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Notice For Publication
Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
January 18, 1905.
It is hereby given that the following
final proof will be made before the
Commissioner, at his office in Artesia,
New Mexico, on February 27, 1905. Viz: Alfred W.
upon Homestead application No.
the S1-2 of SW1-4, Section 11, T. 17 S.

The following witnesses to prove
residence upon and cultivation
of said land, viz: Henry C. Owens, of Ar-
tesia, N. M.; Norman E. Owens, of Artesia,
George P. Cleveland, of Artesia, N. M.;
Hubert, of Artesia, N. M.
Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication.
(Desert Land, Final Proof.)
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, N. M.,
December 22, 1904.
It is hereby given that James
Barnes, assignee of Enos S.
of Artesia, Eddy County,
New Mexico, has filed notice of in-
tention to make proof on his desert
claim No. 1077, for the NW 1/4 of
T. 18 S., R. 25 E., before the
Register or Receiver at Roswell, New
Mexico, on Friday, the 10th day of
January, 1905.
He names the following witnesses to
prove the complete irrigation and
reclamation of said land: John P.
of Dayton, N. M.; Joseph G.
of Dayton, N. M.; Robert B.
of Artesia, N. M.; Silas C.
of Artesia, N. M.
Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, N. M.,
January 5, 1905.
A sufficient contest affidavit hav-
ing been filed in this office by Har-
old J. Swartz, contestant, against
desert-land entry No. 1217, made
on 20, 1903, for the South half of
Section 20, Township 18 S., Range
E., by John H. Burns contestee,
which it is alleged that said John
Burns has not expended on said
tract the sum of one dollar per acre
for the purpose of cultivating and re-
claiming said tract as required by
law; said parties are hereby notified
to appear, respond and offer evidence
touching said allegation at 2 o'clock
p. m. on March 16, 1905 before the
Register and Receiver at the U. S.
Land Office in Roswell, N. M. The
said contestant having in a proper
affidavit, filed Jan. 25, 1905, set forth
facts which show that after due dili-
gence personal service of this notice
has not been made, it is hereby ordered
and directed that such notice be given
by due and proper publication.
Howard Leland, Register.

A Bright Man Passes Away.
Harvey F. M. Bear, editor of the
Roswell Daily Record the only Dem-
ocratic daily paper published in New
Mexico, died at his home in Roswell
last Sunday, Jan. 29 of ascending
paralysis after about one month's ill-
ness.
Mr. Bear was one of the best known
citizens of the Pecos Valley and has
done a vast amount of work, assist-
ing in the development of southeast-
ern New Mexico. He was a staunch
Democrat and a true man. A wife,
two children and father and mother,
all of Roswell, survive him.
Mr. Wm. Phillips, of Belleville,
Ark., arrived in Artesia a few days
since with LaGrippe. He is about
well now and pleased with the Val-
ley.

DESIRE NEW COUNTY WITH FAIR ARTESIA AS ITS CAPITAL.

**Substantial John Richey Explains the
Needs of a People Who Are
Improving the Best Irri-
gated Agricultural
Section of a Rich
Valley.**

Santa Fe New Mexican January 30.
John Richey, of Artesia, is ming-
ling with the solons this week, hav-
ing been sent as one of the delegates
from Artesia Commercial Club to
urge the passage of the county site
bill introduced in the House last
week by Hon. G. F. Ellis. Mr. Richey
is one of the staunch Republicans
of the Pecos valley, and is now chair-
man of the Republican Club of Ar-
tesia. He has been a resident of the
valley nine years now conducting a
large farm near Artesia. Mr. Richey
is one of those sterling citizens who
are doing much to improve the ma-
terial and political conditions of his
section. In asking for a new county
with Artesia as the capital, he gives
his reasons for the faith that is in
him.

Mr. Richey says: "The sugges-
tion of a new county seat was first
made by the Carlsbad Argus, L. O.
Fullen's paper, organ of the Republi-
can party of Eddy county, when, in
its issue of July 17, 1903, it said:
"The striking of artesian water at
Artesia means much to the northern
part of Eddy county. It means a
noble agricultural section and also
a new county as soon as another ter-
ritorial assembly convenes."
"The culmination of this sugges-
tion was reached when the Democ-
rats of the fifteenth legislative dis-
trict in convention assembled at
Roswell, September 24, nominated
Mr. Ellis as a member of the House.
The Roswell Record, commenting
editorially on the result of the con-
vention said:

"In the legislature this coming
session there may be some legislation
that will vitally affect irrigation.
The subject of county division will
come up. And on many questions
that may arise Chaves county
thought that this part of the valley
would receive much fairer treatment
by letting the new county take its
turn now. The convention so willed
it and in the Democratic party the
voice of the majority should be the
voice of God."
"In the governor's message of
1903, the statement is made that
Eddy county embraces an area of
6,506 square miles; that it is almost
equal to New Jersey; larger than
Connecticut; over three times as
large as Delaware and six times as
large as Rhode Island. From this
it can readily be inferred that it is
much too large for an economical
administration of county affairs.

DIVIDED BY HILLS.
"The north portion of the county
is divided from the south portion by
a range of hills. There is nothing
in common between the two sections
of the county, neither in character
of soil, water supply or its distribu-
tion. To visit the county seat from
Artesia by rail to transact county
business requires two nights and one
day besides considerable expense.

ARGUMENTS UNANSWERABLE.
"All the county officials except
one commissioner lives in the south-
ern portion.
"All the county property, court
house, jail and bridges are in the
southern half.
"The proposed county of Artesia
will have to help pay for this prop-
erty and get none of the benefits; the
assessments on which a tax will be
levied will be made next March giv-
ing the old county the benefit of
large values that have come in dur-
ing the last year. Our bill provides
for the election of county officials in
the fall of 1906 thus entailing no in-
creased expense for nearly two years
—no more fair proposition was ever
submitted.
"Each part of the county showed
last fall about the same number of
registered voters with at least one
hundred settlers in the north part
that had not been there long enough
to be entitled to vote.

SHOWING OF TAX ROLLS.
"The tax rolls of 1904 show an as-
sessment valuation of in round num-
bers \$1,800,000. Of this amount

\$700,000 was in the north half. We
have a statement sworn to by six
reputable citizens of the town of Ar-
tesia giving in detail facts regarding
the valuation of property that has
come in since the last assessment
that the actual value of such prop-
erty was \$508,000 and probable assess-
ed valuation of \$254,350. Add to
this the former valuation brings the
amount up to near \$1,000,000.

"This increase consists of lands
proved up, lands scripped, wells
drilled, well machines, buildings
and stocks of goods. The next two
years will far more than double our
valuation. This year will see 100
new wells brought in which will
mean water enough for at least
20,000 acres of new land. This land
will be worth \$50 per acre, or \$11,
000,000. Our lands will be largely
planted in alfalfa and orchards, and
there is no reason why they should
not soon approximate in value lands
in the Roswell country where alfalfa
lands are worth \$100 per acre and
orchards from \$250 to \$500 per acre.
No one need worry about the propo-
sed county of Artesia not being able
to maintain itself and as far as the
Carlsbad section is concerned they
ought to be able to maintain a coun-
ty government on twice the assessa-
ble valuation some other counties in
New Mexico have.

WILL DOUBLE IT.
"They expect to, by the aid of the
government, greatly enlarge their
water supply and if they will display
the same energy they give the Ar-
tesia real estate men credit for they
should soon double their assessed
valuation.
"They already have their county
bridges and buildings and should be
happy.
"We have answered this conten-
tion that we should wait two years
by our bill that does not go into
effect for nearly that length of time.

THE BANK OF ARTESIA. The Second Institution of This Kind Or- ganized in Artesia Within a Year.

One year ago last Thursday The
First National Bank of Artesia was
organized with a capital stock of
\$25,000.
Little did the then citizens of Ar-
tesia dream that the business of our
little city and vicinity would assume
such proportions as to demand
another institution of this kind, but
there seems to be ample room, and,
some of our keen citizens realizing
this fact, met Thursday, Feb. 2nd,
and organized the second bank to be
known as "The Bank of Artesia."
Capital stock \$30,000.

The following officers were elected:
J. C. Gage, president; A. V. Logan,
Vice-President; A. L. Norfleet, Cash-
ier; Jno. B. Enfield, Ass't Cashier.
The bank will be ready for business
in the new Baskin block about the
7th of this month.
This institution has sound finan-
cial backing and its business will be
conducted by popular and responsi-
ble men. Dr. Norfleet is well known
as former cashier of the First Nation-
al Bank and has many friends in the
valley. We bespeak for this new in-
stitution much success.

Rev. Wm. Carle, of Artesia, closed
on Thursday of last week a successful
series of meetings at Hagerman. He
was assisted in this meeting by Rev.
C. H. Lukens, of Roswell, and Rev.
John Meeker, of Portales. The meet-
ing resulted in twenty professions,
after which a Presbyterian church
was organized at Hagerman.

Mr. J. W. Maxwell, of Ohio,
bought 320 acres of land a few miles
west of town of J. H. Beckham, Jr.,
and has gone to work making im-
provements.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Pres-
byterian church will meet at the
home of Mrs. Carle, Feb. 9, at 10 a.
m. All are invited to come prepared
to sew. Emma Gilbert, Secy.

OUR DUTY. We Must Know It and Do It.

The future welfare of our children
and of our children's children de-
mands a decisive and bold step on
the part of those who oppose the evil
influence of saloons and intoxicants
as a beverage. We grant that the
saloon men of Artesia are men of the
highest personal integrity, for we
know nothing to the contrary. They
are engaged in a legitimate business,
not only countenanced by our law-
makers but by them made legal,
therefore we should not too severely
censure the saloon men but we
should fight them, fight them in the
open and fight them to the finish.
Upon one side or the other of this
important question every man and
woman in Artesia should take their
stand. One cannot favor the saloon
and its influence and at the same
time oppose it. You can not walk
upon both sides of the fence and re-
tain the respect of well balanced
men of either side. As for us we
had rather be a yellow dog and bay
at the moon forever than to be a
double-faced, double-hearted sem-
blance of a man with deceit sticking
out a foot long like the thorns on a
cactus plant. The saloon man is a
better man than many of his patrons.
We know where he stands. He is in
the business for the money that is in
it. He is working to make bread
and raiment for the family that is
depending upon him for support and
while we would be unwilling to dam-
age him financially we know quite
well there are hundreds of avocations
for energetic men and a thousand
ways to make an honest living with-
out menacing the lives and the hap-
piness of the people of a whole
community.

Have you, business men of Artesia,
stopped to consider the objects of
this mad rush for wealth? You are
scrambling for money to buy, build
and beautify your homes, to furnish
luxuries for your families, to supply
yourselves with everything good,
but, you have never fully decided
what those good things will be.
Some will say, to give my boy, my
girl or my children a good education,
which is commendable, but will your
children have minds to train a
few years hence, have you thought
of that. Right here in Artesia, as
in other towns, we have conditions
that are paralyzing to the hearts of
those who take time to consider for
one minute the future welfare of our
boys and girls. The influence of sa-
loons and alcoholic drink unless
counteracted would undermine the
foundations of civil government,
break down the barriers of social
happiness, blight talent, dethrone
virtue and sweep all domestic
felicity from the earth. Are we do-
ing anything in Artesia to counteract
this influence? Will you wait for
your neighbor to save your boy from
the liquor that corrupts the mind
and enervates the body, that destroys
vigor and virtue and at the same
time makes those who drink it too
idle and feeble for work, or, to pre-
vent your daughter from becoming
the wife of one, something much
more to be dreaded? Will you stand
on top of the fence or will you get
down on one side or the other. We
are going to get on one side and
stand in the open. The saloons
must not, shall not have our boys,
nor can anyone on the other side of
the fence get our girl.

Those who oppose saloons and the
influence of strong drink as a bever-
age should get on one side. We
should have at once a Y. M. C. A.
in Artesia, with a warm, comfortable
reading room established as a place
for the boys and young men on our
side to congregate both day and
night. This is an absolute necessity.
A movement of this kind is more
necessary than a new county; more
necessary than a new state. All of
us should unite and work together.
We should work in the day time,
work at night, work on the streets
and see that the boys are safe and
that they go only into the right
places for amusement. All the mon-
ey of itself cannot bring happiness,
for those who are truly happy are
happy in the home and no drunken
son can make a happy home.

We can continue to be the big end
of a county that is big enough to be
a state, to say the least.

We firmly believe in the final sur-
vival of the fittest, therefore we are
not uneasy about Artesia. It is prob-
ably best that the bill to create the
new county Artesia was defeated. It
only provided for a court house to
cost \$25,000 and other things in pro-
portion. A \$25,000 court house
would look small in a city of some
50,000 population and Artesia will
have that population and finally
be the largest city in the Territory.
We can wait two years, for we might
want some changes made in the bill.

We now have a Methodist Sunday
School. All Methodists, especially,
should attend this Sunday school at
M. E. church at 9:30 a. m. every
Sunday. The members of all other
denominations are respectfully in-
vited, also those who are not mem-
bers of any church. Each member
should influence others to attend.

The bill introduced in the Terri-
torial legislature to create the county
Artesia, was defeated by a vote of 18
to 8.

Rev. Wm. Carle informs us that
the Presbyterian protracted meeting
will probably begin during the com-
ing week, unless arrangements can
be made with Rev. Ray for a union
meeting. As we are to have a Meth-
odist meeting right away, we sincere-
ly hope our preachers will decide to
give us a union meeting and that we
will have the greatest revival meet-
ing ever held in this valley.

The Woman's Literary Club met
Wednesday, Feb. 1st, with Mrs. J.
P. Dyer. Mrs. Weems had charge of
the program. Her subject, The
Plantagenets from 1399 to 1461, was
treated in a most delightful and en-
tertaining manner. Mrs. Harry
Hamilton had a very interesting and
carefully prepared paper on Joan of
Arc. Mrs. Gore read appropriate se-
lections from Shakespeare. This
proved to be one of the most enjoy-
able of our meetings this winter al-
though bad weather kept quite a
number of our most valued members
away. The meeting for Feb. 15,
will be with Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs.
Kemp being leader.

And Artesia will have to be satisfi-
ed with remaining a part of Eddy
county. It would have been too bad
to have taken away the best part of
the county.—Roswell Record.

Correct brother, Carlsbad no
doubt argued before the Legislature
that the house would be worth noth-
ing without the prop that surports it.

Hayden-Woodworth.

Tuesday January, 31, at 6 o'clock
p. m. a quiet wedding took place at
the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L.
Woodworth, on Quay Avenue. The
contracting parties were Mr. Henry
Hayden and Miss Julia, the charm-
ing daughter of our magistrate, Mr.
J. L. Woodworth. Rev. R. H. Gore
tied the nuptial knot. The bride-
groom is well and favorably known
in Artesia as a young man of many
sterling qualities, and well worthy
the hand of this noble young lady
who is gifted with many christian
graces.

The Advocate joins their many
friends in wishing for them a long
life of prosperity and happiness, un-
obscured by the dark clouds of mis-
fortune.

The Presbyterian Church will hold
services both morning and evening
Sabbath Feb. 5 at the school house
and on the first and third Sabbaths
of the month thereafter until their
new church building is erected.
Preaching by the pastor.

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ARTESIA, N. M.

We incline to the opinion that Gen. Stoesel will refuse to be a candidate for a second term.

Bombs are again being hurled in Barcelona. That place seems to be the Paterson, N. J., of Spain.

New York Chinese are hot to depose the Empress. Distance lends courage as well as enchantment.

This suit for \$350,000 against Tom Lawson may provide him with still another chapter on frenzied finance.

The records show that Miss Thaw paid \$250,000 for her title as Countess of Yarmouth. She got the Earl as boot.

It is instructive to consider what might have been if young Thaw's parents had made him go to work for a living.

In order to comply with the fitness of things Boston should remove the sacred codfish from the capital and hang up a sole.

If the world really wants to stop the war between Russia and Japan, it has only to stop lending the two contending nations money.

Russia will have a new navy built in Germany, France and America. Aha! Now isn't John Bull sorry he has been so friendly to the Japs?

It staggers the country to hear the Massachusetts legislature likened to a string of sausages. Siring beans would sound more convincing.

The rich woman in Indianapolis who left her entire fortune to her coachman was lucky enough to die before her heirs found out about it.

The Chicago clergyman who says that women are not angels has no reason to complain. It is much better to have them as they are—just women.

The commander-in-chief of the army of Panama threatened a revolution and got retired on full pay for life. Revolution is still profitable on the isthmus.

Somebody stole \$20,000 of the Forepaugh circus employees' wages from the money wagon, and the detectives searched everybody's trunk except the elephant's.

That millionaire philanthropist of New York who is looking for a house in the slums so that he may help his neighbors evidently despairs of reforming the 400.

Do not deride the St. Paul man who paid an election bet by rolling a peanut all around the Minnesota state-house. Rolling a peanut may be just what he is fitted for.

Marriage of the feeble-minded was opposed at the charity conference. Some old bachelors might think that classification would take in all who contemplate matrimony.

One bride gets a check for \$50,000 and another one for \$10,000 as a wedding gift. We venture the remark that where such assets are visible, marriage is never quite a failure.

Any one who has watched a football player using his dome of thought as a battering ram upon the opposing line will admit that the performance seems calculated to produce softening somewhere.

Now that the logbook and private papers of Columbus have been found in Paris, we should like to know, among other things, whether the logbook starts at each day with "brite and fair."

"The longer we live," says the Nebraska State Journal, "the more thoroughly convinced we are that no man knows as much as he lets on." This seems to call for a sharp rejoinder from Editor Stead.

The Harvard sophomore class has elected as its president a poor student who is working his way through college by acting as a waiter. This country can never be in a bad way while such things happen.

The esteemed Philadelphia Record is in a state of mind because Pennsylvania has a surplus of over \$14,000,000 in its treasury. It manifests almost as much uneasiness as if there were a deficit of \$14,000,000.

Objectionable literature from France imported at New York is being burned, perhaps on the theory, based on observation of current publications, that we are able now to supply our own market for that kind of stuff.

A Semi-Political Ghost

Hiram Grinell was a Democrat in a Republican district. He heard the triumphal shouts which announced coming victory, but forgot that they came from Republican throats. He was so sure of a successful campaign for his party that he made a vow not to have his hair cut or his face shaved if his candidate was not elected President. When the Democratic nominee was snuffed under by Republican ballots Hiram Grinell kept his vow. He did not reflect that zeal without discretion was as disastrous as courage without conviction. He was what irreverent young people called a "holy show" when his hair began to descend over his coat collar and his whiskers blotted out his features as effectually as a mask.

"Looks for all the world like an owl peering out of a bramble bush," was his sister's outspoken verdict.

"He might as well be Nebuchadnezzar and done with it," said his wife; "he's only fit for a sideshow in a circus."

"Or Samson in a Sunday school tableau," responded Aunt Hetty.

"Oh, for a Delilah who would dare to shear him," commented Mrs. Grinell, hoping by ridicule to bring him to a realizing sense of his ridiculous appearance.

At first Hiram put a bold front on, and frequented as formerly the haunts of men who met to exchange political or business views, but he soon found that his prestige had failed. His opinions were not asked freely as in the days preceding election, and some comments, including the word "crank," reached his ears. Some old friends professed not to know him when they met, and one old chum said in forcible tones: "For goodness sake, man, go and get a haircut—you look like a mermaid." Ridicule is a powerful weapon, and between the public and his own family Grinell's life was made a burden, with no relief in sight.

The minister of his particular denomination had called to remonstrate with him, and he tried to make it clear that a foolish vow is better broken than kept. He pointed out to him political as well as financial ruin if he persisted in his unwise course.

For answer Hiram propounded a question. "Isn't this a free country? Hasn't a man the right to wear his hair and beard as he pleases?"

"No," said the minister sturdily, "no man liveth to himself alone. When we are in Rome we must conform to the customs of Rome. You have no right to inflict such an indignity upon your family. Besides you make a public spectacle of yourself, which is not improving or uplifting, but, on the contrary, demoralizing."

When everybody else turned against Grinell his wife, with true womanly inconsistency, began to pet him and gently attempted to lead him back to sanity, for the good woman believed that her Hiram, through over-exertion in the election campaign, had suffered some kind of mental sunstroke.

The minister made one more call on the wayward member, not to remonstrate with him this time, or to try to make him see his duty, but to ask him in plain terse language to abstain from his churchgoing altogether until such time as he should see the folly of his appearance or the election of a Democrat to the presidential chair should release him from his vow and permit him again to resemble a human being. Hiram meekly agreed to stay away from church, where he was a regular attendant, but he felt the blow.

Then he resigned from religion and politics and staid at home, to the detriment of his business. Mrs. Grinell hoped much from this enforced confinement, which he hated, but he settled himself in a sort of hopeless apathy by his own fireside, where his wife ministered to him as to an invalid. After he had seen a description of himself, with lifelike portrait, in the newspapers, he ceased to read them, but break his vow he would not, and his poor wife was at her wit's end when Mrs. Delilah came. But—pardon me for obtruding the name of that historical woman here—her second appearance was as a ghost.

Yes, Mr. Grinell, who had never been even slightly interested in metaphysical subtleties, was seeing ghosts. His wife could hardly believe her own ears when he called her to him one morning and asked:

"Who is that woman standing there by the window? Why doesn't she sit down? Give her a chair, Cynthia."

"What woman?" Mrs. Grinell pricked up her ears and followed the direction of her husband's gesture. "There isn't any woman there, Hiram."

"Maybe I'm blind or going crazy," suggested Hiram, "but if there wasn't a little woman in a white gown standing there a moment since I'll eat my hat."

"Hiram Grinell, I believe you've been drinking!" snapped his sister, "or else all that hair on your face has gone to your brain, and you don't know a woman from a wooden post. If you'd see a barber you wouldn't be seeing ghosts," and Aunt Hetty picked up her work and founced out of the room.

Days passed and the woman in white grew upon the vision of the long-haired politician until he began to think he didn't care a continental whether the country went Democratic or Republican if this haunting figure would only vanish from his mental horizon. He feared now that he really might be mentally unbalanced since ghosts did not appear to those who were in a normal condition. Do what he would he could not impart the vision to Cynthia. That common-sense woman was trying to turn the incident to account. She was not pleased to have her Hiram haunted by a woman ghost. She was quite equal to taking care of him herself.

"I don't propose to have any woman—in the flesh or out of it—trapezing around after my husband," she said, "and if you ever owed any boarding-house-keeper, or washerwoman, and failed to pay up, or jilted any girl—"

"Mercy!" interrupted the wretched man, shaking in his shoes, "they wouldn't have waited until this time to come and haunt me!"

"And how they can pluck up courage to haunt you now is more than I can understand. How long is it since you saw yourself as others see you? Won't you look in the glass, Hiram?"

"No, I won't, Cynthia," and he frightened his family into fits by putting on his hat and going down the street. An hour later he walked in with a close haircut and a smooth shave.

"There!" he exclaimed, as his wife and sister congratulated him, "I hope you women are satisfied. I've gone back on my party and my principles, all to please you."

But he was evidently pleased himself, and he sat down and looked down the room with an air of relief that changed to one of consternation as he said brokenly:

"She's there yet, Cynthia."

Mrs. Grinell examined her husband's countenance with critical attention. She studied it at a distance and at close range. Then she found a pair of tweezers and went to work on his brows and lashes, which were profuse and beetling.

"Ouch, ouch, ouch!" he grunted, as she snapped out three crows' feet from the heavy black fringe. These she laid in his hand. They were as white as snow, the only white hairs in his hirsute growth. Hiram regarded them stupidly.

"Now, look for your ghost—your little woman in white," commanded his wife sharply.

"She's gone," with a sigh of relief. "And she won't come back again, now that you're not a wild man of the woods. I've sent her about her business. She was all in your eye, anyway."—Record-Herald.

Zeal Without Knowledge

When President Roosevelt was a little boy, the sexton of a New York Presbyterian church, finding him peeping in through the open door one morning, asked him if he would like to come in. Little Reddy, however, declined, and ran away. Presently he was found again peeping in, and again bolted when invited to come in. This occurred several times during the morning, and when little Roosevelt got home he told his mother of the sexton's invitation and his own fear of going into the church. "But why didn't you go in, my dear?" she asked. "It is the house of God, but there is no harm in entering it quietly and looking about."

The little fellow confessed that he was afraid to go in because the zeal might jump out at him from under a pew or somewhere. "The zeal? What is the zeal?" the mother inquired.

"Why," explained Theodore, "I suppose it is some big animal like a dragon or an alligator. I heard the minister read from the Bible about the zeal, and it frightened me." Down came the concordance from the library shelf, and one after another of the texts containing the word "zeal" was read to the child, whose eyes suddenly grew big, and his voice, excited, as he exclaimed: "That's it—the first you read!" It was Psalm lix, 9: "For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up."

Some Useful Inks.

Indelible Ink.—For marking linen without preparation. Nitrate of silver one and one-half ounces, dissolve in six ounces of liquor ammonia fortis. Archil for coloring, one ounce; gum mucilage, twelve ounces. The best extant.

Silver Ink.—Mix one ounce of the finest pewter or block tin in shavings with two ounces of quicksilver, until all becomes fluid, then add to it sufficient gum arabic water to produce the proper consistency.

Yellow Ink.—A little alum added to saffron in soft hot water makes a beautiful yellow ink.—Epitomist.

A Brave Little Tennessean

"What is it?" said John.

"Can it be a schoolhouse in this uninhabited region?" I answered with another question.

The doors were wide open, hats and sunbonnets hung on pegs, dinner pails and baskets hung under them, and, listening, one detected the murmur of recitations.

"Where can all these children come from?" I asked.

"O, the woods are full of them," responded John; adding, "Let us go in"—for where children gather, there goes John.

We drove around the building, tied the pony and knocked at the schoolhouse door, to be welcomed with a smile on the part of the teacher and a curious stare on the part of the pupils.

The inside of the schoolroom was a chapter of half a century ago brought into the twentieth century. Desks and benches were carved by the jackknives of schoolboys of many generations. A few pictures cut from newspapers decorated the walls; a few flowers languished in tin cans on the window sill; and at a blackboard at the end of the room two lads were "doing examples." Not a map or chart assisted the study of geography or history.

"Are the children clever?" I asked.

"O, they have quite the ordinary capacity for learning," was the reply, "but when they have only three months of schooling during the year, with nine months to forget, I find myself going year after year over the same ground with them."

At that moment, from the window I noted a novel conveyance approaching. It was a child's cart, in which sat, apparently, a very little boy, drawn by a calf. An older and larger boy was guiding the progress of this unusual steed. A few minutes later, he came into the schoolroom, bringing in his arms the younger child, whom he deposited in a chair.

"O!" I said, inadvertently and sympathetically; for the smaller lad was a cripple since three years of age and now fourteen, with no use of legs or the right arm or hand, and only a partial use of the left hand.

"How often do you come?" I asked.

"O, every day," he answered from a bright, intelligent face.

"And how far away do you live?"

"Only a mile."

"You and that little calf must be very fond of each other," I concluded.

"O, yes, we're pretty good friends. He always knows when he is being yoked that he is going to school."

"The boys are all kind to you?" I inquired.

"O, yes, everybody is good to me," he said, simply.

And then, because I wanted to know his attitude toward life, that seemed to have so cruelly limited him, I said, gently, "Don't you sometimes wish you could get out and have a frolic with the other boys?"

And this was his patient and noble answer: "No; I became used to sitting in my chair. And then I have my books."

At the mention of books his face was illumined, and I found he had read books of travel, history, descriptions of new inventions; in fact, he seemed the most up-to-date person under that antiquated roof. I could not forbear telling him of men who had become eminent, like Fawcett of London, Ebers the novelist, whose physical conditions were similar to his own by limitation of physical infirmity. And although I saw his face light with hope at the words of cheer I knew he already had the secret of contentment and success.

Passing out of the door, the little wagon looked like a little chariot to me, with its humble bundle of stalks for Bossie's dinner. Near at hand, fastened to a tree, stood Bossie himself, thoughtfully considering some of his own problems, very likely the nearness to dinner time.—Mary A. Page in Congregationalist.

Voice From the Grave.
As a grave digger at Einsiedeln, in Switzerland, was shoveling earth on the coffin of a woman who had been buried he heard a cry for help, and hastily opening the coffin, found the occupant alive.

Japan Rice Crop.
The rice crop prospect in Japan is good. It is nearly 43,000,000 bushels in excess of the average crop of 200,000,000 bushels.

The brakeman is a gallant wight; I always find him quite polite. When I ask questions as I go His voice is bland and mild and low, But when, some station just before, He calls his name, his awful roar Is anything but low and bland, And what he says none understand; But people always talk this way: "I wonder what he tried to say. It wasn't very clear to me, But sounded like 'gr-r-r-r gr-r-r-r.'" It's queer that one with voice so low Should roar and rumble-mumble so! —Sunset Magazine for September.

THE OIL CORNER

Two Men of To Day. Whenever he spoke he was recognized as a regular at the night have I but not me twelve I to Margaret and attr still in th after of fact, ne, as Pe to vote.

John Smith had a habit of being driven out of the Yellow sea by the Siberian waters by the many submarine mine explosions. The league that since the beginning of the Russo-Japanese war the number of the sharks in the Mediterranean increased steadily.

It has been known for some time that the Suez canal has been means of bringing a great number of sharks into the Mediterranean year. The shark is a fish which follow a ship for days and weeks he finds that a steady supply of cast into the sea daily from a passenger steamship is so great that would suffice for half a dozen greedy as these brutes are, before, it is not strange that every liner is dogged all the way Asiatic waters by big sharks.

The Suez canal does not stop and they stay with the ship, leaving the Straits of Gibraltar that time most of them leave the great schools of tunny fish that fill the Mediterranean they desert the ship and stay after in the great interior of the vast injury of the fishermen.

Safeguarding the Paper Currency.
The average man the paper by Uncle Sam for currency on all others in value and attraction. This paper, used variously for bonds, checks, internal stamps, etc., is made in Massachusetts, in one of the most perfect manufacturing plants in the world. The eyes of the government give value to what is known "money paper," and there is in the general impression, no reliance against imitation is on the skill required, and on the machinery essential to production is costly, massive and easily capable of concealment. The fibers and the statutory provisions against its unauthorized manufacture and possession, offer the chief protection against counterfeiting; and acknowledged by the secret greater safeguard to the treasury the intricacies of design and coloring.

Only in money paper are silk threads used, but while the sheet is still in the government watermarks are pressed into the other papers. This mark is the simple monogram, "U. S. P. D." for check paper, "U. S. P. D." for postage stamps, and "U. S. I. R." for revenue paper.

Mails of the World.
The aggregate annual newspaper mail of the world amounts to 32,500,000,000 pieces, of which 500,000,000 go through the U. S. mail. We have 75,000 postoffices and 900 miles of postal routes. The cost of postage stamps is \$150,000,000 a year. \$22,000,000 spent in establishing the rural free delivery, which serves one-seventh of the population of the United States, the postage would be self-sustaining.

National Hymns.
The national airs of great countries are short, while those of small countries are long. "God Save the King" is 14 bars, the Russian "Mars" is 28 bars, and that of Uruguay 70. Chile has 46, and so on. San Marino has the longest national hymn, except that of China.

Soaked Innocent Visitor.
A newly married Nashua, N. H., couple were annoyed by Halloween pranksters and made several unsuccessful efforts to catch the boys and girls. Finally there came a long ring and a pall of water was poured from a chamber window over the front of the bride's dress. The new bride, who had just come to call.

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times nor a reference made to financial difficulties. Lullie, the younger sister, a girl of sixteen, went about singing blithely as she prepared the supper table, and when they were all seated about it the face of the happy mother shone benignly upon them from above the gleaming coffee urn, with not a cloud upon her brow.

"They wanted to make our homecoming happy," said Betty, when the two sisters were at last alone in their own room making ready for the night. "But to-morrow we must insist on Mother's making a clean breast of everything."

"Yes, I suppose so," responded Margaret despondently, "but I wish we needn't. I'm tired to death of troubles, and as long as I can't help, I'll admit, I'd rather not hear about them. It makes me wild to see Lullie growing up and not going to college and having proper advantages. Her career will be ruined if she has to stay home and mope around, with nothing to improve her mind and no chance of developing herself. She ought to be given the opportunities we have had, so that when her turn comes she will be able to support herself. It is horrible to think of her being like mother, without any resources. And yet, what can one do? We are helpless, you and I, barely earning our bread and butter, and having to stand by and see things go to destruction before our very eyes."

Betty's face was quite pale.

"Yes, I know," she returned slowly, "but we can't improve matters by wailing. Come, old Peggy, get into bed and go to sleep and forget all about it. You're tired out and it makes you melancholy."

It seemed to Margaret she had scarcely closed her eyes when she opened them again with a start and sat bolt upright in bed.

"What was that?"

She heard stealthy steps upon the stairs just outside her door.

"Betty!" she whispered, with her trembling lips close to her sister's ear. "Betty! Wake up! There are thieves downstairs. I heard them!"

Betty was awake in an instant, and both girls stole out into the hall and hung palpitating over the balusters.

There was now no shadow of doubt that persons were stirring below. Their steps on the bare kitchen floor were plainly audible.

"I'm going to rouse Mummy," declared Margaret, flying across the hall to her mother's door and thrusting it open feverishly.

"Mother!" she cried. "Mother!"—and then stopped short. Her mother was not there. The bed was empty and stripped of its blankets, which hung airing across the back of two chairs.

The girls looked at each other blankly for a moment and then flew downstairs in a fog of bewilderment. But on the kitchen threshold they stopped and stood open-mouthed with surprise.

Lullie, fully dressed, was kneeling before the stove, in which she had built a roaring fire, and raking the ashes from beneath the bars of the glowing grate; while her mother, standing before a table piled high with shining bread tins and a huge pan of snowy dough, was separating the mass of "sponge" into loaves, pausing to weigh them carefully before placing them in the tins to rise.

"Mummy!" cried Margaret and Betty in a breath.

Lullie turned about with a start, and almost burnt herself with the hot poker at sight of them, while their mother gave a low exclamation of dismay.

"Oh, you poor children!" she exclaimed, in real distress. "I'm so sorry we waked you!"

"What are you doing?" demanded the girls, disregarding her self-reproach and putting their question as if to a culprit.

"Baking—"

"Bread—"

"We do it every day—"

"To sell—"

"We've done it ever since you went away—"

"Hills comes for it in his wagon—"

"(He's the best grocer in town, you know.)"

"—at half-past ten—"

"We give him twenty-four loaves a day—"

"And four times a week twenty dozen cookies—"

"It really is fairly profitable."

The two girls gazed at each other with staring eyes.

"Go up to bed, dearies, and get an extra nap," pleaded the anxious mother. "We'll call you in time for breakfast, and when our work is done Lullie and I will tell you all about it. We didn't want to write because—because—"

"We were afraid you'd turn up your noses and be cranky and make objections, and really, you know, it's saving our lives; and if you are being breadwinners I don't see why Mummy and I shouldn't be bread-makers; so there!" declared the intrepid Lullie, with a challenging little laugh.

There was nothing left the two but to retreat in the face of such energy as this, and wait in patience for a more complete enlightenment. It came at noon.

"It happened this way," said the

patient mother. "Things were getting worse and worse, and I saw no way out. I knew we'd be compelled to part with the house unless some means were found to meet the obligations, and I grew almost desperate. I tried to do embroidery, but my eyes failed and I had to give it up. Then one day I went into Hills' and a customer was complaining of the bread they sent her. She was very much annoyed and the clerk called Mr. Hills to try to pacify her. But after she had gone he turned to me and said, 'I promised her we'd do better for her, but upon my word I don't see how we're going to manage it. We buy the best bread we know of. My customers call for home-made bread and demand the best, and nothing less will satisfy them, but the really good article is harder to get than you think.' Then like a flash the thought came into my head.

"'Mr. Hills,' I said, 'they say I make good bread. I will try my hand at it for you, if you will give me the chance.'"

"'Good!' he cried, and we made the bargain then and there.

"On every dollar's worth sold he was to get ten cents, and he was to call for the loaves and take them to his store every morning. Of course, I knew I must have a man like Hills, who caters to nice people. Cheap men couldn't do so well by me. Well, I let him have twenty-four loaves a day for a week to try, and they gave complete satisfaction. From that time on Lullie and I were fairly launched.

"I mix my sponge every night before bedtime, knead it for half an hour, cover it and set it in a warm place. Then I get up at four and weigh each loaf (I allow one and three-quarter pounds of dough to a loaf—the bakers only allow one and a half), and in the morning I do not knead it again, but lard my hands and form it into loaves and put it in the pans to rise. The oven holds eight loaves, and I bake three times in the morning with my oven very hot—hotter than for cake—but not burning. If the bread loaves as if it might scorch on top I lay asbestos paper over it. The first batch goes in at a quarter of eight and I bake it for three-quarters of an hour. Then I take it out and put in the next eight, and so on to the last. But what nonsense, telling you all the uninteresting details.

"On an average I clear one-half the price of the bread. I make two dollars and forty cents a day on that alone, but, of course, I have to deduct from it Hills' profit and the price of the flour. The sugar cookies (I bake them before the bread goes into the oven) cost me about thirty-eight cents and they sell at twelve cents a dozen. I make twenty dozen four times a week. Lately we've gone into it on a larger scale, and now I make small chocolate layer cakes (twenty cents a loaf, or eighty cents for all four—they cost me forty-eight cents, and I have enough left over for a tiny loaf for ourselves), and Boston brown bread, molasses cookies and crullers. The Boston brown bread pays better than anything else almost, but I only made that during the winter. Now that the summer is here, we are earning much more than we did through the cold weather. I pay my grocery bills and clear on an average seven dollars a week. Not quite so much in winter, but more in warm weather. My profits would be more if I bought wholesale, but I have dealt with Hills for twenty years, and he is interested to sell my goods, and I buy my materials of him. There! I think that is all there is to tell, except that Lullie is my right-hand man and that I could do nothing if it were not for her. She washes up for me and sees to the baking, and is, in every way, so necessary and such a comfort that I don't know what I should do without her. I didn't like to tell you before, because—because—you are so fastidious. I thought—I thought you might object to what we were doing; and you know, my daughters, when troubles come one has to meet them squarely and take what duty is nearest to one's hand, even if it is not the most delicate and agreeable, so long as it is honest.

"It has been a terrible trial to me to think that dear little Lu could not have your advantages, and I have struggled against it fiercely. But now it seems to me I was wicked to rebel, for, do you know, when I see how patient she has grown, how willing to bear her share of the responsibility, with never a murmur or complaint, I think that perhaps she is learning something that even the colleges can not teach."

The gentle, weary voice broke and fell, and the patient mother smiled wistfully into the faces of the two girls at her knee through a mist of welling tears.

"Oh, mother, mother!" cried Margaret, flinging her arms about her in a burst of passionate self-reproach. "I see it now—I see it now! It isn't all book learning. You are right. There is a 'higher education' than even the one Betty and I have had, and you have got it and you are teaching it to Lu. There is a 'larger liberty' than any I've ever dreamed of—a freedom from one's own miserable limitations, and the best career in the world is that of a true-hearted mother."—The Designer.

MADE BLACK BRICKS POPULAR.

Simple Incident That Set Fashion for New York Builders.

The new Hotel Astor of New York and several other of the newer buildings in town are made of black and red bricks artistically grouped. This has become a popular notion in architecture, and it is interesting to recall that such use of different colored bricks was the result of an accident.

When the Dutch were settling Manhattan only the wealthy could afford brick houses, because at first all the bricks had to be brought over from Holland. Finally, two enterprising colonists built a brick kiln. In their inexperience, however, they burned most of their bricks black and nearly became bankrupt in consequence.

Jacob Stundam, the first Dutch poet of New Amsterdam, saved them. He bought a quantity of the blackened bricks and used them with some bricks from Holland to build his house on a spot just in the rear of the present telephone building in Stone street. He designed his wall so artistically with the aid of these bricks that the colonists were amazed and delighted and from that day on the use of various colored bricks has been popular at intervals in New York house construction.

It Was.

"Is this really heaven?"

As she spoke, the lady who had just been admitted, looked around her in considerable astonishment.

"Why, this," she continued, "looks very much like the suburban home I left. The streets are not even paved with gold, and everything seems commonplace."

St. Peter smiled.

"Reserve your decision, madam," he said, "until you get settled. You will please take the third mansion to the right."

The lady looked anxious.

"Have I got to keep house here?" she inquired.

"Not at all. Everything is done for you. And not only that, but every corner of the lurch will apply to you in turn and beg you for a place, and you have the constant happiness of telling them you haven't the slightest use for them."

The lady bowed in acknowledgment of her error, as she swept on to her appointed place.

"I beg your pardon," she said humbly. "I was mistaken. This is indeed heaven."—Life.

Dainty Gift for a Bride.

A dainty gift for a bride is a corset sachet made of white silk. At either end is a smart bow by which it is fastened to the corset. Through the center of the sachet, where the bow ordinarily appears, there is a spray of flowers made from ribbons, in the same or contrasting colors. A dainty model shown with a bridal trousseau was of white liberty taffetas with a delicate pink bow on either end, while the center was tied with the same color of ribbon, ending in apple blossoms made from ribbon, instead of bows and ends. The same effect can be produced with violets made from violet colored ribbon, forget-me-nots in pale blue ribbon, and ox-eyed daisies in yellow and brown. The flowers must be very small and dainty to be effective.

Too Much Talk Already.

The other day at a meeting of workers in the vineyard a sister was asked to address the audience. She blushing acquiesced, but after the first word stammered and stuttered, and finally sank down into her seat, quite speechless. The embarrassment was so thick you couldn't hear a pin fall. Her friends came to the rescue and made excuses for the fiasco, when suddenly up popped the lady, indignant. "I said nothing," she cried, "because there was nothing to say. We are all talking too much!" and down she sat again, this time amid applause.

Juggling with Figures.

"Here we have a most extraordinary demonstration of the uncertainties of mathematics," said the thoughtful man at the concert.

"In what way?" was the natural inquiry.

"Why, we have proof that three and three make two, haven't we?"

"Three and three make two!"

"Certainly."

"You're speaking of addition?"

"Of course."

"I can't see it. Three and three make two of what?"

"Two trios."

Next Occupants of Thrones.

There are fifteen thrones in Europe, and eight now promise to pass from father to son. The latter are those of Great Britain, Germany, Denmark, Portugal, Norway and Sweden, Bulgaria, Russia, and Italy. The sultan may be succeeded by a brother, and the king of Spain by a sister. The emperor of Austria, the king of the Belgians and the king of Roumania look to nephews, while the ruler of Holland has no visible successor at present.

A BED IN MAARKEN.

Arranged to Accommodate All Younger Members of the Family.

A curious corner of the world is Maarken, two hours' sail across the Zuyder Zee from bustling Amsterdam, and no less curious its quaint little houses and its sturdy inhabitants. The stolid Dutchmen cling jealously to their ancient dress and customs, and evidently deem a crowded household man's bounden duty to man.

Children swarm like ants, and one wonders how their island can hold them all. A peep into the diminutive and wholly bedless dwellings magnifies the mystery, so it is quite a relief when the portly Gudvrow, fairly crackling in her starched cap and petticoats, pulls back a curtain from a wall recess and reveals the Maarken prototype of our Pullman sleeper.

Embroidered pillows and elaborate hangings show the level of the parental bed, and in the space beneath four or five of the youngsters travel compactly into dreamland. The surplus small fry are similarly stowed away in some other wall.

Dreadfully unhygienic, of course, yet the bright eyes of the boys and girls, their rosy cheeks and stuffed-sausage limbs indicate pretty clearly that in Maarken, at least, bedding humanity upon shelves lowers neither tone nor vitality.

A Little Lamb—With Sauce.

The good man had a heavy task in the East End of London districts, but he did not allow his heart to fail him. To regenerate the parents he had found was next to hopeless. Still, something might be done with the children, and he urged them to come to him with their little troubles, and always to speak if they saw him in the street.

"You are the lambs of my flock," he finished, "and I wish you to come to me."

Next day the worthy D. D. was hailed by a small, very ragged and very dirty urchin, who was puffing his hardest at a particularly vile cigar.

"Hallo, doctor!" said the precocious youth cheerfully.

"And who may you be?" said the doctor sternly.

"Wy, blow me tight, ain't I one of your bloomin' little lambs?" And, tilting his ragged hat to a more rakish angle, he sauntered off, whistling cheerily.

Pearls of Wisdom.

A Broadway wholesale dealer in millinery goods, who is noted for his eccentricities, has posted this placard in a display window of his store:

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: "A tip to the millinery :

: bunch—2 many high balls :

: will drive you to the three :

: balls; be temperate; keep :

: your brain cool and bank :

: your savings." :

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In another show window is the proprietor's portrait, surrounded by the pictures of trees of varying sizes, with this motto:

"While I live I grow."

"The following advice to retail dealers is also in evidence:

"Don't be short any longer. Complete stock always on hand here."—New York Press.

Distance to Lend Effect.

An Irish member of parliament, Edward J. Synan, was remarkable for his very loud speeches in the house. One day he got up to speak in his usual tone on an Irish topic, and the moment he did so James Lowther, recently deceased, hastily arose to leave the chamber. An angry Irish member, feeling that the proper place for the chief secretary was the treasury bench, shouted after him: "Lowther, where are you going?" Mr. Lowther sheathed back as he disappeared beyond the bar: "I'm going out on the terrace to hear Synan."

Sailors Get their Pay.

The sailors of the steamship Cheltenham, which was seized by the Russian Vladivostok squadron, July 2, in Japanese waters, got \$50 each and the costs in a suit against the owners, in London. It took them three weeks by rail to go from Vladivostok to St. Petersburg. They nearly starved and they suffered other hardships. The damages were granted because they had not been told on shipping that the vessel was to carry contraband.

Honor for Maryland Man.

Col. Charles Chaille Long of Maryland, scientist, soldier and diplomat, will shortly receive from the general assembly of his native state a gold medal of rare beauty and costliness in testimony of his services to science and valiant conduct in central Africa and Egypt.

Building Up the French Navy.

The French naval program insures that in 1908 France will have twenty-eight battleships, twenty-five battle-ship cruisers, thirteen armored coast guard ships, six first-class cruisers, fifteen of the second and thirteen of the third class, besides smaller craft, among which will be sixty submarines.

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The first service at the new M. E. Church was graciously tendered to Rev. J. C. Gage, by our pastor, Rev. George R. Ray, but Dr. Marshall McIlhany, of Texas, being present brother Gage asked him to occupy the pulpit at the 11 a. m. service Sunday, and the doctor preached a splendid sermon to an entirely full house. Brother Ray preached at the 8 p. m. service in his usual forceful way to a good congregation. Every thing has looked a little brighter since the completion of the new church and our people feel better.

The first flow is reported in quite a number of places in the Valley by the well men. The big flow in a whole lot of new places will be reported soon.

ONE YEAR AGO

This week we opened for business. Our business during the first year has been quite satisfactory and we enter upon the second under conditions which appear to be most auspicious. During the past six months, the volume of our business has increased more than 100 per cent, which is not only an index to the rapid development of our town and country, but also indicates that we have been accorded the confidence of the general public. This confidence we greatly appreciate, and every effort will be made to merit a continuance of your good will and your business. Being past the experimental and expensive stage and firmly established on a sound business basis, with a healthy, growing surplus fund, we are in better position than ever before to extend to you every legitimate accommodation. You will always be welcome regardless of the amount of your business, and we feel sure our relations will be mutually helpful.

The First National Bank of Artesia.

Died.

Mrs. Lucy A. Gatlin, mother of Mr. D. B. Gatlin, died Sunday, Jan. 29, of cancer of the stomach and was buried at new cemetery Monday afternoon. Mrs. Gatlin was an estimable woman of about sixty years and came to Artesia from Texas only a few weeks ago, hoping that the change would improve her health. The bereaved son, and other relatives and friends have the sympathy of the people of Artesia.

Work has been started on the Hondo reservoir, twelve miles west of Roswell by the Taylor-Moore construction company. This company is diverting and storing water for the use of the company, which is the first work. The Slinkard Construction Co. is doing the rock work and has a large force of men. We nearly feel sorry for the poor old people of Roswell. They must go to Uncle Sam for water.

For Rent.

A one room, house with sheds and lot. Inquire of Mrs. M. T. Munson. Dr. T. E. Presley, of Roswell, was in town this week.

The weather has been a little cool but it makes us appreciate all of those lovely days we are to have during a whole year. We can certainly stand a few of the days like those our friends back east have from six to nine months in the year.

Advertised Letter List.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Artesia post office for the month ending Feb. 1, 1905.

- C. F. Caldwell.
- Josie Callanan.
- J. P. Vinson.(2)
- Lillie Terry.
- Dariven S. Turner.
- J. F. Smith.
- Chas. Scott.
- Robt. Petty.
- Harlem McCarcle.
- Billey Arnold.
- G. A. Autry.
- Claude Bell.
- Mrs. W. P. Lutes. (2)
- W. F. Harbert.
- Cleve Hamet.
- Rev. Noah D. Wood.
- L. Waggoner.
- Gabino Dominges.
- Seferino Farango.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter office Feb. 30, 1905, if not called for. In calling for the above please say "advertised." All advertised letters due one cent.

Daisy F. Ross, P. M.

One hundred pairs of Shoes at cost for cash at Wallings.

Placer Mining location notices for sale at the Advocate office.

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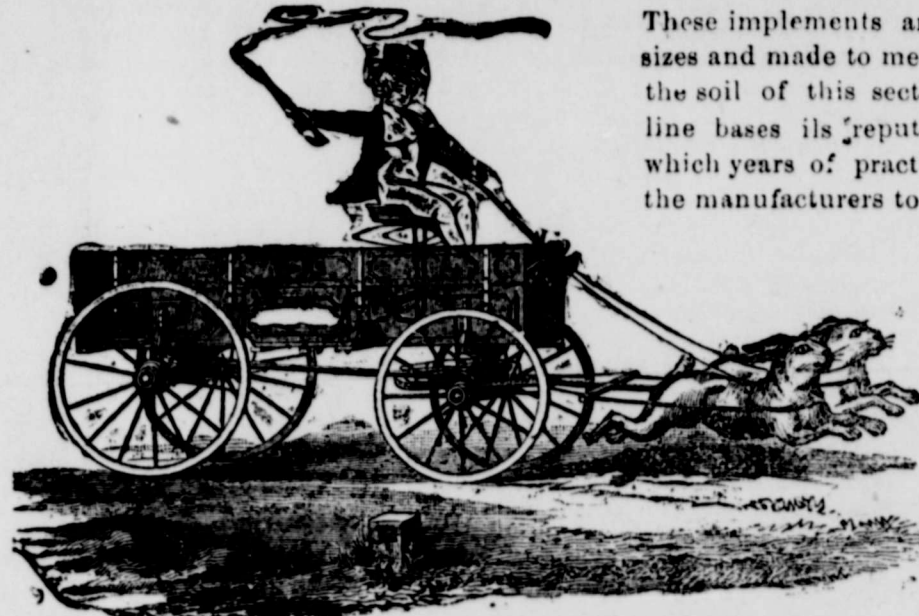
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I have purchased the interest of Mr. Hamilton in The New York Store house, lot and stock of goods. The goods will be closed out at once, regardless of cost, as the building has been rented.

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ARTESIA ADVOCATE--SUPPLEMENT.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1905.

HOUSE BILL NO. 17.

Produced by G. F. Ellis, January 25th,
to Create the County of
Artesia.

It enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of New Mexico:

Section 1. That there be and hereby is created a county, to be known as and called Artesia county, out of that portion of Eddy county, New Mexico, included in the following boundaries as indicated by the United States survey to wit: Beginning at the intersection of the 3rd standard parallel south with the eastern boundary line of New Mexico running thence west on said standard parallel to the north-west corner of Eddy County as it now exists; thence south on the line of Eddy county to its intersection with the 4th standard parallel to its intersection with the east line of New Mexico to the place of beginning.

Sec. 2. That the county seat of the said County of Artesia shall be established at the town of Artesia, in said county; and that the Board of County Commissioners of said county (to be elected as hereinafter provided) shall select and designate the most proper and convenient place in said town for the erection of the public buildings of said county of Artesia.

Sec. 3. That said county so established shall, with reference to salaries of officers, be a county of the fourth class, as such class is defined in and provided for in the act entitled "An act to provide for the compensation of county officers and other purposes," approved March 18, 1897, and the salaries and emoluments of the officers of counties belonging to said fourth class.

Sec. 4. On the first day of August, 1906, the governor of the Territory of New Mexico shall appoint three qualified, legal voters within the county of Artesia, as a returning board, whose duties shall be the same as county commissioners in regard both to the appointing of boards of registration and judges of election in the said county of Artesia, and whose duty it shall be to call and give notice of the holding of a general election at the time and in the manner now described by law.

Sec. 5. The precincts and school districts as they now exist in the said territory included in said county of Artesia, and the officials thereof, shall remain the same as they are now until changed by law, and in case any precinct or district shall be divided by said county line, the proper officials of the counties in which parts thereof remain shall reorganize said precinct and school districts so as to conform to the new county lines.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the auditor, treasurer and solicitor general of the territory to assemble as a commission for the purpose and ascertain; on or before the third Monday of December, 1906, the total indebtedness of Eddy county from which Artesia county is taken, less cash on hand to meet such indebtedness, and the value of all permanent public improvements excepting bridges remaining in said county of Eddy; and also to ascertain from assessment rolls for the year 1906, the value of all taxable property embraced within the limits of Artesia county; and thereupon to determine the amount of such indebtedness as may be due from Artesia county to Eddy county, less the amount of cash on hand in said Eddy county to meet such conditions as existed on the first day of January, 1905; and amount so found to be due from Artesia county to Eddy county by said commission shall be final and conclusive.

Sec. 7. The county of Artesia may issue bonds for court house purposes to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) and for jail purposes to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars

(\$5,000), and for current expenses, until taxes are levied and collected, to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

Sec. 8. Artesia county shall be entitled to have and receive all unpaid taxes for the year A. D. 1906, and prior thereto, which taxes have been levied or assessed upon or against property within the former limits of Eddy county and which by this act is set off from said Eddy county and has become Artesia county; and the treasurer and collector of Artesia county shall collect and receipt for the same to the same extent as the treasurer and collector of Eddy county might have done had said property remained within the limits of the county of Eddy, and Artesia county shall be entitled to and shall receive from Eddy county such proportion of the moneys received from licenses issued by said Eddy county in force in Artesia county during any part of the year A. D. 1906 as such unexpired term of each such license shall bear to the whole term for which such license was issued; and all taxes collected from Artesia county and paid into the treasury of Eddy county after January 1, 1906, shall be credited upon the portion of the debts of Eddy county assumed and to be paid by Artesia. All school funds in the treasury of Eddy county on April 1, 1906, due to the school districts of Artesia county, whether apportioned or unapportioned, shall be on said date or immediately thereafter paid over by the treasurer of Eddy county to the treasurer of Artesia county.

Sec. 9. For the purpose of enabling Artesia county to pay to Eddy county the amount of its obligations and debts as found and ascertained by the commission provided for in Section 6 of this act, the board of county commissioners of Artesia county is hereby authorized and directed to issue its coupon bonds of that county, which bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually; such said bonds shall be payable absolutely twenty years from their date and at the option of said county ten years from their date; they shall be in amounts of one hundred dollars (\$100) each or in multiples thereof; they shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners, countersigned by the clerk of said board, attested by its seal and endorsed by the treasurer of the county with the engraved signature of the clerk of the probate court of said county on the coupons thereto attached, and shall be in form to be approved by the district attorney for the Sixth Judicial District, Territory of New Mexico.

Sec. 10. Such bonds may be sold for cash, at not less than par, and out of the proceeds of such sale the indebtedness of Artesia county to said Eddy county, as found by said commission, shall be paid and satisfied in full; and if such sale cannot be made by the first day of January, A. D. 1908, then and in that case, said bonds and coupons attached shall be turned over to Eddy county in full settlement of the indebtedness of Artesia county to Eddy county, and it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of Artesia county, to annually levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest coupons coming due semi-annually upon said bonds, and in addition a sufficient amount to create a sinking fund to pay said bonds when they become due, which sinking fund tax shall be levied annually from and after five years after the passage of this act; said bond shall be the first issued by Artesia county and the levy for the payment of interest shall be first made, and such bonds shall be known and designated as "Artesia County Establishment Bonds." Such bonds shall be dated the first day of January, A. D. 1907, and the coupons shall become due and be payable semi-annually thereafter. The debt ascertained to be due from Artesia county to Eddy county on the first day of January 1907, shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from that

date until the payment of same in cash, or in the taking of the bonds and coupons as above provided for; and this amount of interest shall be added to the debts evidenced by the issuance of said bonds, and be included therein.

Sec. 11. On or before the first day of May, A. D. 1907, the treasurer and ex-officio collector of Eddy county shall deliver to the county commissioners of Artesia county a list of all the delinquent taxes and unpaid licenses, and also a list of all taxes which will become due on July 1st, A. D. 1907, upon property within the limits of Artesia county, and the treasurer and ex-officio collector for Artesia county shall proceed and collect said taxes and licenses as required by law and they shall become and be the funds of Artesia county.

Sec. 12. Said Artesia county is hereby attached to the Fifth Judicial District of the Territory of New Mexico for judicial purposes, and district court for the trial of causes

arising under the laws of the Territory of New Mexico and shall be held at the county seat of said county by the judge of said court, at a time to be fixed by law. The district attorney for the district of which Eddy county is a part shall be the district attorney for Artesia county until otherwise provided by law, and shall be entitled to a salary from said Artesia county of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) per annum, payable quarterly.

Sec. 13. The county of Artesia for legislative purposes shall be attached to the Ninth Council and the Fifteenth House Districts until otherwise provided by law.

Sec. 14. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after the first day of January, A. D. 1907, except as to the provisions thereof, which require action at an earlier date, and as to such provisions they shall take effect on such earlier dates, and all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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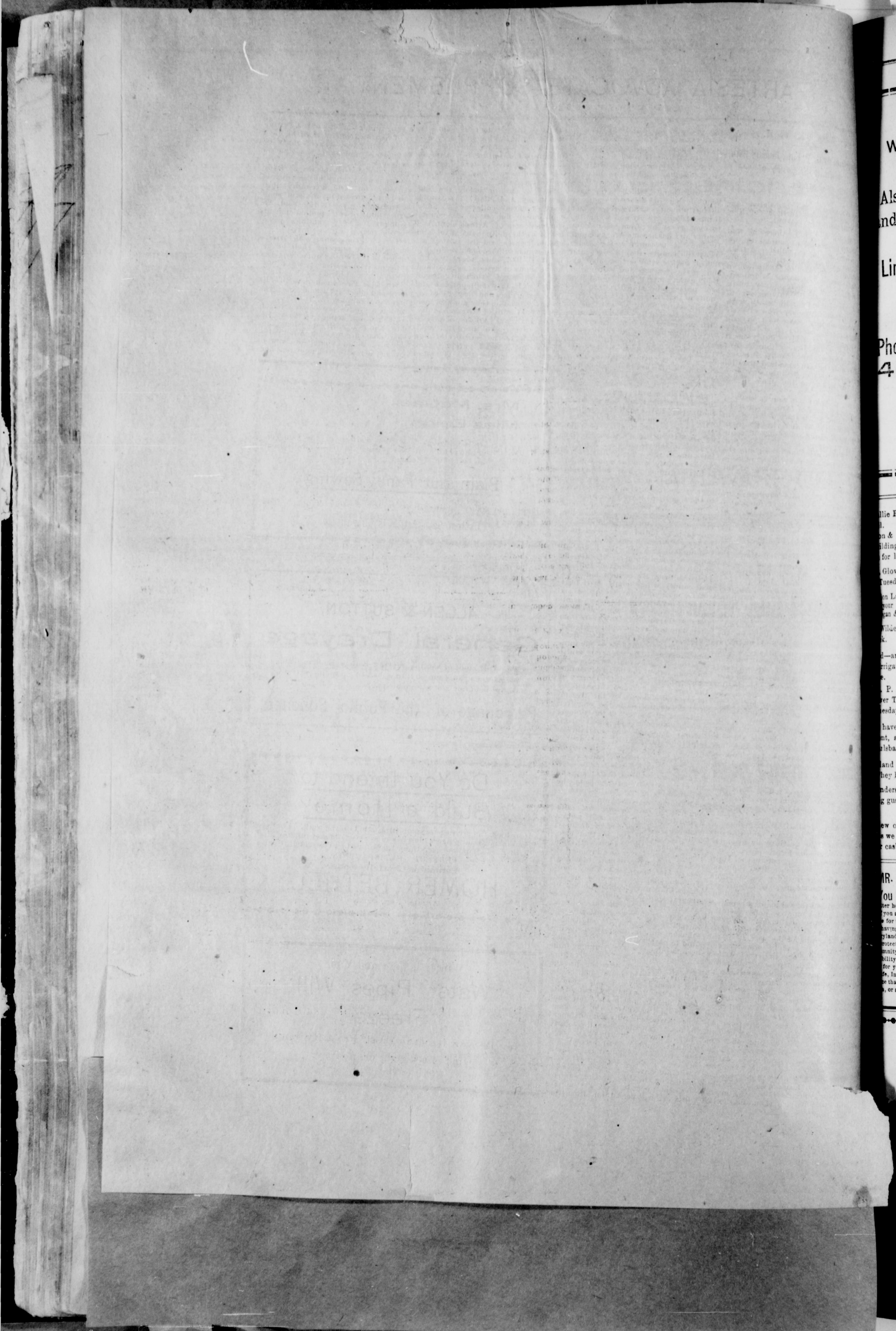
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Artesia, N. M.

Buster Brown Blue Ribbon schoo-
shoes beats them all. Logan & Dyer!

Jack Porter, of Roswell, is the new
hardware man now open for business,
on main street.

Cost sale for cash at Walling's on
all piece goods.

Mrs. Anna Brooks and Son, of Ros-
well, were present at first service in
M. E. church Sunday.

Buster Brown Blue Ribbon shoes
at Logan & Dyers.

I make a specialty of sanitary
plumbing. J. E. DeArcy.

Will Demming visited his home
folks in Roswell Sunday.

If you wish to either buy or sell
town lots see Cleveland Land Agency.

K. K. Scott and W. C. Reid return-
ed to their homes in Roswell Sunday.

Frost proof hydrant, guaranteed to
give satisfaction. J. E. DeArcy.

If you have lots to sell list them
with Cleveland Land Agent.

Lost—A red TamO'Shanter cap on
Friday Jan. 27 between Artesia and
residence of J. A. Bruce. Lucy Carle.

Carpenters continue to hammer
away and Artesia grows bigger day by
day.

After a pleasant visit with friends
in Artesia, Mrs. J. P. Church return-
ed on Monday to her home in Ros-
well.

See DeArcy if your hydrant needs
attention.

Dr. Lee McIntosh, our dentist, is
now happily located in the new brick
on central north main street.

When you want coal, lumber or
anything else hauled call on the Ar-
tesia Transfer Company. 'Phone
No. 6.

The latest styles in tan shoes for
ladies and men. Logan & Dyer.

Messrs. Tom Jones, Arthur Haston
W. M. Schamahorn, John Patrick
and Ed. Hatchox were in Roswell
Wednesday.

Elegant line of wall paper just re-
ceived at the New York Store.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Duncan, of Ros-
well, have purchased land near Artes-
ia and will make their home with us.
They arrived in town Monday night.

Comic Valentines at P. V. Drug
Co.

The famous Blue Ribbon shoes at
Logan & Dyers.

Mrs. McGee & Miss Eakin wish to
state to the ladies of Artesia that they
are expecting a stock of spring hats
and cordially solicit their patronage
for hats.

A furnished room to rent. Apply
to Advocate office.

Miss Ida McCune, who sang a solo
at the first service in the new M. E.
church last Sunday, returned Mon-
day to her home in Roswell.

All Kinds of Valentines at P. V.
Drug Co.

Embroideries at half price at Lo-
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The solo rendered by Dr. Norfleet
at M. E. church Sunday night was
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Fresh car of flour at walling's

We want your trade on barbed
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Wanted—To trade a span of mules
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Mr. G. P. Cleveland, Jr., who has
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Should Eat Corn.

C. J. Murphy, a prominent citizen of Minneapolis, argues that the high price of wheat should induce people to get accustomed to corn products on their bill of fare. "If the people would learn to eat more corn," he says, "it would be much to their benefit, both from an economical point of view and as a matter of health. I have spent eighteen of the best years of my life in teaching the people of Europe the value of our corn as human food, and now more corn is used in Belgium and Ireland as human food than we use in the United States."

No Smoking Allowed.

Any violation of the regulation against smoking by midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy, in future, will be treated with the utmost severity. The navy department has announced in an official communication to captain Brownson, superintendent of the Naval Academy, that midshipmen who violate this regulation will be dismissed. There seems to have been a misunderstanding on the part of midshipmen in regard to this matter, many of them acting under the assumption that dismissal would only follow a repeated violation in one year of the smoking regulation.

Reads Like a Miracle.

Moravia, N. Y., Dec. 12th.—(Special)—Bordering on the miraculous is the case of Mrs. Benj. Wilson of this place. Suffering from Sugar Diabetes, she wasted away till from weighing 200 lbs. she barely tipped the scales at 130 lbs. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure her husband says:—

"My wife suffered everything from Sugar Diabetes. She was sick four years and doctored with two doctors, but received no benefit. She had so much pain all over her that she could not rest day or night. The doctor said that she could not live."

"Then an advertisement led me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and they helped her right from the first. Five boxes of them cured her. Dodd's Kidney Pills were a God-Sent remedy to us and we recommend them to all suffering from Kidney Disease."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure all Kidney Diseases including Bright's Disease, and all kidney aches, including Rheumatism.

Big Dividends Paid.

Speaking of big dividends, it would be rather hard to beat those just paid on the two one-carrying railroads, the Duluth & Iron Range and the Duluth, Mesaba & Northern. From the net earnings during the year each road pays its stockholders 150 per cent on the value of the outstanding stock, the payments together amounting to about \$8,000,000, and leaving about as much more as surplus in their treasuries, profitable railroad securities in the world. They are practically all owned by the United States Steel corporation.

A Young Looking Queen.

Queen Alexandra of England, reached three score December 1. A few weeks ago there was published a group photograph of the queen and two of her daughters, taken this fall, which evoked universal comment that of the three grandmother queen, on the verge of sixty, appeared the most youthful.

Big New Wheat Fields.

Along the international boundary of the Canadian Northwest, twenty years ago, was an acreage of 250,000 under crop, yielding 1,200,000 bushels of wheat. Now the acreage is over 4,000,000, and the annual yields 110,000,000 bushels, while population, acreage and output are augmented at a rate no other country can approach.

Drinks Not Well Known

Violet cordial, a liquor beloved of Arkshiresmen, is one of the best of the home-brewed drinks. Made from freshly-plucked sweet violets, it is often kept for years by farmers, who drink it sparingly in tiny glasses, yet it retains all the delicious aroma of the fragrant flower from which it takes its name.

Home-made sloe wine is a drink which takes a lot of beating as a thirst-quencher. It is especially popular in Durham.

Cowslip wine is another prime favorite unknown to the inhabitants of cities. So, too, are a host of "teas," famous in rural parts not only for their refreshing, but also for their curative powers.

Years ago, before the tea from India and China could be bought cheaply, beverages brewed from mint, pennyroyal, dandelion, wild thyme, marjoram, camomile, balm, calamin and similar herbs, were almost universal.

Even to-day their fame is not dead, and they are frequently resorted to by housewives in hot weather, and when any small ailment shows itself in their families.

Leaves plucked from strawberry

plants and currant bushes make a fragrant beverage, as do ribwort and thoroughwort, the latter both as a fresher and curative, being found in very many households.

Strange as it may seem, a drink can be made from sawdust. Here is the recipe:

Two tons of sawdust are boiled with sulphuric acid for three hours, the liquid matter then extracted by pressure, neutralized, left for eighteen hours to cool and clarify, and then fermented for four or five days.

The resulting alcohol is afterward distilled and rectified, but a yield of about nine and one-half quarts of spirit to every hundred-weight of sawdust is obtained. Quantities of this are consumed in France.

Palm wine is made from the sap oozing from the cut-off blossom stems of the oily palm tree, and of the cocoa tree. It is a pleasant, refreshing beverage, and not sufficiently known.

Isithimiyana is the weird name given to a deadly intoxicant made from molasses by the natives of Natal. An analysis of this drink made some time ago by an eminent doctor showed that it was 50 per cent stronger than any known alcohol.—Straw Stories.

Habits of the Flounder

The expression "as flat as a flounder" has become proverbial, but it does not apply to very young flounders, which differ so much from the adult ones that they can hardly be recognized as belonging to the same family as their parents. Most boys and girls are familiar with full-grown flounders, but very few of them, and few older people, know anything about the appearance of young flounders and the wonderful transformations they undergo.

The flounders begin life as do ordinary fishes. When they first emerge from the egg they swim vertically, with the head turned upward.

Their bodies are symmetrical and their eyes are on opposite sides of the head. Gradually the position of the body changes from vertical to horizontal, and the fish remains thus for some time, swimming like ordinary fishes; but while still very small there is foreshadowing of the bottom life they are destined for, and they enter upon a series of remarkable changes. The most striking of these changes

is in the position of the eye. In some flounders the eye moves around the front of the head; in others it moves directly through the head. This shifting of the eye's position is accompanied by a change in the position of the body, which ceases to be upright and becomes more and more oblique. The side of the body from which the eye is moving gradually becomes inferior to the other, until by the time the change of the eye is complete the fish swims with its blind side underneath, and this position is ever after maintained. The flounder then ceases its free swimming habit and sinks to the bottom.

Some species of flounders are right-sided and others are left-sided. In the right-sided forms the left eye moves to the right side, and the left side becomes undermost. In the left-sided species the opposite conditions prevail. It rarely happens that right-sided species have left-sided individuals, and vice versa. In a few species both right-sided and left-sided fish occur in about equal numbers.—St. Nicholas.

Danger in "Big" Shooting

The disturbing element in hunting elephant or seladang or rhino has been always, to me at least, the feeling of uncertainty as to whether or not I could stop the animal if I wounded it and it charged me, as it did on an average of once in three times.

Based on my experience, therefore, I should place the elephant first and the rhino third after the seladang, which is fully as formidable as the Cape buffalo, and is mislabeled the bison all over India. Each of these animals is dangerous on different and individual grounds; the elephant, though less likely to charge than any of the others, is terrifying because of his enormous strength, which stops at no obstacle, and the extreme difficulty of reaching a vital spot, especially if, with trunk tightly coiled, he is coming your way.

I know of no sensation more awesome than standing ankle deep in clinging mud in dense cover, with the jungle crashing around you as though the entire forest was toppling, as the

elephant you have wounded comes smashing his way in your direction.

The seladang is dangerous, partly because of the thick jungle he seeks when wounded, but more especially because of his tremendous vitality and his usual, though not invariable, habit of awaiting the hunter on his tracks, and charging suddenly, swiftly and viciously. It requires close and hard shooting to bring down one of these six-foot specimens of Oriental cattle.

The danger of the tiger and of the lion is in their lightning activity and ferocious strength; but you have the shoulder in addition to the head shot, if broadside; or if coming on the chest, all sure to stop if well placed. The reason the rhino is so formidable is because its vulnerable spots are so hard to reach.

Its brain is as small in proportion as that of the elephant, and may be reached through the eye, if head on, or about three inches below and just in front of or just behind the base of the ear, according to your position for a shot.—Outing.

The Old Pirate's Dreams

As a man I write of the boyish dreams Of yesternight by the coastguard's glance. When the sea-scarred sailor's war-plowed seams— Suggesting tales of his lawless days— Lively glowed in the log-fire gleams, As he sang this lay of lays:

The flag was as red as blood, With a hairy spot o' black, An' the Spider bared her deadly fangs As she crawled on the windward tack!

He warmed to his story and clove the air With his long clay pipe as he led his men Into the heart of the battle's glare; And he yelled his "Yo-ho!" once again, Till he broke his "sword" on the arm of his chair.

With a stifled sob; and then—

The flag was as red as blood, With a hairy spot o' black, An' the Spider bared her deadly fangs As she crawled on the windward tack!

"Why do your eyes shine, boy?" said he,

Mean of Her.

There is a young man in North Baltimore who thinks he is the stellar light in amateur theatricals. So annoying did his boasting become to his acquaintances they decided to extinguish his conceit once and for all. Accordingly, one young lady wrote him a note, as follows:

"Dear Mr. Sapp: We are just about to present a little play entitled 'The Prodigal Son.' Can we count on you

to take a part? Very truly, May." Mr. Sapp was delighted. Seizing a pen, he dashed off the following:

"Dear Miss May: Your note received. In reply will say that I would be pleased to help you out with the play. I am glad you recognize my superior talent. What part would you like me to take in 'The Prodigal Son'?"

"Charles Sapp."

Next morning the answer came: "The fatted calf."—Baltimore Herald.

When an American has a dream it doesn't amount to anything; but when an Irishman dreams anything he sets great store by it.

Why It is the Best

is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

A man may often thank his lucky stars that he can't take the woman who is presented to him.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your Druggist will refund money if FAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 6 to 14 days. 25c.

It is a good deal easier to talk about feeling good than it is to walk about doing good.

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Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease. "I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently, and have just bought another supply. It has cured my corns, and the hot, burning and itching sensation in my feet which was almost unbearable, and I would not be without it now.—Mrs. W. J. Walker, Camden, N. J." Sold by all Druggists. 25c.

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Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

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"Laugh and the world laughs with you." And it also laughs at you and thereafter refuses to take you seriously.

Holiday Travel.

For the Christmas holiday travel to the Southeast, the Texas Midland Railroad will run a train of its own equipment through to Memphis, Tenn., via the Frisco System. The train will consist of first class coaches and reclining chair cars and will leave Ennis, Texas, the starting point—at 6:45 a. m., Tuesday, December 20th, 1904, arriving at Memphis at 3:45 a. m., and Birmingham, Ala., at 11:00 a. m. the next day. The Frisco System now has its own tracks all the way from Texas to Birmingham and enters union depots at both Memphis and Birmingham, connecting closely with all lines for points north, south and east. The through rate from Texas to Southeastern points will be one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip, good going on special train December 20th, and returning on regular trains any time before January 20th. For further particulars address F. B. McKay, General Passenger Agent, Terrell, Texas.

Nearly any man is willing to spend two dollars' worth of time to get fifty cents without work.

SEND US YOUR NAME.

If you propose visiting your "Old Home" for the holidays, send us your name and address (together with that of any of your friends who are contemplating a similar journey), tell us where you wish to go and let us write you, giving the rate, hour of departure, arrival and other information regarding your journey.

COTTON BELT ROUTE has made the extremely low rate of one fare plus \$2 for the round trip to points in the "Old States;" also to St. Louis, Memphis—in fact, to almost any place you wish to go.

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Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, and in order to cure it you must use a remedy that acts directly on the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is such a remedy. It is composed of the best tonics known, with the best blood purifiers acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of two ingredients which produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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They Should.

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The letters of Miss Merkle, whose picture is printed above, and Miss Claussen, prove beyond question that thousands of cases of inflammation of the ovaries and womb are annually cured by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Defiance Starch should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

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We do not think any very pretty girl should admit it if she likes fried liver and onions.

The World's Great Tunnels.
The great Simplon tunnel under the Alps consists in reality of two tunnels or tubes, the object being by this form of construction to provide for ventilation, the trains in each tube moving only one way and thus acting as a piston in forcing out dead air and sucking in fresh supplies. Fans are also used, and by this means it is expected that the tunnel will be perfectly ventilated. Similar plans are being carried out by the Pennsylvania railroad tunnel under the Hudson. These are facts that many have an important bearing in solving the problem of ventilation in the subway. It probably would be possible at comparatively small expense, to make partitions between the various lines in the tunnel and thus make them ventilating tubes. Reinforced by electric fans, these fans ought to solve the air problem of the subway.

Parker to Run Again.
It is said that friends of Judge Alton B. Parker in the Manhattan Club of New York City are planning to bring about his nomination next fall as a justice of the supreme court in New York County. To that end a non-partisan dinner is being arranged, to which Republicans as well as Democrats will be invited. Should he get the place his salary would be \$4500 more than he received as chief justice, as it is the hope of his friends that Governor Higgins would assign him to the appellate division in case he was elected to the supreme bench. To get the nomination Judge Parker would have to change his voting residence, which his friends say he would do.

The Christian never serves Satan better than when he raises a dust over a molecule of sin and lets a mountain of iniquity go by.

Charitable performances often bring large receipts in soothing syrup advertisements.

I am sure Pils' Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOS. ROBINSON, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1905.

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Under date of January 10, 1897, Dr. Hartman received the following letter:

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"In June, 1895, I wrote to you about her case. You advised a course of Peruna and Manalin, which we at once commenced, and have to say it completely cured her.

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In a letter dated January 1, 1900, Mr. Atkinson says, after five years' experience with Peruna:

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Mrs. Alla Schwandt, Sanborn, Minn., writes:

"I have been troubled with rheumatism and catarrh for twenty-five years. Could not sleep day or night. After having used Peruna I can sleep and nothing bothers me now. If ever am afflicted with any kind of sickness Peruna will be the medicine I shall use. My son was cured of catarrh of the larynx by Peruna."—Mrs. Alla Schwandt.

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When a girl tells you she has lost fifteen pounds in weight she always blushes as if you might not know it came off where you wouldn't suspect it had been.

The way the average man would like to reform trusts would be from the inside.

All luck is sometimes better than good luck, as it may cause a reformation.

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We must close out our present
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& Dyer.

A full stock of nails, builders
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ing his entire stock regardless of cost.

2000 acres land close in for sale
from \$3.25 to \$20 per acre, no gyp or
alkali. Better see what we have be-
fore you buy.

Hancock & Loving.

Lost books—The following books
have been taken from the Artesia li-
brary and not accounted for: "Cap-
tain Dieppe," "Scarlet Letter," and
"Pride of Jennico." Holders will
please return to the librarian.

For rooted trees, poles 6 to 8 feet
long and cuttings of the Mountain
Cottonwood, Weeping Willow, Caro-
lina and Lombardy Poplar, address
Wyatt Johnson,
Roswell N. M.

Lost.

Bunch of four keys on ring Re-
turn to L. L. Tackett or the Advoca-
te office and get reward.

Corn chops and bran at Wallings

The real estate men have been
quietly sawing wood during the pre-
sent week.

Ring Lost.

Finger ring set with two rubies and
one emerald, between Talbot's resi-
dence and Kemp's lumber yard. Re-
turn to Advocate office and receive
reward.

Some cases of mild La Grippe in
Artesia, but most of us are quite well
and we are glad we live in about
the best climate on earth.

Weil Drillers.

Who would like to drill a well 3
miles southwest from Dayton. Please
submit bids to

C. J. Moore, Artesia.

Artesian Well.

Contract wanted—I desire a con-
tract to drill an artesian well near
Artesia.

C. R. Brice,
Carlsbad, N. M.

The oil excitement at Dayton
seems to have subsided. After all
the good land near Artesia with its
gushing fountains offers a much bet-
ter and safer place for investment.

To Trade.

Team of good young mules and
new wagon to trade for Artesia real
estate. Inquire at Pecos Valley
Drug Co.

Wanted to Exchange

for property in or near Artesia, new
5 room house and 5 acres land in
Roswell, good location. Address,
Willis Ford, Roswell, N. M.

A Bargain.

A bargain in a relinquishment of
80 acres. Fine land, close in, ad-
joining big well. Apply at this office.

Do You Want to Farm.

I have 160 acres good bottom land
6 miles from Artesia with plenty
water. Will give this year's crop to
man desiring to put it in cultivation.
Land adjoining has made \$15.00 acre
Kaffir corn this year.

Address, "Enquirer,"

Care of Advocate, Artesia, N. M.

Messrs. John Richey and Gayle
Talbot are billed to arrive in Artesia
tonight. They failed to accomplish
the object of the trip to Santa Fe, still
the people of Artesia know they did
their duty. They no doubt present-
ed the matter in its true light to the
legislature which was all that could
be asked. There is another day com-
ing, so we will eat meat and be
ready.

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