the tree, much in the manner that a bird builds its nest. The severest wind seldom loosens it from the tree. Where the trees are large and stand closely together houses of two or three rooms are frequently built in their branches. These houses also afford protection from the tigers and other wild animals which are found in that region in large numbers. It is said that a tiger will not attack its prey unless it is upon the ground.

The prime object of elevating these houses into the trees, however, is, as mentioned, to keep them from being shaken down by the severe earthquakes which visit the Guerrero territory at frequent intervals. The rocking of the earth gives the trees a swaying motion, but does no damage to the houses. In some localities whole villages of these tree homes are to be seen. None of them suffered damage from the recent earthquakes which wrought such ruin to the buildings upon the ground.—New York Tribune.

### THE PRINCE'S PRESENT.

It Was Given in Exchange For a Magnificent Carpet.

"While I was in Damascus," said a globe trotter the other day, "some royal highness or other potentate passed through that ancient city, and the governor of the town delivered an address of welcome. It was in verse, and everybody who knew of the occurrence felt sure that the governor had been richly rewarded by the prince for his effort. That afternoon, so the story goes, the governor called on a dealer in rugs with whom he had been chaffering for a long time over a magnificent carpet which he coveted for his palace. After several cups of coffee the rug merchant offered the governor the carpet in exchange for the present the prince had given him for his poetic welcome to Damascus. The governor after a little hesitation agreed, and the carpet was rolled up and delivered to an attendant, who started for the governor's palace.

"Thank you," said the governor as he arose gracefully to his feet.

"But the prince's present?" demanded the rug merchant.

"You have it," said the governor. "All he gave me was 'Thank you,' and this I have given you for your carpet."—New York Press.

### Janet's Way of Growing Young.

As a matter of fact, Janet was born exactly two years before her brother Fred; therefore in the natural course of things when he was ten she was twelve and gloried in it. When Fred was known to be fourteen she still confessed to sixteen. When Fred boasted eighteen years she timidly acknowledged herself just over nineteen. When Fred came home from college and had a party in honor of his twenty-first birthday Janet said to her friends: "What a boyish fellow Fred is! Who would think he is only a year younger than I?" When Fred declared himself twenty-five and old enough to get married Janet said to a gentleman friend: "Do you know, I feel very jealous of Fred getting married. But, then, I suppose twins always are more attached to one another." And two years later at Fred's wedding she said, with a girlish simper to the guests: "Dear old Fred! To see him married today, and to think when he was only five years old they brought him to see me, his baby sister; I wonder if he thinks of it now?"

## A Potato



Has Eyes,

but it doesn't read this paper. You ought to be different. Don't be a potato. Subscribe now.

### Arab Buttermaking.

Among the Arabs an interesting department of woman's duty is dairy work. This, like all other operations, is carried out on an old fashioned and patriarchal plan. To make butter, for instance, a small sheepskin is filled with milk and tied to a ring in the wall. The woman then sits flat on the floor and rocks it to and fro till little balls of butter begin to form within. These grow larger and larger and accumulate and are finally brought out as one big lump. The remaining milk is then boiled on the fire with bits of meat. The male members of the family now come together. A large dish of cooked rice is placed before them and the boiled milk poured over it. Then, making balls of the mixture with his hands, each member quickly swallows his share and rises to wash his hands. This done, the girls and mother sit down and eat what the men are pleased to leave.

### Hats and Old Age.

In opening the services one Sunday recently the pastor of one of the fashionable churches said: "For three Sundays I have asked the women in this church to remove their hats during service. My appeal has been unheeded, and now I see wherein I was wrong. I was inconsiderate of the comforts of the aged and infirm, so I have made a new rule. Hereafter all women of forty years of age or over will be permitted to wear their hats during the service."

Within twenty seconds every woman in the church was bareheaded.—Ladies' Home Journal.

### Thought He Was Mad.

The late Count de Lesseps was traveling on one occasion in a French railway train in a compartment with two commercial travelers.

"I beg your pardon, sir," said one of them, fancying that he belonged to their fraternity—"are you not a traveler?"

"Certainly I am," said the count.

"We thought so! What is your line?"

"Isthmuses."

"Wh-wh-what," asked the puzzled commercial—"what are they?"

"I am introducing ship canals," said De Lesseps gravely.

The commercial travelers feared that they had fallen in with a lunatic and were making preparations to escape when the count handed them his card and put them at their ease.

### The Architecture of Madeira.

We saw no suggestion of modern architecture or European innovation, no blot anywhere, except a single motorcar. Without knowing anything on the subject I should say that the architecture of Madeira is a mixture of Spanish and Moorish, like that of Mexico, only it is better than anything in Mexico. From the ship the stucco, tile roofed city is flawless, and as we steam away and night comes down and lights break out and become a jeweled necklace along the water's edge our one regret is that we are leaving it all behind.—Albert Bigelow Paine in Outing Magazine.

### Managing a Servant.

One housewife declares that at last she has solved the servant problem. "Formerly I had untold trouble with my maids," she said. "They'd do well for a while, and then they'd deteriorate so that I simply couldn't keep them. So I hit on this plan: When I noticed a falling off in the last maid's work I went into the kitchen and told her that, in addition to her fixed wages, she should have 50 cents extra every week that she did well. When she was only fairly good I'd give her a quarter, but on the weeks when she displeased me she'd get nothing. Nine weeks out of ten she gets her half dollar. It pleases her immensely, and I find the plan well worth while in the better service it secures me."—New

### EVERLASTINGLY.

The Word Is Impressed on Advertisers of the Poor Richard Club.

Truman A. De Weese, of Buffalo, said while addressing the Poor Richard Club of Philadelphia:

"There is no advertising value in one-time insertions. It is the keeping everlastingly at it which brings results in advertising. It is the consecutive, persistent pounding away that does the trick in advertising, and the advertiser that does this year after year is the man who knows that advertising pays. With him it is not an experiment; neither is it an expense. It is a part of his investment, the same as the cost of raw material and the cost of production."

### The Passing of the Old Year.

The year 1909 will soon be numbered with the past, and while it will leave some prosperous and happy it will leave others in sorrow and disappointment, yet we should feel grateful and thankful for the year, and as it fades away, resolve that we will try to make the new year the brightest and happiest year of our lives. This has been a good year for us and we thank the people for their liberal patronage. We have tried hard that you might be pleased and if we have failed in a single instance or said one little word

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M. SATTERWHITE & COMPANY

Crockett, Texas

Telephone 217

that would disturb your feelings we ask you to blot it out and remember it against us no more. We now wish you one and all a merry Xmas, a happy and prosperous New Year, and invite you to come to the Novelty Store where you will always receive a hearty welcome. Your friend,  
It J. A. McConnell.

### GOOD ROADS.

Numerous Bonds Approved by Attorney General's Department Show Good Movement.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 19.—Though this is not a very propitious season for the building of better roads, because it is winter time, still the people of Texas seem to have that fever, judging from the number of bonds that have been issued of late for that purpose. Assistant Attorney General J. T. Sluder, who has charge of the approval of all bonds issued in the state, has

approved many issues of road bonds, road district bonds and improvement district bonds within the last few months, and they continue to come into the attorney general's office to be passed upon. This is very gratifying to those who are making a campaign for better roads in Texas.

Keep the bowels active if you would preserve your health. A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters now and then does this to perfection. The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co., Crockett; C. R. Rich, Lovelady; special agents.

### Hexamethylenetransamine.

The above is the name of a German chemical, which is one of the many valuable ingredients of Foley's Kidney Remedy. Hexamethylenetransamine is recognized by medical text books and authorities as a uric acid solvent and antiseptic for the urine. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy as soon as you notice any irregularities and avoid a serious malady. Will McLean.

## Season's Greetings

Again we solicit your presence to examine the magnificent array of Christmas gifts now on display. Our efforts to have the best and most complete line ever shown in this city have been successful. As a suggestion for your benefit we name a few items:

- Cut Glass in Richest Patterns and Cuttings,
- Toilet Cases to Suit Almost Any Individual or Purse,
- Books in the Daintiest of Bindings,
- Fancy Stationery for Fastidious People,
- Hand Painted China Which Would Adorn Any Home

and last, but not least, a line of Toys, Dolls, Wagons, Guns, Soldier Sets, etc., that will make the little ones happy. No trouble to show you and we cordially invite you to call.

The Murchison-Beasley Drug Company  
Next Door to Nunn & Nunn's Office.

THE BIG STORE

# Greetings of Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

With hearts full of gratitude for your liberal patronage during the year that is just closing we wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS and trust the NEW YEAR will bring you added blessings, greater prosperity and happiness without measure. And now, in order that you may remember those around you and make them feel glad that they and you have lived to see another Christmas, we group specially a few items for your careful consideration and we trust the prices we shall quote should appeal to the wide-awake holiday trade.

First we will mention our

## Rug Stock.

We have a big assortment of these goods in Smyrna, Brussels, Axminster, Moquet and Crex, and you know nothing makes the wife more happy than to see the husband come in on Christmas-eve night with a bundle of nice rugs. Why, she will slap you in the back and will step light all the next day.

Our 36x72 Axminster rugs, regular \$5.00 values, will be sold for only **4.00**

Our 27x54 Axminster rugs, regular \$2.50 stock, will go for only **2.00**

Our 27x54 inch Brussels rugs, regular \$2.00 stock, now for only **1.50**

Our 6x9 Crex feet rugs, regular \$6.00 stock, now going for only **5.00**

All other rugs and art squares will be sold at greatly reduced prices.

Next we quote

## Gloves

which also make a most appropriate Christmas gift. We have them in kid for both ladies and men in all the latest shades of color in dressed kid and undressed.

One lot high grade undressed kid for ladies in tan, brown, blue, black and gray, regular \$1.75 and \$2.00 stock, special price now only, per pair **1.50**

One lot Simmons' dressed kid in tan only, the kind that does not rip, regular \$2.00 stock, special price, per pair **1.50**

One lot ladies' dressed kid gloves, in brown and tan, regular \$1.50 stock, going for **1.25**

One lot ladies' dressed kid gloves, the \$1.25 kind, going for, per pair **1.00**

One lot of men's dressed kid gloves, the best we think we have ever seen in the city for \$2.00 a pair, for **1.50**

Then we have the

## Holeproof Sox

for men, put in nice Christmas boxes of six pairs each and guaranteed to wear six months, at \$2.00 and \$3.00 per box. Nothing more appropriate for a present for the husband.

Next we call your attention to our stock of the latest in

## Turkish Jewelry

right from the Orient, in necklaces, brooches, breast pins, belt pins and belt buckles. These are the newest things and very appropriate for a Christmas or holiday gift and are very cheap. Then we have the most beautiful line of

## House Slippers

you ever looked at, in all the pretty colors. These we think would make a very acceptable gift for Christmas and we are selling the \$1.75 kind for **1.50**

Next and last we call your attention to our large stock of

## Suit Cases

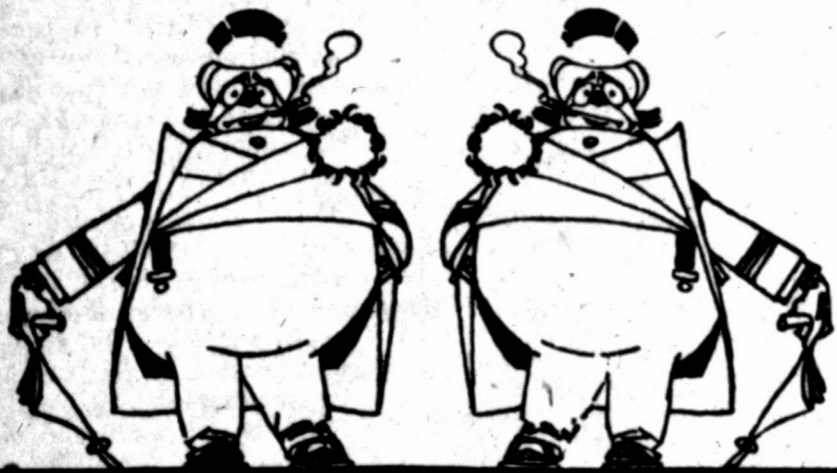
ranging in price from \$1.00 up to \$12.50 each, and who would not accept a gift of this kind for Christmas? Our \$7.50 suit cases are going now for **6.98**

YOURS FOR BUSINESS

# Jas. S. Shivers & Company

THE BIG STORE

## BESIDE HIMSELF



Any man must be beside himself who tries to get on in the world without knowing what the world is doing.

This newspaper is published for people who want to know. HOW ABOUT YOU? ARE YOU A SUBSCRIBER?

### WE DO BIG THINGS.

Some of the Masterful Achievements of Americans.

Americans founded the first government under which all men were equal before the law. Since the Declaration of Independence was published to the world the democratic idea has hourly received new impulse until now its march seems irresistible.

Americans were the first to demonstrate the feasibility of relying on a citizen soldiery to defend the land and its institutions against foreign and domestic attack.

Americans were the first to abolish titular distinctions and to deprive social eminence of any support save character or the consensus of those who choose to consider themselves as socially elect.

It was an American who invented the steamship. An American invented the telegraph. An American invented the telephone. An American invented the electric light. An American invented the reaper, which makes it possible to feed the billion and more people on this planet. It was an American, too, who invented the sewing machine. Americans also were the conquerors of pain when they discovered how, by the use of sulphuric ether, the tenderest human nerve could be made insensible to the surgeon's steel.

### A CURIOUS FLY.

This Wasplike New Zealand Insect Feeds on Spiders.

New Zealand boasts of a fly that feeds on spiders.

This fly is black and wasplike and, like the wasp, lives in a nest of clay built in a crevice, preferably in the upper folds of heavy window curtains. This is one of the great annoyances of the tidy housekeeper in New Zealand. Try as she will, it is almost impossible for her to keep these flies from settling up their homes at the tops of her curtains.

These nests of clay are made up of a series of separate cells, usually from five to eight in number. When the nest is built the fly goes after spiders.

It has no trouble in conquering the spinners of silky webs. They succumb more easily than do the American flies which are so unfortunate as to get tangled in a spider's weaving.

The fly carries the spiders to its home and imprisons each one in a cell. Here the fly lays a single egg, and when the grub hatches out it eats the spider that has been provided for it. When its food is all gone the mother fly goes out and catches another spider, and she keeps this up until the young fly is old enough to catch spiders for itself.—New York Telegram.

### His Last Place.

"But," said the merchant to the applicant, "you don't furnish any reference from your last place."

"You needn't worry about that," replied the man with the close cropped head and strange pallor; "I wouldn't be here now if it hadn't been for my good behavior in my last place."—Catholic Standard and Times.

### A Great Cure.

Celia—Her hair turned perfectly white in one night from trouble. Della—Really! What was the nature of the trouble? Celia—Chemical.—Judge's Library.

### The Easiest Way.

Dickson—Dobbins formerly opposed my views, but now he agrees with me in everything. Wickson—How do you account for it? Dickson—Don't know. I'm not sure whether I convince him or only make him tired.

The first and worst of all frauds is to cheat oneself.

The habit of looking at the best side of any event is worth far more than a thousand pounds a year.—Johnson.

### Camera's Courtesy.

When Mrs. Mary A. Livermore was a little girl she was monitor at the Hancock school in Boston, and it was her duty to answer the door. One rainy day the bell rang, and she found at the door a tall, thin man, with a dripping umbrella, who inquired for the principal. She was just at the boldenish and disrespectful age, but there was something about this visitor which so impressed her that she led him in as politely as if he had been a prince, placed a chair for him by the fire, relieved him of his wet coat and umbrella and after she had started to leave the room came back to draw a fire screen between him and the blaze for fear he would find it too hot. She afterward expressed to her teacher some surprise at the unwonted civilities she had felt impelled to show the stranger. He answered: "Ah, that was Ralph Waldo Emerson, and that is the effect he has upon everybody. He is so courteous himself that it calls out the latent courtesy in all others."

### Bandages and Red Tape.

During the South African war Rudyard Kipling discovered at Cape Town a hospital without bandages and in desperate need of them. This, too, was in a city where bandages were for sale in many shops. He told an acquaintance that he was going to meet that

want, and the gentleman at once offered to pay for all the bandages that Mr. Kipling would buy and take to the hospital. A cart was quickly loaded, and then the author was informed that under army rules the hospital authorities could not receive supplies from a private individual.

"Well," said he, "I will dump the packages on the pavement before the door and then tell them to come out and clear up the litter. Perhaps they can get them into the building in that way without tearing any red tape." He drove off with the bandages, and the supplies were somehow smuggled into the hospital.

### Just the Same.

"What is your name?" asked the judge of the prisoner.

"Casey, yer honor," answered the prisoner.

"Your full name?" asked the judge.

"Just the same, yer honor," answered the prisoner, "full or sober."—Ladies' Home Journal.

### The Outcome.

Jack—Where is the pretty girl you were making love to a year ago?

Tom—Oh, she's married long ago.

"Jilted you, eh?"

"No; worse than that. She married me."

### The Crisis.

"Now, Tommy, you must go and wash yourself."

"Ma, if you keep on at this washin' business you'll queer me whole vacation."—Century Magazine.

Men's lives are as thoroughly blended with each other as the air they breathe.—Elliot.

### THE BISHOP STAYED.

He Risked a Row, but Didn't Have to Leave His Bed.

The bishop of a southern diocese was once making a missionary journey through Arkansas and the Indian Territory, and on his arrival at Natches he said to the landlord of a hotel, "I have been traveling for a week, day and night, in a small wagon, and I want a comfortable room."

"Sorry," said the landlord, "but I don't believe there's a vacant room in Natches. There's a horse race, a Methodist conference and a political convention in the city, and every house is full up. The only thing I can give you is a shakedown." Then, observing the bishop's tired face, he added: "The best room in my house is rented to a noted gambler, who usually remains

in an night and seldom gets in before breakfast. If you will take the risk you shall have his room, but if he should come in there'll be a row, I'll promise you that."

The bishop decided to take the risk. About 4 o'clock in the morning the gambler returned and promptly shook the bishop by the arm.

"Get out of here or I'll put you out!" he shouted.

The bishop, the gentlest of men, raised himself on one elbow so that it brought the muscles of his arm into full relief.

"My friend," he began quietly, "before you put me out will you have the kindness to feel of my arm?"

The gambler put his hand on the bishop's arm.

"Stranger," he then said respectfully, "you can stay."—Youth's Companion.

### KEENLY INTERESTED.

Lincoln's Question After the Committeeman Had Finished.

Just after the second battle of Bull Run the Boston chamber of commerce decided that President Lincoln was not prosecuting the war with enough celerity to conserve the interests of business, and so it appointed a committee to go to Washington and remonstrate with him upon his dilatory tactics. The committee was headed by a Mr. Pierce.

"We found," he said, "a man who looked as if he had lost all the friends he ever had in the world, who invited us to take seats and inquired our business. As I was the spokesman, I opened our case, and as I proceeded the president's face relaxed. By and by he smiled and betrayed actual interest, and by the time I concluded he was almost in a broad grin. After I had finished he inquired if that was all I had to say, and on my saying that I thought it was he asked if some of the other gentlemen wouldn't like to say something. They replied that they thought I had fully covered the ground. And then," continued Mr. Pierce, "what do you suppose this solemn man did? Well, he just moved his chair over to mine, smoothed his trousers over his knee, then reached over and smoothed mine down, too, and then, with a queer look, which none of us will ever forget, he said, 'Mr. Pierce, did you ever notice what a difference there is in legs?'"

"What did we do? We grabbed our hats and took the first train for Boston, and we never dared to report!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

CHRISTMAS ON THE

By FRANK H. SW

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**I**T was the good ship she sailed the  
 For ships must across the gale  
 cious freight h  
 'Twas the captain's little  
 stood beside h  
 chair  
 And illumined the dingy  
 the sunshine of  
 With a yo heave ho and  
 ho!  
 For ships must sail  
 Though fierce the gale  
 And loud the tempests  
 The captain's fingers r  
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 "Tomorrow will be Chr  
 the little maiden  
 "Do you suppose that  
 will find us on t  
 And make believe the  
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And laughed the jovial  
 "By my faith,"  
 "If he should come  
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 And many a rugged  
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 At the stovepipe where  
 the stocking fut  
 With a yo heave ho and  
 ho!  
 For ships must sail  
 Though fierce the gale  
 And loud the tempests



"DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT  
 WILL FIND US ON T  
**O**n the good ship Polly  
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 And on a smiling little  
 a golden crown.  
 No happier child he saw  
 sea or on the la  
 Than the captain's little  
 with her treat  
 hand.  
 For never was a stool  
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 There were bracelets m  
 shells and rosy  
 An elephant carved def  
 of ivory tusk,  
 A fan, an alligator too  
 the bag of musk.

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 For the captain's little  
 to every sailor d  
 They heard a Christmas  
 shrieking wintry  
 For a child had touched  
 simple, loving t

With a yo heave ho and  
 ho!  
 For ships must sail  
 Though fierce the gale  
 And loud the tempests

Domestic Rep  
 Mrs. Fidgett—Are the  
 John? Mr. Fidgett—D  
 know the stars to do  
 than shine? (Later) M  
 rain still coming down.  
 Fidgett—Did you ever  
 anything else than com  
 Mr. Fidgett—Yes. I ha  
 hold up.

Not Much by the  
 Lady—What! Thirty  
 dozen for eggs! Why, th  
 3 cents for one egg.  
 mum, you must rememb  
 is a whole day's work  
 Cleveland Leader.

Revolver Ne  
 John—I'll bring you a  
 Customer—What for?  
 cheese, sir. The Custo  
 no good. Bring a rev  
 Sketch.

A Slim Chan  
 Willie—Pa, why do the  
 gauge the mother too  
 it's because your father  
 chance to use it.—Lond



SOMETHING NEW FOR CHRISTMAS.

By ELIZA ARCHARD CONNER.

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**W**E lash our brains to chase up something new to give our friends at Christmas. In like manner they lash their brains to think of something to give us. We say to ourselves, "Rich old Aunt Rachel ought to put up something handsome this year, the old curmudgeon!" Rich old Aunt Rachel in her turn says to us: "I suppose those beggarly nieces of mine will send me some fool trash they themselves can make and expect me to give them gifts worth forty times as much. They're a nuisance. Every way I turn there's somebody expecting me to put up a Christmas present. I wish these hungry hangers on were at the north pole."

The whole scheme of Christmas giving has been perverted till it now means only one of three things—either barter, unwilling almsgiving or tipping. Servants, deserving or otherwise; poor relatives, charity societies, people too lazy and shiftless to earn comfort for themselves, all "expect" something. The effort to fill these expectations causes a drain that makes most people look forward with dread from one Christmas to the next. Seven out of ten Christmas presents are nowadays forced from the grudging donor just because the receivers "expect" something. Mortal mind can sink to no meaner level than to "expect" a Christmas present.

Yet with all earth's giving there is one thing nobody ever thinks to bestow unless 't is some man or woman, usually a woman, who has been tried in all ways by sorrow, hardship and

affliction, who has looked on this world's treasures and seen them melt away and has learned there is nothing in them. To such a true, sweet, tested soul has come the full knowledge that the only Christmas present worth while is the one the Christ Child came to earth to bring. Still the Christ Child's gift is on the earth, 1,900 years after the holy Nativity. It is to be had by every human being, it is the most precious offspring human being can either give or receive, yet in our so-called Christian world today naught is so scarce as this one thing.

What was it the Christ Child came to bring? "Peace on earth, good will to men!" Down the centuries the tidings of this priceless offering have sounded, and they sound still, but now faint and afar off to the worldling sense. For weeks the atmosphere has been confused and lashed with the vibrations of Christmas buying and selling, Christmas scramble and expectancy; it is overborne and heavy with the awful weariness of the Christmas makers. Who has time to send forth the glorious gift which is the very foundation stone of Christmas itself—peace and good will?

How would it do alike for those overtaxed with giving and those too poor to give anything at all simply and quietly to bestow the Christ Child's gift on all mankind? After presenting the few material gifts one really offers for the pleasure of it, how would it do to make everybody around us happy as we can all day long, being cheerful, merry, loving and helpful to every member of our household, thinking not at all of our own deserts or disappointments, but giving forth joyfully the best that is in us—if, widening and softening our souls, we would weed from our consciousness all our pitiful little grudges against others and in fold even those we dislike most in the loving thought of Christmastide?

All men that are ruined are ruined on the side of their natural propensities.—Burke.

THE VICIOUS PECCARY

A Fierce Creature Is the South American Wild Boar.

HE IS SMALL, BUT FEARLESS

Will Attack Man or Any Animal in Existence on the Slightest Provocation and Will Fight to the Death—A Battle With a Jaguar.

During one of his journeys into Mexico Edward W. Walton, a mining expert, had a close call from being sliced to shreds by the fierce little South American pig known as peccaries. He told the story of his escape to a Denver Post reporter.

"I wished to secure some plumes from a number of the beautifully plumaged birds," said Mr. Walton. "I went into the jungle and came to a small opening in which there were dry leaves, probably a foot in depth, covering the ground, and hundreds of beautifully colored tropical birds in the air and in the trees. I fired at one of the birds in flight, when it seemed to me the whole area of these dead leaves arose in front of and all around me. Being a stranger, naturally I was much frightened, especially when I saw the animals which raised up the leaves apparently ready for an attack. The older animals opened and closed their mouths, showing their big, sharp tusks, formed much like a dirk knife, and some of them started toward me. Impulsively I commenced firing my gun in the air and turned around, which seemed to stop most of them momentarily, and as I had lots of cartridges I kept up the shooting, and they turned and ran away. I found afterward that I had saved my life by so doing and by not shooting any of the animals.

"These animals proved to be peccaries. They are most ferocious and will attack any animal in existence on the slightest provocation. When I got back to headquarters and told my companions my experience I was informed that had I shot one of the animals and made him squeal the whole bunch would have been on me and would have torn me to pieces quickly. They have been known to kill bears, jaguars, cattle, horses and any number of dogs. Although in the fight scores of their number might be killed, they seem to have no fear when once aroused.

"I was told the peccaries burrow under the dry leaves to protect themselves from mosquitoes and other winged pests of that hot country. My friends had many exciting experiences to tell in regard to these ferocious little animals. One of this party, while traveling with a companion in a wagon, stopped for lunch under some trees and turned their horses out to graze. While at lunch a large bunch of peccaries appeared, and they thought it would be nice to shoot among them and get one or two for meat, so they fired into them, wounding several, which commenced to squeal. Then the whole bunch made an attack. The men climbed quickly into the wagon and kept on shooting so long as the ammunition, which they had in their pockets lasted. As they were opening their bags to get out more ammunition the peccaries climbed up the tongue of the wagon and jumped into it, and the men saved themselves only by jumping on to the seat and then on to limbs of the trees, the peccaries taking possession of the wagon and tearing things to pieces. They remained in possession for hours, the men watching them from safety in the trees."

The peccary, or South American wild boar, is the smallest of his species, averaging about three feet long, nor is the animal possessed of any unusual degree of strength. To make up for the natural individual deficiencies in combat with the more powerful animals of the jungle the peccaries always travel in large herds. When once

attacked by a herd of peccaries the outcome is nearly always death to their enemy. The little pigs are armed with short sharp tusks, and no matter how great the slaughter of their own number during the fight the herd stay on the job until the work is finished.

Travelers in tropical and South American countries tell of fierce encounters between the peccaries and the jaguar, the monster cat which is lord of the forest. The jaguar has a fondness for a dinner of pork, but a wholesome respect for the power of a herd of wild pigs. When he wants to satisfy his cravings for a pork diet he drops from a limb of a tree on to the back of a straggler in the peccary herd. The jaguar slays his victim and then retreats hastily to his tree before the herd can get at him. When the herd grows tired of waiting for him to come down and moves along the jaguar descends and enjoys his meal at leisure. Frederick Selous in his romance of the animal world has an interesting account of a fight between a jaguar and a herd of peccaries. The peccaries had the jaguar treed on the limb of a tree from which the bark had rotted away. He was only a few feet above them and by harassing and jumping at their enemy finally succeeded in bringing the conflict to the ground. After the fight was over there were eleven killed and wounded peccaries, but the jaguar was literally torn to pieces.

Same Thing Now.  
 "You know woman was once the head of the family," she said.  
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### Tyler Judge's Idea of Development Work.

Man naturally loves contest with his fellowman. Hence at every harvest time there should be a community fair, at which the individual contributors shall be awarded prizes over their less fortunate competitors, and after the community fairs, all exhibits should be concentrated at a county fair and prizes awarded to the community whose exhibits excel.

Along with these there must be good roads to destroy or minimize distances from the markets and lighten the burdens of the teams, for men who have good teams enjoy driving them only when they are favored with good roads. This is not all. Grounds planted to corn, oats, wheat and cotton, yield crops which sell for an average of about \$8 per acre. Grounds planted to small fruits yield an average of \$42 per acre, and those planted to truck an average of \$80.80 per acre.

Without good roads, lands more than four miles from market cannot be utilized for the more profitable crops, hence they are less valuable than those that can be used to grow crops of all kinds. Good roads extend the territory of the fruit and truck crops and this greatly enhances the value of lands. Intelligent, progressive, ambitious men will not devote their efforts to the acquisition of cheap property unless there is prospect of increase in value. Live men do not care for dead property.

Education is a necessity. Men look as much to school facilities for their boys and girls now-a-days as they formerly looked for wood and water. Hence, progressive men will not live in a community which does not possess and support a good school for at least seven to nine months in the year.

Texas is an agricultural state. I use the term to include the stock farmer and trucker. The tenant farmer will never develop Texas. If this splendid state develops as it should the farms must be farmed by intelligent owners, who reside upon them. This is especially true of East Texas, where the farmer by proper and intelligent methods makes more per acre than anywhere else in the state, and without such methods he makes less.

Statistics show that the farmers of Iowa, Illinois and Indiana realize \$663 for each farm hand, while those of Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi realize \$189 for each farm hand. Conditions of climate and soil favor the South in many things, yet in these very things the farmer of the South falls far behind his Western brother. Anyone knows the South is better adapted to dairying and poultry raising than the states of the Middle West, yet the farmers of the Middle West more than double our farmers in these products. The one crop idea is making our farming unprofitable. Hence, we must diversify and grow stock, poultry, etc.

For these reasons I have just finished aiding a campaign throughout Smith county for better roads, better country schools and better methods of farming.

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### BRYAN LAUDS CULBERSON.

#### Protectionist Democrats Can Not Class Him as Supporter of Bunco Game Theory.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 16.—Lauding Senator Culberson for his stand in favor of upholding party platform declarations, William J. Bryan, in his Commoner of tomorrow, says:

The protection Democrats of Texas, who have been misled into believing that there is a "higher law" for the official than the platform upon which he is elected, will not get any comfort from the statement issued by Senator Culberson.

No one will hereafter quote the senator as a supporter of the bunco game theory, that a candidate can use a platform to secure votes and then discard it after election and, "conscientiously," of course, misrepresent his constituents.

Senator Culberson also delivered the staggering blow to those who have been advocating the tax on iron ore. We ought to hear no more of that nonsense in Texas. The facts presented by Senator Culberson in his statement were presented by him in the Senate, and no Democrat can be excused from not understanding the subject. Those who are anxious to have a debate between democrats have a good chance here to secure a tempting discussion.

Let them find some one who is willing to defend the steel trust's right to a tariff on iron ore and put him up against Senator Culberson on the subject of raw material. The senator gives very little consolation to those who have been trying to secure local protection under the guise of advocating the revenue tariff.

While he indorses the Texas platform of 1896, the more's the pity, his endorsement contains a qualification that reconciles his position with the position taken by the advocate of free raw material. He admits that there are exceptions to the rule, and he states his position. It is that raw material shall not be put on the free list in order to maintain a protective duty on manufactured goods.

This is entirely different from the doctrine now advanced by the protectionist Democrats that there must be a tariff on raw material as long as there is a tariff on the finished product.

Colquitt claims that he doesn't want to resign and leave his office to be filled by appointment by Governor Campbell.—Mesquite Mesquiter.

In the improbable—nay, almost impossible—event Mr. Colquitt was elected Governor, would he still hang on to his job as Railroad Commissioner, and draw salaries both as such and as Governor? It strikes The Republic that if elected Governor he would perforce be compelled to resign as Railroad Commissioner before he could legally qualify as Governor. In which event, it would be up to Governor Tom to name the man to fill the vacancy. Evidently, Mr. Colquitt has been training on a diet of prunes.—Texas Republic.

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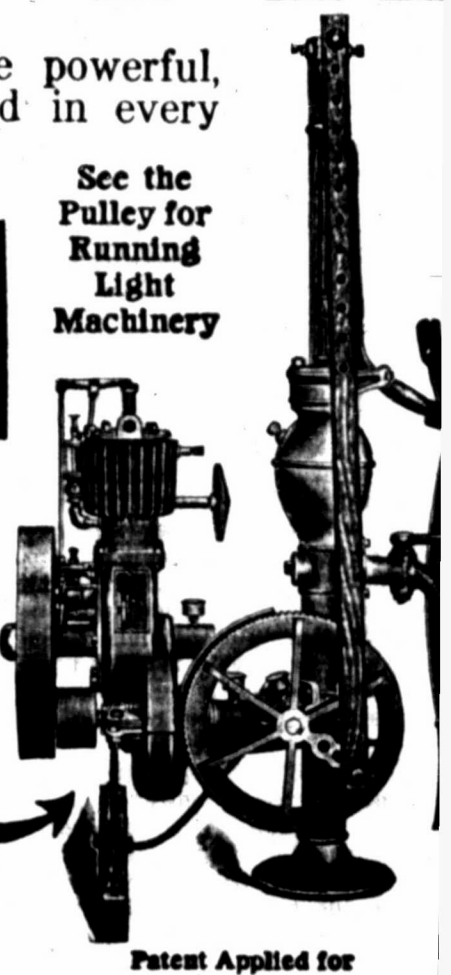
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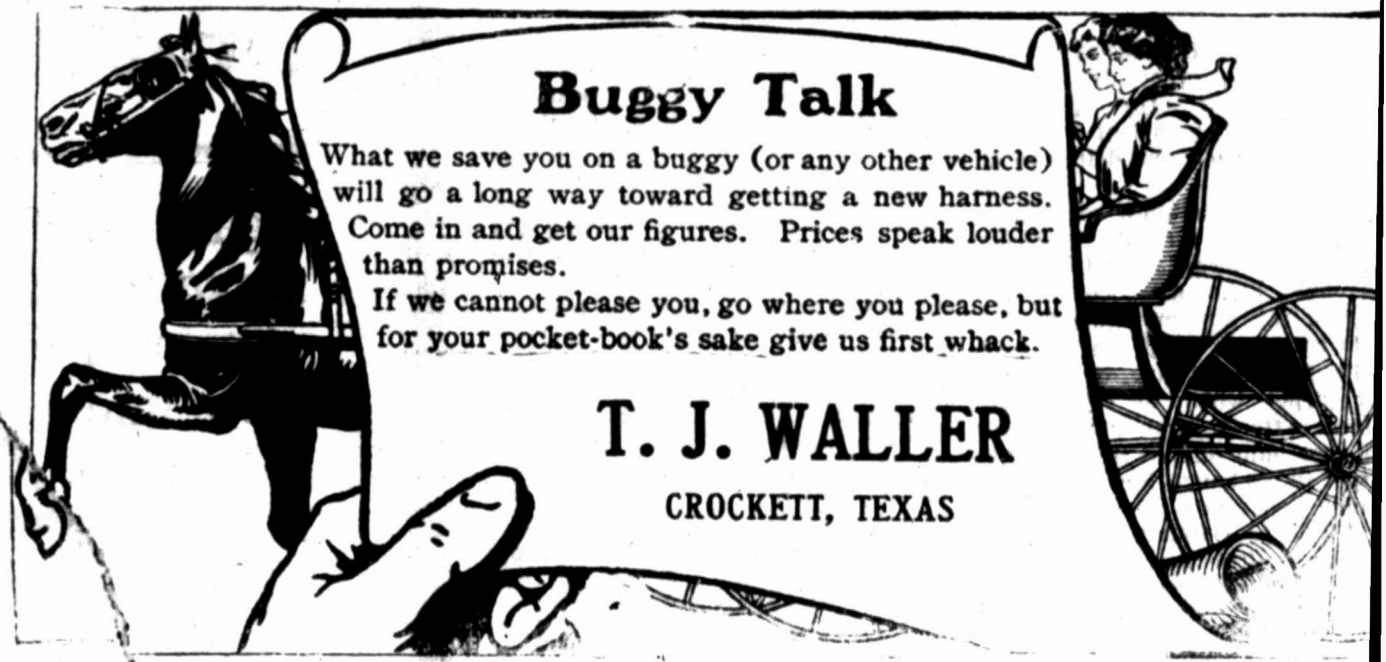
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### BOOK MADE TOWNS.

Holiday Resorts That Owe Their Popularity to Authors.

The most remarkable example of a book made town is Biskra, the oasis in the Sahara that Robert Hichens idealized under the name of Beni Mora in his novel "The Garden of Allah." Biskra, quite unknown in the past, is now, thanks to Mr. Hichens, a fashionable winter resort. It is rather odd that all the world should know that Biskra was meant by Beni Mora in "The Garden of Allah." There is a Beni Mora near Biskra, a kind of swamp, with a few clay huts and a palm or two sticking up out of the mud, but Biskra itself is never mentioned in the book.

Iffracombe, the north Devon watering place, owes its renown to Charles Kingsley, who in his novel "Westward Ho!" praises it.

Two other Devon watering places, Lynton and Lynmouth, are book made. Blackmore's novel of "Lorna Doone" first drew the public to them.

Pierre Loti in "Pecheur d'Ile" described very beautifully the Breton seaport of Paimpol. Many persons in consequence have visited Paimpol in the hope of passing the summer there. Vain hope! Paimpol, with its muddy, smelly tidal river, is not quite an ideal holiday resort.—Exchange.

### EXPENSIVE STEAK.

Ten Pounds of Beef That Sold For \$48 a Pound.

The highest price ever paid for beefsteak so far as is known was at Circle City, Alaska. The first beefsteak that ever reached that town sold for \$48 a pound, according to the newspapers of the time.

There were ten pounds of the steak, which was shipped 250 miles to Circle City.

When the owner of the precious bit of meat reached the camp the miners turned out in a body to see it. It was placed on exhibition and attracted as much attention as an elephant. Everybody wanted a piece of it, and the prices offered were such as would have resulted in a mining camp quarrel if it had not been decided to raffie the steak off for the benefit of a hospital which Bishop Rowe was trying to establish for the miners at Circle City.

Bids were started at \$5 a pound and rose briskly to \$35. Finally in order to avoid complications it was decided to sell tickets at prices from 50 cents to \$2.50 for the privilege of drawing for a slice. After \$480 worth of tickets had been sold the drawing began, and to the relief of those in charge of the sale no trouble resulted.

### Sin Eaters.

"Sin eaters" of the old days, like "mutes" of quite recent times, were hired performers at funerals. In consideration of sixpence in money, a bowl of beer and a crust of bread these sires, as they were called—"long, lean, ugly, lamentable rascals"—would by eating over the body take upon themselves all the sins of the deceased and so free him from afterward walking the earth as a ghost, so that his soul might rest in peace. This custom prevailed all over Wales and the adjoining English counties and was observed even down to 1686. The usage is said to have arisen from a mistaken interpretation of Hosea iv, 8. "They eat up the sin of my people." The more likely origin of this strange custom is the Levitical scapegoat. A much later remnant of this obtained at Amersden, Oxfordshire, where, after every funeral, a cake and a flagon of ale were brought to the minister in the church porch.—London Standard.

### Stone Cakes.

In very unusual seasons the people of Rajputan, in India, are deprived of seeds and succulent roots of grasses. Under these very adverse conditions the barks of trees and even ground up rocks are reported to principally

give bulk to the scanty meal and thereby to stay the pangs of hunger for a longer time. A soft stone found on the Bikanir-Marwar border of Jalpa is largely used in that part of the country to give bulk to the meager meal. This stone is friable and easily ground into fine powder. It contains an oleaginous substance which has some nutritive qualities, and the people have found that when finely ground and used in proportions of about one-fourth to three-fourths of flour it does not impair digestion for a considerable time.

### ARAB FASHIONS.

Clothes the Natives Wear and the Tailors Who Make Them.

Conservative in all matters, the Arab is especially averse to change in the matter of clothes. Not only do the fashions of the Arabs never change, writes Graham Petrie in "Tunis, Kairouan and Carthage," but they are very restricted. Although every Arab wears a gandoura more or less richly embroidered, it is always worked in one of three accepted patterns, from which no deviation nor any combination is permitted.

The only matter in which personal taste is allowed to show itself is in the choice of color. In this respect entire freedom is permitted and taken full advantage of, although it is curious to note that the more delicate shades of pink, yellow and mauve are generally worn by elderly men, while rich red and brown are in favor with their juniors.

The souk-el-trouk is the souk of the tailors in Tunis, and here in numerous little shops the sartorial needs of the Arab population are fashioned and temptingly displayed. I call them shops for want of a better word, but they are as unlike the European shop as anything one can imagine. They are really recesses separated from each other by coupled columns painted with stripes of red and green, which support a continuous cornice, richly carved and colored. There are no windows or doors, and the shop is raised some four feet above the ground. To this elevation the tailor nimbly vaults, for there are no steps to assist him. Sitting crosslegged in orthodox fashion, he there cuts out, pieces together and embellishes the gay silk waistcoats, gandouras and other garments beloved of the Arab.

### MAINE SPOOKS.

A Ghost House, a Phantom Light and a Mystic Woodchuck.

Bowdoinham boasts a veritable ghost house where it is said the chairs refuse to stay quietly in their places, but in the middle of the night walk out and draw together in groups just as if guided by visible hands. Then there is a spirit cane that goes walking all by itself just at midnight, tapping its way along from room to room and finally taking up its abode in the chamber where a member of the family sleeps. That this statement is true is affirmed by those who have seen the phenomena and who are not at all afraid of ghosts.

At another house in the village is a phantom light that shines each night no matter whether it be moonlight or darkness just above the closet door in the upper chamber. For years this light has disturbed the people who at different times have occupied the room, and some have been much afraid of the flickering gleam. From time to time different explanations have been offered, but none has proved satisfactory. The light continues to shine, and no one can account for the mystery.

Down at Lazy O camp is a spook woodchuck which every evening, just at the sunset hour, comes out of an old family tomb, halfway between the camp and the home farm. There on the tomb he sits quietly, watching the sunset lights on the waters of Merry-meeting. Just as the sun sinks below the horizon he disappears. The tomb swallows him up, and he is seen no more until the sunset hour comes round again.—Keenebec Journal.

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#### DIMINUTIVE FARMS.

The Way Real Estate is Divided Up in Portugal.

The Portuguese are an extremely conservative people. Every man follows rigidly the methods employed by his father and forefathers. In very many parts of the country the old wooden plows are still used.

When a man dies, instead of one of the heirs taking the whole property and paying the remaining heirs for their parts the whole property is divided into as many parts as there are heirs. More than this, each separate part of the property is thus divided.

Thus, if the property consists of ten acres of pasture land, eighty of vineyard and ten of grain land and there are ten heirs, each heir will receive one acre each of grain and pasture land and eight acres of vineyard. This process has been going on for a very long time, so that now in the most fertile part of Portugal the land is divided into incredibly small portions.

The immediate result of this, according to the United States consular reports, is that the product of the land is barely sufficient at best to sustain its owners. South of the river Tagus, on the other hand, there are enormous tracts of excellent land lying unused, but it has been found impossible to induce the farmers of the north to move into this region and take up large holdings.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

#### The Post's Woe.

"I have always been a reader of your poetry," began Mrs. Gushe. "I am glad," replied Algernon Charles Mystic, "that some one understands me."

"Oh, but that is what I have been hoping to meet you for. I wanted you to explain."—Philadelphia North American.

#### The Day of Rest.

"And now," said Mr. Fishback of Billville, "let us be thankful for one day of rest and get ready for church."

"Yes," said his wife; "run out and chop some wood and milk the cows and light the fire and make the coffee and wash the children while I bang my hair!"—Atlanta Constitution.

#### A Reproof.

Parent—Willie, my father used to whip me when I behaved as badly as you are doing. Willie—Well, I hope I'll never have to whip my little boy that.—Exchange.

#### WHITEWASHING COAL.

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Persons who have been somewhat astonished by having whitewashed coal delivered to them will be interested to know that the whitewashing is not done to improve the appearance or to increase the burning qualities. The treatment neither improves nor harms the fuel.

It is a detective scheme on the part of the railroads to locate and to prevent theft of the coal as it is hauled from the mines to the consumer. These depredations amount to thousands of tons annually, and the railroads are the sufferers, as it is up to them to deliver as many tons at their destination, often a thousand miles away, as were weighed in when the car was turned over for transportation.

Two or three tons may be removed from a carload containing forty tons without attracting attention to its decreased quantity until the car is again placed on the scales. To locate the loss, says Popular Mechanics, lime-water is sprayed over a carload of coal. In a short time the water has evaporated, leaving a load of white coal. Then removal of any coal leaves a big black spot, which is quickly noticed by inspectors and station agents and the leak found and stopped.

#### A Nation of Borrowers.

Zangibar appears, from a consular report, to be a place of universal borrowing. "Neither the Arab nor the Swahili," says the report, "has the slightest idea of thrift. The former, when he has sold his cloves, immediately spends the proceeds in entertaining or in the purchase of European articles for which he has little or no use. He then mortgages his property at a ruinous rate of interest or sells his next year's crop in advance at a price which would hardly pay for its harvesting, with the inevitable result that he is always up to his eyes in debt. The Swahili, if he happens to be out of debt at the beginning of the month, spends all his pay within a few days in food or native dances and has to beg, borrow or steal sufficient to maintain himself for the rest of the month. The money lender is in both cases the Indian, and the interest which he charges varies from 30 up to 300 per cent."

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# Diamonds

We have on display this week a nice assortment of diamonds ranging in price from

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Let Us Show Them to You.

**McLEAN'S DRUG STORE.**

## Social News.

Get your fireworks at H. J. Phillips'.

Rockers of all the late finishes at the Furniture Store.

For the best 25c meals, go to Maggie Stanton's Restaurant.

Don't fail to visit Bricker's before buying your holiday goods.

We always have barbed and fencing wire. Daniel & Burton.

The latest in belts on show at the Big Store at very low prices.

You can buy rugs and art squares at a bargain at the Furniture Store.

When you think of rugs and art squares, think of the Big Store.

A swell line of rockers and dining chairs at the Furniture Store.

Read the ad of Jas. S. Shivers & Co. on another page in this paper.

For the neatest hair cut and smoothest shave, go to Stanton the barber.

Don't fail to see the newest thing out. Its that Turkish jewelry at the Big Store.

Wanted—some one to play piano and sing illustrated songs at Electric Theatre. Apply at once.

J. A. Bricker is showing an exceptionally strong line of jewelry novelties for the holiday trade.

Texas salt per 100 lbs. . . . 40c.  
Liver Pool salt per 100 lbs. . . . 65c.  
Daniel & Burton.

Dripping Springs \$4.00 per gallon, express prepaid.  
W. E. Hail.

India stools, Roman seats, a nice line of bamboo goods, music cabinets. J. D. Sims, The Furniture Man.

If you got your whiskey from Hyman's saloon, you may rest assured that you got the best value your money could buy.

We do cleaning, pressing and repairing as they should be done. Try us and be convinced.  
Shupak Tailoring Co.

I handle nothing but the highest types of bonded barrel whisky with plenty of age to insure absolute purity.  
W. E. Hail.

A nice warm room with plenty of new catchy music and two new pictures and new song. Certainly ought to please anyone. Go to the Electric Theatre.

The genuine Magale, Paul Jones, Parker Eye, Nelson Club, Cascade, Dripping Springs or Sugar Valley at Hyman's saloon, Palestine.

If it is whiskey, get it from Hyman.

Apples by the box, 1.75, at H. J. Phillips'.

For anything in the jewelry and optical line see J. A. Bricker.

See the pretty rugs and art squares at the Furniture Store.

Something doing in art squares and rugs at the Furniture Store.

Order your Christmas whiskey from Hyman Harrison, Palestine.

Special line of jewelry novelties for the holiday trade at J. A. Bricker's.

Cranberries, celery and everything for your Xmas dinner at H. J. Phillips'.

Special prices on every piece of furniture from today until Jan. 1, 1910, at the Furniture Store.

For bath or shave go to Friend. Best equipped shop in Houston county. Cleanliness our hobby.

You can buy a wardrobe cheaper than you ever thought of buying one, at the Furniture Store.

R. Monarch Spring '02 \$4.00 per gallon, express prepaid.  
W. E. Hail.

Will pay 7 to 7½ cents for green hides and 12½ cents for dry.  
B. L. Satterwhite.

See the new Turkish jewelry at the Big Store. Just the thing for a nice Christmas or holiday gift.

No trouble to show you through the best line of furniture ever shown in Crockett, at the Furniture Store.

You know what you want and you get exactly what you order, when you order it from Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

We make a specialty of covered buttons. Bring the material with which you wish them covered.  
Shupak Tailoring Co.

All whiskies, wines, etc., bought from me same as advertised or money refunded.  
W. E. Hail.

From today until January 1, 1910, I will give special prices on anything you want in the furniture line.  
J. D. Sims.

Just arrived at the Big Store. A fine line of the newest combs, barretts, hand bags, hair rats, hair braids and head dressing of every kind.

Don't send your money out of the state when you order your Xmas whiskey. You don't get the right proof, the right measure, the right age, the right goods and at the right time. You'll get it just right when you order from Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Tex.

## Personal Items.

Jeff Rains was a caller at the Courier office Monday.

Miss Flora Brown will spend the holidays at home in San Saba.

Jo Ed Winfree is at home from the State University for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Nance will spend the holidays with her parents in Palestine.

M. A. Calhoun is having the Courier sent to him at Heidenheimer, Texas.

Geo. W. Patton of Kennard was a caller at the Courier office Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Satterfield will visit Dallas and Honey Grove during the holidays.

Harry Baker, a student of Burleson College at Greenville, is taking Christmas at home.

Mrs. Peyton Denman of Lufkin is a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. Berta Wootters.

Mr. L. R. Meadows, principal of the Crockett schools, will spend Christmas with friends in Waco.

Miss Alwilda Baker, teaching music at Cooper, Texas, is spending the holidays with her mother near Crockett.

A. T. McLaugh of Route 4 and J. J. Hammond of Holly were visitors at the Courier office Wednesday morning.

Sam Lipscomb, son of Judge A. D. Lipscomb of Beaumont, is spending the holiday season with relatives in this city.

Misses Nannie Bretling, Vina Smith and Albertine Wilson, teaching at Waverly, are at home for the holiday vacation.

Dr. B. S. Elliott has bought of Mrs. L. W. Cooper the vacant lot adjoining the home of the latter and will build a fine residence on same.

The thermometer went down to 18 above zero Sunday night. Ice has now been on the ground for four days, which the farmers say is a very fine thing for the soil.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Lancaster have issued invitations for a dance which will take place on the evening of Tuesday, December 28, at 9 o'clock, in the Electric Theatre.

Miss Mary Lipscomb of Beaumont, but now a student of the State University, is expected to arrive this week to be a guest of Mrs. Geo. W. Crook during the holidays.

Mrs. Berta Wootters arrived home Monday night from Stephenville and was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Willis Higginbotham, who will spend the holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Page arrived home Saturday night from a visit to Virginia. Mrs. Page has been away since spring, but Mr. Page only recently went to Virginia to return home with her and for a brief visit.

Miss Hallie Aldrich will be at home from the State University for the holiday season, during which time she will have as her guests Miss Ellen Hilsman of Austin and Miss Mabel Watson of Louisiana, for whom many entertainments are already being planned.

Just received one of the prettiest and cheapest lines of rugs and art squares ever shown in Crockett. Extra special price for the next 15 days.  
J. D. Sims,  
The Furniture Man.

## 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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Crockett, Texas

Wardrobes, side boards, buffets, dining tables and chairs. Everything offered at a bargain for 15 days. J. D. Sims, The Furniture Man.

Those kid gloves on display at the Big Store are the best that money can buy, and are guaranteed not to rip if you get the right size.

Have you ordered that winter suit? If not, now is the time and Shupak Tailoring Co's. is the place. They can please in both style and price.

Bed room suits from the cheapest to the best. Odd dressers and stands. Everything at a bargain.  
J. D. Sims,  
The Furniture Man.

Over 100 standard brands of high grade whiskies to select from. Write for my price list, order blanks, etc. Address, Hyman Harrison, Palestine Tex.

Furniture! Furniture! Furniture! The biggest stock ever shown in Crockett at prices that will give satisfaction. Everything new and up-to-date, at the Furniture Store.

Of course, you can get your whiskey elsewhere, but if you want brands that you know to be good, if you are after good quality, quantity or prompt shipment order it from Hyman's saloon, Palestine.

The manager of the Electric Theatre has secured the services of Mr. V. B. Tunstall and little Erin Tunstall, and also Miss Janie Smith, and will guarantee good and up-to-date music throughout the entire performance.

If you do not enjoy yourselves, its your own fault, for we are doing our best to please the amusement going public at the Electric Theatre. Two new pictures and a new illustrated song and plenty of good music each night.

The State Pure Food Law guarantees you the quality and purity of the goods. I guarantee you the kind, the age, the proof, the measure and the prompt shipment. Order it from Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

### Notice

There is a city ordinance against discharging fire works of any kind on or in any public street or alley within the city limits of the City of Crockett, and I have been instructed by the Mayor and City Council to rigidly enforce said ordinance. Please take notice that all parties caught violating this ordinance will be prosecuted accordingly. C. W. LeGory,  
It  
City Marshal.

## F. B. WEBB'S RESTAURANT AND BAKERY

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Lunches at All Hours

### Notice to Tax Payers.

I will be in Grapeland and Lovelady on the following days for the purpose of collecting 1909 taxes: Grapeland, Wednesday, January 5, 1910; Lovelady, Thursday, January 6, 1910. A. L. Goolsby,  
Tax Collector, Houston Co.

### Holiday Excursion Rates.

The I. & G. N. R. R. will sell excursion tickets to all points in Texas, December 18th to 26th, inclusive, 30th, 31st and Jan. 1st, limit Jan. 5th, at one and one-third fare. For further information see J. B. Valentine, ticket agent I. & G. N. R. R. 2t.

The Courier has heard of a new firm that will begin business in Crockett on the first day of January next, occupying the W. E. Maves building adjoining the First National bank. The firm will be composed of Wesley Shivers and Joel Leathers and will conduct a general mercantile business.

Mr. William Penn Bishop and Miss Carey A. LeGory stole a march on their friends Tuesday evening when Miss LeGory became Mrs. Bishop. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Arnold of the Christian church. Friends were busy Wednesday morning extending congratulations and best wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Lancaster beg to announce that they will begin a class in dancing Thursday, December 30. Afternoon class, 4:30 to 6:30; evening class, 9 to 11. Regular class days Tuesdays and Thursdays. For further particulars telephone 169 or apply in person. Patronage of both children and adults solicited. Pupils admitted to weekly dances free.

### Notice.

I have sold my barber shop to Mr. Claud Corder, who is a good barber and a man of excellent moral character and habits. Any favor shown him will be highly appreciated.

I wish to thank my friends for their patronage and past favors.

Respectfully,  
V. B. Tunstall.

### Houston County Farmer Owns Auto.

Crockett received its third automobile Tuesday. The Courier failed to find out the name of the owner of the new car, but was told that the machine, a gasoline run-about, was the property of a farmer living at Pennington. The automobile was shipped to Crockett, reaching here Tuesday. As this is the third machine put into service in Houston county, the Courier would suggest that it be called No. 3.

### Where is the "West" and "East"?

"Where are you from?" inquired the New Yorker.  
"Los Angeles," said the man from California.  
"Oh, I see," exclaimed the Empire State inhabitant. "So you're from the West. Well, I've been West some myself. Now last year I was out as far as Cleveland and stopped a while at Pittsburg. I was all around out West."  
"Is that so?" said the man from Los Angeles with a great show of interest. "Well, I was up East myself not so very long ago. I was in Denver and Salt Lake City, and all around. It's strange we didn't meet."—Louisville "Courier-Journal."

# CHRISTMAS



WE ARE YOURS TO PLEASE

## SWEET'S DRUG STORE

We have in stock this year something for any and every one at reasonable prices.

- A fine assortment of toys that please the children.
- A swell line of cut glass, hand painted china ware and china novelties.
- Books, Bibles and Testaments.
- Games that are sensible.
- Xmas boxes of cigars.
- Pictures at your own price.
- Xmas post cards, three for 5 cents.
- Fountain pens.
- Morocco money purses.
- Perfumes that last.
- Paper dolls, china dolls and wax dolls.
- Pipes and cases.
- Toilet sets—solid silver.
- Glove, cuff, collar and work boxes.

Make your purchases early and save money, time and worry.

### The Crockett Courier

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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.

#### THE GOVERNMENT WILL HELP.

The national department of agriculture—the good roads department—will send a road construction expert to any community in the United States to superintend road building if the people of that community will bear the cost of material and labor. The government makes no charge for the time of the expert who superintends the work. As stated the only cost is for material and labor. Then, if we want good roads, the question is, how can the cost of the material and labor best be met? The Courier knows but one answer: Issue interest-bearing bonds, assess a low road tax that will eventually take them up and sell the bonds in the market. Under the law this can be done and is being done in a majority of the most progressive counties in the state. Through this method the burden, though light, falls alike on the shoulders of all property-holders and none are permitted to vote in the election to determine the issue except property-holders. The Courier understands a petition is now being prepared for circulation asking the county commissioners to order an election to determine whether the county shall issue the bonds. Any district or community has the same right as the county.

#### NO COURIER NEXT WEEK.

From January 1 to December 25 the Courier force has labored incessantly. To get out the paper promptly not a day could be lost during that time. Men in other vocations of life have gone fishing, hunting, taken trips over the country and visited their wives' kinspeople, but not so with the Courier force. The prompt publication of a periodical is exacting and the hours of toil are more frequently lengthened than shortened. The Courier cannot lose a few days without missing an issue and for that reason there will be no issue of the Courier next week. Publications in the larger towns do not miss a number because substitutes for the regular men can be had and the work goes on without interruption. But substitutes cannot be procured in the smaller towns and as the regular force is entitled to a short vacation, the Courier office will be closed, from December 25 to January 1. We wish all a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and after January 1 the Courier will come to you as heretofore.

#### FOR A SAFE AND SANE CHRISTMAS.

In another place in the Courier will be found a notice from Mr. C. W. LeGory, city marshal, in which he warns all against the unlawful discharging of fireworks of any kind on or in any public street or alley within the city limits. The city marshal gives notice that the ordinance against the discharging of fireworks will be enforced in its strictest terms and in this he has the backing of the mayor and city council. The Courier hopes and believes that every good citizen will encourage and support a

rigid enforcement of the ordinance in question.

The Courier recognizes the right of every citizen to celebrate the birth of his Savior in any manner that may seem proper to him so long as he does not interfere with the rights or jeopardize the property of others. But when people resort to fireworks and other explosives to celebrate any event in a town the size of Crockett they cross over the bounds and trespass on the rights and property of their neighbors. It is unnecessary to point out or dilate on the dangers to life and property resulting from explosives at Christmas or any other time.

#### News From Lovelady.

Miss Nell Turner returned last week from an extended visit spent with relatives in Austin. Mrs. Anna C. Tolbott is spending some time in Marlin. Mrs. C. C. Murray of Trinity spent a few days last week with friends. Mrs. Jennie McKinnon of Lufkin is the pleasant guest of Mrs. B. F. Dent. Mrs. Lura Green and little child of Palestine are the guests of her grandmother, Mrs. S. N. Tigner. Miss Ira Brannen returned to her home in Holly to spend the holidays with homefolks. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Atkinson and little Miss Bessie of Groveton were the guests of Mrs. R. V. Atkinson a few days last week. Miss Verne Monday returned last week from Waco, at which place she has been attending Baylor University. Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Green were called to Livingston last week to the bedside of Mr. Green's brother who died there Friday. Miss Laura Monzigo is spend-

ing the holidays with her parents on Nevils Prairie.

Miss Omie Stanley of Nevils Prairie was the guest of Mrs. H. B. Monday last week.

Frank McMurrey and Grady Hale returned to their home in Camilla last week.

Misses Myra Hemphill and Jimmie Hartt returned from Groveton this week to spend Christmas with their homefolks.

Misses Lillian Niisse and Letitia Beeson, teaching in Trinity county, are visitors in Lovelady for the holidays.

Howard Alexander of Galveston is at home for the holidays.

Charlie J. Niisse and Norman H. Moore returned this week from Austin.

Misses Qbelle and Maude Clayton of Katy and Brookshire will be guests of Mrs. Pat Clayton next week.

Miss Alma Moore, teacher of the Hartville school at Wallis, will arrive Friday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Moore.

Mr. J. J. Edwards and family of Troupe are guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Collins.

#### To the Memory of Walter Turner.

Whereas our Heavenly Father in his love and divine providence has taken from our number one of our most devoted and faithful members; we, the committee of the Baptist Sunday school class of which he was a member, do hereby adopt the following resolutions: Resolve 1st. That in the death of one so faithful to every duty, the entire church suffers a loss. After such a short spell of typhoid fever, he passed away in Waco, Texas, Dec. 7, 1909, to his reward, being only 20 years and 3 months old.

2nd. That we sincerely regret that a life so young and full of promise should have been taken from us; but we do not mourn as those who have no hope, but rejoice through our tears in the hope of meeting him again.

3rd. That we his co-workers do hereby extend our most heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowing mother who mourns the loss of a loving and dutiful son and the sister who has lost a kind and affectionate brother. We commend them to the God he served who alone is able to heal their crushed and bleeding hearts.

"Our lives are so uncertain,  
We cannot tell; 'tis true,  
How soon we'll cross the river  
And bid this life adieu."

4th. That a copy of these be sent each to the Crockett Courier, Trinity County Star and the beloved family.

Pauline Perry,  
W. H. Collins,  
I. J. Young,  
W. H. Tomme,  
Committee.

#### Notice to My Friends and Patrons.

I wish to announce that I have closed out my Gents' Furnishing line, and I am going to continue to do all kinds of cleaning and pressing work at the same cheap prices as before.

I am now prepared to clean and block hats here in your own town.

After Jan. 1, 1910, all work will be cash on delivery, as my prices are so very small that every one can afford to pay cash for the work.

Thanking you for your favors shown me in the past, and trusting to receive a part of your business in the future, I remain,  
Yours respectfully,  
John Horan.

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**Foley's Honey and Tar**  
cures colds, prevents pneumonia.