

J. E. POOLE, Ed. and Prop. HASKELL, TEXAS. CAPTAINS of United States mail carrying steamship companies are expressing dissatisfaction as to the new United States mail pennant. They say it's too big.

HISTORY records that on state occasions Charlemagne wore a silk gown worth \$5,000. Sarah Bernhardt is believed to be the only modern Frank who has been guilty of a similar extravagance.

The best types of our business men are never failures in the administration of public affairs. They are especially successful in municipal positions, and in our national councils there has been distinguished examples of this class of officials who have left behind them records remarkable for brilliancy and usefulness.

THERE seems to be a fatality which pursues murderous criminals. The man who only wounded Millionaire Mackay and killed himself is only one of a number of would-be assassins who, falling in their first purpose, have been successful in making their own quietus. All in all assassination doesn't seem to be a safe business for the assassin.

The kind of work required on farms at this season of the year can be done by any ordinarily intelligent person. Whoever refuses to take advantage of the opportunity to thus secure employment should be immediately denied further aid. Any assistance thereafter rendered them would be only depriving to that extent the really needy.

PARTICIPATION in scandals of large size appear to be deleterious to the health. The death of Reinhardt in Paris and the cross-examination to which his stomach was subjected are still remembered. Now Zerbi of Rome, a factor in the banking steals, has taken himself from evidence, and it is feared that his stomach will prove as non-committal as the Frenchman's.

In electing nineteen editors to conduct the Yale News for the ensuing year, what is supposed to be the intellectual department of that paper ought to be amply provided for. It goes without saying that there are no reporters on a college paper. At least they enter the broad fields of journalism as always editors until after they graduate and are obliged to earn their living.

EMPEROR WILLIAM wishes for a navy capable of holding its own against that of England. To arrive at such a result would involve an expenditure of many millions, and these millions the German parliament refuses to vote. So much the better in our opinion, for without a very strong navy Germany cannot engage in a great war. The prospect of peace is, therefore, more favorable.

It is gratifying to note that in several states there is a growing tendency to limit the right of suffrage to American citizens. For years it has been possible in some states for foreigners to exercise the right as an American citizen and vote six months after they first set foot on American soil. This has been noticeably the case in Indiana, where only six months' residence is required by law.

In a list of people killed by a railroad an attorney specifies under the caption of "Occupation" "steams" "suicide" "boy" and "reigning lady." Being a "suicide" and a "reigning lady" may, perhaps, involve some occupation, but a "suicide" would hardly seem to fall within the widest acceptance of the word. A "suicide" "occupation" would certainly seem to cease with his becoming a suicide.

It will be no longer necessary for European tourists to make the journey across the ocean under an other flag than that of the American flag. The time is coming when the extensive manufacturing of America can find their way into the foreign markets in American bottoms and just as now under the protection of the British flag. It was only recently that the epoch should be celebrated in Washington's birthday.

THERE is to be no objection to Lord Lytton as poet laureate. This is in accordance with general expectation. National hymns and odes will be written by the competition as has always been done, and often the private pen has proven mightier than the pen authorized by the government to compose the national verses. As for the petty details of royalty, such as have imposed upon the service of some of our poets, and some of Mr. Lytton's official verse, some rather tedious, when read outside of England.

AT THE risk of retaining their commendations, are big banks to say that if the department clerk at Washington are unwilling to work eight hours a day, there are a good many people equally competent who will relieve them gladly of their onerous duties.

THE long-distance marching competitions by volunteer soldiers in England are discontinued by the commander-in-chief in a recent order. He thinks they result in no practical good and may cause individual harm through undue stress of effort.

SUICIDE is distressingly common, and as a habit can never be otherwise than unpleasant. Yet its horrors would be measurably softened if those who voluntarily go hence would refrain from leaving long explanatory missives about it.

IT is not surprising that Sandwich Island raiding now going the newspaper records it will be admitted that even a hopscotch would be a slight improvement on the wisp of hay and ingenious smile which now constitute the outfit.

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Thirteen of Them Make a Dash for Liberty and Succeed.

THE testimony was secured from all sources and shows that for years the practice of punishment of convicts has been most brutal. One of the most approved methods was to handcuff a man's hands behind his neck, then place a noose around his neck and raise his hands, fasten the end of the rope to the handcuffs. The height at which his hands were placed was according to the humor of the brute administering to the torturer. When tied up in this manner the prisoner was placed in a dark cell and left from twenty-five to thirty days. In cases of long confinement the handcuffs were removed for one hour each day. During this time the prisoner, after being tied up, was tied to the top of the door so as to prevent his lying down. The report recommends the abolition of the contract labor system and the adoption of the parole system and a law prescribing the mode of punishment and its administration.

A FAMOUS SQUAW MAN MEETS DEATH.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 13.—Tra y City, especially that portion of the town adjacent to the branch prison, is excited over the escape of thirteen convicts from No. 11 mine. Upon hearing the entrance to the mine and finding the ground by one of the convicts and had his gun taken from him. Guard W. A. Miles ran at hand, immediately made an attempt to get his gun in position to fire without endangering Hargis, but before he could do anything he was pounced upon, overpowered and his gun taken away, whereupon a battle between the convicts made their escape. There are twelve negroes and a white man in the party, some of them desperate characters and in for long terms. There are fifty-seven more who had the same chance to escape but did not leave. Warden Burton was soon on the trail with bloodhounds, but has not yet captured any of them.

Wife Spectator.

LOGANSPORT, La., March 10.—A man arrived here about a week ago saying he came from Indianapolis, representing himself as a land buyer. He bargained with W. B. Hudson for 900 acres of land and put several men at work cutting cordwood on the land, saying he had a large contract to fill out at Houston. He then visited the town and got one of the merchants to order him a pair of rubber boots, bought a horse from W. W. Johnson, a liveryman, rode the horse to Joquin, Tex., and gave it to William Woods, the gentleman he was boarding with. He gave a check on the First National bank of Shreveport to pay Mr. Johnson for his horse. He also gave Mr. W. J. Garrison a check on the same bank for \$250. In the meantime Mr. Garrison had loaned him \$300. It is needless to say none of his checks were honored, and he skipped by the light of the moon to parts unknown.

Cleveland and Hawaii.

NEW YORK, March 5.—The intimation that President Cleveland may appoint a commission to visit Hawaii before acting on the annexation question has caused a chill to run up the back of the Hawaiian commissioners. The appointment of a commission would not only occasion delay in the settlement of the question, but would deprive them of any of the honors or profits connected with the negotiations. The rumor current is that the new administration is taking of appointing a commission to visit the islands with authority to treat with the provisional government upon a plan giving American supremacy over the islands without incurring all the responsibilities accompanying annexation.

All Idaho.

BOISE CITY, Idaho, March 10.—Gov. McConnel has addressed a letter to the district attorney in this city in which he says that during the recent session of the Idaho legislature men of all three political parties were bribed, and that members of all the parties were influenced in a corrupt manner. He says that prosecutions should be commenced and declares that the state board will furnish information as to the names of the district attorney to bring proceedings against some of the guilty legislators.

Squaw Man Killed.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 13.—A special from Pierre, S. D., reported that a number of Indian policemen shot and killed Bill Fielder, the noted squaw man. Fielder's Indian wife had just received her share of the "pony" money and Fielder demanded it. She refused and he struck her, fracturing her skull. Agent Littlebridge sent the Indian police to arrest Fielder. He resisted arrest and they shot him nine bullets, striking him and killing him instantly.

Gas Explosion.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 13.—Escaping from the conduct of the central District Telephone company caused a terrible explosion yesterday. Every pane of glass in the buildings between First and Third avenues was broken. Fortunately no one was injured. The concussion shook the buildings for several blocks around and frightened the occupants, but beyond breaking windows no damage was done.

Acquitted.

ATOKA, I. T., March 7.—C. A. Weaver, a deputy United States marshal, was tried and acquitted before R. M. Groves, United States commissioner, yesterday for the killing of H. P. Morgan, a white man residing near Stonevale. I. T. Morgan was charged with hog theft and resisted the marshal's posse and was killed by Weaver last Friday.

Student Killed.

LAGUNA, N. M., March 11.—Late Thursday evening Sam Steel, about 19 years old, a student of the agricultural college at this place was murdered by a cowboy supposed to be in the employ of the Carpenter Stanley outfit. The killing was done on the public highway. What prompted the act is unknown. The supposed murderer is in jail.

Killed Two.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 10.—At Galloway, eight miles from here, E. Patton, eight years old, entered M. F. Jackson's store where some negroes were playing cards. One attempted to kick Patton out whereupon Patton drew a revolver and shot and killed two negroes and another negro.

President Killed.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Vice President Reinhardt has been elected president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe system. Mr. J. W. Reina, 61 years old.

Inhuman Treatment.

OHAMA, Neb., March 9.—In the legislature yesterday the joint com-

What is Being Done by Our Law-Makers at the State Capitol.

A SYNOPSIS OF IMPORTANT MEASURES.

THE SENATE PASSES A BILL PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL JUDGES IN CERTAIN CASES. The Senate passed a bill providing for the appointment of a special judge of the court of appeals where one judge is disqualified and the other two judges are divided in their opinions and to preserve which business shall take precedence, and then adjourned till Monday.

Twenty-Two Laws.

AUSTIN, March 11.—The sixty days' session expired yesterday, and from this on till final adjournment members draw \$2 per day. The sixty days work has resulted in twenty-two laws which have been filed with the secretary of state. These twenty-two laws have cost the state an average of about \$1000 each, or a total of \$22,000. They consist of two legislature appropriations, one appropriation for presidential electors and one for judicial court of appeals; providing for changes of venue in civil cases; for advertising for asylum supplies; for suits of minors by next friend; establishing labor day holiday; to provide for taking depositions; to diminish the jurisdiction Webb county court; granting Judge Goodrich leave of absence; chartering the Waco dam; to authorize administrators to sue for claims on account of Indian depositions; to diminish jurisdiction of Dimmitt county court; to extend railroad charters; to require sales under execution to be advertised in newspapers; to restore jurisdiction of Tyler county court; to restore jurisdiction of Marion county court; to fix terms of court in the thirty-fourth judicial district; to fix terms of court in the forty-fourth judicial district; and to provide a road system for Caldwell county. It will be noted that exclusive of appropriation bills only six are of general application, leaving thirteen local bills as the principal work of the session. The governor has under advisement six bills which, with one exception, are local in their nature.

Validating Bonds.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 10.—In the house on motion the house bill providing restrictions upon the issue of county bonds and validating bonds heretofore issued was taken up. The discussion hinged upon the following: Sec. 8. All bonds heretofore issued by counties of this state for the erection of courthouses, jails and bridges for the purpose of constructing and buying bridges for public uses, when the bonds have been delivered in payment of such courthouses, jails and bridges, or when the same have been sold to purchasers for value and the proceeds used for such purpose, and not issued in violation of the constitution of the state of Texas, are hereby validated.

Gossett's Limitation Bill.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 8.—In the house the Gossett bill to limit land ownership by corporations and force such to disgorge was taken up on second reading. The house committee bill was substituted for the senate bill and the house voted to pass the subject. After an all day wrangle, discussing various amendments, some of which were adopted, the previous question was ordered and the bill passed to third reading.

Wants to Adjourn.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 9.—In the senate yesterday Mr. Baldwin offered a resolution to adjourn on the 20th of March. In a series of speeches occurred this language: Whereas, it is the desire of each and every member of the senate, as well as the house, to make a state reputation and to immortalize himself as a Texas statesman and American patriot. Ruled out of order.

Discussing Private Bills.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 13.—On Saturday the house spent the morning session discussing private bills, pending which the body adjourned to 3 o'clock p. m. On reconvening the roll call showed that nine members were needed to make a quorum. Adjourned to-day. It was stated that several members went out to the dam lake on an excursion to see the female balloonist drop from the clouds.

Give a Bet.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 8.—In the senate the bill amending the act to encourage irrigation so as to give owners of irrigation ditches, canals, flumes, reservoirs and wells preference in the use of water from such ditches under a lease or rental contract, was taken up and passed.

Postponed.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 13.—The senate on Saturday morning took up the constitutional amendment exempting manufacturers from taxation for a series of years. After some lengthy speeches on motion of Mr. Bowers it was postponed till next Wednesday.

Land Office Investigation.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 10.—The joint committee to investigate Land Commissioner McGaughey met and organized by electing Senator Yoakum chairman. They are to have a meeting this evening.

For Station Women.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 10.—Before the house adjourned yesterday Mr. Fields gave notice that he would move to take up the senate bill to establish a home for fallen women to-day.

To Increase Stock.

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To Register Trade-Marks.

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What Climate, Neglect and Want of the Proper Medicine Will Do.

There are some things which are as sure as a clock can be relied on to occur to at least one-half of the human family unless means are taken to prevent. First, the climate of winter is sure to bring colds; second, colds, not promptly cured, are sure to cause catarrh; third, catarrh, improperly treated, is sure to make life short and miserable. Catarrh spares no organ or function of the body. It is capable of destroying sight, taste, smell, hearing, digestion, secretion, assimilation, and excretion. It pervades every part of the human body—head, throat, stomach, bowels, genital tubes, lungs, liver, kidneys, bladder and sexual organs. Catarrh is the cause of at least one-half of the ills to which the human family is subject. Is there no way to escape from it? There is. Peruna never fails to cure a cold. Peruna never fails to cure catarrh in the first stage. Peruna-cure catarrh in the second stage in nine cases out of ten. Peruna-cure catarrh in its last cases, and never fails to benefit every case, however bad. Peruna also cures la grippe, coughs, and consumption in the first stages with unfailing certainty.

Often Heard Of.

The annual allowance of the emperor prince of Romania is almost two and a half times as large a sum as the salary of the president of the United States. Dan Emmett, the negro minstrel who wrote "Dixie," is said to be still living, not perfectly stricken. A Southern paper suggests that the people of Dixie ought to raise money to relieve his need. Commander Booth of the Salvation Army is arranging for a great central headquarters where poor men who come to visit the Columbian exposition can obtain food and lodgings at a nominal cost. Patti receives \$2,000 a night for her operatic performances at La Scala, in Milan. In England the diva's rates are higher for she is paid \$1,000 for every concert in London and \$2,500 for concerts in the provinces. Ex-President Hayes had a desk and bookcase arranged in one of his bath rooms so that he might take refuge from visitors in that apartment when hard pressed. Usually, though he was safe when he withdrew to his large bedroom. Sir Halliday Macartney, secretary of the Chinese legation in London, went to China as a surgeon of a British regiment more than thirty years ago. His scores of medals attest the Chinese service. He is a standard of the second class and talks Chinese like a native. In Lancaster, Pa., the children of Dr. Stevens have filed a claim to the whole estate of Thaddeus Stevens. The will bequeathed \$50,000 for the establishment of a home in Lancaster, the bequest to be operative only if the estate was worth that sum. It did not amount to that sum except by the accumulation of interest.

Bits of Natural History.

A white wolf, weighing perhaps 150 pounds, walked deliberately full length of the main street in Plaza, Wash., unnoted, and passed up the gable into the hills. Cork is about the most buoyant substance there is, but there are spots beyond which even cork can not go. A cork sunk 200 feet deep in the ocean will not rise again to the surface, owing to the great pressure of the water. At any less distance from the surface, however, it will gradually work its way back to light once more. Heavy snowfalls brought calamity in a curious way to the Chinese pleasure grounds which are to be found in some parts of the Northwest. The sleet and snow stuck to their long tails in such a way that the birds were unable to fly. The country boys saw their opportunity and captured the birds by dozens. The birds are said to be worth \$10 a pair alive and in good condition, and three boys in one family in Oregon caught nearly three dozen.

Curious Pickings.

A New York city shoemaker displays a sign which reads as follows: "Sneaks taken out of shoes." Of 184,384 recruits received into the German army and navy recently only \$24 could not read or write. Seven American presidents have died in the month of July and in that month Garfield received his fatal wound. A snow white opossum, a rare specimen of the possum tribe, has been presented to the Central park (New York) menagerie. New Zealand streams were stocked with trout and salmon twenty years ago. Now one day's ordinary work of an angler is 100 pounds of trout. The Sultan has ordered a competitive trial of Krupp and Call cannon. The latter are used by the French army, and the Ottoman army has been using the former. The Catholics of Mexico are preparing to raise funds for the erection of a magnificent cathedral on the banks of the Grigolza river on the spot where the first mass was said in America.

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The annual allowance of the emperor prince of Romania is almost two and a half times as large a sum as the salary of the president of the United States. Dan Emmett, the negro minstrel who wrote "Dixie," is said to be still living, not perfectly stricken. A Southern paper suggests that the people of Dixie ought to raise money to relieve his need. Commander Booth of the Salvation Army is arranging for a great central headquarters where poor men who come to visit the Columbian exposition can obtain food and lodgings at a nominal cost. Patti receives \$2,000 a night for her operatic performances at La Scala, in Milan. In England the diva's rates are higher for she is paid \$1,000 for every concert in London and \$2,500 for concerts in the provinces. Ex-President Hayes had a desk and bookcase arranged in one of his bath rooms so that he might take refuge from visitors in that apartment when hard pressed. Usually, though he was safe when he withdrew to his large bedroom. Sir Halliday Macartney, secretary of the Chinese legation in London, went to China as a surgeon of a British regiment more than thirty years ago. His scores of medals attest the Chinese service. He is a standard of the second class and talks Chinese like a native. In Lancaster, Pa., the children of Dr. Stevens have filed a claim to the whole estate of Thaddeus Stevens. The will bequeathed \$50,000 for the establishment of a home in Lancaster, the bequest to be operative only if the estate was worth that sum. It did not amount to that sum except by the accumulation of interest.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Important Happenings in the Various Departments of Government.

CONGRESSIONAL AND OTHER NEWS

President Cleveland Says There Will Be No Extra Session of Congress

WASHINGTON, March 13.—President Cleveland in conversation Saturday is reported to have said he will not call an extra session of congress as the more object the repeal of the silver increase act, could not be effected this year.

Summaries of Laws

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The following are the more important bills enacted into laws by the fifty-second congress: The car coupon bill, the Chinese exclusion bill, the national quarantine bill, the immigration bill, to grant American registry to the two-man steamer, to pension the survivors of the Black Hawk and Seminole Indian wars, the intermediate pension bill, the eight-hour bill, bill for the adjustment of claims of men who have worked over time to enable the president to enforce reciprocal canal arrangements with Canada, pension to army nurses, to increase the pay of the crews of life saving stations, the omnibus light-house and fog signal bill, to amend the interstate commerce law so as to meet the Gresham and Counselman decisions and correct other defects in it; to amend the law in reference to bills of lading so as to increase and make more clear the responsibilities of transporters; the appropriation of \$50,000 for the preparation of the Sherman statute; to establish a military board to review court martial findings; for the examination of officers of the marine corps and to regulate promotions therein; for the completion of the allotment of lands to the Cheyennes and Arapahoes; to make the secretary of agriculture eligible to the presidential succession; to authorize the establishment of a branch national bank on the World's Fair grounds; to create a California mining debris committee; to repeal the life-saving protective law in so far as concerns vessels navigating inland seas or sounds exclusively; to enable the centennial board of finance to wind up its affairs; to increase the pay of privates in the hospital corps, to permit enlisted men to be examined for promotion to second lieutenant; to give commanding officers in the army power to remove or mitigate findings in summary court martial cases within two years of the time within which specifications may be made; to remove technical charges of desertion against Mexican war veterans; to make reductions in the naval engineering corps; to establish a court of appeals in the District of Columbia; to incorporate the American university at Washington; to establish a military post near Little Rock, Ark.; to provide for the collection and arrangement of the military records of the revolution and the war of 1812; to authorize the secretary of the treasury to obtain designs for public buildings from royal architects who may also be employed to superintend their construction; to authorize the entry of lands chiefly valuable for building stone under the major mining laws; for the permanent preservation and custody of the records of the volunteer armies; to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi river near New Orleans; to extend the seal protecting status to the north Pacific ocean; directing the secretary of war to investigate raft towing on the great lakes; to amend the general land grant forfeiture of the last congress so that persons entitled to purchase forfeited lands, who are not yet to a few years from the date of its passage; to provide for the punishment of offenses on the high seas, making an important amendment in the present law; permitting suits to be brought in district courts and the court of claims against the United States for land patents within a year from the date when the right of action accrued; for the trial in the court of claims of charges of fraud alleged against the Wells and La Abra Mexican awards; and establishing a standard gauge for sheet and plate iron and steel.

Other Appointments

WASHINGTON, March 9.—It was generally reported last night that the president would send to the senate today the nomination of Fred Conner of New York as minister to France; but Colins of Massachusetts, United States counsel general at Liverpool; Al. W. Jenkins of Wisconsin for the vacancy on the bench created by putting Gresham in the cabinet. Gen. Wheeler of Michigan as pension commissioner; and Ireal Pury Gray of Indiana, minister to Mexico. If Mr. Kilgore does not go to Mexico it is certain that he can get another appointment which will be better than a place in congress.

Signers Left

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Isaac P. Gray of Indiana will be minister to Mexico. C. B. Kilgore says that no was defeated by Senator Roger Q. Mills of Texas for the Mexican mission and that he did it under the funny pretext that no Texas man ought to be selected for the place, when Mr. (Mr. Mills) eight years ago, when Texas and Mexico were not in the harmonious relations they now enjoy, recommended a Texan, Mr. Bendires, for the place.

Cabinet Continued

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The senate was in session about thirty-five minutes yesterday. The president's message transmitting his nomination for cabinet officers was read, when the body went into executive session, confirmed all of them, came into open session, and adjourned till Thursday.

Bill's Center

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Senator Mills says: "Mr. Kilgore's statement as published yesterday no accusations of having represented to Mr. Cleveland that it was impossible to appoint any Texan to the Mexican mission is absolutely and unqualifiedly false."

HISTORIC PRINTING HOUSE.

It Made Punch Famous and Started the Daily News.

The recent death of the head of the house of Bradbury, Agnew & Co. recalls attention to the minds of persons of advancing age to the conspicuous position occupied by the firm of Bradbury and Evans in the four century desec of the present century.

The business of publisher and printer was at that period rarely combined, and the firm in question, by assimilating the two branches, occupied almost an isolated place in the world of letters. Succeeding to the business of Davidson, in Whitefriars, about the year 1831, the senior partners struggled on until by a bold stroke they acquired the Funch property soon after its commencement in 1841.

The success of this periodical has become historical, says the Pall Mall Gazette. Mark Lemon, the editor of Punch under Bradbury and Evans' management, gathered around him a band of special writers, which has, perhaps, never been equalled, and whose names have indeed become "household words." Among them will be remembered the Brothers Mayhew, Douglas Jerrold, Albert Smith, Gilbert A. Beckett, Shirley Brooks, Tom Taylor, Forrester Leigh, not omitting the great dramatist and the author of "The Song of the Shirt," Richard Doyle, John Leach, Charles Keene and John Thornhill composed the head of the artistic staff.

Of this brilliant band, the veteran John Tenniel alone remains. Perhaps one of the greatest hits ever made by Punch was the "Candle Lectures" of Jerrold, which ran in weekly instalments about the year 1847. The recent contention of the Times' proprietor in regard to newspaper copyright not being at that period so interpreted, the "Candle Lectures" were reprinted in extenso by various publications throughout the length and breadth of the land.

One of the most humorous of Jerrold's sayings did not appear in the pages of Punch, but is said to have been uttered by him at one of the renowned weekly dinners of the staff in Bouverie street. At a period when the pages of the periodical had been for some weeks considered unusually phlegmatic and dull, Jerrold stated that a young friend had considerably upset his equilibrium by asking if he did not think it would be a good speculation to start a comic Punch.

The firm of Bradbury and Evans continued to show great energy and speculative spirit about the middle of the century. Their plant of printing machinery was then, perhaps, the finest in London, and probably more printed sheets were issued weekly from their presses than from any other office on the globe. Besides high-class work of every description, the firm printed the Family Herald and London Journal, in addition to managing many periodicals of large circulation for other printers who had not the requisite plant for themselves.

They were the first printers in the country to adopt the French process of paper-stamping, which, next to the steam press, has effected the greatest revolution in printing since the days of Caxton. Without the aid of this process the modern rotary cylinder web presses would be comparatively useless, and the production of the immense circulations of the present day almost an impossibility.

In 1846 the Daily News made its advent on the premises of this firm in the form of a four-page sheet published at 2d under the editorship of Charles Dickens, who, having in the course of criticism, pricked the keen susceptibilities of Albert Smith, was answered by the latter in a parody of the "My Green," the refrain being, "My dear printer, the Daily News." What has since become a famous paper—the Field—was started by the firm in 1852, illustrated by John Leech, and like the Daily News, did not for some years become a financial success. Among the great works issued by the house of Bradbury and Evans must not be omitted "The English Encyclopedia," under the direction of Charles Knight and the editorship of Dr. Edwin Lankester.

The eminent literary men whose works were issued by the firm included the three English fiction writers of their day—Dickens, Thackeray and Wilkie Collins—besides a host of other luminaries of the literary world. Of late years other firms have arisen and come to the front. Bradbury and Evans eventually dissolved their partnership and the connection by marriage of the deceased William Bradbury with the wealthy Agnew family, led to a change in the business character of the firm, the famous periodical Punch still being retained.

The fame of popularity appeared to set in with the reversion by Dickens of his business relations with the house and the capture of Thackeray by the Cornhill firm for the conduct of their new magazine.

"And what answer do you make to my appeal?" he asked, as he knelt at her feet. "James, I will be frank with you," she murmured. "Oh, speak," he implored, "and believe me from this agony of suspense." "Then let me tell you it cannot be." "Why not, oh, why not?" "Because, James, I do not feel able to support a husband." Texas Sitings.

Asked as a Favor. Conjuner, pointing to a large open about in the ladies and gentlemen who came to the evening at the pro gramme, I will ask any lady in the company to step on the platform and get into this cabinet. I will then shut the door. When I open it again the lady will have disappeared with out leaving a trace. Gerthman aside to his wife: "I say, Mattie, you do me the favor and walk up."

Two Names. The custom of using more than one Christian name was introduced into England with the coming of Henry VIII. Maria, the bride of Charles I., after whom a large number of British infants were soon joyfully christened. The rolling resonance of the double name so pleased the ear of the public that soon other combinations of the same kind came into fashion.

DOMESTIC BREVITIES.

Cleanings From Current Happenings of General Interest to All Readers.

SERIOUS AND SENSATIONAL SORTING.

A Complete Epitome of the Week Called From Leading Battles of the Country.

Gold has been discovered near Asiland, O. Mr. Cleveland has seven lawyers in his cabinet. There is an army of 741,000 railway employes in this country.

William Davis, a Philadelphia man, ran away with his brother's wife. Mrs. Sarah Ham who recently died at Oakland, Ill., was 106 years old. At Congo, O., a Hungarian minor working in the mine, dropped dead.

Glory Hallelujah Jones is the imposing name of a Mississippi negro. Dolly Johnson of Lexington, Ky., is to be chief cook at the white house. A rich mine of iron ore has been discovered in St. Louis county, Minn. There is \$71,244,199 invested in the National banking business in Pennsylvania.

Where there are 193 business failures, recently, in one week in the United States. The government has sold \$1,708,666 worth of the Columbian postal stamps already. The sole leather trust, \$70,000,000 capital, with \$25,000,000 assessed, has organized. Peachotas, Va., has had a \$100,000 fire. It destroyed twenty stores and residences.

Carter H. Harrison has been nominated for mayor of Chicago by the Democrats. Henry Young, a New York broker, and member of the Stock Exchange, cut his throat. A Boston ship-building firm offers to build steel ships of 2,000 to 3,000 tons for \$60 per ton.

In Boston, Mass., F. H. Jenkins shot his wife four times and then himself—both dead. At Chamberland, S. D., a calf was ailing growing from its side. Otawais it is natural. Ex-County Treasurer Jackson, of Fraying, Mich., is short \$15,000 but says he will pay up.

Ex-President Harrison has accepted a professorship in the Lehigh university of California. Philadelphia theater goers should be happy. They have twenty first-class ones to choose from. Mrs. Henry Gregg of Buffalo, N. Y., wife of a millionaire, killed herself with a pair of scissors.

Union telegraph operators are being discharged one at a time in Denver, Col., by the W. U. T. Co. John Living a negro of Cincinnati, gets drunk and nearly gave his wife a sound thrashing, and is in jail. Nine men were drowned and four small boats wrecked recently, at Tangier sound, near Laurel, Del.

A boy opened his employer's safe in New Orleans and took \$500. He laid off, got drunk and gave himself away. A Columbus, O., dog attempted suicide by jumping from a third story window. His was "stove up" but still lives. The income from taxation for the year 1893, of the state of Pennsylvania, is estimated will foot up \$9,547,000.

A Washington rustler has printed a book containing a list of the 180,000 officers in the gift of the Cleveland administration. The bondsmen of ex-City Treasurer Axworth of Cleveland, O., after four years contest in the courts agree to pay the city \$100,000.

Fred Clark, Charles West and Fred Green were killed in a collision on the Passumick division of the Boston and Maine railway near St. Johnsbury, Vt., recently. Hon. J. Quincy of Massachusetts has been formerly tendered the position of assistant secretary of state by Secretary Gresham and has accepted the place.

An inhuman mother of Louisville, Ky., buried her six-month-old child alive, but was discovered in time for the rescuers to save it. The woman ran away. At Findlay, O., William Wierwill tore a watch from the bosom of Mrs. Albin and put it on. He was apprehended and locked up and the watch returned to the lady.

At the leasing of the state convicts in Jackson, Miss., recently, white men brought \$5, and colored men brought \$1 a month. Tax assessors are cotton planters. Hugh Dempsey and Robert Beattie, charged with the poisoning of Home- stead non-union men, were refused a new trial and have been sentenced to the penitentiary.

Thomas Lawson a Philadelphia tough, choked an old woman absolutely to death for the pearly sum of 75 cents, got drunk and confessed his crime and is in jail. Miss Ella King of Dobbs Ferry, New York and her father started to an entertainment where she was to recite, and without word or warning she fell dead in his arms.

TABERNACLE PULPIT.

TALMAGE PREACHES ON USEFULNESS OF MAN.

From Twenty to Seventy the Best Years of All Our Lives.—The days of Our Years Are Three Score and Ten.— Psalm 90:10.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., March 5.—A most striking and characteristic sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Talmage to-day, the subject announced being "From Twenty to Seventy the Best Years of Our Lives." The text was Psalm 90:10.

The seventieth milestone of life is here planted as at the end of the journey. A few days beyond it, and you never reach it. The oldest person of modern times expired at 193 years. A Greek, by the name of Stravaria, lived to 132 years. An Englishman, by the name of Thomas Parr, lived 152 years. Before the time of Moses, people lived 150 years, and if you go far enough back, they lived 300 years.

Next I do not know of any one who are in the twenties. You are all full of expectation. You are ambitious—that is, if you amount to anything—for some kind of success, commercial, or moral, or professional, or literary, or agricultural, or social or moral. If I find some one in the twenties without any sort of ambition, I feel like saying: "My friend, you have got to be in the world for you. You are going to be in the way. Have you made your choice of porches? You will never be able to pay for your grade. Who gets a second-class ticket in the train is a mistake about the fact that you were born at all."

But suppose you have ambition, let me say to all the twenties, expect everything through the course of your life, and do not get well. Are you looking for wealth? Well, remember that God controls the money markets, the harvests, the winds, the clouds, the sun, the moon, the sea, and you will get wealth. Perhaps not that which is stored up in banks, in safe deposits, in United States bonds, in gold and silver, but your clothing and board and shelter, and that is about all you can appropriate anyhow. You cost the Lord a great deal. To feed and clothe and shelter you, he has expended a large sum of money, and if you get nothing more than the absolute necessities, you expect as much as you will of any kind of success, if you expect it from the Lord you are safe. Depend on any other resource and you may be badly chastened, but depend on God and all will be well. It is a good thing that the course of life is so short, and of large means back up. It is a great thing to have a moored anchor-stand behind you in your undertaking. To have a light-house that can give the tide of our life, and earth your coadjutor, and you may have him. I am so glad that I meet you while you are in the twenties. You are in the most plastic and plastic part of your life. You are in the world and in the best of it. You are in the best of your existence. You are in the best of your life. It is about as well as the morning of your life. Which way are you going to start? To the twenties!

"Twenty" is a great word in the Bible. Joseph was sold for twenty pieces of silver. Samson judged Israel twenty years. Hiram reigned twenty years. The flying roll that Zachariah saw was twenty cubits. When the sailors of the ship on which Paul sailed sounded the Mediterranean Sea, it was twenty fathoms deep. Hiram reigned twenty years. Rome has been in the twenties. Keats finished life at twenty-five. Lafayette was a world-renowned soldier at twenty-two. Christ accomplished his chief work by twenty-seven. Bonaparte was victor over Italy at twenty-six. Pitt was prime minister of England at 29. Calvin had completed his chief work at 29. The time he was 25. Grotius was Attorney-General at 24. Some of the noblest things for God and eternity have been done in the twenties. As long as you live, do not waste your life. Let us be thankful for the gift of the twenties.

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HASKELL COUNTY.

Its Resources, Advantages, Progress and Future Prospects.

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Haskell county is situated in the southern part of the Panhandle on the line of the one hundredth meridian west from Greenwich. It is 1500 feet above the sea, and has mild winters and summers. It is thirty miles square and contains 375,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milton counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennesseean, who fell at the massacre at Gettysburg in 1863.

It remained unsettled until 1874, when there was one or two ranches established. Other ranches followed, and in 1880 the county could boast of fifteen or twenty inhabitants. There was no further development until early in 1888, when the town of Haskell was laid off, and by donating lots a few settlers were induced to build residences, and in January 1888 the county organized with a polled vote of fifty-seven electors.

Up to 1884 the soil had never been turned by a plow, and the people depended upon raising cattle, sheep and horses, as the natural grasses furnished food both winter and summer for immense herds. The poorer people made money by gathering many thousands of buffalo bones and shipping them east to be made into fertilizers used in the old states.

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and cotton and the yield was bountiful. The average in farms has increased to at least 30,000. The county is an unindented plain, with occasional creeks and branches. It is bounded on the north by the picturesque stream, the Salt Fork of the Brazos, and on the west by Double Mountain Fork.

There are a few washes and gulches along the breaks and rivers, but with rivers, breaks, rocks and poor land combined their area in Haskell county would not exceed 10,000 acres that would not be fine agricultural land. It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of pure water.

Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the country is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining the south half of the county. The north half is traversed from northwest to northeast by Lala and Miller creeks whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same.

Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of good quality, some of which is unsurpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature. The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porosity and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drains in the rainfall and for the like reason the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil, and the germination of miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enable vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquite grubs and stumps which are easily extracted, there are no obstructions to plows and the land being level or generally rolling and easy worked, the use of labor-saving implements are profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over an 100 acres in grain and cotton.

Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durum corn, millet, sorghum, castor beans, field peas, pumpkins, and all the squash family, turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitably. Sweet potatoes do well, and Irish potatoes as well as anywhere in the south. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons luxuriant in Haskell county soil, growing to fine size of grapes that grow on the prairies, sustaining large numbers of cattle, horses and sheep throughout the year. Colorado grass grows to great perfection and the hay made from this grass form a valuable adjunct to the winter pasture, in keeping stock over winter.

The Pennsylvania railroad depot in Philadelphia promises to be the most magnificent structure of its kind in the world. It will be modern Gothic, granite and brick ten stories high, with a tower 240 feet high. In a certain quarter of London the new-bows are encouraged to save a penny a day. The money is kept for them in a savings bank, and the boy who deposits regularly for a month is given one penny "interest" on his money. The bank is the work of a good woman.

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Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the country is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining the south half of the county. The north half is traversed from northwest to northeast by Lala and Miller creeks whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same.

Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of good quality, some of which is unsurpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature. The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porosity and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drains in the rainfall and for the like reason the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil, and the germination of miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enable vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquite grubs and stumps which are easily extracted, there are no obstructions to plows and the land being level or generally rolling and easy worked, the use of labor-saving implements are profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over an 100 acres in grain and cotton.

Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durum corn, millet, sorghum, castor beans, field peas, pumpkins, and all the squash family, turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitably. Sweet potatoes do well, and Irish potatoes as well as anywhere in the south. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons luxuriant in Haskell county soil, growing to fine size of grapes that grow on the prairies, sustaining large numbers of cattle, horses and sheep throughout the year. Colorado grass grows to great perfection and the hay made from this grass form a valuable adjunct to the winter pasture, in keeping stock over winter.

The Pennsylvania railroad depot in Philadelphia promises to be the most magnificent structure of its kind in the world. It will be modern Gothic, granite and brick ten stories high, with a tower 240 feet high. In a certain quarter of London the new-bows are encouraged to save a penny a day. The money is kept for them in a savings bank, and the boy who deposits regularly for a month is given one penny "interest" on his money. The bank is the work of a good woman.

per acre, and usually sells at 25 cents per bushel; cotton yields a half to three-quarters of a bale per acre. Other crops make good yields and command corresponding prices. Hens made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound, fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound, chickens 15 to 20 cents each, and eggs 10 to 25 cents per dozen.

SHIPPING POINT. As yet Haskell has no railroad, and our people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 52 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific Railroad, Albany on the Texas Central 45 miles from Haskell on the southeast, and Seymour on the Wichita Valley road 45 miles northeast.

RAILROADS. There is one road being built from Seymour to this place and one to be built from Fort Worth. The Texas Central will extend in a short time from Albany and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed. The land men of Austin have organized a company to build a road from that city to this section of the state, where they control nearly all the land, and one of the principal members owns 150,000 acres in this and Knox counties, besides he owns the large addition to the town of Haskell on the south.

Haskell is 52 miles north of the T. & P. R. R., and 60 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R., and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rock Island and G. & S. F. propose to extend their lines.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the northwest. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$5.50 per capita, our commissioners' court have wisely executed a lease for ten years of our four leagues of school land, situated in the Panhandle, the revenue from which, added to the amount received from the state, gives us a fund amply sufficient to run the several schools of the county ten months in the year.

MAIL FACILITIES. There is a daily mail service from Haskell to Abilene via Anson, and a weekly mail north to Benjamin and a daily mail to Seymour, also a tri-weekly express line to Albany. These all carry express and passengers.

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS. The religious and moral status of the people of Haskell county will compare favorably with that of any people. The Methodists, Baptists, Christians, Old School and Cumberland Presbyterians each have organized churches in the town of Haskell, and have preaching on Sundays, also preaching at other points in the county.

ADVANTAGES AND RESOURCES. In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portion of our own state there are many of its citizens who are contemplating a removal or a change of residence for many reasons. Some to restore lost health, some to make their beginning in the world, others to repair financial losses, others seeking safe and profitable investments of surplus capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and are well contented, but who have children, whom they would like to provide with lands suitable for a home, and assist to commence business in life, but cannot do so with their present surroundings, and must seek cheaper lands and better opportunities in other and newer localities.

To such we would say are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of occupation and investment to choose from, with climate greatly in your favor. In coming to Haskell do not imagine we are a people wild and woolly indigenes to these "western wilds," that are laden with dynamite and shooting iron, that our conversation are collections of cuss words and Multatuli mixtures, but rather that we are a people reared among the same surroundings, that we have received the benefit of the same advantage, that we have availed ourselves of the same educational privileges, that we have had the same Christian instructions you yourselves have had. Be enlightened by past experience. Fortunes have been made by the development of new countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally as good country.

We have a country endowed by nature with all the conditions of soil, prairie and valley, adapting it to the production of all the grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a happy medium between the extreme cold and extreme heat, a climate which will preserve the strong and robust and strengthen the sickly and weak. We have a country well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where no malarial sickness ever comes. We have a country of the best lands in northwest Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite, elm and hackberry timber for firewood and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the purest water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as unshodding, patriotic and religious, as can be found anywhere in the United States. We have plenty of room, and invite you and all who contemplate a change to come—all who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and want you for neighbors and friends.

Reader, please hand this to your friend.

A LITTLE BIT OF A BOY.

There never was a little in a woman's smile, and never a gleam of joy.

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THE HEILMAN TWINS.

From the very hour that the Heilman twins were born the vox populi of Nipponese Valley declared in uncompromising terms that nothing but trouble could come of it.

When the twins went to school the trouble became worse than ever. At home when one of them was unusually naughty, unless caught in the act, she usually escaped punishment.

But Mrs. Heilman's system of duplex spanking obviously would not do at school. No teacher would dare to punish two scholars for a fault of which only one could possibly be guilty.

But the purgatory of the school mistress could not last forever and in course of time the twins went forth seeking fresh fields to conquer.

A fertile field for their hegemony lay in the diabolically presented field of the mathematics of young men who appeared as candidates for the favor of either or of both of them.

Bertha had no special regard for Peter Upegrad and was careful to make him understand this.

STRAIGHT TO THE END.

On a certain evening she was obliged to let it go until he had finished. Then she turned and gazed at him.

"No, of course not. Haven't I been trying for the last year to please to you that I loved you? I cared nothing for Greeta, except as your sister."

A STEALTHY PANTHER.

On this night we had made our camp—Joe and I—on the west side of the Salmon River mountains.

I had been feverish all day and when I turned in, with my feet to the fire and the stars above me, at about 8 o'clock I was a little bit drowsy.

"Step! Step! Step!" I heard a noise in the forest and knew a dead limb had fallen.

"Did I feel the earth jar beside me? No, I feel as any movement at all it was caused by one of the horses raising his head to catch the scent of the wolf."

"The fever has left my throat as dry as timber, and I suddenly shiver. It won't take Joe over a minute to fill our coffee-pot with hot-water at the spring. I don't like to break in his sleep, but he can make up for it tomorrow when left in charge of the camp."

"Joe sleeps as lightly as a fox, and, Indian-like, is awake every two hours to see that the fire is all right."

"I am on my feet as I call. No answer. He would hear me if I had a mile away, but there is no response. I go to the spring and drink my fill, and return and heap fuel on the fire and lie down again. Joe is a queer sort of boy. He may have gone down to the Salmon to set a couple of traps, or he may have seen Indians passing and followed them. There is no cause to worry."

BEST USE OF A HORSE.

The Art of Getting the Most Out of Him.

The art of getting the most out of a horse is not a matter of force and practice to every man who has a horse, and, therefore, these facts of endurance should form a part of an officer's education, as well as those upon the tact and obedience of the horse.

To cover many miles with success a man must first of all study his own condition and while he makes his charger fit must not forget to render himself fit, too. He should carefully watch how his horse takes his food, and vary the amount of it, the time of feeding, and the nature of forage.

Then he should endeavor by experiment to discover the pace which suits its conformation best, and the most judicious manner of varying it, so as to afford relief to the muscles, and yet get over the ground.

The particular pace that best suits the animal having been ascertained, it should be trained to go at that pace evenly and methodically, and with the regularity of a machine.

Briggs—I wonder what induced Waldson to give his ushers ready-made pocketies at his wedding? Griggs—He wanted them to be on time. Clothier and Furrier.

A FEROCIOUS BEAST'S SILENT, DEADLY ATTACK.

The animal breaks a camp and carries off a Steeper. An Attack too Silent and Sudden to Fear.

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AN EVENTFUL VOYAGE.

Accidents to the Spanish Steamer N. S. de Loreto.

The Spanish steamer N. S. de Loreto, in her last voyage from Hong-kong to Manila, met with a series of accidents. She left Hongkong having in tow a steam launch manned by ten men, under the direction of the chief officer and second engineer of the Loreto.

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WERE FOND OF POETRY.

COYOTES THAT ARE INTERESTED IN BOOKS.

They Must Have Poems Read to Them Every Morning—Strange Story Told About an Old Inhabitant of the Sierras.

Down in Auberry valley, Cal., a sight can be witnessed any day in the week that is like an illustration in Esop's fables.

It all happens at Johnny Cunningham's place, just at the base of the foothills of the Sierras, in a wild and remote spot.

The doctor was attempting to discover the seat of the malady and did not pay as much attention as old John seemed to show his dog, and he reproved the doctor in the strongest terms, saying he had no appreciation of the beautiful and continually referred to his "pets," saying their appreciation was a genuine love of the beautiful.

The doctor asked where these pets were but received no answer, and came to the conclusion that they existed only in the imagination of his host. The case puzzled the doctor greatly, and after he retired he lay awake several hours pondering over it.

Just about daybreak he was awakened by steady footfalls, apparently those of some animal, on the porch. It did not sound like a dog, and yet it appeared to be perfectly at home, and did not seem to fear molestation.

He finally mustered up courage to get out of bed and look through the window-blinds. His worst fears were realized; a large pack of coyotes had possession of the yard and were all over the porch restlessly pacing to and fro.

He simplified it. Guest—Got any roast beef? Waiter—Yes, sir. "Bring me one of your best cuts. I want it tender, juicy, not too well done, not too raw and with very little gravy. Have the fat and lean about equally divided and be particular not to cut the slice thick and don't forget the horseshoe." Can you remember that? Waiter—Yes, sir. (Loudly) Roast beef, one!

ALLEGED WITTICISMS.

"Can I get out by this gate, my man?" "I think you can, for I saw a cart full of hay come in by it this morning."

"Did you read Whittle's London letter this morning?" "No, it was too long, over two columns. What did it say?" "He said there was no news."

"This is quite a long interview of yours in the paper," said Mr. Daval to Dr. Depew. "I haven't had time to read it," said the doctor. "What do I say?"

"How much more have you to do?" asked one clerk of another. "About three minutes' work," was the reply. "How long will it take you?" "About half an hour."

"The young man is such a confirmed liar that I can do nothing with him," said a woman to her friend. "I suppose so." "No, he got into the habit of it when employed to write bulletins by a physician who was attending a famous man."

Little Ethel—Regie Rex and I are going to be married when we grow up. Nurse—I thought you didn't like Regie. Little Ethel—I don't, but married men never is at home, and I'd rather have him away all the time than any boy I know yet.

"Yes, stranger," said the native of the aspiring Western village, "five years ago this hill place was a wilderness; now, stranger, there are twenty men in that jail over yonder and forty more in the penitentiary. It's a growth, stranger."

TOO SMART TO HANG.

He was a Young Rebel Who Talked for His Life and Won It.

"Speaking of William L. Royall," says Mr. Charles A. Briggs, of Amisvill, Va., to the Richmond Dispatch.

He was a quick, bright fellow, and often conversed with his mother in French. He was fond of arguing, and when he couldn't get a boy to engage voluntarily with him in a debate I have known him to hire one and take him out to the woods, give him choice of sides on the question, and then pitch into him with the earnestness of Patrick Henry.

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RESCUED FROM OBLIVION.

A man's head in marble, which was lying neglected in an out-house of the residence of a Mr. Webb, near Guilford, England, has been recognized as a Greek marble, and not merely as a head of a man.

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WIT AND WISDOM.

The retining of hard is not one of those things you can accomplish and not half try. Photographer—Now, madam, a pleasant expression, please. Son-in-law, in the background—When? I must not miss that. Pete shivering—I tell ye, Mike, me heart aches for the rich this winter. Mike—Why, man? Pete—Think of the coal they have to buy, poor things. "See, River, here is a German clock I bought for yer in New York." "Good gracious, Hiram! how foolish." "You know I can't understand a word of German."

KRUPP AND HIS WORKMEN.

The German Gunmaker's Methods of Improving Their Condition.

One of the greatest manufacturing establishments in the world is the Krupp east steel works at Essen in Germany. Experiments at improving the condition of the laboring people have been going on there for twenty-five years, during which time the number of employees has increased from 3,000 to 25,000, and, with their families, from 30,000 to 85,000 persons.

The scheme which has been carried out consists of four branches: 1. The building and renting of workmen's dwellings. 2. The firm's co-operative stores and boarding accommodations for unmarried workmen. 3. The treatment and prevention of sickness and disease. 4. Insurance against accident and sickness; pension fund, savings banks, etc.

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GENTLE TO THE BABY.

A Savage Dog Shows Fondness for a Little One.

While traveling in the North of Sweden I bought a beautiful dog. When I first became his master he was most savage, and the difficulties I had in bringing him home would fill a volume.

After being dandified some time in my country place his temper became more civilized, but he was still very cross to strangers, and even I could not handle him with him.

His favorite place was in my wife's boudoir. My last child was born hardly out of his babyhood in the semi-crawling, toddling stage. She was always brought down to the boudoir every evening.

One evening the dog was as usual on the rug in front of the fire, the child being seated in another part of the room. A sudden cry from my wife made me look up, and I saw to my horror the child had crawled close to the dog.

For the Honor of His School. Among other anecdotes of university life, Dean Hole tells of an occasion when there was some doubt as to the locality of a city mentioned in a Greek text and the lecturer addressed a youth who had just come up from the famous Shrewsbury school.

Ready for Hostilities. Mrs. Slindlet—Did you pound the steak well? Servant—Yes, mum. "And stain the bread?" "Yes, mum." "Well, put some cologne in the butter and call all the boarders to breakfast."—New York Weekly.

ON THE TRAIL.

Tracker—Dehride's horses never win, do they? Tipper—Never. "Then how does he make so much money?" "Let's agit 'em."—New York Weekly.

Haskell Free Press Supplement, March, 18th, 1893.

You get fifty-two issues of the Texas Live Stock and Farm Journal, a total of over three thousand columns of good substantial live stock and agricultural news for \$1.50. You can get the same and this paper one year for \$2.00 cash! Isn't this a bargain? We take subscriptions.

"The people of this vicinity insist on having Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and do not want any other," says Joan V. Bishop, of Portland Mills, Indiana. That is right. They know it to be superior to any other for colds, and as a preventive and cure for croup, and why should they not insist upon having it. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. P. McLemore.

EVERY stockman and farmer in Texas should subscribe for and read at least one live stock and agricultural paper. In this connection we desire to state that we have made a clubbing arrangement with the Texas Live Stock and Farm Journal by the terms of which we are enabled to offer that most excellent journal in connection with the FREE PRESS at only \$2.00. These two papers if taken separately would cost \$3.00. The advantage therefore, of accepting our clubbing rate will at once become apparent to all. We hope our readers will take advantage of this liberal offer and send us their subscriptions at once.

The strongest endorsement that any article can have is the endorsement of the mothers of the town. When the mothers recommend it you may know that that article has more than ordinary merit. Here is what the Centerville, South Dakota, Citizen says editorially of an article sold in their town: "From personal experience we can say that Chamberlain's Cough remedy has broken up bad colds for our children. We are acquainted with many mothers in Centerville who would not be without it for a good many times its cost, and are recommending it every day." 50 cent bottles for sale by A. P. McLemore.

FOLLOWING is the closing paragraph of President Cleveland's inaugural address delivered in the presence of assembled thousands on last Saturday. Well does it typify the man's sturdy honesty, simple faith and fixity of purpose:

"The oath I now take to preserve, protect and defend the constitution of the United States not only impressively defines the great responsibility I assume, but suggests obedience to constitutional commands as a rule by which my official conduct must be guided. I shall, to the best of my ability and within my sphere of duty, preserve the constitution by loyally protecting every grant of official power it contains, by defending all its restraints when attacked by impatience or restlessness,

and by enforcing its limitations and reservations in favor of the states and the people. Fully impressed with the gravity of the duties which confront me, and mindful of my weakness, I should be appalled if it were my lot to bear alone the responsibilities which await me. I am, however, saved from discouragement when I remember I shall have the support and counsel and co-operation of wise and patriotic men who will stand at my side in cabinet places, or will represent the people in their legislative halls. I find also much comfort in remembering that my countrymen are just and generous, and in the assurance that they will not condemn those who by sincere devotion to their service deserve their forbearance and approval. Above all, I know there is a Supreme being who rules the affairs of men and whose goodness and mercy have always followed the American people, and I know he will not turn from us now if we humbly and reverently seek his powerful aid."

Mexican June Corn.

TWIN SISTERS, Tex., Feb. 17.
Editor Stockman and Farmer.

At your request of recent date I will give you my experience with the Mexican June corn in this part of the state. As the name indicates its home is Mexico, and it is planted there as here in the month of June. The ears are nearly of the size of common field corn, about 140 making a bushel, and each having either sixteen or twenty rows of grain. The average length of the stalk is ten feet, and the ear grows generally seven feet from the ground, which makes the gathering somewhat inconvenient, as you cannot break off the ear without bending the stalk.

Plant this corn as you would any common variety, if you have moisture enough in the ground for the plant to come up, you need not fear that dry weather will keep it from growing. I plant it on stubble land after the oat crop is harvested, dropping the seed twelve to eighteen inches apart; cover them the depth of the furrow, and go over it with smoothing harrow. If the weeds should start before the corn is up use the harrow again, but avoid all deep cultivation. After the plants are twelve to eighteen inches high go through them with the hoe, chop down the weeds and thin to a proper stand. It is important that the ground is not stirred as long as dry weather prevails. The rule to raise a good crop of common corn is, cultivate well and often, but remember the common corn gets its cultivation in April and May, when we generally have sufficient moisture. Not so with the Mexican corn. Your only object in cultivation should be to keep the weeds down, and if no rains come during July and August, my advice would be do not cultivate at all, and no matter how Old Sol parches all other vegetation the

June Corn keeps on growing and the drouth has no effect on it.

The dangers of a failure are twofold. First, too much rain in July and August, which will cause the stalks to grow too rapidly, the result of which is all stalk and no corn. Second, too much cultivation during a drouth would injure and kill the roots to such an extent that the plant would not grow strong enough to produce a good ear. The first named cause for failure is in western Texas a rare occurrence indeed as a drouth during July and August seems to be the rule. The second cause you can avoid by selecting land that is not very weedy; for instance, ground that has only been cultivated a few years. Last year I planted my corn during the first week in June, and after going over it with a hoe, never touched it until it was harvested. The result of this apparent negligence was a splendid crop while several of my neighbors who planted at the same time on similar soil and gave the crop full attention, made an entire failure. I also wish to say, do not plant earlier than the first week of June, a little later being better than sooner.

As to the general utility there cannot be too much said in its praise. It is perfectly white and grinds into a splendid meal for table use. All kinds of stock like it and do well on it. I read in your valuable paper some time ago that Mexican corn is flinty and hard, and stock could not eat it without previous soaking. The writer of that had probably not the right stand for I have never noticed that stock gave any preference to the common corn. It is a well known fact however, if the corn is planted in succession on the same soil a number of years it will become flinty and degenerate, especially if common corn is planted in the same field. For that reason I plant my crop in a separate field, where it can not come in contact with other varieties. Last year I procured seed direct from Mexico. For the first two years the corn will improve in Texas, in the third year it will be equal to the imported, and from then on gradually degenerate.

Special attention should be called to the value of the stalks. They remain green until the latter part of November, and as late as December cattle will eat them greedily and do well on them. I will not close this without pointing to the advantage of a fine supply of roasting ears during September, coming just in time when our spring and summer gardens are exhausted, and before the fall garden yields a supply.

M. KUEGER.

Do You Want a Public Office?

There are 180,000 offices in the gift of the new Administration, and those who want to know how to secure one of these lucrative positions

should send 75 cts. for the U. S. Blue Book, a register of every government office in each State and Territory, at Washington and abroad, with salaries and duties. It gives examination questions and is a complete guide for office seekers. Remit by money order or registered letter to J. H. Soule, 719 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C.

The Horse Show.

The Haskell horse show is prettily well advertised. We have seen items referring to it in several of the leading papers of the state, and the following is clipped from the Stockman and Farmer published down at San Antonio:

"There will be a horse show on the streets of Haskell, Texas, on March 25. These horse shows are becoming popular and should be encouraged as they are great educators."

This shows how printer's ink spreads the news. We suggest that instead of making it a strictly stallion show that some of best geldings and mares and colts be also exhibited so as to make a better exhibit of the stock interests of the county. What say you horsemen? We would not be surprised if there are horse raisers and dealers here from a distance.

Paint Creek Penicillings.

March 12.

The farmers are happy on account of the late rain. Some have planted corn, gardens, and Irish potatoes. Peach trees are blooming and wheat is putting on a real spring appearance.

J. L. Warren has planted some nice cedars in his yard.

Mr. Livingood and wife with their son, Mr. Bob, have moved onto their new home, which they recently purchased from J. S. Post.

Mr. J. S. Post and family are enjoying the comforts and pleasures of their nice new cottage home.

Rev. Hughes, baptist, preaches on the second and fourth Sabbaths at 11 o'clock.

Also, Rev. Bass of Haskell on the evening of the 4th Sabbath. We learn, after the 4th Sabbath of this month, that he will change his appointment to some other day.

Judge Sanders and Prof. Warren spent Friday with our school. They expressed themselves as highly pleased with the work done by Prof. Couch and Miss Riddel.

The trustees and patrons of the school met at the school house Saturday evening for the purpose of determining whether they would extend the school another month or use the surplus money to build a new school house. We have not yet learned the result of the meeting.

Health of the country is good.

M. R.

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...was none too men; indeed,

...none but the brave can eat it.— Judge.

...chip of the French sculptor, Louis Coulon of Montlucon. It measures

...pudding is made expressly for them; a new jacket, or trousers with pockets, or the first pair of boots is

...do not know, always getting A veteran

—The Haskell National Bank, whose advertisement will be found elsewhere in our columns, is a safe conservative financial institution, is popular with the people and is an important factor in the business interests of this section. It has a polite corps of officers.

—Dr. G. C. McGregor of Waco, who owns considerable property interests in this county, is here this week. The doctor is alive to the interests of Haskell and wants to see the work of development pushed. He called at the Free Press office and expressed his appreciation of the work being done in that line by the paper.

—Messrs. R. C. Lomax, A. C. Foster, J. L. Jones and J. Bogart attended the district court of Throckmorton county this week as witnesses in an important civil case, which was continued and transferred to Shackelford county, which will turn the next courting expedition of the gentlemen in the direction of Albany. Such are the vicissitudes in the life of the witness in the far west.

—Dr. C. M. Scogin and Mr. W. M. Lee, representing the New York Life Insurance company will be in Haskell next Monday in the interest of their company. Both gentlemen are well up on insurance business, as we know from a somewhat lengthy acquaintance, and are representing one of the oldest and most substantial companies in the country. If you want life insurance they are the gentlemen to write you up in a good company.

—The professional card of Messrs. Baldwin & Lomax, a leading firm of lawyers and real estate agents, will be found in our advertising columns. They do a good real estate business and give special attention to abstracting land titles and to land litigation. Mr. J. C. Baldwin, the senior member of the firm, is the senator from this senatorial district, and is now in Austin attending to the duties of that important position, while Mr. R. C. Lomax is holding down the business of the firm at home.

School Land Interest.

The Senate bill to extend the time for the payment of interest on school land purchases due Nov. 1st, and heretofore extended to April 1st, was taken up by the house on Tuesday and passed under suspension of the rules. It extends time of payment to 1st of next Nov. This will be welcome news to some of our readers.

Medical Examination.

—The Medical Examining Board for the 39th judicial district will meet in Haskell on Tuesday March 28th for the purpose of examining applicants to practice medicine.

J. E. LINDSEY, M. D.
Pres. Board.

Wild Horse Neighs.

March 15, '93.

Editor Free Press.

By the permission of the Free Press we will correct an error we made in our obituary last week. The deceased was a sister to Mr. J. D. Young of this place instead of Mr. W. R. Long of Itaska. Mr. Young is a son-in-law of Mr. Long and one of Haskell's most prosperous farmers.

Corn planting is the order of the day among the farmers this week.

Messrs. Tucker and Bowman, both well-to-do farmers of this place, have improved the looks of their premises by planting their yards full of cottonwood trees.

Mrs. J. C. Bohanan and Mrs. J. Young paid our county capital a visit Saturday.

Mr. Dick Lomax and wife and Mr. Walter Wright of Haskell paid

this place a visit this week.

Misses Alice Davis, Mattie and Mary Carothers, attended preaching at Ward school house last Sunday.

Quite a large number of young folks gathered at the residence of Mr. J. W. Smith Sunday night and enjoyed themselves in the way of singing. The music rendered on the organ by Miss Rena Smith received the praise of all present.

Quite a number of cases of la grippe in the neighborhood this week.

We are sorry to note the fact that Miss Lizzie Cook is quite ill, supposed to be pneumonia.

Mrs. Carral and family of this place moved to Paint creek this week.

Messrs. W. T. McDaniel and Farmer Bros., who came to this place fourteen months ago and settled on

new land, have to day two of the finest farms in the county. They have soded five hundred and thirty-five acres of land and are still turning it with the latest improved gang plows. Last year they raised 18 bales of cotton and five hundred bushels of corn and about 200 tons of sorghum which could have been sold at from three to five dollars per ton. We find that the produce of each acre planted in the above crops paid for the land on which it grew and many acres besides. FINIS.

[The above letter is from our correspondent in the Wild Horse Prairie neighborhood—hence the heading. This note is intended for an explanation to strangers.]

—Messrs. J. V. W. Holmes, S. W. Scott and Lee Kirby were, at a meeting two or three weeks since, appointed a committee to solicit donations to the World's Fair fund. They secured \$18, which they remitted to Mrs. Tobin. Mr. Kirby is in receipt of the following letter:

"Your favor of the 25th ultimo inclosing check for \$18.00 received. Please accept our thanks for the amount. We have much appreciation in our work and feel assured that Texas will yet be in gala attire, at the World's Fair.

Very Truly Yours,
BENEDICT B. TOBIN."

IMPORTANT.

All signs to the HASKELL RAILROAD and IMPROVEMENT organization are requested to meet at Judge McConnell's office at 2:30 p. m. Monday, for the purpose of electing officers and an executive committee and transacting such other business as may be deemed proper. All other persons feeling in sympathy with the movement are invited to attend.

The Committee.

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PLAIN THEOSOPHY.

AS TAUGHT BY OLNEY H. RICHMOND OF CHICAGO.

Something About the New Religion Which is Attracting Many Converts All Over the World—All Things Are Destined to Its Law.

OLNEY H. RICHMOND, the rich-
mond of the An-
cient Order of the
Magi, whose temple
is in Chicago.

"The order,"
said Mr. Richmond,
"reaches the re-
sults of the
stars based on a
knowledge of astronomy, geology,
mathematics and other sciences. It is
a scientific religion which accepts
nothing as a fact until proven, and
every proposition we make is susceptible
of mathematical demonstration
and proof. I not only believe in a
hereafter and heaven, but have absolute
proof of a life to come and know
exactly what it is; this religion is
christianity, with the absurdities of a
bodily resurrection, a material heaven
and an endless hell left out. It is
theosophy, with the wild and untenable
speculations of dreamers omitted. It
is spiritualism of the highest type,
with the false communications and
ignorant teachings of unadvanced be-

lievers on the other side ignored. It is
science, which does not place a limit
on infinity."
The temple is an oblong room of
large dimensions, fitted up very much
like a Masonic lodge. On entering the
mystic temple the visitor beholds a
miniature representation of the solar
system, which is in a more comprehensible
and tangible shape than has
ever before seen. Suspended from the
ceiling of the hall from end to end are
heavenly bodies, tilted at various an-
gles to the plane of the ecliptic, thus
illustrating their polarities, while at
the same time various satellites revolve
around the primaries.
Mr. Richmond has over 200 "my-
steries" which can be exhibited as proof
of occult knowledge. Among many
other things he can delineate a person's
horoscope and tell him things
that he has forgotten, or is yet to
know, the day he was born, giving
year, month and hour from his astral
number, which is contained in books
which he has made through eighteen
years of labor.
"Every person born in the world,"
continued Mr. Richmond, "has a
planet which especially rules over him,
and which during his span on earth,
with other bodies of the solar system,
plays an important part in shaping his
life. Each person, male or female,
has an individual number drawn from
the value of this overruling star in
these scientific calculations, and this
number is the basis for many of the
mathematical wonders. Many of these
mysteries can be mastered and elucidated
by novices. These facts are not
the work of spirits, psychology or
hocus pocus, but simple magic, based
on the laws of astronomy as under-
stood at the present time, aided by the
ancient methods."
Among other signs and symbols
with which the temple is decorated
are noticed the different figures to be
found on ordinary playing cards,
more or less familiar to all. In the de-
lightful game of whist it frequently
"happens" that one particular suit
with turn trump time after time, while
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time. The same person at the same
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Some Beautiful Women.

Three quarters of a second is the time
occupied by the fall of a knife in the
gullotine. The knife is weighted by
129 pounds of lead, falls nine feet,
and cuts through flesh and bone as easily
as through a bar of soap.
Divers in the clear waters of the trop-
ical seas find that fish of different
colors, when frightened, do not all dart
in the same direction, but that each
different kind seeks shelter in that
portion of the submarine growth near-
est to its color.
The production of bituminous coal
in the United States is now double
that of anthracite. In 1892 there were
110,000,000 tons of bituminous coal
mined, against 52,000,000 tons of
anthracite. The area of production of
soft coal is ten times greater than the
area of production of hard coal. In
the form of coke, bituminous coal is
constantly encroaching upon the field
of anthracite production.

Some Beautiful Women.
The portraits of beauties of the time
of Washington's inauguration show the
highest feminine charms of wit, feel-
ing, heart and mind in faces which
were their bloom staunchly up to 50.
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with her black hair and brilliant blue
eyes. Mrs. Bayard, whose pictured
face it is impossible to see and not love;
the faithful, frank wife of Alexander
Hamilton, who could have kept her
erring ways had she been more
of a woman and less of a
model. Many will recall Mme. Ru-
dendorff, the singer, when over forty,
beautiful as an image of rose and
white Parian, and Rose Evinge,
whether among the tapestries of her
singly picturesque rooms or in full
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trod the stage.
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tried to either of these best defied years
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LIKE AN ALARM CLOCK.

SOME PEOPLE CAN WAKE
WHenever THEY WISH.

They seem to be able to set their
Minds at a certain hour sleep
ending as a mere matter of
Will—How It's Done.

A discussion has been going on in
the English society for psychological re-
search as to the existence and the na-
ture of the power by which so many
people manage to wake themselves
precisely at the hour at which they
have resolved to wake themselves
the previous night. It is a matter on
which probably the greater number of
people can convince themselves.
You may fix a time when an alarm
strikes, so that it cannot be a half-
heard sound which wakes you.
You may fix five minutes before the
hour in a house in which no clock
strikes the quarter, or even in a
house in which there is no striking
clock at all, and no church clock
within a couple of miles; and yet not
one person only, but a great many—
we might perhaps say the majority of
persons past middle age—can wake
themselves at the right hour if on
the previous night they go to bed
with the resolve to do so in their
minds. It is a power which belongs
to all sorts of persons—not only per-
sons who have been in the habit of
getting up at given hours, but to per-
sons who have not.
Most nurses have it, most servants,
most laborers, most professional
men. Yet it is very difficult to ac-
count for, for when you wake you
have no distinct, nor, indeed, indis-
tinct recognition of the time on you.
You only know what time you ought
to have been awake, but not in the
least conscious that this time has
arrived, though when you look at
your watch in a fright you find as a
matter of fact that it has arrived, and
only just arrived. We believe that
the same power would apply to the
daytime under the same conditions;
namely, that you fix firmly in your
mind some hours, or at least some
considerable time earlier, that you
are to do something specific and to
be roused to a sense of the time at a
specific minute; then people notice
this less since there are so many
things in the day time which warn us
and thus put us on the watch as to
how time is flying. It is over the
curious thing is that, though you
can arrest your own attention
and wake up at the required time,
you never seem to have the least as-
surance that it is the right time
without consulting your watch. If
you do really "divine" the time you
have no power of recognizing that
you have "divined" it. You feel as
if you had merely guessed it, and
your watch confirms the guess.
The mind measures duration chiefly
by the succession of its own thoughts;
but, as we have seen, it is not dur-
ation, but something quite different
from duration, of which it appears to
be conscious; thus it can wake the
body at any given hour without even
knowing (consciously, at least) how
much time has elapsed since the re-
solve to wake was first formed. In
the Journal of the Society of Physi-
cal Research we are told of a lady,
well known to the editor, who
chronicled her experiences in this
manner during a part of last
July, and for July 5, she makes the
following entry:
"July 5.—Order given, again casual-
ly, with none of the seriousness of in-
tention which I should have associ-
ated with it had I been going to act
upon the sequence instead of merely
experimenting upon it. This time I
said, 'Wake me to take a journey at
10 o'clock,' meaning wake me at 1, but
not saying so. I was awakened with a
struggle of consciousness, could not
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FOR WOMAN AND HOME

CURRENT NEWS AND COMMENT FOR THE FIRESIDE

Some of the Prettiest Things for Women to Wear—Current Things for Women to Wear—In the Gallery—Art of Fascination.

The Art of Fascination

The secret of fascination is one which many a woman would sacrifice a great deal to learn. To cultivate a charming and attractive manner one must begin at home, and surely a better school could not be devised...

A Tailor-Made Gown



In blue cloth and velvet this smart little model looks unusually well. The double skirt with the trimming of fur is an especially attractive feature.

A Modish and Desirable Material

At the best dresses that women of moderate means buy for special occasions there are various inexpensive satin fabrics that wear and look much better than silks of similar value...

Suit by Gabrielli's Daughter

The romantic maid of Caparra, for which according to common report, Gabrielli paid less than \$2000, was sold to the Italian government, which wanted it for fortification purposes...



A Dainty Face Gown

This very attractive model in black face gown is plentifully besprinkled with small gold figures. The full sleeves are of black satin overlaid with the full ruffles.

The Kind of Woman to Know

The woman with a loving heart is sure to look upon the bright side of life and by her example induce others to do so. She sees a good reason for all the unwise events which others call bad luck.

Awkward Youth

Little Dick seems to me the older he grows the more awkward they get. Mañana—Why not?

Long Waits

Salesman (great store)—This coat fits your little girl nicely. Lady (thinking of next season)—Yes, it does now, but I think next better than this larger.

Not at the Theater

Employer—Why are you so late this evening? Boy—I had a wake so long last night I couldn't wake up.

THE FARM AND HOME

GYPSUM AS A FERTILIZER FOR POTATOES

Fried With Beneficial Results—A Good Sheep State—The Spread of the Roots—Farm Notes and Home Hints.

Gypsum on Potatoes

We were much interested in a talk we had the other day with a friend who is something of an experimentalist in horticulture, as well as a practical farmer. Last season he tried gypsum on a piece of potatoes with very beneficial results...

Forming an Anti-Criminole League

New York Commercial Advertiser: The well-known author, John Strange Winter, has written an open letter in which he says:

To Hold Bread and Salt

A beautiful dish has been provided by the burghers of Bucharest to hold the bread and salt that will be presented to the Princess Marie when she makes her entrance as the future Queen of the city.

A Good Sheep State

A door or gate through which a humored sheep is to rush, eager for their feed of grain, must be so constructed that it can be opened with the greatest dispatch.

Home Hints

Small articles of food such as butchies, can be cleaned with unslaked lime.

How Far Tree Roots Spread

The extent to which tree roots spread is a question of general importance when planting trees in a garden. It is a question of general importance when planting trees in a garden.

Domestic Peace Assured

Wife—And you got your life in bed by my means? That's enough! Husband—Yes, my dear, but just remember if you're ever to be soiled, you'll get a scold.

DISBOYED ORDERS ONCE

An Incident in the Life of a Brave Sea Captain Now Dead

The Pacific mail steamer San Juan, which arrived from Panama recently with her colors half-masted, brought the body of the late commander, Captain James McCrae, whose death at sea on the 12th inst. has already been announced.

The Value of Good Tidings

The almost universal tendency with Western farmers for years has been "spreading out" farming. Every farmer will one day have a crop of choice, but either can over tax acres to raise thirty bushels of wheat than to have the headache head enough to raise that amount on one acre.

Farm Notes

With horses, especially, the level of feeders are not by any means the best feeders.

Not Irish Boys

In Mr. Sargent Robinson's book, entitled "Bench and Bar," there are some whimsical stories of days gone by. Among these is the following:—

The Differences

"Ah, well," sighed Mr. Meeker as his wife handed him that piece of baby's ribbon, and told him to try some of the other stanzas.

Money Tight

Deaf Clerk—I've been doctored a week's money in making a mistake and killing a man. Lend me \$5, won't you? Friendly Policeman—Couldn't possibly. I've just been suspended a week for killing another one.

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SET OF FURS WORTH \$15,000

A skin of the sea-otter has been sold for as much as \$750. Sable skins, little bigger than a man's hand, have been sold for \$100 each, which is proportionately more expensive than the skin of the sea-otter.

AUBREY'S HISTORIC RIDE

Eight Miles an Hour on Horseback for 110 consecutive hours—The ride of the German officers from Berlin to Vienna recalls a much more remarkable one made by E. P. Aubrey, a native of St. Louis, Mo., about thirty-six years ago in the West. He had \$5000, but he could ride for Santa Fe, N. M., to Independence, Mo., within five consecutive days.

BOB TAIL'S GREAT RACE

A Tuff Event That Gave a New Phrase to the Language—The phrase, "That beats Bob Tail," is not uncommon even now in many parts of the country, especially in the South.

HALL'S CATARRH CURE. City of Toledo, Lucas Co., S. S. State of Ohio. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

HALL'S CATARRH CURE. Internally, and acts directly upon mucous surfaces. Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1889. A. W. GLEASON, NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c and \$1 bottles for all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

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She gazed on the tall old clock on the stairs. The "old" clock was a treasure rare. It was a "faint" gem. "A faint" gem," she said.

"Did you stand in some old colonial hall, where the firelight flickered out on polished floor and carved walls? Where fell the shadows of chair backs tall and straightly stiff," she said.

"Did you look, perchance, on a winsome maid— A faint century dead— Softly demure and sweetly staid In a tortoise-shell comb and an ivory braid— With a very short waist?" she said.

"Did you see her lover, a comely swain, A winding his stately braid— To touch her lips and to touch again Till her fair cheek warmed with a crimson stain?"

"Quaint old gem," she said.

"Oh, the wondrous pictures once known to you! And the tall old clock fetched a grin to view. I wonder what she'd remark if she knew I was made last week!" it said.

—Harper's.

NOT ALL IN VAIN.

"Why not marry me, then? Our home, of course, would be Dora's and you could care for her as you always have."

"You do not understand her, Dane. It would kill her nearly if she thought I loved anyone better than herself. Loving, gentle, patient as she is, in this respect she is a little tyrant, and she is too close to me to allow adding one drop to her already overflowing cup of suffering. I cannot even tell her of our engagement. Things must go on just they have and we must wait."

"Madge, this is madness. Wait! We might wait a lifetime; she may outlive us both."

"No, that is scarcely possible, though—"

"It may be for years, she added with a sigh.

"It may be forever," said Dane, savagely.

"Let us hope not. But if it must be, it must. As I have said, she would drop and die if she thought I had a heart for any one else, and she must ever come first before any happiness of mine."

Like most other men, Dane Forrester was unreasonable when anything happened to thwart his wishes, and he was willing to suffer the suffering of the girl he loved, but he could not see that it was costing her anything.

"And this is love! A thing to be lightly cast aside for the whim of an invalid. You pretend to love me, yet will destroy my life's happiness without reason, for there is no plausible reason why Dora should not be as happy and as well off with us as she could be otherwise. Strange love that!"

"Do not speak so bitterly, Dane," replied Margaret, with a soft smile in her voice. "You do not understand, but my reasons are strong and right why I should not give myself to another while Dora lives. Forget what you have said to me this night, and let us be friends as of old. Do not bind yourself to me; I give you your freedom, only let me be friends for Dora's sake."

"What you ask cannot be; we must be more than friends, or less; since you will it so you are right, but I shall go; it would be madness for me to stay here I can see your face. Oh, my love! my love! Once more I beg of you to think what you are doing. May my name, or a year from now, and I promise you Dora shall be happy."

"How can I let you go? Yet, Dane, it cannot be; we must be friends only for the present."

"You really mean it?"

"Yes."

"Then good-by—to you, to my happiness, to all that would make life worth living, and with a passionate kiss on her quivering lips she was gone, without a thought that she too must suffer—without a suspicion of the sacrifice she was making.

"She tried to call him back, but her lips were parched and no sound would come from them. With a cry she flung herself on the ground, and with only the stars to witness her agony, fought her battle alone.

"Oh," she murmured, "what this should be required of me. What have I ever done that this must be? From earliest girlhood I have given up my life to her. None of the joys and pleasures of other young people have I known; none of that companionship that brightens life; all, all has been sacrificed to make her poor life a little happier; all that love could do to have done, only to have this demanded of me. Oh, Dane, if you only knew the truth! Yet you never can. She loves you; loves you with that strength of which such natures are capable; it would be certain death to know you loved another, and that other me. But she shall never know. I will make my mean in silence, and keep the truth from her. But let her know; what will she say to that? Oh, why couldn't he have stayed and let things go as they were! No, he is gone; gone! Oh, Dane, come back!"

For half-an-hour she lay there tempest-tossed, then with a prayer for strength on her lips she stole to her room, and when she entered her sister's apartment all traces of her late emotion were gone.

"What, Dora, not sleeping yet?" She inquired, anxiously, as a pair of glittering pillows, and she saw crimson spots on the usually pale cheeks.

"I thought you were ready to sleep, or I would not have left you."

"Not even to be with Dane?"

"Not for any one, dear, Do I ever?"

"No, but you will some day. I know how it is; you will learn to love some one, and then what will become of me? I only hope it won't be Dane; although he will never love me, I could not endure it to know of his loving any one else.

"Dora, dear, you are exciting yourself uselessly. You know I will not leave you for any one on earth. You are my darling and my love," saying which she raised her sister in her arms and tenderly caressed her.

Then could be seen the cause of her self-delusion. Dora was deformed. Beautiful as it seldom falls to the lot of invalids to be, her deformity seemed all the more pitiful.

She was slight as a child, and through the day when her hair floated round like a child's golden.

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LOCAL DOTS.

—Bran and oats at S. L. Robertson's.

—Get your horses ready for the show next Saturday. Bring some of your fine colts along, too.

—Come and see those lovely ties at Johnson Bros. & Co's.

—All persons indebted to Rike & Ellis are requested to call and settle at once, don't forget it.

—Get out your whitewash and paint brushes and brighten your surroundings up a little for spring.

—Mr. Tom Marr has returned to Haskell.

—Buy bulk garden seed at McLemore's.

—Mrs. H. G. D. Collins of Knoxville, Tenn., is here on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Jones.

—Landreth's Garden seed at McLemore's.

—Mr. W. H. McClatchey recently brought us a big load of wood to pay for a paper for himself and one to send off to a friend.

—Say boys have you got yourself one of those lovely spring ties at Johnson Bros. & Co's.

—The young folks had quite an enjoyable party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dewberry on last Saturday night.

—Dried Fruits: apples, peaches, Grapes—fancy evaporated apples and apricots at S. L. Robertson's.

—The nicest line of summer over shirts you ever saw at Johnson Bros. & Co's.

—Our new district judge, Hon. C. P. Woodruff spent Saturday night in Haskell en route to Throckmorton to hold a term of the district court there.

—Choice Fresh Groceries at lowest cash prices. S. L. Robertson.

—Dr. J. G. Simmons, Mr. L. N. Ritter, and our efficient post master, Mr. C. B. Banks each sent several copies of the Free Press off to friends last week.

—The cheapest and best seed in town is Landreth's bulk seed at McLemore's.

—Be courteous and attentive to the stranger within our gates. Such treatment of strangers in a strange place goes a good way in shaping their opinion of a place and its people.

—Buy Drugs and you Garden seed at McLemore's.

—Men's and Boys pants 75 cts. to \$4.00 at S. L. Robertson's.

—Those Hats are going fast at low prices, and good quality at Johnson Bros. & Co's.

—The attention of our farmers is directed to the letter in this issue about Mexican June corn. It may be they will find something to their interest in it in the way of a summer crop.

—Hamilton Brown shoes for ladies at S. L. Robertson's.

—Judge P. D. Sanders spent several days this week visiting the country schools in the discharge of his ex-officio duties as county superintendent of public schools.

—If you buy for cash you can save money by buying from S. L. Robertson.

—Mr. Chas. Currie of the Rayner Lasso was a visitor to our city this week. We regret not being present to make his acquaintance when he called at our sanctum.

—Millet Seed, genuine large German at S. L. Robertson's.

—You can buy Albany best Fancy Patent Flour for \$2.05, and Violet for \$2.40 from W. P. Whitman at the Haskell Lumber Yard. Each sack guaranteed.

—A nice stock of Gents' Furnishing Goods just received at S. L. Robertson's.

—Messrs. Tom Carney, Lee Kirby and Peacey Lindsey went out on Croton creek, hunting last Thursday morning. Mr. Kirby reports the result as one deer killed by Lindsey and three by himself, Carney's only success being the catching of a little "cotton tail" rabbit.

—Fulk Garden Seeds at McLemore's are one half cheaper than any other kind.

—We learn that the Haskell Chautauqua society is growing in interest and popular favor. It furnishes an excellent means of combining the acquisition of useful knowledge with pleasant social intercourse.

—The best stock of boots and shoes at S. L. Robertson.

—The report of the final examination in geometry of the first grade class in the Haskell public school, published in this paper, shows a thoroughness—the grade running from 87 to 100, or perfect—which we think cannot be excelled in any school.

—F. G. Alex. & Co. unquestionably have the boot and shoe trade of this town and vicinity. In quality, quantity and variety of styles they excel, while in low prices they have a fixed monopoly.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones were presented with a fine baby boy on Thursday night. Mr. Jones is in such a felicitous state of mind that you can buy groceries of him at your own figures for a week to come. We advise his partners to lock him out until he recovers his equilibrium.

—Remember that Rike, Ellis & Jones are 'still in it' when it comes to cheap Groceries.

—B. F. Johnson of Scarcey Ark. is here looking after his land interest in this county. He is well pleased with Haskell county, and says this is the prettiest country he ever saw and that he is almost tempted to come and link his fortune with us.

—Mr. Ed. J. Hamner of the Haskell bar, who is attending district court in Throckmorton county this week, was chosen special judge to try two felony cases in which Judge Woodruff was recused.

—The report of the First National Bank of Haskell, which we publish this week, shows a good volume of business transacted during the last quarter and indicates an easier financial condition prevailing in our county than might have been expected so soon after the depression of last year.

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To our friends and patrons of Haskell and adjoining counties: We want to thank you for the liberal trade you gave us in 1892, and to solicit your patronage for 1893. We have the largest stock of Groceries in West Texas, and can offer you inducements to do business with us and are in a position to extend favors to those who want it. We are strictly Headquarters, and will not be undersold. Come and see us.
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—Mr. S. W. Scott, who made a business trip to Graham last week and returned on Saturday evening, informed us that he learned at Throckmorton that local option carried there on the 11th by a majority of over two to one. Throckmorton has had the local option law in force for several years and, such a decided majority in favor of retaining it, indicates that her people consider it a blessing.

Fresh Lims.

Just received a car of Missouri Lims which is the best, also keep on hand a supply of cement, plaster and Piedmont blacksmith's coal, send order to Lynch & Co., Seymour, Texas.

The Free Press is indebted to Mr. W. T. Jones for local news items this week. In this connection we will say we will take it as a favor if every person having friends visiting here, or knowing of other items of local interest, would mention the fact of their coming and going, as well as of their own, and not leave us to find out by intuition or the best way we can, and, if we fail to do so, conclude that we didn't mention it because we thought it of no consequence or did not want to do it.

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—Messrs. S. M. Edwards, J. F. Russel and R. W. Tripp of Daneyville, Tenn., old neighbors in Tennessee of our townmen, Mr. W. T. Jones, arrived here the latter part of last week on a prospecting tour. We understand they were very much pleased with the fine lands of Haskell county and may eventually become citizens of it. Mr. Edwards made a conditional contract for the purchase of a choice tract of farming land.

—Passing Messrs. F. G. Alexander & Co's. store the other day, we glanced in and, noting an unusual stir we stepped inside and found that seven wagon loads of new goods had arrived and boxes, cases and bales were being opened, and counters, tables and every available place was heaped up with their contents. There was clothing of all sorts, some of it very fine and stylish, shoes and boots for little, big, old and young in great quantities and all styles; dress goods for the ladies in endless variety, from a piece of calico to the finest laws or silks, with trimmings to match; gloves, ribbons, embroidries and other fixings dear to the feminine heart. But, as we are not very well posted in such matters, we can't begin to tell you of all they have. Do as we did, go and see. To see is to be pleased and, to buy—at their low prices—is to be happy. We tried it to the extent of a new spring suit.

—The editor made a hurried trip to Throckmorton this week, found the town in statue quo, though in something of a stir with district court in progress, over which our new judge was presiding with becoming dignity.

Canadians for Annexation!

Sentiment seems to be growing in Canada towards annexation with the United States, but, however much this matter concerns us, there is yet another one that is of greater importance just now.

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